

Rodney Drown

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Rodney has more than 20 years' experience in mine engineering across a range of commodities.

He is a technical planning specialist with a proven track record in planning for specific market conditions and business scenarios, enabling businesses to make informed decisions.

Rodney has experience in both project and management roles and has worked in open cut and underground environments. He has worked in Australia and South America.

Education, Qualifications and Memberships

- B. Engineering (Mining) Curtin University (1996)
- Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy
- Associate of the Western Australian School of Mines

Achievements and Highlights

Technical Planning

- Delivered technical expertise in mine optimisation, design, scheduling for multiple mine and commodity projects for BHP Billion Iron Ore and Bauxite operations in BHP Billiton Suriname.
- Developed strategic mine design, schedules and option studies for Vimy Resources Mulga Rock Definitive Feasibility Study.

 Provided Mine Design, optimization, and optimized mine schedules on multiple fleet and mine methodology options for the Prefeasibility and Definitive Feasibility studies carried out on a 3.5Mlb.p.a. Uranium Mine for Vimy Resources.

Project Pipeline

- Delivered projects for BHP Billiton to extend iron ore output from 100mtpa to 250mtpa
- Delivered technical planning expertise on mine pre-feasibility and feasibility plans for international bauxite operation with a US\$800 million investment
- Provided strategic planning expertise for BHP Rapid Growth Operations.

Operations

- Delivered mine feasibility and project due diligence on BHP Billiton future mines
- Delivered operational performance improvement in profitability and safety efficiency by optimising 5 year mine plans in the Yandi/Yarrie and Whaleback Mine hubs.
- Successfully managed start-up operations for KalNorth Gold Mines
- Successfully managed external contracts, governmental licences for mine operation, mining excavation and mine management contractors for KalNorth Gold Mines and KMG operations.