The Project
Macmahon was awarded a 10 year mining contract for the Tropicana Gold Project, with mining commencing in July 2012.

The Tropicana Gold Project is part of the joint venture between AngloGold Ashanti Australia Pty Ltd (70%) and Independence Group NL (30%).

The project is located 330 kilometres north east of Kalgoorlie on the edge of Western Australia’s Great Victoria Desert. Macmahon’s scope of work includes mine planning, drill and blast, load and haul, crusher feed and other associated works.

Production will peak at an average of 60 million tonnes per annum, a rate which is expected to be achieved about 12 months into the mine’s operations.

Macmahon will invest about $130 million in mining fleet, minor equipment and infrastructure over three years with the operation to utilise large hydraulic excavators and a fleet of 240 tonne capacity trucks.

The plant utilised for the contract includes 19 x 793 trucks (240t); 1 x Cat 6060 face shovel (600t); 1 x Cat 6050 excavator (500t); 1 x Cat 6040 excavator (400t); 1 x EX3600 (350t); 3 x SKF15 drills.

A workforce of over 250 people will be employed to deliver the project. Macmahon will work with AngloGold Ashanti Australia to focus on Indigenous subcontracting employment during the project to further expand the new operation’s community and social benefits.

Phase 1 of the Long Island expansion was approved in December 2017 and is expected to extend the life of the mine by seven years to 2027 and increase production to at least 530,000 ounces by 2019.