Alcoa AustraliaStepping up for WA



We are committed to enhancing the way we operate our bauxite mines and downstream processing alumina refineries in WA to meet evolving requirements and expectations and provide greater confidence we can responsibly add to our 60-years of shared value creation.

In line with conditions set by the State Government, we are enhancing protections for drinking water, reducing forest clearing and accelerating rehabilitation. We have also committed to work with government to modernise the State Agreements and approvals framework under which we operate.

Much of this detail is captured in our latest five-year mine plan the State Government intends to approve. This plan allows us to operate in specific areas and details how we will carry out environmental management and rehabilitate and restore any jarrah forest areas we clear.



Our contribution to WA

We have a proud history in WA and an important role in producing aluminium, a material vital to our everyday lives and decarbonised future.

For six decades, our integrated bauxite mining and alumina refining operations in WA, along with our aluminum production in Victoria, have added value for the nation, state and local communities.

In WA, we provide direct employment for 6,000 people and work for more than 900 businesses.

We collaborate with local communities to address their concerns and aspirations, striving for shared value in all that we do.

We strive to be regarded as a leader in mine site rehabilitation, contributing significantly to the science behind this important work and the management of WA's jarrah forest.

Our conditions and commitments

PROTECTING DRINKING WATER

- A \$100 million guarantee demonstrating our confidence that our operations will not impair drinking water supplies
- Immediately ceasing clearing for mining within 1km of public drinking water reservoirs within our mine plan area and ceasing mining within 1km by mid-2024
- No new clearing at more than 16% average mine pit slope within 2km of public drinking water reservoirs
- Enhancing water monitoring and drainage controls and contributing to catchment-wide risk management

REDUCING IMPACTS ON FORESTS

- Capping clearing at 800 hectares per annum across our two mines
- Relinquishing more than 1,200 hectares in previous clearing approvals
- Doubling current rehabilitation rates by 2027 to more than 1,000 hectares per annum, exceeding the rate of new clearing
- Prioritising rehabilitation in areas considered vulnerable
- Changing our mining practices to accelerate rehabilitation of mined pits
- Working with stakeholders on new Rehabilitation Completion Criteria
- Working with the State Government to return rehabilitated areas

INCREASING TRANSPARENCY

- Publishing our five-year mine plan
- Collating and sharing expanded monitoring data

MODERNISING APPROVALS

- Referring all new mining regions to the Environmental Protection Authority's contemporary approvals process
- Collaborating with the State to modernise our three State Agreements

INCREASING COMMUNITY CERTAINTY

• Forgoing mining around the forest towns of Dwellingup and Jarrahdale to provide better protection for lifestyle and recreational values

PROTECTING CULTURAL HERITAGE

• Co-developing a Cultural Heritage Management Plan with Traditional Owners