

Minister for Planning

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Ms Sarah Raso Lead Chair Priority Projects Standing Advisory Committee Planning Panels Victoria planning.panels@delwp.vic.gov.au

Dear Ms Raso

I refer to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) proceeding P241/2025 for the review of planning permit application 220321 which seeks to remove native vegetation on road reserves along Stanley Road and McGrady Road, generally located between the Bass Highway and 115 McGrady Road in Grantville and Glen Forbes. The vegetation removal is required to upgrade McGrady and Stanley Road in Grantville for the purposes of enabling the extraction of hard rock resources from the Grantville Quarry (WA512).

Resources Victoria has advised that the Grantville Quarry resource is of state significance with an estimated resource value of approximately \$73 million. I advise that I have decided to call in the proceeding from VCAT under Clause 58(2)(a) of Schedule 1 to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal Act 1998 as I consider that the proceeding raises are major issue of policy, and the determination of the proceeding may have a substantial effect on the achievement or development of planning objectives.

I have also decided to refer the matter to the Priority Project Standing Advisory Committee for advice and recommendations on whether a planning permit should be issued, and if so, the appropriate permit conditions that should be imposed.

On 19 February 2025, the proponent filed an appeal with VCAT under section 77 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* in response to the council's notice of decision to refuse the permit application.

The VCAT hearing has been scheduled to commence on 7 October 2025 for a period of four days.

The cost of the advisory committee will be met by the proponent, Heidelberg Materials Australia Pty Ltd.



If you would like to discuss this matter further, please email Adam Henson Director, Planning Facilitation, Department of Transport and Planning, at

Yours sincerely

The Hon Sonya Kilkenny MP Minister for Planning

Date: 18/09/2025

