



## Application for Works Approval Amendment

### Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

<b>Works Approval Number</b>	W6707/2022/1
<b>Works Approval Holder</b>	Anax Metals Limited
<b>ACN</b>	106 304 787
<b>File Number</b>	DER2022/000193
<b>Premises</b>	Whim Creek Copper Project Mining Leases M47/236, M47/237, M47/238, M47/443 North Coastal Highway WHIM CREEK WA 6718  As defined by the coordinates in Schedule 2 of the Revised Works Approval  As defined by the Premises maps attached to the Revised Works Approval
<b>Date of Report</b>	08 July 2025 (FINAL)
<b>Decision</b>	Revised works approval granted

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## 1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to Works Approval W6707/2022/1. The amendments are administrative in nature therefore they do not alter the risk profile of the Premises, providing that activities, emissions and receptors as stated in existing approvals remain unchanged.

This Amendment Report documents the amendments made pursuant to section 59 and 59(B) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act).

## 2. Scope of assessment

### 2.1 Regulatory framework

In amending the works approval, the department has considered and given due regard to its Regulatory Framework and relevant policy documents which are available at <https://dwer.wa.gov.au/regulatory-documents>.

### 2.2 Application summary

Works Approval W6707/2022/1 is held by Anax Metals Limited (Works Approval Holder) for the Whim Creek Copper Project (the Premises), located at Mining Leases M47/236, M47/237, M47/238, M47/443, North Coastal Highway, WHIM CREEK WA 6718.

The Premises relates to the categories and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987* (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing Works Approval W6707/2022/1.

On 10 June 2025, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend Works Approval W6707/2022/1 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending works approval expiry date.

The Works Approval Holder is seeking the extension due to a lack of commencement of activities onsite. To date no activities have occurred onsite under W6707/2022/1 due to a lack of project funding. The Works Approval Holder recently announced a strategic funding partner (May 2025) to assist with the project start up and it is anticipated that activities under W6707/2022/1 will commence within the next 12 to 18 months.

The Premises map Figure 1 and Premises boundary coordinates have also been updated as part of this amendment.

## 3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 26 June 2025. On 04 July 2025 the Works Approval Holder waived the comment period.

## 4. Conclusion

Based on the assessment in this Amendment Report, the Delegated Officer has determined that an amended works approval will be granted, subject to conditions commensurate with the determined controls and necessary for administration and reporting requirements.

## 4.1 Summary of amendments

Table 1 below provides a summary of the proposed amendments and will act as a record of implemented changes. All proposed changes have been incorporated into the Revised works approval as part of the amendment process.

**Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments**

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
Duration	Extended to 17/11/2028
Schedule 1: Maps	Premises map Figure 1 updated.
Schedule 2: Premises boundary	Premises boundary coordinates updated.

## References

1. Department of Environment Regulation (DER) 2015, Guidance Statement: Setting Conditions, Perth, Western Australia.
2. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2020, Guideline: Environmental Siting, Perth, Western Australia.
3. DWER 2020, Guideline: Risk Assessments, Perth, Western Australia.
4. Anax Metals Ltd, Works Approval Amendment Application - W6707/2022/ 10/06/2025 (APP-0029454 – Application Form and Supporting Documentation).
5. Anax Metals Ltd, RE: APP-0029454 :PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO WORKS APPROVAL W6707/2022/1 04/07/2025 (APP-0029454 – Waiving comment period).