

**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1994**

Section 152 Section 233

**Application notice**

**Phosphate Hill Operations**

**Resource activity: Open cut (shallow pit) mining of phosphate ore and processing of ore to manufacture fertiliser**

It is advised that Southern Cross Fertilisers Pty Ltd (ACN 004 936 850) has lodged an application for an amendment of the environmental authority in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. The environmental authority being amended is EPML00885513.

The application relates to Phosphate Hill Operations, located in western Queensland approximately 136km south south-east of Mount Isa and approximately 51km east south-east of Dajarra. The mining lease (ML5543) encompasses an area of approximately 14,028ha. Less than 10.5% of the lease area is utilised by the operation.

The resource activity is proposed to occur on the following tenure(s) and will involve:

To amend the environmental authority to contain site-specific trigger levels and contaminant limits for releases to receiving waters and groundwaters. Operations are all currently approved and will not be altered.

The application documents for the project consist of the environmental authority amendment application letter (dated 23/10/2013); Appendix 1 Stream Sediment and Surface Water Characterisation Report (C&R Consulting August 2013); and Appendix 2 Phosphate Hill Groundwater Monitoring January 2012 Evaluation (C&R Consulting February 2012).

Application documents may be inspected or accessed at <http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/management/non-mining/current-ea-applications.html>.

Copies of the standard conditions for the resource activity can be obtained by accessing the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection website [www.ehp.qld.gov.au](http://www.ehp.qld.gov.au) or by contacting Permit and Licence Management by phone on 1300 130 372 or by email on [palm@ehp.qld.gov.au](mailto:palm@ehp.qld.gov.au).

It is advised that any person may make a submission about the application during the submission period, which is from 18 December 2013 to 29 January 2014. A properly made submission must be received on or before the last day of the submission period. Submissions must be sent to:

Mining Registrar  
Department of Natural Resources and Mines  
13 Isa Street Mount Isa QLD 4825

Department of Environment and Heritage Protection  
PO Box 937, Cairns Qld 4870  
[alex.apostol@ehp.qld.gov.au](mailto:alex.apostol@ehp.qld.gov.au)  
Attention: Alex Apostol

The Department of Environment and Heritage Protection as administering authority shall accept all properly made submissions and may accept written submissions even if they are not properly made. A properly made submission must meet all of the following requirements:

- be written or made electronically
- state the name and address of each submitter
- be made to the administering authority stated above
- be received on or before the last day of the submission period
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Enquiries about the application can be made directly to:

DEHP, PO Box 937, Cairns Qld 4870, Alex Apostol and 4222 5359