

Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to info@dwer.wa.gov.au, or to the below postal address:

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
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 Joondalup DC WA 6919

Section A – Licence details			
Licence number:	L6420/1988/14	Licence file number:	INS-0001317
Licence holder name:	Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd		
Trading as:			
ACN:	97 009 377 619		
Registered business address:	Northern Star Resources Ltd Level 4, 500 Hay Street, Subiaco WA 6008		
Reporting period:	1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025		

Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions
Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period? (please tick the appropriate box)
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • section C; • section D (if required); and • sign the declaration in Section F.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – please complete: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • section C; • section D (if required); • section E; and • sign the declaration in Section F.

Section C – Statement of actual production	
Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.	
Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	11,243,292 tonnes
12 – Screening etc. of material	285,771 tonnes
54 – Sewerage facility	35 m3/day
63 – Class I inert landfill site	2,784 tonnes
64 – Class II putrescible landfill site	0 tonnes

Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
5 – Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	11,243,292 tonnes

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	24	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Q4 (Oct-Dec) 2025
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Details of non-compliance:

During routine monitoring of the Eastern Borefield Compliance Monitoring Bores, Standing Water Level (SWL) measurement at bore **TRP5** was above the Licence limit (4 mbgl) during Quarter 4.

October 2025 – 3.78 mbgl
 November 2025 – 3.73 mbgl
 December 2025 – 3.88 mbgl

24. The licence holder must undertake the monitoring specified in Table 15 according to the specifications in that table and record and investigate results that do not meet any limit specified.

Table 15: Monitoring of ambient groundwater quality

Monitoring point reference for compliance bores ^{2,4}	Parameter	Limit	Units	Averaging period	Frequency
Eastern Borefield Compliance Monitoring Bores	SWL	>4	mbgl	Spot sample	Quarterly

What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?

NOTE – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.

There are negligible actual (or suspected) impacts expected to the surrounding environment. No observed environmental harm to the surrounding area has been identified. Refer map provided in Figure 1.

Due to the hypersaline nature of the groundwater, there are no beneficial users of the groundwater in the immediate area

Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

Groundwater depths at TRP5 (and TRP4) are shallower than at the bores they replaced (TRP2 and TRE). This is expected as these bores have been constructed closer to the main flow channel of the Eastern Floodway, and the shallow groundwater depths are interpreted to be a natural condition. While it is not possible to be definitive in the absence of long-term monitoring data, the shallowing of groundwater depths at TRP5 during the reporting period is most consistent with responses to natural recharge from the Eastern Floodway associated with several months of above average precipitation.

Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:

SWL's will continue to be monitored monthly and water abstraction maximised in nearby production bores, where possible. Although monitoring bores TRE and TRP2 have been removed from the Licence, they will continue to be monitored while available, to allow responses to be correlated with the replacement bores (TRP4 and TRP5), and to confirm that the inferred recharge responses which occurred during the reporting period dissipate during future monitoring.

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition	
The Fimiston Seepage and Groundwater Management Plan is currently being audited, and we will review and implement recommendations relating to this non-compliance, as required.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date: / /
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing – via email Form N1 notification and via submission of Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Reports	Date: 12 February 2026

Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

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Condition no:	28	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Jan-Dec 2025
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Details of non-compliance:

Groundwater depths (Standing Water Level, SWL) was between 4 mbgl and 6 mbgl at compliance monitoring bore **MBF72** near Fimiston I TSF, during the reporting period. The first quarterly compliance depth between 4 mbgl and 6 mbgl was measured on 10 March 2022. The trends were reviewed by KCGM and seepage was concluded to be the potential source. Pumping capacity was therefore required to be increased by 10 December 2022 (within 9 months) as per the management action stipulated in Condition 28, Table 16, which was not achieved.

Due to several factors including contractor availability, electrical supply issues and operational requirements, three new production bores PB F149, PB F150 and PB F151 were only installed in April 2024 and commissioned in July 2025. Therefore, the additional pumping commenced approximately 40 months after the requirement was triggered.

28. The licence holder must take the relevant management action in the case of an event in Table 16.

Table 16: Management actions

Emission Point reference for compliance bores ¹	Event/ action reference	Event	Management action
Eastern Borefield Compliance Monitoring Bores	EA1	Groundwater level <4 mbgl	Increase pumping capacity within 6 months
		Groundwater level >4 mbgl and <6 mbgl	Review the potential cause of the change in groundwater and increase pumping capacity within 9 months if cause is directly associated with seepage

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Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:

As noted above, seepage is likely to be the potential cause of the rising SWL's observed in monitoring bore MBF72.

The availability of drilling contractors and hydrogeologists as well as the prioritisation of other site bore drilling requirements and electrical supply issues, resulted in the delay on installing and commissioning the new production bores.

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Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
<p>As noted above, three new production bores PB F149, PB F150 and PB F151 were installed in April 2024 and commissioned in July 2025 for the purpose of increasing pumping capacity near compliance monitoring bore MBF72</p> <p>Groundwater depth responses confirm that commissioning the productions bores has resulted in an increase in average total groundwater production from this sub area. This has resulted in SWL measurements at bore MB F72 to increase from around 4 mbgl to around 7.5 mbgl. Ongoing monitoring will continue and confirm whether the management actions undertaken at the Fimiston I TSF sub area is sufficient to manage groundwater depths in this location.</p>	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing – via submission of Quarterly Groundwater Monitoring Reports	Dates: Q1 2025 – 20 June 2025 Q2 2025 – 13 August 2025 Q3 2025 – 11 November 2025 Q4 2025 – 12 February 2026

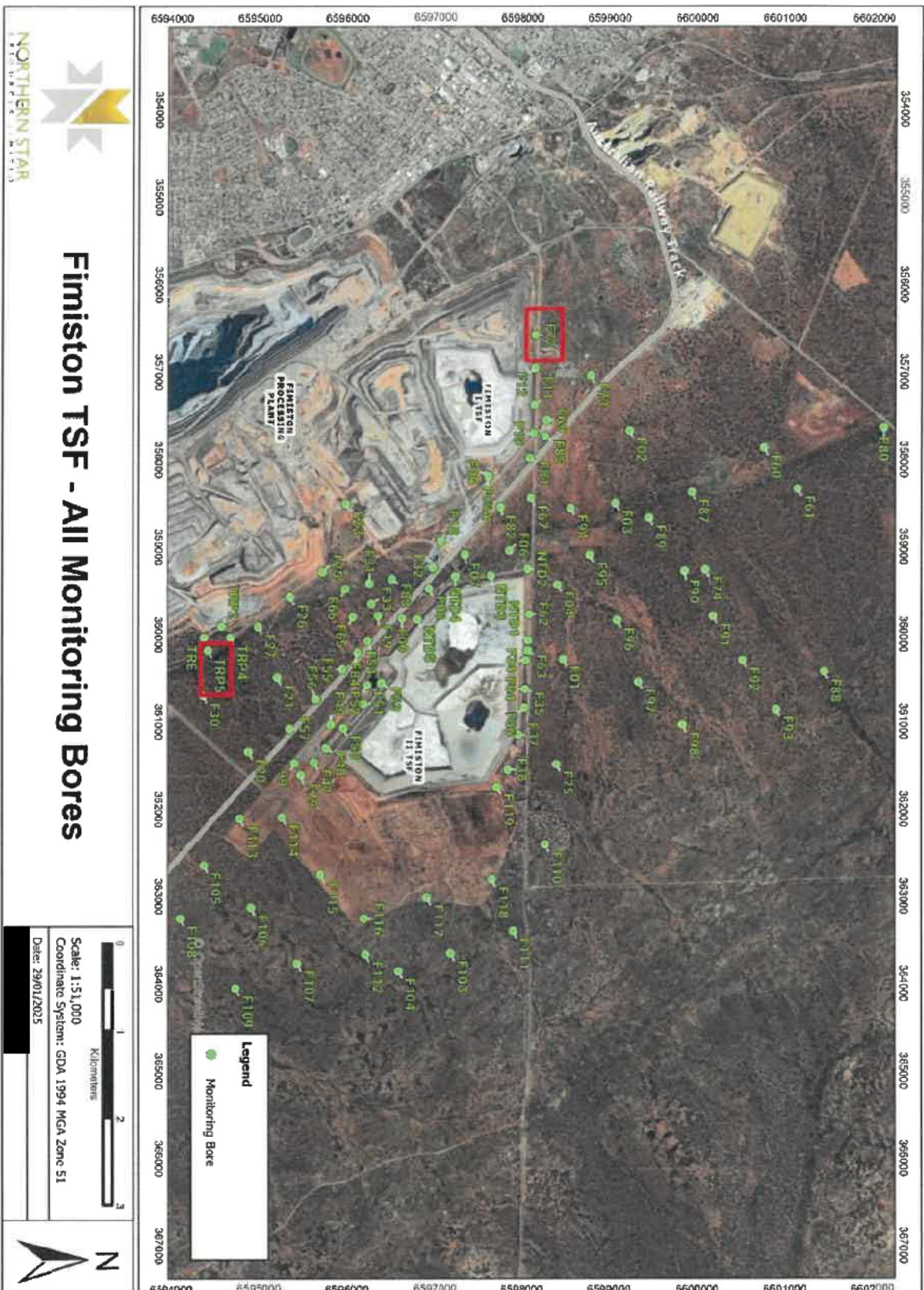
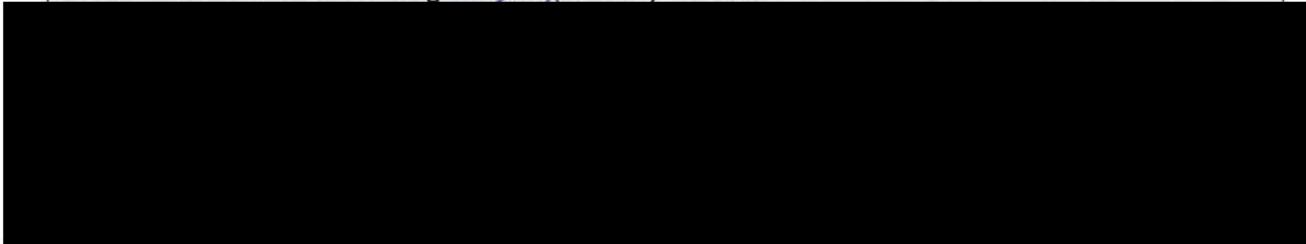


Figure 1. Map showing location of compliance monitoring bores MBF72 and TRP5 (outlined in red)

Section F – Declaration

I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular¹.

I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.



Date:	24.03.2026	Date:	
Seal (if signing under seal):			

¹ It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

² AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.