

Guideline for the Publication of a Notice of an Application for an Exploration Licence

In accordance with the requirements of Section 13A of the *Mining Act 1992* and Clause 15 of the *Mining Regulation 2010*, the Director General requires the applicant to publish notice of an application in a newspaper circulating generally in the State of NSW and in at least one regional newspaper, circulating in the locality of the proposed exploration area. This must occur within 45 days from the receipt of confirmation of the application from the Director General.

Prior to preparing the notice you are strongly advised to contact the newspapers to confirm their requirements in relation to file types, fonts, minimum resolution and any other requirements that may be applicable.

The website www.yourguide.com.au has a comprehensive list of regional and country newspapers in NSW.

If you require the services of a Mining Agent to assist in the preparation of a suitable newspaper advertisement please refer to the section in the yellow pages entitled 'Mineral Exploration'.

Diagram for Advertisement

The aim of the advertisement is to notify the community that an application has been made and assist landholders to identify whether their property is affected.

A scale should be chosen which best facilitates this aim. For example, in remote areas a larger 'footprint' may be chosen to include a familiar road or locality. Similarly, if the area is close to a familiar road or locality the capture area may be smaller and cadastre may be appropriate.

The diagram:

- Should be approximately 6cm in width and a minimum of 6cm in length.
- The minimum resolution should be 300 dpi at final size.
- Should be based on an accepted standard map (e.g. county map, topo-cadastral map).
- Should identify any major geographic features (e.g. main roads, rivers and localities).
- Must clearly define the external boundaries of the area (use latitude and longitude if graticular). Use a bolder line than other lines shown on the map.
- Must have a north point and appropriate bar scale.
- Must contain lettering that is legible at the publication size (minimum 7 pt. font).
- Must show the distance and direction to the town mentioned in the text.

TASMAP is a Departmental tool which may assist in the preparation of the diagram. However TASMAP output may not be suitable for publication. For further details refer to: www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/minerals

For examples of diagrams refer to page 3.

Text of Advertisement

The advertisement is required to provide details of the application area.

Information listed in *italics* and *bold* in the text of the advertisement is to be inserted by the applicant. The phone number provided in the advertisement must have voice mail facilities in order to record messages from after hours callers and all messages must be replied to in as short a time frame as possible.

If describing the size of the area by units, include also the area in square kilometres, e.g. 5 units (15 square kilometres). (ie 1 unit equals approximately 3 square kilometres), as members of the public may not be familiar with units as a description of size.

The text of the advertisement must be as follows:

EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION

Notice is given in accordance with Section 13A of the *Mining Act 1992* and Clause 15 of the *Mining Regulation 2010* that Exploration Licence Application No (*insert Number as listed in acknowledgement letter*) for Group (*enter Mineral Group and description per Exploration Licence application form, eg Group 2, Non-Metallic Minerals*) has been lodged with NSW Trade & Investment by (*enter applicant's name*), ABN (*enter if applicable*), over an area of about (*enter area as applicable – either in hectares/square kilometres/units*) which is located about (*enter number of*) kilometres (*enter direction, ie north west*) of the town of (*enter closest significant town or village. This town/village, or direction to it, must also be labelled on the diagram, or an arrow and distance to it*), as shown on the diagram below.

Information regarding this application can be obtained from (*contact name of applicant's representative*), phone number (***phone number*).

General information regarding exploration licences and landholder's rights is available from: www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/minerals .

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These guidelines set the form and the information required by the Director General pursuant to clause 15(2) of the *Mining Regulation 2010*.

Example Diagrams for Advertisement

Note: The examples shown are a guide for the preparation of advertisement diagrams for an exploration licence application for minerals other than coal.

Railway if in area

Rivers if in area

Cadastre if applicable

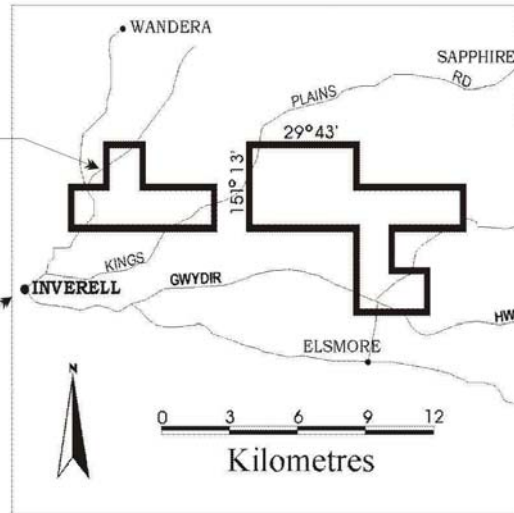
Black edge around area in a thickness that will stand out

Label nearest town
Distance from to if not on diagram

Label major roads

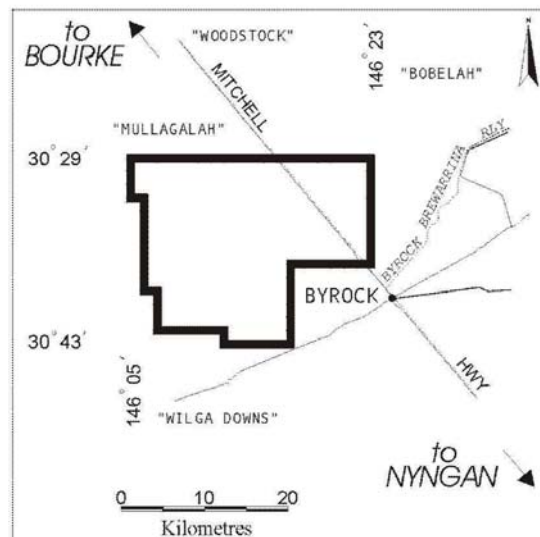
North point

Scale



APPROX 6 CM WIDTH

MINIMUM 6 CM LENGTH



APPROX 6 CM WIDTH

Example Advertisement

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EXPLORATION LICENCE APPLICATION

Notice is given in accordance with Section 13A of the *Mining Act 1992* and Clause 15 of the *Mining Regulation 2010* that Exploration Licence Application No 1234 for Group 1 (metallic minerals) has been lodged with the NSW Trade & Investment by Mineral Exploration Company Pty Ltd, ABN 123 456 789, over an area of about 17 units (51 square kilometres) which is located about 12 kilometres north east of the town of Inverell, as shown on the diagram below.

Information regarding this application can be obtained from John Smith, phone number (01) 2345 6789.

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