

Wingellina Nickel-Cobalt Project

Nico Resources Ltd



Investment summary

Wingellina, Australia's largest undeveloped nickel-cobalt oxide deposit by reserves, stands as a development-ready, long-life project. In December 2022, a PFS was completed, demonstrating attractive economics for the Project with an NPV $_{8\%}$ of A\$3.34b, an 18% IRR and a payback period of under five years. The Project is development ready with EPA approval granted in 2016 and a Native Title Project Development Agreement with the Ng Council registered in 2011. The Company is currently seeking a five-year extension of it's EPA approval. Wingellina offers a number of development options and the Company welcomes discussions with strategic investors and offtake partners alike.

Project description

The Wingellina Nickel-Cobalt Project is a world-class, nickel-cobalt oxide deposit and part of NiCo Resources' Central Musgrave Project (CMP), spanning WA, SA, and NT. Notably, the Project benefits from the A\$1.2b in government funding allocated to develop the Outback Way—an essential infrastructure corridor for project access. Low-cost open-pit mining operations with a low strip ratio (1.1:1 LOM average) will produce an average of 4.3Mtpa ROM. Wingellina is one of the world's largest 'pure oxide' limonite nickel deposits, ideal for high-pressure acid leaching (HPAL) due to its high iron content and low magnesium grades. Ore will be processed on site to produce a mixed hydroxide precipitate (MHP) at 33% Ni and 3% Co containing ~40,000tpa nickel metal and ~3,000tpa cobalt metal. The Project will use over 90% renewable energy at steady-state operation, aligning with Nico's project design commitment to reducing ${\rm CO_2}$ emissions for the life of the operation.

Commodity(ies):	Nickel, Cobalt				
	Resource Category	Tonnes (Mt)	Ni (%)	Co (%)	Fe ₂ O ₃ (%)
Wingellina Mineral Resources as at 30-Jun-16:	Measured	37.6	0.98	0.07	45.94
	Indicated	130.9	0.91	0.07	45.55
	Inferred	14.1	0.87	0.06	41.25
	Total	182.6	0.92	0.07	45.30
	Contained (kt)		1,684	132	
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Financial analysis completed with macro-economic assumptions stated in 22 Dec 2022 PFS announcement – "Base Case" assumptions.



Project Status

Pre Feasibility Study (Dec 2022)



Offtake Available

100%



Min Mine Life (Yrs)

42



Post-tax IRR:





Capital Cost: A\$2.9b (Dec 2022)



Post-tax NPV_{8%}: A\$3.34b (Dec 2022)



Product & Annual Production Rate:

 Nickel-cobalt mixed hydroxide precipitate (33% Ni, 3% Co): 123ktpa (dmt)