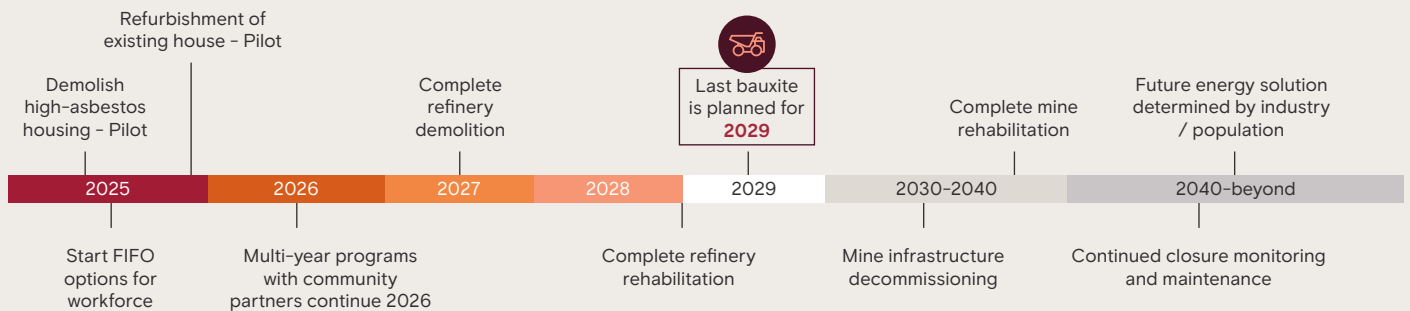




Rio Tinto Gove Transition

Bauxite production at Gove is scheduled to finish by the end of this decade, marking a significant transition for the region after more than 50 years of mining operations. As production winds down, we are committed to working closely with Traditional Owners, local communities, government partners, and other stakeholders to ensure a respectful, stable, and well-supported shift to life beyond mining on the Gove Peninsula.

Our journey to closure and beyond:



Working together to manage the transition

We recognise the transition is significant for the region. Rio Tinto has, in partnership with the Gove Peninsula Futures Reference Group (GPFRG), completed a detailed socio-economic impact assessment (SEIA) to understand what changes may be expected due to the closure of the mine. With community at the forefront, we are working with key partners to support Traditional Owner aspirations for a thriving and diverse regional economy.

This includes collaboration through the GPFRG Traditional Owners, the Northern Territory Government, the Federal Government, and the Northern Land Council. We're building on work that started after the curtailment of our refinery, when we partnered with the NT Government to co-found Developing East Arnhem Limited (DEAL).

Together, these efforts help to ensure that closure planning is practical and responsive. It focuses on strengthening lasting social and economic outcomes for the Gove region.

To learn more about the socio-economic impact assessment or the work of our partners, head online and use the search terms below:

- Gove mine closure SEIA public summary
- Gove Futures
- Developing East Arnhem Ltd

Developing East Arnhem Limited

DEAL was set up after the 2014 refinery curtailment to help strengthen and diversify the local economy with funding from Rio Tinto and the Northern Territory Government. Rio Tinto donated 250 houses for DEAL to use to support industry housing and income to resource further economic development. Today, DEAL continues to support businesses, investment and new industries to prepare the economy for a post-mining future.

The impact we're aiming for:

- Strengthening local business capability
- Attracting investment to support jobs
- Enabling projects that build long-term economic stability
- Strengthening the visitor economy through developing experiences and planning for sustainable growth

Recent Activities

Project: Dhimurru Strategic Partnership

We are proud to continue our longstanding partnership with the Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation. This multi-year agreement supports the Dhimurru Ranger group to strengthen their capacity, independence and resilience as an organisation.

The impact we're aiming for:

- Supporting Yolŋu leadership and ranger skills through training and employment opportunities
- Strengthening Dhimurru Rangers' long-term organisational capacity
- Supporting Dhimurru to protect and pass on Yolŋu cultural knowledge and spiritual connection to Country



Project: Public Benevolent Rates

Eligible groups and not-for-profit organisations can access a 22% concession on electricity and water charges billed by the Nhulunbuy Corporation.

The impact we're aiming for:

- Reducing electricity and water costs for local clubs and service organisations
- Helping community groups continue delivering social, cultural, sporting, and support programs
- Strengthening liveable, connected communities in Nhulunbuy and Yirrkala

Project: Feature Film

We have sponsored the production of a feature film in East Arnhem Land, which will showcase Yolŋu culture on an international stage and provide an estimated economic boost of \$4m to the local community during filming in 2026.

The impact we're aiming for:

- Celebrating and preserving Yolŋu language, stories, and knowledge
- Creating jobs, training and development opportunities for Yolŋu people
- Boosts the local economy through supporting local businesses and showcasing the region for tourism development

Project: The Careers Department

Our support has provided school students in Nhulunbuy, Gunyangara and Yirrkala, as well as jobseekers working with the Barrawun Centre, Marngarr Resource Centre and Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation, with training and access to *The Careers Department* until 2029. This platform hosts 800+ "Day in the Life" videos and virtual work experience opportunities in a wide range of industries and careers. Six local career profiles were also created and translated to Yolŋu Matha to showcase opportunities available in the region in the future outside of the mining.

The impact we're aiming for:

- Showing local job pathways and real opportunities in East Arnhem beyond mining
- Supporting students to make strong choices for study, work and their future
- Enabling access to skills development and training for long-term employability

Contact us

For more information about how we're helping to support a sustainable future for the region, please reach out to our Communities team by email: govecommunities@riotinto.com

