

Minutes: Minutes of the Meeting of the Maules Creek Coal Community Consultative Committee held on **Thursday 27 August 2026** at the Boggabri Golf Club commencing at 11.08 am.

Members Present: Elizabeth O’Hara (EOH) – Community Representative, Robyn Grover (RG) – Community Representative, Kate Alberry – Narrabri Shire Council, Jason Greig (JG) – WHC, Emma Bulkeley (EB) – WHC, Jabin de Keizer (JdeK) – WHC.

Apologies: Libby Laird (LL) – Community Representative, Steve Eather (SE) – Community Representative, Phillip Lancaster – Community Representative, Cr Brett Dickinson (BD) – Narrabri Shire Council.

Observers: Nil

Independent Chair: Michael J. Silver OAM (MJS)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/By Whom
1.	Welcome and Apologies – MJS welcomed everyone to the meeting, particularly the new General Manager Operations at Maules Creek Coal, Jason Greig and Kate Alberry, Director Development and Compliance with Narrabri Shire Council attending their first meeting of the Maules Creek Coal CCC.	
2.	Acknowledgement of Country - The Chair acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land on which the meeting is being held and their continuing connection to land, water, and culture, paying respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.	
3.	Declaration of Pecuniary or Other Interests – EOH holds a small quantity of Whitehaven shares. RG has a family member working at Maules Creek Coal Mine. MJS expenses as Chair are borne by the Proponent. There were no other declarations of interest.	
4.	Minutes of the Previous Meeting – The minutes of the meeting of 13 May 2026 were approved on 10 June 2026.	
5.	Business Arising from the Previous Minutes Nil	
6.	Actions 6.1 MJS to discuss the issue of PIN #3173542864 with DPHI. <i>Response: MJS advised he was unable to ascertain the value of the penalty applied under PIN #3173542864. EOH indicated that the EPA had advised that the fine amount was \$30,000 for a breach of s.128 of POEO Act. EB advised the penalty had been paid but declined to confirm the penalty amount.</i> 6.2 JdeK to provide a map of the additional groundwater monitoring bores. <i>Response: JdeK advised that bore installation is incomplete – a map will be prepared when work is completed and present to the October 2026 meeting.</i>	
7.	Correspondence Nil	
8.	Environmental Monitoring Report <i>A copy of the Monitoring Report is attached to the minutes.</i> The Environmental Monitoring Report was distributed to members prior to the meeting. There were no questions raised in relation to the report.	
9.	Proponent's Presentation <i>EB introduced the Proponent's Presentation. A copy of the presentation is attached to the minutes.</i> EOH requested that hard copies of the presentation be provided at meetings. EB provided EOH with a hard copy. Health and Safety	

The Committee noted the Health and Safety Performance data – JG stepped the Committee through the various aspects of the report, noting the Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate (TRIFR) for the 12 months to date was 1.9, which is very good. He also advised that improvements in safety over the last few years had resulted in complimentary feedback from the Resource Regulator.

Environmental Monitoring

Depositional Dust

EB noted that the annual reporting period (12 monthly rolling annual average) remained satisfactory, being well below the criteria of 4g/m²/month for the respective monitoring points.

HVAS

EB advised that the High-Volume Air Sampler located at 'Olivedene' stayed well below the annual average. The Rolling Annual Average was recorded at 14.0 µg/m³, which is below the Annual Average Guideline of 30 µg/m³.

TEOM 1 (PM10)

EB advised that the annual rolling averages for TEOM 1 near Fairfax School was 10.3 µg/m³ against the criteria of 30 µg/m³.

TEOM 3 (PM10)

The annual rolling average for TEOM 3 was 12.4 µg/m³.

EOH commented that the Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance (TEOM) air quality monitor is no longer being made by the manufacturer. EB acknowledge the situation, noting that most TEOMs on site had been replaced in the last 10 years and Thermo Fisher the manufacturer has committed to providing ongoing support and parts for several years.

Air Quality Monitoring

The Committee examined the Air Quality Monitoring Rolling 12 months graph noting that Maules Creek Mine is the light blue line in the lower section of the graph noting that the Maules Creek monitor is consistently lower than the other monitors in the region.

Monitoring Locations

The Committee noted the various groundwater monitoring locations.

Groundwater

EB noted that standing water levels had remained stable over the last 12 months, although there is a noticeable impact due to irrigation demands and agricultural activity regionally from December to March. It was noted that Bore Reg10A (Back Creek) has been dry since August 2025.

Biodiversity Management

EB reported that the Whitehaven Biodiversity Feral Animal Control program has continued with the following results in the second quarter of 2026:

- 1,408 out of total 2,138 feral pigs removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties;
- 41 out of the total 178 feral goats removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties;
- 127 out of total 238 Canid Pest Ejectors (1080) triggered, or foxes removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties

EB also advised that work on noxious weed control was ongoing with spot spraying/jetting on the Maules Biodiversity Properties. EB advised that African Boxthorn was a currently an issue because of most favourable climatic conditions.

EB outlined the other biodiversity projects undertaken in the second quarter of 2026 including 63 hectares of spraying as part of the track maintenance program. She also noted considerable weed control work on the mine site over the last three months.

EB outlined other biodiversity projects undertaken in Q2, particularly the annual nest box monitoring and installation which will continue during Q3. EB also made mention of the Threatened Flora Translocation Program maintenance which will commence in Q3.

Project Continuation

Assessment and Determination Process

JdeK provided an update on the status of the Maules Creek Continuation Project.

JdeK advised that the DPHI is currently undertaking its assessment of the Project and noting the proposal will be referred to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) for determination following above finalisation of the Assessment Report.

EOH enquired what the timeline for determination will be. JdeK advised this is not known at this stage and an estimate would only be speculation.

Community

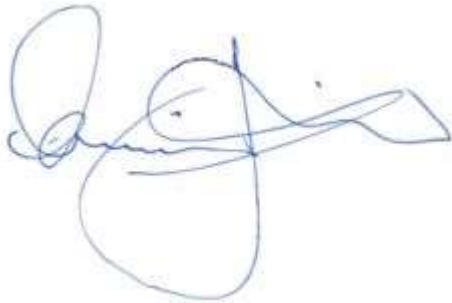
Aboriginal Representative on the CCC

	JdeK noted change of ownership of the Gunnedah and Narrabri papers and confirmed that advertising would be starting under the new ownership of the papers. No nominations have been received. MJS indicated he had fielded an enquiry but had yet to receive a nomination. Community Investment JdeK reported that \$392,482 has been distributed over the past three months with \$877,584 delivered to the community during the 2025-26 Financial Year. The next round of community grants will open on 1 September 2026.	
10.	Other Agenda Items 10.1 Employee Bus Pickup MJS enquired of the status of the proposed new employee pickup by larger buses. JG advised that a tender has been let to Australian-based multinational bus company Kinetic Group to provide a bus pick up service for employees. The service will involve larger coaches replacing the current smaller Coaster buses. Consultation has occurred with Councils and the community on pickup locations. The new service will consolidate movement of staff and commence on 1 October 2026. EB noted that the pickup service is a condition of consent with around 85% of staff using the service. 10.2 Swift Parrot EOH enquired whether the Swift Parrot had been found in the mine area. EB advised there had been no sightings. JdeK noted that there is a general lack of preferred feed trees within the mining area and that of more suitable foraging trees are located away from the eastern extent of the mining lease. It was also noted that Mynas are a problem in the area.	
11.	General Business 11.1 Greenhouse Gas Management Plan EOH enquired as to the status of the management plan associated with Greenhouse Gas. EB advised a link to the Maules Creek Coal Mine Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Management Plan would be provided in the minutes. https://whitehavencoal.com.au/Documentations/Maules%20Creek%20Mine/Environmental%20Management,%20Monitoring%20&%20Compliance/Environmental%20Management%20Plans,%20Strategies%20and%20Programs/MCC-Air%20Quality%20and%20Greenhouse%20Gas%20Management%20Plan.pdf?v=1740639731 11.2 Electric Trucks EOH asked whether a trial of electric trucks had been undertaken? JG advised he was unaware of any electric truck trial. JdeK advised that MCC had previously operated autonomous trucks but that these were distinct from electric trucks. 11.3 Extension to 2044 EOH questioned the proposed additional area to be mined that will extend operations to 2044. She noted the extension is small and sought information on the reasoning for the extension. JG responded that it relates to the geometry of the pit, noting the addition is 2.2 kilometres in length and increases the strike length. The addition will make mining more efficient and productive through an extended strike length.	

12.	Next meeting The next meeting is scheduled for 29 October 2026.	
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Meeting Closed: 12.00 pm.

Approved:

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Michael J. Silver OAM
Independent Chair

22 September 2026

Appendix 1: Actions

Action No.	Description	Date Raised	Page No.	Status
1	MJS to review February 2024 minutes.	15.05.24	2	COMPLETED 24.06.24
2	MJS to respond to R. Druce that the matter needs to be taken up with NSC and the RFS	15.05.24	2	COMPLETED 24.06.24
3	MJS to respond to Mr Laird that there are fundamental issues that need to be addressed.	15.05.24	2	COMPLETED 24.06.24
4	EM to advise how groundwater data is sourced.	15.05.24	3	COMPLETED 26.08.24
5	MJS to contact UNSW regarding availability of ground water data.	15.05.24	3	COMPLETED 16.08.24
6	DS to provide locations of monitoring bores.	15.05.24	4	COMPLETED 26.08.24
7	MJS to discuss environmental representative on the CCC with DPIE	15.05.24	4	COMPLETED 08.08.24
8	MJS to advise DPHI of concerns raised by CCC members regarding the IEA process.	13.11.24	2	COMPLETE 19.02.26
9	EB to confirm current locations of TEOM monitors	13.11.24	4	COMPLETED 13.02.24
10	MJS to write to DPHI detailing the potential breach of the conditions of consent in respect of membership of the CCC.	13.11.24	3	COMPLETE 22.11.24
11	JdeK to provide responses to questions on Methane Emissions and Methane Abatement.	13.11.24	6	COMPLETE 16.01.25
12	EB to advise whether there will be forest land clearing in February 2025	13.11.24	7	COMPLETE 13.02.25
13	EB to provide numbers and genus of euthanised fauna during 2024	13.11.24	7	COMPLETE 13.02.25
14	EB to confirm employee transfer numbers from WCC mine to MCC mine	13.11.24	7	COMPLETE 13.02.25
15	EB to advise the water bore that engaged in the standing water level spike in September 2024.	13.02.25	5	COMPLETE 15.05.25
16	EB to ensure that on all future maps of the mine environs presented to the CCC that property names are noted on the maps.	13.02.25	6	COMPLETE 15.05.25

17	EB to check whether a property sale in the area was to Whitehaven.	13.02.05	6	ONGOING
18	EB to provide detail on the depth of the highwall and associated dimensions of the proposed final void relative to current approved void	13.02.25	6	COMPLETE 15.05.25
19	EB to provide area to be cleared of vegetation associated with the Continuation Project.	13.02.25	7	COMPLETE 15.05.25
20	MJS to prepare an amended meeting program for the May CCC meetings.	13.02.25	8	COMPLETE 23.04.25
21	EB to advise the scale and depth of the current void.	15.05.25	2	COMPLETED 24.07.25
22	EB to provide a link to the Environmental Report.	15.05.25	5	COMPLETE 24.07.25
23	EB to provide the number of exploration holes drilled since April 2024 and their distribution.	15.05.25	6	COMPLETE 24.07.25
24	MJS to follow up a response from DPHI in relation to Action 8.	04.09.25	2	COMPLETE 19.02.26
24	That DG advise the depth of the bore holes in the vicinity of Horse Arm and Middle Creeks	04.09.25	5	COMPLETE 30.10.25
25	EB to table an A3 map of the exploration holes at the next meeting.	30.10.25	3	COMPLETE 19.02.26
26	MJS to seek advice from DPHI on groundwater reporting requirements.	30.10.25	5	COMPLETE 19.02.26
27	EB to provide a presentation on bat tracking at the next meeting	30.10.25	6	COMPLETE 19.02.26
28	MJS to discuss the issue of PIN #3173542864 with DPHI.	14.05.26	2	COMPLETED 27.08.26
29	JdeK to provide a map of the additional groundwater monitoring bores	14.05.26	5	ONGOING

Maules Creek Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee Meeting #54

Environmental Monitoring Report For the Q2 period, April – June 2026

Attended Noise Monitoring

Maules Creek Coal (MCC) engaged an independent acoustic consultant to conduct LAeq (15minutes) and LA1 (1 minute) attended noise monitoring at six monitoring locations on site.

A. NOISE GENERATED BY MCCM AGAINST OPERATIONAL DAY & NIGHT NOISE CRITERIA; April - June 2026.

The results show that MCCM is within EPL 20221 compliance limits, that operations did not exceed the applicable; LAeq (15minute) 35dB Criteria, LA1 (1Minute) 45dB Criteria and the EPA's Noise Policy for Industry compliance guidelines.

Table 1 – April Noise Monitoring

Location	Start date and time	Wind		Stability class	Very enhancing? ¹	Limits, dB ¹		Site levels, dB ^{2,3}		Exceedances, dB	
		Speed m/s	Direction ⁴			L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}	L _{Aeq,15minute} ⁵	L _{A1,1minute} ⁵	L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}
NM1	13/04/2026 22:30	0.8	215	F	No	35	45	25	34	Nil	Nil
NM2	13/04/2026 23:30	0.7	326	F	No	39	45	27	35	Nil	Nil
NM3	13/04/2026 23:17	1.2	171	F	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM4	13/04/2026 23:00	0.7	301	F	No	35	45	<20	<20	Nil	Nil
NM5	13/04/2026 22:00	0.4	109	F	No	35	45	26	35	Nil	Nil
NM6	13/04/2026 23:57	0.7	208	F	No	35	45	<25	27	Nil	Nil

Table 2 – May Noise Monitoring

Location	Start date and time	Wind		Stability class	Very enhancing? ¹	Limits, dB ¹		Site levels, dB ^{2,3}		Exceedances, dB	
		Speed m/s	Direction ⁴			L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}	L _{Aeq,15minute} ⁵	L _{A1,1minute} ⁵	L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}
NM1	14/05/2026 22:30	0.7	106	F	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM2	14/05/2026 23:30	2.1	133	D	No	39	45	23	27	Nil	Nil
NM3	14/05/2026 23:17	2.3	135	D	No	35	45	<25	<25	Nil	Nil
NM4	14/05/2026 23:00	1.9	139	D	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM5	14/05/2026 22:00	2.0	119	D	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM6	14/05/2026 23:57	1.8	138	D	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil

Table 3 – June Noise Monitoring

Location	Start date and time	Wind		Stability class	Very enhancing? ¹	Limits, dB ¹		Site levels, dB ^{2,3}		Exceedances, dB	
		Speed m/s	Direction ⁴			L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}	L _{Aeq,15minute} ⁵	L _{A1,1minute} ⁵	L _{Aeq,15minute}	L _{A1,1minute}
NM1	1/06/2026 22:30	0.7	274	F	No	35	45	<20	<25	Nil	Nil
NM2	1/06/2026 23:30	0.9	208	F	No	39	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM3	2/06/2026 00:26	0.7	185	F	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM4	1/06/2026 23:00	0.4	345	F	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil
NM5	1/06/2026 22:00	0.5	241	F	No	35	45	<20	<25	Nil	Nil
NM6	1/06/2026 23:58	0.6	59	F	No	35	45	IA	IA	Nil	Nil

Wind Direction during Attended Monitoring

Wind direction data is collected from the Maules Creek Coal Mine (MCCM) Automated Weather Station (AWS). Wind data for the duration of the attended monitoring assessment, recorded at the MCCM AWS is presented in the table below.

Table 4 - Prevailing Wind Direction

Monitoring Date	Prevailing Wind Direction
April	ESE
May	ESE
June	NE

Blast Monitoring

There was 20 blasts at MCCM during Q2 2026. All blast monitoring results recorded within the reporting period have complied with applicable overpressure and ground vibration limits specified in the respective approvals.

Table 5 – Blast Results Summary

Parameter	Units	Frequency	Number	Average	Max	100% Limit	Exceedance (Yes / No)
Noise	dB	All	20	93.90	107.60	120	No
Vibration	mm/s		20	0.15	0.70	10	No

Air Quality

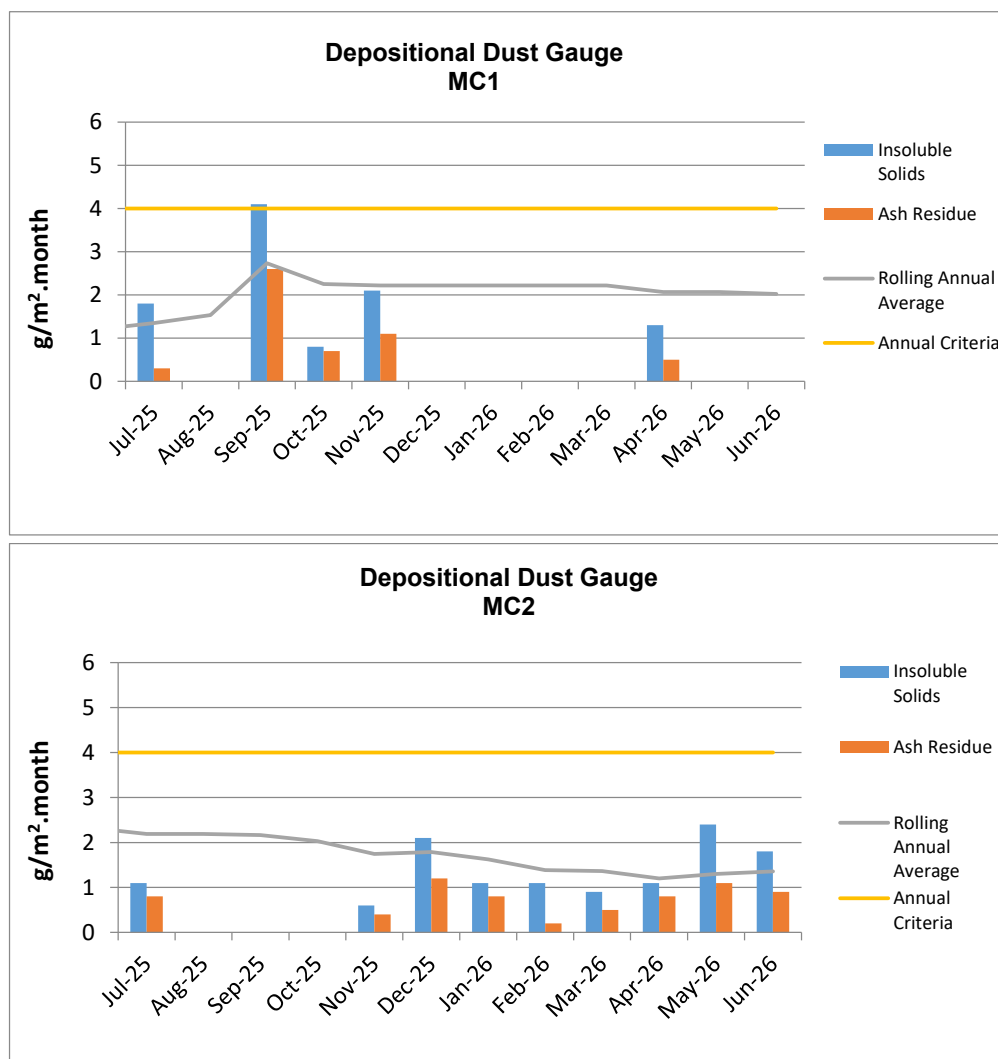
A. Total Depositional Dust

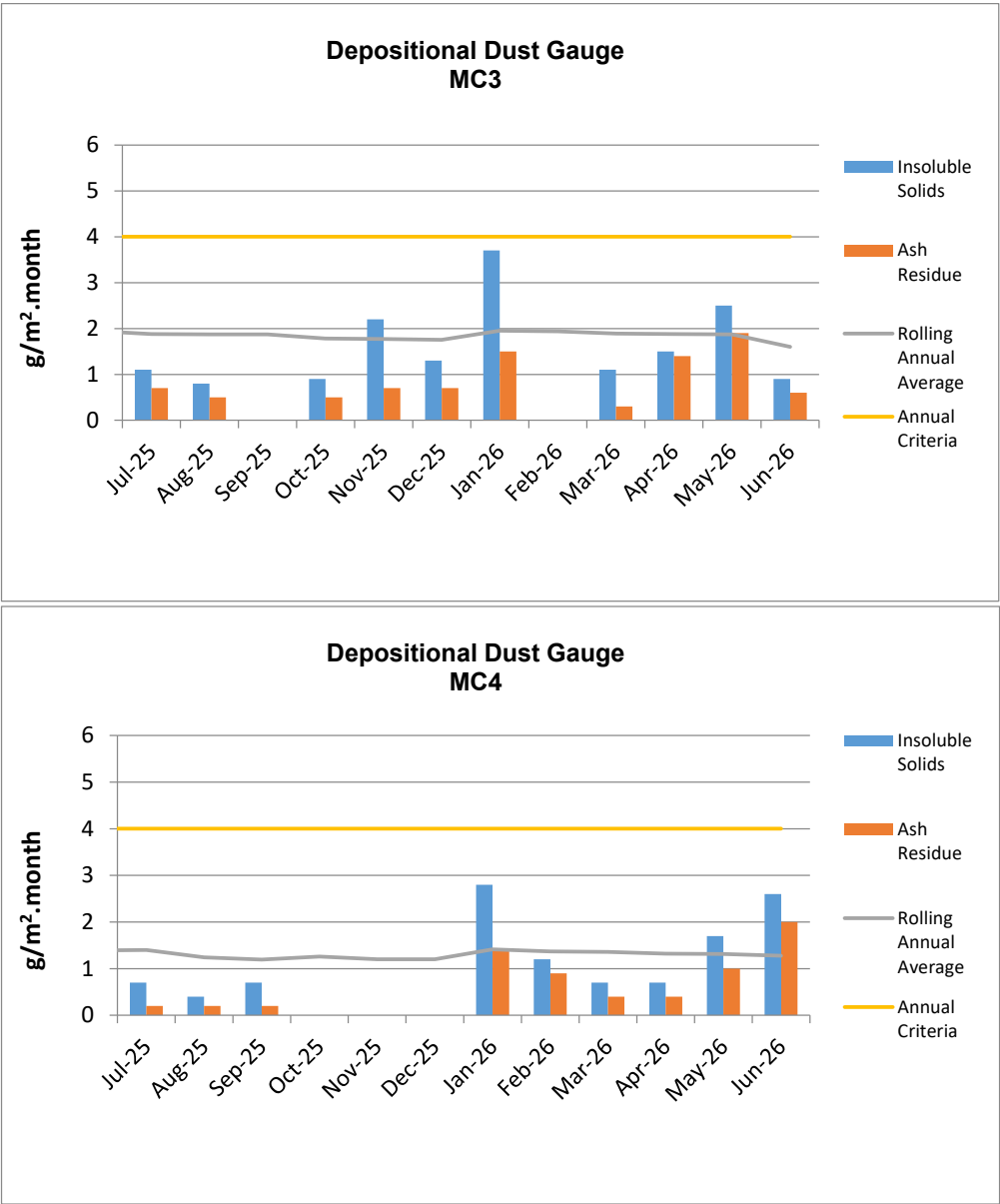
The 12 monthly rolling annual average remains below the relevant Project Approval (PA 10_0138) criteria of 4g/m²/month for the respective monitoring points.

Table 6 – Deposited Dust Gauge Results [g/m²/month]

MONTH	MC1	MC2	MC3	MC4
April	1.3	1.1	1.5	0.7
May	15.5c	2.4	2.5	1.7
June	20.8c	1.8	0.9	2.6
12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE	2.0	1.4	1.6	1.3

^c samples contaminated by bird dropping, decomposed insects or vegetable matter.

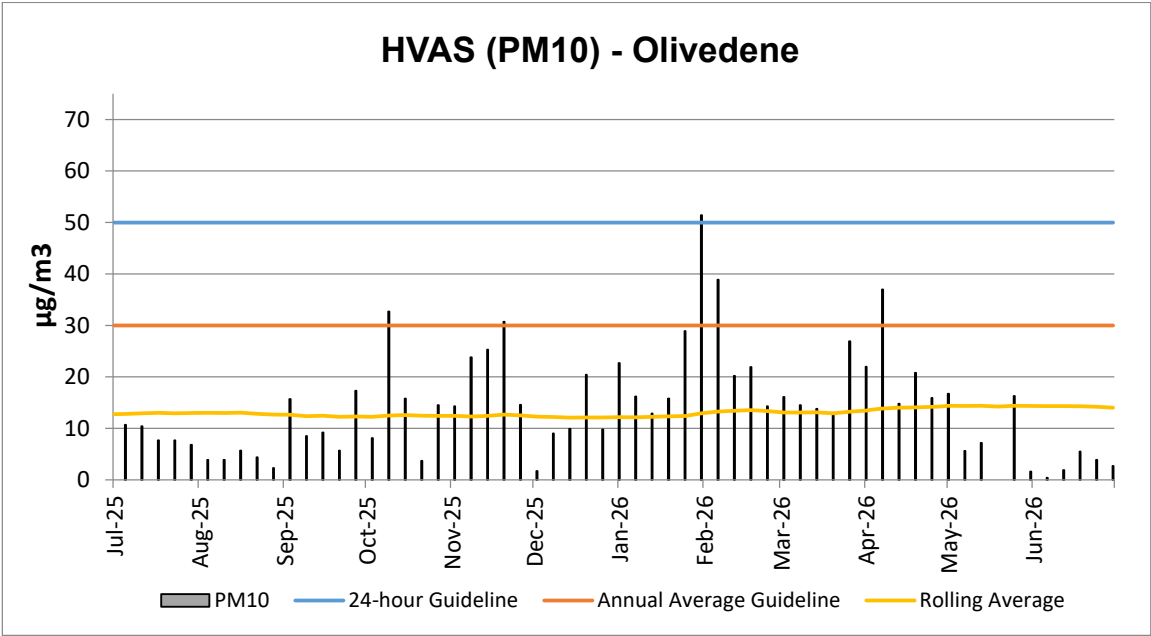




* Blank cells indicate sample periods where the sample has been contaminated and excluded from the results tables due to contaminated material (insect larvae, bird droppings, vegetation etc.).

B. High Volume Air Sampling (HVAS)

The HVAS monitor is located on the property ‘Olivedene,’ a mine owned property on Therribri Road.
HVAS PM₁₀ Rolling Annual Average as of the 30th of June 2026 was **14.0 µg/m³**, which is below the Annual Average Guideline of 30 µg/m³.



C. TEOM - PM10 Results

The annual rolling average for PM10 at the Maules Creek Coal Mine for TEOM1 was **10.3 µg/m³** and at TEOM3 was **12.4 µg/m³** these are both below the Project Approval annual average criteria of 30µg/m³ as shown in the following figure.

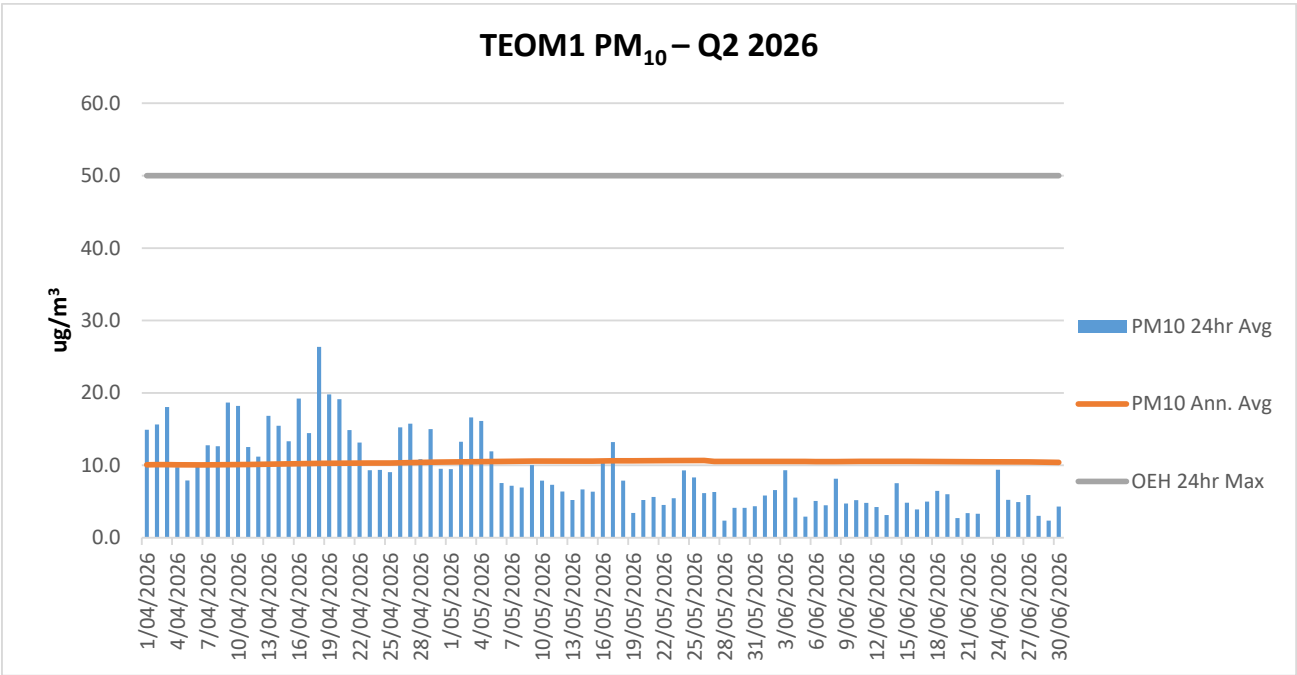


Figure 1 - TEOM Result – Particulate Matter PM_{10µg/m³}
* Blank columns indicate sample periods where there was either power outage, maintenance or other related causes.

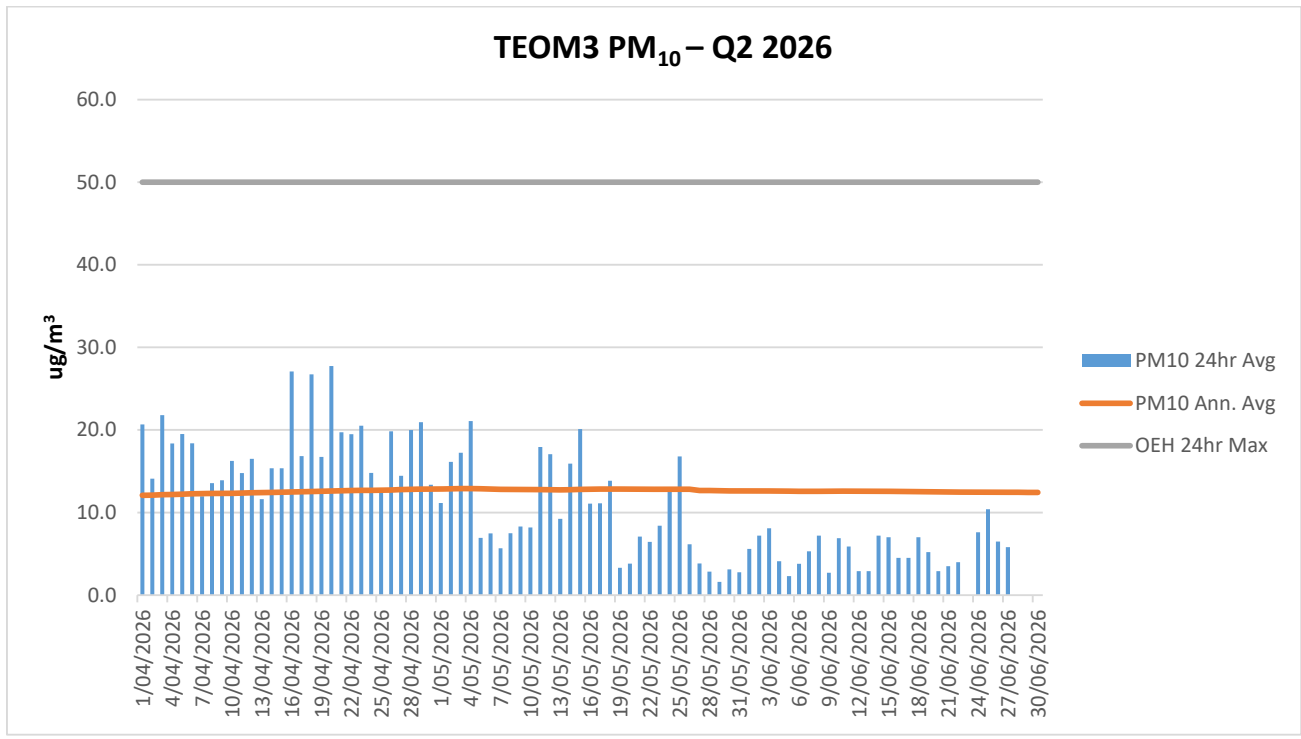
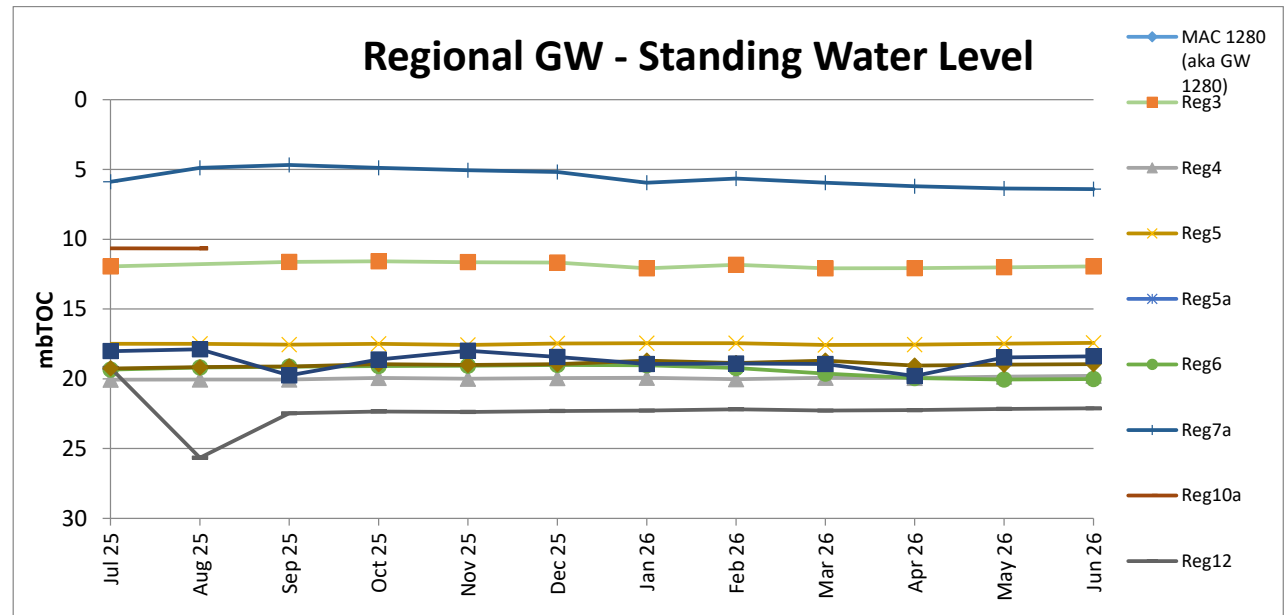


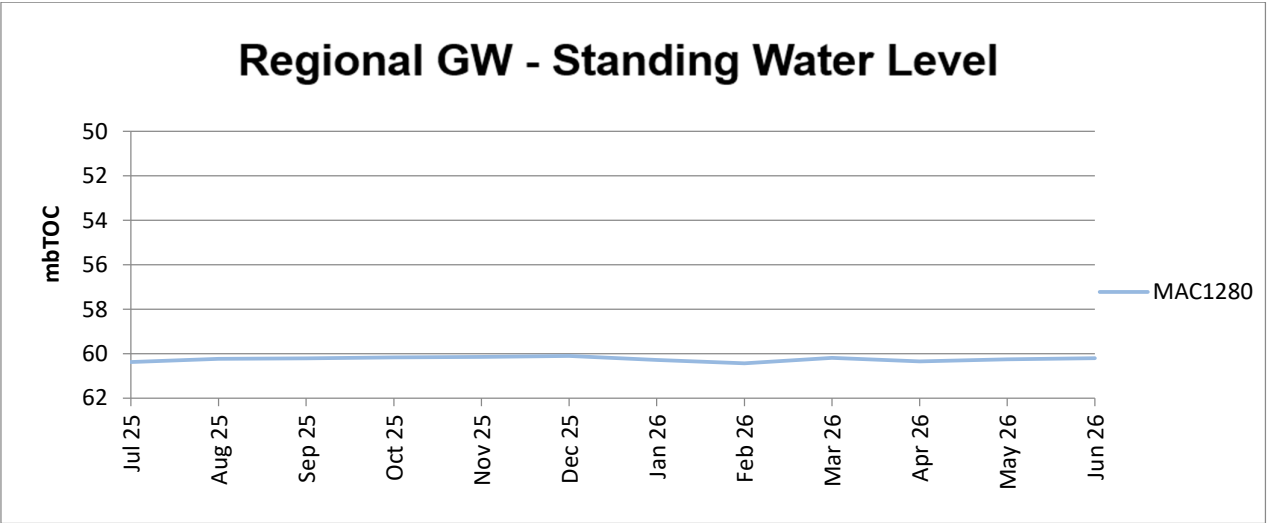
Figure 2 - TEOM Result – Particulate Matter PM₁₀ug/m³
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Water Monitoring

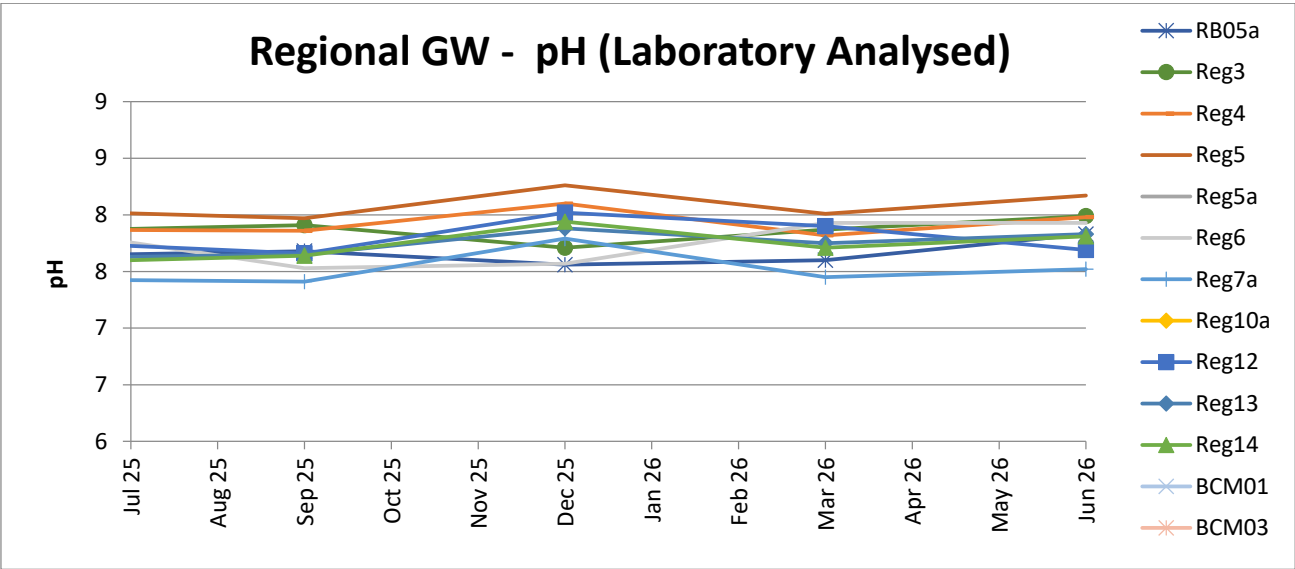
A. Groundwater

Groundwater monitoring results in open standpipe piezometers show levels to be relatively stable. The Regional bores were installed between Q4, 2013 and Q1, 2014. BCM01, BCM03, Reg10 are shallow bores which have remained dry since construction in 2013.



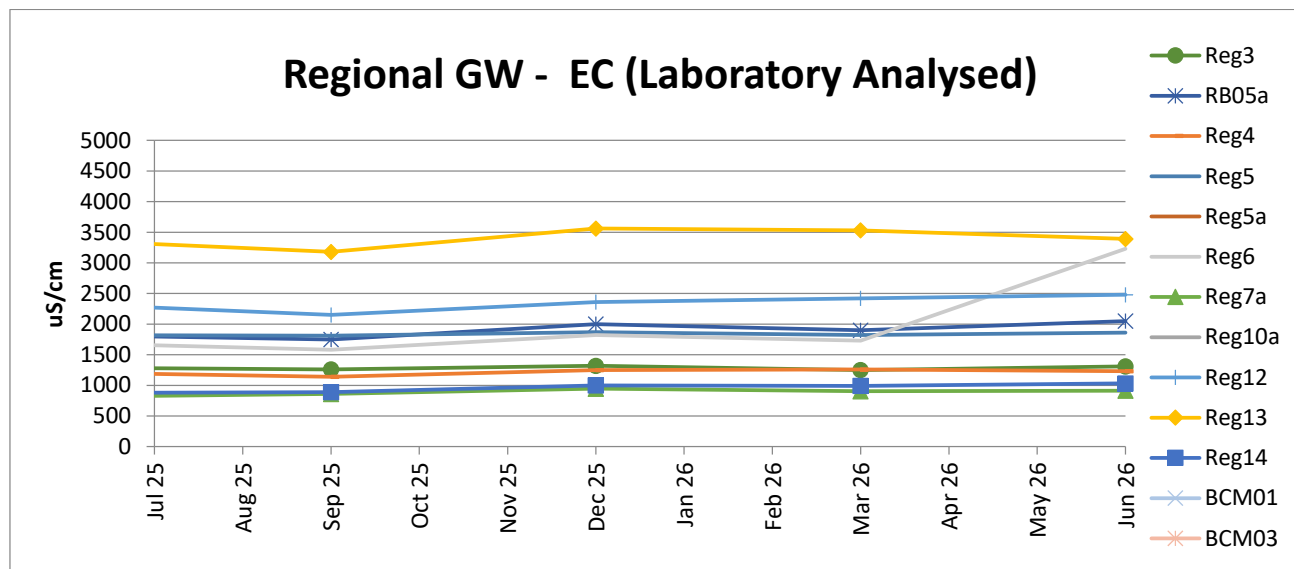


Acidity / Alkalinity (pH)
Over the past twelve months pH readings across the regional bores have remained static with very little fluctuation.



Electrical Conductivity

Majority of laboratory Electrical Conductivity (EC) levels are all within historic groundwater EC range of 500_{µS/cm} to 2,500_{µS/cm}, with the exception of monitoring bore Reg13 which has a historic groundwater EC range of 2,500_{µS/cm} to 4,100_{µS/cm}. Reg 6 has recorded a slight increase in the June 2026 monitoring however this was not mirrored in the field analysis. Future samples will be closely monitored for further increases.

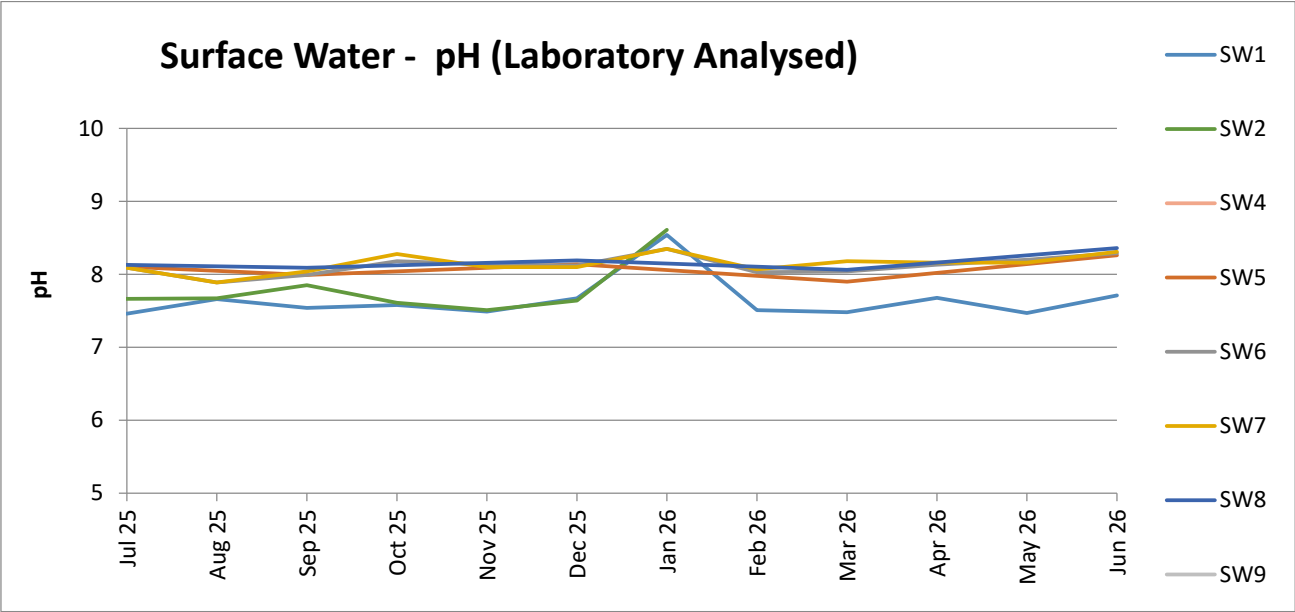


B. Surface Water – Creeks and Rivers

Routine surface water monitoring is conducted in surrounding creeks and rivers monthly. Results for parameters including pH, EC and Total Suspended Solids (TSS) are shown in the figures below.

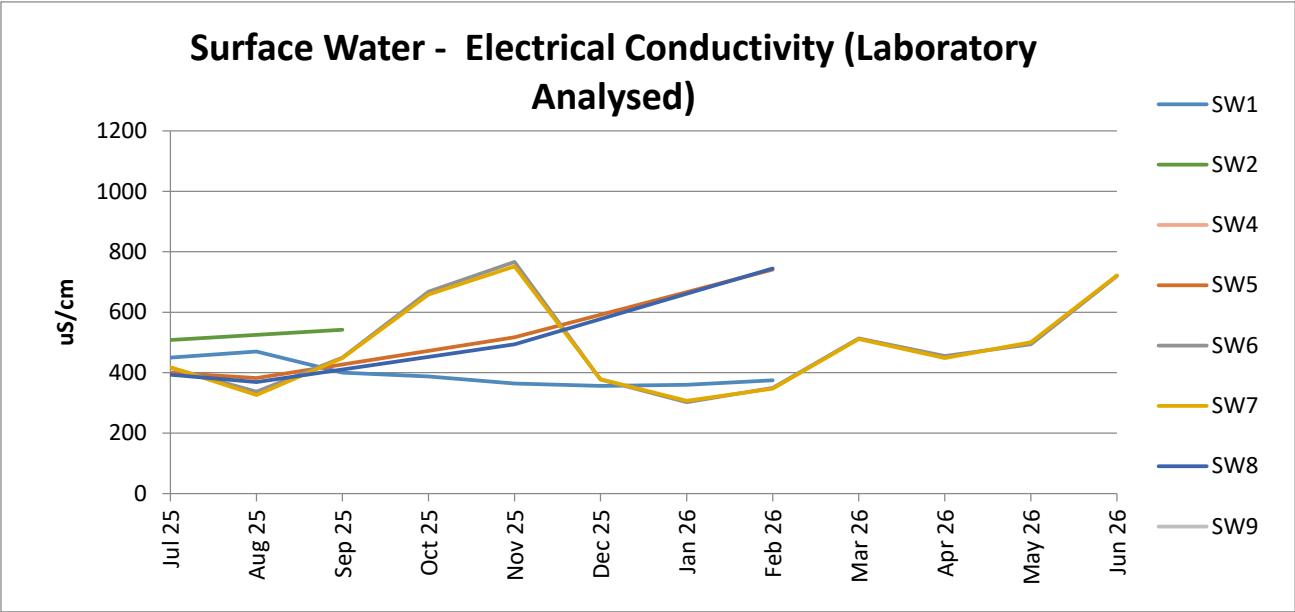
Acidity / Alkalinity (pH)

Monitoring results for pH in creeks and rivers surrounding MCCM are all trending within the ANZECC range for Irrigation, Ecosystem Health and Recreation.



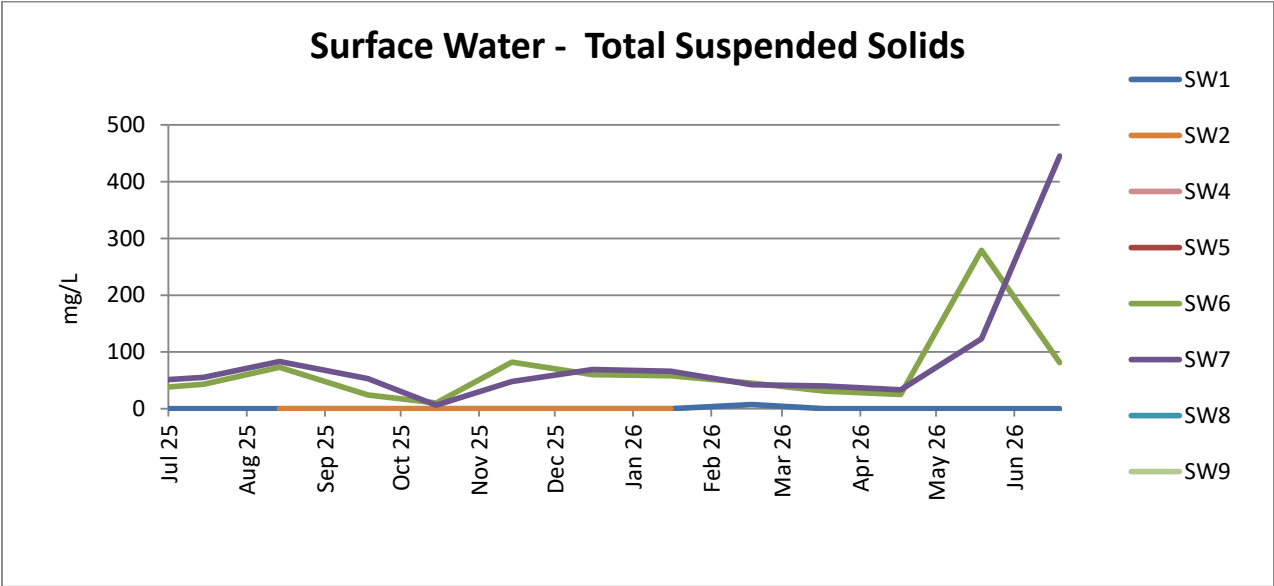
Electrical Conductivity

Surface water EC trends have remained consistent with SW5, SW6, SW7 and SW8 all historically variable. SW5, SW6, SW7 and SW8 are points along the Namoi River which are subject to regulated and variable flow regimes.



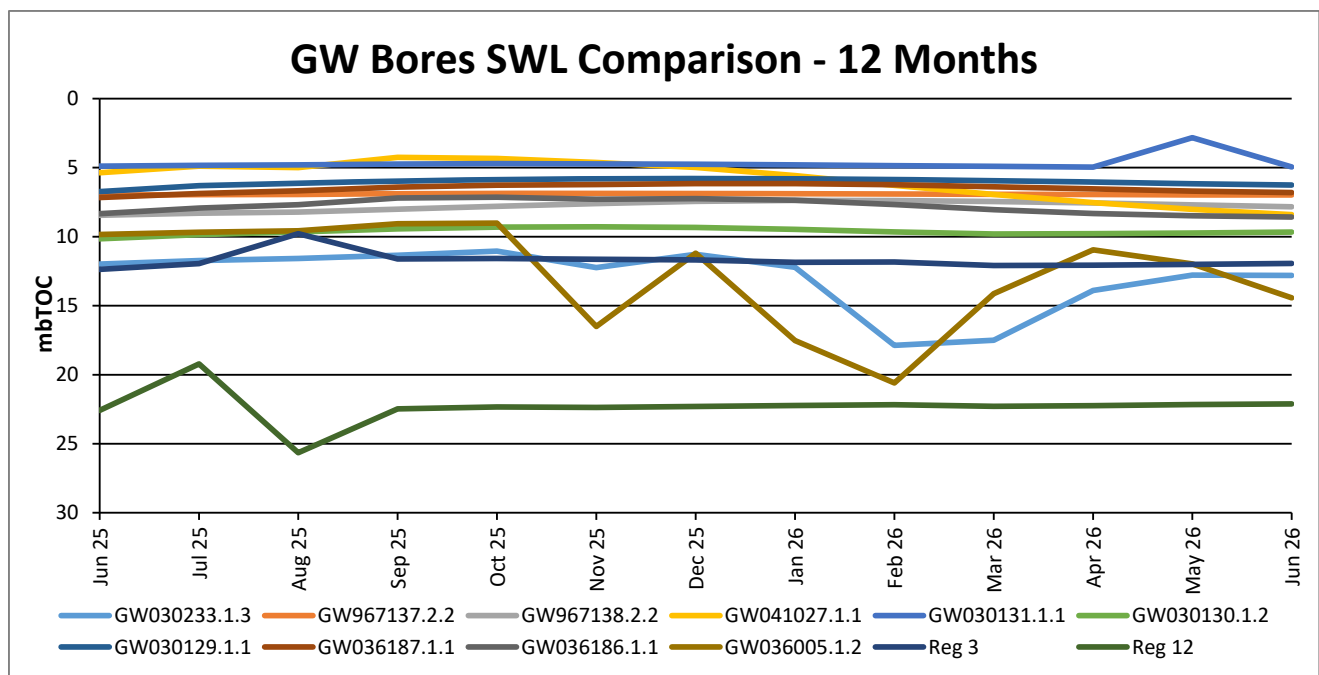
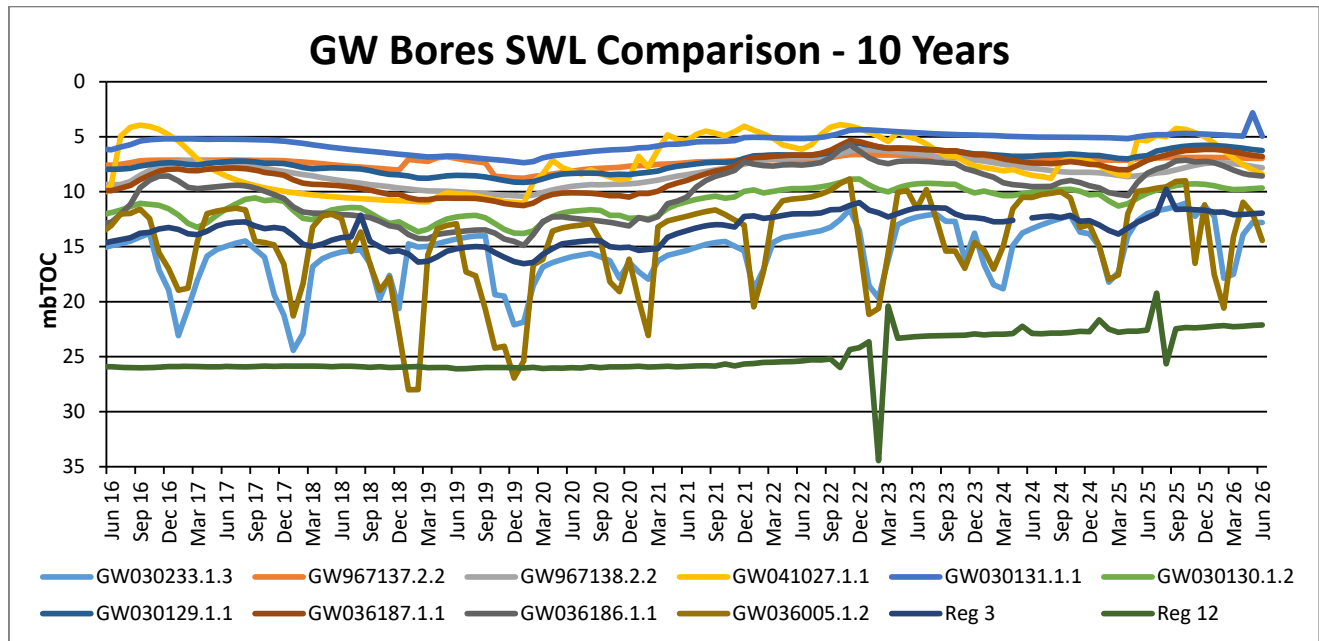
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

Surface water TSS trends have remained generally consistent with historical results. SW5, SW6, SW7 and SW8 are historically variable as they are located along the Namoi River which is subject to regulated and variable flow regimes.



Regional Groundwater monitoring

Maules Creek Coal Mine monitors regional bores across the region.



Rehabilitation

Progressive rehabilitation works are ongoing. MCC is on track to complete CY26 rehabilitation in accordance with the Forward Program.

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Weed Control

During April to June 2026 the following weed control was undertaken via spot spraying/jetting on the Maules Biodiversity Properties:

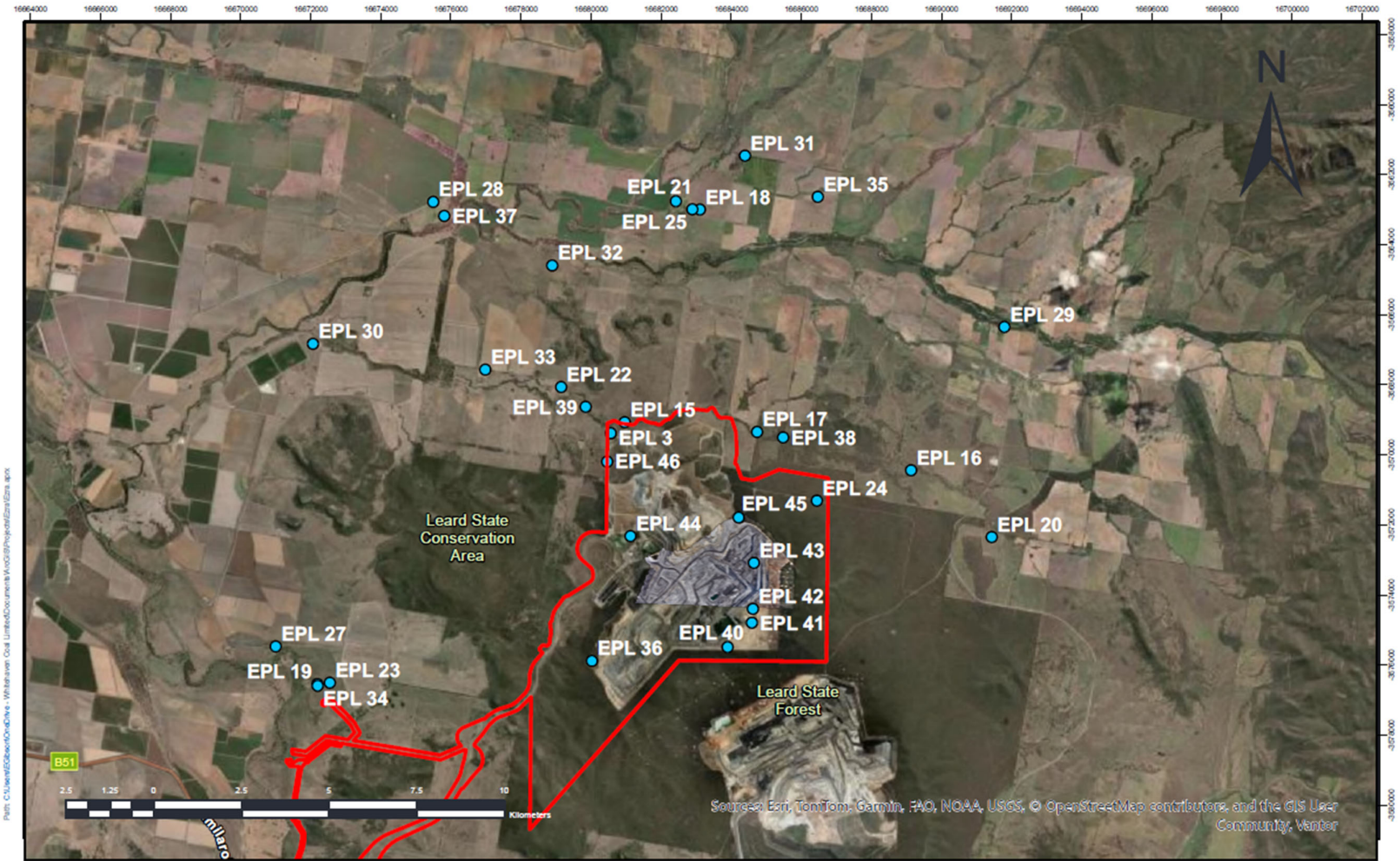
- 3.4ha of Woody Weeds (Blackberry, Prickly Pear & Boxthorn) were sprayed.
- 5.5ha of Grasses (Coolatai Grass) were sprayed.
- 0.06ha of Broadleaf Weeds such as Cobblers Peg & Saffron Thistle were sprayed.
- 63ha of tracks sprayed as part of the track maintenance.

Upcoming Biodiversity Projects and Works

- Continue Pest Animal Management Program July to September 2026
- Continue Seasonal Weed Control Programs
- Continue Firebreak Track Maintenance Program
- Continue Annual Nest Box Monitoring and Installation.
- Continue Threatened Flora Translocation Program maintenance
- Commence 2026 Winter Bird Surveys
- Commence Noisy Miner Management Program

Community Complaints

There was no community complaints registered during the quarter, all community complaints are available on the company website at <https://whitehavencoal.com.au/our-business/our-assets/maules-creek-mine/>.



EPL 20221 Monitoring Locations - 16/03/2026

- EPL Monitoring Locations
- Mod 9 Boundary

Maules Creek Coal



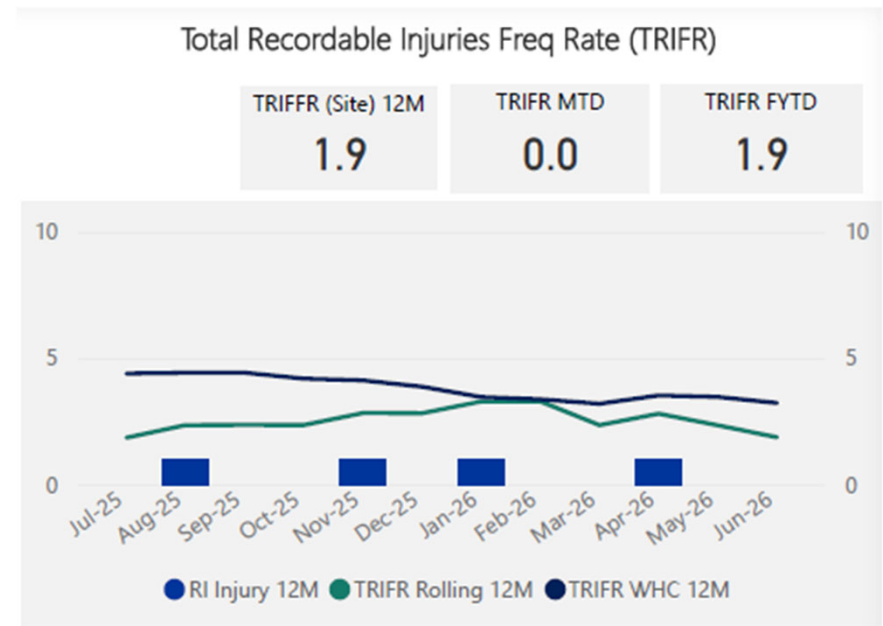
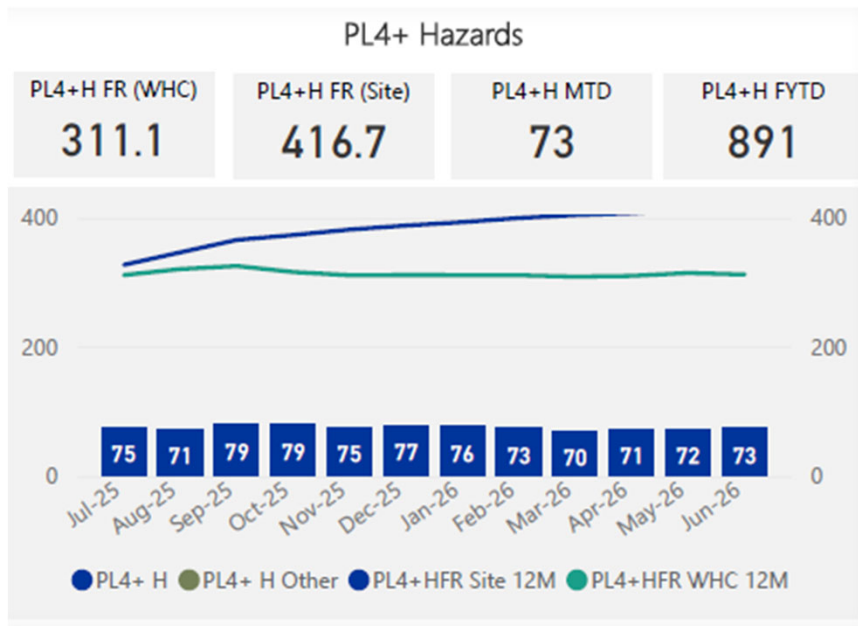
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Maules Creek Coal Mine

CCC Meeting
Q2 2026

MCC Health and Safety Performance

- Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate (TRIFR) 1.9
- Potential Level 4+ Hazards = 891 FY26
- Critical controls verified 100%



Environmental Monitoring

Summarised for Q2 2026.

Full detail in the Monitoring Report
supplied



Environmental Monitoring

Q2 2026 – Air Quality Monitoring



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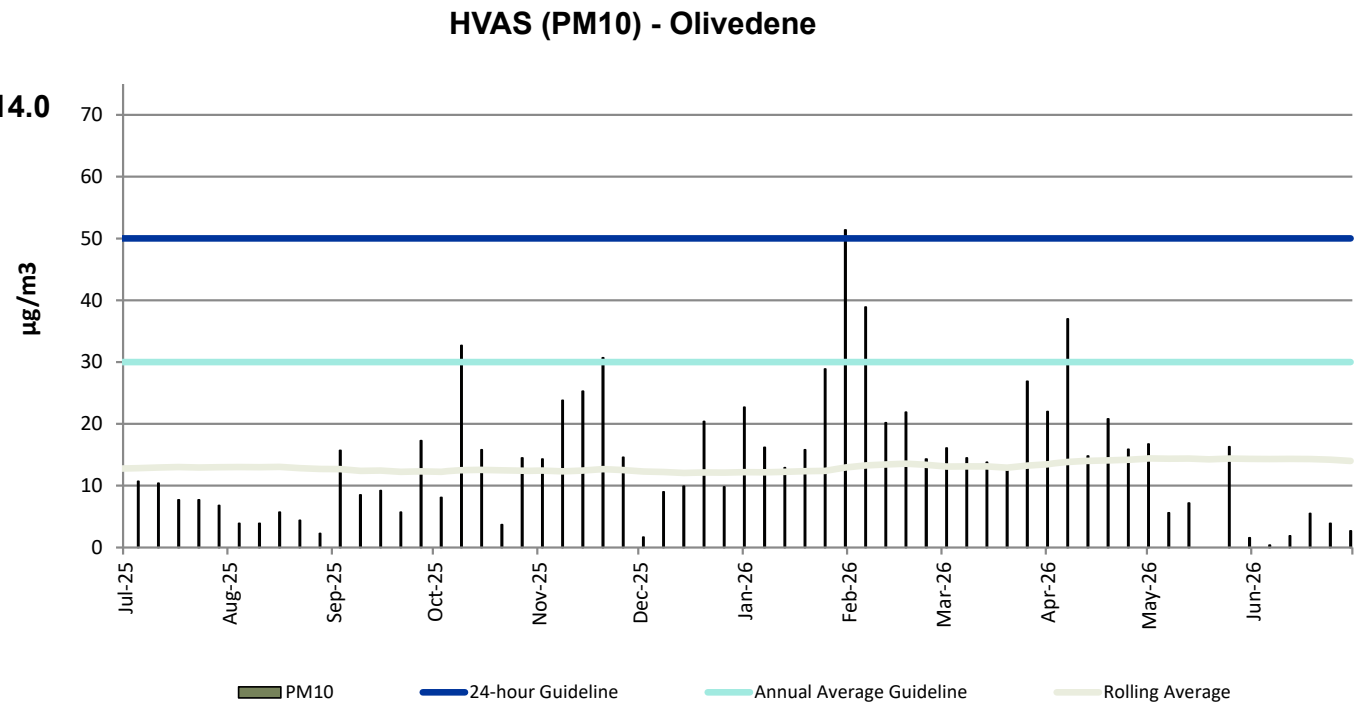
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HVAS

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- The HVAS monitor is located on 'Olivedene'
- The Rolling Annual Average was recorded at **14.0 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$** , which is below the Annual Average Guideline of 30 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$.

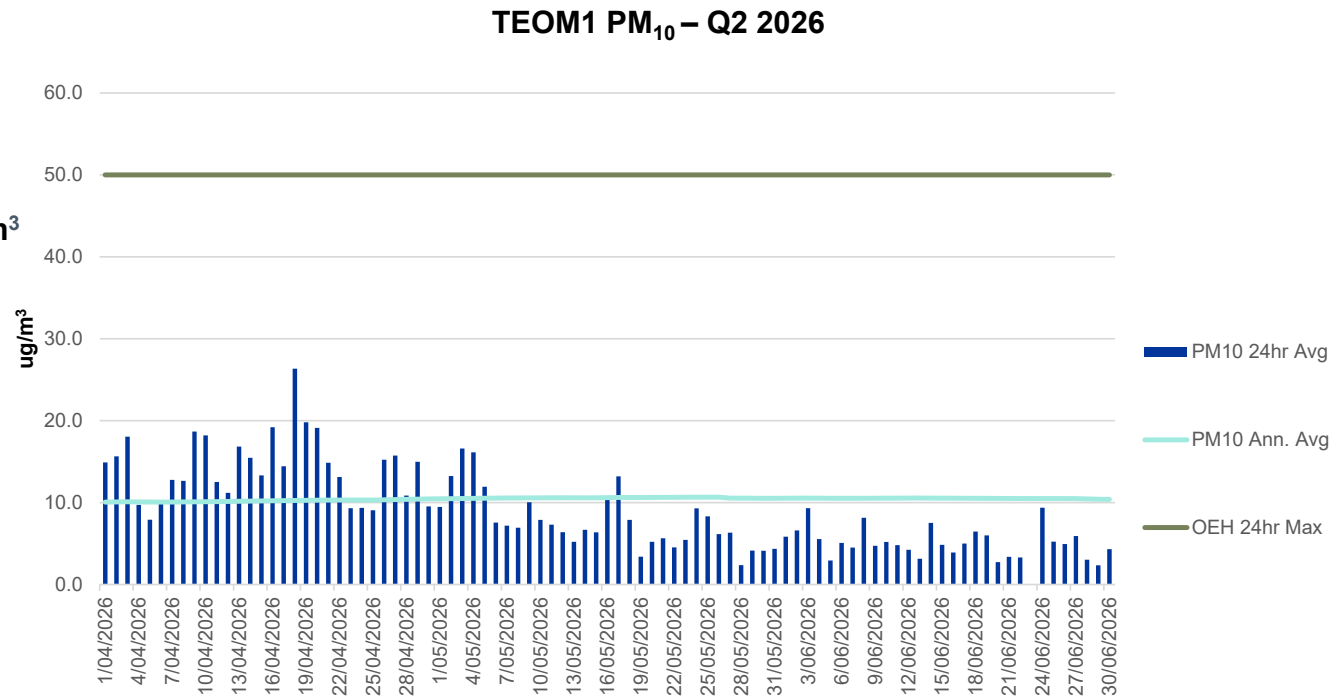


TEOM 1 (PM10)

Tapered element oscillating microbalance

- Publicly available results of TEOM1 available on the EPA website.

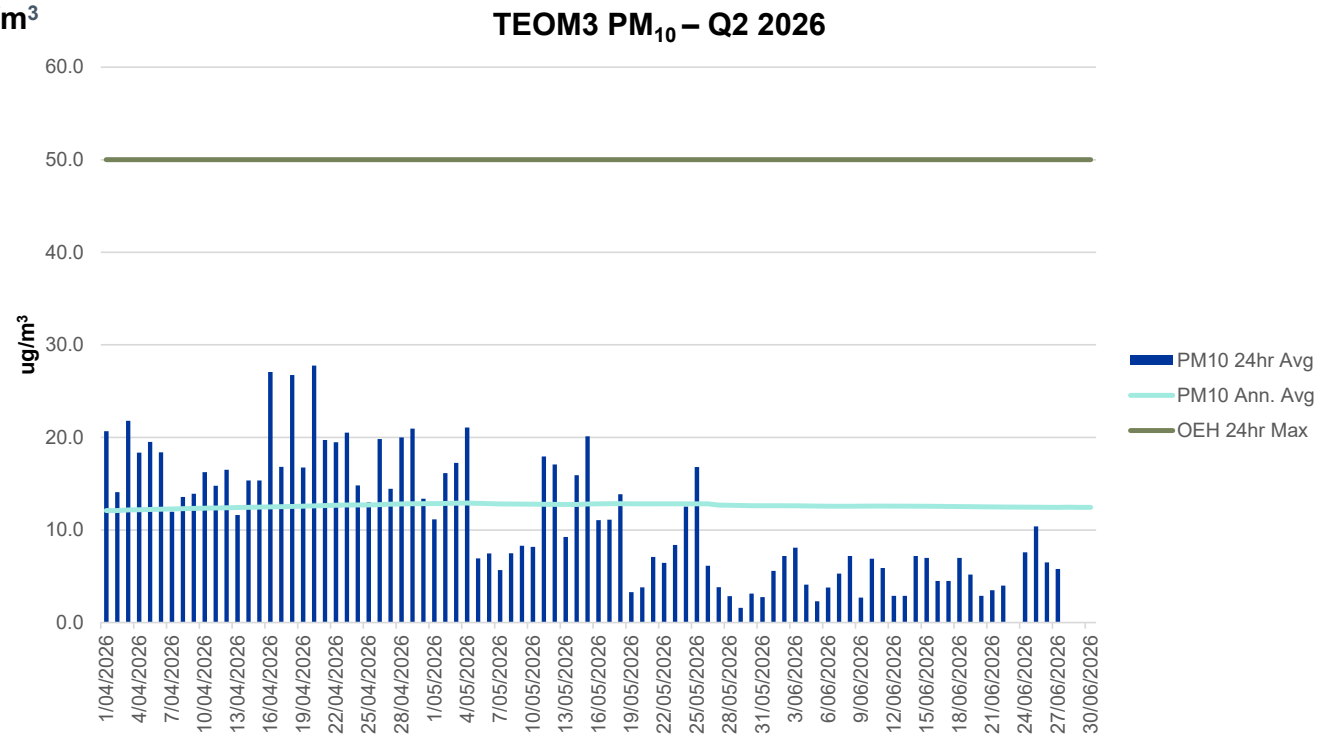
- Annual rolling average for TEOM 1 was **10.3 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$** on the 30th of June 2026 (criteria $30\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$).



TEOM 3 (PM10)

Tapered element oscillating microbalance

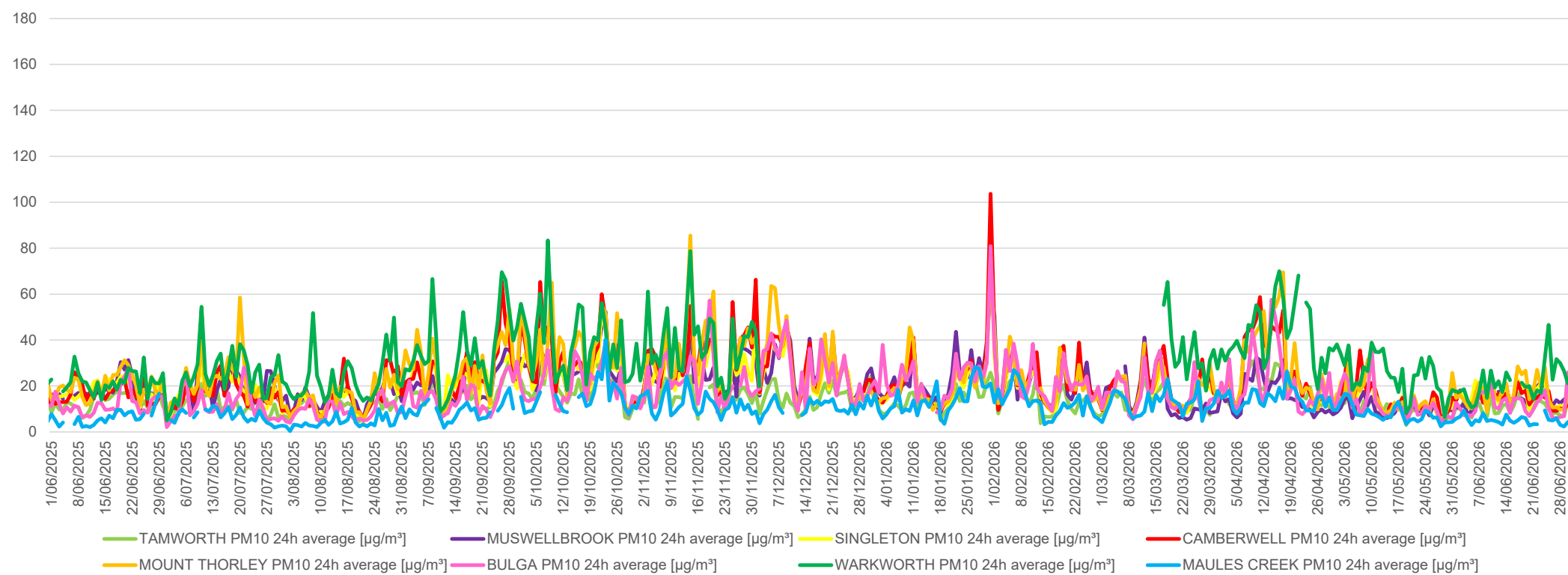
- Annual rolling average for TEOM 3 was **12.4 $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$** on the 30th of June 2026 (criteria $30\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$).



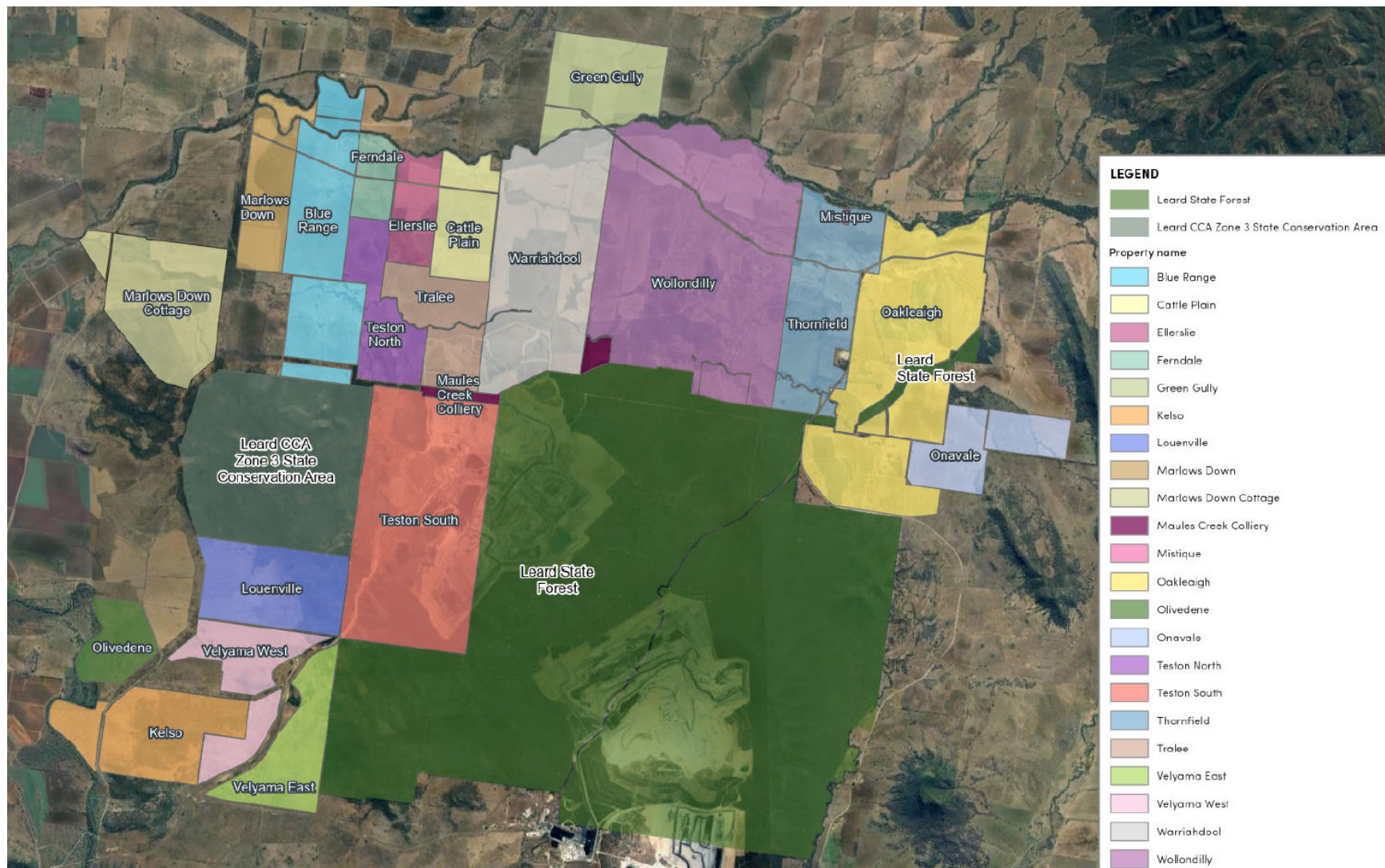
Air Quality Monitoring Rolling 12 Months

Annual Reporting Data 1 June 2025 – 30 June 2026

Regional Air Quality PM10 Comparison



12 monthly	TAMWORTH PM10	MUSWELLBROOK PM10	SINGLETON PM10	CAMBERWELL PM10	MOUNT THORLEY PM10	BULGA PM10	WARKWORTH PM10	MAULES CREEK PM10
Annual Average	14.1	19.5	19.7	22.3	23.3	17.1	30.4	10.1
Max 24hr Ave	38.7	61.5	91.8	103.7	85.5	80.9	83.4	40.2

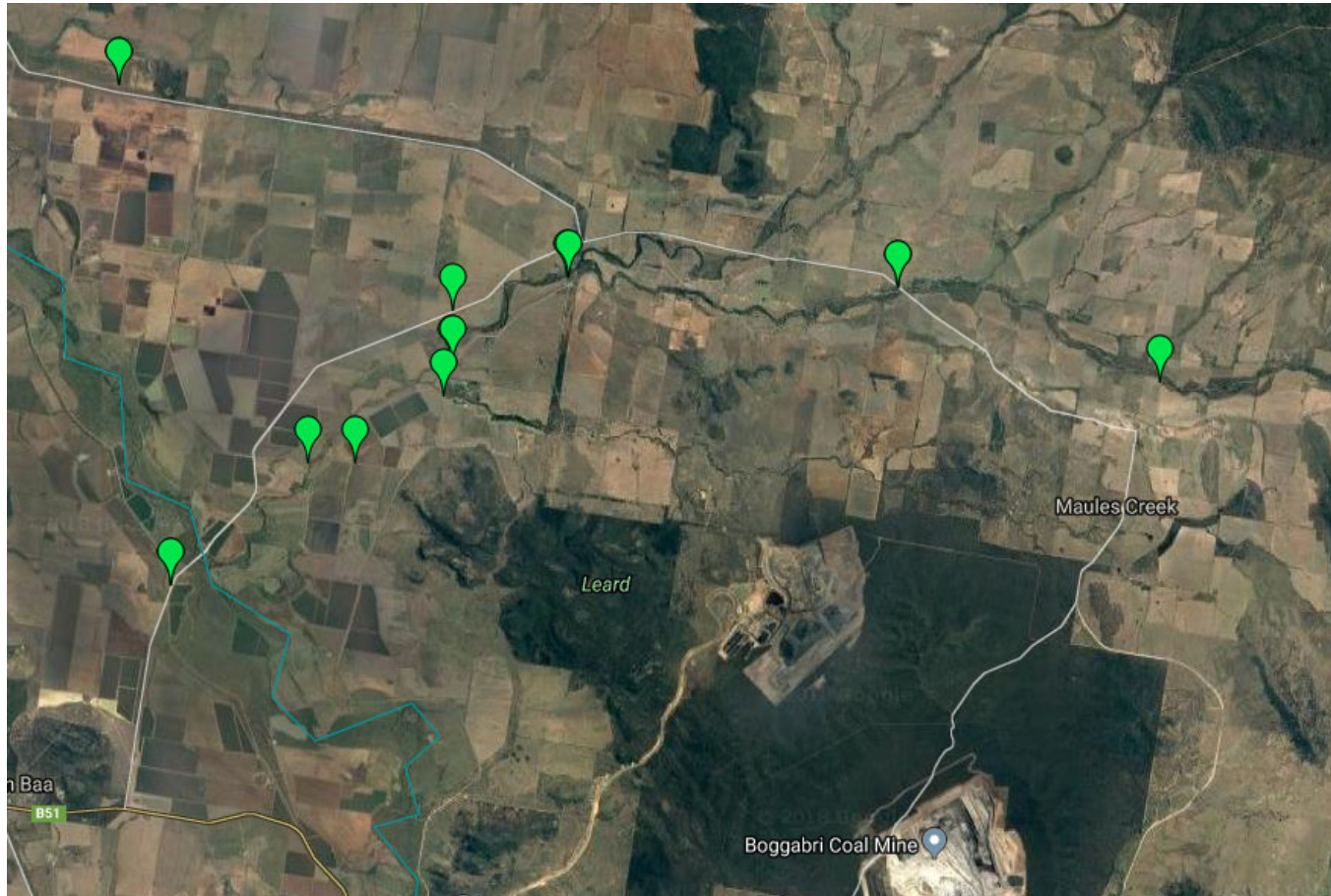


Environmental Monitoring

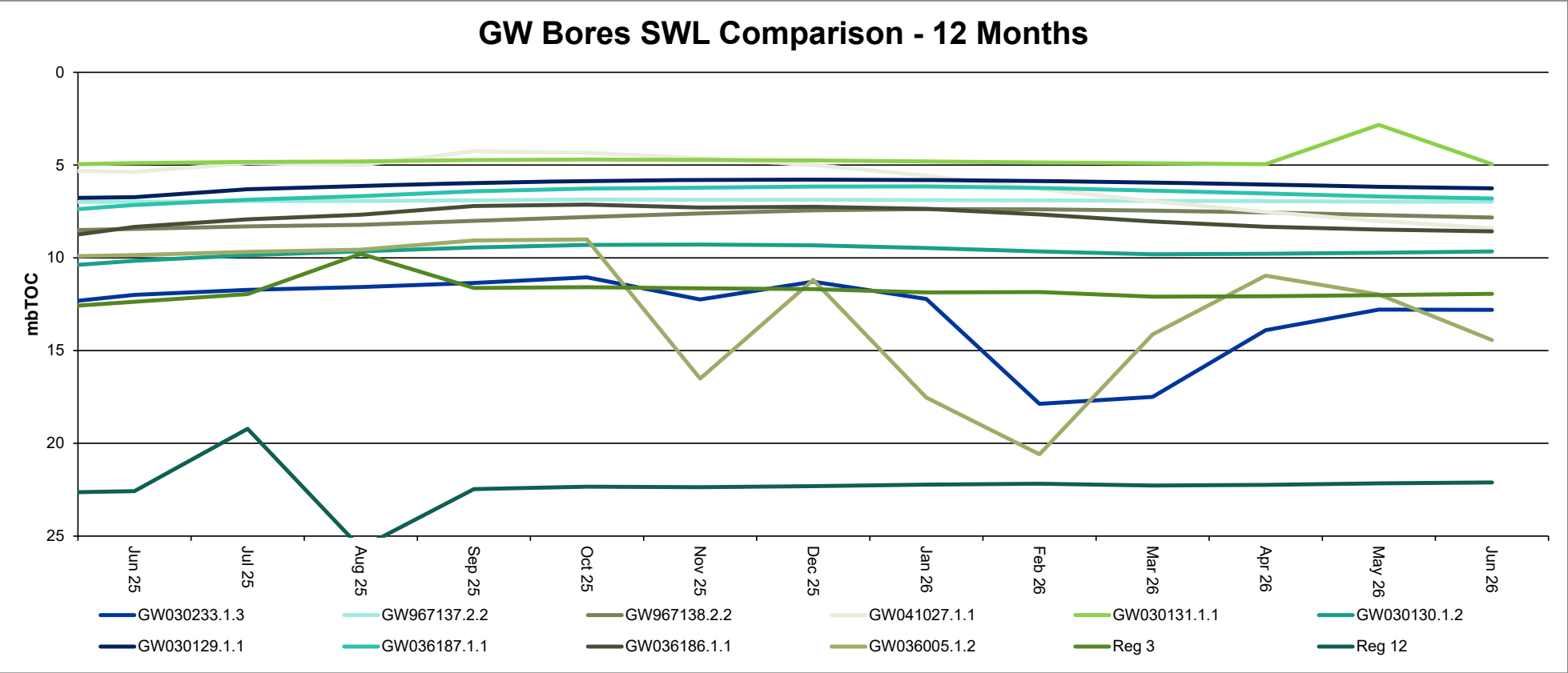
Q2 2026 – Groundwater



Monitoring Locations

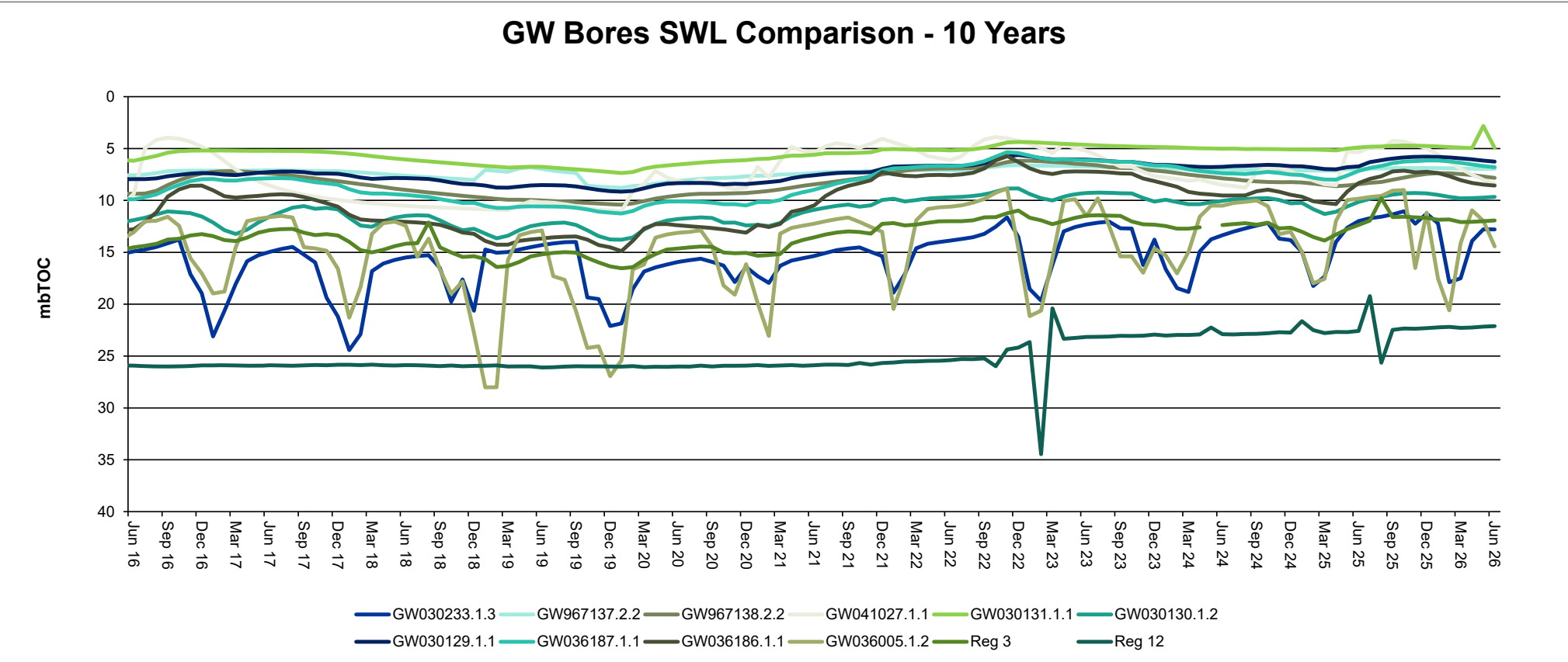


Groundwater Levels



Source: NSW DPI- Water & MCCM monitoring data
* Note Reg12 and Reg3 both within Boggabri Volcanics

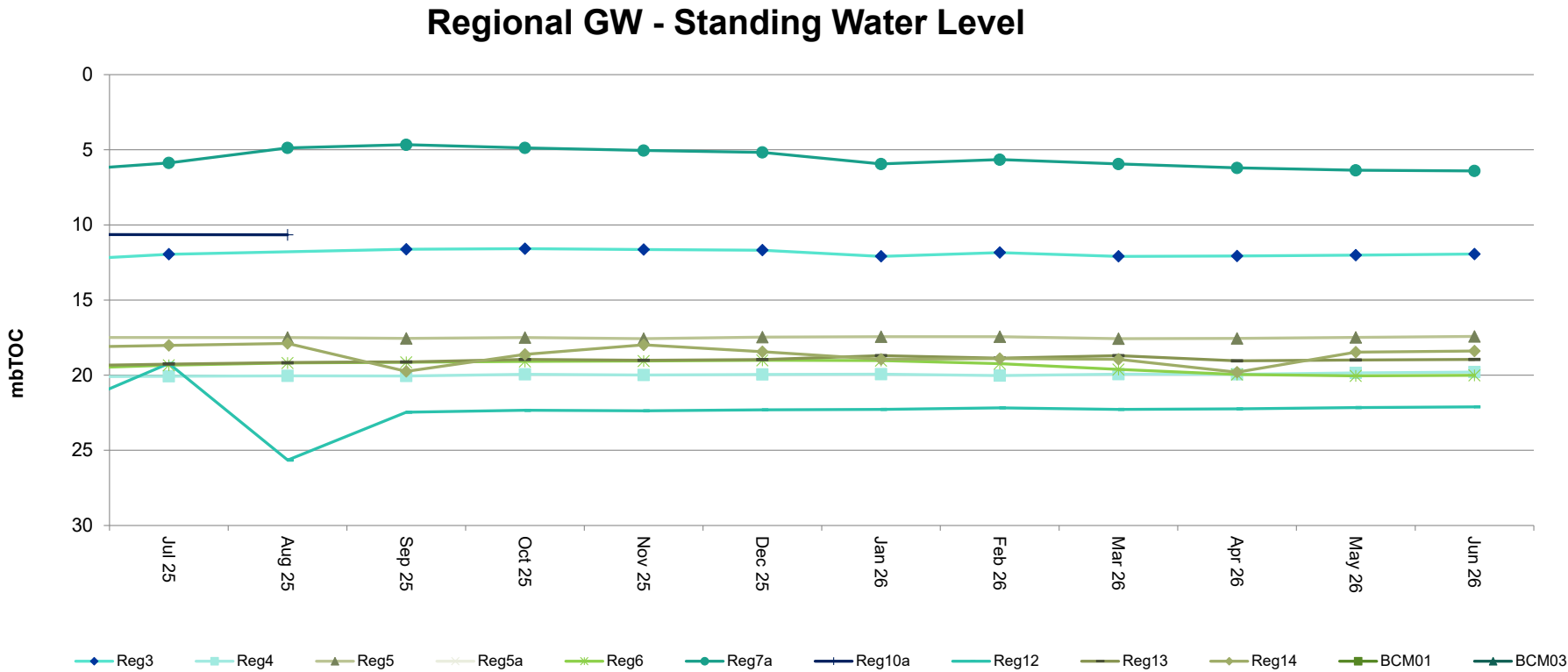
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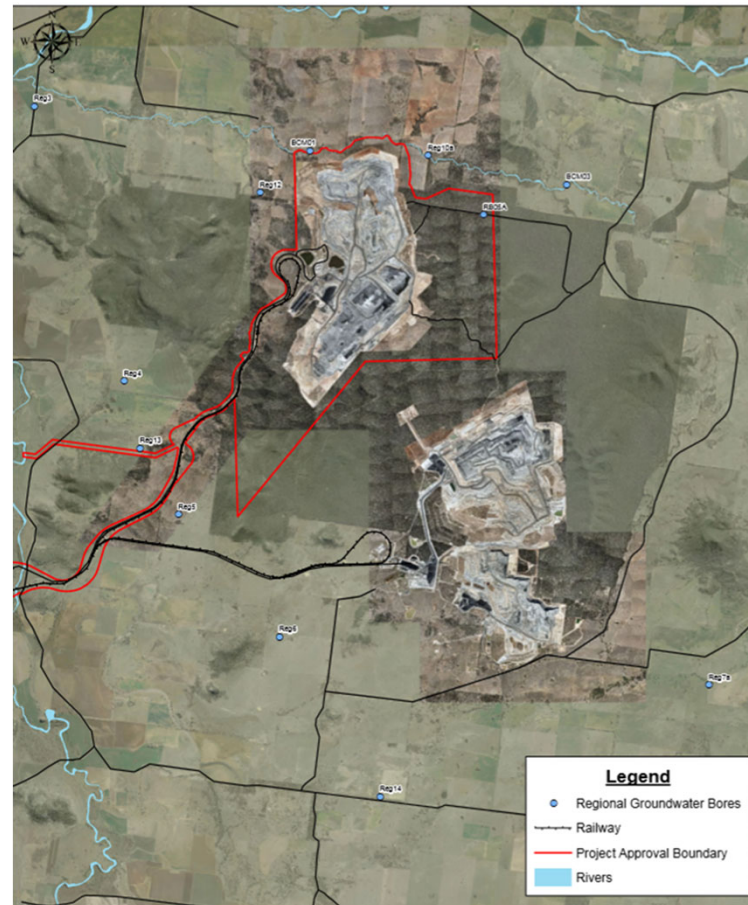
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Standing Water Levels



Standing Water Levels



Environmental Monitoring

Q2 2026 - Biodiversity



Biodiversity Management

Feral Animal Management

Most recent routine Whitehaven Biodiversity Feral Animal Control program (April to June 2026) results were:

- 1,408 out of total 2,138 feral pigs removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties;
- 41 out of the total 178 feral goats removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties;
- 127 out of total 238 Canid Pest Ejectors (1080) triggered, or foxes removed were from the Maules Biodiversity properties.

Weed Control

During April to June 2026 the following weed control was undertaken via spot spraying/jetting on the Maules Biodiversity Properties:

- 3.4ha of Woody Weeds (Blackberry, Prickly Pear & Boxthorn) were sprayed.
- 5.5ha of Grasses (Coolatai Grass) were sprayed.
- 0.06ha of Broadleaf Weeds such as Cobblers Peg & Saffron Thistle were sprayed.
- 63ha of tracks sprayed as part of the track maintenance.



Biodiversity Management

Other Biodiversity Projects and Works Undertaken in Q2 2026

- Ongoing Annual Firebreak Track Maintenance Program
- Ongoing Pest Animal Management Program
- Ongoing Targeted Weed Spraying of seasonal weeds
- Continued Annual Fauna Monitoring
- Commenced Annual Nest Box Monitoring and Installation
- Completed Annual Ecological Burn Program

Upcoming Biodiversity Projects and Works for Q3 2026

- Continue Pest Animal Management Program July to September 2026
- Continue Seasonal Weed Control Programs
- Continue Firebreak Track Maintenance Program
- Continue Annual Nest Box Monitoring and Installation.
- Continue Threatened Flora Translocation Program maintenance
- Commence 2026 Winter Bird Surveys
- Commence Noisy Miner Management Program





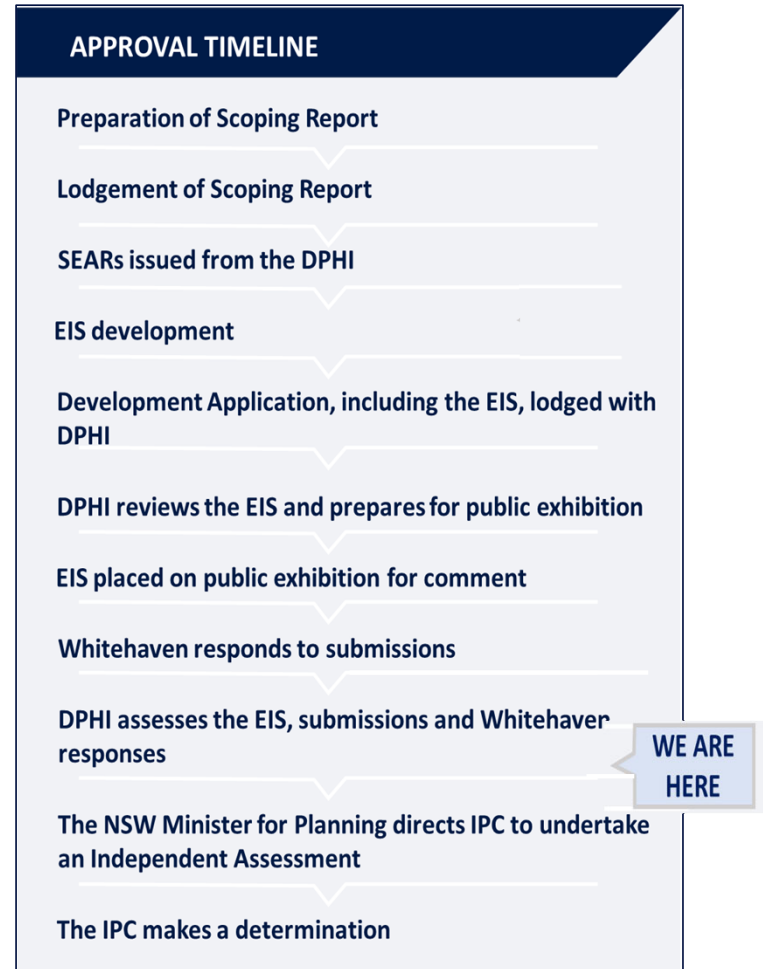
Project Continuation

CCC Meeting Q2 2026

EIS Approval Process Update

- Scoping Report lodgement – [Complete](#)
- Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) issued by DPHI on 26 October 2023 – [Complete](#)
- Site Verification Certificate granted over the proposed Mining Lease Application area – [Complete](#)
- EPBC Referral lodged on 15 July 2024 – [Complete](#)
- EIS lodgement May 2025 – [Complete](#)
- EIS exhibition occurred in June to August 2025 via DPHI Major Projects Portal – [Complete](#)
- Whitehaven to respond to all submissions via Response to Submissions report to be lodged via DPHI Projects Portal – [Complete](#)
- Whitehaven addressing additional agency comments on the Submissions Report – [Complete](#)
- Whitehaven to submit remaining information to DPHI and DPHI to commence 'Assessment' phase – [Complete](#)
- DPHI undertake their assessment of the Project (including input from the IEAPM) – [In progress](#)
- DPHI refer the MCCP to the IPC – [Following above finalisation of Assessment Report](#)

Updates are available at the DPHI Major Projects Portal: <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/maules-creek-continuation-project>



Community

Q2 2026



Aboriginal Representative on the CCC

- Advertisements continue to be displayed on the MCC website
- No applications have been forthcoming
- Please direct anyone who is interested to apply through the website or through application to the Chair.

Community

[Maules Creek CCC MEMBER DETAILS AND CONTACTS](#) →

Community Consultative Committee applications

The Maules Creek Community Consultative Committee (CCC) is looking for a mix of people who live locally or are members of a local community or stakeholder group (eg social, environment, Aboriginal or industry) to contribute constructively to committee discussions, attend around four meetings a year, and communicate information about the mine's social and environmental operations between the committee and the broader community. Committee membership is voluntary. Whitehaven employees and contractors are not eligible for appointment to the committee as a community representative.

To make an Expression of Interest to join the Maules Creek CCC, please review the criteria, complete an application form and return it to the independent chairperson of the CCC at maulescreekcoalccc@gmail.com.

[COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION FORM](#)

[OTHER STAKEHOLDER GROUP REPRESENTATIVE NOMINATION FORM](#)

Community Investment



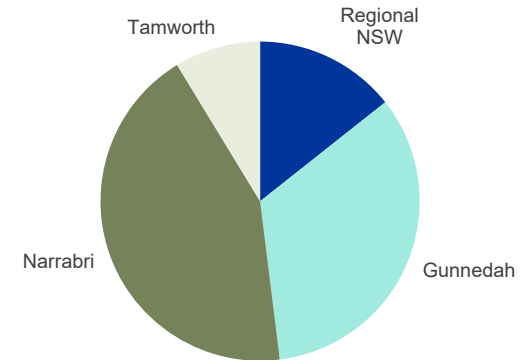
FY26 NSW Community Investment

- **\$329,482** delivered in Q4
- **\$877,584** total Community Investment delivered in FY26

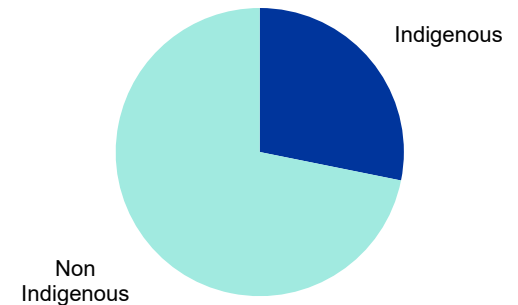
Organisations supported through Q4 include

- Narrabri Local Aboriginal Land Council
- Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service
- Gunnedah Meals on Wheels
- Narrabri Junior Rugby League
- Gunnedah Soccer
- Gunnedah Show Society
- Boggabri Public School
- Boggabri Sacred Heart School

Q4 Funding by Region



Q4 Funding Indigenous vs Non Indigenous



Thank you

