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MINERAL RESOURCE POTENTIAL

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REFERENCE

MINERAL RESOURCE POTENTIAL South Australian Mineral Resource Potential Mapping translates geological mapping, current productive mineral tenement locations and a range of other resource information into a 3 level categorisation of resource potential and suggested planning response as below.

CATEGORY 1 - HIGH MINERAL POTENTIAL & /or Current Operation

Full planning protection required from incompatible development. Important mineral resource area. Current mining operation, current mineral tenement, Extractive Industry Zone, known economically viable mineral resource/reserve established by drilling, trenching etc. or high potential for resource/reserve although full investigation to resource/reserve status not yet undertaken.

CATEGORY 2 - MEDIUM MINERAL POTENTIAL Mineral Potential should be considered in planning. Further consultation or investigation before incompatible development allowed. Moderate to good geological potential for significant resources known from preliminary geological studies but investigation required to establish resource and economic viability.

CATEGORY 3 - LOW MINERAL POTENTIAL

No specific planning protection required. No or very minor known mineral resource potential based on current information. May include some sources of construction material eg fill or other low specification material for local use from pits operated by

Changes in mineral resource market requirements, in geological knowledge and information and in exploration techniques may significantly alter the mineral potential categories applicable to areas. The latter two factors are particularly relevant to the potential for metallic minerals.

South Australian Mineral Resource Potential Mapping is discussed further in MESA Journal 59 : 13-15.

		RESOURCE POTENTIAL - COMMODITIES	MINERAL P	RODUCTION TENEMENTS - ACTIVE
6060000		Category 1 - Clay		Extractive Minerals Lease
		Category 1 - Calcrete		Private Mine
	••••	Category 1 - Metasiltstone	MINES AND	OCCURRENCES (MinDep)
		Category 1 - Sand	×	Diggings
		Category 1 - Quartzite	*	Mine
	///	Category 2 - Lead		Pit
			х	Prospect
		Category 2 - Copper	₹\$	Quarry
		Category 2 - Gold		Quarry
		Category 2 - Metasiltstone	LABELS	
		Category 2 - Metallic Minerals - general	Metasiltstone	Commodity
		Category 2 - Sand	Dimension Stone	Uses
		Category 2 - Zinc	Rosedale Quarry	Major Resource Area
		Category 2 - Sandstone		
		Category 2 - Quartzite		
		Category 2 - Granite		
		Category 2 - Calcrete		
		Category 2 - Schist		
		Category 3		
		Overlapping - Cat 1 Sand/Calcrete		
		Overlapping - Cat 2 Sand/Calcrete		
		Overlapping - Cat 2 Metasiltstone/Schist		
		Overlapping - Cat 2 Sandstone/Metallic Minerals - general		
		Overlapping - Cat 2 Metasiltstone/Metallic Minerals - general		
		Category 2 - More than 2 Commodities		

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