

Ports, roads and rail: The building of Western Australia's resource communities

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The Pilbara

 The Pilbara is just over 500,000sq km - more than a third bigger than South Africa's largest province – the Northern Cape



Value of minerals in the Pilbara



Produced \$55
 billion worth of
 minerals in 2012-13

More than \$150
million worth every
24 hours

The role of State Agreements

 Gave certainty to industry and ensured the State's interests were addressed

Helped build

communities in the region

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Growth of the Pilbara



- Once home to less than 10,000
- Now about 45,000 people call the Pilbara home

Contribution of State Agreement projects

- The resources sector was worth \$102b in 2012-13
- State Agreement projects contributed \$70-80b



Common use infrastructure

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Company-owned railways impact on third-party access

Provides a considerable barrier to expansion of the industry

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Pilbara Cities





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 The Ord-East Kimberley Development Plan is supporting the expansion of the massive Ord Irrigation Scheme in the north-west, providing acts are redefining tem Australia an opportunities for unsustainable economic geo koment including

More schools, hospitals and homes are being established throughout the State, from the Kimberley to the Great Southern; expansion of health centres s are putting a The Gascoyne Revitalisation Plan is delivering

infrastructure projects including a new Carnan Police and Justice Complex, a new Carnanon Hospital and a new Health Clinic in Exmouth; · The Mid West Investment Plan is implementing solar power, road developments and improved infrastructure and services; and

SuperTowns is creating a network of dynamic regional centres set to welcome thousands more people who want to do business, work and live

\$1b in State • Government funding to help coordinate development in the Pilbara





Role of the Department of Mines and Petroleum

- Ensure the responsible development of the State's resources
- The department has undertaken a number of reforms to some of our key regulatory roles
- Industry knows what to expect and the community understands those expectations



Social licence

- No one-size-fits-all approach
- Built on transparency, trust,

communication and goodwill

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Globally connected

- Global connections have reduced barriers
- Technology has changed the way we do business

New developments bring new challenges

 Shale and tight gas presents significant economic opportunities

 Vital to ensure community and industry are well informed

Learn from others

Collaboration is key

- There are many lessons learnt by other mining jurisdictions
- This knowledge can be shared



Summary



Developing a sustainable resources future

- The Western Australian Department of Mines and Petroleum's website offers detailed information on its website
- Log onto: <u>www.dmp.wa.gov.au</u>