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Western Gold Resources	ASX: WGR
Stage	Development
Metals	Gold
Market cap	A\$58 Million @ A\$20
Location	Western Australia

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Gold Duke Project Pre Mining Works Letter of Award, DWER Approval and Mine Operator Appointed

Western Gold Resources Limited (ASX: WGR) ("WGR" or "the Company") is pleased to announce the execution of key pre-mining contracts supporting mobilisation and site establishment at its 100%-owned Gold Duke Project in Western Australia.

The Company has executed Letters of Award with SSH Mining to commence site establishment works, including clearing, grubbing, open pits, lay down areas and haul road delineation, and has also awarded a contract to Pennington Scott Pty Ltd for the drilling of the Bower Bird Water Bore, a critical component of early mining and Life of Mine (LOM) dust-suppression infrastructure.

These activities represent another important step in

transitioning Gold Duke from development into operational readiness, following the Board's Decision to Mine announced in December 2025

Highlights:

- Letters of Award executed with SSH Mining Australia Pty Ltd (subsidiary of SSH Group Ltd (ASX:SSH)) to commence pre-mining works at the Gold Duke Project, including clearing, grubbing and site establishment.
- Organisation of earthmoving equipment and site establishment activities underway, supporting the planned transition into mining operations.
- SSH Mining has been appointed with LGIRS as the Mine Operator as part of a Turn Key Solution for the Gold Duke Project.
- Contract executed with Pennington Scott Pty Ltd and Delta Consultancy & Drilling Services Pty Ltd for the construction of the Bower Bird Water Bore, delivering a dedicated water supply to support all mining activities and dust suppression.
- *Early works advance operational readiness and materially de-risk the planned Q1 2026 mobilisation and production schedule.*
- Activities follow the Board's Decision to Mine and represent continued execution of WGR's capital-efficient development strategy at Gold Duke.

- The Company is currently assessing the potential to increase the life of mine at Gold Duke.

Managing Director Cullum Winn commented:

“These early works mark a critical transition from planning into execution at Gold Duke.

“Commencing clearing, grubbing and site establishment, in particular open pits, waste dumps and haul roads plus water infrastructure development provides a strong foundation for mining operations and significantly de-risks our mobilisation schedule.

“Gold Duke continues to advance in line with our Decision to Mine and capital-efficient development strategy whilst also assessing options to increase the life of mine at Gold Duke.”

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