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1.0 Introduction

Narrabri Coal Operations Pty Ltd has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct operational noise monitoring for the Narrabri Mine located near Narrabri, New South Wales (NSW) in accordance with the approved Stage 3 Noise Management Plan (NMP) dated September 2022, the Narrabri Mine Project Approval (PA) 08_0144 and the Environment Protection Licence 12789 (EPL 12789).

The objectives of the noise monitoring programme for this operating period were as follows:

- Conduct operator attended noise surveys at 6 locations (as listed in **Section 3.3**) surrounding the mine during the day, evening and night-time periods.
- Quantify all sources of noise within each of the attended noise surveys, including their measured and/or estimated contribution and maximum level of individual noise sources.
- Assess the noise emissions of Narrabri Mine and determine compliance with respect to the limits contained in Section 5 of the NMP and the relevant approvals.

The following report uses specialist acoustic terminology. An explanation of common terms is provided in **Appendix A**.

2.0 Performance Assessment and Discussion

The following provides a summary of the attended noise measurements undertaken at each monitoring location. Further details are provided for each location in **Section 5.0** of this report.



Table 1 Performance Assessment - Operations

EPL ID	Location	Date	Narrabri Mine Contribution, dBA				Noise Criteria ¹	Measurement Periods	Standard Weather			Compliant
			LAeq(15 min) Day	LAeq(15 min) Evening	LAeq(15 min) Night	LA1(1 min) Night			Day	Evening	Night	
N5	Oakleigh ²	08/09/2025 ³	I/A	29	30	35	Day, Evening, Night – LAeq(15min) - 35 dBA Night LA1(1min) – 45 dBA	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	Y	Y	Y
		09/09/2025 ³	I/A	32	30	40			N	Y	N	Y
		10/09/2025 ³	32	26	32	35			N	N	N	Y
N6	Newhaven	08/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	<20	20			N	Y	Y	Y
		09/09/2025 ³	I/A	23	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		10/09/2025 ³	28	I/A	26	28			N	N	N	Y
N8	Haylin View ²	08/09/2025 ³	I/A	32	34	44			N	Y	Y	Y
		09/09/2025 ³	N/M	35	35	45			N	Y	N	Y
		10/09/2025 ³	N/M	I/A	30	38			N	N	N	Y
N9	High Range ²	08/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		09/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		10/09/2025 ³	30	I/A	25	28			N	N	N	Y
N11	Uambi	08/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		09/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		10/09/2025 ³	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	N	N	Y
-	Bow Hills ¹	08/09/2025	N/M	27	29	33		Day - 15 min Evening - 15 min Night - 15 min	N	Y	Y	Y

I/A = Inaudible, N/M = Not Measurable

Note 1: A private agreement between NCOPL and the residents of N1 Bow Hills of 50 dBA LAeq(15minute) is in place. This new level of 50 dBA LAeq(15minute) replaces the levels identified in Conditions 1-3, Schedule 4 of PA 08_0144 Mod 2 and the identical limits contained in condition L3 of Environment Protection Licence No 12789.

Note 2: Property is owned by Narrabri Coal Operations. Noise limits contained in Conditions 1-3, Schedule 4 of PA 08_0144 Mod 2 and the identical limits contained in condition L3 of Environment Protection Licence No 12789 are not applicable.

Note 3: Evening and Night monitoring conducted on this date, Day monitoring conducted during the following day period.



3.0 Noise Criteria

3.1 Project Approval, EPL and NMP

Noise monitoring at the Narrabri Mine was conducted in accordance with EPL 12789, the PA requirements and the NMP. The site specific EPL and PA noise limits are summarised in Section 5 of the NMP and are reproduced in **Table 2**. These criteria do not apply where the mine has an agreement with the relevant owner/s of the residence to generate higher noise levels, or where the property is mine owned.

Table 2 Project Approval and EPL Noise Criteria

Location	Day	Evening	Night	
	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LA1(1minute)
All Privately owned Residences	35	35	35	45

3.2 Non-compliances & Exemptions

In accordance with Section 11.1.3 of the NSW Industrial Noise Policy (INP) a development is deemed to be in non-compliance with a noise consent or licence condition if the monitored noise level is more than 2 dB above the statutory noise limit specified in the consent or licence. This may occur for two reasons:

- The noise from the Narrabri Mine is excessive, in which case Narrabri Mine will be not complying with its consent or licence condition.
- The noise was increased by extreme, non-standard weather effects—in which case the Narrabri Mine is not considered to be in noncompliance with its consent or licence condition.

In this latter case, further monitoring at a later date is required to determine compliance under “normal” meteorological conditions.

The INP states in Section 9.2 that *“it is not practicable to meet the noise limit under all inversion events; hence exceedances under extreme temperature inversions are not considered to be a non-compliance with consent or licence conditions.”*

Non-standard weather effects include:

- Wind speeds greater than 3 m/s at 10m above ground level; or
- Stability category F temperature inversion conditions and wind speeds greater than 2 m/s at 10 metres above ground level; or
- Stability category G temperature inversion conditions

As stated in EPL 12789 *“Data recorded by the meteorological station identified as EPA Identification Point(s) W1 must be used to determine meteorological conditions and temperature inversion conditions (stability category) are to be determined by direct measurement over a minimum 50m height interval as referred to in Part E2 of Appendix E of the “New South Wales Industrial Noise Policy” dated January 2000 ISBN 0 7313 2715 2.”*

Weather and Temperature inversion monitoring is undertaken continuously in accordance with EPL 12789 with monitoring locations displayed in **Figure 1**. Monitoring Location W1



records wind speed and direction at 10m above ground level. Temperature inversion monitoring is undertaken continuously by directly measuring temperature at two elevations 50 m apart (10 m & 60 m from ground level) at monitoring location W2. All weather data reported in **Table 5** to **Table 20** have been recorded at these monitoring locations.

3.3 Attended Monitoring

Attended Noise monitoring is to be undertaken on a quarterly basis at residential areas. The attended monitoring will take place at the following locations:

3.3.1 EPL Monitoring Locations

- N5 Oakleigh – 16293 Kamilaroi Highway Baan Baa
- N6 Newhaven – 184 Greylands Road Turrawan
- N8 Haylin View – 791 Mayfield Road, Baan Baa
- N9 High Range – 92 Davis Road Turrawan

It is noted that the Narrabri Mine own the properties Oakleigh (N5), Haylin View (N8) and High Range (N9).

3.3.2 NMP Monitoring Location

- N1 Bow Hills – 16652 Kamilaroi Highway Baan Baa
- N11 Uambi – 713 Yarranabee Road, Baan Baa
 - Monitoring to be conducted within approximately 600 m of the residence on the property "Uambi" (nearest publicly accessible location)

It is noted that the Narrabri Mine has a private agreement with the landholder of Bow Hills (N1) for increased noise limits of 50 dBA $L_{Aeq}(15\text{minute})$. This new level replaces the levels identified in Conditions 1-3, Schedule 4 of PA 08_0144 Mod 2 and the identical limits contained in condition L3 of Environment Protection Licence No 12789.

3.3.3 EPL Monitoring Requirements

- At each one of the monitoring locations N5, N6, N8, N9 and N11;
- Occur quarterly in a reporting period;
- Occur during each day, evening and night period as defined in the NSW Industrial Noise Policy for a minimum of:
 - i. 1.5 hours during the day;
 - ii. 30 minutes during the evening; and
 - iii. 1 hour during the night.
- Occur for three consecutive operating days.

3.3.4 NMP Monitoring Requirements

- At monitoring location N1:
 - Occur quarterly in a reporting period; and
 - Occur during a day, evening and night period as defined in the NSW Industrial Noise Policy for a minimum 15 minutes.



- At monitoring location N11:
 - Occur quarterly in a reporting period;
 - Occur during each day, evening and night period as defined in the NSW Industrial Noise Policy for a minimum of:
 - i. 1.5 hours during the day;
 - ii. 30 minutes during the evening; and
 - iii. 1 hour during the night.
 - Occur for three consecutive operating days.

4.0 Operational Noise Monitoring Methodology

4.1 General Requirements

All acoustic instrumentation employed throughout the monitoring programme has been designed to comply with the requirements of AS IEC 61672.1 – 2019 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters*, AS IEC 60942 2017 *Electroacoustics – Sound calibrators* and carried current NATA or manufacturer calibration certificates. Instrument calibration was checked before and after each measurement survey, with the variation in calibrated levels not exceeding ± 0.5 dBA. Calibration certificates for all instruments employed during the monitoring campaign are presented in **Appendix B**.

4.2 Methodology - Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted during the day, evening and night-time periods for a minimum of 1.5 hours during the day; 30 minutes during the evening and 1 hour during the night at the three EPL nominated noise monitoring locations and for 15 minutes during the day, evening and night at each of the NMP nominated noise monitoring location representing the most affected receiver locations, listed in **Table 3** and shown in **Figure 1**. During the operator attended noise measurements, the character and relative contribution of ambient noise sources and mine contributions were determined.



Table 3 Noise Monitoring Locations

Monitoring Location	Monitoring Requirements	Receiver Type	Address	Monitoring Location - MGA Zone 55	
				Easting (m)	Northing (m)
N5 ^{1,2}	EPL	Residence	Oakleigh – 16293 Kamilaroi Highway, Baan Baa	779526	6617751
N6 ^{1,2}	EPL	Residence	Newhaven – 184 Greylands Road, Turrawan	776564	6624643
N8 ¹	EPL	Residence	Haylin View – 791 Mayfield Road, Baan Baa	777428	6617316
N9 ¹	EPL	Residence	High Range – 92 Davis Road, Turrawan	775879	6625895
N11	NMP	Residence	Uambi – 713 Yarranabee Road, Baan Baa ³	776002	6609882
N1 ²	NMP	Residence	Bow Hills – 16652 Kamilaroi Highway, Baan Baa	780114	6620641

Note 1: EPL monitoring locations

Note 2: NMP monitoring locations

Note 3: Monitoring conducted at nearest publicly accessible location, Within approximately 600 m of the residence.

The objective of the operator attended noise monitoring was to measure the LA1(1minute) and the LAeq(15minute) noise level contribution from the Narrabri Mine at the nearest potentially affected receptors in order to determine the noise contribution of operational activities associated with Narrabri Mine over each 15 minute measurement period. In addition, the operator quantifies and characterises the overall levels of ambient noise in the area (i.e. LAmax, LA1, LA10, LA90, and LAeq) over the 15 minute measurement interval.

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted using one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2270 and 2250L sound level meters (s/n 3029485, s/n 3004636, s/n 3005908 respectively). Attended noise measurements were undertaken by SLR staff Alex Bian, Patrick Marshall and Adam Sirianni.



Figure 1 Attended Noise Monitoring Locations

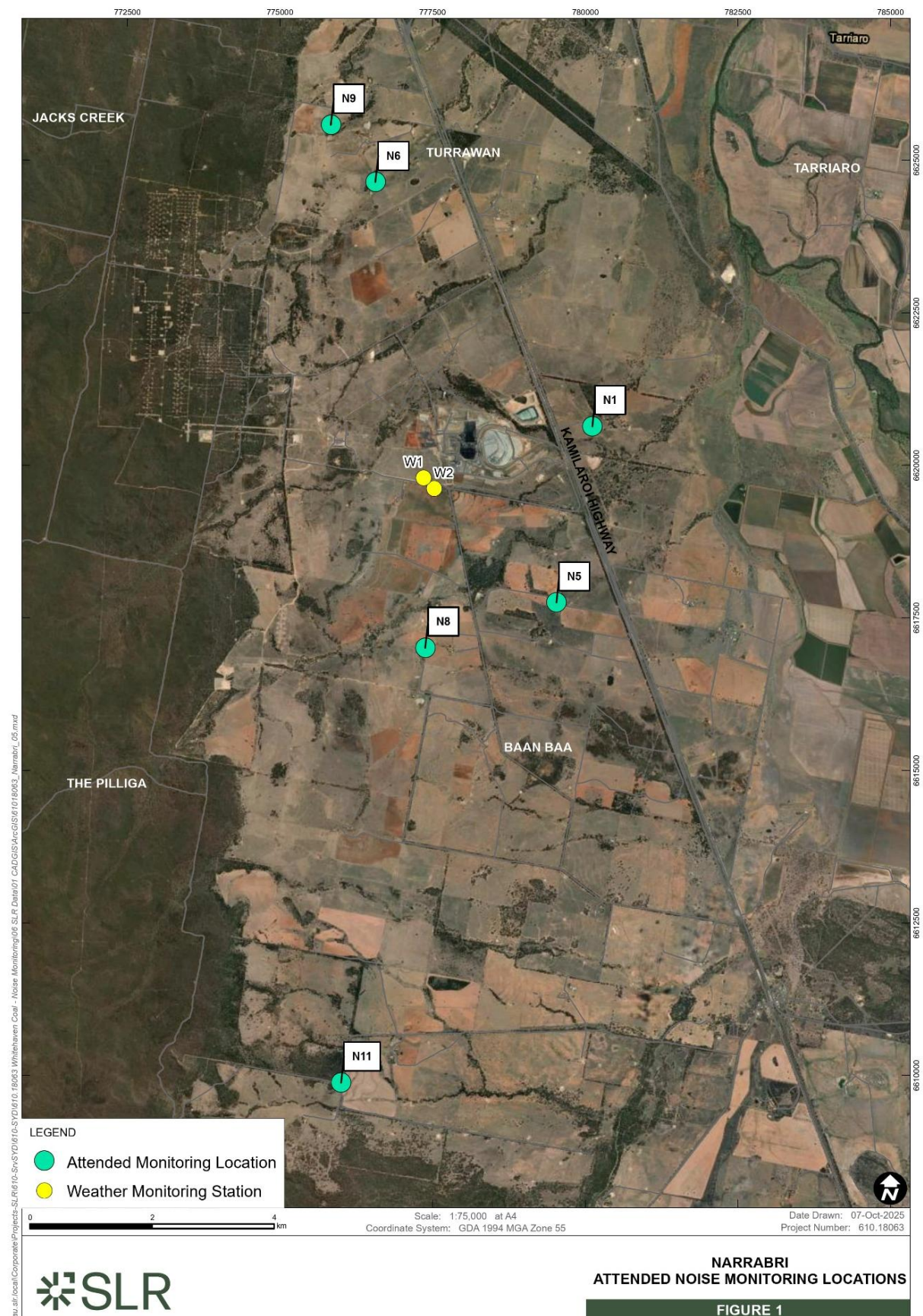


Table 4 presents a summary of which days of the week the quarterly monitoring was conducted, in accordance with condition M7.4 of EPL 12789 and Section 6.5 of the NMP.

Table 4 Days of the Week Quarterly EPL Monitoring was Conducted – Q3 2025

Period	Day of the Week (Excluding Weekends and Public Holidays)				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
EPL Monitoring Locations¹					
Day		9 September 2025	10 September 2025	11 September 2025	
Evening	8 September 2025	9 September 2025	10 September 2025		
Night	8 September 2025	9 September 2025	10 September 2025		
NMP Monitoring Location					
Day	8 September 2025				
Evening	8 September 2025				
Night	8 September 2025				

Note 1: Includes NMP Location N11 - Uambi

5.0 Results and Discussion

5.1 Results of Operator Attended Monitoring

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N5, N6, N8, N9, N11 and N1 are provided **Table 5** to **Table 20**.

Ambient noise levels presented include all noise sources such as transport (roads, rail and aircraft), fauna (insects, frogs, birds and bats), the natural environment (wind in trees), domestic noises, other industrial operations as well as Narrabri Mine noise emissions.

Weather data during the monitoring period has been obtained from the weather station located on the Narrabri Mine site and observed conditions.

The tables also provide the following information:

- Date and start time, operator and equipment details.
- Monitoring location.
- Wind velocity (m/s) and temperature (°C) at weather station W1, as detailed in **Section 3.2**.
- Typical maximum (L_{Amax}) and contributed L_{Aeq(15minute)} noise levels.



5.1.1 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – EPL Monitoring Location N5

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N5 are provided in **Table 5**, **Table 6** and **Table 7**. Monitoring location N5 represents residential receptors located to the southeast of the site in Oakleigh.

Table 5 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N5 – Oakleigh (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 1 09/09/2025 09:58 5.1 – 8.8 m/s NW 20-23°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	71	57	49	42	48	40	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 40-66 Birds 53-71 Train 56 Traffic 46-57
		2	D	57	51	46	39	43	36	I/A	
		3	D	68	57	52	44	50	41	I/A	
		4	D	71	61	57	48	54	44	I/A	
		5	C	69	62	59	51	56	45	I/A	
		6	A	66	59	56	49	54	44	I/A	
Evening 1 08/09/2025 21:27 2.3 – 3.4 m/s NW 18°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	55	50	46	38	43	34	26 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 25-34 Other Noise Events: Insects 36-49 Traffic 35-49 Weather 49-55 Animals 41-48
		2	F	49	46	44	37	41	33	29 L _{Aeq}	



Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Night 1 08/09/2025 22:00 1.1 – 2.3 m/s E 17-18°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	51	46	42	36	40	33	27 L _{Aeq} 28 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 32-35 General surface activity 26-31 Other Noise Events: Insects 39-46 Traffic 39-57 Animals 41-43 Train 30-46
		2	F	52	48	44	34	41	31	29 L _{Aeq} 35 L _{A1}	
		3	F	57	51	45	35	42	31	30 L _{Aeq} 35 L _{A1}	
		4	E	52	50	46	36	43	31	28 L _{Aeq} 31 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



Table 6 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N5 – Oakleigh (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 2 10/09/2025 12:14 4.6 – 7.8 m/s NW 18-21°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	71	57	52	45	50	41	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 47-58 Traffic 36-53 Wind 41-71
		2	B	59	54	50	45	48	42	I/A	
		3	C	58	55	52	45	49	41	I/A	
		4	A	56	54	51	45	49	42	I/A	
		5	C	58	53	50	44	48	41	I/A	
		6	D	56	54	51	44	48	40	I/A	
Evening 2 09/09/2025 20:46 1.3 – 1.6 m/s NW 13°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	50	47	44	37	41	32	30 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 30-40 General surface activity 27-30 Other Noise Events: Insects 32-51 Traffic 42-55 Animals 44-47 Train 35-42
		2	F	55	51	46	37	43	31	32 L _{Aeq}	
Night 2 09/09/2025 22:00 1.3 – 2.6 m/s W 12-13°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	G	57	56	51	38	47	31	28 L _{Aeq} 35 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 25-40 General surface activity 21-32 Other Noise Events: Insects 33-50 Traffic 42-58 Animals 44-45 Train 35-57
		2	F	55	50	47	36	43	30	26 L _{Aeq} 29 L _{A1}	
		3	F	58	52	44	33	42	28	25 L _{Aeq} 27 L _{A1}	
		4	G	50	45	40	32	37	27	30 L _{Aeq} 40 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



Table 7 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N5 – Oakleigh (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 3 11/09/2025 11:13 4.8 – 5.7 m/s SW 12-13°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	A	51	45	42	37	40	34	32 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 30-39 General surface activity 27-33 Other Noise Events: Birds 42-68 Traffic 35-39 Wind 36-56 Aircraft 38-54
		2	B	68	53	45	36	45	34	32 L _{Aeq}	
		3	D	54	46	41	34	39	32	29 L _{Aeq}	
		4	B	57	46	43	35	40	33	30 L _{Aeq}	
		5	B	62	49	41	31	39	28	29 L _{Aeq}	
		6	C	65	49	42	32	41	30	27 L _{Aeq}	
Evening 3 10/09/2025 20:59 6.2 – 6.5 m/s W 14-15°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	59	52	46	40	44	37	26 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 35-41 Other Noise Events: Insects 40-48 Traffic 35-45 Wind 42-59
		2	E	59	48	45	40	43	37	N/M	
Night 3 10/09/2025 22:00 5.3 – 6.4 m/s W 13-14°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	50	48	45	39	43	36	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 30-35 General surface activity 30-35 Other Noise Events: Insects 38-51 Traffic 35-49 Wind 45-53 Train 45-56
		2	E	49	45	43	38	41	35	N/M	
		3	E	56	44	42	37	40	34	31 L _{Aeq} 35 L _{A1}	
		4	E	53	48	45	38	42	34	32 L _{Aeq} 35 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



5.1.2 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – EPL Monitoring Location N6

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N6 are provided in **Table 8**, **Table 9** and **Table 10**. Monitoring location N6 represents residential receptors located to the northwest of the site in Newhaven.

Table 8 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N6 – Newhaven (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 1 09/09/2025 10:50 7.0 – 9.7 m/s NW 21-23°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	66	53	49	43	47	40	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 45-70 Traffic 40-48 Wind 44-65 Train 47-55
		2	C	60	56	52	44	49	40	I/A	
		3	A	61	56	53	45	50	43	I/A	
		4	B	65	57	54	47	51	44	I/A	
		5	A	70	59	54	46	52	44	I/A	
		6	A	61	56	53	46	50	44	I/A	
Evening 1 08/09/2025 19:50 1.1 – 2.5 m/s NW 18°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	59	54	49	39	45	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 38-44 Traffic 42-59
		2	F	56	52	48	37	44	33	I/A	
Night 1 08/09/2025 23:27 1.4 – 2.6 m/s WNW 16-17°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	46	43	38	35	37	32	<20 L _{Aeq} 20 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Main exhaust vent fan <20 Other Noise Events: Insects 35-40 Traffic 38-46 Birds 37-41 Animals 37-49 Train 40-62
		2	F	62	50	43	35	40	33	I/A	
		3	F	47	40	36	31	34	29	I/A	
		4	G	59	53	44	31	41	28	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible



Table 9 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N6 – Newhaven (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 2 10/09/2025 10:20 6.8 – 8.8 m/s NW 17-19°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	63	56	50	42	47	39	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 40-63 Traffic 40-52 Wind 41-63
		2	C	57	52	49	42	46	39	I/A	
		3	B	63	56	52	44	49	40	I/A	
		4	B	63	56	51	43	48	39	I/A	
		5	C	62	57	52	43	48	39	I/A	
		6	D	63	57	53	43	50	40	I/A	
Evening 2 09/09/2025 19:52 1.4 – 1.8 m/s NW 14°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	55	49	43	31	39	28	23 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Main exhaust vent fan 21-28 Other Noise Events: Insects 31-39 Traffic 30-55
		2	F	55	49	44	33	40	29	22 L _{Aeq}	
Night 2 09/09/2025 23:28 0 – 1.8 m/s NE 13°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	G	48	45	41	29	37	25	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 26-43 Traffic 38-50 Animals 44
		2	F	45	40	36	27	33	23	I/A	
		3	F	50	47	43	29	39	24	I/A	
		4	F	48	44	40	30	37	24	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible



Table 10 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N6 – Newhaven (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 3 11/09/2025 09:17 3.5 – 5.4 m/s W 10-13°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	67	58	45	34	45	31	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Main exhaust vent fan 23-29 Other Noise Events: Birds 33-71 Animals 48-67 Traffic 30-39 Train 38-52 Wind 40-49
		2	D	62	52	39	32	40	30	I/A	
		3	D	67	54	41	32	42	29	28 L _{Aeq}	
		4	D	71	58	44	31	45	28	I/A	
		5	D	52	45	42	31	38	29	I/A	
		6	D	67	51	44	33	42	29	I/A	
Evening 3 10/09/2025 19:51 5.8 – 6.1 m/s W 15-16°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	52	49	46	39	43	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 29-43 Traffic 37-44 Wind 42-52
		2	E	52	47	44	38	42	35	I/A	
Night 3 10/09/2025 23:33 3.7 – 5.0 m/s W 12°C 3005908	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	43	41	38	32	36	29	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Main exhaust vent fan 23-28 Other Noise Events: Insects 33-44 Birds 38-41 Traffic 30-38 Wind 37-43 Animals 34-40
		2	E	44	43	39	32	36	30	I/A	
		3	E	43	41	37	30	34	27	I/A	
		4	E	40	34	32	28	30	25	26 L _{Aeq} 28 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible



5.1.3 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – EPL Monitoring Location N8

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N8 are provided in **Table 11**, **Table 12** and **Table 13**. Monitoring location N8 represents residential receptors located to the southeast of the site in Haylin View.

Table 11 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N8 – Haylin View (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 1 09/09/2025 10:32 6.1 – 9.7 m/s NW 21-23°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	68	59	54	43	51	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 50-81 Wind 48-74
		2	D	81	64	58	44	55	40	I/A	
		3	C	69	62	57	43	53	36	I/A	
		4	A	74	65	60	46	56	40	I/A	
		5	B	73	68	62	48	59	41	I/A	
		6	A	71	65	60	46	56	42	I/A	
Evening 1 08/09/2025 21:27 2.3 – 3.4 m/s NW 18°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	65	47	38	33	38	30	31 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operation 30-36 Other Noise Events: Insects 35-65 Weather 47-51
		2	F	62	39	37	34	36	32	32 L _{Aeq}	
Night 1 08/09/2025 22:02 1.1 – 2.3 m/s NW 17-18°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	52	39	36	33	35	31	33 L _{Aeq} 36 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operation 32-44 Onsite alarm 35-36 Other Noise Events: Insects 34-50 Train 42-57 Aircraft 38-39
		2	F	50	41	38	34	36	33	34 L _{Aeq} 44 L _{A1}	
		3	F	42	39	37	34	36	32	33 L _{Aeq} 40 L _{A1}	
		4	E	57	50	45	35	41	33	34 L _{Aeq} 42 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable



Table 12 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N8 – Haylin View (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 2 10/09/2025 11:18 7.3 – 8.8 m/s NW 19-21°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	80	64	57	42	54	38	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operation faintly audible at times Other Noise Events: Wind 47-73 Birds 50-80 Light vehicle 45-48
		2	D	70	63	57	44	54	40	I/A	
		3	C	72	65	58	44	55	39	I/A	
		4	D	74	66	59	41	55	37	I/A	
		5	B	68	62	56	43	52	38	N/M	
		6	C	66	61	55	42	51	37	N/M	
Evening 2 09/09/2025 21:01 1.2 – 1.6 m/s W 13°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	56	52	47	35	42	31	35 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 30-44 Other Noise Events: Insects 37-56 Traffic 43-47 Train 36-43
		2	F	56	52	44	32	41	29	34 L _{Aeq}	
Night 2 09/09/2025 22:01 1.3 – 2.6 m/s W 12-13°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	G	56	52	46	31	41	28	31 L _{Aeq} 38 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 29-47 Other Noise Events: Insects 35-57 Traffic 44-46 Train 37-41
		2	F	56	51	39	29	39	25	29 L _{Aeq} 36 L _{A1}	
		3	F	52	42	37	28	34	24	28 L _{Aeq} 45 L _{A1}	
		4	G	57	50	41	32	39	29	35 L _{Aeq} 44 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



Table 13 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N8 – Haylin View (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 3 11/09/2025 11:15 4.8 – 5.7 m/s SW 12-13°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	A	65	60	54	38	50	34	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations faintly audible Other Noise Events: Wind 46-57 Birds 50-68 Aircraft 38-44
		2	B	62	56	53	40	49	33	N/M	
		3	D	63	56	50	38	47	34	N/M	
		4	B	60	53	49	36	45	31	N/M	
		5	B	68	54	47	36	45	31	N/M	
		6	C	59	52	47	34	43	29	N/M	
Evening 3 10/09/2025 20:56 5.9 – 6.5 m/s W 15°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	69	59	52	40	49	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 54-69 Insects 40-46
		2	E	59	54	49	40	46	37	I/A	
Night 3 10/09/2025 22:00 5.3 – 6.4 m/s E 13-14°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	61	55	50	40	46	36	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 30-38 Other Noise Events: Wind 40-59 Insect 45-50 Birds 50-65
		2	E	59	52	47	39	44	35	I/A	
		3	E	55	49	45	37	42	35	N/M	
		4	E	65	52	47	36	44	33	30 L _{Aeq} 38 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



5.1.4 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – EPL Monitoring Location N9

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N9 are provided in **Table 14**, **Table 15** and **Table 16**. Monitoring location N9 represents residential receptors located to the northwest of the site in High Range.

Table 14 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N9 – High Range (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 1 09/09/2025 08:30 3.8 – 5.7 m/s NW 19-20°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	61	54	45	34	43	31	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 49-60 Aircraft 41-56 Wind 33-44 Animals 64-69
		2	E	69	53	44	36	44	31	I/A	
		3	E	60	53	45	36	43	32	I/A	
		4	E	60	48	43	34	40	31	I/A	
		5	E	65	50	44	34	41	29	I/A	
		6	E	56	50	45	36	41	32	I/A	
Evening 1 08/09/2025 20:18 1.1 – 2.3 m/s NW 18°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	55	54	53	50	52	46	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Traffic 50-59 Weather 52-55 Train 53-57
		2	F	59	54	53	49	51	46	I/A	
Night 1 08/09/2025 23:34 1.4 – 2.6 m/s NW 16-17°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	60	50	49	45	47	38	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 40-57 Animals 40-55 Aircraft 48-49 Train 51-61
		2	F	55	53	52	43	50	33	I/A	
		3	G	56	55	54	49	52	39	I/A	
		4	G	61	55	55	46	53	39	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



Table 15 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N9 – High Range (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 2 10/09/2025 09:15 6.3 – 7.8 m/s NW 16-19°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	75	59	52	39	49	35	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 44-54 Birds 47-91 Train 43-50 Aircraft 44-52
		2	D	77	59	52	40	50	37	I/A	
		3	D	91	70	56	40	60	36	I/A	
		4	D	64	56	50	39	47	36	I/A	
		5	D	67	59	52	42	49	36	I/A	
		6	C	66	60	54	43	51	38	I/A	
Evening 2 09/09/2025 19:46 1.5 – 2.1 m/s NW 14-15°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	50	46	43	26	39	22	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Traffic 38-50 Aircraft 41-43 Insects 30-40
		2	F	48	45	41	27	36	22	I/A	
Night 2 09/09/2025 23:44 0 – 1.2 m/s E 13°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	47	31	26	21	24	19	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 25-47 Animals 33-57 Birds 69-72
		2	F	43	40	35	22	31	20	I/A	
		3	F	72	42	32	21	37	19	I/A	
		4	F	60	45	29	21	34	19	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



Table 16 Operator Attended EPL Noise Survey Results – N9 – High Range (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 3 11/09/2025 09:13 3.5 – 4.8 m/s W 10-12°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	C	58	48	43	30	39	26	30 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operation 30-34 Other Noise Events: Birds 45-65 Horn 42-48 Traffic 35-45 Animals 40-59
		2	D	53	48	43	30	39	27	I/A	
		3	D	59	50	41	28	39	25	I/A	
		4	D	65	45	40	28	37	26	I/A	
		5	D	53	45	39	27	35	25	N/M	
		6	D	58	50	43	30	40	27	I/A	
Evening 3 10/09/2025 19:47 5.8 – 6.5 m/s W 15-16°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	58	47	41	30	38	27	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 37-43 Wind 50-58
		2	E	56	50	45	31	41	27	I/A	
Night 3 10/09/2025 23:32 3.7 – 5.0 m/s W 12°C 3004636	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	54	46	37	25	35	23	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 25-28 Other Noise Events: Traffic 30-33 Animals 30-35 Insects 35-55
		2	E	46	38	33	25	30	23	I/A	
		3	E	43	37	31	24	28	22	N/M	
		4	E	55	36	31	25	29	23	25 L _{Aeq} 28 L _{A1}	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible

Note 1: Mine owned receiver – criteria not applicable.



5.1.5 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – NMP Monitoring Location N11

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N11 are provided in **Table 17**, **Table 18** and **Table 19**. Monitoring location N11 represents residential receptors located to the south of the site in Uambi.

Table 17 Operator Attended NMP Noise Survey Results – N11 – Uambi (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 1 09/11/2025 07:58 3.8 – 5.1 m/s NW 18-20°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	55	48	41	32	38	28	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 49-66 Wind 39-44 Aircraft 49
		2	E	61	51	44	31	41	28	I/A	
		3	E	62	51	39	30	39	27	I/A	
		4	E	61	56	41	30	42	27	I/A	
		5	E	58	50	43	30	39	27	I/A	
		6	E	66	48	40	32	39	29	I/A	
Evening 1 08/11/2025 21:22 2.3 – 3.4 m/s NW 18°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	48	39	35	31	34	29	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 30-35 Offsite impacts 45-48
		2	F	42	34	32	30	31	27	I/A	
Night 1 08/11/2025 22:01 1.1 – 2.3 m/s NW 17-18°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	F	45	34	32	30	31	28	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Bats 37-45 Insects 30-34 Birds 37-47 Offsite impacts 73-75 Light vehicle 47
		2	F	47	34	33	30	32	29	I/A	
		3	F	75	49	38	31	43	28	I/A	
		4	E	60	34	32	30	32	27	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible



Table 18 Operator Attended NMP Noise Survey Results – N11 – Uambi (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 2 10/09/2025 09:02 4.1 – 7.8 m/s NNW 16-19°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	60	50	42	31	39	28	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birds 40-67 Wind 30-59 Light vehicle 75-77 Aircraft 38
		2	D	75	62	47	36	49	30	I/A	
		3	D	66	60	51	37	48	33	I/A	
		4	D	67	59	47	36	46	33	I/A	
		5	D	77	60	46	38	51	35	I/A	
		6	D	58	53	50	36	45	33	I/A	
Evening 2 09/09/2025 21:18 1.2 – 1.4 m/s W 13°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	36	29	23	20	22	18	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 20-25 Animals 30-39
		2	F	39	32	23	19	22	18	I/A	
Night 2 09/09/2025 22:01 1.3 -2.6 m/s W 12-13°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	G	43	40	34	21	29	19	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 20-25 Birds 35-46 Traffic 25-30
		2	F	46	38	33	20	28	18	I/A	
		3	F	46	40	33	20	29	18	I/A	
		4	G	42	34	23	19	23	18	I/A	

Note: N/M = Not Measurable, I/A = Inaudible



Table 19 Operator Attended NMP Noise Survey Results – N11 – Uambi (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 3 11/09/2025 12:56 3.6 – 5.1 m/s WSW 12-15°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	D	67	52	45	36	44	34	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 35-46 Birds 50-67 Aircraft 45-48 Light vehicle 67
		2	D	55	46	41	34	39	32	I/A	
		3	A	57	47	40	32	38	28	I/A	
		4	B	54	47	40	30	37	26	I/A	
		5	A	67	59	42	33	46	30	I/A	
		6	A	67	53	42	31	41	29	I/A	
Evening 3 10/09/2025 21:13 6.2 – 6.5 m/s W 14-15°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	E	56	52	45	39	43	36	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 40-56
		2	E	48	47	44	37	41	35	I/A	
Night 3 10/09/2025 22:02 5.3 – 6.4 m/s W 13-14°C 3029485	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	50	49	46	37	42	34	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 44-51 Bats 35-42
		2	E	45	44	42	36	39	34	I/A	
		3	E	51	48	43	34	39	31	I/A	
		4	E	45	44	42	34	39	32	I/A	



5.1.6 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – NMP Monitoring Location N1 (Bow Hills)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at N1 are provided in **Table 20**. Monitoring location N1 represents residential receptors located to the east of the site in Bow Hills.

Table 20 Operator Attended NMP Noise Survey Results – N1 – Bow Hills

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria ¹	Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						Mine Contribution, (dBA)	Description
				L _{Amax} (dBA)	L _{A1} (dBA)	L _{A10} (dBA)	L _{A90} (dBA)	L _{Aeq} (dBA)	L _{Amin} (dBA)		
Day 08/09/2025 14:30 6.1 m/s NW 25°C 3029485	50 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	A	68	61	56	45	52	40	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations briefly audible Other Noise Events: Traffic 48-55 Wind 50-60 Birds 57-68
Evening 08/11/2025 20:14 1.1 m/s NW 18°C 3029485	50 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	56	54	51	43	48	39	27 L _{Aeq}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 28-32 General site activity 25-27 Other Noise Events: Traffic 51-56 Insects 35-42
Night 08/11/2025 23:32 2.0 m/s WNW 17°C 3029485	50 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min)	1	F	60	51	46	40	44	35	29 L _{Aeq} 33 L _{A1}	Site Related Noise Events: Dozer operations 26-33 General site activity 25-28 Other Noise Events: Insects 40-45 Traffic 45-52 Birds 60

Note 1: A private agreement between NCOPL and the residents of N1 Bow Hills of 50 dBA L_{Aeq}(15minute) is in place. This new level of 50 dBA L_{Aeq}(15minute) replaces the levels identified in Conditions 1-3, Schedule 4 of PA 08_0144 Mod 2 and the identical limits contained in condition L3 of Environment Protection Licence No 1278

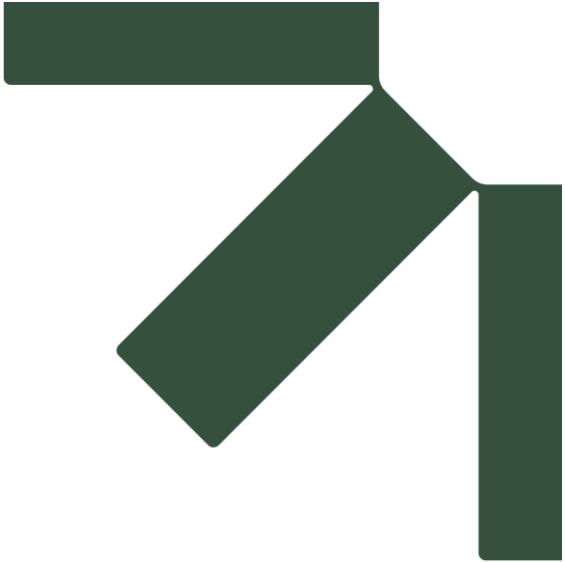


6.0 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Narrabri Coal Operations Pty Ltd to conduct attended noise monitoring for the Narrabri Mine in accordance with the Narrabri Mines' Noise Management Plan, Environment Protection Licence and Project Approval.

Operator attended noise monitoring was conducted at six locations in order to determine the noise performance of the Narrabri Mine, with compliance achieved at all privately owned receiver locations.





Appendix A Acoustic Terminology

Narrabri Mine Noise Monitoring

Quarter Ending September 2025 Summary Noise Report

Narrabri Coal Operations Pty Ltd

SLR Project No.: 610.018063.00178

7 October 2025

1 Sound Level Or Noise Level

The terms “sound” and “noise” are almost interchangeable, except that in common usage “noise” is often used to refer to unwanted sound.

Sound (or noise) consists of minute fluctuations in atmospheric pressure capable of evoking the sense of hearing. The human ear responds to changes in sound pressure over a very wide range. The loudest sound pressure to which the human ear responds is ten million times greater than the softest. The decibel (abbreviated as dB) scale reduces this ratio to a more manageable size by the use of logarithms.

The symbols SPL, L or Lp are commonly used to represent sound pressure level. The symbol la represents a-weighted sound pressure level. The standard reference unit for sound pressure levels expressed in decibels is 2×10^{-5} pa.

2 “A” Weighted Sound Pressure Level

The overall level of a sound is usually expressed in terms of dBA, which is measured using a sound level meter with an “a-weighting” filter. This is an electronic filter having a frequency response corresponding approximately to that of human hearing.

People’s hearing is most sensitive to sounds at mid frequencies (500 hz to 4000 hz), and less sensitive at lower and higher frequencies. Thus, the level of a sound in dba is a good measure of the loudness of that sound. Different sources having the same dba level generally sound about equally loud.

A change of 1 dBA or 2 dBA in the level of a sound is difficult for most people to detect, whilst a 3 dBA to 5 dBA change corresponds to a small but noticeable change in loudness. A 10 dBA change corresponds to an approximate doubling or halving in loudness. The table below lists examples of typical noise levels.

Sound Pressure Level (dBA)	Typical Source	Subjective Evaluation
130	Threshold of pain	Intolerable
120	Heavy rock concert	Extremely noisy
110	Grinding on steel	
100	Loud car horn at 3 m	Very noisy
90	Construction site with pneumatic hammering	
80	Kerbside of busy street	Loud
70	Loud radio or television	
60	Department store	Moderate to quiet
50	General Office	
40	Inside private office	Quiet to very quiet
30	Inside bedroom	
20	Recording studio	Almost silent

Other weightings (eg b, c and d) are less commonly used than a-weighting. Sound levels measured without any weighting are referred to as “linear”, and the units are expressed as dB(lin) or db.

3 Sound Power Level

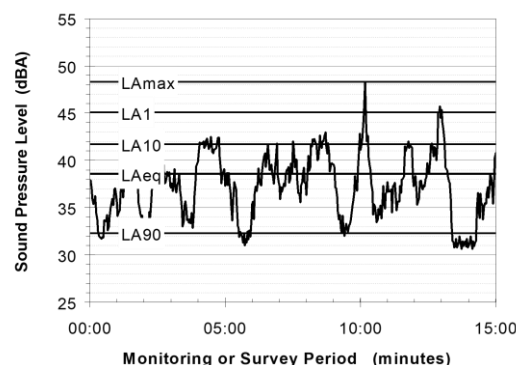
The sound power of a source is the rate at which it emits acoustic energy. As with sound pressure levels, sound power levels are expressed in decibel units (dB or dBa), but may be identified by the symbols SWL or Lw, or by the reference unit 10^{-1}

The relationship between sound power and sound pressure may be likened to an electric radiator, which is characterised by a power rating, but has an effect on the surrounding environment that can be measured in terms of a different parameter, temperature.

4 STATISTICAL NOISE LEVELS

Sounds that vary in level over time, such as road traffic noise and most community noise, are commonly described in terms of the statistical exceedance levels LAn, where LAn is the a-weighted sound pressure level exceeded for n% of a given measurement period. For example, the LA1 is the noise level exceeded for 1% of the time, LA10 the noise exceeded for 10% of the time, and so on.

The following figure presents a hypothetical 15 minute noise survey, illustrating various common statistical indices of interest.



Of particular relevance, are:

LA1 the noise level exceeded for 1% of the 15 minute interval.

LA10 the noise level exceeded for 10% of the 15 minute interval. This is commonly referred to as the average maximum noise level.

LA90 the noise level exceeded for 90% of the sample period. This noise level is described as the average minimum background sound level (in the absence of the source under consideration), or simply the background level.

LAeq the a-weighted equivalent noise level (basically the average noise level). It is defined as the steady sound level that contains the same amount of acoustical energy as the corresponding time-varying sound.

When dealing with numerous days of statistical noise data, it is sometimes necessary to define the typical noise levels at a given monitoring location for a particular time of day. A standardised method is available for determining these representative levels.

This method produces a level representing the “repeatable minimum” LA90 noise level over the daytime and night-time measurement periods, as required by the EPA. In addition the method produces mean or “average” levels representative of the other descriptors (LAeq, LA10, etc).

5 Tonality

Tonal noise contains one or more prominent tones (ie distinct frequency components), and is normally



Regarded as more offensive than “broad band” noise. 7. Impulsiveness

6 Impulsiveness

An impulsive noise is characterised by one or more short sharp peaks in the time domain, such as occurs during hammering.

7 Frequency Analysis

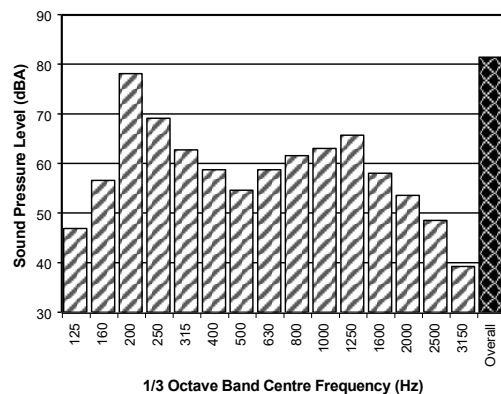
Frequency analysis is the process used to examine the tones (or frequency components) which make up the overall noise or vibration signal. This analysis was traditionally carried out using analogue electronic filters, but is now normally carried out using fast fourier transform (fft) analysers.

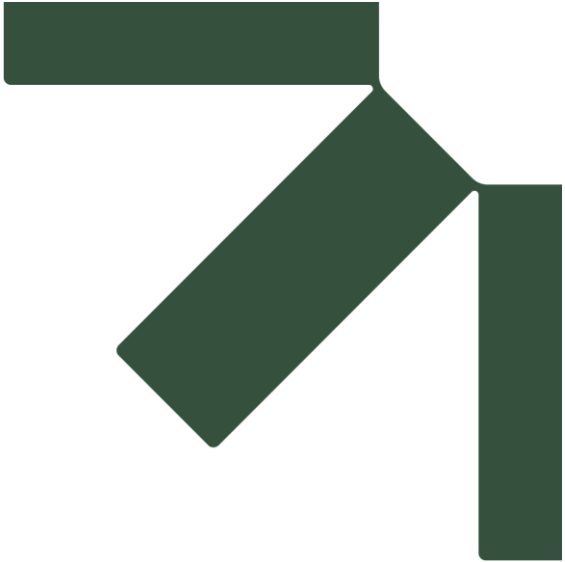
The units for frequency are hertz (hz), which represent the number of cycles per second.

Frequency analysis can be in:

- Octave bands (where the centre frequency and width of each band is double the previous band)
- 1/3 octave bands (3 bands in each octave band)
- Narrow band (where the spectrum is divided into 400 or more bands of equal width)

The following figure shows a 1/3 octave band frequency analysis where the noise is dominated by the 200 Hz band. Note that the indicated level of each individual band is less than the overall level, which is the logarithmic sum of the bands





Appendix B Calibration Certificates

Narrabri Mine Noise Monitoring

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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE No: **SLM53401A**

EQUIPMENT TESTED: Sound Level Meter

Make & Model:	B&K 2250	Serial No:	3004636
Mic. Model:	B&K 4950	Serial No:	3177669
Pre-Amp. Model:	B&K ZC0032	Serial No:	20464
Band-Pass Filter:	1/3 Octave	Test No:	F053408

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
120 High Street
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Tests Performed: IEC 61672-3:2013 & IEC 61260-3:2016

Comments: All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)
Certificate reissued due incorrect Filter Test number
This certificate supersedes certificate SLM53401 issued on
22/04/2025

CONDITIONS OF TEST:

Ambient Pressure	1011 hPa ± 1 hPa	Date of Receipt :	01/04/2025
Temperature	23 $^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$	Date of Calibration :	09/04/2025
Relative Humidity	55 % $\pm 5\%$	Date of Issue :	06/05/2025

Acu-Vib Test Procedure: AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

CHECKED BY: *KB*

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SIGNATURE: *Hein Soc*

Accredited for compliance with ISO/IEC 17025 - Calibration

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The uncertainties quoted are calculated in accordance with the methods of the ISO Guide to the Uncertainty of Measurement and quoted at a coverage factor of 2 with a confidence interval of approximately 95%.


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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

Certificate No: CAU2500534

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CALIBRATION OF:

Sound Level Meter:	Brüel & Kjær	2270	No: 3029485
Microphone:	Brüel & Kjær	4189	No: 3260622
Preamplifier:	Brüel & Kjær	ZC-0032	No: 30123
Supplied Calibrator:	N/A		
Software version:	BZ7223 Version 4.7.6	Pattern Approval:	-
Instruction manual:	BE1712-22	Identification:	N/A

CUSTOMER:

SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
Tenancy 202
Sub Base Platypus
120 High Street
North Sydney NSW 2060

CALIBRATION CONDITIONS:

Preconditioning: 4 hours at 23 °C
Environment conditions: *see actual values in Environmental conditions sections*

SPECIFICATIONS:

The Sound Level Meter has been calibrated in accordance with the requirements as specified in IEC61672-1:2013 class 1. Procedures from IEC 61672-3:2013 were used to perform the periodic tests. The measurements included in this document are traceable to Australian / International standards through accredited calibration of all relevant reference equipment.

PROCEDURE:

The measurements have been performed with the assistance of Brüel & Kjær Sound Level Meter Calibration System B&K 3630 with application software type 7763 (version 8.6 - DB: 8.60) and test procedure 2270-4189.

RESULTS:

	Initial calibration		Calibration prior to repair/adjustment
X	Calibration without repair/adjustment		Calibration after repair/adjustment

The reported expanded uncertainty is based on the standard uncertainty multiplied by a coverage factor $k = 2$ providing a level of confidence of approximately 95 %. The uncertainty evaluation has been carried out in accordance with EA-4/02 from elements originating from the standards, calibration method, effect of environmental conditions and any short time contribution from the device under calibration.

Date of Calibration: 02/05/2025

Certificate issued: 05/05/2025

Barath Chandar Rajendran
Calibration Technician

Sajeeb Tharayil
Approved signatory

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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE NO: **SLM52230**

EQUIPMENT TESTED: Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer: B&K
Type No: 2250
Mic. Type: B&K 4950
Pre-Amp. Type: ZC 0032
Filter Type: 1/3 Octave
Serial No: 3005908
Serial No: 2913824
Serial No: 20513
Test No: F052231

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
120 High Street
North Sydney, NSW 2060

Tests Performed: IEC 61672-3:2013 & IEC 61260-3:2016

Comments: All Test passed for Class 1. (See overleaf for details)

CONDITIONS OF TEST:

Ambient Pressure	1002 hPa ± 1 hPa	Date of Receipt :	02/12/2024
Temperature	25 $^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1^{\circ}\text{C}$	Date of Calibration :	09/12/2024
Relative Humidity	51 % $\pm 5\%$	Date of Issue :	09/12/2024

Acu-Vib Test Procedure: AVP10 (SLM) & AVP06 (Filters)

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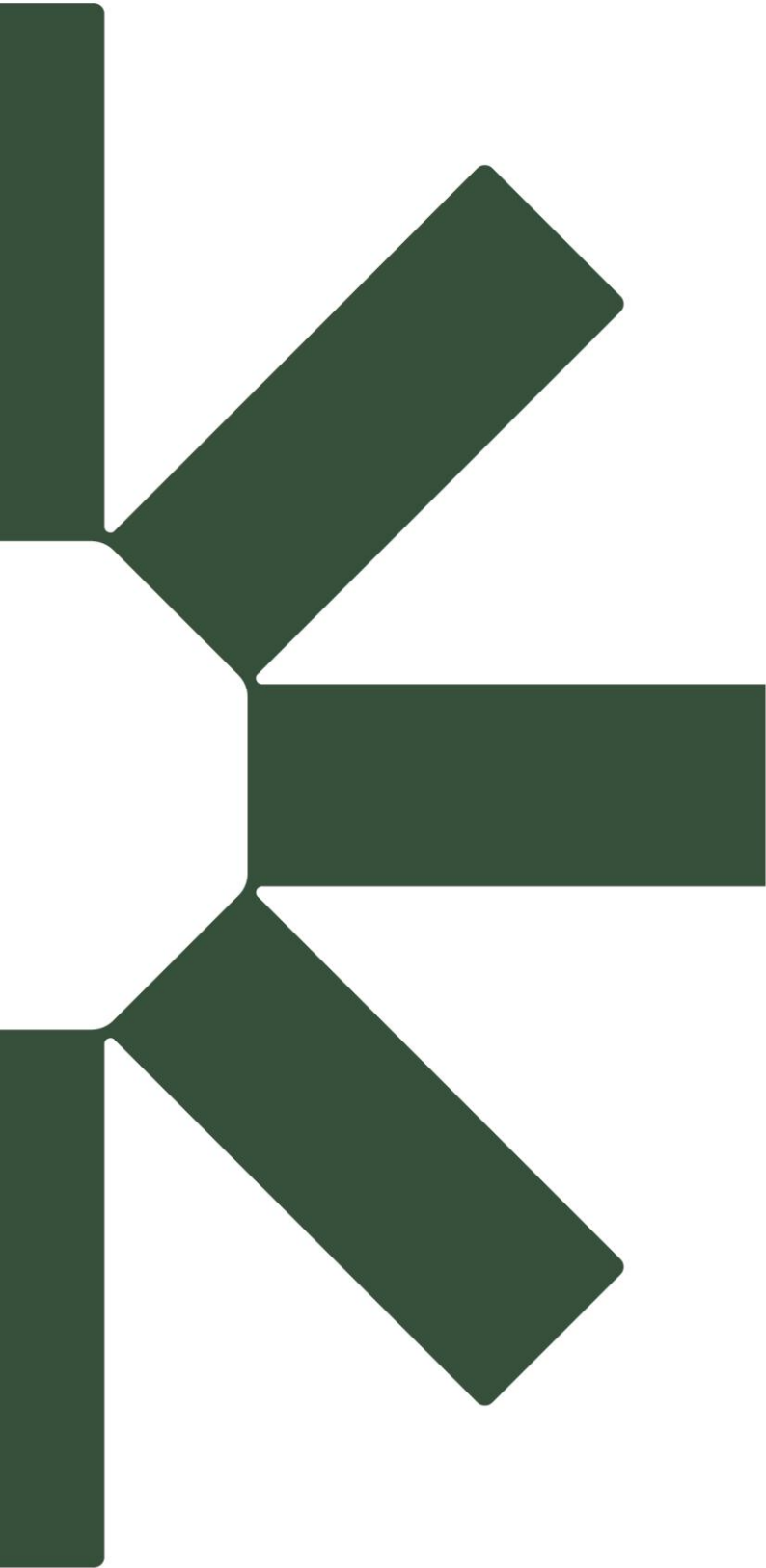
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