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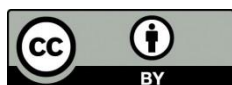
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1. The Collaborative Development Program

The Collaborative Development Program (CDP) was announced as part of the Queensland Government's Critical Minerals Strategy and builds on the Queensland Resources Industry Development Plan. This program has been established to support Queensland companies wanting to extract critical minerals and reprocessing opportunities in mine waste that remains in-ground and to facilitate secondary prospectivity in Queensland while supporting Queensland jobs and economic growth.

Mine waste is broadly characterised in the context of the CDP to include waste rock and overburden generated during mining activities, tailings, metallurgical slags, fly ash, and associated wastes from coal-fired power stations, mine water and leachate.

The CDP is largely designed (but not exclusively) for four types of Applicants:

- Tenement holders – Exploration Permit for Minerals (EPMs), Mineral Development Licences (MDLs), or Mining Leases (MLs) in Queensland.
- Operator of a mineral concentrator plant, leaching plant, benefaction plant, pilot plant, smelter (or other similar infrastructure) associated with a mining operation in Queensland. Note the infrastructure must also be based in Queensland, not interstate. This category is open to joint applications between a processing and/or associated infrastructure operator and another party with access to the tenement.
- Holder or Operator of waste tailings dams in Queensland.
- Holder or Operator of a coal fired power station on-site fly ash and solid mineral wastes in Queensland.

The CDP will be administered by the Geological Survey of Queensland (GSQ) within the Department of Resources (department) and offers a total of \$5 million in funding until June 2027. The CDP will run as one round and remain open until June 2027, the funds are extinguished or a date determined by the department.

The Guideline for Applicants provides information for those considering applying for Queensland's Collaborative Development Program.

Objectives of CDP

Critical minerals play a vital role in our energy transition and to facilitate more access to critical minerals needed, the CDP will support economy-aligned opportunities to recover and accelerate the development of Queensland's critical minerals sector. To achieve these outcomes the CDP's key objectives are to support:

- Extracting residual minerals in mine waste
- Reprocessing opportunities for residual material and recovery technologies
- Reduce waste material applying by-product recovery.
- Reusing mine waste associated with critical minerals, including industrial uses.

Funding arrangement

The CDP will operate on a merit basis, supporting programs that receive reimbursement of funds up to the maximum value nominally up to \$100,000 (excluding GST); funding amounts exceeding that value may be considered on a case-by-case basis. All funds are GST exclusive, with GST applied on top of the agreed funding amount when payment is made.

Applicants will need to demonstrate, with evidence attached to the application for funding, such as sufficient capital/financial arrangements, technical capability, and relevant approvals to successfully carry out the program through to completion within the approved time frame. See section 3 on Minimum Eligibility Criteria, including documentation to be submitted.

After assessment by the Technical Assessment Panel, successful Applicants will enter into a Funding Agreement with the department to deliver their proposed project. To allow reimbursement, eligible payment invoices will be assessed to ensure they only cover eligible expenses and are consistent with the submitted technical proposal, and the provided project methodology. Reimbursement of eligible expenses will occur after the approval of the final report with provision of all results, including data.

The CDP has no requirement for co-funding, only direct eligible expenses are reimbursable (see Eligible and Ineligible Expenses in Appendix A). All program activities must be completed **no later than April 2027**.

Secondary Prospectivity

Secondary prospectivity has been identified as an additional source of minerals and directly aligns to economic opportunities such as extracting and recovery critical minerals in mine waste. It is also aligned with circular economy principles. As a result, the CDP assessment criteria give weight to proposals related with the critical minerals listed in Table 1.

Table 1. List of critical minerals under the Collaborative Development Program used as a guide and based on Schedule 4A Mineral Resources Regulation 2013.

Transition Metals		Metals	
Cobalt	Co	Alumina	Al
Copper	Cu	Beryllium	Be
Hafnium	Hf	Bismuth	Bi
Iridium	Ir	Gallium	Ga
Manganese	Mn	Indium	In
Molybdenum	Mo	Lithium	Li
Nickel	Ni	Magnesium	Mg
Niobium	Nb	Tin	Sn
Osmium	Os	Zinc	Zn
Palladium	Pd	Zirconium	Zr
Platinum	Pt	Metalloids	
Rhenium	Re	Antimony	Sb
Rhodium	Rh	Germanium	Ge
Ruthenium	Ru	Silica	Si
Scandium	Sc	Non-metals	
Tantalum	Ta	Selenium	Se
Titanium	Ti	Graphite	C
Tungsten	W	Sulphur	S
Vanadium	V	Phosphorus	P
Yttrium	Y	Phosphate	
		Light Rare Earths (LREE)	
		Heavy Rare Earths (HREE)	

Examples of projects

The following is a non-exhaustive list of the types of activities that would be considered for funding under the CDP.

- Methodologies to assess recovery of minerals that may exist as having secondary prospectivity potential in mine wastes, helping to design out waste from the mining process. This may include geochemical or geophysical assessment of residual materials from mineral processing and utilisation and activities that highlight opportunities for further development of critical mineral resources from mine wastes. Examples of this may include (but not limited to):
 - I. Sampling and characterising mine waste (grab or bulk sampling, drilling), assay and geochemical assessment for critical minerals, e.g., concentration and distribution of rare earth elements (REEs) in phosphate deposits, gallium in bauxite deposits, or indium in zinc ores, or water samples.
 - II. Prospectivity (geophysical or geochemical surveys) of mine waste (tailings, stockpiles, waste dumps, mine water and leachate) for critical minerals.
- Programs trialling new waste ore processing / concentrating / smelting / leaching methods and associated activities (e.g., infrastructure requirements) to process critical minerals as co or by-products on existing mining leases or infrastructure. Examples of this may include (but not limited to):
 - I. Metallurgical assessment of waste materials.
 - II. Reapplication of existing infrastructure for the processing of mine wastes.
 - III. Assess if changed processing practises are needed due to the minerals/ore being altered (e.g., physically, or chemically) by previous mining and/or associated activities.

Interaction with other programs

The CDP runs independently of the Collaborative Exploration Initiative (CEI), and there are no restrictions placed on Applicants applying and receiving funding through both. However, submitting the same project for both initiatives is not permitted. An Applicant would need to clearly demonstrate the difference between a CDP and CEI proposal for the same project and area. Note that the CDP supports mine waste opportunities that remains in-ground.

2. Timelines

The CDP will run as one round and remain open until June 2027, the funds are extinguished or a date determined by the department. The department reserves the right to cease accepting applications at their discretion, and to modify these guidelines as necessary without prior notification.

Assessment of the application by a panel of technical experts will only occur if the application meets all eligibility requirements and passes all compliance and financial checks. The department may request clarification or further information on proposals, which may extend assessment timeframes for deciding the funding application.

Notification of the outcome will be provided to the primary contact for each application via email from the GSQ Team. If an application is successful, the Applicant will be required to enter a Funding Agreement with the department.

Reimbursement of funds will only occur after the assessment and approval of the submitted final report, costing report and project data. Publication on GSQ's Open Data Portal of the final report and data will occur after the confidentiality period expires, no earlier than 6 months after submission of the final report.

3. Minimum Eligibility Criteria

The following criteria applies to all Applicants and aims to ensure the funding is utilized within Queensland, that Applicants are appropriately prepared, and the program has the best chance of meeting the CDP objectives and timeframes. The department reserves the right to request additional information from the Applicant at any time. The department also reserves the right to reject any application without appeal provisions.

Authorisation, access, and preparation

1. The Applicant must meet at least one of the following criteria and have all relevant approvals in place:
 - a. Holder or Operator of a granted Exploration Permit for Minerals (EPM) in Queensland.
 - b. Holder or Operator of a granted Mining Lease (ML) in Queensland.
 - c. Holder or Operator of a Mineral Development Licence (MDL) in Queensland.
 - d. Operator of a mineral concentrator plant, leaching plant, benefaction plant, pilot plant, smelter (or other similar infrastructure) associated with a mining operation in Queensland. Note the infrastructure must also be based in Queensland, not interstate.
 - e. Holder or Operator of waste tailings dams in Queensland.
 - f. Holder or Operator of a coal fired power station on-site fly ash and solid mineral wastes in Queensland.

The CDP is not open to non-industry bodies such as research organisations or universities as primary Applicants.

2. All access agreements required to collect samples must be in place at the time of application, and evidence of this is required as part of the application. This includes (but is not limited to) Landholders, Native Title parties and operators of infrastructure. Applicants need to provide evidence that samples will be *accessible* within the program's timeframe - for example, safely accessing tailings dams or waste rock stockpiles.

Where contractors are involved (i.e., drilling, geophysical surveys), a letter guaranteeing their availability in the given timeframe to undertake the proposed work must be provided with the application.

Legal and financial requirements

3. All entities held and / or operated by the Applicant in Queensland must follow relevant legislation at the time of application, including but not limited to the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*, *The Planning*

Act 2016, Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, Torres Strait Islander Cultural Heritage Act 2003, Native Title Act 1993, and Environmental Protection Act 1994.

4. All EPMs, MLs or MDLs (or equivalent) held by the Applicant associated with the Queensland Government, meaning activity and expenditure commitments have been consistently with the appropriate approvals that met for the Conditioned Periods (EPMs), the relevant Environmental Authority (EA) in place, and reporting requirements fulfilled.

All tenures held by the Applicant, including all associated Entities, must be in good standing with Queensland Government, meaning rent paid, activity and expenditure consistently met for the Conditioned periods, and reporting requirements fulfilled. All Applicants are vetted by the Compliance Team prior to their proposal being assessed. On compliance history and any current action for the operator across all sites, the operator meets the legal and financial probity requirements.

5. Progress of, or completion of cultural heritage clearances must be demonstrated in the CDP application with a clear path to have heritage clearances completed early within the program timeframe.
6. The Applicant must have an Australian Business or Company Number (ABN / ACN), an Australian bank account, and be registered for GST. The ABN must be in the name of the Applicant, not the parent or associated company.
7. Public Liability Insurance must be held for a minimum of \$20 million dollars for the duration of the Funding Agreement, with evidence (current certificate) or current status, period insurance and if the insurance expires during the program, evidence of renewal must be sent to GSQ. The insurance must be in the Applicant's name.
8. All Applicants (Entities and their Directors) are subject to a Financial Probity check as part of assessment.
9. Expenditure more than the agreed grant amount and budget over-run is the sole responsibility of the Applicant.
10. All applications must be submitted through email to GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au.

Evidence of minimum eligibility

The following documents must be submitted with your application:

- Application Form
- Technical Proposal
- Proposed Budget / Estimated Cost for the Project
- Proposed Timeline
- Director's Assurance: A letter from the company director confirming that the entity has sufficient funds and technical capacity to carry the program through to completion.
- Evidence of Access: Tenement Holders
 - Documents demonstrating access agreements are in place with Landholders, Native Title parties or other relevant operators. This may be evidenced by the most recent Notice of Entry, or for advanced activities, the signatory page of the CCA, or fully executed. Evidence that

accesses for the proposed activities has been initiated with all landholders is required at the time of submission with points allocated for this preparation in the assessment criteria.

- Evidence that Native Title agreements are in place, with provision for cultural clearances for high impact activities (where relevant). This can be evidenced by:
 - Exploration Activity Notice: <https://www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/resources/minerals-coal/authorities-permits/applying/native-title/expedited/forms>
 - Private agreements under Section 31 of the Native Title Act: <https://www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/resources/minerals-coal/authorities-permits/applying/native-title/expedited/section-31>
- Evidence of Access: Third Parties
 - If the Applicant proposes to enter a site not under their direct control, a letter guaranteeing access to both site and the proposed samples, and reference to the responsible entity of the proposed disturbance to be caused by the activity.
- Contractor's Assurance: If contractors will be engaged (for example, geophysical or drilling crews, or third parties providing specialist services), a letter from the contractor confirming their availability to undertake the work in the given timeframe is required.
- Evidence of public liability insurance for a minimum \$20 million in the name of the Applicant must be provided.

The remainder of the requirements (such as ABN/ACN, GST registration and financial probity) are checked by the department prior to the assessment of the application.

Conduct throughout the program

All CDP recipients are expected to uphold the following standards throughout the program:

- Provide high-quality information to the government, enabling greater opportunities for collaboration, innovation, and exploration through shared and open datasets.
- Maintaining social licence by demonstrating good Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance.
- Work to ensure that programs leave a positive legacy in the community.
- Uphold principles to recognise, protect and conserve the cultural heritage of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
- Provide opportunities to increase the participation of women, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, people with a disability, and veterans in the workforce.
- Ensure full understanding of, and compliance with, all regulatory requirements.

Reimbursement

The CDP is a reimbursement program, meaning Applicants must have sufficient funds up front to cover all costs of the proposed program. Reimbursement will only occur after the final report, costing report and results, including raw and analysed data has been approved by the department. After approval is

granted, CDP recipients will be asked to submit a tax invoice made out to the Department of Resources for reimbursement, payment will be made within 40 business days.

4. Application submission requirements

All applications must adhere to the requirements outlined in the Guideline for Applicants.

Technical proposal

It is recommended the technical proposal should:

- Demonstrate an understanding of key background information, accurately describing the project target, including location, tenure, the targeted critical mineral(s), and other key contextual information.
- Detail your proposed activity and methodology also addressing circular economy principles, related to mine waste reuse and properties and any new or novel techniques/approaches, and expected outcomes that fit with longer baseline standards and operating procedures.
- Describe the analytical methods being proposed i.e., acid leach, process modelling, reprocessing pathways, and technology upscaling where performed for inventory analysis.
- Comment on how the program will address appropriate characterisation technique(s) for the critical minerals of interest (i.e. to ensure significant benefits from mine waste characterisation and reprocessing systems, e.g. low-impact alternatives).
- Link and justify how your activity will test existing and potentially increase extracting critical minerals opportunities in mined materials or mine waste to facilitate secondary prospectivity for critical minerals activity in Queensland.
- Explain the link between encouraging the extracting of critical minerals from mine waste and any projects involving trialling of new processing methods.

Note: The CDP requires consideration of physical and geochemical processes and operates in the nature of mine waste processes that could vary with the type of mine waste. The integration of different methodologies and available technologies will make it necessary to identify the broad classes of mine waste i.e. tailings, stockpiles, waste dumps, mine water and leachate.

Proposed budget

It is recommended that when preparing a Proposed Budget, Applicants should refer to Appendix A for guidance regarding the kind of direct expenses that are claimable and for further details on eligible and ineligible expenses. The proposal should include the Proposed Budget / Estimated Cost for the Project.

Attachments

In addition to the Technical Proposal and Proposed Budget / Estimated Cost for the Project, i.e., target location maps, and all the information relevant to the funding application must be submitted as part of your application. Please refer to the Application Form checklist.

Technical Assessment panel

All Applicants that have met the minimum eligibility requirements will have their proposals evaluated by a panel of experts. Please note that all decisions on the outcomes of submitted applications are not open to appeal. However, the assessment panel may only support partial funding of the proposal.

Where there is a potential, actual, or perceived conflict of interest between a panel member and an Applicant (company, associate, or project managers), panel members are excluded from decision making on that specific application.

Criteria

Table 2. Proposals are assessed and ranked according to the specific criteria below.

Assessment element	Score
Technical Proposal (40%)	
The extent to which the proposal summarises key background information, accurately describing the project being targeted, including location, tenure, the targeted critical mineral(s), and other key contextual information (e.g., primary mineral system and geology/mineralogy, or current metallurgical process, previous work, other details on the nature of waste materials being targeted, or processing/concentration and leaching proposed methods).	10 points
The appropriate methodology is outlined that addresses a critical mineral endowment, a knowledge gap, and/or successful utilisation of mine wastes, including timing of major tasks/steps or the extent to which the proposed technology is undertaken.	20 points
Demonstrates the extend of appropriate mine waste characterisation technique(s) for the critical minerals of interest.	10 points
Program Potential (60%)	
Extent to which the proposal defines measurable project outputs and addresses extracting residual minerals in mine waste, processing opportunities for residual material, recovery technologies (in terms of the recovery process), reuse of mine waste (i.e., producing or substantiating data on critical minerals utilisation), reduce waste material applying by-product recovery including industrial reuse and waste properties to accelerate the development of Queensland's critical minerals sector (i.e., relevant to prospective critical minerals).	30 points
Proposal preparation: accurately costed budget, timeframe, and evidence of engagement with relevant contractors/operators, landholders (if required) and other key stakeholders to ensure timely access.	10 points
Project outcomes/data generated adds value to the State. i.e., establishing the standards and baselines for future 'standard operating procedures. This may be economic value, enhanced knowledge base, reduction of environmental liabilities, creation of jobs etc.	20 points

5. General Conditions

Proposals that meet the minimum eligibility will be assessed, and Applicants will be notified of the outcome in the form of an email.

1. Please note GSQ reserves the right to:
 - Amend the CDP and the Guidelines for Applicants at any time prior to the closing date without the need to notify prospective Applicants.
 - Clarify any aspect of a proposal.
 - Seek the advice of external consultants to assist in evaluation or review of applications.
 - End the CDP at any time without liability, whether before or after the receipt of applications.
 - Refuse to accept any application without obligation to provide reasons for the decision.
 - Fund only part of a proposal. If partial funding is recommended by the Technical Assessment Panel, GSQ will advise the Applicant confidentially. If the Applicant accepts partial funding the proposal must resubmit to suit the partial funding.
2. Successful Applicants are required to enter a Funding Agreement with the State of Queensland, acting through the department. Notification will be provided to the primary contact for each application via email. GSQ will maintain regular contact with CDP recipients throughout their program to track progress.

Please note the following conditions, outlined in the Funding Agreement:

- The Applicant is responsible for management of the approved program. All risks and liabilities associated with the program remain with the Applicant.
- The Applicant is responsible for delivering the program outlined in the Technical Proposal appended to the Funding Agreement. Any variations to the approved program are subject to written approval from the department. Significant modifications require a Variation to the Funding Agreement and must be signed by the Applicant and the department. **Variations must be pursued proactively and not retrospectively.**
- CDP recipients who do not complete their agreed work program or fail to meet key milestones may have the Funding Deed terminated and may be disqualified from applying for future CDP funding.
- Reimbursable expenses may only be incurred after the Funding Agreement is executed.
- GSQ will maintain regular contact with Applicants to follow activity progress.
- The final report, costing report, and data must be received in the correct digital format no later than the date specified in the Funding Agreement.
- All data and final reports will be made public no earlier than six months after the program has concluded (date specified in the Funding Agreement).

Seeking feedback

Applicants, whether successful or unsuccessful can request feedback from GSQ on the assessment of their proposal. The primary or secondary contact person for the proposal should email

GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au to request feedback. Please note, that while the department aims to be as open and transparent as possible, there is no right of appeal on any decisions.

If an Applicant or any member of the public has a compliment or complaint in relation to the CDP or an application or assessment process, this can be made to the department through the below weblink. The process is completely confidential, and personal information collected as part of the process will not be released publicly.

[Compliments and complaints | Department of Resources:](#)

<https://www.resources.qld.gov.au/about-us/compliments-comments-complaints>

6. Public announcements

Through entering the Funding Agreement, successful Applicants consent to having information published on a number of different platforms. Below are examples only.

Ministerial Announcement (and media release)

The Minister for Resources may make a number of media releases about the CDP, this may include the name of successful Applicants and a short project description.

Business Queensland web pages

The Applicant Name, Project Title and Short Project Description of recipients may be published on the department's webpages shortly after the Funding Agreements are executed.

GSQ Open Data Portal

At the conclusion of the confidentiality period (6 months after project submission), the Final Report and all associated data will be released on the Open Data Portal.

7. Final report and data submission

The submission of final reports, costing reports and data for completed projects should be emailed to the department at GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au no later than the date agreed to in the Funding Agreement (program completion). Failure to meet deliverables may result in the department terminating the Funding Agreement.

The approval processes will be used to assess the adequacy of final report, costings report and results including data. Note that different assessment processes, timeframes and action requirements will be involved depending on the nature of the deliverable.

Final report

At a minimum, the final report must:

- A summary of all relevant background information.

- Clearly outline the specific activity: waste characterisation, sampling and analysis or experimental methods, or survey specifications (as relevant). Including details on the methodology and any changes made during CDP project.
- Contain all the results (in the correct templates, i.e. figures and graphs to demonstrate the results) including sample metadata, accompanied by a discussion of these in an operational context.
- Include an interpretation of the data, and further work (if any) to be done as a result of the program.

Costing report

The costing report should be provided in an excel format leveraging the original budget so a comparison can be made. Copies of paid invoices for all claimable expenses must be provided.

Data submission

All raw and/or interpreted or analysed data may be required to be submitted in the correct templates and formats according to Department of Resources standards for the GSQ Open Data Portal (<https://geoscience.data.qld.gov.au/>). Please contact the GSQ team at GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au to determine which template and formats are required before submission of your data.

8. Common application shortcomings

The following factors are common shortcoming when preparing your proposal.

1. Proposals that have minimal benefit to any party other than the Applicant, within their own tenure. The value of allocating public funding to businesses extracting critical minerals in mine waste and to facilitate secondary prospectivity for critical minerals lies in providing case studies and public data that has a wider benefit to Mineral-Processing Wastes community - thus proposals that fail to meet these objectives score poorly despite having strong technical merit.
2. Poor or incorrect methodologies to assess recovery of critical minerals or programs trialling new ore processing to target critical minerals.
3. Insufficient justification or background work for the sampling or assay technique proposed.
4. Insufficient use of previously collected data to guide the current proposal associated to critical minerals in mine waste.
5. Insufficient information on location and rationale of proposal i.e., geochemical assay, geophysical drilling, metallurgical test work and any other activity to capture critical minerals.
6. Applications for commodities not on the Critical Minerals List in Table 1, where the case for critical minerals co-existing with the unlisted commodity is not strong.

9. Privacy and consent

Collection of information from Applicants for the CDP is authorised under the Guideline for Applicants Collaborative Development Program, and may be used by GSQ for the following purposes:

- communicating with the Applicant regarding this program;

- providing information to the Technical Assessment Panel for the purpose of assessment; and
- disclosing of information to other agencies and departments, Department of Environment, Science and Innovation, and Department of Resources, within the Queensland Government for the purpose of investigating compliance and the details of other granted tenure (authorisation) relevant to this proposal.

The Applicant information provided will not otherwise be used or disclosed unless authorised or required by law. Further information is available at: [Privacy | Department of Resources](#).

10. Enquiries

All enquiries should be directed to:

GSQ Team

Geological Survey of Queensland

Email: GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au

Phone: 0498 031 170

Appendix A – Eligible and Ineligible Expenses

The following list is provided as guidance for the kind of direct expenses that are claimable through the CDP, and those that are not. The list is not exhaustive, rather it provides the most common examples.

Tax invoices need to itemise and list the amount of GST paid. For further information, please send questions to: GSQ@Resources.qld.gov.au

Table A.1 List of typical claimable items

Eligible Items	Guide
Metallurgical test / assessment Commercial laboratory expenses	Invoices charged by commercial labs for sample collection, preparation and digestion, geochemical assay, hyperspectral analysis, metallurgical test work mineralogical analysis, evaluation of pre-concentration, hydro-geochemistry sample collection/analysis, grinding characteristics analysis or another service approved in the successful CDP proposal. The proposed technique (Lab Code) must be provided with the data. Reimbursement includes analysis of QA/QC samples, as well as environmental disposal charges.
Specialist sample preparation and analysis	Invoices charged by contractors for services such as preparing thin sections, and analysis is claimable.
Advanced characterisation studies	Invoices charged by research organisations (such as universities) for specialist analysis such as electron microprobe analysis, TIMA, μ XRF, XRD (etc).
Standard drilling costs	Invoices charged by drilling contractors for all active (metres) and slow (time) drilling costs as well as consumables, equipment hire (i.e., downhole survey) and water cartage. Supplied tax invoice must be itemised and include unit price (per metre drill costs).
Standard geophysical survey costs	Invoices charged by geophysical contractors for active work and consumables.
Standby costs	Please note 'standby on client' costs invoiced by contractors are capped at AUD \$1,500 <i>per the Funding Agreement</i> . These costs are usually incurred through unforeseen circumstances such as adverse weather where contractors are involved.
Contractor mobilisation and demobilisation	Please note the amount is capped at 20% of total funding for <i>combined</i> mobilisation and demobilisation costs on small (= < \$100,000) projects. For larger projects (= > \$100,000), this is capped at 10%.

Table A.2 *List of typical non-claimable items*

Non-eligible Items	Guide
Specialist equipment hire	Invoices for hiring (or buying) specialist equipment such as hand augers, portable XRF or hyperspectral devices are not claimable.
Standard corporate overheads and expenses	Costs associated with the internal workings of the business, such as hiring costs, employee salaries and entitlements, rent (etc) are not claimable.
Contractor wages	Wages of general labour-hire contractors are not eligible. Note this does not include specialist external contractors such as geophysical or drilling contractors, covered in Table A.1.
Non-specific consumables	General consumables such as marker pens, saw blades, sample bags (etc) used in the normal running of an operation rather than for the specific purpose of the CDP may not be claimed.
Training courses	Training is not a claimable expense, nor is on-job training and supervision.
Licencing expenses	Acquiring licences to operate equipment such as a portable XRF is not a claimable expense.
Personnel transport	Costs incurred transporting personnel to and from site are not claimable. This does not refer to contractor mobilisation or demobilisation, outlined in Table A.1.
Track and drill pad preparation	Expenses incurred through putting in or maintaining tracks to sites, drill pads, including rehabilitation may not be claimed.
Food and accommodation	Food and accommodation costs incurred by staff or contractors are not claimable.
Vehicle expenses	Expenses related to vehicle hire or maintenance for general field activities are not claimable. This does not extend to specialist equipment such as aircraft.
Cultural heritage clearances	The cost of cultural clearances required for high impact work is not claimable.
Land access agreements and compensation	Costs associated with Conduct and Compensation Agreements (CCA), and other land access costs are not claimable.
Environmental clearances	Expenses incurred through additional environmental clearances needed for drilling in specific areas (i.e., Endangered Regional Ecosystems) are not covered.
Legal advice	Legal advice is not claimable (for example, advice sought over land access disputes).
Application preparation	No expenses from third party consultants in preparation of the CDP application, or any technical reports used to support the application are claimable.