

GUNLAKE QUARRY NEWSLETTER

August 2021

Overview

The Gunlake Group (Gunlake), consisting of Gunlake Concrete and Gunlake Quarries, is an Australian family-owned business that is expanding to meet customer and market demands, across the Greater Sydney area, Southern Highlands, and Southern Tablelands. Gunlake operates the Gunlake Quarry, approximately 7 km north-west of Marulan. Gunlake also owns and operates five concrete plants in Sydney and a National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited material testing laboratory. Gunlake currently employs over 200 staff, numerous contractors and is the largest independent quarry and concrete production company in NSW.

Modification Application

The modification to the consent was approved by the NSW Land and Environment Court in June 2021. It allows increased average and maximum daily truck numbers on the Primary Transport Route (Brayton Road, Ambrose Road and Red Hills Road from the quarry entrance to the Hume Highway). The approval limits the quarry to the transport of 2.6 million tonnes per annum of saleable products.

There are no changes to the approved disturbance area, hours of operation, blasting

frequency, or truck movements on the Secondary Transport Route, ie south of the Brayton Road/Ambrose Road intersection.

Gunlake would like to thank you for your participation through the approvals process.

Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project

The Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project is a new State Significant Development (SSD) application due to the increased production compared to the originally approved project. The application will be made through the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) and primarily will seek to:

- increase truck movements along the Primary Transport Route; and
- extend the approval for quarry operations for 30 years.

There will be no changes to the currently approved disturbance area, hours of operation, blasting frequency, or the truck movements on the Secondary Transport Route.

EMM Consulting Pty Limited is currently preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS), to accompany the SSD application for the Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project.

Technical studies that assess the environmental, economic and social impacts of the Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project will form part of the EIS.

We expect that the EIS will be placed on public exhibition later this year. The community and

other stakeholders will be invited to make a formal submission on the exhibited EIS. Gunlake will provide responses to these submissions in a report to DPIE who will then prepare an assessment report.

Employment opportunities

The quarry currently employs about 52 people full-time and about 20 contractors. There will be increases in the workforce associated with the Gunlake Quarry Continuation Project.

In addition, around 200 contract truck drivers deliver products from the quarry. The proposed project will provide further work for these drivers and opportunities for more drivers.

Visit Gunlake's website to register your interest in employment at the quarry (www.gunlake.com.au/careers).

How can you have your say?

Gunlake is committed to working with the community to understand your views, interests and what is important to you. Your feedback is an important part of the planning approvals process and assists in ensuring that the EIS addresses your issues and/or concerns and acknowledges the benefits seen by the community.

Gunlake is conducting a range of engagement activities between July 2021 and August 2021 to ensure the local community and interested stakeholders are informed about the project



and to collect their input including:


- meetings with key stakeholders;
- community newsletters;
- a community information session; and
- webpage updates.

You can also provide input through the Gunlake community email or phone number.

How can I find out more?

Gunlake intends to hold a Community Information Session regarding the Continuation Project in August 2021. The date is to be confirmed based on the evolving COVID-19 situation and current restrictions.

To register your interest in the Continuation Project or the Community Information Session, please contact the Gunlake Quarry Community Team on the email address or telephone number below.

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