



Application for Works Approval Amendment

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

Works Approval Number	W6719/2022/1
Works Approval Holder	Black Cat (Lakewood) Pty Ltd
ACN	659 952 066
File Number	APP-0029343
Premises	Lakewood Gold Processing Facility Mount Monger Road LAKEWOOD WA 6431 Legal description – Mining tenements M26/242 and M26/367 As defined by the Premises maps attached to the Revised Works Approval
Date of Report	17 July 2025
Decision	Revised works approval granted

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an officer delegated under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA)

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1. Decision summary

The Delegated Officer has determined to make amendments to works approval W6719/2022/1. 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).

The decision report for the existing works approval will remain on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (the department) website for future reference and will act as a record of the department's decision making.

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 W6719/2022/1 is held by Black Cat (Lakewood) Pty Ltd (Works Approval Holder) for the Lakewood Gold Processing Facility (the premises), located at mining tenements M26/242 and M26/367.

The premises relates to the category and the assessed production/design capacity under Schedule 1 of the Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (EP Regulations) which are defined in existing works approval W6719/2022/1.

On 2 June 2025, the Works Approval Holder submitted an application to the department to amend works approval W6719/2022/1 under section 59B of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act). The amendment is limited only to extending the duration for the time limited operation of the tailings storage facility (TSF) 2 Stage 1 starter embankment from 180 calendar days to 360 calendar days.

2.3 Background

The construction and operation of the TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment was authorised under works approval W6719/2022/1, granted to Lakewood Mining Pty Ltd. In November 2022, the construction of the starter embankment was completed, with the relevant Critical Containment Infrastructure Report (CCIR) submitted to the department on 31 December 2024. The department completed an assessment of the CCIR on 30 January 2025, authorising the Works Approval Holder to commence time limited operation of the facility for up to 180 calendar days, under conditions 10 and 11 of the works approval.

Subsequently, the occupier of the premises was changed from Karora (Lakewood) Pty Ltd to Black Cat (Lakewood) Pty Ltd on 31 March 2025, with the latter assuming responsibility for demonstrating compliance with the requirements of the works approval. With time limited operation already underway for the TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment, the Works Approval Holder did not anticipate adequate time to prepare and submit an application to amend licence L9124/2018/1¹ prior to the cessation of time limited operation on 29 July 2025. The Works

¹ To authorise the ongoing operation of TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment.

Approval Holder anticipates that the relevant application to amend licence L9124/2018/1 will be submitted to the department in September 2025.

Operationally, the Works Approval Holder has indicated that there are no contingencies in the current production schedule to cease deposition of tailings to TSF2. The other existing TSF1 is currently at capacity and cannot accept additional tailings without further embankment raises.

2.4 Decision

The department has granted the proposed extension to the time limited operation duration for TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment, acknowledging that the Works Approval Holder is a new occupier at the premises.

Further to the requested 180 calendar days, the department has provided an additional extension of 40 calendar days, resulting in total extension of 220 calendar days. This is to alleviate time constraints associated with the assessment of the licence amendment, accounting for both the anticipated application submission timeframe, as well as the department's current workload and assessment timeframe. Based on the amended timeframe, time limited operation for TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment will cease on 6 March 2026.

The amendment does not materially alter the outcomes of the existing risk assessment (DWER 2023). The Works Approval Holder is required to continue complying with the conditions of the works approval during time limited operation, including requirements to undertake routine monitoring.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report on 15 July 2025.

On 15 July 2025, the Works Approval Holder requested that the registered business address be updated to Level 4, 507 Murray Street PERTH WA 6000 and waived the remainder of 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 W6719/2022/1 as part of the amendment process.

Table 1: Summary of works approval amendments

Condition no.	Proposed amendments
N/A	Updated cover page and works approval history log. Updated registered business address from 15-17 Altona Street WEST PERTH WA 6005 to Level 4, 507 Murray Street PERTH WA 6000.
Condition 11	Updated condition and included Table 4 to extend tie limited operation duration for TSF2 Stage 1 starter embankment from 180 calendar days to 400 calendar days.

References

1. Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) 2023, Decision Report W6719/2022/1, Perth, Western Australia.