

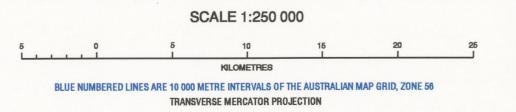


DESCRIPTION OF ZONES OF MINERAL POTENTIAL **Genetic Type** CbA1 sedimentary small possible coal CbA2 sedimentary likely Α small CbA3 sedimentary coal small CbA8 possible sedimentary coal CbA10 small sedimentary possible coal small coastal placer HMZ rutile, zircon, ilmenite alienated small volcanogenic likely



MAP 5

Assessment of Mineral Resource Potential in the Warwick-Tweed Heads Sector of the South-east Queensland Biogeographic Region



This series of five maps accompanies a report on the Mining Industry and Mineral Potential of Forested Areas of the South-east Queensland Biogeographic Region.

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	MAP REFERENCE		
	Highway		
-	Secondary road		
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Producing Mine in Forested Areas

Bu Ge

Built-up area

Generalised area of predominant native forest cover

South-east Queensland Biogeographic Region boundary

MINERAL OCCURRENCES Location of mineral occurence The number shown to the right of each location on the map is that in Appendix 3 of the accompanying report which lists details of occurrences.

Py Pyrite

Bx Barite Fe Iron Ag Silver Ba Bauxite Pb Lead Mn Manganese W Tungsten Cr Chromite Hg Mercury Zn Zinc Co Cobalt Mo Molybdenum **Industrial Minerals and Rocks** Im Ilmenite Dt Diatomite Ck Kaolin clay R Rutile Si Silica Do Dolomite Ls Limestone Fs Feldspar Ms Magnesite Wo Wollastonite Sf Foundry sand Mt Magnetite Ve Vermiculite

Energy Minerals

Cb Coal

Cu Copper

Au Gold

Sb Antimony

As Arsenic

Size of Deposits

The classification below is based on that established by Parkinson (1988) for the Atlas of Australian Resources.

It has been amended to allow for the well developed infrastructure of the Region.

Os Oil Shale

SIZE C	LASSIFICA	TION OF DEPOSIT	TS*	
Commodity	Size of Deposit (tonnes of contained commodity)			
Commodity	Small	Medium	Large	
Bentonite	<100 000	100 000 - 1 000 000	>1 000 000	
Coal	<10 000 000	10 000 000 - 100 000 000	>100 000 00	
Copper	<50 000	50 000 - 1 000 000	>1 000 000	
Dolomite	<2 000 000	2 000 000 - 10 000 000	>10 000 000	
Gold (Troy ounces)	<50 000 (1.5 t)	50 000 - 500 000	>500 000	
Graphite	<10 000	10 000 - 200 000	>200 000	
Ilmenite	<5 000 000	5 000 000 - 10 000 000	>10 000 000	
Kaolin	<200 000	200 000 - 20 000 000	>20 000 000	
Lead	<100 000	100 000 - 1 000 000	>1 000 000	
Limestone	<2 000 000	2 000 000 - 10 000 000	>10 000 000	
Mercury	<500	500 - 20 000	>20 000	
Molybdenum	<5 000	5 000 - 200 000	>200 000	
Oil shale (cu. m of oil)	<10 000 000	10 000 000 - 100 000 000	>100 000 00	
Rutile	<200 000	200 000 - 500 000	>500 000	
Silica sand	<1 000 000	1 000 000 - 2 500 000	>2 500 000	
Zircon	<500 000	500 000 - 1 000 000	>1000 000	
Zinc	<200 000	200 000 - 5 000 000	>5 000 000	

*Amended from Parkinson, G. (Ed) , 1988. Atlas of Australian Resources, vol. 5 (AUSLIG: Canberra)

ZONES OF MINERAL POTENTIAL Note: Areas of likely potential for further deposits are bounded by full lines; areas of possible potential for further deposits are bounded by long-dashed lines; alienated areas are bounded by short-dashed lines. Gold Industrial Minerals

Codes for Zones of Mineral Potential

Each zone of mineral potential is identified by a code, which describes the principal commodity, the economic importance of the deposits in the zone, and its location. The code is a series of letters and numbers, arranged in a standard order, to provide the following information:

1. Commodity: The first two letters indicate the principal commodity, using Cb for black coal deposits, Au for gold, HM for heavy minerals (ilmenite, rutile and zircon), IM for industrial minerals (dolomite, graphite, kaolin clay, limestone, magnetite, perlite, silica and foundry sand), ME for metals (copper, lead, mercury and zinc), and OS for oil shale.

2. Economic Importance: The economic importance of the various types of gold and metalliferous deposits is shown by the letters A, B, C, D and Z, which are based on the typical size of the deposits in the class. Thus an A class zone is expected to contain large deposits of mineable grade, suitable for company mines, average B class deposits are smaller than A size, whereas D class zones contain small deposits, which may be suitable for small mines where they contain high-grade ore.

Deposits that have been alienated are shown by the letter Z.

For zones of coal deposits, these letters do not indicate relative economic significance, but identify the coal measure sequence, eg type CbA zones are expected to contain deposits of Walloon coal, CbB of Ipswich Coal Measures coal, etc. There is no letter for this purpose in the code identifying zones with potential for deposits of industrial minerals, which are only identified by the letters IM.

3. Location: This is a number which gives a guide to the location of the zone starting in the porth of the area for gold and

only identified by the letters IM.

3. Location: This is a number which gives a guide to the location of the zone, starting in the north of the area for gold and and metalliferous deposits. As an example, zone AuA1 is a zone with potential to contain gold deposits, of type A genesis (in this case of volcanogenic origin) which is considered to have the potential to provide large ore bodies, and is the northernmost of the AuA type zones.

Probability of Further Deposits

The probability of further deposits existing in a zone of mineral potential is judged to fall within one of four classes:

Likely, indicating there is a strong probability that the zone contains more deposits; (zone boundary shown with a solid line, and abbreviated to the letter L in the coded name of the zone in the accopanying report); or

Possible, indicating that there is some chance that the zone contains further deposits; (zone boundary shown with a long-dashed line and abbreviated to the letter P in the report); or

Alienated, indicating areas of known resources, but where closer settlement, mature conservation and other interests

effectively preclude development for the foreseeable future; (zone boundary shown with a short-dashed line).

Low or Unknown, with only a slight or unknown chance of further deposits.

Only the areas of likely, possible, or alienated potential are shown as mineral potential zones on the maps, and the area of little or unknown potential is left as a white or background area. The assessment of probability or potential is not in any way related to the size of a deposit which may exist within a zone, but is an indication of the chance that an unknown deposit, of a specified origin, may be found. Likewise the position of the boundary of the zone is not related to the assessment of the level of potential.

Accuracy of Zone Boundaries

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The accuracy of the location of each zone boundary is described in the text of the accompanying report. Two levels of information were used. For level A, the position of the boundary is based on adequate knowledge, so that the boundary position is considered 'definite'. At this level the zone boundary was based on information from detailed geological mapping, or modern regional geological mapping, and confirmed by the airmagnetic pattern. For level B, the information and concepts used to draw the zone boundary are of lesser certainty, and the position of the boundary is classed as 'probable'. In these cases the boundary is often based on information from 'first-pass' regional geological mapping, carried out in the early 1970s, which is less accurate than the recent mapping.