

Boral Marulan South Operations Newsletter

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This month, we'd like to bring you up to date with plans we started to develop back in 2015-16 which aimed to continue operations at our Marulan South Limestone site well into this century.

Re-starting our future...

Our landmark Limestone site has supplied critical raw materials for use in building and construction across NSW and the ACT for almost 150 years.

The majority of the limestone finds its way to the Boral Cement Works at Berrima, where it becomes the basis of **up to 60 percent** of all cement products consumed within the state.

This makes our Marulan South mine a vitally important asset in respect to ongoing growth.



When we last raised the site's future, we were compiling a 'State Significant Development' (SSD) planning application for submission to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.

The purpose was to seek the extension of current operations into the next **30 years**, with an annual production limit of **four million tonnes**.

As a consequence, we anticipated the current mine would **widen and deepen**, requiring a new design, as well as the need for new **overburden emplacement** areas around the site.

Then, during 2016, we appeared to stop mentioning the application. So what happened?

A new understanding...

As we compiled the SSD application and studies, we were also drilling around site to investigate the extent of the limestone resource.

That led us to discover the amount of available limestone at Marulan South is more expansive than we thought. We therefore had to review the thinking which supported the application until that point.

Further, about the same time changes in state legislation came into effect. This meant studies we'd originally done for the application needed adjustment.



After two years of further information gathering and hard work, we're now ready to restart our 'journey'.

Where to now?

The main aim of our SSD application for Marulan South Limestone has not changed. Some of the associated detail, however, has.

The final application will still include the things we were intending to ask for in 2015-16 – continued operations for 30 years, four million tonnes per year of production, and new overburden emplacements, including one to be placed across the route of Marulan South Road.

Similarly, it will also keep our original commitments, such as building the new Marulan South Road route around the overburden, providing funds for the upgrade of the full road and ongoing maintenance, and updated environmental control measures at the site.



Also, as in 2015-16, the SSD application for Limestone will be accompanied by a separate request to modify the neighbouring **Boral Peppertree Quarry's** planning consent (**MOD 5**). This time, however, the modification will simply be to allow Peppertree 'ownership' of one of Limestone's intended overburden emplacements, meeting operational needs at their similarly crucial site.

There's a lot of detail involved with our plans and the associated processes. Local community members can therefore expect to see more information in coming months about what we need to do.

We've planned a range of in-person opportunities, as well as online and written information including future *Discover Marulan* issues, to convey this. Keep an eye on our website (www.boral.com.au/marulan), local media and your letterbox to find out more.

Like to know more? Call us on **4841 1701 (Quarry)** or **4820 3003 (Limestone)**. Or visit www.boral.com.au/marulan.
For environmental matters (quarry), please call **4841 1701**.