



Australian Industry  
Participation Authority

# Australian Jobs Act 2013

AIP Plan reference code:

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## Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Project Phase

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**Nominated project proponent:** NORTHERN MINERALS LIMITED

### Project details

Name: Browns Range Heavy Rare Earths (HRE) Project

Location: 160km south-east of Halls Creek in the Kimberley Region, Western Australia

Type: Mine or quarry

Purpose: Establish new facility

Capital expenditure: \$500 million - \$1 billion

Description: Northern Minerals (NTU) is seeking to develop the Browns Range Heavy Rare Earths (HRE) Project (the Project) in the East Kimberley Region, Western Australia. The Project initially contemplates the mining and processing of ore from the Wolverine deposit to produce a xenotime concentrate. The Wolverine deposit is rich in dysprosium (Dy) and terbium (Tb), both critical minerals in the supply chain for high end magnet uses, these are essential components in the manufacture of performance technology solutions for clean energy. NTU has a strategic partnership with Iluka Resources Limited which includes a Supply Agreement for the supply of 30,500t of Total Rare Earth Oxides (TREO) xenotime concentrate during an initial 8+ year mine life. The Project intends on being the first significant dysprosium producer outside of China. The project development includes site wide earthworks, a processing plant, power supply, underground mining, open pit mining, camp expansion, non-process infrastructure (workshops, offices etc.), upgraded water supply, camp services, mobile equipment, flight services, communications and various reagent/consumable supply packages. There will be approximately 12-14 head contracts where NTU will be the procuring entity; these head contracts will have numerous subcontracting opportunities. NTU will contractually require head contractors to comply with this AIP plan.

Completion date: 31 Dec 2026

## Key goods and services

Indicative list of key goods and services to be acquired for the project:

| Key goods and services  | Opportunities for Australian entities* | Opportunities for non-Australian entities | Explanation for no opportunities for Australian entities |
|---|--|---|--|
| Bulk Earth Works (construction)   | Yes                                    | No  |  |
| Mine Access Road (design)   | Yes                                    | No  |  |
| Plant Bulk Earthworks (design)  | Yes                                    | No  |  |
| Design and Installation of Camp and Non Process Infrastructure          | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Design and Supply of Accommodation and Non Process Infrastructure Units | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Design of Village Potable and Waste Water Treatment Plants              | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Mobile Equipment Supply   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Lab Equipment Supply  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Process Plant EPC   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Raw Water Supply and Install  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Diesel Storage  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Underground Mining Services   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Open Pit Mining Services  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Power Supply Services   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Diesel Supply Services  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Camp Services   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Flight Services   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Communication Services  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |

\* An Australian entity is an entity with an ABN or ACN

Project standards:

Australian

## Supplier information and communication

Project proponent's contact person for supplier enquiries:

**Contact person name** Angela Glover  
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Project proponent website: [www.northernminerals.com.au/browns-range](http://www.northernminerals.com.au/browns-range)

Project opportunities website: [www.gateway.icn.org.au](http://www.gateway.icn.org.au), [www.kimberleybusinessnetwork.com.au](http://www.kimberleybusinessnetwork.com.au)

Supplier engagement and communication actions :

- Promote project opportunities through industry associations
- Engage with vendor identification agencies on project opportunities and bid processes
- Conduct supplier information briefings on project opportunities and bid processes
- Develop and distribute a supplier information guide for the project

## Building Australian industry capability

### Supplier capability development actions:

- Recommend suppliers undertake training and/or accreditation
- Encourage joint ventures and alliances between suppliers
- Support supplier development initiatives of industry associations or governments

### Global supply chain integration actions:

- Introduce suppliers to global supply chain partners
- Facilitate strategic partnering and joint ventures between Australian and international suppliers

### Feedback process for unsuccessful bidders:

NTU will contractually require head contractor contracting and procurement scopes to include project and work scope pre-qualification requirements in their published work scope summaries. Supplier expressions of interest will be short-listed by ION WA according to their ability to meet the pre-qualification requirements. ION WA will provide written letters of regret to all unsuccessful Australian suppliers. The letters will include an offer of feedback on the supplier's suggested areas of improvement and will include recommendations of relevant training, skills, capability and capacity development.

# Australian Industry Participation Plan Summary - Operations Phase

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**Nominated facility operator:** NORTHERN MINERALS LIMITED

## Facility details

Name: Browns Range Heavy Rare Earths (HRE) Project

Location: 160km south-east of Halls Creek in the Kimberley Region, Western Australia

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|--|--|---|--|
| Reagents - Fatty Acid                        | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Reagents - Sodium Silicate                   | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Reagents - Sodium Hydroxide                  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Reagents - Sulphuric Acid                    | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Reagents - Flocculant                        | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Reagents - Coagulant                         | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Scrubber Lining                | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Scrubber Trommel               | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| O/S Screen Panels                            |  |   |  |
| Consumables - Scrubber Ore Screen Panels     | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Mill Balls                     | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Mill Protection Screen Panels  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Mill Lining                    | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Mill Trommel Panels            | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - PU Derrick Screen Panels       | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Trash Screen Panels            | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Trash Cyclone VF, PU           | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Trash Cyclone Spigots, Ceramic | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Trash Cyclone Rubber Lining    | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Concentrator filter cloths     | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Dryer Bag House Filter Bags    | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Diesel - Dryer                 | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Bulka Bags                     | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Consumables - Pallets                        | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Underground Mining Services                  | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Open Pit Mining Services                     | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Power Supply Services                        | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Diesel Supply Services                       | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Camp Services                                | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
| Flight Services                              | Yes                                    | Yes                                       |  |
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