

# ioneer Ltd

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## ioneer locks in Water Pollution Control permit for Rhyolite Ridge Lithium Project

ioneer Ltd (ASX:INR) (OTCMKTS:GSCCF) (FRA:4G1) has locked in a Water Pollution Control permit for its Rhyolite Ridge Lithium-Boron Project in Nevada, marking a critical step required before construction can begin.

The assessment and issuance of the Water Pollution Control Permit involved a detailed review of the project by the State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, including an assessment of the impact to surface and subsurface water during and after closure of the operation.

Rhyolite Ridge will comprise a process plant, quarry, overburden storage facility and a spent ore storage facility and will produce lithium carbonate and boric acid end products on site.

The total surface footprint of the project is 3.8 square kilometres (377 hectares or 932 acres) and there will be no evaporation ponds or tailings dams.

This is the second permit iioneer has locked in after the Class II Air Quality Permit was received last month.

### "A developmental lithium project first"

Managing director Bernard Rowe said a strong commitment to responsible and sustainable production was at the core of the business.

"The grant of the Water Pollution Control and Air Quality Permits represents a significant milestone for the Rhyolite Ridge Lithium-Boron Project and further demonstrates that our unique lithium-boron ore allows for the production of end products with minimal environmental impact, including surface footprint, air quality and water conservation.

"We are grateful for the efforts of NDEP, our consultants and iioneer employees to achieve this milestone.

"After regulatory review and public comment period, we are pleased that Rhyolite Ridge is the first developmental lithium project in Nevada to receive both Water Pollution Control and a Class II Air Quality permits.

"As the most advanced lithium development project in the US, we are committed to ensuring Rhyolite Ridge is a sustainable, environmentally sensitive operation that also delivers significant positive economic impact in the state of Nevada.

"This important step allows us to continue to develop the project and work toward construction."

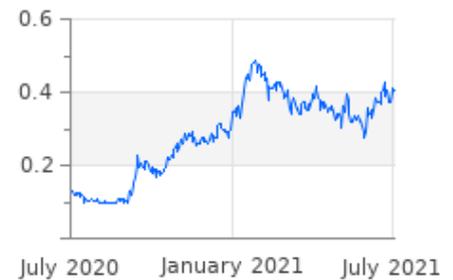
### No hydrologic draw-down impact

Studies conducted as part of the water permitting process conclude there will be no hydrologic draw-down impact at site

**Price:** 0.41

**Market Cap:** \$780.72 m

#### 1 Year Share Price Graph



#### Share Information

**Code:** INR

**Listing:** ASX

**52 week High Low**  
0.49 0.093

**Sector:** Battery Metals

**Website:** www.iioneer.com

#### Company Synopsis:

*iioneer Ltd (ASX:INR) is expected to be the first new lithium chemicals producer in the US in over 60 years and become a major supplier of lithium and boron products to the US and global markets for many decades. The company owns a 100% interest in the Rhyolite Ridge Lithium-Boron Project in Nevada, USA, the only known lithium-boron deposit in North America and one of only two known such deposits in the world.*

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or in the immediate region and no impact to surface and sub-surface water quality.

This is particularly important given the arid environment where Rhyolite Ridge is located and the importance of minimizing the use and impact on water resources and water quality.

Water usage at Rhyolite Ridge is a fraction (approximately 30x less) of that required at the only existing US domestic lithium production operation - it is low because the project recycles and reuses its own water.

Rhyolite Ridge process engineering design negates the need for evaporation ponds and tailings dams - two areas typically responsible for large water loss - and allows for more than half the Project's water needs to be met via recycling.

Proactive has already secured all the water it requires for the operation through agreements with local farmers.

This means water requirements will be met from existing water allocations rather than taking additional water from the hydrographic basin. The impact on the local water resources is net-zero.

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