



JACK HILLS
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AUSTRALIA'S
MID-WEST
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CROSSLANDS RESOURCES SECURES SERVICES OF INTERNATIONALLY CREDENTIALLED SCIENTIST, DR LARA JEFFERSON

Crosslands Resources is pleased to announce the appointment of Dr Lara Jefferson to the position of Manager, Environment and Approvals.

Dr Jefferson brings almost two decades of environmental research and project management experience to Crosslands as it expands its Jack Hills iron ore project in Western Australia's mid-west region.

Most recently senior environmental scientist with Maunsell AECOM Australia, Dr Jefferson has overseen risk management assessments and developed environmental and risk management plans for several WA iron ore miners and project developers.

Her previous roles include Research Scientist, Royal Botanic Parks and Garden (Kings Park); and Manager, Conservation and Land Management Fellowship Program, (Chicago Botanic Garden) USA.

It was in this role that Dr Jefferson instigated a partnership between US federal land management agencies and the Department of Environment and Conservation, (WA) to initiate an international exchange program for land managers.

Dr Jefferson was awarded a Ph D in biology from Curtin University of Technology in 2003. Prior to this, she was an honours student and Vice Chancellor Award recipient.

In 2007, Dr Jefferson received the Plant Conservation Alliance Leadership Award and was nominated for Crain's Chicago Business Top 40-under-40.

Her first co-authored book will be published by Oxford University Press in 2009.

Crosslands Chief Executive Officer Stuart Hall said the company was pleased to welcome another internationally recognised professional with substantial local and global experience to its management team.

"Dr Jefferson's expertise will be invaluable as we complete feasibility on our Jack Hills expansion and move through the approvals process," said Mr Hall.

"Her experience and energy complement our internal culture and strengthen Crosslands' capabilities as we transition from a junior producer to mid-tier miner."

During 2009, Crosslands will increase its iron ore exports from 1.5 million tonnes per annum to 1.8 million tonnes. Feasibility studies are underway to assess a major expansion of operations to coincide with the development of new purpose built export infrastructure at Oakajee.

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About Crosslands

Crosslands Resources Ltd (“Crosslands”) is the owner of the Jack Hills iron ore project located in the mid-west region of Western Australia. Crosslands is jointly owned by ASX listed Murchison Metals Ltd (“Murchison”) and Mitsubishi Development Pty Ltd (“Mitsubishi”), a subsidiary of Mitsubishi Corporation, Japan’s largest general trading company.

In addition, Crosslands, Murchison and Mitsubishi have established a new independent infrastructure business, Oakajee Port and Rail (OP+R). OP+R has been selected by the WA Government as the preferred proponent to construct new port infrastructure and to provide logistics services to miners (including Crosslands) and other potential customers in the mid-west region of WA.

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