DRAFT CODE OF PRACTICE

Road and traffic management at Western Australian mines

# Public consultation

This Code provides guidance to assist a person conducting a business or undertaking, including the mine operator, to meet the requirements of the Work Health and Safety (Mines) Regulations 2022 in relation to planning, designing, constructing and maintaining roads and vehicle operations on a mine site.

The Code focuses on using the risk management process to ensure effective traffic management controls are used within mine sites in Western Australia, and provides guidance on:

* establishing a risk management process for operating mobile plant
* developing a principal mining hazard management plan (traffic management plan)
* defining principles for haul road design and maintenance standards
* establishing principles for the selection, operation and maintenance of powered mobile plant.

This Code of practice should be used by those who have functions and responsibilities for planning, designing, implementing, and maintaining roads or vehicle operations on a mine site. It may also be useful for supervisors, operations personnel, and health and safety representatives who need to understand the responsibilities associated with traffic management procedures.

The *Work Health and Safety Act 2020* (WHS Act) provides for the approval, variation, and revocation of codes of practice by the Minister for Industrial Relations. Under section 275 of the WHS Act, the Minister may only approve a code of practice if it was developed by a process that involves consultation between the unions and employer organisations.

The Work Health and Safety Commission and the Mining and Petroleum Advisory Committee are now inviting public submissions on the draft Code of practice: *Road and traffic management at Western Australian mines:*

Unless advised by the submitter, all submissions may be collectively made available to the public in a consultation summary. Published submissions will be verbatim with the submitter listed.

**Submissions close: 5.00 pm WST, Friday 15 August 2025.**

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