# Australian Industry Participation (AIP) plan Summary – Project Phase

## 1. Project Details

**Designated project proponent:** Robe River Mining Co. Pty. Limited (ACN 008 694 246) in its capacity as manager and agent for and on behalf of the participants in the Robe River Joint Venture (**Proponent**)

**Project name:** Robe Valley Sustaining Project (**Project)**

**Description of the project:**

The upgrade and expansion of the Mesa B/C/H iron ore deposits to sustain existing Robe Valley production.

The Project includes:

* Haul roads connecting existing facilities (including a bridge over existing rail line);
* Additional production support infrastructure and modifications to existing processing infrastructure;
* wet processing facility;
* waste fines storage facility;
* water supply infrastructure;
* extending existing communications infrastructure;
* power supply upgrades (including 15km of overhead power line);
* non-process infrastructure (heavy vehicle workshop, tyre change, wash-down and refuelling facilities);
* temporary construction accommodation; and
* upgrading existing facilities in Pannawonica town (to support ongoing mining operations).

Project approval: 2018   
Site construction: 2019   
Completion date: 2021   
  
**The Proponent has engaged Calibre Professional Services One Pty Ltd as the Project’s Engineering, Procurement and Construction Management (EPCM) contractor.**

**Estimated project value:** Greater than $500,000,000 (AUD)

**Project location:** Approx. 120km south-west of Karratha in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

**Link to project information:** [www.riotinto.icn.org.au](http://www.riotinto.icn.org.au)

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**Other project proponents involved in the project:** Not applicable.

## 2. Opportunities to supply Goods and Services

| **Expected opportunities** | **Opportunities for Australian entities** | **Opportunities for non-Australian entities** |
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| **Services** |  |  |
| Bulk and Civil Earthworks | YES | NO |
| Process Plant Structural, Mechanical and Piping | YES | NO |
| Design and construction of Non-Process Infrastructure Facilities – including buildings and heavy vehicle refuelling facilities | YES | NO |
| Water Supply Infrastructure | YES | NO |
| Extension of the existing communications infrastructure | YES | NO |
| Upgrades to the existing power supply includes 10km of overhead power line and supporting infrastructure | YES | NO |
| Temporary Construction Accommodation | YES | NO |
| Upgrade to the existing Pannawonica FIFO village | YES | NO |
| 33kV Power Distribution | YES | NO |
| Supply and Installation of Electrical and Instrumentation Systems | YES | NO |
| Rail bridge modifications | YES | NO |
| Shop detailing | YES | NO |
| Survey services | YES | NO |
| Temporary concrete batch plant | YES | NO |
| **Goods** |  |  |
| Fixed plant equipment | YES | NO |
| Electric motors | YES | NO |
| Electrical transformers and switchgear | YES | YES |
| Conveyor belting | YES | YES |
| Heavy Mobile Equipment | NO | YES |
| Light Mobile Equipment | YES | NO |

Disclaimer: The information provided in the table above is based on an initial assessment by the Proponent. Any questions or issues should be raised with the project contact.

**Explanation for item(s) in list above where it is indicated ‘No Opportunities for Australian entities’**

| **Heavy Mobile Equipment (HME)** will be sourced from international suppliers as the local industry does not produce the requisite vehicles/equipment, as confirmed by current assessment of the market by the Proponent. Sourcing HME from known international suppliers is also necessary to ensure the commonality of stock holding within the Rio Tinto Iron Ore business and provide the autonomous haul truck solution. |
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## 3. Standards to be used in the project

The Project will predominantly be built to Rio Tinto’s internal standards. These standards are based on Australian Standards and commonly utilised International Standards (unless otherwise justified due to specific technological, commercial, intellectual property or similar requirements).

## 4. AIP activities to be undertaken by the Project Proponent

In support of AIP, the following actions and initiatives will be undertaken:

* Development of a partnership with the Industry Capability Network of Western Australia (**ICNWA**) to create a Project web page (**ICN Project Portal**), detailing a range of work packages for the supply of key goods and services and allowing suppliers to register full or partial scope interests.
* Publication of the outcomes of tender awards for the supply of key goods and services advertised for Expression of Interest on the ICN Project Portal.
* Encouragement of tenderers to utilise ICN Project Portal.
* Publication of other selected opportunities on the Rio Tinto Procurement (RTP) Local Procurement Platform (LPP).
* Provision of fact sheets and generic pre-qualification requirements via the ICN Project Portal.
* Media releases to publicise significant contract awards.
* Ensuring contractors are aware of Project AIP commitments.
* Provision of training to company and EPCM procurement staff on AIP requirements.
* Provision of feedback to unsuccessful tenderers (on request).

## 5. AIP activities to be undertaken by procurement entities

Not applicable.