

Licence

Licence number L9012/2016/1

Licence holder Linden Gold Pty Ltd

ACN 138 222 705

18 Sangiorgio Court, OSBORNE PARK WA 6017.

DWER file number DER2016/002205

Duration 10/04/2017 to 10/04/2037

Date of issue 11/04/2017

Premises details Second Fortune Gold Mine,

Mining tenements,

M39/255, M39/649, M39/650 and L39/12,

MENZIES WA 6436. (as depicted in Schedule 1)

Prescribed premises category description (Schedule 1, <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i>)	Assessed production / design capacity
Category 5: Processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore	156,000 tonnes per annual period
Category 6: Mine dewatering	210,000 tonnes per annual period

This licence is granted to the licence holder, subject to the attached conditions, on 1/04/2021, by:

Stephen Checker
MANAGER, WASTE INDUSTRIES
REGULATORY SERVICES

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

L9012/2016/1 Date of Licence Transfer: 1/4/2021

Licence history

Date	Reference number	Summary of changes
10/10/2013	W5474/2013/1	New application for category 6 mine dewatering
02/02/2017	W5474/216/1	Amendment Notice 1 to works approval to include category 5 processing or beneficiation of metallic or non-metallic ore
10/04/2017	L9012/2016/1	New application for licence for operation of Stage 2 processing infrastructure. Stage 1 is only authorised upon submission of compliance documentation in accordance with works approval W5474/2013/1.
25/07/2017	L9012/2016/1	Amendment to Licence to incorporate changes to locations of groundwater monitoring bores and minor structural changes to the evaporation ponds.
1/4/2021	L9012/2016/1	Licence transfer

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:

Premises Operation

- The Licence holder shall record and investigate the exceedance of any descriptive or numerical limit in all the monitoring works.
- The Licence holder shall ensure that dewatering effluent and bitterns is discharged into dams with the relevant infrastructure requirements and at the location specified in Table 1 and identified in Schedule 1 maps.

Table 1: Dewatering Infrastructure					
Infrastructure point reference Material to be discharged Infrastructure requirements					
Evaporation Pond 1	Dewatering effluent/ bitterns from the reverse osmosis plant	 Maintain a minimum freeboard of 500 millimetres Compacted clay lined to achieve a permeability of less than 1 x 10⁻⁸ m/s 			
Infrastructure point reference	Material to be discharged	Infrastructure requirements			

- 3 The Licence holder shall ensure that the dewatering pipeline is either:
 - (a) equipped with telemetry systems and pressure sensors along pipelines to allow the detection of leaks and failures; or
 - (b) equipped with automatic cut-outs in the event of a pipe failure; or
 - (c) provided with secondary containment sufficient to contain any spill for a period equal to the time between routine inspections.
- 4 The Licence holder shall:
 - (a) undertake inspections as detailed in Table 2;
 - (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 written log of all inspections undertaken with each inspection record signed by a responsible person.

Table 2: Inspection of Infrastructure					
Scope of inspection Type of inspection Frequency inspection					
Dewatering effluent pipeline	Visual check of integrity	Daily			
Evaporation pond 1 and pond 2 freeboard	Visual check to confirm required freeboard capacity is available	Daily			
Process water infrastructure, tanks and pipelines	Visual check of integrity	Daily			

Emissions

The Licence holder shall ensure that where waste is emitted to groundwater from the emission point in Table 3, and identified on the map of emission points in Schedule 1, it is done so in accordance with the conditions of this Licence.

Table 3: Emission points to groundwater Site infrastructure and equipment						
Emission point reference Description of material Source including abatement						
Evaporation Pond 1(G1) Evaporation Pond 2 (G2) as depicted on the map of infrastructure, emission points and monitoring in schedule 1 maps	Dewatering effluent and bitterns from the reverse osmosis plant only	Dewatering of mine pit and bitterns from reverse osmosis plant				

Monitoring

- 6 The Licence holder shall ensure that:
 - (a) quarterly monitoring is undertaken at least 45 days apart; and
 - (b) six monthly monitoring is undertaken at least 5 months apart.
- 7 The Licence holder shall ensure that all monitoring equipment used on the Premises to comply with the conditions of this Licence is calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.
- The Licence holder shall, where the requirements for calibration cannot be practicably met, or a discrepancy exists in the interpretation of the requirements, bring these issues to the attention of the CEO accompanied with a report comprising details of any modifications to the methods.
- 9 The Licence holder shall undertake the monitoring in Table 4. according to the specifications in that table.

Table 4: Monitoring of point source emissions to groundwater						
Emission point reference Parameter Units Averaging Frequency Emission point reference						
Dewatering discharge outlet to evaporation ponds (G1 and G2)	Volumetric flow rate	m³/day	Monthly	Continuous		

The Licence holder shall undertake the ambient environmental quality monitoring in Table 5 according to the specifications in that table.

Table 5: Monitoring of groundwater					
Monitoring point reference and location Parameter Units Limit Averaging period Frequency					
GW1, GW2, GW3	Standing water	m(AHD)	≥4 mbgl	Spot sample	Quarterly

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and GW4 as depicted in the map	level ¹			
of infrastructure, emission points and	pH ¹	pH units	None specifie	
monitoring locations in schedule 1 maps	Total dissolved solids	mg/L	d	
	Total nitrates ²			
	Total sulfates ²			
	Metals and metalloids ² :			
	Mg, Na, K, Al, As, Ca, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Hg, Pb, Mn, Ni, Se, Tl and Zn			

Note 1: In field non-NATA accredited analysis is authorised.

Note 2: Level of detection is required to be sufficient to enable a comparison with ANZECC/ARMCANZ Guidelines (2000).

11 The Licence holder shall undertake the monitoring in Table 6. according to the specifications in that table.

Table 6: Monitoring of surface water quality					
Monitoring point reference and location	Parameter	Units	Limit	Averaging period	Frequency
Evaporation Cell 1 depicted in the map of Infrastructure, emission points and monitoring locations in	pH ¹	pH units	None specified	Spot sample	Six-monthly
	Total dissolved solids	mg/L	specified		
	Metals and metalloids ² :				
schedule 1 maps	As, Cd, Cr, Co, Cu, Hg, Pb, Mn, Ni, Se, Tl and Zn				

Note 1: In field non-NATA accredited analysis is authorised.

Note 2: Level of detection is required to be sufficient to enable a comparison with ANZECC/ARMCANZ Guidelines (2000).

Records and reporting

- 12 All information and records required by the Licence shall:
 - (a) be legible;
 - (b) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and subsequent amendments remain legible or are capable of retrieval;
 - (c) except for records listed in 12(d) be retained for at least 6 years from the date the records were made or until the expiry of the Licence or any subsequent licence; and

- (d) for those following records, be retained until the expiry of the Licence and any subsequent licence:
 - (i) off-site environmental effects; or
 - (ii) matters which affect the condition of the land or waters.
- 13 The Licence holder must submit to the CEO within 90 days after the Anniversary Date, an Annual Audit Compliance Report indicating the extent to which the Licence holder has complied with the Conditions in this Licence for the Annual Period.
- 14 The Licence holder shall implement a complaints management system that as a minimum records the number and details of complaints received concerning the environmental impact of the activities undertaken at the Premises and any action taken in response to the complaint.
- The Licence holder shall submit to the CEO an Annual Environmental Report within 90 calendar days after the Anniversary Date. The report shall contain the information listed in Table 7 in the format or form specified in that table.

Table 7: Annual Environmental Report					
Condition or table (if relevant)	Parameter	Format or form			
-	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				
-	Actual throughput	None specified			
9	Monitoring of point source emissions to groundwater	None specified			
10 and 11	Ambient environmental quality monitoring	None specified			
13	Compliance	Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR)			
14	Complaints summary	None specified			

- The Licence holder shall ensure that the Annual Environmental Report also contains an assessment of the information contained within the report against previous monitoring results and Licence limits.
- 17 The Licence holder shall submit the information in Table 8 to the CEO according to the specifications in that table.

Table 8: Non-annual reporting requirements					
Condition or table	Parameter	Reporting period	Reporting date (after end of the reporting period)	Format or form	
-	Copies of original monitoring reports submitted to the Licence holder by	Not Applicable	Within 14 days of the CEO's request	As received by the Licence holder from third parties	

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third parties		

The Licence holder shall ensure that the parameters listed in Table 9. are notified to the CEO in accordance with the notification requirements of the table.

Table 9: Notification requirements				
Condition or table	Parameter	Notification requirement ¹	Format or form ²	
1 and 8	Breach of any limit specified in the Licence	Part A: As soon as practicable but no later than 5pm of the next usual working day. Part B: As soon as practicable	N1	
7	Calibration report	As soon as practicable.	None specified	

Note 1:Notification requirements in the Licence shall not negate the requirement to comply with s72 of the Act.

Note 2: Forms are in Schedule 2.

Definitions

In this licence, the terms in Table 10 have the meanings defined.

Table 10: Definitions		
Term	Definition	
Act	means the Environmental Protection Act 1986	
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).	
AHD	means the Australian height datum	
annual period	a 12 month period commencing from 1 July until 30 June of the immediately following year.	
AS/NZS 5667.1	means the Australian Standard AS/NZS 5667.1 Water Quality – Sampling – Guidance on the Design of sampling programs, sampling techniques and the preservation and handling of samples;	
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.	
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer of the Department.	
	"submit to / notify the CEO" (or similar), means either:	
	Director General Department administering the Environmental Protection Act 1986 Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919	
	or:	
	info@dwer.wa.gov.au	
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector 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)	

Table 10: Definitions			
Term	Definition		
EP Regulations	Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA)		
freeboard	means the distance between the maximum water surface elevations and the top of retaining banks or structures at their lowest point;		
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.		
m	means metres;		
mbgl	means metres below ground level;		
monthly period	means a one-month period commencing from the first day of a month until the last day of the same month.		
NATA	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;		
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(s) (Figure 1 and 2) in Schedule 1 to this licence.		
prescribed premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.		
quarterly	means the 4 inclusive periods from 1 April to 30 June, 1 July to 30 September, 1 October to 31 December and in the following year, 1 January to 31 March;		
Schedule 1	means Schedule 1 of this Licence unless otherwise stated;		
Schedule 2	means Schedule 2 of this Licence unless otherwise stated; and		
spot sample	means a discrete sample representative at the time and place at which the sample is taken.		
waste	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.		

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Schedule 1: Maps

Premises map

The boundary of the prescribed premises is shown in the map below (Figure 1).

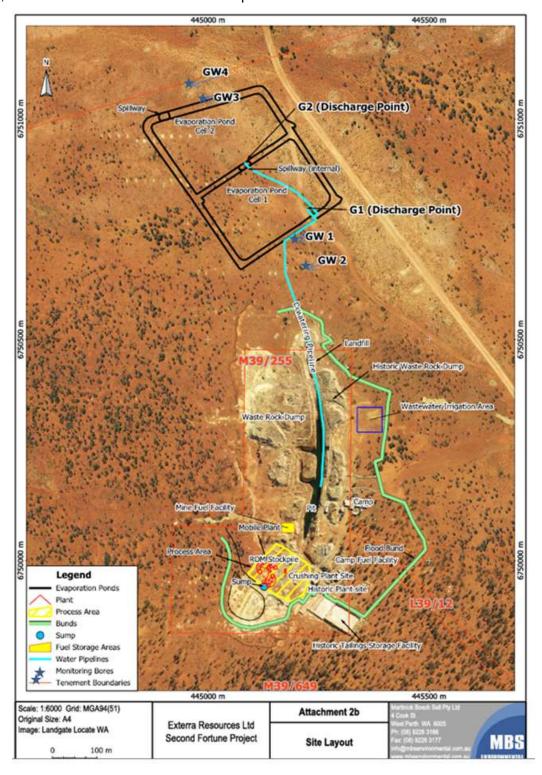


Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the prescribed premises

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Map of infrastructure, emission points and monitoring locations

The location of key infrastructure, emission points and groundwater monitoring bores GW1, GW2, GW3 and GW4 are show on the map below.



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Schedule 2: Notification forms

Licence: L9012/2016/1 Licence holder: Linden Gold Pty Ltd Form: N1 Date of breach: Notification of detection of the breach of a limit. These pages outline the information that the operator must provide. Units of measurement used in information supplied under Part A and B requirements shall be appropriate to the circumstances of the emission. Where appropriate, a comparison should be made of actual emissions and authorised emission limits. Part A Licence Number Name of operator Location of Premises Time and date of the detection Notification requirements for the breach of a limit Emission point reference/ source Parameter(s) Limit Measured value Date and time of monitoring Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop the emission Part B Any more accurate information on the matters for notification under Part A. Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to prevent a recurrence of the incident. Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to rectify, limit or prevent any pollution of the environment which has been or may be caused by the emission. The dates of any previous N1 notifications for the Premises in the preceding 24 months. Name Post Signature on behalf of

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Date