



Mount Morgan water treatment plant changes

The Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development (the Department) has approved Heritage Minerals' request to increase the maximum daily volume of treated water released from the Mount Morgan water treatment plant into the Dee River from 5 megalitres to 6.6 megalitres per day.

The decision follows Heritage Minerals' upgrade of the treatment plant increasing its capacity. The higher release limit will support continued reduction of contaminated water at the site and reduce the risk of an uncontrolled discharge.

As part of its assessment, the Department reviewed the supporting technical report and modelling of potential impacts. Strict environmental conditions remain in place, including downstream water quality monitoring and limits. If these limits are exceeded, releases must stop immediately.

Before approving this request, the Department consulted key stakeholders including technical experts from the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation, the Fitzroy Partnership for River Health, and landholders.

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