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**AUROX RECEIVES GRANT FOR WATER RE-USE STUDY**

Pilbara iron ore developer Aurox Resources Limited (ASX: AXO) is pleased to announce it has been awarded funding for its proposed Pilbara Water Re-Use Initiative study. The award is granted through the Royalties for Regions initiative 'the Pilbara Regional Grants Scheme' which funds a range of projects to improve the social and economic status of the region.

The scoping study will investigate the benefits and logistics of re-using Balla Balla filtered process water in the Port Hedland area following the delivery and dewatering of iron concentrate via a 110km slurry pipeline.

Broad objectives of the water re-use initiative are to provide regional benefits that include:

1. Conservation of potable water by using filtered process water for low-end uses
2. Identify and develop aquifers distant from the current Port Hedland water resources
3. Preservation of public funds by utilising Balla Balla infrastructure to deliver up to 5 GL annually of supplemental water to the Port Hedland area for low-end use.

The funding will partially cover the costs associated with the scoping study. The study will seek participation from public and private stakeholders to ensure benefits apply to all involved parties, including the community of Port Hedland.

Following completion of the scoping study and subject to review and comment from key stakeholders, a feasibility study will be undertaken to precisely define parameters for the development to proceed.



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