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## Department of Resources clarification on port approvals pathway for Cape Flattery Silica Sand Project

Metallica Minerals Limited (ASX: MLM) has received a letter from the Department of Resources clarifying the approvals pathway for port operations associated with existing or future silica project proposals on Cape York.

The letter advises that investigations have not identified an approvals pathway for port operations proposed outside of existing port areas and are subject to the *Sustainable Ports Act 2015* and other federal legislation.

Importantly, the letter also recognises that Metallica's Cape Flattery Silica Project falls within the (already designated) Port of Cape Flattery port limits and is **not subject** to the *Sustainable Ports Act 2015*.

Metallica welcomes this clarification from the Department of Resources and looks forward to continuing to work with all Queensland and federal government departments to advance the Cape Flattery Silica Project, which will benefit all Queenslanders and assist in the delivery of silica sand, a new economy mineral, for the growing demand throughout Asia.

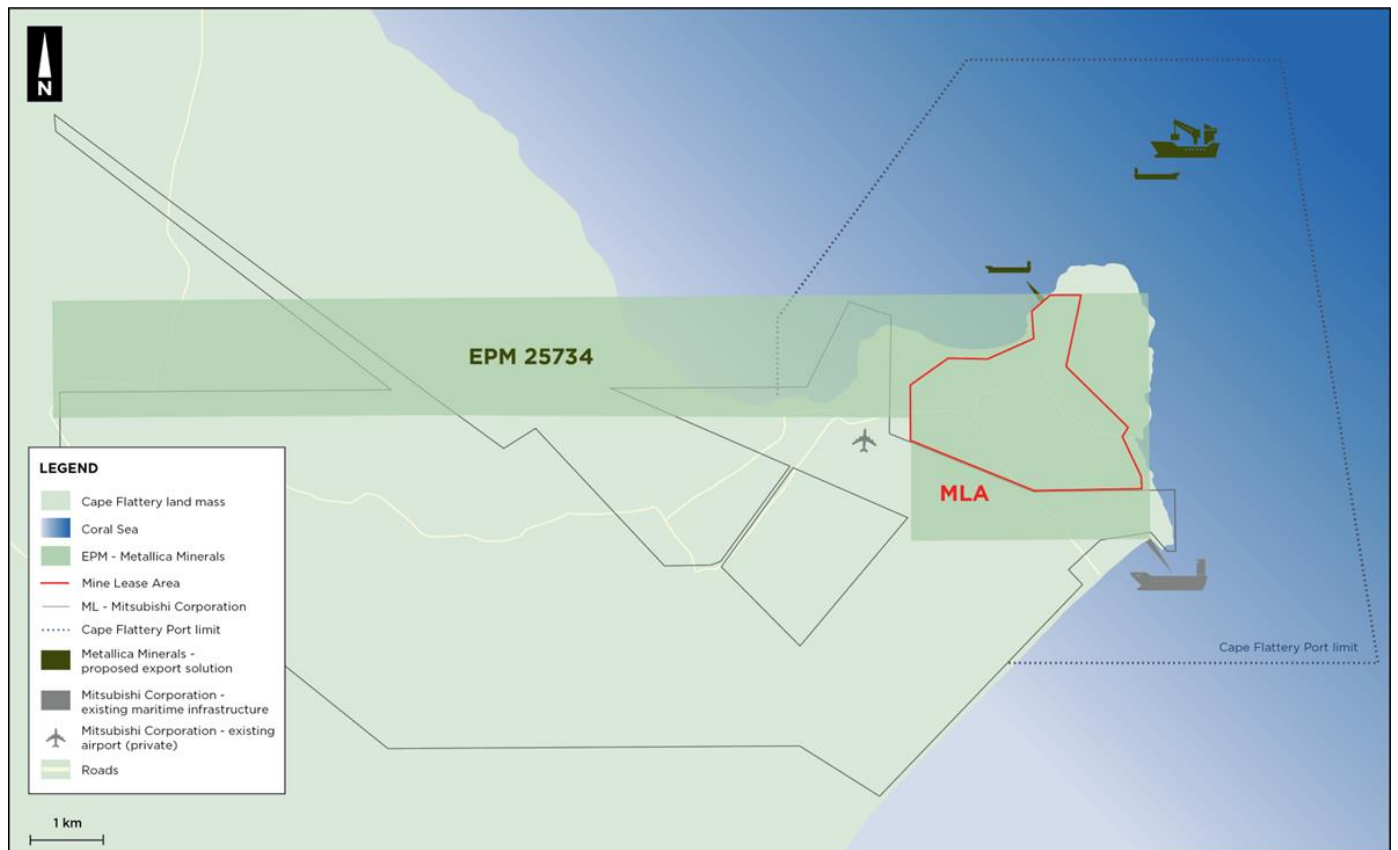


Figure 1 – Cape Flattery Silica Sand project location highlighting the Cape Flattery Port Limit

## **About the Cape Flattery Silica (CFS) Project**

Metallica's 100% owned Cape Flattery Silica Sand (CFS) Project is located in the Cape Flattery area, on the eastern coastline of Cape York Peninsula, 220 km north of Cairns, and 55km from Cooktown. MLM is developing the CFS Project adjacent to the Cape Flattery Silica Sand mining and shipping operation owned by the Mitsubishi Corporation. Initial exploration drilling in late 2019 confirmed the presence of high purity silica sand within EPM 25734.

This announcement has been approved in accordance with the Company's published continuous disclosure policy and has been approved by the Board.

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