

Licence

Licence number	L8308/2008/3
	2000/2000/0
Licence holder	CITIC Pacific Mining Management Pty Ltd
ACN	119 578 371
Registered business address	45 St Georges Terrace
5	Perth
	WA 6000
DWER file number	DER2014/000430-2~13
Duration	1/06/2024 to 31/05/2044
Premises details	Sino Iron Project Mine Site
	Mining Tenements M08/123, M08/124, M08/125,
	M08/264, M08/265, M08/266, G08/54 and L08/126
	MARDIE WA 6714
Prescribed premises category	
description (Schedule 1, <i>Environmental Protection</i>	Assessed production capacity
Regulations 1987)	
	 Primary Crushers (1, 2, 3 and 4) 95,000,000 tonnes
	 per annual period Concentrators (Mill Lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6)
Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	95,000,000 tonnes per annual period (producing
	27,600,000 tonnes per annual period)
	 Tailings Storage Facility (Stage 2) 67,400,000 tonnes per annual period
Cotogony 6: Mino dowatoring discharge	12,000,000 tonnes per annual period (12 gigalitres per
Category 6: Mine dewatering discharge	annual period)
Category 12: Screening, etc. of material	
	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period
Category 52: Electric power generation	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period 480 megawatts
Category 52: Electric power generation Category 54: Sewage facility	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period 480 megawatts 160 cubic metres per day
Category 52: Electric power generation Category 54: Sewage facility Category 57: Used tyre storage (general)	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period 480 megawatts 160 cubic metres per day No more than 500 tyres
Category 52: Electric power generation Category 54: Sewage facility Category 57: Used tyre storage (general) Category 64: Class II putrescible landfill	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period 480 megawatts 160 cubic metres per day No more than 500 tyres Landfill Facilities and Waste Rock Landforms 25,000
Category 52: Electric power generation Category 54: Sewage facility Category 57: Used tyre storage (general)	2,700,000 tonnes per annual period 480 megawatts 160 cubic metres per day No more than 500 tyres

This licence is granted to the licence holder, subject to the attached conditions, on 30 May 2024, by:

Neville Welsh SENIOR INDUSTRY REGULATION OFFICER REGULATORY SERVICES Officer delegated under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Licence history

Licence	Date	Summary of changes
L8308/2008/1	30/05/2008	Licence granted
L8308/2008/2	30/05/2014	Licence renewed
L8308/2008/3	30/5/2024	Licence renewal granted with 20 year licence duration.

Interpretation

In this licence:

- (a) the words 'including', 'includes' and 'include' in conditions mean "including but not limited to", and similar, as appropriate;
- (b) where any word or phrase is given a defined meaning, any other part of speech or other grammatical form of that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning;
- (c) where tables are used in a condition, each row in a table constitutes a separate condition;
- (d) any reference to an Australian or other standard, guideline, or code of practice in this licence:
 - (i) if dated, refers to that particular version; and
 - (ii) if not dated, refers to the latest version and therefore may be subject to change over time;
- (e) unless specified otherwise, any reference to a section of an Act refers to that section of the EP Act; and
- (f) unless specified otherwise, all definitions are in accordance with the EP Act.

NOTE: This licence requires specific conditions to be met but does not provide any implied authorisation for other emissions, discharges, or activities not specified in this licence.

Licence conditions

The licence holder must ensure that the following conditions are complied with:

Infrastructure and equipment

1 The licence holder must ensure that the site infrastructure and equipment listed in Table 1 and located at the corresponding infrastructure location is maintained and operated in accordance with the corresponding operational requirements set out in Table 1.

Site infrastructure and equipment		
	987 ha facility to a maximum height of:	
	- Western embankment 66 mRL; and	
	- Eastern embankment 70 mRL.	
	 Includes low permeability zones comprising highly weathered waste rock material along the upstream zone of the northern and the south-western embankments. 	
TSF Stage Two	 Northern and western flanks include a liner system comprising of 2 mm thick textured Linear Low Density Polyethylene geomembrane underlain by a Geosynthetic Clay Liner installed on a compacted clayey material up to 39 mRL. 	
	 Northern and western flanks include a liner system comprising of Elastomeric Bituminous Geomembrane Liner above 39 mRL up to 66 mRL. 	
	 Tailings to be deposited from multiple discharge locations around the southern and eastern embankment perimeters. 	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps.
	Maintain an operational freeboard of 0.5 m.	
	 Maintain existing finger drains, seepage trenches / drains and pumps. 	
Process Water Dam	• Lined process water dam, which stores process water, return water from the TSF and treated wastewater from the Biomax WWTP and the MBBR WWTP prior to reuse (i.e. within the hoppers and mills).	
	Contain mine dewatering water.	
Camp 123 Turkey's nest	 Lined with HDPE liner to meet a permeability of <10⁻⁹ m/s. 	
	Maintain an operational freeboard of 0.5 m.	
	Contain mine dewatering water.	
Dewatering Staging Facility	 Lined with HDPE liner to meet a permeability of <10⁻⁹ m/s. 	
	Maintain an operational freeboard of 0.5 m.	

2 The licence holder must ensure that the waste types specified in Table 2 are only subjected to the corresponding processes, subject to the corresponding process limits and/or specifications.

Waste type	Processes	Process limits and/or specifications ^{1,2}
Sewage	Biological, physical, and chemical treatment	 Biomax WWTP – 60 m³/day. MBBR WWTP – 100 m³/day. With disposal of treated effluent to the Process Water Dam prior to reuse of the wastewater within the Processing Plant.
All waste types (excluding Clean Fill and Uncontaminated Fill used for cover material)	Receipt, handling, and disposal of waste by landfilling or TSF disposal	No more than 25,000 tonnes per annual period of all waste types cumulatively shall be disposed of to the Landfill Facility, Waste Rock Landforms and to the TSF Stage Two shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps.
Inert Waste Type 1		• The active landfill area is managed such that at no time does landfilling result in an exposed face exceeding 2 metre (m) in vertical height.
Inert Waste Type 2	Receipt, handling, and disposal of waste by landfilling	 The separation distance between the base of the landfill and the highest groundwater level must not be less than 3 m. Maintain a minimum distance of at least 100 m between the previously filled areas of the londfill and the active tipping area and
Special Waste Type 1 (cement bonded asbestos. No fibrous asbestos shall be accepted)		 of the landfill and the active tipping area and any surface water body. A fence or other physical barrier must be maintained around the active landfill area which is an effective barrier to active.
Special Waste Type 2 (waste consisting of certain types of biomedical waste which are regarded as hazardous but which, with the use of specific management techniques may		 which is an effective barrier to cattle, horses, and stock. Undertake fortnightly inspections of the landfill fence or other physical barrier and ensure any damage to the fence is repaired within one working day of its discovery.
be disposed of safely) Clean Fill		• Ensure that wind-blown waste is contained within the boundary of the landfill and that wind-blown waste is returned to the tipping area on at least a monthly basis.
Uncontaminated Fill		 Ensure that no waste is burnt on the Premises. Ensure that any unauthorised fire at the landfill is promptly extinguished.
Contaminated Solid Waste (must meet the acceptance criteria for Class II landfills)		 Non-green waste Tipping area is restricted to a maximum linear length of 30 m.

Table 2: Waste processing

		On a sight Marsta Trans 4
		Special Waste Type 1
Putrescible Waste		 Only to be disposed of into a designated asbestos disposal area within the landfill.
Other wastes (must comply		 Not to be deposited within 2 m of the final tipping surface of the landfill.
with Class II criteria in the Landfill Definitions)		 No works shall be carried out on the landfill that could lead to a release of asbestos fibers.
		Special Waste Type 1 and Special Waste Type 2
Inert Waste Type 1 and Inert Waste Type 2 (process		 Material containing asbestos or clinical waste is disposed of at the landfill under the personal supervision of the licence holder or the personal supervision of a person nominated by the licence holder.
consumables generated from within the TSF or Port Operations project areas) above.		 Disposal of waste must only take place within TSF Stage Two shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1.
Disposal of waste must only take place within TSF Stage Two shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 in column 3.		• No waste disposal should occur within the vicinity of the decant tower, northern and western lined embankments, or within the normal operating extent of the supernatant pond.
		 Any pipes disposed of should be done so in a way to ensure they are filled with tailings.
		• Details should be recorded of the location, surface elevation (RL), type and quantity of materials disposed of.
	Dessist	Tyres must only be landfilled within the Landfill Facility, Waste Rock Landforms and TSF Stage Two shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps.
Inert Waste Type 2 (tyres only)	Receipt, handling, and disposal of waste by landfilling	 Tyres must consist of batches of less than 100 whole tyres.
only)		Batches must be separated from each other by at least 100 millimetre (mm) of soil.
		• The location of where tyres are buried will be surveyed and the latitude and longitude recorded.
Inert Waste Type 2 (Used	Storage	 Tyres must only be stored within the Used Tyre Laydown area shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps.
tyres)	-	 Must only store a maximum of 500 tyres at any time.
Note 1: Requirements for landfilling ty	res are set out in Part 6	of the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987.

Note 1:Requirements for landfilling tyres are set out in Part 6 of the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987.Note 2:Additional requirements for the acceptance and landfilling of controlled waste (including asbestos and tyres) are
set out in the Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste) Regulations 2004.

³ The licence holder must ensure that cover is applied and maintained on landfilled waste types, with the exception of the TSF, in accordance with the corresponding cover requirements in Table 3 and that sufficient stockpiles or cover are maintained on the premises at all times.

Waste Type ¹	Material	Depth	Timescales
Inert Waste Type 1	No cover required.		
	Inert Waste Type 1 or soil	100mm	By the end of the working day in which the waste was deposited.
			Plastic waste with the potential to become windblown must be covered as soon as practicable after deposit.
Inert Waste Type 2			Tyre disposal: Within two (2) weeks of discontinuing each batch disposal location
		500 mm	As soon as practicable following the achievement of final waste levels in the area(s) where tyres and/or process consumables are disposed
		300 mm	As soon as practicable after deposit and prior to compaction.
Special Waste Type 1		300 mm	By the end of the working day in which the asbestos waste was deposited.
Special Waste Type 2		300 mm	As soon as practicable after deposit and prior to compaction.
Putrescible Waste		300 mm	Fortnightly.

Table 3: Cover requirements

Note 1: Additional requirements for the covering of tyres are set out in Part 6 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations* 1987.

- 4 The licence holder must manage the landfilling activities, with the exception of the TSF, to ensure:
 - (a) waste is levelled and compacted as soon as practicable after it is discharged and at a minimum of the end of the day;
 - (b) waste is placed and compacted to ensure all faces are stable and capable of retaining rehabilitation material; and
 - (c) rehabilitation of a cell or phase takes place within 6 months after disposal in that cell or phase has been completed.
- 5 The licence holder must manage the landfilling activities, with the exception of the TSF, to ensure:
 - (a) a supply of water, cover material and means of distribution of the water and cover material are available at all times to extinguish any fire on the premises;
 - (b) there is a stockpile of sufficient cover material to allow waste to be covered in accordance with condition 4 of this licence and to cover waste in the event of a fire;
 - (c) waste is totally covered, so that no waste is left exposed;
 - (d) except where trenches are used, waste is initially spread in layers not more than 500 mm thickness prior to being compacted with a minimum of 5 passes with the dedicated machine; and
 - (e) waste is covered with a final soil cover of at least 1 m.
- 6 The licence holder must ensure that standard vehicle refueling activities occur only on designated refueling areas at the premises.

- 7 The licence holder must ensure that sumps and bunds on the premises are maintained at all times and emptied prior to heavy rain or cyclonic weather.
- 8 The licence holder must prevent dust generation from the surface of the TSF.
- 9 The licence holder must:
 - (a) undertake inspections as detailed in Table 4;
 - (b) where any inspection identifies that an appropriate level of environmental protection is not being maintained, take corrective action to mitigate adverse environmental consequences as soon as practicable; and
 - (c) maintain a record of all inspections undertaken.

Table 4: Inspection of infrastructure

Scope of inspection	Type of inspection	Frequency of inspection
Permanent tailings pipeline		
Bypass tailings pipeline		
Decant return water pipeline	Visual integrity	Daily while operational
Mine dewatering water pipeline		
Seepage water discharge pipeline		

- **10** The licence holder must ensure that all pipelines containing tailings or tailings thickener overflow return water are operated with:
 - (a) telemetry and process alarm; and
 - (b) adequate diversion containment.
- 11 The licence holder must undertake an annual water balance for the TSF. The water balance must as a minimum consider the following:
 - (a) site rainfall;
 - (b) evaporation;
 - (c) combined decant water and seepage water recovery volumes; and
 - (d) volumes of tailings deposited.
- **12** The licence holder must construct the controlled surface water discharge points in accordance with the corresponding design and construction requirements as set out in Table 5. The licence holder must not depart from the design and construction requirements specified in Table 5 except:
 - (a) where such departure is minor in nature and does not materially change or affect the infrastructure; or
 - (b) where such departure improves the functionality of the infrastructure and does not increase risks to public health, public amenity or the environment;
 - (c) and all other conditions in this licence are still satisfied.

Infrastructure	Design and construction requirements ¹	
EC1	 Discharge pipe to Edwards Creek located approximately 300 m north of the enviro dam to an existing rock armoured culvert that traverses the north-south infrastructure corridor. Layer of riprap installed at discharge point to protect the receiving water bank from erosion. 	
EC2	 Discharge pipe to Edwards Creek to a rock armoured culvert that traverses the public Fortescue River Mouth access road. Layer of riprap installed at discharge point to protect the receiving water bank from erosion. 	
TSF2 Raise 4 as shown in Schedule 1: Maps, Figures 2 and 3	 Maximum embankment height of: Western embankment 66 mRL; and Eastern embankment 70 mRL. Northern and western flanks must include a liner system comprising of Elastomeric Bituminous Geomembrane Liner above 39 mRL up to 66 mRL. Installation of a buttress along sections of the southern and western embankment. Extension of existing series of finger drains. Relocation of the seepage pond to the outer buttress toe-line. 	

 Table 5: Infrastructure requirements

Note 1: Where the details and commitments of the documents listed in condition 13 are inconsistent with any other condition of this licence, the conditions of this licence shall prevail.

13 The licence holder must operate the TSF2 Raise 4 and controlled surface water discharge points in accordance with the conditions of this licence, following submission of the compliance document required under condition 28.

Emissions and discharges

Authorised discharge points for emissions

14 The licence holder must ensure that the emissions specified in Table 6, are discharged only from the corresponding discharge point and only at the corresponding discharge point location.

E	mission	Discharge point	Discharge point height (m)	Discharge point location
		GT1 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT1-B'.
		GT1 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT1'.
		GT2 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT2-B'.
		GT2 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT2'.
		GT3 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT3-B'.
•	Carbon monoxide	GT3 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT3'.
•	Particulates Volatile Organic Carbons Oxides of nitrogen	GT4 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT4-B'.
•	Sulphur oxides	GT4 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT4'.
		GT5 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT5-B'.
		GT5 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT5'.
		GT6 – Bypass Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT6-B'.
		GT6 – Main Stack	30.0 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT6'.
		GT7 – Main Stack	29.85 m	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1 - 'GT7'.

Table 6: Authorised discharge points – air emissions

15 The licence holder must ensure that the emissions specified in Table 7, are discharged only from the corresponding discharge point and are subject to the corresponding operational requirements.

Emission	Discharge point	Operational requirements	Discharge point location
Mine dewatering water	Discharge pipe to Fortescue River Mouth	 Discharged through a diffuser. The diffuser must be submerged beneath the water. The diffuser must be offset approximately 25 m from the low water mark. Pipelines to be fitted with leak detection and flow meters'; The discharge must be tidally aligned according to daily tidal analyses from measurements locations under the following conditions: (a) discharge must only commence 60 minutes prior to the turning of the tide from incoming to outgoing; and (b) discharge must cease 30 minutes prior to the turning of the tide from outgoing to incoming. 	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps- 'FR2'.
Stormwater and process water	Discharge pipe to Edwards Creek located approximately 300m north of the enviro dam Discharge pipe to Edwards Creek		As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps- – 'EC1'. As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps 'EC2'.
	Discharge pipe to a tributary of Edwards Creek		As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps 'EC3'.
	Discharge pipe to a remnant tributary of Edwards Creek	 Maintain a layer of riprap to protect the receiving water bank from erosion. 	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps 'EC4'.
	Discharge pipe to a tributary of DuBoulay Creek		As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1:

 Table 7: Authorised discharge points – surface water emissions

-

Emission	Discharge point	Operational requirements	Discharge point location
	with a width of 100 metres		Maps 'DC2'.
TSF decant and seepage water	Discharge pipe to a tributary of DuBoulay Creek with a width of 100 metres	The pipeline is equipped with a flow meter.	As shown on the Premises map in Schedule 1: Maps – 'DC2'

Emission limits

16 The licence holder must ensure that emissions from the discharge point listed in Table 8 for the corresponding parameter do not exceed the corresponding limit when monitored in accordance with condition 19.

Table 8: Emission and discharge limits

Discharge point	Parameter	Limit (including units)
	Cumulative volume	12 GL/a
	pH ¹	6-9 pH units
	Temperature ¹	<65 °C
	Total Dissolved Solids ¹	<70,000 mg/L
	Nitrate	<50 mg/L
	Cadmium	<0.1485 mg/L
	Chromium (VI)	<0.1188 mg/L
	Cobalt	<0.027 mg/L
FR2	Copper	<0.0351 mg/L
	Lead	<0.1188 mg/L
	Mercury	<0.0108 mg/L
	Nickel	<1.89 mg/L
	Silver	<0.0378 mg/L
	Vanadium	<2.7 mg/L
	Zinc	<0.405 mg/L
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons	<15 mg/L
	pH ¹	6.5-9 pH units

Discharge point	Parameter	Limit (including units)
EC1		
EC2	Total Dissolved Solids ¹	<10,000 mg/L
EC3		<10,000 mg/L
EC4		
	Cumulative volume	2 GL/a
DC2	рН ¹	6.5-9 pH units
	Total Dissolved Solids ¹	<50,000 mg/L

Note 1: In-field non-NATA accredited analysis permitted.

Monitoring

General monitoring

- 17 The licence holder must ensure that:
 - (a) monthly monitoring is undertaken at least 15 days apart;
 - (b) quarterly monitoring is undertaken at least 45 days apart; and
 - (c) six monthly monitoring is undertaken at least 5 months apart.
- **18** All sample analysis must be undertaken by laboratories with current accreditation from the National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) for the relevant parameters, unless otherwise specified in conditions 19, 22 and 23.

Discharge point monitoring

19 The licence holder must monitor emissions in accordance with the requirements specified in Table 9 and record the results of all such monitoring.

Discharge point	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
Emissions to air					
GT1 GT1-B					
GT2 GT2-B	Nitrogen oxides				
GT3	C C				
GT3-B GT4			10	Continuous	OFMO
GT4-B		ppmv ¹	minutes	during operation ²	CEMS
GT5 GT5-B GT6 GT6-B GT7	Carbon monoxide				
Emissions to su	rface water				
	Volumetric flow rate	m ³ /day	Annual	Daily	AS/NZS 5667.6
	рН ³	pH units			
	Temperature ³	٥C			
	Electrical Conductivity ³	µS/cm			
	Dissolved Oxygen ³				
	Total Dissolved Solids				
FR2 – monitoring conducted in-	Total Suspended Solids				AS/NZS
pipe from a sampling tap	Total Nitrogen		Spot sample	Monthly	5667.1 AS/NZS
	Bioavailable Nitrogen	mg/L			5667.6
	Nitrate				
	Ammonia				
	Total Phosphorus				
	Bioavailable Phosphorus Bioavailable Organic Carbon				

Table 9: Emissions and discharges monitoring

Discharge point	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
	Chlorophyll a				
	Aluminium				
	Arsenic				
	Boron				
	Cadmium				
	Chromium (III)				
	Chromium (VI)				
	Cobalt				
	Copper				
	Iron				
	Lead				
	Mercury				
	Manganese				
	Nickel				
	Selenium				
	Silver				
	Strontium				
	Vanadium				
	Zinc				
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons				
	рН ³	pH units			
	Temperature ³	٥C			
Camp 123	Electrical Conductivity ³	µS/cm			
Turkey's nest or Dewatering	Dissolved Oxygen ³		Spot sample	Monthly	AS/NZS 5667.1 AS/NZS
Staging Facility	Total Dissolved Solids				5667.10
	Total Suspended Solids	mg/L			
	Total Nitrogen				

Discharge point	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
	Bioavailable Nitrogen				
	Nitrate				
	Ammonia				
	Total Phosphorus				
	Bioavailable Phosphorus				
	Bioavailable Organic Carbon				
	Chlorophyll a				
	Aluminium				
	Arsenic				
	Boron				
	Cadmium				
	Chromium (III)				
	Chromium (VI)				
	Cobalt				
	Copper				
	Iron				
	Lead				
	Mercury				
	Manganese				
	Nickel				
	Selenium				
	Silver				
	Strontium				
	Vanadium				
	Zinc				
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons				

Discharge point	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
(Stormwater and/or Process Water) EC1	рН ³	pH units	Spot	Prior to	AS/NZS 5667.1
EC2 EC3 EC4 DC2	Total Dissolved Solids ³	mg/L	sample	discharge	AS/NZS 5667.6
	Volumetric flow rate	m ³ /day	Annual	Monthly	AS/NZS 5667.6
	Oxidation Reduction Potential ³	mV			
	рН ³	pH units			AS/NZS 5667.1
	Temperature ³	٥C			
	Dissolved Oxygen ³	mg/L			
(TSF decant and seepage	Electrical Conductivity ³	µS/cm			
water)	Total Dissolved Solids				
DC2 in-pipe (or if discharges are	Acrylamide				
not occurring at the time of	Total Nitrogen				
sampling, samples can be	Nitrate as N		Spot		
collected directly from the TSF	Nitrite as N		sample	Quarterly	AS/NZS 5667.6
seepage sump)	Ammonia				000110
500m downstream of	Calcium	-mg/L			
DC2 where it is safe to do so)	Chloride	ing/E			
	Potassium				
	Magnesium				
	Sodium				
	Sulfate (SO ₄ ²⁻)				
	Total Alkalinity				
	Total Sulfur				

Discharge point	Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
	Bicarbonate (HCO3-)				
	Carbonate (CO32-)				
	Aluminium				
	Cadmium				
	Chromium (hexavalent)				
	Cobalt				
	Copper				
	Iron				
	Lead				
	Manganese				
	Mercury				
	Nickel				
	Zinc				

Note 1: All units are referenced to STP dry at $15\% O_{2}$.

Note 2: Monitoring shall be undertaken to reflect normal operating conditions and any limits or conditions on inputs or production.

Note 3: In-field non-NATA accredited analysis permitted.

- 20 When utilising CEMS to monitor emissions pursuant to condition 19, the licence holder must ensure that:
 - (a) the CEMS is regularly operated, maintained and calibrated in accordance with the CEMS Code; and
 - (b) a minimum of one RATA and three CGA; or two RATA and two CGA shall be conducted per annual period.
- 21 The licence holder must record the commencement and cessation date and time for each discharge of mine dewatering from FR2 against local tidal data from the measurement locations.

Waste input monitoring

22 The licence holder must record the total amount of waste accepted onto the premises, for each waste type listed in Table 10, in the corresponding unit, and for each corresponding time period, as set out in Table 10.

Table 10: Waste input monitoring

١	Waste type	Units	Time period
•	Inert Waste Type 1;		
•	Inert Waste Type 2;		
•	Special Waste Type 1;		
•	Special Waste Type 2;	Tonnes (where a weighbridge is	
•	Clean Fill;	present); or m ³ (where no	Monthly Estimate
•	Uncontaminated Fill;	weighbridge is present)	
•	Putrescible Waste;		
•	Contaminated Solid Waste and		
•	Other wastes		

Process monitoring

23 The licence holder must undertake the monitoring in Table 11 in accordance with the requirements specified in Table 11 and record and investigate results that do not meet any limit specified.

Table 11: Process monitoring

Monitoring point reference as depicted in Schedule 1	Process description	Parameter	Limit	Units	Frequency	Method
OWS1	Final effluent Tank OWS1 (Heavy Mobile Equipment Workshop) used for dust suppression onsite	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons	15	mg/L	Quarterly where wastewater	
OWS3	Final effluent Tank OWS3 (Supply Base) used for dust suppression onsite	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons	15	mg/L	is available	None specified
	-	Combined decant water and seepage water recovery volumes	-	m ³		
TSF Stage Two	-	Volume of tailings deposited	-	m ³	Cumulative monthly total	
	-	Volume of TSF decant water and seepage	-	m ³		

		water disposed of into DC2				
		pH ¹	-	pH units		
e th M M T WWTP is	Final treated effluent tank of the Biomax WWTP and the	Biochemical Oxygen Demand	-	mg/L		
	MBBR WWTP Treated effluent is stored in the process water dam, prior to recirculating it in the process plant for use in	Total Suspended Solids	-	mg/L	Quarterly	
		E.coli	-	cfu/100m L		
		Total Nitrogen	-	mg/L		
	the hoppers and mills	Total Phosphorus	-	mg/L		

Note 1: In-field non-NATA accredited analysis permitted.

Ambient monitoring

24 The licence holder must monitor the groundwater and surface water for concentrations of the parameters in accordance with Table 12.

 Table 12: Monitoring of ambient concentrations

		gorambient beneentiations					
Monitoring location as depicted in Schedule 1		Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method	
G	Groundwater						
•	TSF_001	Standing Water Level ²	mbgl	Spot sample	Monthly		
•	BH08-06 (09DD598)	Oxidation Reduction Potential ¹	mV				
•	BH08-07 (09DD599)	pH ¹	pH units				
•	TSF_009	Dissolved Oxygen ¹	mg/L			AS/NZS 5667.1 AS/NZS	
•	BH08-9(09DD602)	Temperature ¹	٥C				
•	TSF_002	Electrical Conductivity ¹	µS/cm	Spot sample		5667.11	
•	TSF_017 (17NC764)	Total Dissolved					
•	07WB002 (07NC256)	Solids	mg/L				
•	16NC750	Acrylamide					
		Total Nitrogen					

Surface water					
Monitoring location as depicted in Schedule 1	s Parameter	Units	Averaging period	Frequency	Method
	Manganese				
	Iron				
	Cobalt				
	Cadmium	-			
	Zinc	-			
	Nickel	-			5667.11
	Chromium (hexavalent)	Mg/L	Spot Sample	Six monthly	AS/NZS 5667.1 AS/NZS
	Copper	1			
	Mercury	1			
	Lead	1			
	Aluminium				
	Carbonate (CO ₃ ²⁻)				
	Bicarbonate (HCO3-)	1			
	Sulfate (SO ₄ ²⁻)	-			
	Potassium	-			
	Magnesium	-			
	Total Alkalinity Chloride	-			
	Sodium	-			
	Calcium	-			
	Total Sulfur	-			
	Ammonia	-			
	Nitrite as N				
	Nitrate as N	-			

 FR1 (1 km downstream of discharge point) FR2 (discharge point) FR3 (1 km upstream of discharge point) FR4 (18 m upstream of discharge point) FR5 (18 m downstream of discharge point) 	1 Total Dissolved Solids Total Suspended Solids Total Nitrogen Bioavailable Nitrogen Nitrate Ammonia Total Phosphorus Bioavailable Phosphorus Bioavailable Organic Carbon Chlorophyll a	pH units ∘C mg/L μS/cm	Spot sample	AS/NZS 5667.1 AS/NZS 5667.6
 FR1 (1 km downstream of discharge point) FR2 (discharge point) FR3 (1 km upstream of discharge point) FR4 (18 m upstream of discharge point) FR5 (18 m downstream of discharge point) 	Nitrogen Nitrate Ammonia Total Phosphorus Bioavailable Phosphorus Bioavailable Organic Carbon	mg/L		5667.1 AS/NZS

	Manganese				
	Nickel				
	Selenium				
	Silver				
	Strontium				
	Vanadium				
	Zinc				
	Total Recoverable Hydrocarbons				
	рН ¹	pH units		During the discharge where it is safe to do so	
500m downstream of the discharge points: EC1 (ambient) EC2 (ambient) EC3 (ambient) EC4 (ambient) DC2 (ambient)	Total Dissolved Solids ¹	mg/L	Spot sample	In the event that it is not safe to do so, comparison should be made to historic data with reason justified	AS/NZS 5667.1 AS/NZS 5667.6

Note 1: In-field non-NATA accredited analysis permitted. Note 2: Standing Water Level should be determined prior to collection of other water samples.

25 The licence holder must conduct a vegetation monitoring program in accordance with the requirements specified in Table 13 and record the results of all monitoring activity conducted under the program.

Monitoring location as depicted in Schedule 1	d in Parameter		Frequency
	Visually estimate the average foliage cover		
	Score the health condition		
FR2 (discharge point)	General environmental description of the site and record any changes since previous monitoring	Visual inspection	Annually
	Take replicate photographs of foliage density and shadow areas beneath trees.		
Areas of stream discharge: EC1 EC2 EC3 EC4 DC2	Signs of stress on native flora and fauna	Visual inspection	Within three months of discharge

Table 13:	Monitoring	of ambient	vegetation health
	monitoring		regetation noutin

Records and reporting

- 26 The licence holder must record the following information in relation to complaints received by the licence holder (whether received directly from a complainant or forwarded to them by the Department or another party) about any alleged emissions from the premises:
 - (a) the name and contact details of the complainant, (if provided);
 - (b) the time and date of the complaint;
 - (c) the complete details of the complaint and any other concerns or other issues raised; and
 - (d) the complete details and dates of any action taken by the licence holder to investigate or respond to any complaint.
- 27 The licence holder must:
 - (a) undertake an audit of their compliance with the conditions of this licence during the preceding annual period; and
 - (b) prepare and submit to the CEO by no later than 120 days after the end of that annual period an Annual Audit Compliance Report in the approved form.
- **28** The licence holder must within 7 days of each item of infrastructure required by condition 12 being constructed:
 - (a) undertake an audit of their compliance with the requirements of condition 12; and
 - (b) prepare and submit to the CEO an audit report on that compliance.

- **29** The report required by condition 28, must:
 - (a) be certified by a suitably qualified engineer and certify that the works were constructed in accordance with the construction requirements specified in condition 12;
 - (b) provide a list of departures from the specified works certified by a suitably qualified engineer; and
 - (c) be signed by a person authorised to represent the licence holder and contain the printed name and position of that person within the company.
- **30** The licence holder must within 14 days notify the CEO of an unauthorised fire at the Landfill Facility, South East Waste Rock Landform and North East Waste Rock Landform.
- **31** The licence holder must submit to the CEO by no later than 120 days after the end of each annual period, an Annual Environmental Report for that annual period for the conditions listed in Table 14, and which provides information in accordance with the corresponding requirement set out in Table 14.

Condition	Requirement
11	Annual water balance for the TSF
19	Emissions to air
	CEMS results as tabulated data and time series graphs including:
	(a) times and dates; and
	(b) an assessment of the information contained within the report against previous monitoring results and/or background data.
19	Emissions to surface water
	The results to be provided to the CEO must include, but need not be limited to the following:
	(a) the dates at which monitoring was undertaken for each location;
	(b) the raw monitoring data from each location, for each parameter in a tabulated form; and
	(c) an interpretation of monitoring data results including a comparison to previous monitoring results, licence limits and any impacts detected as a result of activities on the premises.
21	Discharge commencement and cessation date and times recorded, along with tidal data from measurement locations.
22	Tabulated waste input data including a discussion of options for stabilising and/or reducing the amount of waste to landfills.
23	Tabulated process monitoring data including a summary of the data including a comparison to previous monitoring results, licence limits and any impacts detected as a result of activities on the premises.

Table 14: Annual Environmental Report

Condition	Requirement
24	The results to be provided to the CEO must include, but need not be limited to the following:
	(a) the dates at which monitoring was undertaken for each location;
	(b) the raw monitoring data from each location, for each parameter in a tabulated form; and
	(c) an interpretation of monitoring data results including a comparison to previous and/or baseline monitoring results and any impacts detected as a result of activities on the premises.
	The data obtained for the increase in mine dewatering discharge (FR2) up to 8GL/a during discharge to obtain dilution data and to verify dilution modelling, including a comparison against the initial modelling.
25	Ambient vegetation health monitoring report to include:
	(a) aerial image review – transects;
	 (b) visual inspection forms which estimate the average foliage cover; score the health condition and provide a general environmental description of the site and record any changes since previous monitoring;
	(c) replicate photographs of foliage density and shadow areas beneath trees; and
	(d) signs of stress on native flora and fauna at areas of stream discharge: EC1, EC2, EC3, EC4, and DC2.
26	Complaints summary
-	Summary of any failure or malfunction of any pollution control equipment and any environmental incidents that have occurred during the annual period and any action taken.

- **32** The licence holder must maintain accurate and auditable books that include the following records, information, reports, and data required by this licence:
 - (a) the calculation of fees payable in respect of this licence;
 - (b) any maintenance of infrastructure that is performed in the course of complying with condition 1 of this licence;
 - (c) monitoring programmes undertaken in accordance with conditions 19, 22, 23, 24 and 25 of this licence; and
 - (d) complaints received under condition 26 of this licence.
- **33** The books specified under condition 32 must:
 - (a) be legible;
 - (b) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original version(s) and any subsequent amendments remain legible and are capable of retrieval;
 - (c) be retained by the licence holder for the duration of the licence; and
 - (d) be available to be produced to an inspector or the CEO as required.

Definitions

In this licence, the terms in Table 15 have the meanings defined.

Table 15: Definitions

Term	Definition
ACN	Australian Company Number.
Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR)	means a report submitted in a format approved by the CEO (relevant guidelines and templates may be available on the Department's website).
annual period	a 12 month period commencing from 1 July until 30 June of the immediately following year.
asbestos	means the asbestiform variety of mineral silicates belonging to the serpentine or amphibole groups of rock-forming minerals and includes actinolite, amosite, anthophyllite, chrysolite, crocidolite, tremolite and any mixture containing 2 or more of those.
asbestos fibres	has the meaning defined in the Guidelines for the Assessment, Remediation and Management of Asbestos-Contaminated Sites in Western Australia (Department of Health 2009).
AS/NZS 5667.1	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.1 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance of the Design of sampling programs, sampling techniques and the preservation and handling of samples.
AS/NZS 5667.6	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.6 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of rivers and streams.
AS/NZS 5667.10	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.10 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of waste waters.
AS/NZS 5667.11	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.11 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on sampling of groundwaters.
averaging period	means the time over which a limit is measured or a monitoring result is obtained.
books	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Concentrator Facility	Means six mill lines, concentrate thickeners, concentrate pumping infrastructure, process water containment infrastructure, process water pumping infrastructure, and any associated equipment.
CEMS	means continuous emissions monitoring system.
CEMS Code	means the current version of the Continuous Emission Monitoring System (CEMS) Code for Stationary Source Air Emissions, Department of Environment Regulation, Government of Western Australia.

Term	Definition
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer of the Department.
	"submit to / notify the CEO" (or similar), means either:
	Director General Department administering the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919
	or: <u>info@dwer.wa.gov.au</u>
cfu/100mL	means colony forming units per 100 millilitres.
CGA	Means Cylinder Gas Audit as defined in the CEMS Code.
Clean Fill	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
Contaminated solid waste	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
controlled waste	has the definition in <i>Environmental Protection (Controlled Waste)</i> Regulations 2004.
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector</i> <i>Management Act 1994</i> (WA) and designated as responsible for the administration of the EP Act, which includes Part V Division 3.
discharge	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
emission	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
EP Act	Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA).
EP Regulations	Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA).
GL/a	means gigalitres per annum.
HDPE	high density polyethylene.
Inert Waste Type 1	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
Inert Waste Type 2	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
Landfill Definitions	means the document titled "Landfill Waste Classification and Waste Definitions 1996 (as amended 2019)" published by the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation as amended from time to time.
licence	refers to this document, which evidences the grant of a licence by the CEO under section 57 of the EP Act, subject to the specified conditions contained within.
licence holder	refers to the occupier of the premises, being the person specified on the front of the licence as the person to whom this licence has been granted.
Mill Line	Means a pebble crushing / grinding circuit, primary autogenous (ag) mill, first stage magnetic separator, secondary ball mill, second stage magnetic separator, elutriation column and any associated equipment.

Term	Definition
MBBR	means moving bed bio-reactor.
mbgl	means metres below ground level.
measurement locations	means tidal data collected from the CITIC Tug Pen and CITIC MOF Wharf and Australian Hydrographic Service site Fortescue Road.
monthly period	means a one-month period commencing from the first calendar day of a month until the final calendar day of the same month.
mRL	means metres Reduced Level.
mV	means millivolts.
operational freeboard	means the vertical height between the lowest elevation of the dam wall and the tailings beach immediately inside the dam wall.
ΝΑΤΑ	means the National Association of Testing Authorities, Australia.
NATA accredited	means in relation to the analysis of a sample that the laboratory is NATA accredited for the specified analysis at the time of the analysis.
OWS	means oily water separator.
Power Station	Means three turbine units, each turbine unit consisting of two gas turbine generators (GT1-6) with two heat recovery steam generators and steam turbine attached and any associated equipment, a standalone gas turbine (GT7), seven CEMS, three cooling towers, a water treatment plant, gas conditioning system, a settling pond (HDPE lined), black start generators, a diesel storage tank, and any associated equipment.
Primary Crushing Facility	Means four in-pit primary crushers, two in-pit overland conveyors, coarse ore stockpile and any associated equipment.
ppmv	means parts per million by volume.
premises	refers to the premises to which this licence applies, as specified at the front of this licence and as shown on the premises map (Figure 1) in Schedule 1 to this licence.
prescribed premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
Putrescible	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
Quarterly	means the 4 inclusive periods from 1 July to 30 September, 1 October to 31 December and in the following year, 1 January to 31 March and 1 April to 30 June.
RATA	Means Relative Accuracy Test Audit as defined in the CEMS Code.
Rehabilitation	means the completion of the engineering of a landfill cell and includes capping and/or final cover.
Six monthly	means the 2 inclusive periods from 1 July to 31 December and 1 January to 30 June in the following year.
Special Waste Type 1	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.

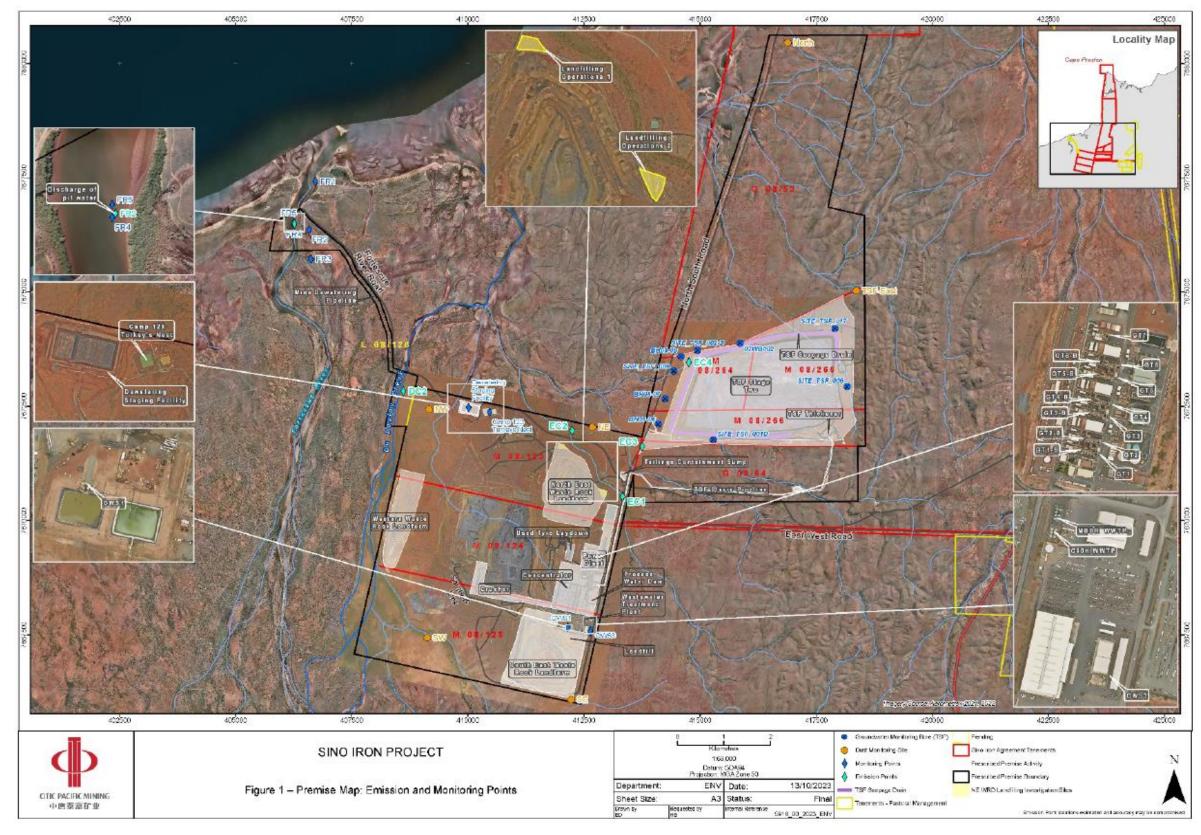
Term	Definition
Special Waste Type 2	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
Spot sample	means a discrete sample representative at the time and place at which the sample is taken.
STP dry	means standard temperature and pressure (0°Celsius and 101.325 kilopascals respectively), dry.
TSF	means Tailings Storage Facility.
TSF Stage 2	Means Tailings Storage Facility Stage 2 (66mRL), primary & secondary tailings thickeners, primary & bypass tailings discharge pipelines, seepage containment infrastructure (inc seepage collection pond), seepage pumping & discharge infrastructure, decant return water containment infrastructure (inc decant return staging pond), decant return water pumping infrastructure, tailings seepage management bores, emergency tailings containment infrastructure and any associated equipment.
Uncontaminated Fill	has the meaning defined in Landfill Definitions.
μS/cm	means micro-Siemens per centimetre.
waste	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
WWTP	means wastewater treatment plant.

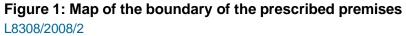
END OF CONDITIONS

Schedule 1: Maps

Premises map

The boundary of the prescribed premises, facilities locations and emissions/discharges points are shown in the map below (Figure 1).





Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Infrastructure

Drawing used for Information Purposes Only

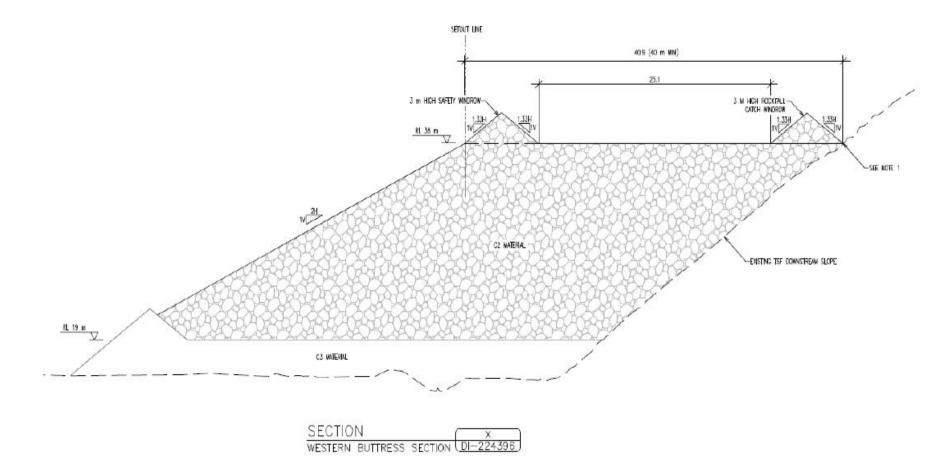


Figure 2: As-built Western Buttress design to 38m

L8308/2008/2

Drawing used for Information Purposes Only

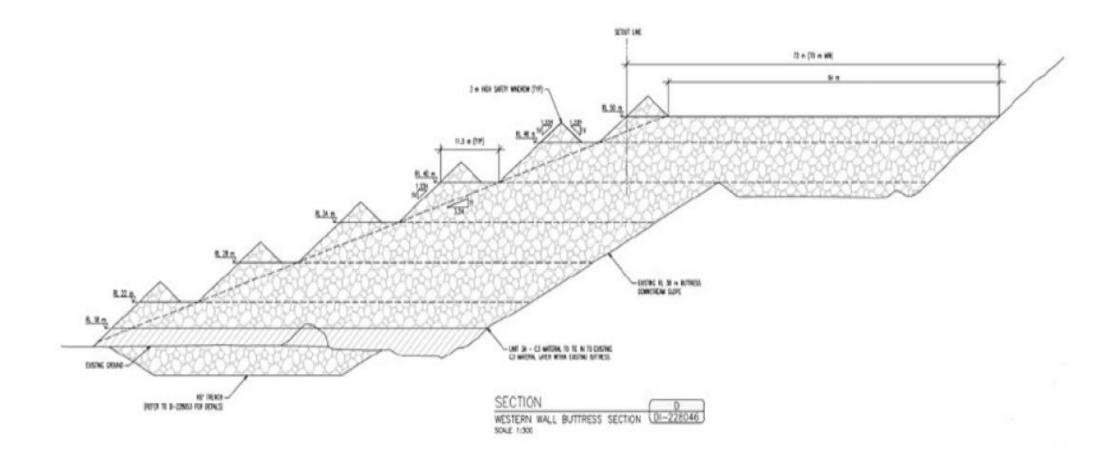


Figure 3: Drawing RL 50m buttress design

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Drawing used for Information Purposes Only

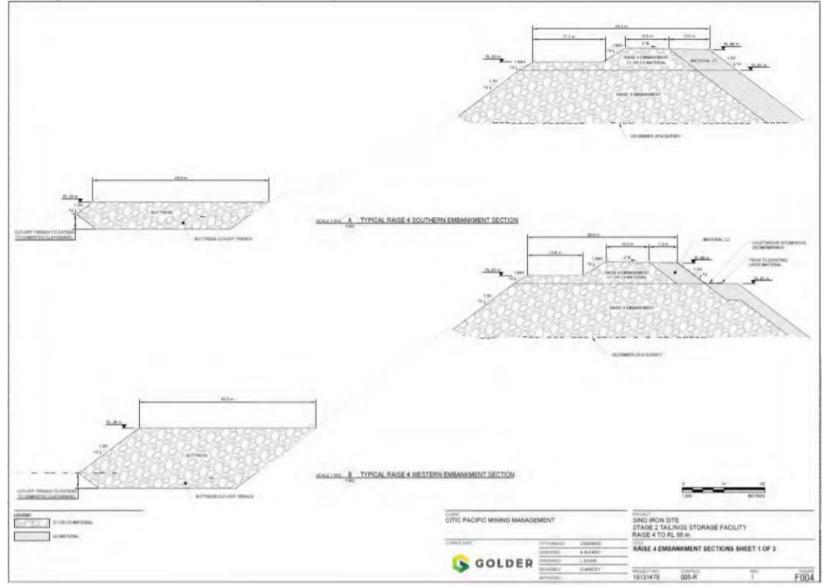


Figure 4: Design to 66 mRL