

Resources Victoria Compliance Priorities 2024-25

Protecting community, infrastructure and the environment

Tailings storage

Preventing the spread of harmful material into the environment

- Tailings storage facilities and slimes dams built to approved requirements
- Monitoring, maintenance, reporting and management is in accordance with relevant guidelines

Over extraction

Avoiding extraction of materials beyond approved limits

- Extraction is within the approved area - extent and depth profile
- Focus on compliance with final approved batter angle to control rehabilitation liability
- Not deferring corrective action until the end of quarry/mine life

Rehabilitation

Ensuring liability for abandoned quarries and mines does not fall to the Victorian community

- Authority holders can demonstrate effective progressive rehabilitation
- Quarries and mines have sufficient rehabilitation bonds
- Mining licence holders are financially capable as well as fit and proper against well-defined criteria

Community impacts

Addressing local community concerns about loss of amenity

- Authority holders comply with conditions and are effectively managing potential impacts on community, including dust, vibration and noise
- Authority holders actively engage with their community to address concerns raised
- Corrective action is taken where non-compliance is identified

Latrobe Valley coal mines

Managing complex rehabilitation of declared mines

- Rehabilitation plans developed in line with guidance and standards
- Bonds reviewed and progressive rehabilitation undertaken
- Effective risk management to ensure mine stability and safety, and compliance with complex requirements

**In 2024-25
industry
can expect**

- Use of notices for non-compliance with approvals or risks that are not being appropriately managed and cannot be immediately rectified
- Targeted compliance inspections on priority areas or where we believe harm may be occurring
- Public communication about the regulator's use of notices, enforcement and other regulatory action
- Ensuring that the concerns of the local community are heard and addressed by the authority holder
- Deliberate non-compliance resulting in increased risk of harm or unfair financial gain will be prioritised for enforcement or prosecution