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Subject: Mining Reserve at Middle Arm Peninsula

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Question: Can you advise if Middle Arm Peninsula is or was a mining reserve?

Answer:

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Answer: The Middle Arm Peninsula (that is the peninsula between East Arm and Middle Arm) is subject to Reservation from Occupation (RO) 1368 that was created on 18 June 1997. That reserve was created so that government could closely manage operations within the area.

S178(2) of the Mining Act allows the Minister (or delegate) to authorise mining, including extractive mining, within an RO. There are 25 granted authorisations for extractive mining within the RO 1368, these authorisations are subject to specific conditions to insure mining is compatible with the end land use, in this instance an industrial estate. The specific conditions include a limit on the depth of excavations to a height of 8 metres above sea level.

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