

# Appendix C

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Controlled action determination and  
site verification certificate



**Notification of  
REFERRAL DECISION AND DESIGNATED PROPONENT – controlled action**

**McPhillamy's Gold Project, northeast of Blayney, NSW (EPBC 2019/8421)**

This decision is made under section 75 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

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**proposed action** Construction and operation of the McPhillamy's Gold Mine and associated infrastructure, northeast of Blayney, NSW [See EPBC Act referral 2019/8421]

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**decision on proposed action** The proposed action is a controlled action.  
The project will require assessment and approval under the EPBC Act before it can proceed.

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**relevant controlling provisions** • Listed threatened species and communities (sections 18 & 18A)

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**designated proponent** LFB Resources NL  
ACN 073 478 574

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**assessment approach** The project will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement with New South Wales.

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**Decision-maker**

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**Name and position** Louise Vickery  
Assistant Secretary  
Assessments and Waste Branch

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**Signature** 

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**date of decision** 28 May 2019

**Site Verification Certificate  
McPhillamys Gold Project**

Part 4AA, Division 3 of *State Environmental Planning Policy  
(Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007*

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Pursuant to clause 17C(1) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007*, I determine the application made by Regis Resources Ltd by issuing this certificate.

I certify that in my opinion, having regard to the criteria in the *Interim Protocol for site verification and mapping of biophysical strategic agricultural land*, the land specified in Schedule 1 is not Biophysical Strategic Agricultural Land.

The reasons for forming the opinion on each of the relevant criteria are contained in Schedule 2.

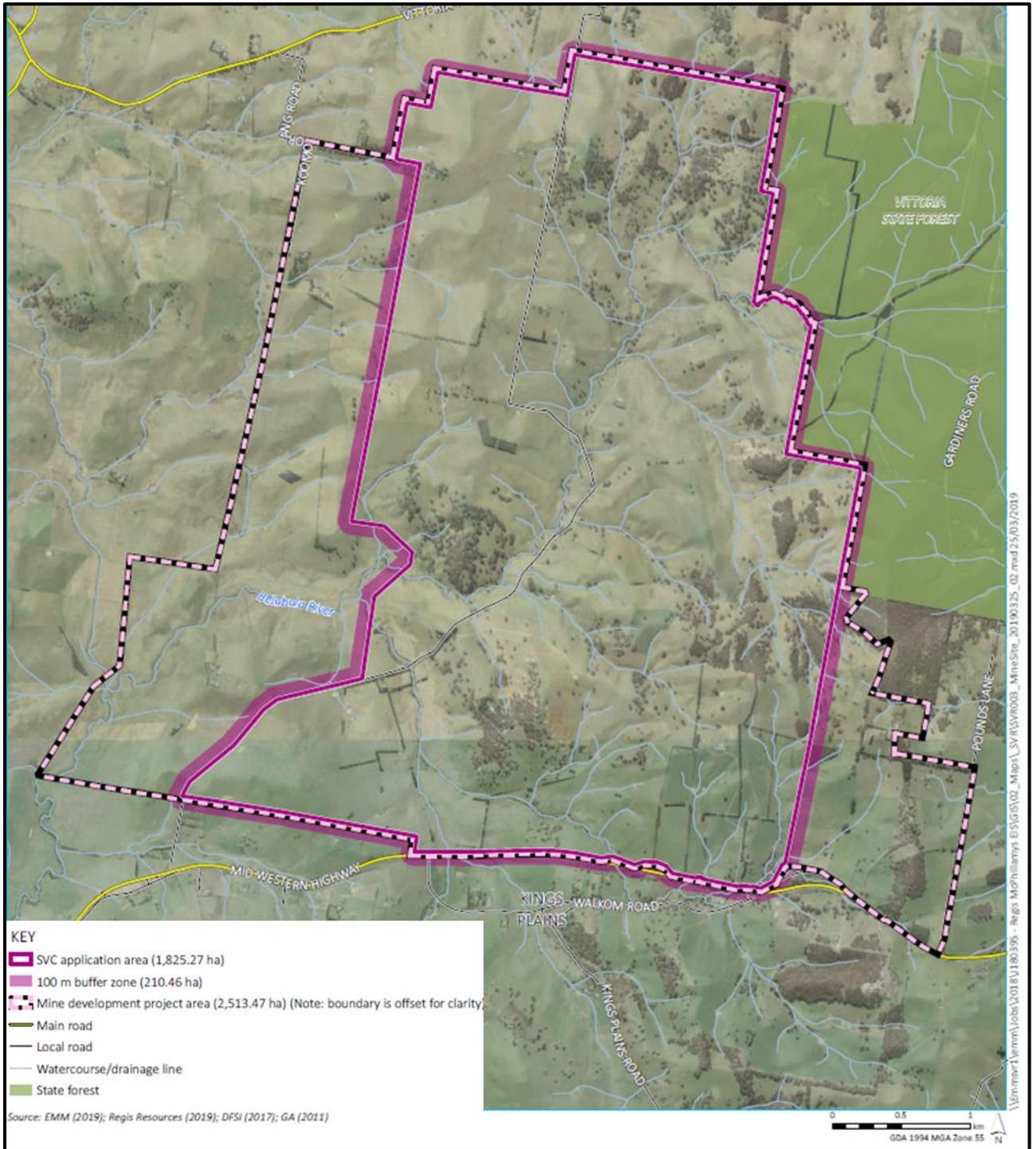


**Executive Director – Resource Assessments and Business Systems**  
as delegate for the Secretary

Date certificate issued: 18 JUNE 2019

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# SCHEDULE 1



## SCHEDULE 2

Relevant criteria	Consideration
<b>Slope</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ground slope is greater than 10% on a large portion (around 40%) of the SVC application area.</li> </ul>
<b>Soil Type</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Soil testing undertaken in accordance with the <i>Interim Protocol for site verification and mapping of biophysical strategic agricultural land</i> has confirmed that the site does not contain any BSAL.</li> <li>• The range of soil types did not meet the relevant BSAL verification criteria due to one or more of a combination of low fertility, poorly drained soils and soil chemistry limitations (sodicity and salinity).</li> <li>• The applicant's soil mapping and attributes are consistent with the Office and Environment and Heritage soil survey knowledge and expected/ anticipated soil types in the project area/ locality.</li> </ul>