



Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V

Section A – Licence Details			
Licence number:	L8593/2011/2	Licence file number:	2011/007842-1
Licence holder:	Golden Grove Operations Pty Ltd		
Trading as:	Golden Grove Operations Pty Ltd		
ACN:	114 868 325		
Registered address:	Suite 1, 38 Colin Street West Perth WA 6005		
Reporting period:	01 / 01 / 2021 to 31 / 12 / 2021		

Section B – Statement of Compliance with Licence Conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C;• section D if required; and• sign the declaration in Section F.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• section C;• section D if required;• section E; and• sign the declaration at Section F.

Section C – Statement of Actual Production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Production Quantity
Total Ore Milled <i>Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore</i>	1,354,888 tonnes
Industrial wash water (L 150) <i>Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore</i>	1541 m ³
Tailings to CHF (dry weight) <i>Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore</i>	486,705 tonnes

Section D – Statement of Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity	
Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed Premises Category	Actual Part 2 Waste Discharge Quantity
Tailings Total (dry weight) <i>Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore</i>	1,245,943 tonnes
Mine dewatering <i>Category 6: Mine dewatering</i>	957 ML
Discharge from WWTP to irrigation field <i>Category 54: Sewage facility</i>	134,200 m ³
Waste disposal in landfill <i>Category 89: Putrescible landfill site</i>	449.5 tonnes

Section E – Details of Non-Compliance with Licence Condition			
Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	31	Date(s) of non-compliance:	10/3/2021, 19/5/2021, 12/9/2021, 17/11/2021, 22/11/2021 for MB18
Details of non-compliance:			
<p>TDS limit exceedance for MB18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March: 6430 mg/L • May: 6440 mg/L • Sep: 5890 mg/L • Nov: 5270 mg/L and 6220 mg/L <p>Threshold Limit – 5000 mg/L</p>			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<p>NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p> <p>Refer to Section 2.1 of the Annual Environmental Report for details. No environmental impact expected.</p> <p>Previous investigations by Big Dog Hydrogeology identified that there is no potential for environmental harm associated with seepage migration in the deep groundwater system, based on several observations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All seepage effluent within the deeper aquifer is drawn towards and captured by the dewatering operations in the Scuddles and Gossan Hill underground mines. Given the abstraction operation, both mines form a groundwater sink where all groundwater in the area are drawn towards. ○ Although the seepage has degraded the groundwater quality in the deep groundwater system, the deep groundwater system will no longer exist as a resource, as it is being dewatered by the mining operations. ○ Dewatering of the deep groundwater system across the Golden Grove mine is a necessary requirement of maintaining safe working conditions in the underground mines and is an authorised activity under “Licence to Take Water GWL103574(8).” Dewatering of the deep groundwater system is monitored and reported to the Department of Water as per GWL Licence conditions. 			
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:			
<p>Refer to Section 2.1 of the Annual Environmental Report for details.</p> <p>Previous investigations concluded that the source of elevated TDS levels is due to seepage from Evaporation Pond A (EPA), which contains mine dewatering water.</p>			

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
A seepage recovery programme to pump out the seepage generated from the evaporation ponds is being undertaken. Refer to Section 2.1 of the Annual Environmental Report for more details.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing	Date: 09 / 12 / 2021

Section F – Declaration

I/We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular¹. I/We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.

Signature ² :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:	31/03/21.	Date:	31/03/2022
Seal (if signing under seal):			

¹ It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

² AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.