



MINING REHABILITATION ADVISORY PANEL

COMMUNIQUE – 2/2024

A summary of the
Mining Rehabilitation Advisory Panel's Meeting on Wednesday 18 September 2024

1. Mining Rehabilitation Fund administration and Abandoned Mines Program

The panel noted the updates given on the administration of the Mining Rehabilitation Fund (MRF) and the status updates given on projects within the Abandoned Mines Program (AMP).

2. Legislation and Policy review

The panel look forward to working with Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS), in relation to the discussion paper for the ten-year legislative review and the review of the Abandoned Mines Policy.

3. Revocation of Donnybrook Shafts

The panel congratulate the significant achievement of the Abandoned Mines team on the conclusion of the Donnybrook Shafts project with the revocation of the abandoned mine declaration.

4. Endorsement of Collieries Project

To improve the understanding of the geotechnical issues associated with an area of recent ground movement, the Scottish Colliery has been selected as a pilot location to for geotechnical investigation. Subsequently, a declaration of an abandoned mine at has been proposed.

The panel agreed to endorse the request for declaration of the abandoned mine over the Scottish Colliery as part of the Collieries project as a pilot investigation site.

5. Endorsement of Safer Shafts for Towns project

The Safer Shafts for Towns project focuses on the rehabilitation of historical abandoned mine features that are in close proximity to schools in regional towns. Yalgoo and Cue Phase 1 project areas have been proposed for endorsement.

The panel agreed to endorse the request for declaration of abandoned mine over the Yalgoo Phase 1 and Cue Phase 1 areas under the Safter Shafts for Towns project.

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Renee Young
Chairperson