

# Central Eyre Iron Project FAQ Information Sheet



## What is the Central Eyre Iron Project?

The Central Eyre Iron Project potentially represents South Australia's largest iron ore resource and potentially contains over 2 billion tonnes in iron ore mineralisation. In operation, the mine would initially produce 12.4 million tonnes of iron concentrate per annum. The project is still being scoped and will be subject to government approvals and regulations. (Please note that quantities mentioned in this information sheet are for discussion purposes and analysis and are targets not estimates.)

The Central Eyre Iron Project is expected to involve a conventional open cut mining operation with supporting infrastructure including a desalination plant, export facilities, transportation and a new power line connection via Port Augusta.

## Where will it be located?

The proposed mine site is near Warrambo, approximately 26 km from Wudinna on Eyre Peninsula in South Australia.



## What will be involved?

Currently investigations and studies indicate an open pit mining method near Warrambo, approximately 26 kms from Wudinna. It is anticipated that the open pit mine could reach 6 kms in length, 1 km in width and 550 metres in depth.

Water, energy, transport and export facilities will be needed to support the mining operation and options are being explored. Current investigations include the potential for:

- a desalination plant (location to be determined)
- pipeline or rail transportation to the export facilities
- energy supply via Port Augusta.

## Who is the developer?

Iron Road Limited is an independent, South Australian focused iron ore project developer.



## What is the proposed timeframe for the project?

Many processes and planning approvals need to be resolved before definite dates can be provided. Depending on these, construction is likely to begin in 2014, with the mine likely to become operational in late 2015. The mine is expected to have at least a 20 year life span.



## What job and business opportunities will the project create?

Iron Road wants to offer local jobs and support local business. During the construction phase negotiations with contractors will set targets for local training and employment and identify opportunities for existing service and product suppliers on Eyre Peninsula. There will also be job opportunities in water, transport, export and energy infrastructure.

The project will create hundreds of jobs. It is anticipated that a construction workforce of approximately 1000 to 1500 will be required to develop the project. The operational workforce is likely to be 400-500 people.

The project will boost the local community and South Australia through additional royalties, direct and indirect employment, infrastructure and export earnings. Please monitor [www.ironroadlimited.com.au](http://www.ironroadlimited.com.au) for information about future employment and business opportunities.

## Where will mine staff live?

It is Iron Road's policy to employ local people and to contract local businesses to provide services and products wherever practical. Employment contracts will encourage permanent residency within the local community. Our aim will be to achieve a high residential and Drive In Drive Out employment ratio.

Iron Road will work in partnership with councils, local communities and government to identify the commercial, housing and social infrastructure needed for the mine's workforce. Forward planning will seek to make appropriate and affordable housing available in the region when it is needed. Future planning for residential, commercial and industrial development will rely on policy planning by the Wudinna and Elliston District Councils and the State Government.



## How will Iron Road manage the environment?

Iron Road will implement thorough environmental planning and management in its construction and operations and protect the use of land, sea, air and water for future generations.

The project will be required to meet stringent State and Federal Government environmental investigations and requirements. Iron Road has appointed environmental consultants to prepare baseline environmental studies and identify how to minimise, mitigate and remediate any harmful effects. We will also consult landowners, local government and environmental groups and the community to achieve high standards in environmental management.

## What about landowners and other stakeholders?

Iron Road recognises the rights and interests of landowners and other land users. Two way, timely communication will be essential in our discussions with landowners and stakeholders. We will inform landowners and others of the environmental objectives and the measures to be applied to manage the environmental impacts of the project. We will maintain ongoing liaison with local landowners/land managers and other stakeholders and we will carefully adhere to the guidelines for mineral exploration, development and construction activities in South Australia. Our long term intention is to be a good neighbour and responsible land manager.

## How likely is it that the project will proceed?

This will depend on the results of the final feasibility study, government approvals and financing. Following these, the ultimate decision rests with the Iron Road Board.

## A closer look?

Your views and your participation in the planning process are very important to the Iron Road Management Team. Iron Road encourages communities, individuals and special interest groups to ask questions, provide comments and make suggestions.

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