

Doug Cromie's Story

March 1961: Commenced work CRB - Materials Research Division. Initially located at Drummond St. Carlton as Experimental Officer.

1961 – 1969: Experimental Officer in various laboratories, including Concrete, Asphalt, Soils, Petrology, and Geology fieldwork section. During this period, I studied for my Geology Diploma part time at RMIT and graduated with Geology Diploma in 1969.

1970: Commenced working as Geologist in Geology Section of MRD.

1970 – 1971: seconded to Horsham Division - engaged in investigation of strategic materials for Division and Shires.

1971 – 1972: Geology Section - Alignment Investigations and Shire Materials Resources.

1972 – 1976: Seconded to Wallan - Broadford Construction Project as Materials Officer based at Wandong Project Office with three Project Testing Labs.

1976 – 1981: Freeway Alignment Investigations and Materials Resources for Hume Freeway corridor Projects - Seymour - Avenel , Wangaratta , Chiltern , Wodonga as well as Western Freeway - Wallace - Bungaree and Calder Freeway -Kyneton Bypass. Also Rural Quarry Investigations.

1981 – 1983: Seconded to Field Inspection Section - Metropolitan Quarry Investigations.

1983 – 1994: Geology Section - Freeway Alignment Investigations Hume Corridor - Chiltern, Barnawatha, and Wangaratta Projects together with Materials supplies for these projects. Strategic Materials Resources for Municipalities and Rural Quarry Investigation. Involved with presentation of training courses with Local Government Training Committee.

1994 -1999: Pavement Technology Group involved in reporting Rehabilitation and Pavement Design for Granular Pavements. Presented at AAPA Training Courses on Technical Bulletin 40 Pavement Investigation.

9 April 1999: Retired after 38 years of service.