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Roy Hill Community Foundation Wins National Award

The Roy Hill Community Foundation has tonight won the Community Interaction Award at the *Australian Mining Prospect Awards* from a strong field of national finalists.

The win recognises the fantastic work delivered over the last 12 months by the Roy Hill Community Foundation (RHCF) – a collaborative social investment program involving Roy Hill and ten companies engaged in the Roy Hill mining operation working together to make a lasting difference in Pilbara communities.

The Foundation identifies specific issues and gaps in community services and supports innovative programs in three focus areas; health, education and the arts.

One of the RHCF initiatives highlighted at the Awards was the Pilbara Mentors program, created in partnership with the Port Hedland community and delivered by EdConnect Australia to ensure young people have the skills, capacity and capability to succeed.

Pilbara Mentors is helping to meet an increasing demand from teachers for help to support vulnerable young people at risk of disengaging from education. Mentors are screened and trained volunteers from the local community, local organisations and fly-in-fly out workers.

“Pilbara Mentors program is unique in that it provides tailored support, and offers a framework for young people who might otherwise struggle to realise their full potential” said Chairman of the Roy Hill Community Foundation Management Committee and Roy Hill CEO, Barry Fitzgerald.

Port Hedland has embraced the program with volunteers providing over 600 hours of mentoring across a Port Hedland high school and two primary schools, with the aim to expand the initiative in 2019.

Another RHCF project achieving significant results in Australia and globally is Pilbara Faces – a world-class Western Australian health research project that is unlocking rare disease diagnosis for Aboriginal children.

Roy Hill was a finalist in five categories of the 2018 *Australian Mining Prospect Awards*.

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About the Roy Hill Community Foundation

[The Roy Hill Community Foundation](#) was established in 2015 as a collaborative social investment program involving companies engaged in the Roy Hill mining operation.

Joining forces with a diverse group of companies and Roy Hill's three Traditional Owner groups, the Kariyarra, Nyiyaparli and Palyku People, enables the Foundation to respond to community needs with greater impact.

The Foundation was built on the belief that together, more can be achieved than individually, to leave a positive legacy in the Pilbara.

The Management Committee and Working Groups determine the activities and priorities of the Foundation and all partners are represented on committees. The Roy Hill Community Foundation is an integral part of the Pilbara's future, investing in programs which deliver sustainable benefits to the community.

Foundation partners include Samsung, Qantas, NAB, Downer, Roy Hill, Hitachi, ICRG, ERS, PTK, North West Waste Alliance and Compass Group.

About Roy Hill

[Roy Hill](#) is a world-class iron ore operation and the largest single ore mine in Australia.

Situated 344km south east of Port Hedland in Western Australia's mineral rich Pilbara region, Roy Hill is an independent iron ore operation with local majority ownership and chaired by Mrs Gina Rinehart.

With integrated mine, rail and port facilities producing 55Mtpa – Roy Hill is one of the world's major resource-based operations, which will deliver enormous benefits to the broader community for many years to come.

Roy Hill's first shipment of iron ore departed from Port Hedland on 10 December 2015 and has since loaded multiple shipments to its key markets in Japan, Korea, China and Taiwan. Roy Hill achieved many firsts, including for its largely Greenfield project, the largest mainland resource debt funding in the world, from 19 of the world's largest banks, and five Export Credit Agencies.

Roy Hill operates some of the largest equipment in the world and in addition to having the fastest ramp up to 55Mtpa in the Pilbara, has maintained a focus on safety excellence.

In December 2015, Mrs Rinehart was recognised as "Miner of the Decade" by the Sydney Mining Club. She has also been awarded "Chairman of the Year" by CEO Magazine.

Roy Hill has been presented with a range of accolades, including:

- 2018 WA Training Awards WA Employer of the Year
- 2018 L&MH Mercury Awards Transport Solution of the Year: Rail
- 2017 Platts Global Metals Awards Rising Star Company Award
- 2016 Australian Mining Prospect Awards Excellence in Environmental Management Award
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence in Engineering Distinction
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence in Resource Development
- 2016 Engineers Australia (WA) Australian Engineering Excellence in Project Management



- 2016 Project Management Institute Project of the Year
- 2016 Railway Technical Society of Australasia Railway Project Award
- 2015 Mines & Money Asian Corporate Development Award
- 2015 IJ Global Asia-Pacific Project Mining & Metals Deal of the Year
- 2015 IJ Global Asia Pacific Deal of the Year
- 2014 FinanceAsia Magazine Project Finance Deal of the Year Award
- 2014 Finance International Magazine Asia Pacific Deal of the Year
- 2012 Diggers and Dealers Deal of the Year Award

