

MRT NEWS

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Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative (EDGI) - Round 5 Open for Applications



The Tasmanian State Government, through the Exploration Drilling Grant Initiative (EDGI), is offering grants for co-funded exploration drilling projects. The aim is to provide a stimulus to mineral exploration in Tasmania. The State Government is funding this initiative with \$2 million over four years and the program is administered by Mineral Resources Tasmania (MRT).

Forty one grants have been awarded for the first four rounds of EDGI, since October 2018. MRT is now seeking proposals from applicants for a fifth round of projects, to be jointly funded by the successful applicants and the State Government. The projects will be undertaken during 2021-22 and completed by mid-2022.

A significant change for the fifth round of funding is that the EDGI Program will now consider applications relating to mining leases, in addition to those on exploration and retention licences.

Applicants may submit more than one proposal and applications can be made for all mineral categories, as defined in the Mineral Resources Development Act 1995.

The Government contribution to each successful project will be capped at \$50,000 for direct drilling costs, plus an additional \$20,000 if helicopter support is required.

To apply for grant funding, download a copy of the [Guidelines for Project Proposal Submission](#) and complete a [Project Proposal Form](#).

Completed Project Proposal Forms, with the requested supporting information appended in the appropriate format, are due by 5:00pm on Friday, 9th April 2021 and must be submitted in digital format. The Project Proposal Guidelines describe the necessary information for submitting acceptable proposals.

Critical Dates for EDGI Round 5:

Applications open:

Applications, last date for submission:

Successful applicants announced (subject to change):

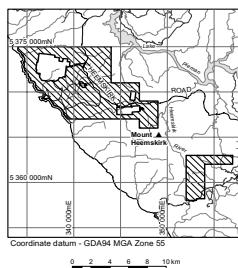
Friday 26th February 2021

Friday, 9th April 2021

Week starting Monday, 3rd May

Recommendation to Grant EL9/2019 - Heemskirk Rd and EL5/2020 - Little Henty River

The Director of Mines intends to recommend to the Minister for Resources that he grant the following exploration licences:



Reference No: EL9/2019

Area: 83km²

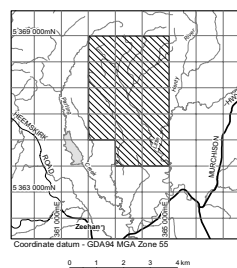
Vicinity: [Heemskirk Road](#)

Category of Mineral: 1 - Metallic Minerals, Atomic Substances

Applicant: Ten Star Mining Pty Ltd.

ACN: 113 022 914

Address: Level 27, 111 Eagle St., Brisbane, QLD 4000



Reference No: EL5/2020

Area: 14km²

Vicinity: [Little Henty River](#)

Category of Mineral: 1, 3 & 5 - Metallic, Construction and Industrial minerals

Applicant: Zeb Minerals Pty Ltd.

ACN: 167 761 113

Address: PO Box 3110, South Burnie, TAS 7320

The applications exclude existing mining leases, National Parks and reserved or other lands exempted from the Mineral Resources Development Act 1995. If the licences are granted, consent is required from Mineral Resources Tasmania prior to any exploration activity taking place. An explorer must provide 14 days notice prior to accessing private land. Security deposits are held against each licence in the event that the explorer fails to meet their rehabilitation obligations. Comments on these applications may be lodged with the Registrar of Mines (PO Box 672, Burnie, TAS 7320).

Any person holding a mineral tenement, or claiming an estate or interest in respect of any land within an application above areas, may [lodge a formal objection](#) to the granting of that application. Each objection must be in writing and lodged with the Registrar of Mines prior to 26 March 2021 (EL9/2019) and 16 April 2021 (EL5/2020). The objection form must be accompanied by the prescribed fee of \$45.36.

For further information in relation to the applications, including the effect on private land within application areas, please phone the Registrar of Mines on (03) 6477 7097. Calling the Registrar prior to lodging an objection is recommended in order for the process, and possible outcomes, to be fully explained.

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