



## Heard it on the community grapevine...

What Iron Road has heard the community talking about recently.

### *It seems quiet on the project front, is it still progressing?*

It has been quiet ‘on the ground’ as the project has entered the assessment processes of its mining lease and development applications. These processes are mandated and mostly managed by the same state government agencies that undertook the community consultation, relating to the applications, in December 2015.

To access information and follow the process, see the CEIP dedicated website [www.ceipconsultation.sa.gov.au](http://www.ceipconsultation.sa.gov.au) developed and maintained by DSD and DPTI.

Iron Road has taken the opportunity to focus on work to support the assessment as well as prepare for funding and construction.

### *What’s been going on behind the scenes then?*

**Preparation of Iron Road’s MLP and EIS Response Documents:** Iron Road has been working intensely on the response. This involved reading each submission from the public consultation period (including those from government agencies) and extracting all questions raised and preparing responses to each.

The response documents are now with the SA Government agencies (DSD for the MLP and DPTI for the EIS) for an adequacy check ahead of formal assessment. The documents will be published once accepted and submitters will be able to find answers to their questions. The process flow is illustrated in the diagram on the right.

**Emerald Grain Partnership:** Iron Road and Emerald Grain continue to work together to build the opportunity as partners in delivering a grain handling facility at the proposed Cape Hardy port. This has included a presentation alongside Emerald Grain’s Managing Director John Murray to the Country Cabinet at Parliament House in June 2016.

**China Railway Group Partnership:** Iron Road and China Railway Group have established a project steering committee to oversee the work to be carried out together. This includes review of Iron Road’s studies and improvement opportunities that could be offered through the diverse skills and capabilities that China Railway Group possess.

**Secondary approvals:** In preparation for the next phase of approvals, Iron Road is developing a collated and detailed list of what is required in the event that the primary approvals (mining lease, development authorisation and EPBC ‘controlled action’) are granted. Secondary approvals include a Program for Environment Protection and Rehabilitation (PEPR) for the proposed mine, and the finalisation of both a Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and Operational Environmental Management Plan (OEMP) for the proposed infrastructure; a Port Operating Agreement for Cape Hardy and a Rail Operating Agreement for the rail operations.



### ***Can Iron Road begin mining once it has received approval?***

An approved PEPR must be in place before mining may commence. Iron Road also has some work to conclude, though Iron Road's recent partnership with China Railway Group makes a final investment decision a short-term possibility.

### ***When will Iron Road hold another public meeting?***

Iron Road does not believe public meetings are appropriate while the formal government assessment processes are underway and will continue to keep stakeholders informed through other means, such as The Granite articles, ASX releases and presentations to various groups. Both Tim Scholz and Tilly Oborn are happy to answer any queries you may have so don't hesitate to make contact with them.

### ***When could the community expect to hear from DSD/DPTI about decisions relating to the project applications?***

If you made a formal written submission relating to the MLP, EIS or both during the public consultation period between November 2015 and February 2016, you shall receive notification of the mining and development decisions in writing from the SA Government. Iron Road will be sure to keep the community and other stakeholders up to date. At this stage, we expect to receive final outcomes late this year.

### **Helpful reference information:**

[www.ceipconsultation.sa.gov.au](http://www.ceipconsultation.sa.gov.au)

- Under public consultation tab | submissions – Central Eyre Iron Project Guideline for the application, public consultation and assessment processes.
- Under Questions & Answers tab – Downloadable Q&A document

[www.ironroadlimited.com.au](http://www.ironroadlimited.com.au)

Central Eyre Iron Project tab | Mining Lease Proposal and Environmental Impact Statement

- CEIP Executive Summary – The project in a snap shot.
- Fact Sheets
  - CEIP & Farming
  - CEIP & The community
  - CEIP & Dust and Water
  - General Q&A
- The complete MLP and EIS documents

Response Documents, relating to both the MLP and EIS, will also be available for viewing on the above websites once accepted by the SA Government.