





The environmental research agenda of the Sustainable Minerals Institute at The University of Queensland







OUTLINE





- Introduction to UQ, SMI and CMLR
- Research themes in mine rehabilitation and environmental management
- Further examples from site-based case studies





Where we are





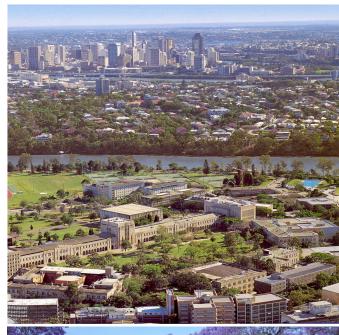














The University of Queensland

- Founded in 1910
- 38,000 students
- 9,900 postgraduate students
- 7,000 international students
- 130 countries
- 5,600 staff (2,400 academics)
- Comprehensive and research intensive



SUSTAINABLE MINERALS INSTITUTE



Research Centres

- Julius Kruttschnitt Mineral Research Centre
- Centre for Mined Land Rehabilitation
- WH Bryan Mining and Geology Research Centre
- Minerals Industry Safety and Health Centre
- Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining
- Centre for Water in the Minerals Industry





Centre for Mined Land Rehabilitation (CMLR)

- Landform design & erosion management
- Mine waste, water & metals management
- Building sustainable ecosystems on problematic substrates
- Land use planning options & biodiversity
- Development of monitoring methods and quantifying rehabilitation success
- •Mine closure & lease relinquishment





Landscape design













Erosion management















Mine waste management













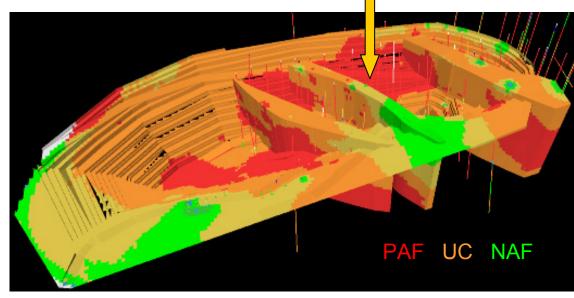


Materials characterisation





Development of routine, rapid, low cost, intact rock texture and mineralogical evaluation methods





Mine water management













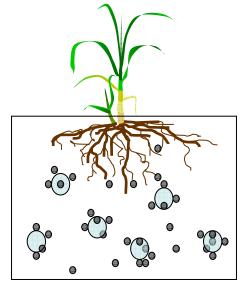


Metals management

















Building ecosystems









Land use planning options













Biodiversity management







Monitoring methodologies

















Mine closure















Stakeholder engagement













WEIPA - Bauxite













NHULUNBUY - Alumina















NORTH STRADBROKE ISLAND – Mineral sands





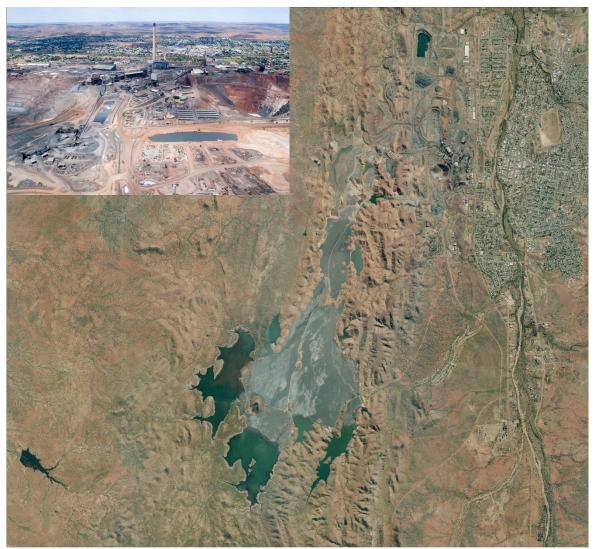






MT ISA – Base metals











EROMANGA - Oil



