

MANAGEMENT OF THE FORMER RUM JUNGLE MINE SITE (STAGE 2B)

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth Northern Territory																		
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2022.																		
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of the Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project (Stage 2B) focusing on commencing revegetation and hazard reduction, ongoing environmental monitoring activities, project delivery and community engagement.																		
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the Northern Territory of \$3.502 million in respect of this Schedule.</p> <table> <tr> <th>Table 1 (\$ million)</th><th>2020-21</th><th>2021-22</th><th>Total</th></tr> <tr> <td>Estimated total budget</td><td>1.251</td><td>2.251</td><td>3.502</td></tr> <tr> <td>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</td><td>1.251</td><td>2.251</td><td>3.502</td></tr> <tr> <td>Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td></tr> </table>			Table 1 (\$ million)	2020-21	2021-22	Total	Estimated total budget	1.251	2.251	3.502	Less estimated National Partnership Payments	1.251	2.251	3.502	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Additional Terms	<p>The Northern Territory will be responsible for providing in-kind assistance to support the implementation of this Schedule.</p> <p>The Northern Territory will offer the Kungarakana and Warai peoples opportunity to participate in Project activities to contribute to delivery of the Rum Jungle Stage 2B Project as set out in this Schedule.</p>																		

	<p>Led by the Northern Territory, it and the Commonwealth will be jointly responsible for engaging the Northern Land Council (NLC), affected traditional Aboriginal owners and stakeholders, including affected parties under the <i>Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976</i> (Cth), relevant government agencies and the local community, to contribute to delivery of the Rum Jungle Stage 2B Project as set out in this Schedule. Engagement of the traditional Aboriginal owners by the Parties does not supplant any consultative or representative role of the NLC under the <i>Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976</i> (Cth).</p> <p>The Rum Jungle Project Board will provide oversight of this Stage 2B Schedule and strategic oversight of the whole of the Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project.</p>
Traditional Aboriginal Owners	<p>In 1981, the then Aboriginal Land Commissioner recommended the grant of Aboriginal land in respect of the land parcels subject to the Finnis River Land Claim, including the former Rum Jungle Mine site. The Aboriginal Land Commissioner found that Kungarakana and Warai peoples are the joint traditional Aboriginal owners of the former Rum Jungle Mine site. The other sites within the former Rum Jungle Uranium Field have not been the subject of a land claim.</p> <p>No decision on the recommendation to grant the former Rum Jungle Mine site under the <i>Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976</i> (Cth) has yet been made. All other land parcels recommended for grant by the Aboriginal Land Commissioner in respect of the Finnis River Land Claim were granted to Aboriginal Land Trusts between 1991 and 1993. The Northern Land Council administers those Aboriginal Land Trusts and has ongoing responsibilities in representing the traditional Aboriginal owners in their claim to the former Rum Jungle Mine Site.</p> <p>The Kungarakana and Warai peoples are to be consulted on rehabilitation planning and maintenance matters, as both governments acknowledge their desire that rehabilitation at the former Rum Jungle Mine site allows for the return to traditional ceremony, culture and subsistence use of natural resources.</p> <p>There are also traditional owners along the length of the Finnis River, downstream of the former Rum Jungle Mine site. These traditional owning groups value, access and use the Finnis River.</p>

Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project Stages

To date, the Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project has consisted of four stages, as outlined below:

Stage	Dates	Funding (m)	Output(s)
1 ¹	2009 - 2013	\$7.048	Improved understanding of the site's current environmental state. Development of a Conceptual Rehabilitation strategy. ²
2 ³	2013 - 2016	\$11.411	Rehabilitation design works and construction-ready specifications, drawings and costings (including for post rehabilitation activities) to assist DBC development.
2A ⁴	2017 - 2020	\$10.048	Revised comprehensive rehabilitation design, costings and supporting documentation (including for a 20 year post rehabilitation period) to support approvals and DBC. Repairs and maintenance work on the Rum Jungle Creek South cover system.
2B (current)	2020 - 2022	\$3.502	Ongoing monitoring and commencement of revegetation supporting Kungarakana and Warai Traditional Owner participation.

¹ [National Partnership Agreement on the Management of the Former Rum Jungle Mine Site.](#)

² Conceptual rehabilitation strategy is set out in the [Conceptual Rehabilitation Plan \(Northern Territory, May 2013\).](#)

³ [Project Agreement for the Management of the Former Rum Jungle Mine Site \(Stage 2\).](#)

⁴ [Project Agreement for the Management of the Former Rum Jungle Mine Site \(Stage 2A\).](#)

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary				
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment	
Implementation approach	Northern Territory submits a high-level Project Plan.	31 December 2020	NA	
Improve land management	<p>Address critical issues to improve the land, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • invasive animals and weeds; • fire regime; and • soil management and revegetation preparatory works. <p>Complete Annual Radiation Reporting.</p>			
Environmental monitoring	<p>Ongoing ground and surface water monitoring.</p> <p>Commence survey activities and analysis for impact assessment and improved environmental knowledge.</p>	31 May 2021	\$1.251 million	
Supporting Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project delivery	<p>Offer opportunities for Indigenous participation in employment, training and business engagement.</p> <p>Collaborate with Kungarakana and Warai Traditional Owners to finalise relevant project delivery documents that support their culture and aspirations.</p>			
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Environmental monitoring	<p>Ongoing ground and surface water monitoring and models updated.</p> <p>Complete survey activities and analysis for impact assessment and improved environmental knowledge.</p>		
Supporting Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project delivery	<p>Support opportunities for Indigenous participation in employment and training, and business engagement.</p> <p>Collaborate with Kungarakan and Warai Traditional Owners to finalise relevant project delivery documents that support their culture and aspirations.</p> <p>Advance project planning and discussions with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finniss River Aboriginal Land Trust (<i>Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976</i> (Cth)); and • Coomalie Community Government Council. 		
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



The Honourable Keith Pitt MP

Minister for Resources, Water and Northern Australia

6/12/ 2020

Signed for and on behalf of the Northern
Territory by



The Honourable Nicole Manison MLA

Minister for Mining and Industry

18/12/20