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Finniss Lithium Project

COMMUNITY UPDATE

Core Lithium started construction at the Grants open-cut mine in October 2021. Since then, Core has achieved the following key milestones as part of the early works phase at the site:

- completed construction of the slip lane at the entrance to the site, before the start of the wet season
- cleared and prepared stage 1 areas of the site
- ✓ installed 7 kilometres of underground water pipeline from Observation Hill Dam to the project site
- completed the hardstand areas for the workshop, fuel, administration complex and temporary administration area
- started construction of the permanent administration complex
- ✓ established drainage and erosion controls.

The next stage of site construction, from March to June, will include:

- installing services including temporary power and water
- installing potable and wastewater treatment plants
- constructing site water
 dams and sediment basins
- establishing the primary and secondary internal roads and drainage
- start constructing the processing and crushing plants.

Mine site

Early works phase completed. Ongoing site construction

March - July 2022

starts

Some initial material moved from the pit

January 2022

Construction of processing facility

Works progressing
February - October
2022

Start of production

From October 2022

TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES AND COMMUNICATION

As part of the open pit mining process, Core will be conducting open pit blasting to access the ore. If blasting is required in an area close to Cox Peninsula Road, this will require temporary road closures, for about 15 minutes, during blasting.

Core is completing a comprehensive site risk assessment, which includes drilling to determine how hard the rock is, which will determine when blasting will be required.

Once we know when blasting will be required, we will advise people about timing and how we will communicate with residents, communities, and other road users about the temporary road closures.

A LOCAL PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CORE LITHIUM AND TUMBLING WATERS HOLIDAY PARK

Tumbling Waters Holiday Park offers a tropical oasis spanning 100 acres, and for the past six months, has been the administrative centre for the Finniss Lithium Project.

Park owners Jenny and Darren Campbell welcomed Core Lithium to the park in September 2021, providing office facilities, accommodation and additional support. Core has set up a main office in the park's event centre and demountables, providing office space for about 25 people. The centre is also used for inductions and training required before entering the mine site. The park is only a 15-minute drive to the mine site, providing a safe and convenient office location.

As locals would know, Tumbling Waters is a popular spot for tourists to enjoy the surrounds in the dry season, however Core's presence has enabled the park to remain busy and booked out through the off-peak wet season.

"Having Core Lithium here has really benefited the future growth of the park and enabled us to improve and construct new facilities for our guests," said Jenny.

THANK YOU TO OUR CONTRACTORS AND SUB-CONTRACTORS

Core Lithium would like to thank the main contractors and sub-contractors working onsite, as their work, efforts and patience have been fantastic.

Despite continuing wet weather, the locals and local service providers, in particular mining contractor Lucas TCS, continue to meet key dates, enabling us to reach major milestones.

Core would also like to acknowledge the local knowledge from Territorians, which has been invaluable to the project so far.

"The benefit to the community is absolutely immense when you consider the job opportunities Core is offering locals.

"We are proud to work with such a wonderful company and look forward to continuing well into the future." Jenny said.

Darren also commented on Core's contribution to local employment.

"Lithium is the future, this is a wonderful thing, and it employs locals," Darren said.

Core is pleased to work with local businesses and the community and looks forward to continuing to work with Tumbling Waters Holiday Park.



Left to right: Jenny Campbell - Manager Tumbling Waters Holiday Park, Sean Buxton - General Manager Operations Core Lithium, Darren Campbell - Manager Tumbling Waters Holiday Park

ENGAGING LOCAL RANGERS FOR TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERTISE

Over the past six months, Core has engaged the Kenbi Rangers to deliver a range of services, including relocating 80 cycad trees from the project site, weed management, cultural heritage monitoring, water controls involving surveying on ATV vehicles and silt fencing.

The Kenbi Rangers have been protecting the Cox Peninsula officially since 2011, providing land management services and looking after 64,000 hectares of land. The Kenbi Rangers provides a structure for traditional knowledge to be passed down from old to young. The team consists of four core members plus additional casual employees.

Steven Brown, Ranger Coordinator, said the cycad relocation has been very successful.

"Cycads are millions of years old and if you do it right it's not hard, but if you don't know what you're doing, don't touch them," Steven said.

"Our team of six was all involved in that. We had our excavator guys, our dingo man, so everything was done right," he said.

Sean Buxton, General Manager Operations at the Finniss Lithium Project, said he is pleased to see the cycad relocation has been a success.



The Kenbi Rangers - Jack Gardner, Eian McFarlane, John (Mango) More, Rex Sing, Steven Brown, and Sean Buxton General Manager Operations Core Lithium

"The cycads that have been relocated have had a very high survival rate, around 95%. Some have even sprouted and are growing, which is a great success story for both the Kenbi Rangers, the environment and for Core Lithium." Sean said.

Core values the work and professionalism of the Kenbi Rangers, who are based nearby at Wagait Beach on the Cox Peninsula.

"Right from the start, the Kenbi Rangers have been proactive, positive and professional. We wouldn't have made the start we have made without them," said Sean.

"They have bent over backwards for us and we are really grateful for their involvement in the project."

Sam @TheTravellingJackaroo

If a bright orange tractor, with a trailer and mounted hull of an old Royal Flying Doctor's airplane plodding along the highway isn't enough to get you talking, the man driving this rig just might be able to.

Sam Hughes is a 19-year-old from Maleny, QLD who has travelled over 5000 kilometres to raise

Flying Doctor Service and Drought Angels.



The Travelling Jackaroo has done more than that though, he has started a conversation about Aussies to check in on their mates.

"I go to schools out west where there are only 10 kids in the whole school and talk to them about Dolly's Dream and bullying and what to do if they are being bullied, which a lot of people

Core Lithium is pleased to donate to the Royal Flying Doctor Service, Dolly's Dream and Drought Angels to support the great work Sam is doing.





You can keep up with Sam on Facebook and Instagram @TheTravellingJackaroo

CONTRACTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Core Lithium has advertised and filled 19 direct project positions since October 2021. All but three of these have been filled by locals from Darwin and the rural area, representing more than 85% local employment.

Lucas TCS, the mining contractor for the project, has been progressively filling positions for their operations on the project and engaged an additional 33 employees to site in March.

A total of 70 locals have been employed by Lucas TCS on the project to date, representing 84% local employment.

Four Aboriginal people are employed by Lucas TCS, representing 5% Aboriginal employment.

Employment opportunities with Lucas will continue as the project progresses through the various stages.

Primero/NRW, the contractor for the construction of the processing plant, will start work at the project site with their sub-contractors, once conditions at the site are suitable.

CSI Crushing have been awarded the crushing and screening works for the project.

For more information about employment on the project:

Email Lucas at ntjobs@lucastcs.com.au

Email CVs to Primero at recruitment@primero.com.au

Visit the CSI Mining Services <u>website</u> to view job opportunities with CSI Mining Services

ENVIRONMENTAL APPROVAL GRANTED FOR BP33

The Northern Territory Minister for Environment has granted environmental approval for Core Lithium's BP33 underground lithium mine that forms part of the wider Finniss Lithium Project. The mine will create about 60 jobs during construction and 120 to 150 jobs during operations.

Core would like to thank stakeholders and community members who provided comments and feedback on the BP33 project as part of the stakeholder engagement process.

COMMUNITY HOTLINE

If you have any feedback, suggestions or concerns about any part of our operation, please let us know.

Our community hotline number is 1800 271 118

Our email address is: Contact@corelithium.com.au

Please outline your feedback with as much detail as possible and provide contact details so that we can get in touch with you. You can also contact us anonymously but please be aware that it is difficult to respond directly to anonymous feedback.

MORE INFORMATION

We will continue to provide updates to the community as the project progresses.

If you would like more information on the project, or to register to receive these updates, please contact True North Strategic Communication on:

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