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Executive Summary

Overview

This report provides a summary of the performance for the provision of title assessments and processing within the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment's Division of Resources and Geoscience (the Division) for Quarter 4 2019 (1 October 2019 to 31 December 2019).

The Division's performance is reported against the Service Delivery Standards, which note target timeframes for the processing of applications under the *Mining Act 1992*. These are published by the Division at:

www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/miners-and-explorers/programs-and-initiatives/service-delivery

Processing timeframes

Processing timeframes for title applications and renewals commence when a complete application, including all supporting information, is received. If an application is deficient, the applicant is notified and given 10 business days to submit all required supporting information. Processing timeframes end when the applicant is notified of the proposed decision for the application.

Processing timeframes for security deposit releases commence when a determination is made on the release of a security deposit and end when the refund request is sent to the Department's finance team.

Exception management (stop-the-clock) protocols apply when circumstances beyond the control of the Division's process prevent the valid assessment of an application. More information on exception management can be found at:

www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/miners-and-explorers/programs-and-initiatives/service-delivery

Quarter 4 2019

Performance overview

This following chart (Figure 1) details performance of proposed decisions, security deposit releases and subsidence management plan approvals, as measured against the Service Delivery Standards published by the Division for Quarter 4 2019 (Q4). During this quarter, **95** notifications of proposed decisions, security deposit releases and subsidence management plan approvals were issued. Of these, **98 per cent** met the target timeframe.

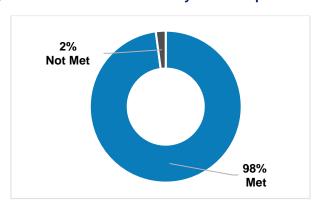


Figure 1 Q4 2019 service delivery standard performance

Total proposed decisions/security releases: 95

Performance breakdown

The following table (Table 1) details the applications, renewals, releases and approvals processed this quarter.

| Service performance this quarter (October – December 2019) | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----|---------|------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Application type | Proposed decisions / security releases / approvals | Met | Not Met | Service Performance | | | | |
| Coal exploration licence applications ¹ | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0% | | | | |
| Mineral exploration licence applications ² | 41 | 41 | 0 | 100% | | | | |
| Mineral and coal mining lease applications ² | 0 | 0 | 0 | NA | | | | |
| Assessment lease applications ² | 0 | 0 | 0 | NA | | | | |
| *Coal exploration licence renewals² | 5 | 4 | 1 | 80% | | | | |
| Mineral exploration licence renewals ² | 32 | 32 | 0 | 100% | | | | |
| Mineral and coal mining lease renewals ² | 2 | 2 | 0 | 100% | | | | |
| Assessment lease renewals ² | 1 | 1 | 0 | 100% | | | | |
| Security deposit releases ³ | 13 | 13 | 0 | 100% | | | | |
| Total | 95 | 93 | 2 | 98% | | | | |

Table 1 Q4 2019 performance per application type

¹ Target timeframe within 85 business days

² Target timeframe within 45 business days

³ Target timeframe within 10 business days

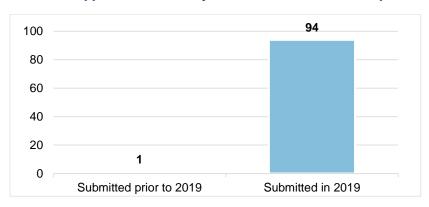
^{*} Note a coal exploration licence renewal was inadvertently missed from the last quarterly report calculations (Q3 2019). It had met the KPI. This was added into this quarter's figures.

Breakdown of submission timeframes

The following chart (Figure 2) details the timeframe in which matters were submitted for the proposed decision/security releases in Q4 2019.

Of the total 95 proposed decisions/security releases in Q4 2019, 94 were submitted in 2019. The remaining one proposed decision was submitted prior to 2019, in October 2018.

Figure 2 Breakdown of applications/security determinations submitted prior to and in 2019



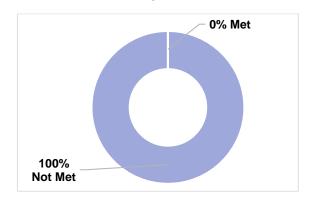
Performance by submission timeframe

The following charts (Figures 3 and 4) categorise performance by timeframe (i.e. whether the application was submitted in 2019 or prior).

Of the 95 proposed decisions/security releases/approvals in Q4 2019:

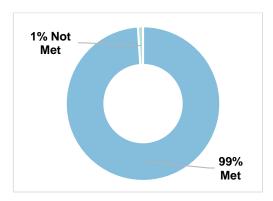
- 94 were submitted in 2019, with **99 per cent** meeting the target timeframe.
- One was submitted prior to 2019, with **0 per cent** meeting the target timeframe.

Figure 3 Q4 2019 performance - applications submitted *prior to 2019*



Total proposed decisions/security releases: 1

Figure 4 Q4 2019 performance - applications submitted *in 2019*



Total proposed decisions/security releases: 94

Applications received

For Q4 2019, there were 135 applications received, compared to 133 for the same period last year (Table 2).

On average, there were approximately 109 applications received per quarter during the period 1 October 2018 to 31 December 2019.

Table 2 Applications received per quarter

| Application type | 1 Oct 2018 to 31 Dec 2018 | 1 Jan 2019 to 31 Mar 2019 | | | 1 Oct 2019 to 31 Dec 2019 |
|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|----|-----|------------------------------|
| COAL | | | | | |
| Exploration Licence Applications | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Assessment Lease Applications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Mining Lease Applications | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Application to vary a mining lease to attach an ancillary mining activity condition | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Exploration Licence Renewals | 6 | 3 | 11 | 16 | 10 |
| Assessment Lease Renewals | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Mining Lease Renewals | 0 | 2 | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| Total | 8 | 7 | 18 | 26 | 20 |
| MINERALS | | | | | |
| Exploration Licence Applications | 34 | 19 | 30 | 43 | 38 |
| Assessment Lease Applications | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Mining Lease Applications | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 |
| Application to vary a mining lease to attach an ancillary mining activity condition | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Exploration Licence Renewals | 39 | 27 | 40 | 21 | 44 |
| Assessment Lease Renewals | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mining Lease Renewals | 50 | 8 | 4 | 24 | 28 |
| Total | 125 | 58 | 76 | 92 | 115 |
| PETROLEUM | | | | | |
| Exploration Licence Applications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assessment Lease Applications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Production Lease Applications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Exploration Licence Renewals | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Assessment Lease Renewals | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Production Lease Renewals | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand total | 133 | 65 | 94 | 118 | 135 |