

Noonamah Quarry (Elizabeth Valley) Annual and Final Report 2017

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MLNs 387, 388, 389, 392, 393, 394, 396 & 397 (GR362)

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 REPORTING DETAILS

Holcim Australia Pty Limited (**Holcim**) has developed this Annual and Final Report (the **Report**) in order to satisfy the reporting requirements under S.94(1) of the Mineral Titles Act 2010 and Regulation 86(3) of the Mineral Titles Regulations.

Holcim held Mineral Leases (Northern) 387, 388, 389, 392, 393, 394, 396 & 397 (the **Titles**) comprising Noonamah Quarry (Elizabeth Valley) until 17 May 2017, when the Department of Primary Industry and Resources (**DPIR**) accepted surrender for the Titles.

This Report has been prepared based on information sourced from previously submitted (historic) Annual Reports for the Titles and subsequently for GR362 Noonamah Quarry (Elizabeth Valley).

1.2 LOCATION

The area in which the Titles were located is Noonamah, approximately 40km south east of Darwin City via the Stuart Highway. Access to the tenements was Elizabeth Valley Road, then travelling east for approximately 18km along Elizabeth Valley Road to the intersection of Redcliffe Road.

The area of the titles covered a combined area of approximately 127 hectares.

1.3 TITLE DETAILS

Table 1 - Summary of Title Details

Title number	Owner	Grant Date	Surrender Date
MLN387	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN388	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN389	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN392	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN393	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN394	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN396	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017
MLN397	Holcim (Australia) Pty Limited	16.10.1978	17.05.2017

A map showing the location of the Titles may be found at Page 4 - Figure 1of this Report.



1.4 HOLCIM CONTACT DETAILS

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2.0 HISTORY AND CURRENT STATUS

As shown in the section 1.3 – Table 1 – Title Details the Titles were granted on 16 October 1978. The Titles remained idle throughout the period between 1978 and 2001.

In 2001, Holcim, then CSR Readymix, prepared a Notice of Intent (NOI) with for the purpose of gaining Departmental approval to undertake quarrying activities comprising of the extraction hard rock from the Titles. The NOI was strongly opposed by local residents and environmental groups.

As a result of opposition from local residents and environmental groups to the proposed CSR Readymix activities, all mining operations at that time and proposed operations were prevented from commencing or continuing by the Litchfield Shire Council imposing a 10 tonne load limit on a number of roads, including the Elizabeth Valley Road where sand mining was being conducted by other extractive operators.

Imposition of the 10 tonne load limit on the Elizabeth Valley Road in particular, meant that any extractive operations on the Titles was unlikely to ever occur given that it was economically unviable to consider removing material in quantities of no greater than 10 tonnes.

In the years following the imposition of the 10 tonne load limit, extractive mining activities completely disappeared from the area of the Elizabeth Valley Road and are now located further south in the area of Townend Road.

Due to the constraints imposed by the Litchfield, the popularity of the area for rural residential living and numerous residences that have been constructed in the vicinity of the Titles, Holcim took the decision to offer the titles for surrender. Application for surrender of the Titles was made to the DPIR on 11 May 2017.

A Mining Notice informing of the Cessation for the Titles on 17 May 2017 was posted on the Northern Territory Government Department of Primary Industry and Resources website on 19 May 2017.

For the purpose of this Report, Holcim reaffirms that no ground disturbance, no extractive activity and no production has occurred on the Titles since grant.

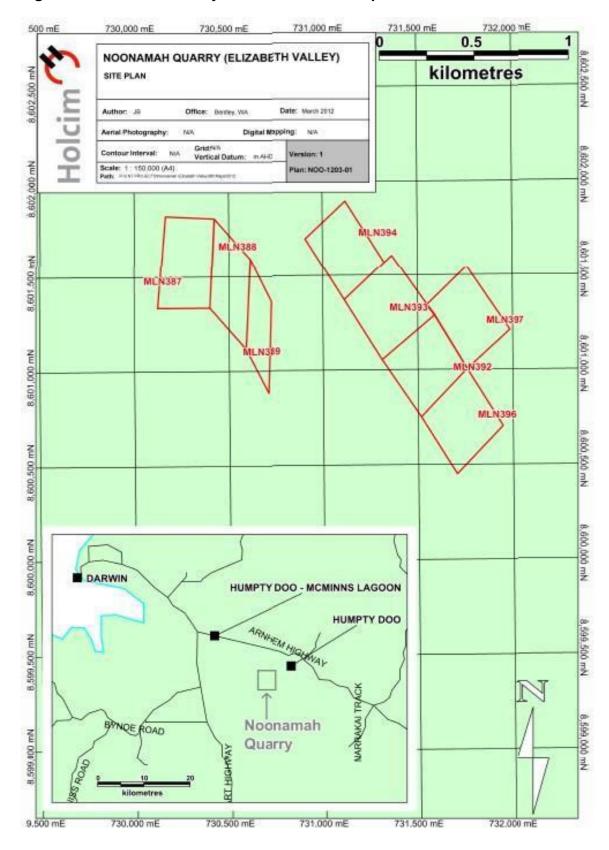


Figure 1 - Noonamah Quarry Location and Site Map