

EXHIBITION OF MODIFICATION APPLICATION

Cowal Gold Operations – Modification 16

Application No	DA14/98-Mod-16
Location	Lake Cowal Road, Lake Cowal
Applicant	Evolution Mining (Cowal) Pty Limited
Council Area	Bland Shire
Consent Authority	Minister for Planning and Public Spaces

Description of the development consent

An open-cut gold mine that has been operating since 2005, extracting 167 million tonnes of ore until 2032.

Description of proposed modification

Evolution is seeking approval to make changes to the existing approved development to support the proposed construction and operation of an underground mine development.

The proposed modifications involve:

- An extension of the life of mining operations from 2032 to 2040;
- Transport of ore by truck from the underground mine to the run-of-mine stockpile, a primary crusher and/or temporary stockpiles;
- Modification of the existing ore processing facility to accommodate ore from the underground mine;
- Transport and emplacement of waste rock from the underground mine to existing emplacement areas;
- An increase in the final height of the integrated waste landform; and
- Minor upgrades to the existing mine infrastructure area.

Exhibition Details

The Modification Application and accompanying documents will be exhibited from **Monday 26 October 2020** until **Sunday 22 November 2020** and are accessible electronically on the Department's website (www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/on-exhibition).

A hard copy may be inspected at the locations listed below from **Monday 26 October 2020** until **Sunday 22 November 2020** during office hours at:

- **Bland Shire Council:** 6-8 Shire Street, West Wyalong; and
- **Lachlan Shire Council:** 58-64 Molong Street, Condobolin.

A soft copy may also be viewed at **Forbes Shire Council:** 2 Court Street, Forbes

At the time of publishing this advertisement, the Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has not directed that a public hearing should be held.

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If you cannot lodge online, you can post your submission to the address below. If you want the Department to withhold your personal information before publication, please make this clear at the top of your cover letter and do not include personal details in your attached submission. If you post your submission, it needs to be received by the Department before the close of the exhibition period.

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- Your name and address, at the top of the letter only;
- The name of the application and the application number;
- A statement on whether you 'support', 'object' to the proposal (or are only making a comment);
- The reasons why you support or object to the proposal; and
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