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## ASX Announcement

# Mining Approvals Secured for C4 Iron Deposit Paving Way to Production for the Wiluna West Iron Ore Project

### Highlights

- **The State Government Department of Mines Energy and Safety (“DMIRS”) has approved the Mining Proposal, Clearing Permits, Mine Closure Plan and Project Management Plan for the C4 Stage 1 Iron Ore Project**
- **The Federal Government Department of Agriculture Environment and Water (“AWE”) has reviewed GWR Group Limited (“GWR”) submission in respect to Mallee Fowl under the EPBC Act and has determined that C4 does not require further assessment under the EPBC Act**
- **Approvals pave the way for commencement of mining of the C4 Stage 1 Project**
- **Expressions of interest (“EOI”) from potential mining, crushing and trucking contractors have been received**

GWR Group Limited (ASX: GWR) (“GWR” or “the **Company**”) is pleased to announce that it has secured approvals from DMIRS and AWE for the C4 Stage 1 Project. DMIRS has approved the Mining Proposal, Clearing Permits and Project Management Plan which will allow mining and the construction of a haul road to the Goldfields Highway. The AWE has also assessed GWR’s submission in respect to mallee fowl and determined that no further assessment is required under the EPBC Act

GWR Chairman Gary Lyons said *“These approvals represent a significant milestone for the Company and pave the way for the commencement of commercial iron ore production at the Wiluna West Iron Ore Project.*

*Current strong iron ore prices provide a unique opportunity for the Company and the Wiluna West Iron Ore Project, an exceptional, DSO iron ore development project, which will produce a high grade, low impurity iron ore.”*

The C4 deposit is 1.4 km long and contains a combined DSO hematite, JORC 2004 Mineral Resource estimate of 21.6 million tonnes at 60.7% Fe, comprising 18.5 million tonnes at 61.2% Fe Indicated and 3.1 million tonnes at 58.0% Fe Inferred (refer to ASX announcement 8th July 2011). The C4 deposit has widths of DSO hematite mineralisation of up to 120 m with close spaced RC drilling having previously been undertaken on a 25 m by 10 m spacing over a strike length of 200 m. The C4 Stage 1 project targets a 500m strike length of outcropping high-grade DSO hematite mineralisation within the larger C4 deposit. GWR has undertaken internal mine designs and scheduling. EOI’s have been sought and received from potential mining, crushing and trucking contractors and these have been incorporated into a feasibility study currently being undertaken.

GWR has been engaging with the Port of Geraldton and current users for port access and continues to investigate opportunities for gaining access to the Port of Esperance. Discussions are ongoing with nearby established mines in the area for access to site services such as village, workshops and water.

In addition to commencing the implementation of the Company’s strategy to transition from explorer to miner, the eventual exploitation of C4 will effectively open up the entire 131 Mt high grade Wiluna West Iron Ore Project for exploitation.

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*This ASX announcement was authorised for release by the Adrian Costello, General Manager of GWR Group Ltd*

**About GWR's Wiluna West Iron Ore Project**

The Wiluna West Iron Ore Project, is an exceptional, DSO iron ore development project, which will produce a high grade, low impurity iron ore as metallurgical tests have demonstrated. The Wiluna West project has a 2004 JORC Code compliant Resource totalling 131.1 Mt at 60.0% Fe, comprising of 10.1 Mt at 62.5% Fe Measured, 72.0 Mt at 59.9% Fe Indicated and 48.8 Mt @ 59.4% Fe Inferred. (refer ASX announcement dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2019 and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2011 and 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013).

**Competent Person's Statement**

*The information in this report which relates to Exploration Targets, Exploration Results and Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Mr Allen Maynard, who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geosciences ("AIG") and independent consultant to the Company. Mr Maynard is the Director and principal geologist of Al Maynard & Associates Pty Ltd and has over 40 continuous years of exploration and mining experience in a variety of mineral deposit styles. Mr Maynard has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for reporting of Exploration Results, Exploration Targets, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves" (JORC Code). Mr Maynard consents to inclusion in the report of the matters based on this information in the form and context in which it appears.*

*The Mineral Resource Estimate was prepared and first disclosed under the JORC Code 2004. It has not been updated since to comply with the JORC Code 2012 on the basis that the information has not materially changed since it was last reported.*

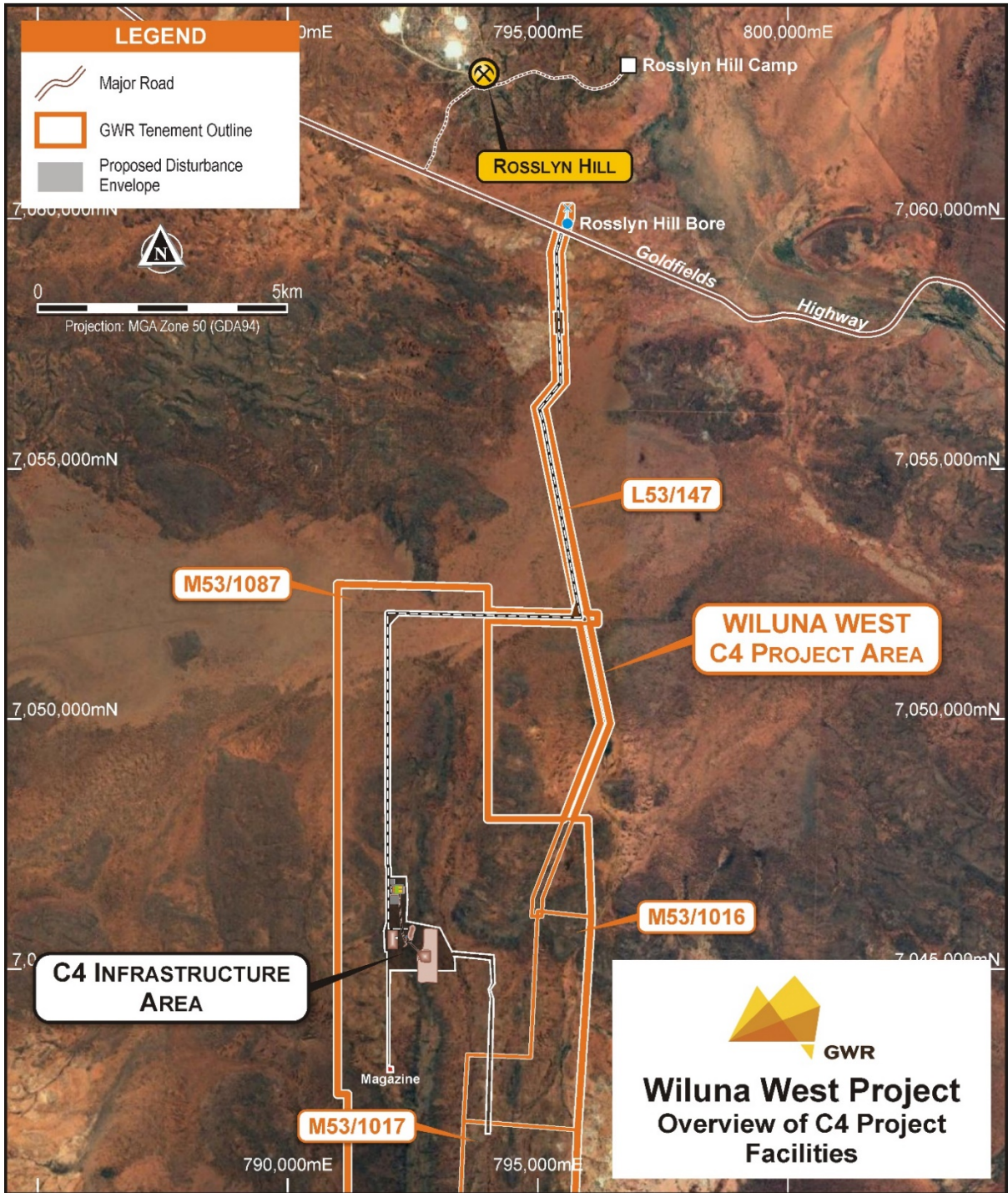


Figure 1 – Overview of Project Facilities