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SCHEDULE 5 TO THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OVERLAY

Shown on the planning scheme map as **DPO5**.

MINING POLICY AREA NO. 2

Purpose

To allow mining of mineral sands and associated research in an environmentally sensitive manner and with regard for the amenity of adjacent land uses.

To enable the establishment of buildings and works necessary for such operations.

To ensure that any land disturbed by such operations is appropriately rehabilitated.

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Requirement before a permit is granted

A Development Plan and Environmental Management Program must be prepared in consultation with and to the satisfaction of the responsible authority prior to the commencement of additional any buildings or works, additional to those shown in the Concept Plan or any change to existing buildings.

A Review Committee must advise the Responsible Authority on such matters that the Responsible Authority may refer to this Committee concerning the Development Plan, Environmental Management Program and/or subsequent planning permit(s), or matters that the members of the Committee may wish to bring to the attention of the Responsible Authority.

The Environmental Review Committee shall consist of officers from:-

- Horsham Rural City Council,
- Department of Natural Resources and Environment,
- Wimmera Mallee Water,
- Department of Business and Industry,
- Department of Infrastructure,
- Department of Human Services,
- Environment Protection Authority, and
- Any other authority, agency or person the Responsible Authority considers necessary. The mine owner must call meetings of the Committee when directed by the Responsible Authority.

And any other authority, agency or person the responsible authority considers necessary. The mine owner must call regular quarterly meetings of this committee.

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Conditions and requirements for permits

All use and development must generally be in accordance with the Concept Plan for Shire of Wimmera Amendment No. L4 incorporated into this scheme, except for variations approved by the responsible authority under the Development Plan and Environmental Management Program.

Despite the provisions of Shire of Wimmera Planning Permit No. 289, up to 200,000 tonnes of ore may be processed through the Pilot Plant.

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Requirements for development plan

The Development Plan and Environmental Management Program is to be considered in conjunction with the Working Plan required under the Mining Lease and must show:-

- the general location, size, extent and intended use of all processing and associated facilities, buildings, works and development on the land. All fixed plant must be of an environmentally sensitive colour to the satisfaction of the responsible authority;

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- internal access roads, car parking and loading and unloading areas;
- the location of storage areas for ore and mineral concentrates;
- the location of storage and disposal areas for over-burden and tailings;
- details of water supply and waste water disposal facilities, water recycling facilities and site drainage;
- details of domestic and non-hazardous waste disposal sites;
- storage, handling and disposal facilities for fuels, chemicals and other raw materials;
- the extent of on-site vegetation clearance and any erosion prevention works;
- work program;
- hours of operation;
- dust suppression methods;
- details of all fencing and landscaping works;
- rehabilitation proposals for the areas affected by the conduct of processing operations. (These proposals to form part of the Working Plan and proposal as required under the Mining Lease);
- a fire control plan;
- monitoring program; and
- any other matters as determined by the responsible authority.

The Development Plan and Environmental Management Program may be modified at any time provided that such modifications are prepared in consultation with and to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.

Guidelines

In determining whether the Development Plan and Environmental Management Program required or any modification to this plan or the Concept Plan is satisfactory, the responsible authority must have regard to the following:-

- the economic significance of Victoria's mineral sands deposits;
- the existing usage of the site as a Pilot plant facility and the likely impact of the proposed operations on the amenity of adjoining and nearby areas;
- the topography of the land and the likely on and off-site environmental impacts of the operations;
- the proposed means of access to the site and its likely impact on the environment and the amenity of adjoining and nearby areas;
- the suitability of the proposed method of operation, including equipment to be used, hours of operation, water, waste and tailings management and the effectiveness of proposed dust, noise and emission controls.