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## Coal miner gets production boost nod

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**The Isaac Plains coal mine in Queensland's Central Highlands has been given State Government approval to almost double its production.**

- [Map: Moranbah 4744](#)

Mine owner, Aquila Resources, says the expansion will see production increase from two million to 3.6 million tonnes of coal per year.

The open-cut mine will now use a dragline instead of being a truck and shovel operation.

Residents who live close to the Moranbah mine have raised concerns about dust, but Aquila says a dust monitoring system will be implemented.