

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question On Notice**

**Thursday, 14 May 2020**

**2949. Hon Robin Scott to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum**

- (1) Will the Minister please provide a list of the companies/prospectors and projects which have lodged addendums to existing mining proposals to commence mining operations within the last 8 months and are currently still waiting to have those projects approved by the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister advise what is specifically being done to process and expedite all outstanding addendums to Mining Proposals awaiting approval so as mining companies can continue to play a huge part in the growth and development of this State?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

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**Answer**

- (1) No
- (2) There is no formal process for addendums to Mining Proposals under the *Mining Act 1978*, and therefore the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS) does not differentiate within its systems between Mining Proposals that are for new operations compared to proposals for additions/revisions to existing operations. I have provided a list of companies that have lodged Mining Proposals since 15 September 2019, which were still under assessment as of 15 May 2020. This amounts to 82 Mining Proposals. [*See Tabled Paper no.*  ]
- (3) DMIRS commits to target timeframes for all its approval processes. The target timeline for Mining Proposals is 30 business days from receipt of application. While a number of the 82 Mining Proposals listed in (2) may be 'on-hold' waiting for more information from the applicant or advice from another agency, over the period 15 September 2019 to 15 May 2020 DMIRS finalised 139 Mining Proposals with an average DMIRS processing time of 19 business days. DMIRS is continuously improving its approvals performance and I recently announced that from 1 July 2020, the target timeframe for exploration and prospecting programme of work approvals will be reduced from 30 to 15 business days.
- (4) Not applicable



**MINISTER FOR MINES AND PETROLEUM**

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Tabled Paper to Legislative Council Question on Notice 2949

**Mining Proposal Applications – 15 September 2019 to 15 May 2020**

| <b>Date received</b> | <b>Projects (System generated)</b>  | <b>Company</b>                                   |
|----------------------|---|--|
| 04/10/2019           | J01005 - Mt Cattlin Spodumene   | Galaxy Lithium Australia Limited                 |
| 11/10/2019           | J02145 - Ravensthorpe - First Quantum   | FQM Australia Nickel Pty Limited                 |
| 17/10/2019           | J00775 - Yangibana / Hastings   | HASTINGS TECHNOLOGY METALS Ltd                   |
| 21/10/2019           | J01470 - Stennet Lake Gypsum  | STENNET Pty Ltd                                  |
| 24/10/2019           | J01703 - Sunrise Dam  | ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI AUSTRALIA Limited              |
| 24/10/2019           | J05496 - Coondarrie BRM / Scorpion  | Scorpion Mining Pty Ltd                          |
| 11/11/2019           | J02085 - Lake Clifton / WA Limestone  | PMR QUARRIES PTY LTD T/A WA LIMESTONE            |
| 11/11/2019           | J05665 - Warrawanda Creek / CRD-Holcim, J00864 - Warrawanda Creek / Holcim                                | Holcim (Australia) Pty LTD                       |
| 14/11/2019           | J01320 - Tom Price Aggregate  | Mobile Concreting Solutions Pty Limited          |
| 21/11/2019           | J00017 - Cue Gold - Central Murchison, J00231 - Meekatharra, J00025 - Yaloginda - Paddy's Flat - Bluebird | BIG BELL GOLD OPERATIONS Pty Ltd                 |
| 22/11/2019           | J01646 - Solomon - Greater Solomon  | Fortescue Metals Group LIMITED                   |
| 25/11/2019           | J05609 - Bounty - McAuley Alluvial / Potts  | POTTS, Christopher Peter                         |
| 29/11/2019           | J05609 - Bounty - McAuley Alluvial / Potts  | POTTS, Christopher Peter                         |
| 06/12/2019           | J00480 - Murrin Murrin / Minara   | Minara Resources Pty Limited                     |
| 06/12/2019           | J01345 - Twin Hills / Melrose   | MELROSE RESOURCES Pty Ltd                        |
| 10/12/2019           | J04770 - Bellevue, J02247 - Cosmos, J00329 - Kathleen Valley Gold / Ramelius                              | GOLDEN SPUR RESOURCES Pty Ltd                    |
| 12/12/2019           | J04849 - Mt Palmer Alluvials  | MT PALMER GOLD Pty Ltd                           |
| 16/12/2019           | J01451 - Lake Cowcowing North - West Dukin / Lake Hillman   | LINDSAY J & HELEN C STEPHENS                     |
| 19/12/2019           | J03172 - Eight Mile Rock Hole   | MLG OZ Pty Ltd                                   |
| 23/12/2019           | J00756 - Mt Keith / BHP Billiton, J00726 - Yakabindie   | BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty LIMITED             |
| 24/12/2019           | J05618 - Lights of London / Bowden  | Gregory John BOWDEN                              |
| 02/01/2020           | J05627 - Carbine / Champion   | Lionel Brian CHAMPION and Brendon James CHAMPION |
| 06/01/2020           | J05622 - Two Peaks / Stehn  | ANTHONY PATERSON STEHN                           |
| 08/01/2020           | J00322 - Sandstone - Hancocks, J02428 - Six Mile Well Gold / Sixmez                                       | DIVERSIFIED ASSET HOLDINGS Pty Ltd               |
| 08/01/2020           | J04552 - Sweet Nell / Francis   | WILLIAM AMBROSE FRANCIS                          |
| 13/01/2020           | No associated Project linked  | EARTH AUSTRALIA CONTRACTING Pty Ltd              |
| 13/01/2020           | J05636 - Redcastle Alluvials / Dixon  | TREVOR JOHN DIXON                                |
| 20/01/2020           | J00051 - Snake Well   | ADAMAN RESOURCES Pty Ltd                         |
| 23/01/2020           | J02695 - Lancelin-Wedge Island / Enmic  | LIME INDUSTRIES Pty Ltd                          |

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| 24/01/2020 | J01451 - Lake Cowcowing North - West Dukin / Lake Hillman                         | LINDSAY J & HELEN C STEPHENS                  |
| 24/01/2020 | J05638 - Kilarney / CV Extractives  | CV EXTRACTIVES Pty Ltd                        |
| 24/01/2020 | J05640 - East Hedland / Italia  | Italia Stone Group Pty Ltd                    |
| 31/01/2020 | J02010 - Ulysses Gold   | Genesis Minerals Limited                      |
| 31/01/2020 | J04814 - Mungari / Evolution, J02157 - White Foil - Mungari West                  | EVOLUTION MINING Limited                      |
| 31/01/2020 | J03943 - Hamersley Iron Rail / Rio Tinto - Robe River                             | ROBE RIVER MINING CO. PTY. LTD.               |
| 31/01/2020 | J00178 - Kambalda - St Ives   | St Ives Gold Mining Company Pty Limited       |
| 02/02/2020 | J00260 - Mt Pleasant - Lady Bountiful Extended, J00292 - Paddington - Mt Pleasant | Paddington Gold Pty Limited                   |
| 04/02/2020 | J00757 - Forrestania Nickel / Western Areas                                       | Western Areas Limited                         |
| 05/02/2020 | J01415 - Pilbara Area / Boral, J01768 - Tabba Tabba Creek / Quarry Industries     | Boral Resources (WA) Limited                  |
| 06/02/2020 | J00656 - Savannah Nickel  | SAVANNAH NICKEL MINES Pty Ltd                 |
| 10/02/2020 | J00098 - Agnew - Emu  | Agnew Gold Mining Company Pty LIMITED         |
| 11/02/2020 | J00706 - West Angelas   | ROBE RIVER MINING CO. PTY. LTD.               |
| 11/02/2020 | J00033 - Bullabulling   | Bullabulling Operations Pty LTD               |
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| 21/02/2020 | J00864 - Warrawanda Creek / Holcim  | Holcim (Australia) Pty LTD                    |
| 24/02/2020 | J00913 - Three Springs Talc   | Imerys Talc Australia Pty Limited             |
| 26/02/2020 | J00559 - Koolyanobbing Iron   | YILGARN IRON Pty Ltd                          |
| 28/02/2020 | J01837 - New Bulong - Boundary  | BLACK CAT SYNDICATE Limited                   |
| 28/02/2020 | J01508 - Halls Creek - Lamboo Gold, J01556 - Palm Springs - Mt Bradley            | Halls Creek Mining Pty Ltd                    |
| 28/02/2020 | J02624 - Matilda  | Blackham Resources Limited                    |
| 29/02/2020 | J00073 - Bullfinch - Copperhead, J00226 - Marvel Loch - Southern Cross            | TIANYE SXO GOLD MINING Pty Ltd                |
| 01/03/2020 | J02624 - Matilda, J00362 - Wiluna Gold, J00263 - Wiluna South - Matilda           | Blackham Resources Limited                    |
| 02/03/2020 | J03500 - Parker Range - Mt Caudan Iron  | Polaris Metals Pty Limited                    |
| 03/03/2020 | J05265 - Mardie Salt-Potash / BCI   | MARDIE MINERALS Pty Ltd                       |
| 04/03/2020 | J05390 - Lake Lockhart Gypsum / Grant   | Regan Scott Grant and Melita Grant            |
| 10/03/2020 | J02851 - Boorara / Macphersons, J03525 - Historic Gold - East Coolgardie (26)     | MacPhersons Resources Limited                 |
| 11/03/2020 | J00315 - Rothsay  | Silver Lake Resources LIMITED                 |
| 13/03/2020 | J00156 - Mt Magnet  | RAMELIUS RESOURCES Limited                    |
| 13/03/2020 | J00872 - Lake Deborah East Salt   | AUSTWIDE MINING TITLE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD      |
| 18/03/2020 | J02419 - Thunderbox Gold  | SARACEN METALS Pty Limited                    |
| 24/03/2020 | J00222 - Mangaroon  | Anthony Paterson Stehn and Michael John Brown |
| 07/04/2020 | J01080 - Yandal - Empire / Echo   | Northern Star Resources Limited               |
| 07/04/2020 | J00430 - Mt Ida Gold, J04342 - Mt Ida South, J01124 - Spotted Dog South           | MGK RESOURCES Pty Ltd                         |

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| 08/04/2020 | J03820 - Altura Lithium Project / Pilgangoora                             | Altura Mining LIMITED                    |
| 16/04/2020 | J05661 - Pantomime Prospecting / Snell                                    | Gavin Andrew Snell and Ian Michael Snell |
| 17/04/2020 | No associated Project linked  | Hamersley Iron Pty Limited               |
| 17/04/2020 | J05539 - Iron Ridge, J03381 - Mid West / Atlas                            | FENIX RESOURCES Ltd                      |
| 21/04/2020 | J05662 - Fourteen Mile Well Prospecting                                   | MCA Nominees Pty Ltd                     |
| 23/04/2020 | No associated Project linked  | REGIS RESOURCES Limited                  |
| 23/04/2020 | J04312 - Port Hedland Sand and Gravel / Swan-Stirling                     | PMR QUARRIES PTY LTD T/A WA LIMESTONE    |
| 26/04/2020 | J01503 - Cuddingwarra - Black Swan, J00017 - Cue Gold - Central Murchison | BIG BELL GOLD OPERATIONS Pty Ltd         |
| 30/04/2020 | J01105 - Denison Limesand / Cockburn                                      | AUSTWIDE MINING TITLE MANAGEMENT PTY LTD |
| 05/05/2020 | J00527 - Golden Grove   | EMR GOLDEN GROVE Pty Ltd                 |
| 08/05/2020 | J04770 - Bellevue   | GOLDEN SPUR RESOURCES Pty Ltd            |
| 08/05/2020 | J00109 - Fortnum  | ARAGON RESOURCES Pty Ltd                 |
| 09/05/2020 | J00330 - Gwalia - Leonora   | St Barbara Limited                       |
| 10/05/2020 | J02013 - Dalgaranga - Gilbeys   | Gascoyne Resources Limited               |
| 13/05/2020 | J05662 - Fourteen Mile Well Prospecting                                   | MCA Nominees Pty Ltd                     |
| 14/05/2020 | No associated Project linked  | ROY HILL IRON ORE Pty Ltd                |
| 14/05/2020 | No associated Project linked  | MIZZISOFT Pty Ltd                        |
| 15/05/2020 | J00444 - Bald Hill  | ALITA RESOURCES Limited                  |