



IPC to consider further Department of Planning and Environment assessment of Glendell Continued Operations

26 September 2022

On 23 September 2022, the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) received further assessment of the Glendell Continued Operations Project (SSD 9349) from the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.

That further assessment was requested by the IPC (see the request linked [here](#)) in relation to a report on Aboriginal heritage that was prepared under section 10(4) of the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* (Cth) for the Commonwealth Minister's consideration (the '**Leo Report**').

Given the confidentiality conditions set by the Commonwealth regarding the Leo Report, neither the Leo Report nor the Department of Planning and Environment's further assessment can be made available to the general public at this time. Both documents are available in full to:

- Glencore (the applicant for the Glendell Continued Operations Project),
- the Environmental Defenders Office (as the representatives of the applicants under the *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* (Cth)); and
- the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.

The IPC has invited written submissions from the above parties on both documents, to be received by 30 September 2022.

Those submissions (as well as the Leo Report itself and the Department's further assessment) will not be made available to the general public unless the IPC, after considering the confidentiality of the Leo Report and the associated documents, decides that there is no public interest in restricting publication of those documents.

Under the terms of the Planning Secretary's extension of time for the determination of the Glendell Continued Operations Project application (see the extension linked [here](#)), the IPC must determine the application by 4 November 2022.

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