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## Launch of updated AMEC NSW Land Access Toolkit

The Association of Mining and Exploration Companies (AMEC) has released an updated and expanded 'Toolkit' to support NSW mineral explorers and landholders to negotiate access for exploration.

"The *AMEC NSW Land Access Toolkit for Exploration* supports the critical first steps that the minerals industry needs to take in community consultation," said AMEC Chief Executive Officer, Warren Pearce.

"It is important for mineral explorers to prioritise effective and regular community engagement with landholders, especially in NSW where there are many alternative land users and activities."

"Exploration is generally low impact and short term, and AMEC's resources toolkit helps explain the methods landholders can use to assist them when negotiating access arrangements."

The AMEC NSW Land Access Toolkit includes a practical guide for industry, a streamlined template access agreement, as well as an accompanying fact sheets and video that explains exploration for the wider community.

The toolkit was initiated and first released by AMEC in 2021 in response to a call from the minerals industry for clear, up to date documentation. The updated toolkit includes changes to align with recent regulatory changes and improvements following advice from members including new fact sheets, 'Frequently Asked Questions' and an extended template agreement.

The updated AMEC Toolkit was launched at the *AMEC NSW Virtual Seminar – Land access for exploration in NSW* which provided the opportunity for members to come together to hear about updated obligations for and leading practise.

"The launch of the updated toolkit today reinforces the importance the minerals industry places on land access and AMEC's ongoing investment in this important process," said Mr Pearce.

The toolkit is accompanied by a [short video](#) explaining the process of mineral exploration.

A copy of the *AMEC NSW Land Access Toolkit for Exploration* is [available here](#).

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