

Minutes of the 55th Meeting of the Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee (TCCC)

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1. Present and Apologies	<p><u>Present:</u> Mr David Ross (DR)- Independent Chairman, Mr David Moses (DM), Gunnedah Shire council Representative, Mrs Cath Collyer (CC)- Community Representative, Mr John Hamson (JHa), Operations Manager- TCM, Mr Sebastien Moreno (SM)- Environmental Superintendent- TCM, Mr Daryl Campbell (DC), Community Relations Officer- WHC Mr James Tomlin (JT), AGE consultant</p>		
	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Mrs Colleen Fuller (CF)- Community Representative Mr Andrew Johns (AJ), Gunnedah Shire Council Representative Mr Cameron Staines (CS), Narrabri Shire council Representative, Mr Tim Muldoon (TM)- Group Manager Community Relations and Pty Mrs Julie Heiler (JH)- Community Representative, Mrs Rebecca Ryan (RR)- Community Representative,</p>		

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2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests	DR- declared that he is paid a fee for participation as Independent Chairman		
3. Previous Minutes Actions	DR- Blair Meyer (BM) has been transferred to MCCM and David Moses has replaced Ann Luke (AL).	DR- to write a thank you letter for BM and AL for their support to CCC meeting	DR- to prepare letter.
	CC- Queried about GW inflows. SM- provided a summary Table at previous CCC meeting with GW and SW modelled data provided by water experts.		Complete. SM- sent a copy of the GW summary table to CC.
	CCC members - requested to have a presentation of GW similar to the other BTM mines.	SM – to invite Hydrogeologist- (water consultant) at next CCC Meeting to make a presentation on GW.	Complete. JT from AGE was invited to make a presentation on GW.
	CC- requested WHC list of trade and apprenticeship.	TM/SM- to follow up with HR and provide a copy of list.	Complete. SM- provided hard copy of information available on the WHC website.

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	CCC members- asked for local procurement strategy to be presented.	JH – asked for a breakdown of financial support per Shires to present at next meeting.	Complete. JHa- gave a printed copy of the breakdown financial support to CC.
	JHA- wants to discuss fire emergency with RFS members.	SM – to send invitation to RFS to come to site.	JHa- was contacted by Richard and told him that TCM can supply water at the gate if requested by RFS. SM- to send an invitation to RFS to come to site
	JH- Concern about potential damage of fire truck water pumps if residue of Dust suppressant is still in the water supplied by the mine.	JHa- to check with company “Dust a Side” potential risk and compatibility for fire pumps and equipment.	Complete JHa- ratio of suppressant is low and product is highly diluted so should not impact on pumps.
	JH- asked about ratio employees versus Contractors travelling on the haulage road. RR- requested a figure around employee’s retention rate. CC- overall, community gives a good reputation to TCM and acknowledge it is a great place to work.	JHa- to follow up with Human Resources (HR) to find out the ratio employees versus contractors at TCM.	Complete. JHa- said approximately workforce is made of 75% WHC and 25% contractors. High retention with WHC but low within the contractors. WHC employees generally like the roster at TCM

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4. Business Arising	CC- Dust A side description and usage	DR- to look at feasibility (agreement with BTM mines) for the company “Dust A Side” to talk about dust suppressant.	
		DR- to provide CCC members with link to EPA Namoi Region website. DR- to discuss potential attendance of EPA at next BTM CCC meeting to explain air matters.	
	SM- TCM working toward a new MOP and a MOD of the Project Approval.	CC- requested SM to explain details of MOD and confirm date of submission.	
5. Mine Progress Report	JHa: - WHC bought new machines, - Change of roster temporary (day shift Saturday/Sunday) to ramp up to 3Mt, - Actual production behind schedule temporary - New excavator assembled next week, - Digital radio system 80% complete, - On-going usage of “Dust A Side” product.		

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6. Environmental Monitoring report	<p>SM- Read and explained the Quarterly Environmental Report results.</p> <p>JT- Made a presentation on GW and responded to all questions from the CCC Members.</p> <p>CCC Members- Thankful and appreciated efforts made by TCM to organise the visit of the GW expert.</p>	SM- to send presentation to CCC members via DR.	Complete, SM sent presentations to DR.
7. General business	<p>CC (rep CF)- what will be the measure taken by TCM and WHC if the water is depleted? What contingency plan is in place?</p> <p>JHa- Several scenarios are possible, but options will be unveiled once the mine gets closer to deplete all the stored water. Priority will be given to WHC employees and some of the measures can include reduction of shift and sending employees to other part of the business.</p> <p>CCC Members- requested to organise a site tour next year.</p>	<p>JHa- to provide an action/measure plan to the CCC members for the case of complete water depletion.</p> <p>JHa- Organise site tour at next CCC meeting</p>	

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8.Complaints	SM- No Complaint received since last CCC meeting.		
9. Next Meeting and Other Comments	DR- next TCCC meetings will be held on 15th May 2019.		
	DR-next BTM CCC meetings will be held on 16th May 2019		

Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee Meeting #55

Quarterly Environmental Monitoring Report
1 November 2018 – 31 January 2019



Photo taken from Northern Rehabilitation area (29/05/19)

This report has been prepared for the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) Meeting to show Environmental monitoring performance at Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) for the reporting period from November 1st to January 31st 2018. Maps with all the monitoring locations are available in *Appendix A*.

Noise Monitoring

Road Noise Monitoring was conducted at Brooklyn 1, Brooklyn 2 and Werona properties in December 2018. The noise criterion was not exceeded for all the sites.

Attended noise monitoring was conducted at the “Bungalow” (TN4), “Barbers Lagoon” (TN3) and “Matong” (TN2) properties from 10th to 13th December 2018. The noise criterion for the mine is 35dB(A) Leq (15 min) for all operating times.

The results below and in *Appendix B* show that noise emissions from the mine did not exceed the operational noise criterion at the “Barbers Lagoon”, “Bungalow” or “Matong” monitoring locations during the monitoring event.

Noise from the mine must not exceed 45 dB(A) L1 (1 min) between 10 pm and 7 am. This is to minimise the potential for sleep disturbance as a result of individual loud noises from the mine. The results of the sleep disturbance monitoring show that the measured L1 (1 min) noise level did not exceed the sleep disturbance criterion.

The real time noise monitor located on the “Coomalgah” property remains a management tool so the noise criteria are not applicable at that site. Level of noise recorded at that location is managed according to the noise management plan and trigger action response plan.

Table- 1.a: Road Noise Monitoring results for December 2018 (extracted from SLR reports)

Location	Measured Coal Haulage LAeq(1hour) Contribution dBA		Noise Criteria LAeq(1hour) dBA	Compliance
	Day	Evening	Day& Evening	
Brooklyn 1	58	1	60	Y
Brooklyn 2	45	1	60	Y
Werona	1	44	60	Y

Note 1: Noise monitoring was not conducted during this period at this location.

Table- 1.b: Attended Noise Monitoring results for Quarter 4 2018 (extracted from SLR reports)

EPL ID	Location	Date	Tarrawonga Coal Mine Contribution dBA				Criteria	Measurement Periods	Weather Compliant			Compliant
			LAeq(15minute) Day	LAeq(15minute) Evening	LAeq(15minute) Night	LA1(1minute) Night			Day	Eve	Night	
79a	Barbers Lagoon	10/12/2018	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	Day, Evening and Night – 35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
		11/12/2018	31	I/A	34	44			Yes	No	Yes	Yes
		12/12/2018	I/A	28	26	35			Yes	Yes	No	Yes
		13/12/2018	30	N/M	I/A	I/A			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
89	Bungalow	10/12/2018	28	I/A	I/A	I/A	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	No	Yes	No	Yes
		11/12/2018	I/A	I/A	28	42			No	No	No	Yes
		12/12/2018	I/A	25	25	32			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
		13/12/2018	I/A	I/A	30	38			No	No	Yes	Yes
60a	Coomalgah/ Matong	10/12/2018	32	I/A	I/A	I/A	Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
		11/12/2018	I/A	I/A	30	43			No	Yes	No	Yes
		12/12/2018	27	I/A	I/A	I/A			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
		13/12/2018	26	I/A	32	I/A			No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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

Blast Monitoring

Blasting Results

Since 2006, there have been 860 blasts (until 31/01/2019) at TCM.

There has been no exceedance of blast criteria since the last meeting. The highest result obtained for blasting overpressure was **112.7 dB** recorded on 01/02/19 and the highest result for ground vibration was **0.74 mm/s** recorded at the Coomalgah station on 31/12/18.

Table- 2: Max Peak Overpressure and Ground Pressure for the Quarter

Monitor Location	Date	Max. Peak Overpressure (dB)	Criterion (dB)	Date	Max. Peak Ground Pressure (mm/s)	Criterion (mm/s)
Tarrowonga*	4/01/19	110.9	N/A	12/11/18	0.72	N/A
Coomalgah	01/02/19	112.7	115	31/12/18	0.74	10

**Not applicable according to EPL and PA11_0047 because project related property*

Air Quality Monitoring

Dust Deposition Results

Table 3 shows deposited dust gauge results over 12 months. All the monitors are located on project related land; as such compliance criteria (**4g/m²/month**) do not apply. The weather conditions have been relatively dry, overall deposited dust trends are steady during the reporting period (refer graph in *Appendix C*). Note the elevated level recorded at EB14 (East side) in December 2018 returned to normal (or average level) in January 2018. ALS was responsible for sampling and analysis and conducted an investigation to determine potential reason behind that elevated result. They found that the samples was contaminated.

Table 3 – Deposited Dust Gauge Results [g/m²/month]

MONTH	TEMPLEMORE (EB-4)	BOLLOL CREEK STN (EB-5)	AMBARDO (EB-6)	TARRAWONGA (EB-7)	THUIN (EB-8)	PINE GROVE (EB-9)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-10)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-11)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-14)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-15)	JERALONG NORTH (EB-16)
Jan-18	6.7	2.6	10.5	2.1	2.5	3.4	14.4	4.3	1.9	3.4	5.3
Feb-18	1.9	2.5	2.6	1.3	13.3	6.2	3.6	3.2	2	3.1	2.2
Mar-18	6.1	7.5	4.9	1.5	3.9	1.5	7.8	2.8	2.3	3.8	9.4
Apr-18	1.2	3.4	1.2	0.9	3.4	2.4	4.8	4.5	1.9	4	3.3
May-18	2.3	2.7	1	0.9	1.6	1.9	2	6.9	1.7	3.1	2.8
June-18	1.2	2.4	0.9	0.8	2.1	2.4	3.4	3.1	2.1	4.7	0.8
Jul-18	18.4	3.4	0.9	0.6	3.4	1.1	2.2	2	1.8	5	1.1
Aug-18	5.19	4.01	11.55	1.77	3.63	2.11	3.85	5.08	3.58	4.35	1.94
Sep-18	5.9	9.8	3.6	3.4	4.1	4.4	5.6	3.4	4.3	6.1	3.1
Oct-18	5.9	4.3	11.1	1.7	3.8	4.7	10.8	3.5	3	5.4	2.7
Nov-18	4.3	1.6	3.2	4.1	6.2	5.8	5.5	11.3	4.6	6.8	3.32
Dec-18	18.9	11.1	11.1	2.8	4.2	4.6	5.7	3	47.2*	8	4.3
Jan-19	7.8	2.4	5.6	5.7	9.5	7.8	9.2	6.2	3.3	4	7.6
12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE	6.6	4.4	5.2	2.1	4.7	3.7	6.1	4.6	2.7	4.7	3.7

*ALS advised the sample was contaminated and the value is not included in the annual rolling average.

High Volume Air sampler (PM10) Results

The High Volume Air Sampler (HVAS) installed at Coomalgah property monitors level of Particle Matter under 10 micron (PM₁₀). It operates for 24hr every 6 days. Table 4 shows all the 24hr average values recorded for this quarter and the rolling Annual average. Elevated levels of dust were investigated and in all cases wind, grazing or farming activity near the monitor were direct cause of the elevated reading.

Table- 4: HVAS PM10 24 hr average levels for the Quarter

Date	24hr averaged PM10 (µg/m ³)	Criterion 24hr average (µg/m ³)	Rolling Annual average (µg/m ³)	Criterion Annual Average (µg/m ³)	Comments
3/11/2018	44.8	50	17.66	30	No comments
9/11/2018	18.3		17.88		No comments
15/11/2018	66.7		17.83		Windy noted in the field sheet, winds above 7m/s recorded on the day of sampling. Most wind coming from South and West direction. Not mine related. Exclude from annual average.
21/11/2018	41.2		18.44		No comments
27/11/2018	38.2		18.88		No comments
3/12/2018	51.1		18.90		Shed construction near monitor noted in the field sheet by ALS. Wind recorded at the weather station on that day was predominantly coming from South and West of the monitor. Not mine related. Exclude from annual average.
9/12/2018	45.4		19.60		No comments
15/12/2018	175		19.41		Farming activity at Coomalgah, movement of trucks near the monitor. Photos taken as evidence of activity on 11/12. Filter was very dusty (red dirt) noted on the field sheet. Wind recorded was above 7.5m/s. Not mine related. Exclude from annual average
21/12/2018	36.4		19.97		No comments
27/12/2018	111		19.81		Grazing activity and wind noted on the field sheet by ALS. Most wind was coming from East of the monitor according to the weather station. Not mine related. Exclude from annual average.
2/1/2019	34		19.96		No comments
8/1/2019	53.8		19.33		Wind noted in the Field sheet by ALS. Wind and Grazing activity noted in the field sheet by ALS during the filter change on the 02/01/19.. Elevated wind recorded on 7/01/2019 with winds above the 8m/s. Not mine related Exclude from annual average
14/01/2019	88.8		19.08		Most wind was coming from South West on that day. Winds recorded at 7m/s on 13/01. Farming activity and wind noted in the field sheet by ALS on the day of inspection. Not mine related. Exclude from annual average
20/01/2019	34.8		19.46		No comments
26/01/2019	23.7		19.56		No comments

According to the current Air Quality and Greenhouse gas Management Plan, the real time air quality unit (TEOM) installed at the “Flixton” property monitors PM₁₀ levels in ambient air. It is an operational management tool and dust levels nearing or reaching the nominated criteria will trigger actions onsite to assess the source of dust and modify operations if it is determined to be related to Tarrawonga operations.



TEOM installed at Flixton property

Water Monitoring

Groundwater

Routine groundwater monitoring was undertaken in December 2018 and showed in **Table 5** (refer to graphs in *Appendix D*).

Table 5- Groundwater results Summary

Site	Date	SWL (mbgl)	pH (units)	Elect. Conduct (µS/cm)
MW1				
Thuin	September 2017	6.80*	8.31	3370
	December 2017	6.73	7.7	3280
	February 2018	6.81	7.9	3460
	June 2018	6.91	7.9	3350
	September 2018	6.92	7.7	3430
	December 2018	7.03	7.8	3420
MW2				
Thuin	September 2017	3.64	7.54	533
	December 2017	3.68	7	545
	February 2018	4.23	7.3	519
	June 2018	4.67	7.3	547
	September 2018	4.79	6.8	615
	December 2018	3.53	6.8	545
MW4				
Tarrawonga	September 2017	8.9	7.82	4570
	December 2017	8.95	7.2	4440
	February 2018	9.08	7.4	4610
	June 2018	9.14	7.3	4430
	September 2018	9.34	6.9	4560
	December 2018	9.46	7.0	4610
MW5				
Templemore	September 2017	2.75	8.19	2640
	December 2017	2.78	7.7	2630
	February 2018	3.12	7.9	2320
	June 2018	3.31	7.9	1413
	September 2018	3.56	7.8	2040
	December 2018	3.41	7.7	2130
MW6				
Nagero	September 2017	4.57	8.15	1710
	December 2017	4.55	7.6	1738
	February 2018	4.76	7.8	1833
	June 2018	4.75	7.7	1828
	September 2018	4.84	8.0	2090
	December 2018	4.85	7.6	2200
MW7				
Tarrawonga Mine	September 2017	104.47	No sample	No sample
	December 2017	104.53	No sample	No sample
	February 2018	104.97	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	June 2018	106.21	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	September 2018	104.65	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	December 2018	105.01	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
MW8				
Tarrawonga Mine	September 2017	13.04	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	December 2017	13.12	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	February 2018	12.52	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	June 2018	13.33	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	September 2018	13.48	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	December 2018	13.29	Casing blocked	Casing blocked

(*SLR consultant (GM) advised that previously SWL was reported as mbtoc instead of mbgl)

Surface Water

Estimated volume of water stored onsite as 17th January 2019 was approximately **191.2 ML**.

According to the BTM Complex strategy, water sharing opportunity is continuously discussed between the three mines. TCM continue assessing options to source additional water in order to maintain the mine in operation in the long run.

Rehabilitation and Clearing

Rehabilitation

Operations and Environment departments work together to develop and implement a more efficient rehabilitation program. The aim is to enhance the quantity of areas rehabilitated.

In 2018, TCM planted approximately 2,400 trees in the designated rehabilitation areas including Eucalyptus albens, Eucalyptus blakelyi, Eucalyptus crebra, Eucalyptus melliodora, Eucalyptus pilligaensis, Eucalyptus populanea, Eucalyptus macrocarpa, Eucalyptus Melanophloia, Eucalyptus Crebra, Eucalyptus Dealbata and Eucalyptus Dwyeri.

For 2019, 4,200 trees have been ordered and they will be planted in the two waste dump areas before winter.

Clearing

Clearing campaign is planned to start mid-February. According to the current Mining Operations Plan (MOP), only 19.8Ha of disturbance are allowed for 2019. Pre-clearing ecological inspections, RAPS inspections and pre-strip soil testing will be undertaken before the clearing can start. The contractor engaged for the tree clearing will bring all the machines onsite to start clearing from the last week of February.

Complaints

Since the last meeting, no complaint was lodged.

Environmental Management Plans

DPE have contacted TCM to confirm progress on the review of the Management Plan submitted in August 2018. The Department committed to provide some comments by end of March 2019.

TCM have updated Management plans with the assistance of experts. Management Plans submitted at the end of August 2018 to agencies, CCC members (for feedbacks) and DPE (for approval) include:

Noise Management Plan

The Noise management Plan was revised by Todoroski Air Science (TAS).

Blast Management Plan

The Blast Management Plan was revised by TAS.

Air Quality Greenhouse Gas Management Plan

The Air Quality Management Plan was revised by TAS too.

Water Management Plan

The Water management plan was revised by WRM.

BTM Water Strategy

The Draft BTM Water Strategy was sent to CCC members and agencies for consultations in July 2018.

TCM and the other BTM complex mines are currently discussing with DPE and Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) regarding the draft Water Strategy. A teleconference was held in December 2018 between agencies (NRAR, and DPE), BTM mines and the Groundwater Expert (AGE). Agencies will confirm their availability to inspect the 3 mines and then further discussions with the groundwater expert will be required to agree an approach that will address all the concerns raised by agencies and community members.

Annual and Compliance Reporting

Annual Review Report

TCM have started the preparation of the Annual Review due by 31st March.

Annual Return Report

TCM have started the preparation of the Annual Return due by 9th March.

Environmental Improvement and Initiatives

Dust Management

TCM have engaged the company Dust A Side to provide advice and solution to minimise potential fugitive dust generated by exposed surfaces such as haul roads. Since end of April 2018, TCM have been monitoring the results and trying to improve the spraying and mixing techniques. The product used is totally organic, has no corrosive chloride compounds, and is environmentally friendly and readily biodegradable.

Usage of that product on mine haul truck roads is ongoing.

Water Management

TCM have installed marked gauge boards in the authorised discharged dams. This initiative improves water management practices.

Noise Management

The portable noise monitor was relocated few hundreds meter away from farming/ grazing activity zone at Coolmalgah and a new fence was installed around it.

Rehabilitation

TCM have used an ATV to water the rehabilitated areas. That initiative improved the chance of tree survival.

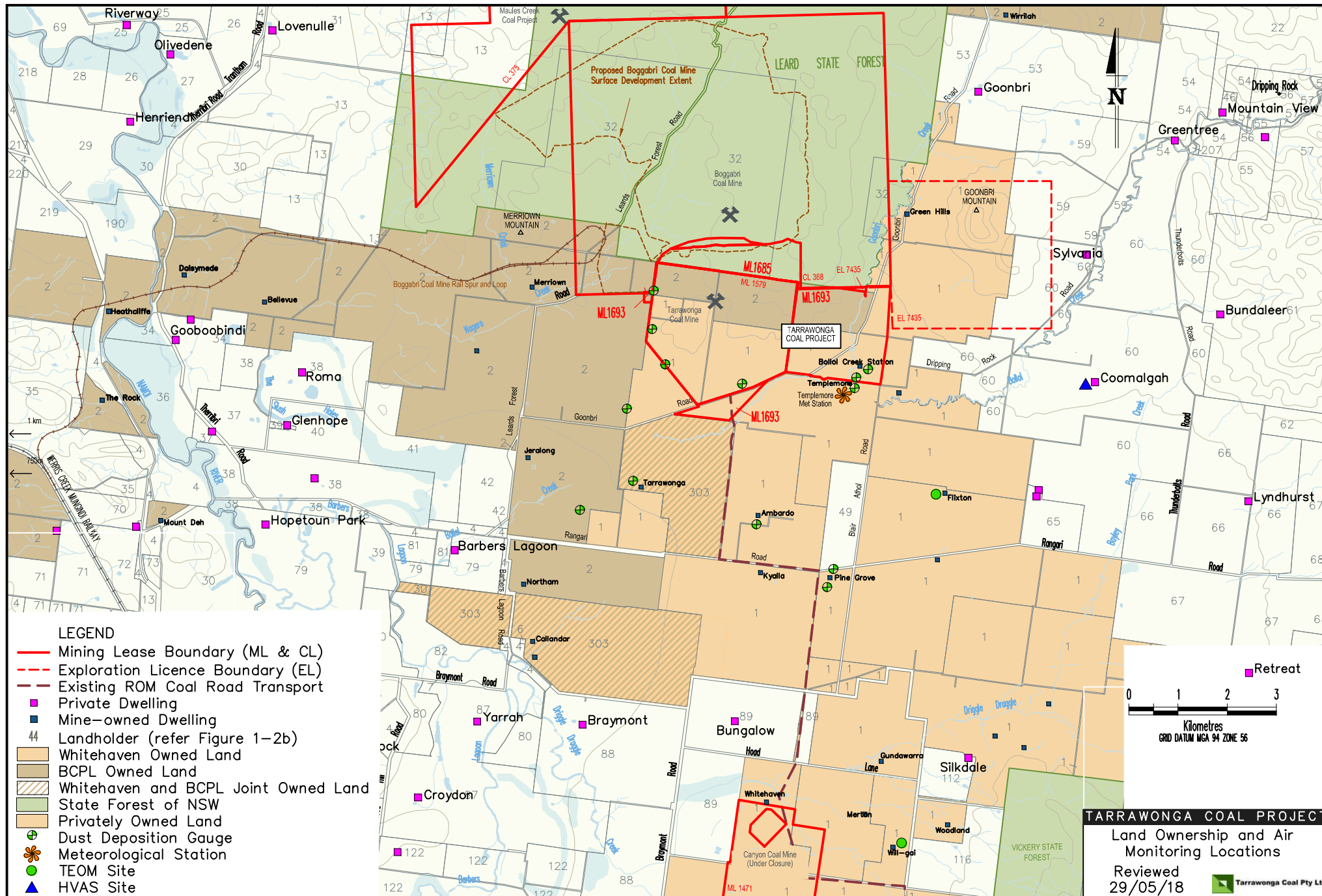
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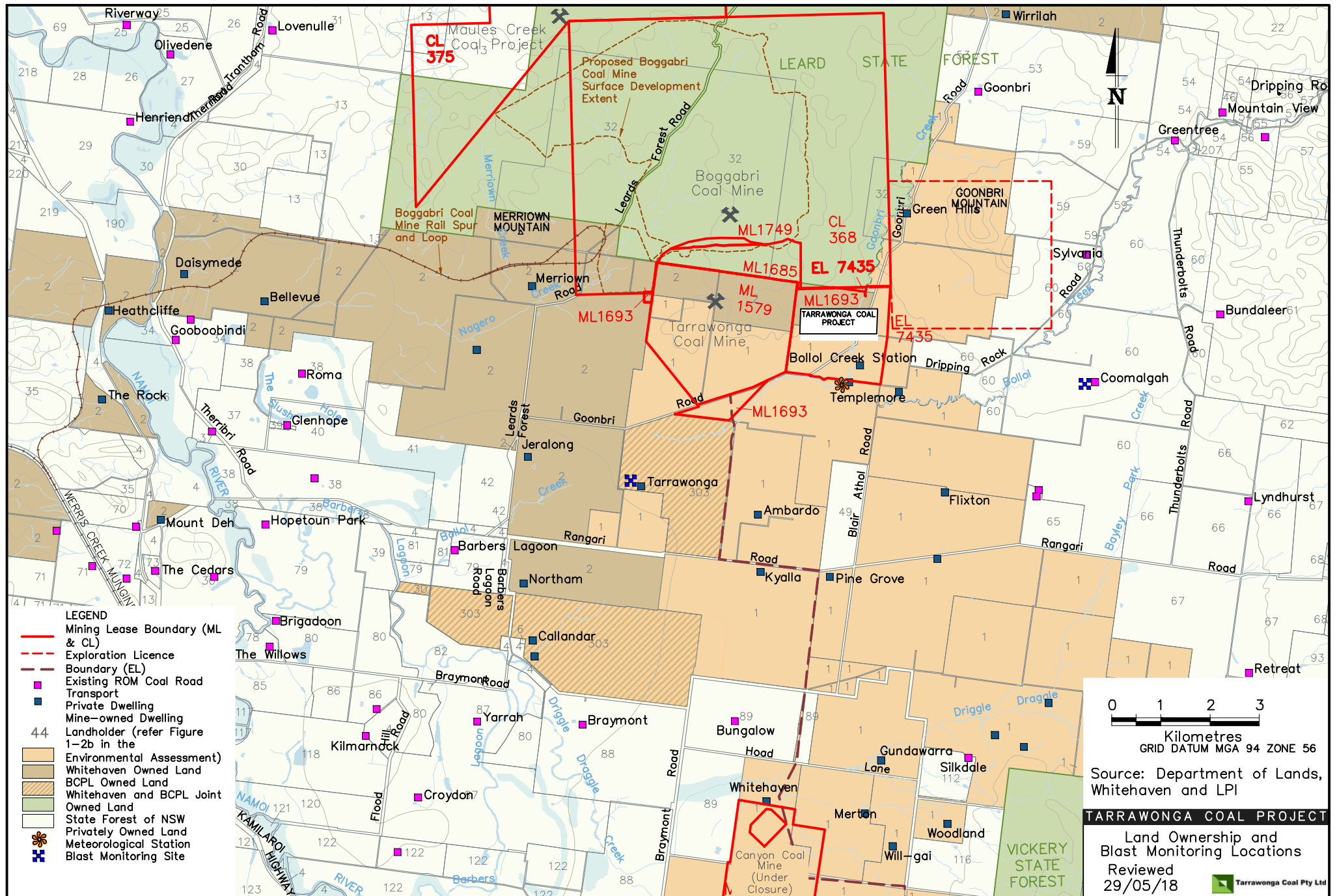
Two Portable dust (PM10) monitors have been ordered to upgrade the air monitoring network. They have been installed and record continuously data

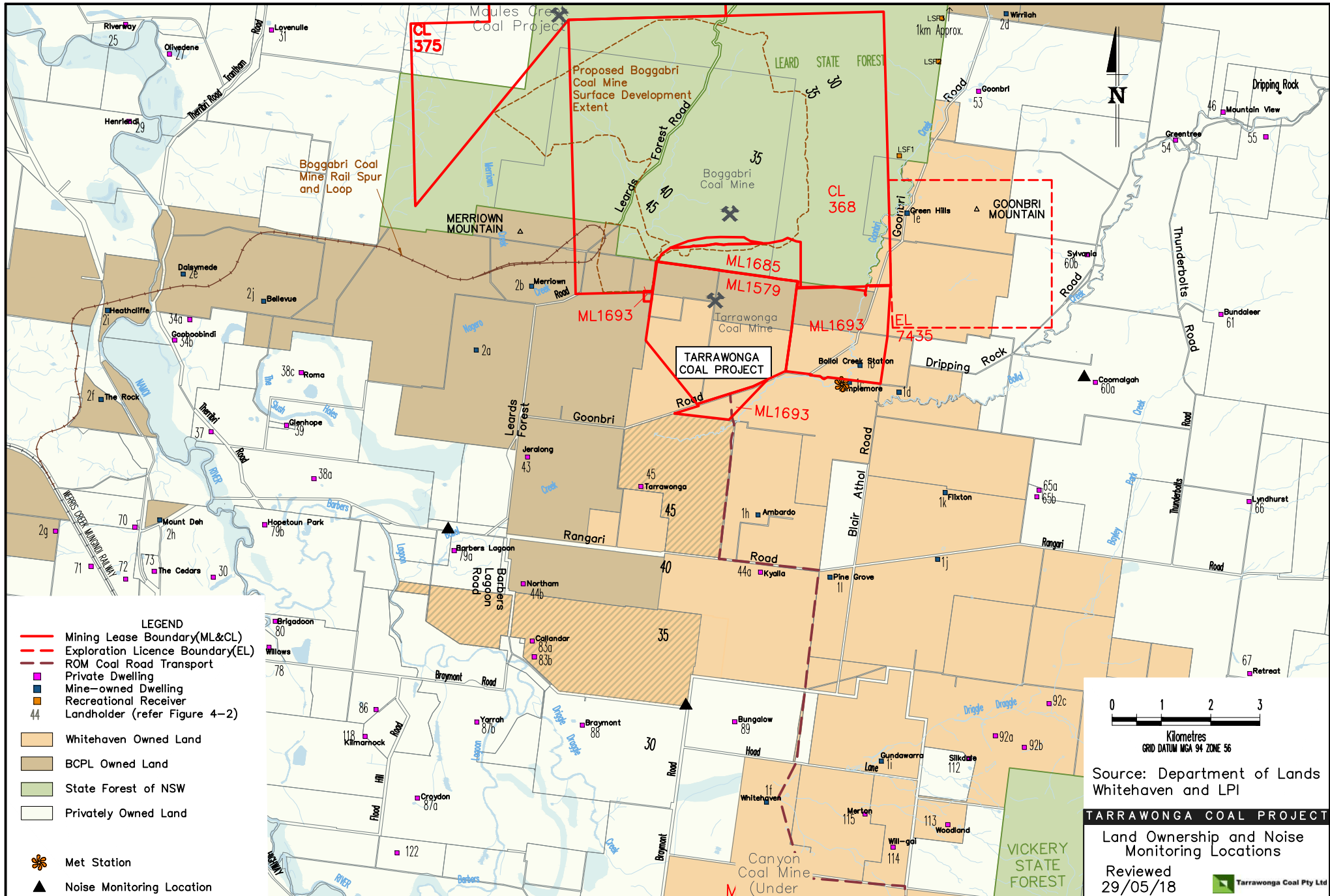


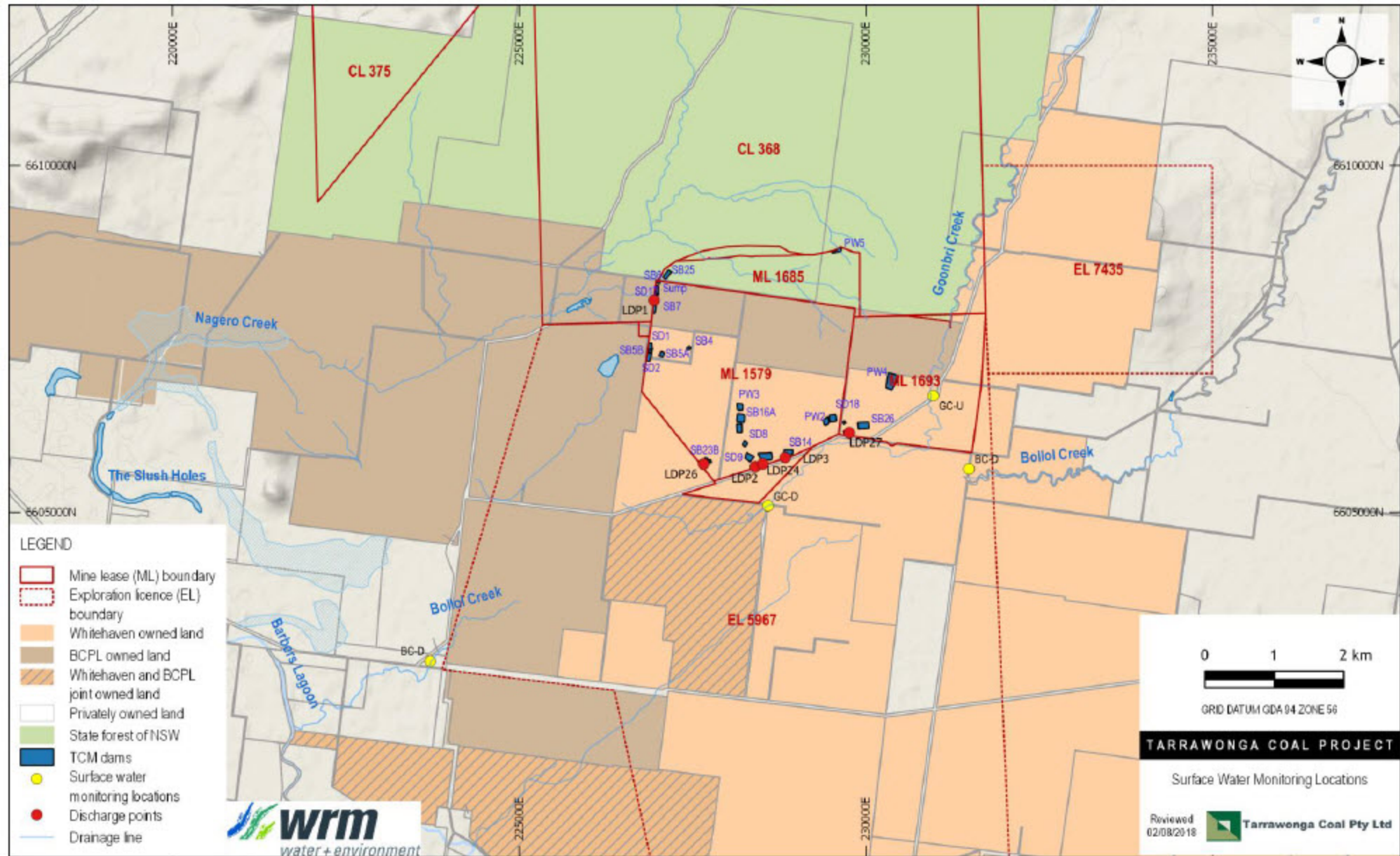
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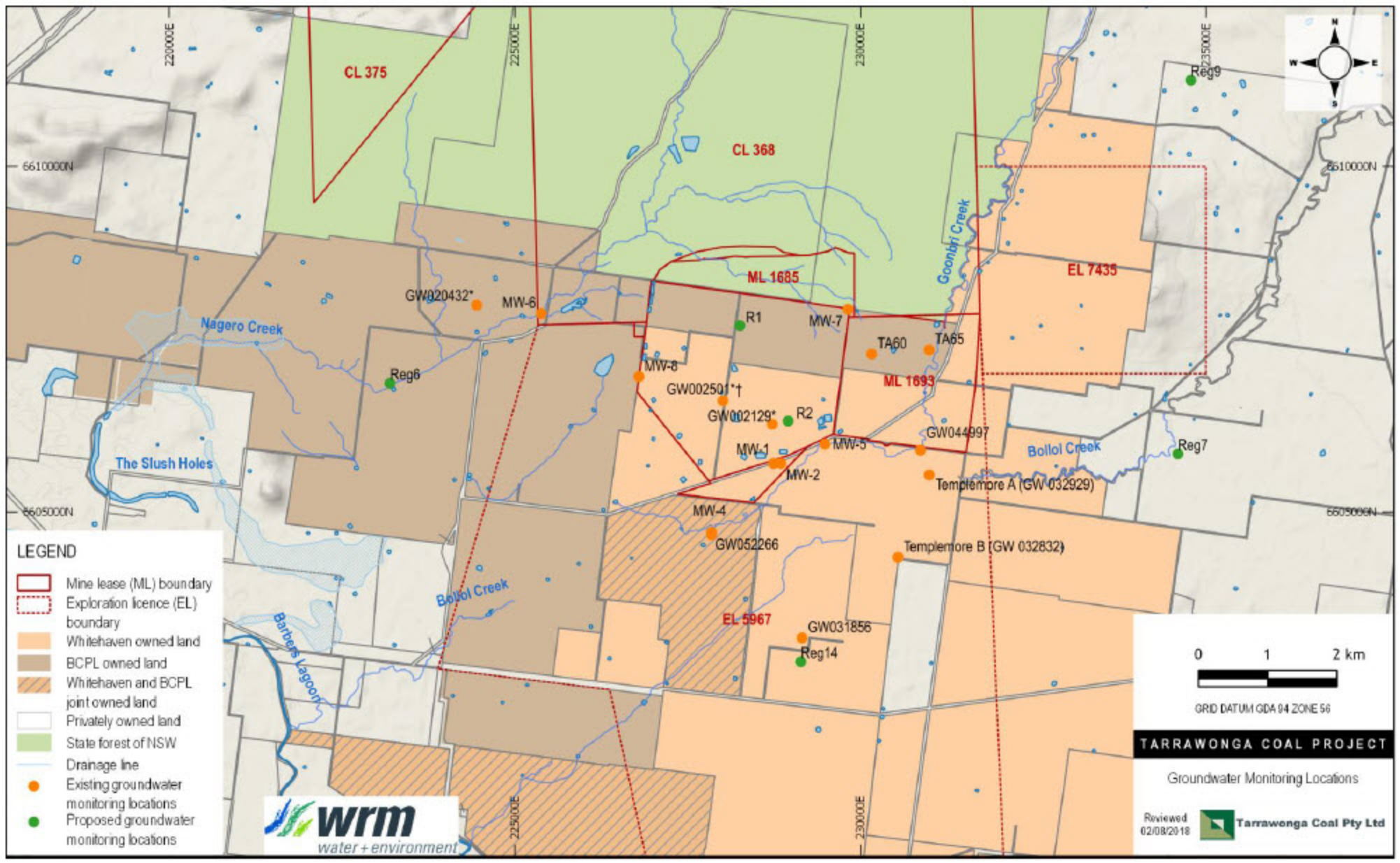
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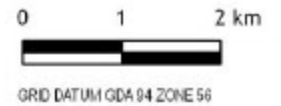






LEGEND

- Mine lease (ML) boundary
- Exploration licence (EL) boundary
- Whitehaven owned land
- BCPL owned land
- Whitehaven and BCPL joint owned land
- Privately owned land
- State forest of NSW
- Drainage line
- Existing groundwater monitoring locations
- Proposed groundwater monitoring locations



TARRAWONGA COAL PROJECT

Groundwater Monitoring Locations

Reviewed 02/08/2018 Tarrawonga Coal Pty Ltd

Appendix B

WHITEHAVEN COAL OPERATIONAL NOISE MONITORING

**Road Traffic Noise
December 2018**

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1 Introduction

Whitehaven Coal Limited (Whitehaven) has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct road traffic noise monitoring for residential receivers located along Blue Vale Road, New South Wales (NSW) in accordance with the approved Rocglen Road Traffic Noise Management Plan (RTNMP) dated June 2013, the Rocglen Project Approval (PA 10_0015) and the Tarrawonga Project Approval (PA 11_0047). The RTNMP assesses road traffic noise generated by both Rocglen Coal Mine (RCM) and Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) as required in the Project Approvals. Therefore operator attended road traffic noise monitoring is conducted on Blue Vale Road south of RCM to ensure the measurement of the cumulative effects of both RCM and TCM coal haulage.

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

- Conduct operator attended noise surveys at three (3) locations (Brooklyn 1, Brooklyn 2 and Werona) along Blue Vale Road during the approved coal transport times (Day 07:00 – 09:30 or Evening 18:00 – 22:00).
- Quantify the total measured $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ from all noise sources to allow for the comparison of contribution from coal haul trucks to other sources.
- Assess the $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ and total number coal haul trucks (identified as empty or full) and determine compliance with respect to the Project Approval limits.

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

2 Performance Assessment and Discussion

Table 1 provides a summary of the attended noise measurements undertaken at each monitoring location. Further details are provided for each location in **Section 5** of this report.

Table 1 Performance Assessment – Operations

Location	Measured Coal Haulage $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ Contribution dBA		Noise Criteria $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ dBA	Compliance
	Day	Evening	Day& Evening	
Brooklyn 1	58	_1	60	Y
Brooklyn 2	45	_1	60	Y
Werona	_1	44	60	Y

Note 1: Noise monitoring was not conducted during this period at this location.

3 Noise Criteria

3.1 Project Approval and RTNMP

Noise monitoring was conducted in accordance with the PA 10_0015 and PA 11_0047 requirements and the RTNMP. The site specific PA noise limits are reproduced in **Table 2**.

Table 2 Project Approval Noise Criteria- dBA (re 20 µPa)

Location	Day	Evening	Night
	L _{Aeq} (1hour)	L _{Aeq} (1hour)	L _{Aeq} (1hour)
Any residence on privately owned land	60	60	55

Note: To identify locations see **Figure 1**.
Noise generated by the project is to be measured in accordance with the relevant procedures and exemptions (including certain meteorological conditions) of the NSW Road Traffic Noise Policy.

In the event of a noise criteria exceedance, the RTNMP states:

*If road noise exceeds the levels outlined in **Table 2** advice will be sought from an appropriate acoustic consultant to verify the source of the elevated noise and identify options to address noise related impacts. Such actions may include:*

- *Additional testing to confirm the elevated noise is systemic in nature;*
- *Consideration to changes to operational procedure or equipment type; and*
- *The installation of sound attenuation measures to plant and equipment, where necessary.*

Where it is identified that the above options cannot achieve compliance with noise criteria, RCM will undertake negotiations with the affected landowners with a view to entering into private agreements. Such negotiations would include options with regard to provision of insulation, double-glazing of windows, air-conditioning, or other measures designed to reduce noise impact at the affected property.

4 Attended Road Traffic Noise Monitoring

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 – 2004 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters – Specifications*, AS IEC 61672.2-2004, AS IEC 61672.3-2004 and carry 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.

4.2 Methodology - Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Noise monitoring was conducted in accordance with the current Rocglen RTNMP.

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted during the day and evening periods for a minimum of one (1) hour at each of the three (3) nominated noise monitoring locations representing the most affected receiver locations. Locations are listed in **Table 3** and shown in **Figure 1**.

During attended monitoring, the following is monitored:

- The total number of truck pass-bys and direction (identified as empty or full) and times of pass-bys.
- Noise levels from coal haulage trucks on Blue Vale Road at residential areas.
- Wind speed and direction.
- Details of any exceptionally noise truck(s).

Table 3 Noise Monitoring Locations

Monitoring Location	Receiver Type	Monitoring Location - MGA Zone 56	
		Easting (m)	Northing (m)
Brooklyn 1	Residence	233621.04	6576425.78
Brooklyn 2	Residence	233222.48	6576596.95
Werona	Residence	234418.00	6581187.17

The objective of the operator attended noise monitoring was to measure $L_{Aeq(1hour)}$ noise level contribution from the coal haul trucks at the nearest potentially affected receptors in order to determine the noise contribution of operational activities associated with coal haulage over each 1 hour measurement period. Operator attended noise measurements were conducted using one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2250L sound level meters (s/n 3004636 and 3005904).

4.3 Data Processing

The data collected during the operator attended noise monitoring was processed using Bruel & Kjaer Evaluator Type 7820-7821. Extraneous noise sources were filtered and an $L_{Aeq(1hour)}$ contribution of coal haulage only was calculated.

Figure 1 Attended Noise Monitoring Locations



5 Results and Discussion

5.1 Results of Operator Attended Monitoring

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted during the day and evening periods commencing on Wednesday 12 December 2018.

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at the three (3) nominated receivers are provided in **Table 4** to **Table 6**.

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

Weather data during the monitoring period has been obtained from the weather station located on the RCM 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 the weather station.
- Typical maximum (L_{Amax}).

5.1.1 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Monitoring Location Brooklyn 1

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at Brooklyn 1 are provided in **Table 4**. The monitoring location represents the residential receptor located approximately 90 m west of Blue Vale Road.

Table 4 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Brooklyn 1

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria – $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ dBA	Total Number of Coal Haul Trucks		Measured $L_{Aeq}(1hour)$ dBA		Description of extraneous noise sources - Typical L_{Amax} noise levels
		Full	Empty	Total	Coal Haulage	
Day 12/12/2018 07:29 1.5 m/s E 24 °C 3004636	60	22	31	58	58	Other road traffic 50-53 Aeroplane 45 Frogs 44-46

5.1.2 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Monitoring Location Brooklyn 2

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at Brooklyn (2) are provided in **Table 5**. The monitoring location represents the residential receptor located approximately 480 m west of Blue Vale Road.

Table 5 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Brooklyn 2

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria – LAeq(1hour) dBA	Total Number of Coal Haul Trucks		Measured LAeq(1hour) dBA		Description of extraneous noise sources - Typical (LAmax) noise levels
		Full	Empty	Total	Coal Haulage	
Evening 12/12/2018 07:32 1.5 m/s E 24 °C 3005904	60	21	30	48	45	Other road traffic 42-46 Birdsong 37-72

5.1.3 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Monitoring Location Werona

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at Werona are provided in **Table 6**. The monitoring location represents the residential receptor located approximately 320 m east of Blue Vale Road.

Table 6 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Werona

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria – LAeq(1hour) dBA	Total Number of Coal Haul Trucks		Measured LAeq(1hour) dBA		Description of extraneous noise sources - Typical (LAmax) noise levels
		Full	Empty	Total	Coal Haulage	
Day 12/12/2018 18:22 2 m/s NW 30 °C 3005904	60	17	18	50	44	Other road traffic 42-49 Birds 49-57 Residential car pass 73

6 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Whitehaven Coal Limited to conduct road traffic noise monitoring for the Rocglen and Tarrawonga Coal Mines in accordance with the Road Traffic Noise Management Plan and Project Approvals PA 10_0015 and PA 11_0047.

Operator attended noise monitoring was conducted at three (3) locations in order to determine the noise performance of the coal haulage and has found that compliance was achieved at all locations.

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1 Introduction

Whitehaven Coal Limited (Whitehaven) has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct operational noise monitoring for Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) located approximately 16 km east of Boggabri, New South Wales (NSW) in accordance with the approved Tarrawonga Noise Management Plan (NMP) dated December 2014, the Whitehaven Project Approval (PA 11_0047 – May 2017) and the Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 12365 dated 27/06/2017 (EPL 12365).

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

- Conduct operator attended noise surveys at three (3) locations (79a, 89 and 60a) 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 TCM and determine compliance with respect to the limits contained in Section 2 of the NMP, Schedule 3 - Condition 3 & 6 of the PA and Condition L4.1 of the EPL.

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

2 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** of this report.

Table 1 Performance Assessment – Operations

EPL ID	Location	Date	Tarrawonga Coal Mine Contribution dBA				Criteria	Measurement Periods	Weather Compliant			Compliant
			LAeq(15minute) Day	LAeq(15minute) Evening	LAeq(15minute) Night	LA1(1minute) Night			Day	Eve	Night	
79a	Barbers Lagoon	10/12/2018	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	Day, Evening and Night – 35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
		11/12/2018	31	I/A	34	44			Yes	No	Yes	Yes
		12/12/2018	I/A	28	26	35			Yes	Ye	No	Yes
		13/12/2018	30	N/M	I/A	I/A			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
89	Bungalow	10/12/2018	28	I/A	I/A	I/A	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)		No	Yes	No	Yes
		11/12/2018	I/A	I/A	28	42			No	No	No	Yes
		12/12/2018	I/A	25	25	32			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
		13/12/2018	I/A	I/A	30	38			No	No	Yes	Yes
60a	Coomalgah/ Matong	10/12/2018	32	I/A	I/A	I/A			Yes	Yes	No	Yes
		11/12/2018	I/A	I/A	30	43			No	Yes	No	Yes
		12/12/2018	27	I/A	I/A	I/A			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
		13/12/2018	26	I/A	32	I/A			No	Yes	Yes	Yes

Note:

I/A = Inaudible

N/M = Not Measurable

3 Noise Criteria

3.1 Project Approval, EPL and NMP

Noise monitoring at TCM was conducted in accordance with the EPL 12365, the PA 11_0047 requirements and the NMP. The site specific EPL and PA noise limits are summarised in Section 2 of the NMP and are reproduced in **Table 2**.

Table 2 Project Approval and EPL Noise Criteria- dBA (re 20 µPa)

Location	Day	Cumulative Criteria1	Evening	Night	
	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LA1(1minute)
All Privately owned Residences	35 dBA	40 dBA	35 dBA	35 dBA	45 dBA

Note 1. Cumulative noise criteria to include noise generated by other mines

3.1.1 Non-compliances & Exemptions

In accordance with Section 11.1.3 of the Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI) 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 TCM is excessive, in which case TCM will be not complying with its consent or licence condition.
- The noise was increased by extreme, nonstandard weather effects—in which case the TCM is not considered to be in non-compliance 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 NPfI 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.”*

TCM defines non standard weather effects as:

- 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

3.1.2 Attended Monitoring

TCM will be undertaking Attended Noise monitoring on a quarterly basis at residential areas. The attended monitoring will take place at the following locations & can be found in **Figure 1**.

- Barbers Lagoon – 6412 Rangari Road
- Bungalow – 1216 Braymont Road
- Coolmagah/Matong – Eastern boundary

This monitoring will involve Day, Evening and Night Attended monitoring to determine the $L_{Aeq(15\text{minute})}$. During attended monitoring, the following is to be monitored:

- Noise levels from TCM at residential areas.
- wind speed and direction.
- Sky cloud cover, using direct observation for night measurements.

4 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 – 2004 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters – Specifications*, AS IEC 61672.2-2004, AS IEC 61672.3-2004 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 Sheets are provided in **Appendix B**.

4.2 Methodology - Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Noise monitoring was conducted in accordance with the current Tarrawonga NMP, and Conditions M7.1 and M7.4 of the EPL.

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 each of the three (3) nominated noise monitoring locations 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	Receiver Type	Address	Monitoring Location - MGA Zone 56	
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)
79a	Residence	Barbers Lagoon – 6145 Rangari Road	222934	6602484
89	Residence	Bungalow – 1216 Braymont Road	227596	6599265
60a	Residence	Matong/Coomalgah – Eastern boundary	233182	6606083

The objective of the operator attended noise monitoring was to measure the maximum (L_{Amax}) and the $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise level contribution from the TCM at the nearest potentially affected receptors in order to determine the noise contribution of operational activities associated with TCM operations over each 15 minute measurement period. In addition, the operator quantifies and characterises the overall levels of ambient noise in the area (i.e. L_{Amax} , $LA1$, $LA10$, $LA90$, L_{Aeq} and L_{Amin}) over the 15 minute measurement interval.

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted using a one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2250 Sound Level Meters (SLM) and a one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2270 SLM (serial numbers 3004636, 3005904 & 3008204 respectively).

Table 4 presents a summary of which days of the week the quarterly monitoring was conducted, in accordance with condition M7.5 of EPL 12365.

Table 4 Days of the Week Quarterly Monitoring was Conducted, Year 2018

Period	Day of the Week					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Day	10 December 2018	11 December 2018	12 December 2018	13 December 2018		
Evening	10 December 2018	11 December 2018	12 December 2018	13 December 2018		
Night ¹	10 December 2018	11 December 2018	12 December 2018	13 December 2018		

1. Taken to mean the night time period from 10:00 pm on the stated day to 7:00 am the following day.

Figure 1 Tarrawonga Coal Mine Attended Noise Monitoring Locations



5 Results and Discussion

5.1 Results of Operator Attended Monitoring

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at Barbers Lagoon, Bungalow and Matong/Coomalgah are provided in **Table 5** to **Table 16**.

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

Weather data during the monitoring period has been obtained from the weather station located on the TCM 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 the weather station.
- Typical maximum (L_{Amax}) and contributed $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise levels.

5.1.1 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Barbers Lagoon (79a)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 5** to **Table 8**. Monitoring location 79a represents residential receptors located to the southwest of the site in Barbers Lagoon.

Table 5 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmIn		
Day 10/12/2018 8:28 2-3 m/s W 31 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	72	60	47	37	47	32	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 43-61 Birds: 50-73 Farm animal: 48-56 Traffic noise: 54-66 Airplane: 72
		2	A	72	62	49	37	49	33	I/A	
		3	A	69	62	54	38	51	32	I/A	
		4	A	73	63	54	42	52	36	I/A	
		5	A	70	59	52	43	50	38	I/A	
		6	A	72	64	55	45	54	39	I/A	
Evening 10/12/2018 20:41 6 m/s NNE 29°C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	65	61	57	44	53	39	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 40-62 Dog 54-60
		2	D	68	65	61	50	57	48	I/A	
Night 10/12/2018 23:30 3 m/s E 27 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	60	48	42	36	40	34	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise 35-64 Insects 40-42 Road traffic 48-54
		2	D	56	47	44	36	40	34	I/A	
		3	D	60	49	46	37	42	33	I/A	
		4	D	64	53	45	34	43	32	I/A	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

Table 6 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 11/12/2018 09:42 3-4 m/s ESE 27 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	64	52	46	39	44	35	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 35-40 Reverse horn: 38 Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 40-57 Farm animal: 45-48 -72 Traffic: 42-49
		2	D	65	52	47	38	43	35	N/M	
		3	C	72	54	45	36	45	32	31	
		4	C	69	57	44	36	45	33	31	
		5	C	72	67	48	35	52	31	I/A	
		6	B	75	59	45	35	45	30	I/A	
Evening 11/12/2018 19:50 5 m/s SE 22 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	C	87	72	63	44	61	40	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 50-53 Birds: 54-67 Dog: 60-87 Traffic: 50-74
		2	D	70	60	50	39	50	33	I/A	
Night 12/12/2018 00:29 3 - 4 m/s ESE 20 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	53	44	41	36	39	34	LAeq: 34dBA LA1: 44 dBA	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 36-39 Mine noise: 42-44 Other Noise Events: Insects: 36-37 Rain: 39-53 Animal: 49
		2	E	51	41	38	36	37	33	LAeq: 34 dBA LA1: 44 dBA	
		3	D	49	41	38	35	37	41	LAeq: 33 dBA LA1:41 dBA	
		4	D	44	41	39	36	38	34	LAeq: 33 dBA LA1: 44 dBA	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

Table 7 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 12/12/2018 13:38 2-4 m/s SE 30 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	67	48	49	36	47	31	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 39-46 Birdsong 34-43 Road traffic 57-87 Farm operations 41-72
		2	A	87	66	45	37	55	34	I/A	
		3	A	71	55	49	36	45	33	I/A	
		4	A	57	49	45	36	42	33	I/A	
		5	A	68	57	52	39	48	27	I/A	
		6	C	61	54	50	41	47	37	I/A	
Evening 12/12/2018 19:50 2-3 m/s NE 27 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	C	69	57	45	37	45	33	28	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 36-38 Other Noise Events: Wind related noise:45-47 Birds: 40-69 Farm animal: 37-47 Insects: 40-41
		2	B	62	52	43	37	42	34	28	
Night 13/12/2018 00:27 3 m/s NNW 25 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	E	57	37	35	30	33	29	LAeq: 26 dBA LA1: 35 dBA	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 30-35 Other Noise Events: Animal: 32-57 Rain: 42-47 Insects: 31-35 Traffic: 41
		2	E	47	44	40	31	36	28	LAeq: 25 dBA LA1: 31dBA	
		3	F	57	43	40	32	36	30	LAeq: 25 dBA LA1: 32 dBA	
		4	F	51	38	34	30	32	28	LAeq: 25 dBA LA1 31 dBA	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

Table 8 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmin		
Day 13/12/2018 08:15 3 m/s N 25 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	61	54	47	35	44	32	30	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck 33-37 Other Noise Events: Farm animal: 43-75 Birds: 43-79 Traffic: 40-47 Owner of Barbers Lagoon: 40-65
		2	B	75	34	59	48	47	38	30	
		3	A	79	69	49	38	56	34	I/A	
		4	B	57	53	44	35	42	31	I/A	
		5	A	66	56	46	35	44	32	I/A	
		6	A	69	59	47	37	47	33	I/A	
Evening 13/12/2018 19:22 2 – 3 m/s N 14 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	74	59	51	38	48	30	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Birdsong 32-54 Wind 33-36 Insects 35 Road traffic 39-50
		2	B	73	58	52	36	48	28	N/M	
Night 13/12/2018 23:29 3 m/s N 23 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	52	51	45	36	42	34	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Wind related noise 33-58 Bats 58 Road traffic 48
		2	D	53	49	46	39	43	36	I/A	
		3	E	53	47	43	35	40	33	I/A	
		4	D	58	48	44	37	34	41	N/M	

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5.1.2 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Bungalow (89)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 9** to **Table 12**. Monitoring location 89 represents residential receptors located to the south of the site in Bungalow.

Table 9 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAMin		
Day 10/12/2018 10:41 5 m/s WSW 31 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	C	65	55	46	37	45	34	I/A	Site related noise: Haul truck: 30 Other noise events: Wind related noise: 40-49 Birds: 40-57 Traffic noise: 52-69 Insects: 41-47
		2	C	58	52	46	37	43	33	I/A	
		3	C	58	47	43	29	39	25	I/A	
		4	C	69	58	45	36	47	32	I/A	
		5	C	54	46	43	30	39	27	I/A	
		6	C	68	56	46	32	45	26	28	
Evening 10/12/2018 19:44 1 m/s N 30 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	61	46	43	27	38	24	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 39-45 Birds 41-55 Traffic 25-30
		2	C	50	47	46	38	43	31	I/A	
Night 10/12/2018 22:12 6 m/s E 29 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	62	58	56	49	53	46	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 40-62
		2	D	60	57	55	48	52	45	I/A	
		3	D	58	53	51	44	48	41	I/A	
		4	D	56	53	50	43	47	40	I/A	

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Table 10 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 11/12/2018 09:47 4 m/s ESE 28 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	63	54	44	32	42	28	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Road traffic 40-71 Birdsong 38-50 Wind related noise 48-81
		2	D	63	55	40	32	41	29	N/M	
		3	C	68	53	49	39	46	35	I/A	
		4	C	68	61	58	49	55	42	I/A	
		5	C	75	60	58	49	55	42	I/A	
		6	B	81	60	56	50	55	46	I/A	
Evening 11/12/2018 20:32 4 m/s SE 22 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	50	45	41	36	39	32	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 38-50 Insects: 37-40 Traffic: 40 Non-relevant noise: 49
		2	D	50	46	43	39	42	35	I/A	
Night 11/12/2018 23:18 4 m/s ESE 20 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	44	42	41	31	37	29	LAeq: 27 dBA LA1: 36 dBA	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 33-42 Other Noise Events: Insects: 37-43 Animal: 41-48 Traffic: 37
		2	D	44	43	41	32	38	28	LAeq: 27 dBA LA1: 34 dBA	
		3	E	48	41	40	32	36	29	LAeq: 28 dBA LA1: 36 dBA	
		4	D	44	42	39	34	37	31	LAeq:28 dBA LA1: 42 dBA	

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Table 11 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAm _{ax}	LA ₁	LA ₁₀	LA ₉₀	LA _{eq}	LA _{min}		
Day 12/12/2018 13:38 0 - 4 m/s NW 32 °C	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute)	1	A	75	49	39	29	46	25	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birdsong 33-71 Insect 35 Road traffic 63-75
		2	A	74	62	41	28	48	24	I/A	
		3	A	71	56	45	31	44	27	I/A	
		4	A	64	55	47	28	43	24	I/A	
		5	C	65	55	36	26	41	23	I/A	
		6	D	75	61	44	27	48	23	I/A	
Evening 12/12/2018 20:33 2 m/s N 27 °C	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute)	1	A	50	49	46	37	43	33	25	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 30-33 Horn: 42 Other Noise Events: Insects: 40-50
		2	B	47	46	44	37	42	35	25	
Night 12/12/2018 23:17 3 m/s NE 25 °C	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute) 45 dBA LA ₁ (1minute)	1	D	53	45	44	38	42	35	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 30-35 Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 40-47 Insects: 39-43 Animal: 53
		2	D	53	45	44	37	41	32	I/A	
		3	D	47	45	41	35	39	31	LA _{eq} : 25 LA ₁ : 35	
		4	D	47	45	43	36	41	31	LA _{eq} : 25 LA ₁ : 32	

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Table 12 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				L _{Amax}	L _{A1}	L _{A10}	L _{A90}	L _{Aeq}	L _{Amin}		
Day 13/12/2018 09:45 4 - 7 m/s SW 30 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	B	72	56	47	35	45	29	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Road traffic 60-77 Aeroplane 35-40 Birdsong 35-72 Wind related noise 38-60
		2	C	76	69	49	35	53	31	I/A	
		3	D	66	61	58	46	54	41	I/A	
		4	D	72	66	60	48	56	44	I/A	
		5	D	68	64	60	52	57	48	I/A	
		6	D	77	62	60	51	57	48	I/A	
Evening 13/12/2018 20:55 4 m/s N 23 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	D	58	42	39	34	42	31	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Road traffic 33-37 Insects 37-40 Wind related noise 38-42
		2	D	54	42	40	33	37	30	N/M	
Night 13/12/2018 00:44 3 m/s N 22 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1minute)	1	D	53	38	35	31	34	29	L _{Aeq} : 30 L _{A1} : 38	Site Related Noise Events: General site emissions 30-32 Other Noise Events: Other industry 29-30 Insects 34-37 Wind related noise 36-48
		2	D	53	44	37	33	36	30	N/M	
		3	D	65	49	45	35	42	30	I/A	
		4	D	56	53	51	43	48	40	I/A	

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5.1.3 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Matong/Coomalgah (60a)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 13** to **Table 16**. Monitoring location 60a represents residential receptors located to the east of the site at the Matong/Coomalgah boundary.

Table 13 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				L _{Amax}	L _{A1}	L _{A10}	L _{A90}	L _{Aeq}	L _{Amin}		
Day 10/12/2018 12:53 3 m/s S 31 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	A	48	42	38	31	35	27	32	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 28-35 Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 40-53 Birds: 36-58 Traffic noise: 42-74 Insects: 43-49
		2	C	74	49	38	29	45	25	32	
		3	B	53	45	40	29	37	25	29	
		4	B	58	41	37	27	34	23	29	
		5	A	50	41	35	25	32	23	28	
		6	A	48	41	36	29	34	25	30	
Evening 10/12/2018 19:46 1 m/s NE 30 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	NE	47	37	30	24	28	22	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Birdsong 33-52 Wind related noise 28-34 Insects 28
		2	NNE	52	47	29	24	31	23	N/M	
Night 10/12/2018 22:00 7 m/s E 30 °C	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1minute)	1	D	68	52	48	40	45	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise 37-68 Road traffic 62-75
		2	D	68	56	50	44	48	41	I/A	
		3	D	75	55	47	40	48	38	I/A	
		4	D	73	51	44	37	45	35	I/A	

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Table 14 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dBA)	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmín		
Day 11/12/2018 09:44 4-5 m/s ESE 27 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	72	43	37	30	38	27	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Other industry 31-34 Birdsong 36-72
		2	D	79	56	42	29	50	26	I/A	
		3	C	67	51	40	29	39	26	I/A	
		4	C	57	46	37	28	35	24	I/A	
		5	C	80	54	38	28	50	24	I/A	
		6	B	61	47	35	27	35	24	I/A	
Evening 11/12/2018 21:24 3 m/s 22 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	51	49	43	35	40	51	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects: 36-38 Traffic: 42-51
		2	D	50	48	43	36	40	33	I/A	
Night 11/12/2018 22:00 4 m/s ESE 22 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	47	43	38	33	36	29	LAeq: 30 LA1: 43	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 30-39 Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 36-40 Insects: 35-40 Traffic: 38-47
		2	D	41	38	36	31	34	28	LAeq: 30 LA1: 41	
		3	D	43	38	36	32	34	29	LAeq: 31 LA1: 39	
		4	D	47	41	37	32	35	29	LAeq:31 LA1: 40	

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Table 15 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 12/12/2018 11:40 0-2 m/s NW 30 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	76	58	43	27	49	23	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: General truck noise briefly audible 28-30 Other Noise Events: Wind_40 Road traffic 60-76 Birdsong 31-36 Insects 39 Aeroplane 36-50
		2	A	48	42	39	27	32	23	N/M	
		3	A	56	46	39	29	37	25	N/M	
		4	A	67	44	37	27	36	24	27	
		5	A	54	43	35	26	32	22	N/M	
		6	A	67	43	35	26	34	23	N/M	
Evening 12/12/2018 21:24 2-3 m/s NNE 25 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	49	40	38	35	37	33	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 35-36 Insects:35-42 Traffic: 67
		2	E	67	56	38	33	42	31	I/A	
Night 12/12/2018 22:00 2 - 3 m/s E 25 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	E	72	52	37	30	45	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise: 39-51 Insects: 35-37 Animal:50-53 Traffic: 72
		2	F	53	42	37	34	37	31	I/A	
		3	F	46	41	38	34	36	30	I/A	
		4	E	51	32	45	40	38	35	I/A	

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Table 16 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 13/12/2018 10:03 5 m/s WNW 30°C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	C	60	50	45	35	41	32	26	Site Related Noise Events: Haul truck: 30-32 Other Noise Events: Wind: 45-65 Birds:46-65 Traffic: 68
		2	D	68	57	50	42	48	38	I/A	
		3	D	63	56	50	40	47	36	I/A	
		4	D	64	59	54	45	51	42	I/A	
		5	D	65	57	43	42	50	39	I/A	
		6	D	65	56	51	42	48	38	I/A	
Evening 13/12/2018 18:42 2 – 3m/s 24 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	B	71	44	41	35	40	32	32	Site Related Noise Events: General truck noise emissions 28-33 Other Noise Events: Other industry 29-35 Insects 40-41 Birdsong 40-71
		2	B	57	45	39	34	37	30	29	
Night 13/12/2018 22:00 4 m/s NNE 23 °C	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	68	57	53	48	51	45	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind related noise 42-68
		2	D	62	54	51	45	48	43	I/A	
		3	D	62	56	52	46	50	44	I/A	
		4	D	61	55	50	45	48	42	I/A	

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6 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Whitehaven Coal Limited to conduct attended noise monitoring for the TCM in accordance with the Tarrawonga Coal Mine Noise Management Plan.

Operator attended noise monitoring was conducted at three (3) locations in order to determine the noise performance of the TCM, with compliance achieved at all locations during all time periods.

Both TCM and Boggabri Coal operations were audible during periods of the noise monitoring, with both generating similar noise levels. The total noise levels remained below the 40 dBA $L_{Aeq(15\text{minute})}$ cumulative noise criteria for all measurements.

APPENDIX A

Acoustic Terminology

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

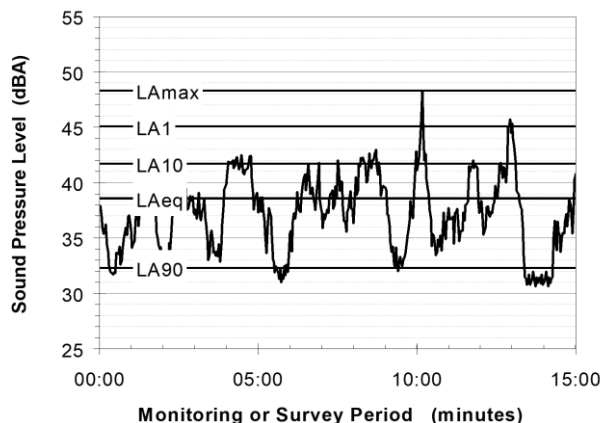
The Sound Power of a source is the rate at which it emits acoustic energy. As with Sound Pressure Levels, Sound Power Levels are expressed in decibel units (dB or dBA), but may be identified by the symbols SWL or LW, or by the reference unit 10^{-12} W.

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.

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

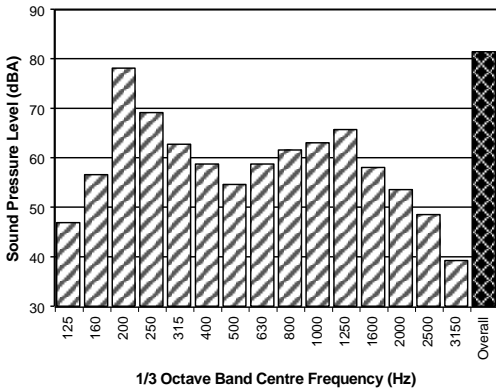
Frequency analysis is the process used to examine the tones (or frequency components) which make up the overall noise or vibration signal. This analysis was traditionally carried out using analogue electronic filters, but is now normally carried out using Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) analysers.

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.



8 Vibration

Vibration may be defined as cyclic or transient motion. This motion can be measured in terms of its displacement, velocity or acceleration. Most assessments of human response to vibration or the risk of damage to buildings use measurements of vibration velocity. These may be expressed in terms of “peak” velocity or “rms” velocity.

The former is the maximum instantaneous velocity, without any averaging, and is sometimes referred to as “peak particle velocity”, or PPV. The latter incorporates “root mean squared” averaging over some defined time period.

Vibration measurements may be carried out in a single axis or alternatively as triaxial measurements. Where triaxial measurements are used, the axes are commonly designated vertical, longitudinal (aligned toward the source) and transverse.

The common units for velocity are millimetres per second (mm/s). As with noise, decibel units can also be used, in which case the reference level should always be stated. A vibration level V , expressed in mm/s can be converted to decibels by the formula $20 \log (V/V_0)$, where V_0 is the reference level (10^{-9} m/s). Care is required in this regard, as other reference levels may be used by some organizations.

9 Human Perception of Vibration

People are able to “feel” vibration at levels lower than those required to cause even superficial damage to the most susceptible classes of building (even though they may not be disturbed by the motion). An individual’s perception of motion or response to vibration depends very strongly on previous experience and expectations, and on other connotations associated with the perceived source of the vibration. For example, the vibration that a person responds to as “normal” in a car, bus or train is considerably higher than what is perceived as “normal” in a shop, office or dwelling.

10 Over-pressure

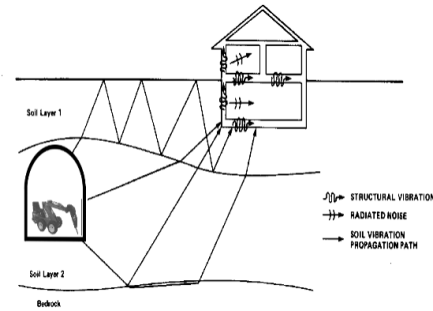
The term “over-pressure” is used to describe the air pressure pulse emitted during blasting or similar events. The peak level of an event is normally measured using a microphone in the same manner as linear noise (ie unweighted), at frequencies both in and below the audible range.

Ground-borne Noise, Structure-borne Noise and Regenerated Noise

Noise that propagates through a structure as vibration and is radiated by vibrating wall and floor surfaces is termed “structure-borne noise”, “ground-borne noise” or “regenerated noise”. This noise originates as vibration and propagates between the source and receiver through the ground and/or building structural elements, rather than through the air.

Typical sources of ground-borne or structure-borne noise include tunnelling works, underground railways, excavation plant (eg rockbreakers), and building services plant (eg fans, compressors and generators).

The following figure presents the various paths by which vibration and ground-borne noise may be transmitted between a source and receiver for construction activities occurring within a tunnel.



The term “regenerated noise” is also used in other instances where energy is converted to noise away from the primary source. One example would be a fan blowing air through a discharge grill. The fan is the energy source and primary noise source. Additional noise may be created by the aerodynamic effect of the discharge grill in the airstream. This secondary noise is referred to as regenerated noise

APPENDIX B

Calibration Certificates

CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE No.: SLM 21481 & FILT 4204

Equipment Description: Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer: B&K

Model No: 2270 **Serial No:** 3008204

Microphone Type: 4189 **Serial No:** 2983643

Filter Type: 1/3 Octave **Serial No:** 3008204

Comments: All tests passed for class 1.
(See over for details)

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
Level 2, 2 Lincoln Street
Lane Cove, NSW 2066

Ambient Pressure: 1007 hPa \pm 1.5 hPa

Temperature: 23 °C \pm 2° C **Relative Humidity:** 35% \pm 5%

Date of Calibration: 01/10/2017 **Issue Date:** 05/10/2017

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

CHECKED BY: *[Signature]* **AUTHORISED SIGNATURE:** *[Signature]*

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The performance characteristics listed below were tested. The tests are based on the relevant clauses of IEC 61672-3:2013

Tests Performed:	Clause	Result
Absolute Calibration	10	Pass
Acoustical Frequency Weighting	12	Pass
Self Generated Noise	11.1	Entered
Electrical Noise	11.2	Entered
Long Term Stability	15	Pass
Electrical Frequency Weightings	13	Pass
Frequency and Time Weightings	14	Pass
Reference Level Linearity	16	Pass
Range Level Linearity	17	NA
Toneburst	18	Pass
Peak C Sound Level	19	Pass
Overload Indicator	20	Pass
High Level Stability	21	Pass

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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE NO.: SLM 23292 & FILT 4791

Equipment Description: Sound & Vibration Analyser

Manufacturer: B&K

Model No: 2250 **Serial No:** 3005904

Microphone Type: 4950 **Serial No:** 2913815

Preamplifier Type: ZC0032 **Serial No:** 20518

Filter Type: 1/3 Octave **Serial No:** 3005904

Comments: All tests passed for class 1.
(See over for details)

Owner: SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd
Level 2, 2 Lincoln Street
Lane Cove, NSW 2066

Ambient Pressure: 990 hPa ± 1.5 hPa

Temperature: 24 °C $\pm 2^\circ$ C **Relative Humidity:** 33% $\pm 5\%$

Date of Calibration: 06/08/2018 **Issue Date:** 07/08/2018

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

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Acoustical Frequency Weighting	12	Pass
Self Generated Noise	11.1	Entered
Electrical Noise	11.2	Entered
Long Term Stability	15	Pass
Electrical Frequency Weightings	13	Pass
Frequency and Time Weightings	14	Pass
Reference Level Linearity	16	Pass
Range Level Linearity	17	NA
Toneburst	18	Pass
Peak C Sound Level	19	Pass
Overload Indicator	20	Pass
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CERTIFICATE OF CALIBRATION

CERTIFICATE NO.: SLM 22624 & FILT 4619

Equipment Description: Sound Level Meter

Manufacturer: B & K

Model No: 2250 **Serial No:** 3004636

Microphone Type: 4950 **Serial No:** 2913843

Filter Type: 1/3 Octave **Serial No:** 3004636

Comments: All tests passed for class 1.
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Ambient Pressure: 1009 hPa ± 1.5 hPa

Temperature: 25 °C $\pm 2^\circ$ C **Relative Humidity:** 42% $\pm 5\%$

Date of Calibration: 27/04/2018 **Issue Date:** 27/04/2018

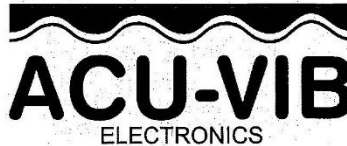
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APPENDIX A

Acoustic Terminology

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 L_p are commonly used to represent Sound Pressure Level. The symbol L_A represents A-weighted Sound Pressure Level. The standard reference unit for Sound Pressure Levels expressed in decibels is 2E-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
120 110	Heavy rock concert Grinding on steel	Extremely noisy
100 90	Loud car horn at 3 m Construction site with pneumatic hammering	Very noisy
80 70	Kerbside of busy street Loud radio or television	Loud
60 50	Department store General Office	Moderate to quiet
40 30	Inside private office Inside bedroom	Quiet to very quiet
20	Unoccupied 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(Z).

3 Sound Power Level

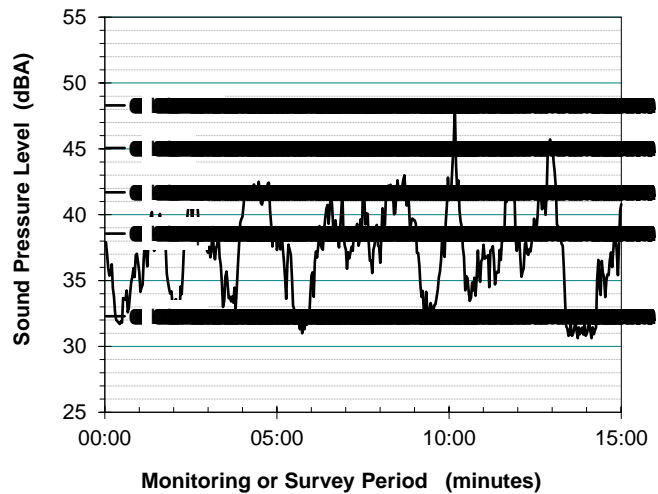
The Sound Power of a source is the rate at which it emits acoustic energy. As with Sound Pressure Levels, Sound Power Levels are expressed in decibel units (dB or dBA), but may be identified by the symbols SWL or LW, or by the reference unit 1E-12 W.

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 L_{AN}, where L_{AN} is the A-weighted sound pressure level exceeded for N% of a given measurement period. For example, the L_{A1} is the noise level exceeded for 1% of the time, L_{A10} 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.

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

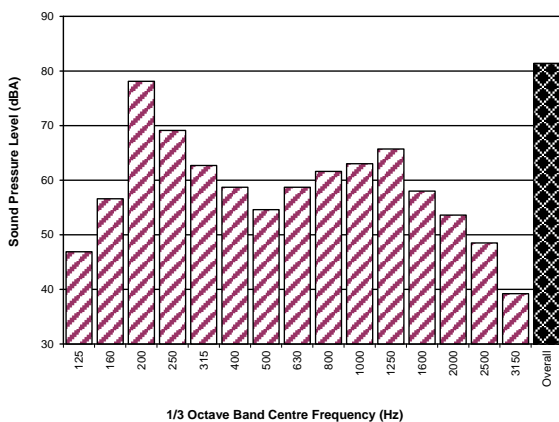
Frequency analysis is the process used to examine the tones (or frequency components) which make up the overall noise or vibration signal. This analysis was traditionally carried out using analogue electronic filters, but is now normally carried out using Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) analysers.

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.



8 Vibration

Vibration may be defined as cyclic or transient motion. This motion can be measured in terms of its displacement, velocity or acceleration. Most assessments of human response to vibration or the risk of damage to buildings use measurements of vibration velocity. These may be expressed in terms of “peak” velocity or “rms” velocity.

The former is the maximum instantaneous velocity, without any averaging, and is sometimes referred to as “peak particle velocity”, or PPV. The latter incorporates “root mean squared” averaging over some defined time period.

Vibration measurements may be carried out in a single axis or alternatively as triaxial measurements. Where triaxial measurements are used, the axes are commonly designated vertical, longitudinal (aligned toward the source) and transverse.

The common units for velocity are millimetres per second (mm/s). As with noise, decibel units can also be used, in which case the reference level should always be stated. A vibration level V , expressed in mm/s can be converted to decibels by the formula $20 \log (V/V_0)$, where V_0 is the reference level (10^{-9} m/s). Care is required in this regard, as other reference levels may be used by some organizations.

9 Human Perception of Vibration

People are able to “feel” vibration at levels lower than those required to cause even superficial damage to the most susceptible classes of building (even though they may not be disturbed by the motion). An individual’s perception of motion or response to vibration depends very strongly on previous experience and expectations, and on other connotations associated with the perceived source of the vibration. For example, the vibration that a person responds to as “normal” in a car, bus or train is considerably higher than what is perceived as “normal” in a shop, office or dwelling.

10 Over-pressure

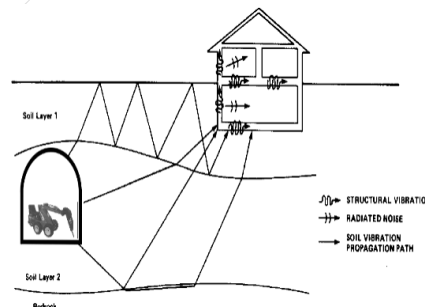
The term “over-pressure” is used to describe the air pressure pulse emitted during blasting or similar events. The peak level of an event is normally measured using a microphone in the same manner as linear noise (ie unweighted), at frequencies both in and below the audible range.

Ground-borne Noise, Structure-borne Noise and Regenerated Noise

Noise that propagates through a structure as vibration and is radiated by vibrating wall and floor surfaces is termed “structure-borne noise”, “ground-borne noise” or “regenerated noise”. This noise originates as vibration and propagates between the source and receiver through the ground and/or building structural elements, rather than through the air.

Typical sources of ground-borne or structure-borne noise include tunnelling works, underground railways, excavation plant (eg rockbreakers), and building services plant (eg fans, compressors and generators).

The following figure presents the various paths by which vibration and ground-borne noise may be transmitted between a source and receiver for construction activities occurring within a tunnel.



The term “regenerated noise” is also used in other instances where energy is converted to noise away from the primary source. One example would be a fan blowing air through a discharge grill. The fan is the energy source and primary noise source. Additional noise may be created by the aerodynamic effect of the discharge grill in the airstream. This secondary noise is referred to as regenerated noise.

APPENDIX B

Calibration Certificates

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Manufacturer: B&K

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Microphone Type: 4950 **Serial No:** 2913815

Preamplifier Type: ZC0032 **Serial No:** 20518

Filter Type: 1/3 Octave **Serial No:** 3005904

Comments: All tests passed for class 1.
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Temperature: 24 °C $\pm 2^\circ$ C **Relative Humidity:** 33% $\pm 5\%$

Date of Calibration: 06/08/2018 **Issue Date:** 07/08/2018

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

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Microphone Type: 4950 **Serial No:** 2913843

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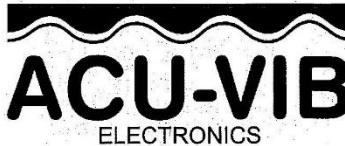
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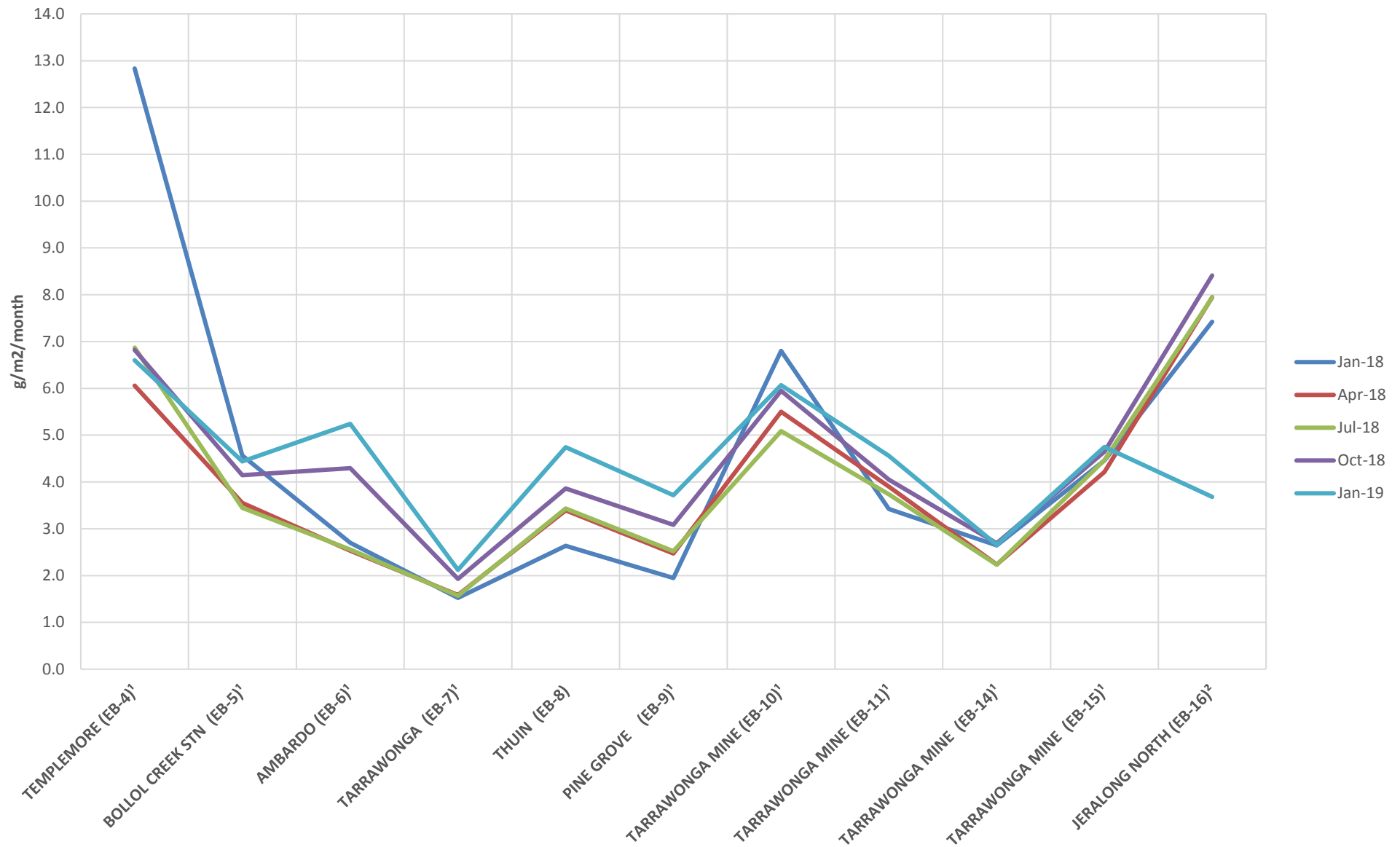
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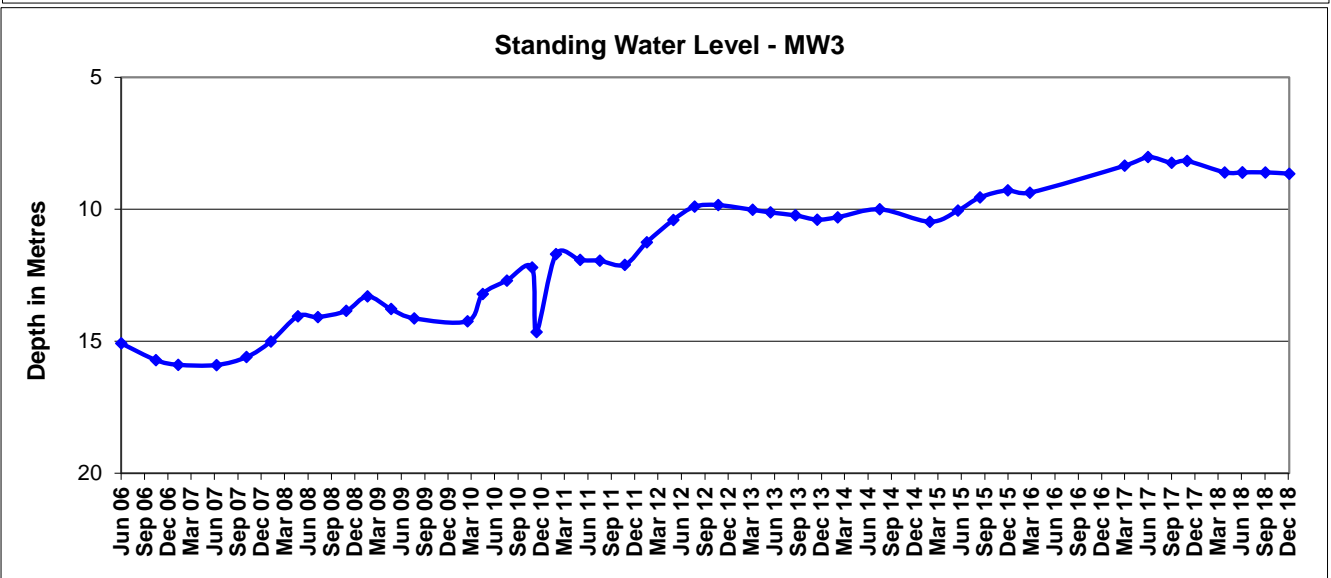
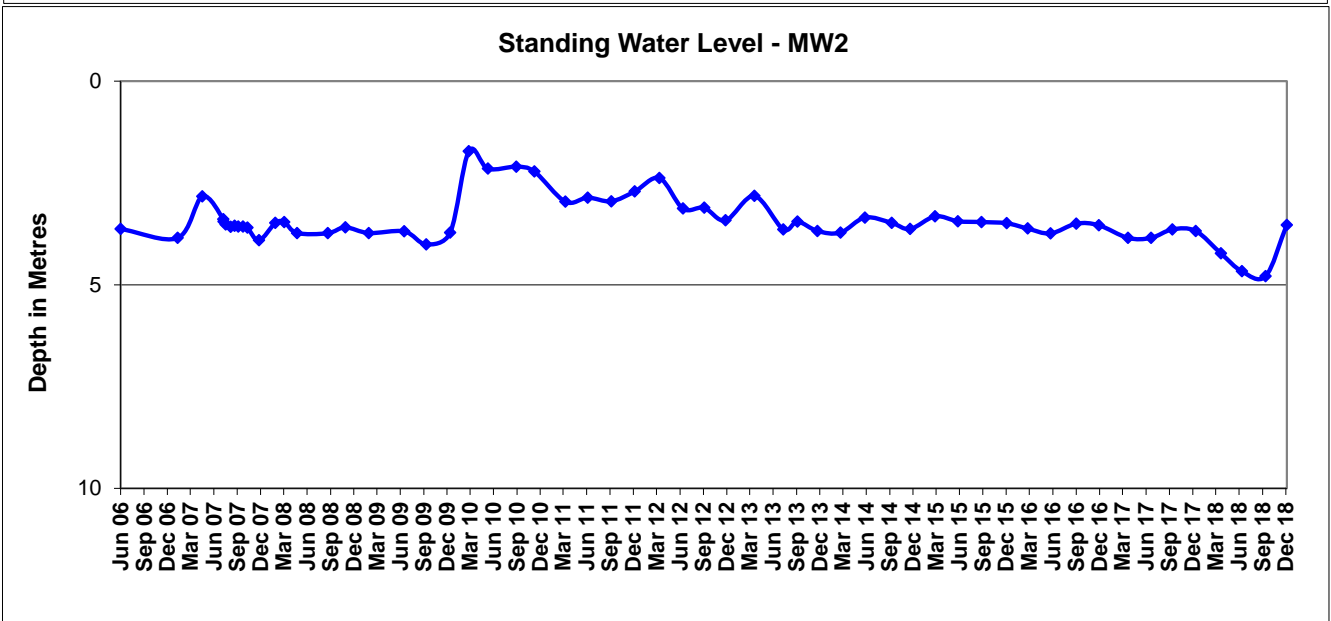
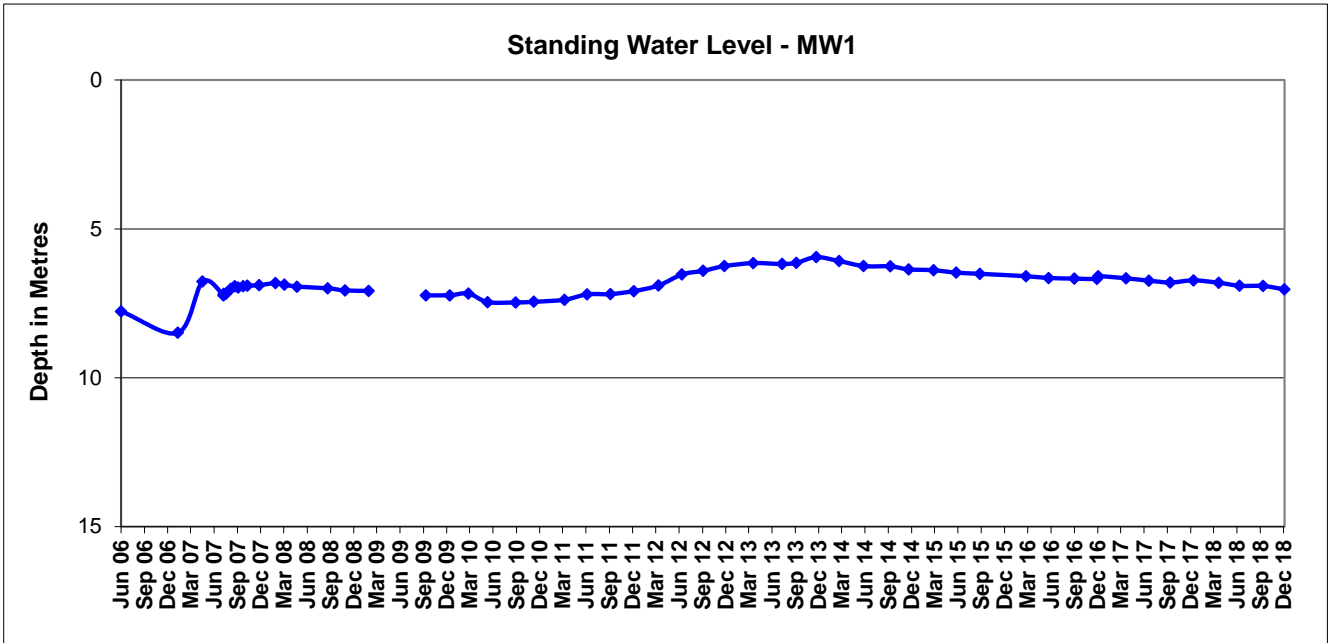
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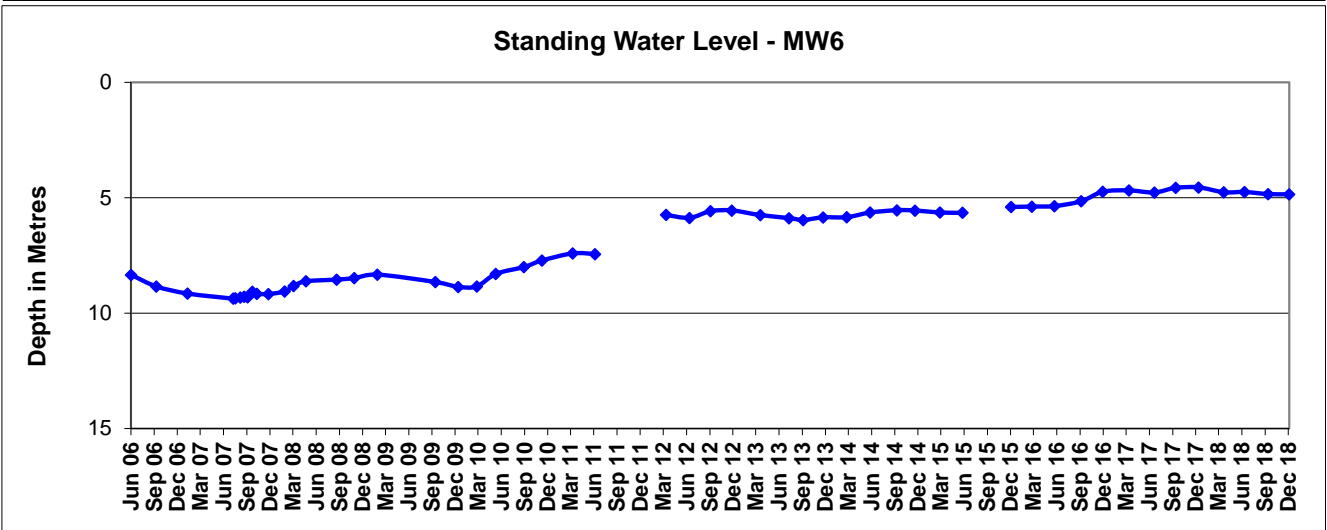
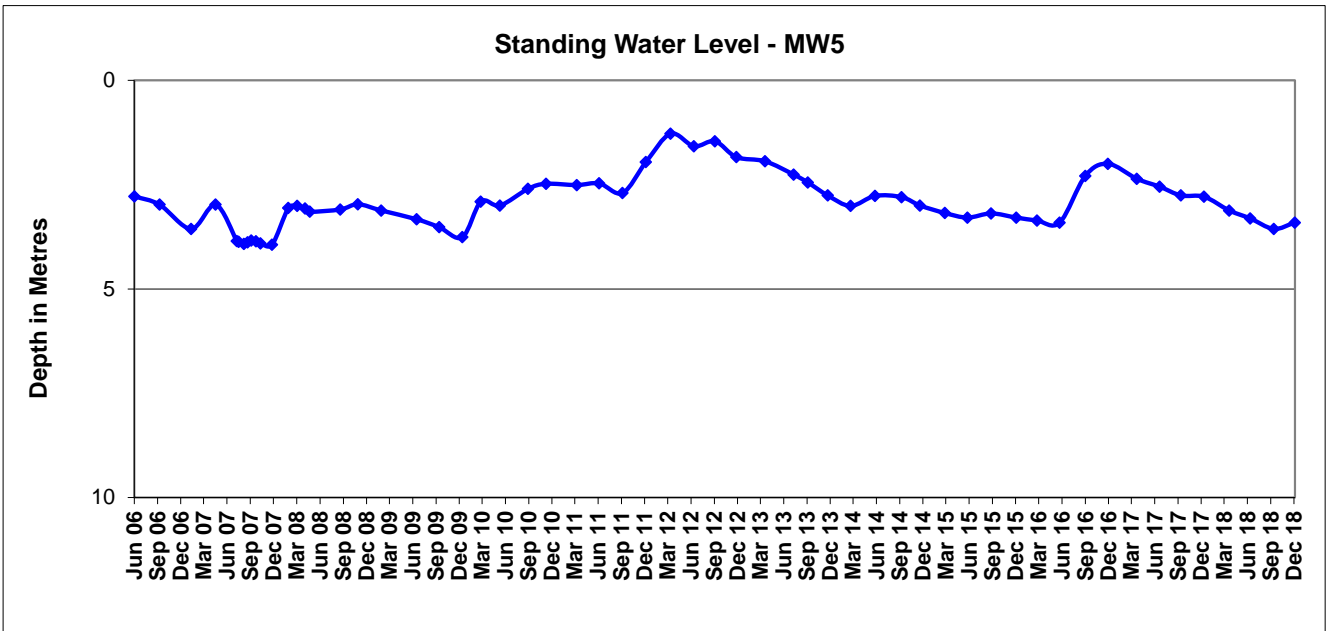
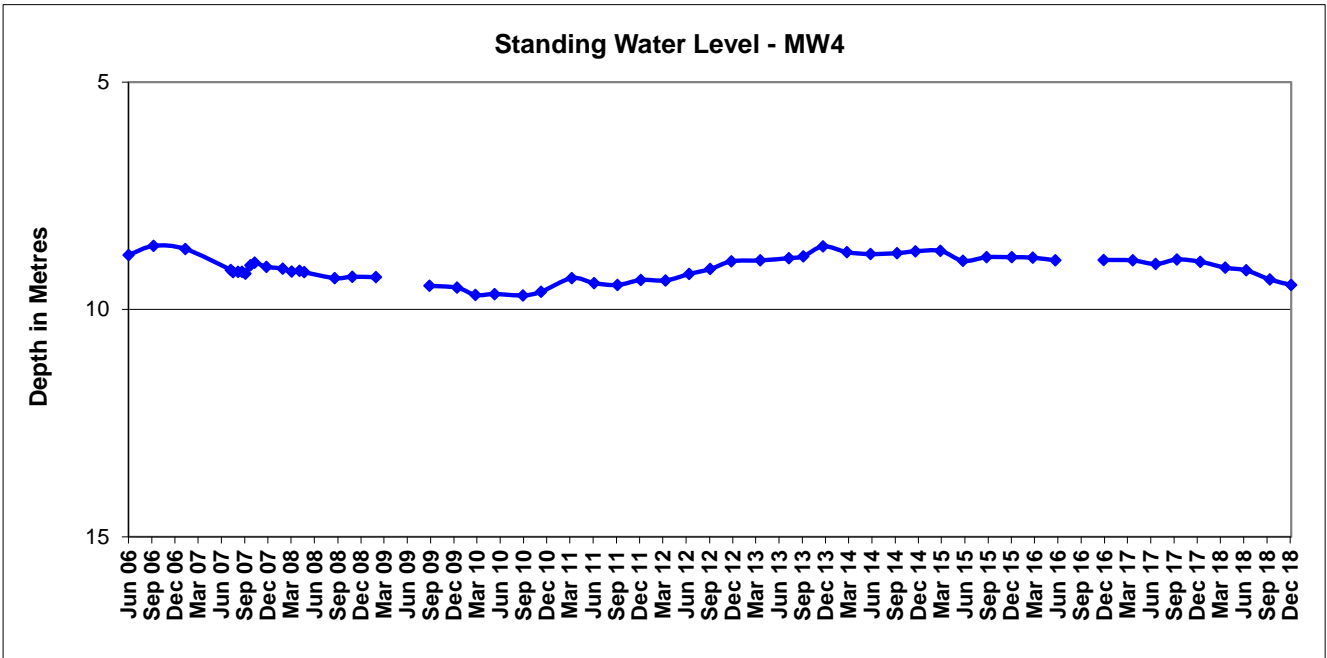
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Deposited Dust Gauge Results- Quarterly rolling average [g/m²/month]

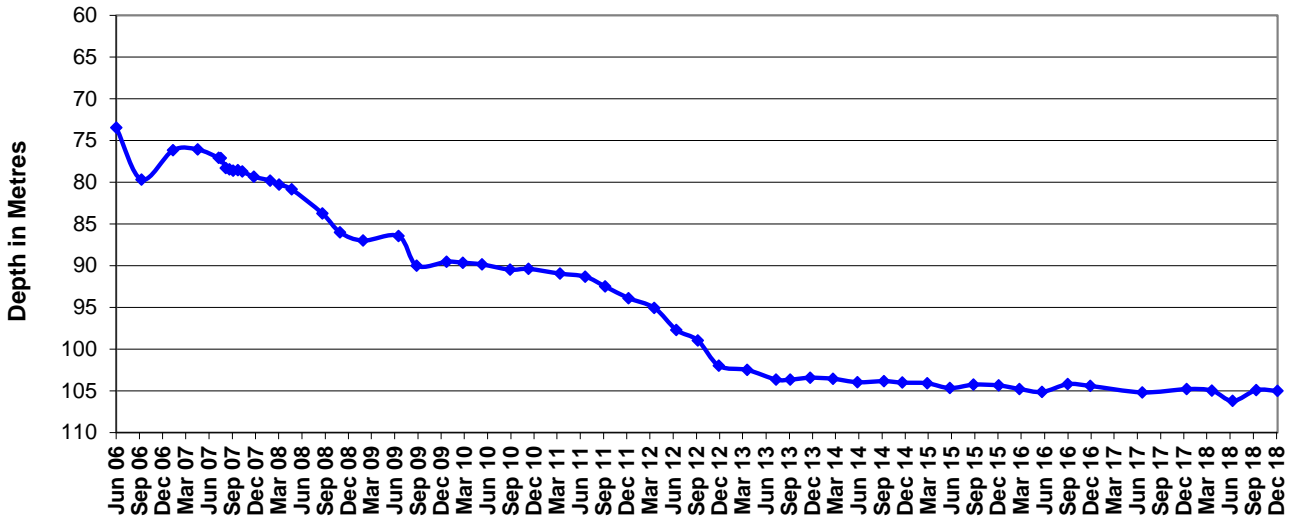


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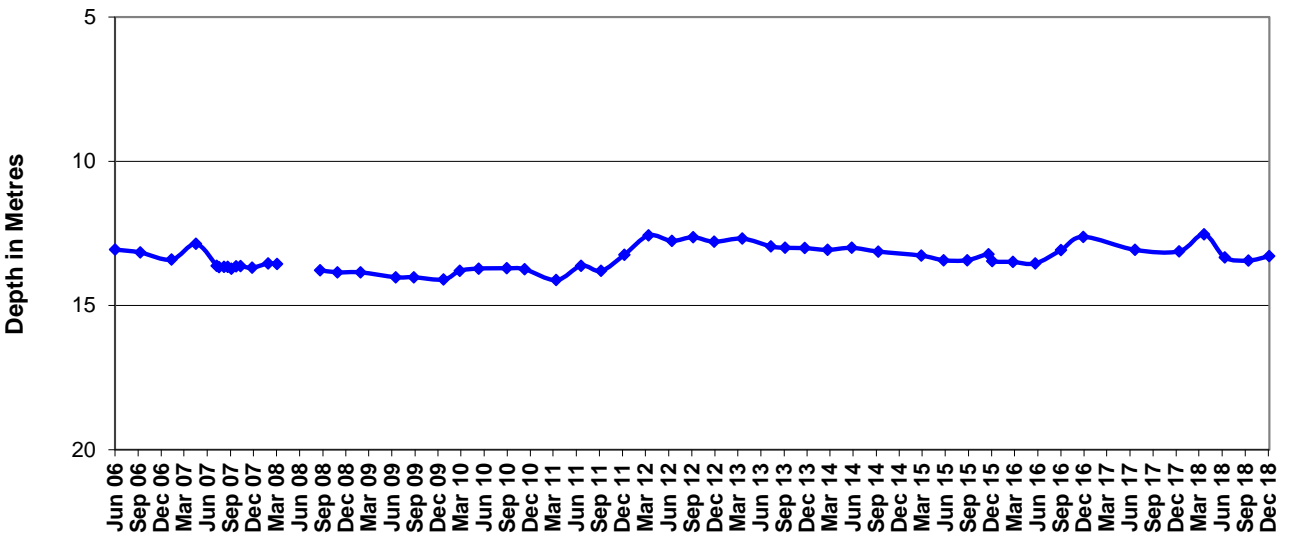




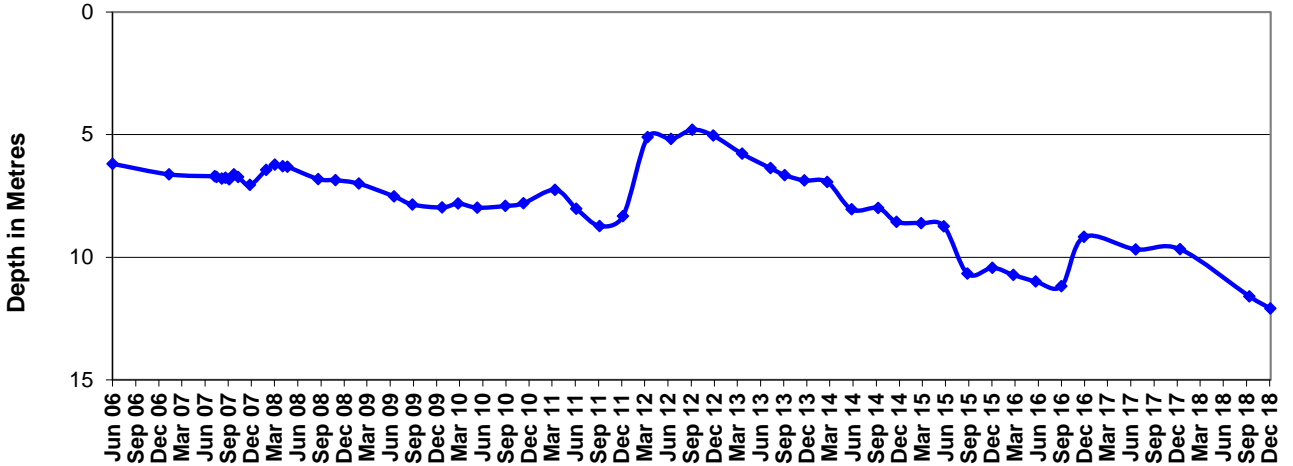
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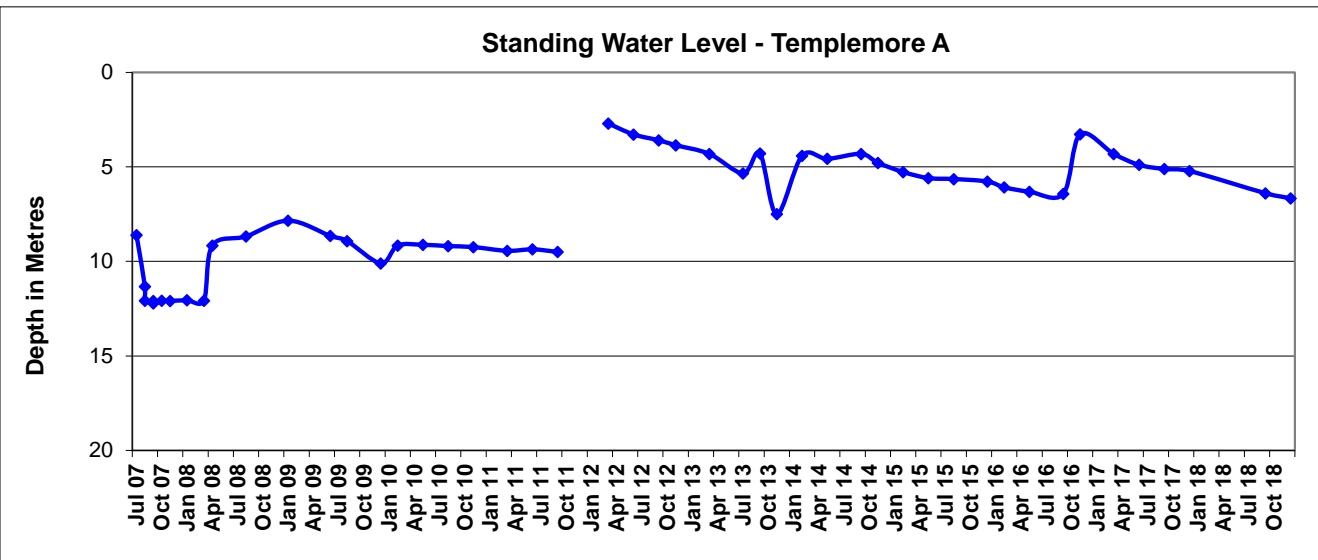
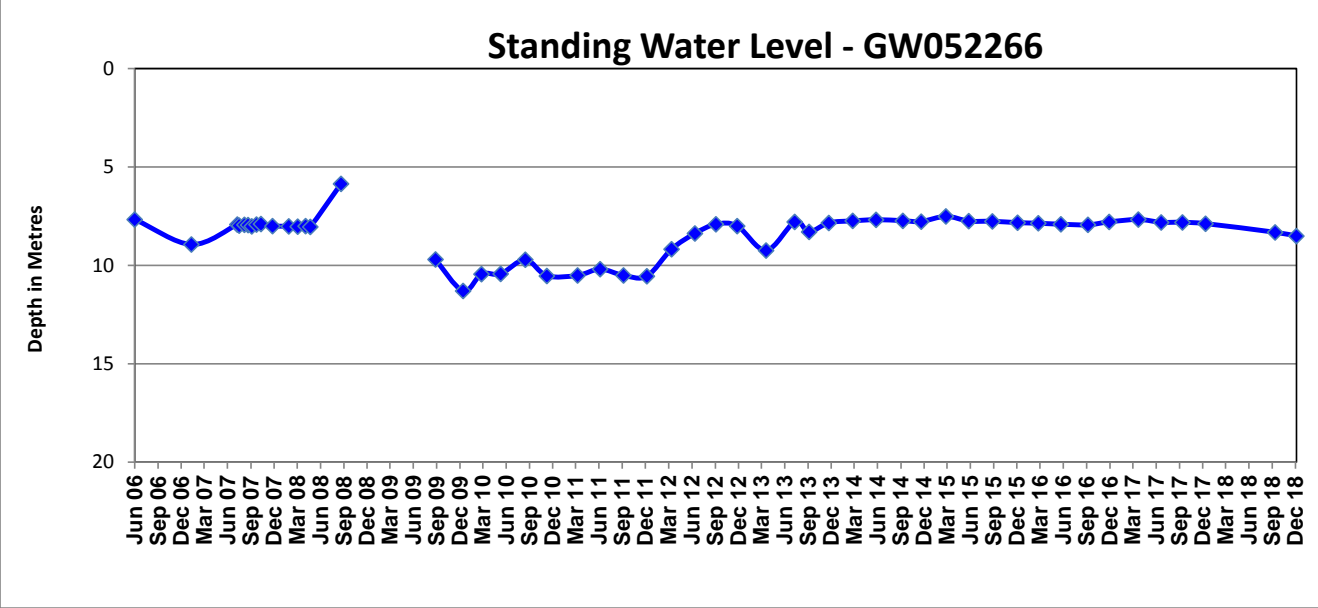
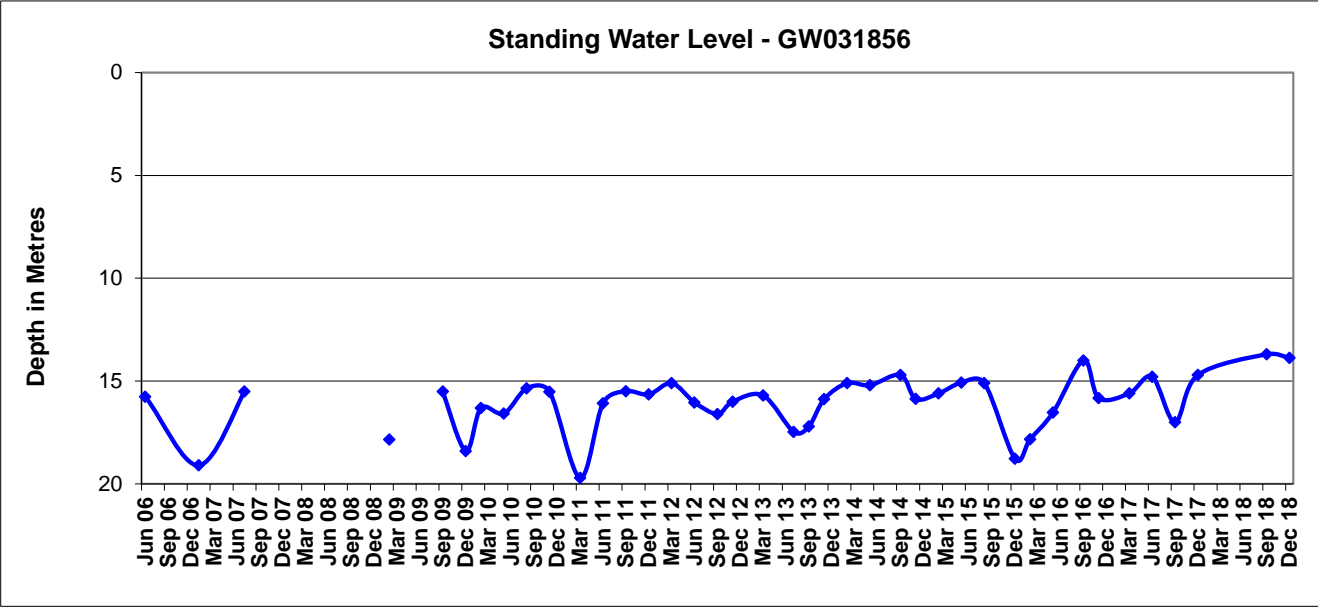


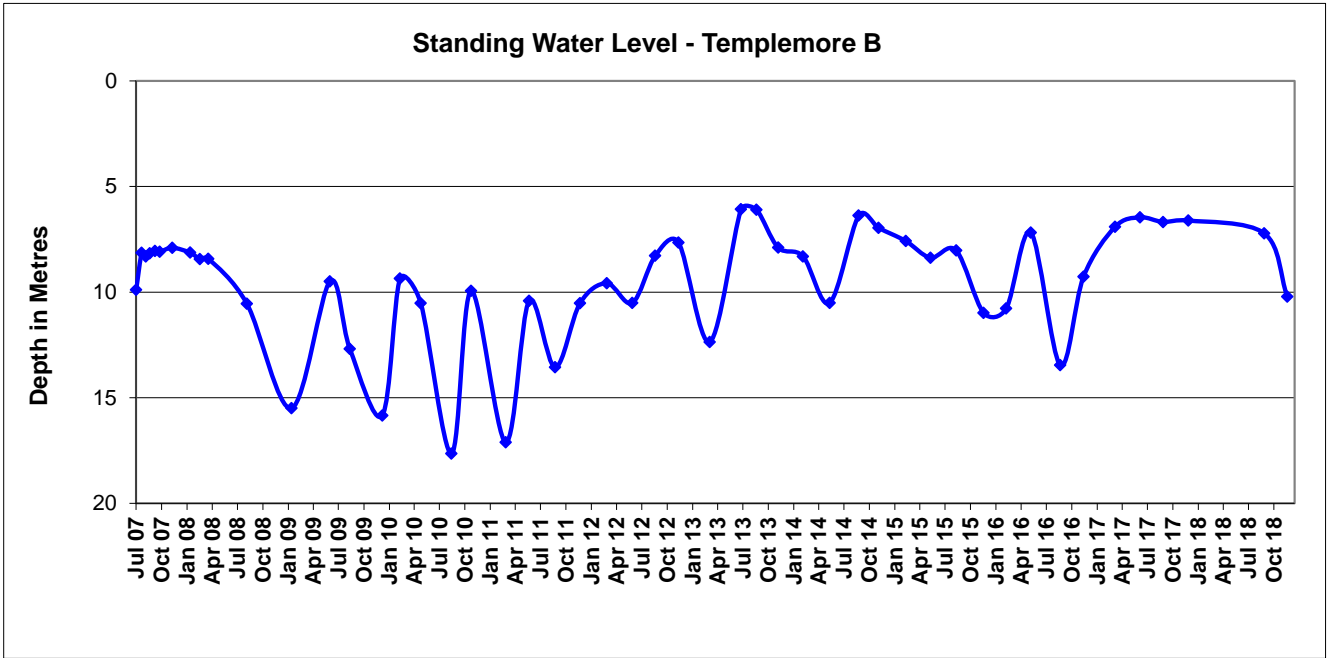
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Standing Water Level - GW044997







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Venue	Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM), training room		
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1. Present and Apologies	<p><u>Present:</u> Mr David Ross (DR)- Independent Chairman, Mr David Moses (DM), Gunnedah Shire council Representative, Mrs Cath Collyer (CC)- Community Representative, Mrs Julie Heiler (JH)- Community Representative, Mr John Hamson (JHa), Operations Manager-TCM, Mr Sebastien Moreno (SM)- Environmental Superintendent- TCM, Mr Tim Muldoon (TM)- Group Manager Community Relations and Pty</p>		
	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Mrs Colleen Fuller (CF)- Community Representative Mr Andrew Johns (AJ), Gunnedah Shire Council Representative Mr Cameron Staines (CS), Narrabri Shire council Representative, Mrs Rebecca Ryan (RR)- Community Representative,</p>		

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2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests	DR- declared that he is paid a fee for participation as Independent Chairman		
3. Previous Minutes Actions	JHa- wants to discuss fire emergency with RFS members.	SM- to send invitation to RFS to come to site. SM- to follow up and contact local RFS. (JH -provided local RFS contacts to SM to organise a site visit.)	Complete SM- has contacted RFS superintendent (Michael Brook) who will send someone to the mine.
	SM- TCM working toward a new MOP and MOD7 of the Project Approval.	CCC members- requested SM to explain details of MOD7 and confirm date of submission.	Complete MOD7 items and changes were presented at the BTM CCC meeting on (16/05/2018). MOD7 submission date is expected for Q3 2019.
	CC- Dust A side description and usage	JHa- to invite the company “Dust A Side” at next CCC meeting to talk about dust suppressant.	
		DR- to discuss with EPA availability to attend next BTM CCC meeting to explain air matters.	

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	<p>CC (rep CF)- what will be the measure taken by TCM and WHC if the water is depleted? What contingency plan is in place?</p> <p>JHa- Several scenarios are possible, but options will be unveiled once the mine gets closer to deplete all the stored water. Priority will be given to WHC employees and some of the measures can include reduction of shift and sending employees to other part of the business or sites.</p>	<p>JHa- to provide an action/measure plan to the CCC members for the case of complete water depletion.</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>JHa- : -Water inventory onsite was ~140ML (mid- May) and mine expected to have enough water for coming 6-8 months. -TCM will continue to use Dust a Side products and investigate water reduction opportunities.</p>
4. Business Arising	<p>DR- discussion around revisiting number of CCC members and potential requirement to increase members' number.</p>	<p>DR- to contact TCCC members and confirm attendance/availability for next meeting.</p>	
5. Mine Progress Report	<p>JHa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WHC bought new machines, - Change of roster temporary (day shift Saturday/Sunday) to ramp up to 3Mt, - On track with production rate 2.3-2.4Mt, -New building to extend offices, -Safety- LTI free- 165 days - New excavator operating and named after the admin 'Squeeze'. - Rocglen ending production in few month and TCM discussing work opportunity with interested staff. 		

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	<p>- On-going usage of “Dust A Side” product.</p> <p>-Girls “rocking day” organised with BIS to promote career for female in mining industry.</p> <p>TM:</p> <p>-WHC run several programs with TAFE, High schools and Universities and has a strong focus on career development.</p>		
6. Environmental Monitoring report	<p>SM- read and explained the Quarterly Environmental Report results.</p> <p>SM- Annual Review 2018 was reviewed by DPE and is now available on the website.</p> <p>CCC Members- Thankful for the good presentation and explanation of the Environmental quarterly report.</p>	<p>SM- to include link to Annual Review (AR) 2018 report on WHC website.</p>	<p>Complete:</p> <p>AR 2018 accessible at: http://www.whitehavencoal.com.au/sustainability/environmental-management/tarrawonga-mine/ or http://www.whitehavencoal.com.au/wp-admin/admin-ajax.php?action=letsbox-preview&id=457194751524&listtoken=8bd742da67bf23c91b0eab5a62381328&inline=0</p>
7. General business	<p>CCC Members- requested to organise a site tour next year.</p>	<p>JHa- to organise site tour at next CCC meeting.</p> <p>DR- to confirm attendance of all CCC members.</p>	

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8.Complaints	SM- No Complaint received since last CCC meeting.		
9. Next Meeting and Other Comments	DR- next TCCC meetings will be held on 14 th August 2019.		

Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee Meeting #56

Quarterly Environmental Monitoring Report
1 February 2019 – 30 April 2019



Photo taken during the clearing campaign 2019 showing one of two Nebulifera robusta (Robust Velvet Gecko) individuals captured and released successfully (April 2019)

This report has been prepared for the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) Meeting to show Environmental monitoring performance at Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) for the reporting period from February 1st to April 30th 2019. Maps with all the monitoring locations are available in *Appendix A*.

Noise Monitoring

Attended noise monitoring was conducted at the “Bungalow” (TN4), “Barbers Lagoon” (TN3) and “Matong” (TN2) properties from 25th to 28th February 2019. The noise criterion for the mine is 35dB(A) Leq (15 min) for all operating times.

The results below and in *Appendix B* show that noise emissions from the mine did not exceed the operational noise criterion at the “Barbers Lagoon”, “Bungalow” or “Matong” monitoring locations during the monitoring event.

(Summary table extracted from SLR Quarter 1 report 2019).

EPL ID	Location	Date	Tarrawonga Coal Mine Contribution dBA				Criteria	Measurement Periods	Weather Compliant			Compliant
			L _{Aeq} (15minute) Day	L _{Aeq} (15minute) Evening	L _{Aeq} (15minute) Night	LA1(1minute) Night			Day	Eve	Night	
79a	Barbers Lagoon	25/02/2019	26	N/M	I/A	I/A	Day, Evening and Night – 35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	N	N	Y
		26/02/2019	I/A	I/A	25	27			Y	Y	Y	Y
		27/02/2019	26	I/A	N/M	N/M			Y	N	N	Y
		28/02/2019	I/A	N/M	31	33			Y	N	N	Y
89	Bungalow	25/02/2019	I/A	N/M	27	29	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	N	N	Y
		26/02/2019	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A			Y	Y	Y	Y
		27/02/2019	I/A	I/A	N/M	N/M			Y	N	Y	Y
		28/02/2019	<25	I/A	I/A	I/A			Y	N	N	Y
60a	Coomalgah/ Matong	25/02/2019	25	N/M	I/A	I/A	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	Y	N	N	Y
		26/02/2019	26	<25	<25	25			Y	Y	N	Y
		27/02/2019	31	I/A	I/A	I/A			Y	N	N	Y
		28/02/2019	26	N/M	I/A	I/A			Y	N	Y	Y

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

Noise from the mine must not exceed 45 dB(A) L1 (1 min) between 10 pm and 7 am. This is to minimise the potential for sleep disturbance as a result of individual loud noises from the mine. The results of the sleep disturbance monitoring show that the measured L1 (1 min) noise level did not exceed the sleep disturbance criterion.

The real time noise monitor located on the “Coomalgah” property remains a management tool so the noise criteria are not applicable at that site. Level of noise recorded at that location is managed according to the noise management plan and trigger action response plan.

Blast Monitoring

Blasting Results

Since 2006, there have been 875 blasts (until 30/04/2019) at TCM.

There has been no exceedance of blast criteria since the last meeting. The highest result obtained for blasting overpressure was **113.3 dB** recorded on 01/03/19 at Tarrawonga property and the highest result for ground vibration was **1.79mm/s** recorded at the Coomalgah station on the same day.

Table- 2: Max Peak Overpressure and Ground Pressure for the Quarter

Monitor Location	Date	Max. Peak Overpressure (dB)	Criterion (dB)	Date	Max. Peak Ground Pressure (mm/s)	Criterion (mm/s)
Tarrawonga*	113.3	01/03/2019	N/A	01/03/2019	1.12	N/A
Coomalgah	106.1	14/02/2019	115	01/03/2019	1.79	10

**Limit Not applicable according to EPL and PA11_0047 because project related property*

Air Quality Monitoring

Dust Deposition Results

Table 3 shows deposited dust gauge results over 12 months. All the monitors are located on project related land; as such compliance criteria (**4g/m²/month**) do not apply. Recorded rainfall for March was above Bureau of Meteorology long term mean with 95mm, however overall deposited dust trends remain steady during the reporting period (refer graph in *Appendix C*).

Table 3 – Deposited Dust Gauge Results [g/m²/month]

MONTH	TEMPLEMORE (EB-4)	BOLLOL CREEK STN (EB-5)	AMBARDO (EB-6)	TARRAWONGA (EB-7)	THUIN (EB-8)	PINE GROVE (EB-9)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-10)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-11)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-14)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-15)	JERALONG NORTH (EB-16)
Apr-18	1.2	3.4	1.2	0.9	3.4	2.4	4.8	4.5	1.9	4	3.3
May-18	2.3	2.7	1	0.9	1.6	1.9	2	6.9	1.7	3.1	2.8
June-18	1.2	2.4	0.9	0.8	2.1	2.4	3.4	3.1	2.1	4.7	0.8
Jul-18	18.4	3.4	0.9	0.6	3.4	1.1	2.2	2	1.8	5	1.1
Aug-18	5.19	4.01	11.55	1.77	3.63	2.11	3.85	5.08	3.58	4.35	1.94
Sep-18	5.9	9.8	3.6	3.4	4.1	4.4	5.6	3.4	4.3	6.1	3.1
Oct-18	5.9	4.3	11.1	1.7	3.8	4.7	10.8	3.5	3	5.4	2.7
Nov-18	4.3	1.6	3.2	4.1	6.2	5.8	5.5	11.3	4.6	6.8	3.32
Dec-18	18.9	11.1	11.1	2.8	4.2	4.6	5.7	3	47.2*	8	4.3
Jan-19	7.8	2.4	5.6	5.7	9.5	7.8	9.2	6.2	3.3	4	7.6
Feb-19	4.6	5.5	11.9	4.3	5.2	2.8	5.5	5.0	6.8	3.5	5.7
Mar-19	2.1	4.8	4	2.2	4.1	2.9	8.6	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.6
Apr-19	2.7	4.5	4.1	1.6	2.8	1.8	4.7	2.6	2.7	3.9	6.2
12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE	6.2	4.6	5.4	2.4	4.2	3.4	5.5	4.5	2.9	4.7	3.5

*ALS advised the sample was contaminated and the value is not included in the annual rolling average.

High Volume Air sampler (PM10) Results

The High Volume Air Sampler (HVAS) installed at Coomalgah property monitors level of Particle Matter under 10 micron (PM₁₀). It operates for 24hr every 6 days. Table 4 shows all the 24hr average values recorded for this quarter and the rolling Annual average. Elevated levels of dust were investigated and in all cases wind, grazing or farming activity near the monitor location were direct cause of the elevated reading.

Table- 4: HVAS PM10 24 hr average levels for the Quarter

Date	24hr averaged PM10 (µg/m ³)	Criterion 24hr average (µg/m ³)	Rolling Annual average (µg/m ³)	Criterion Annual Average (µg/m ³)	Comments
1/2/2019	34.1	50	19.57	30	
7/2/2019	17.2		19.83		
13/02/2019	154		19.83		Not Mine related. Excluded from the annual average. Dust storm on the sampling day. Extremely windy noted on the field sheet by ALS. Excluded from annual average.
19/02/2019	102		19.07		Not Mine related. Regional elevated dust level. Windy and grazing activity noted on the field sheet by the contractor. Excluded from annual average.
25/02/2019	18.8		18.95		
3/3/2019	18.2		18.83		
9/3/2019	101		18.83		Not Mine related. Winds recorded coming from West most of the day. Real-time monitor near the mine recorded a maximum 24hr average of 32ug/m3. Windy recorded in the field sheet by the contractor. Excluded from annual average calculation.
15/03/2019	47.9		19.50		
21/03/2019	10.6		19.24		
27/03/2019	22		19.38		
2/4/2019	15.7		19.02		
8/4/2019	37.9		19.61		
14/04/2019	37.1		19.81		
20/04/2019	34		19.61		
26/04/2019	59.7		19.38		Not Mine related. Grazing activity noted on the field sheet by the contractor. Most wind was coming from North East of the monitor according to the weather station. Excluded from annual average

According to the current Air Quality and Greenhouse gas Management Plan, the real time air quality unit (TEOM) installed at the “Flixton” property monitors PM₁₀ levels in ambient air. It is an operational management tool and dust levels nearing or reaching the nominated criteria will trigger actions onsite to assess the source of dust and modify operations if it is determined to be related to Tarrawonga operations.



TEOM installed at Flixton property

Water Monitoring

Groundwater

Routine groundwater monitoring was undertaken in March 2019 and showed in **Table 5** (refer to graphs in *Appendix D*).

Table 5- Groundwater results Summary

Site	Date	SWL (mbgl)	pH (units)	Elect. Conduct (µS/cm)
MW1				
	December 2017	6.73	7.7	3,280
	February 2018	6.81	7.9	3,460
	June 2018	6.91	7.9	3,350
	September 2018	6.92	7.7	3,430
	December 2018	7.03	7.8	3,420
	March 2019	7.78	8.1	3,640
MW2				
	December 2017	3.68	7	545
	February 2018	4.23	7.3	519
	June 2018	4.67	7.3	547
	September 2018	4.79	6.8	615
	December 2018	3.53	6.8	545
	March 2019	4.34	7.1	532
MW4				
	December 2017	8.95	7.2	4,440
	February 2018	9.08	7.4	4,610
	June 2018	9.14	7.3	4,430
	September 2018	9.34	6.9	4,560
	December 2018	9.46	7.0	4,610
	March 2019	10.20	7.2	4,840
MW5				
	December 2017	2.78	7.7	2,630
	February 2018	3.12	7.9	2,320
	June 2018	3.31	7.9	1,413
	September 2018	3.56	7.8	2,040
	December 2018	3.41	7.7	2,130
	March 2019	4.20	7.9	1,220
MW6				
	December 2017	4.55	7.6	1,738
	February 2018	4.76	7.8	1,833
	June 2018	4.75	7.7	1,828
	September 2018	4.84	8.0	2,090
	December 2018	4.85	7.6	2,200
	March 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
MW7				
	December 2017	104.53	No sample	No sample
	February 2018	104.97	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	June 2018	106.21	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	September 2018	104.65	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	December 2018	105.01	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	March 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
MW8				
	December 2017	13.12	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	February 2018	12.52	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	June 2018	13.33	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	September 2018	13.48	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	December 2018	13.29	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	March 2019	13.66	Casing blocked	Casing blocked

Surface Water

Estimated volume of water stored onsite as 29th April 2019 was approximately **110 ML**.
(The water inventory was taken before the 68.8mm of rainfall recorded on 4th May)

According to the BTM Complex strategy, water sharing opportunity is continuously discussed between the three mines. TCM continue assessing options to source additional water in order to maintain the mine in operation in the long run.

Rehabilitation and Clearing

Rehabilitation

Operations and Environment departments work together to develop and implement a more efficient rehabilitation program. The aim is to enhance the quantity of areas rehabilitated.

In 2018, TCM planted approximately 2,400 trees in the designated rehabilitation areas including Eucalyptus albens, Eucalyptus blakelyi, Eucalyptus crebra, Eucalyptus melliodora, Eucalyptus pilligaensis, Eucalyptus populanea, Eucalyptus macrocarpa, Eucalyptus Melanophloia, Eucalyptus Crebra, Eucalyptus Dealbata and Eucalyptus Dwyeri.

For 2019, 4,200 trees have been ordered and they will be planted in the two emplacement areas before winter.

Clearing

The trees clearing campaign 2019 was completed during the authorised timeframe (February-April). An area of 19.8Ha was cleared in accordance with the current Mining Operations Plan (MOP) and the Biodiversity Management Plan. Several fauna species observed during clearing activities were captured and safely relocated and released.



Strophurus intermedius (Southern Spiny-tailed Gecko) captured on the ground near a felled Eucalyptus crebra. Successfully released.



Saccolaimus flaviventris (Yellow-bellied Sheath-tail-bat) found in a medium sized hollow of a felled Eucalyptus crebra. Successfully released.

Complaints

Since the last meeting, no complaint was received.

Environmental Management Plans

In April 2019, the Department provided some comments to the updated Management Plans submitted in August 2018. TCM is working with experts to address all the Department's comments.

Management plans submitted at the end of August 2018 to agencies, CCC members (for feedbacks) and DPE (for approval) include:

Noise Management Plan

The Noise management Plan was revised by Todoroski Air Science (TAS).

Blast Management Plan

The Blast Management Plan was revised by TAS.

Air Quality Greenhouse Gas Management Plan

The Air Quality Management Plan was revised by TAS too.

Water Management Plan

The Water Management plan was revised by WRM.

BTM Water Strategy

The Draft BTM Water Strategy was sent to CCC members and agencies for consultations in July 2018.

The BTM complex mines received comments from DPE and Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) regarding the draft Water Strategy. The three mine are currently working with the groundwater expert (AGE) to address the comments related to the groundwater model. Agencies agreed the action plan and timeframe proposed by the BTM mines to address and submit a revised Water strategy and an updated BTM groundwater model.

Annual and Compliance Reporting

Annual Review and Annual Return Reports

TCM submitted Annual Return and Annual Review on 9th and 31st March respectively.

Annual Compliance EPBC statement

TCM will prepare and submit the Annual Compliance EPBC statement by 9th June 2019.

Environmental Improvement and Initiatives

Dust Management

TCM have engaged the company Dust A Side to provide advice and solution to minimise potential fugitive dust generated by exposed surfaces such as haul roads. Since end of April 2018, TCM have been monitoring the results and trying to improve the spraying and mixing techniques. The product used is totally organic, has no corrosive chloride compounds, and is environmentally friendly and readily biodegradable.

Usage of that product on mine haul truck roads is ongoing.

Water Management

TCM have installed marked gauge boards in the authorised discharged dams. This initiative improves water management practices.

Noise Management

The portable noise monitor was relocated few hundreds meter away from farming/ grazing activity zone at Coomalgah and a new fence was installed around it.

Rehabilitation

TCM have used an ATV to water the rehabilitated areas. That initiative improved the chance of tree survival during prolonged dry weather condition.

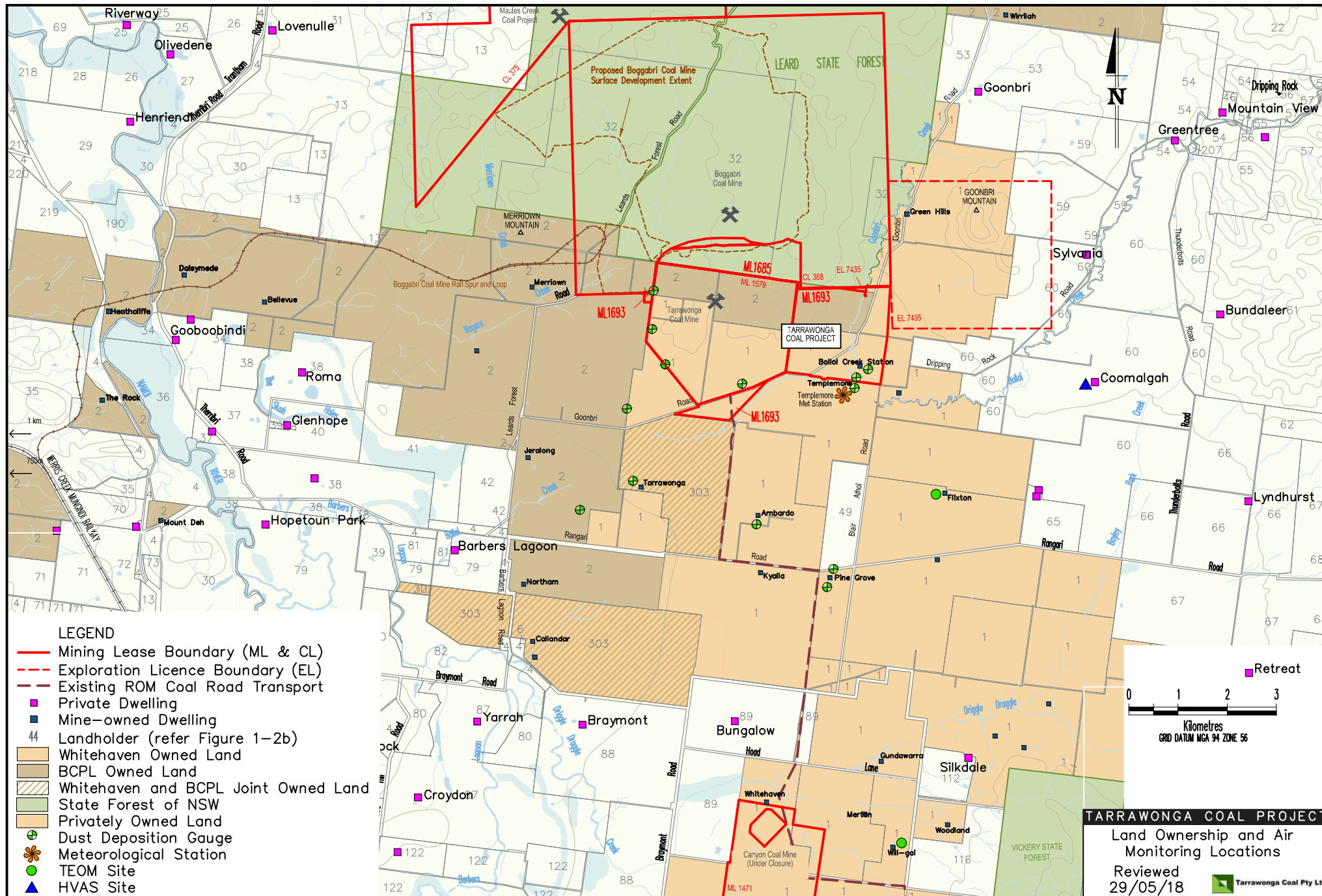
Air Quality

Two Portable dust (PM10) monitors have been ordered to upgrade the air monitoring network. They have been installed and record continuously data



Portable Dust monitor installed at TCM in November 2018

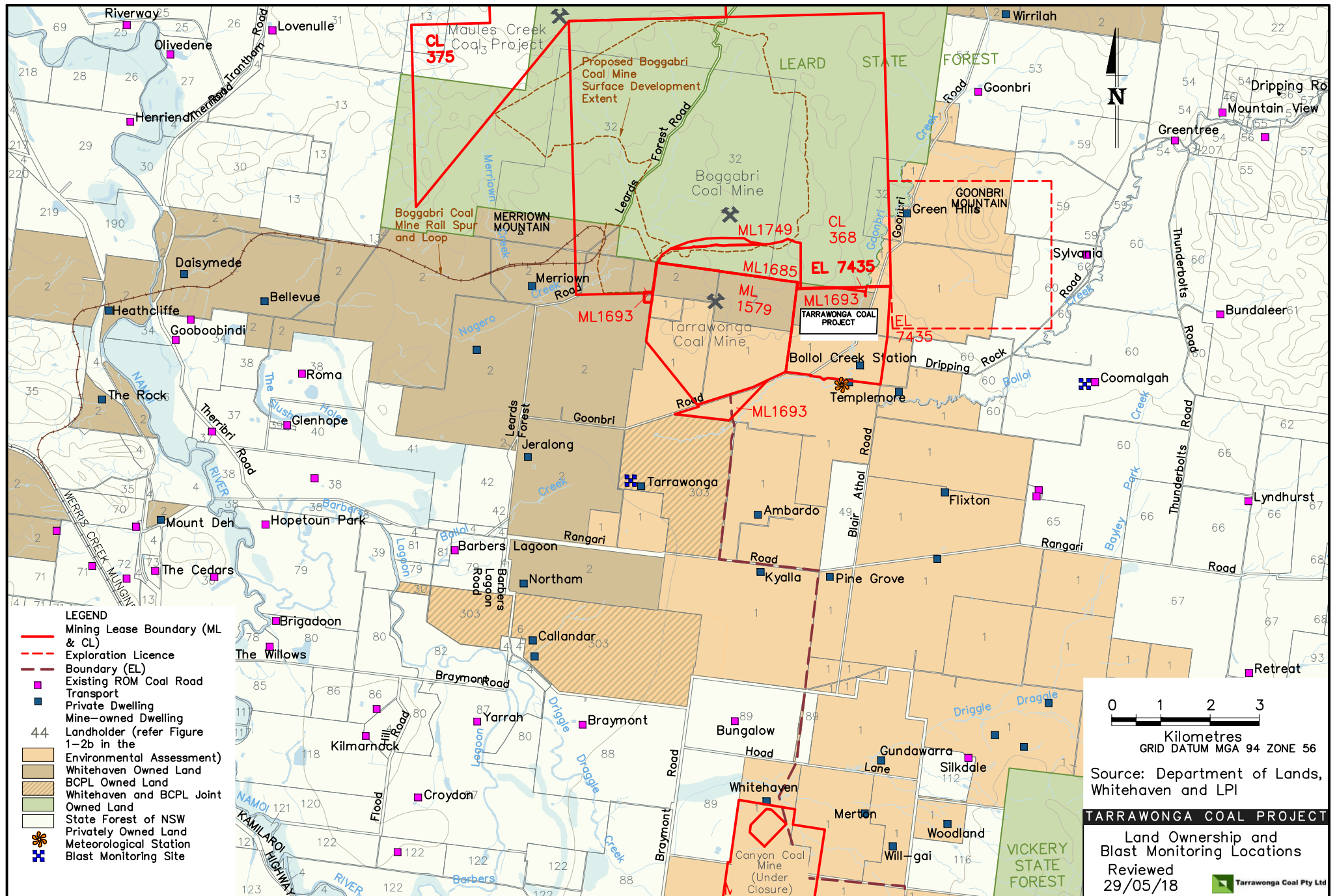
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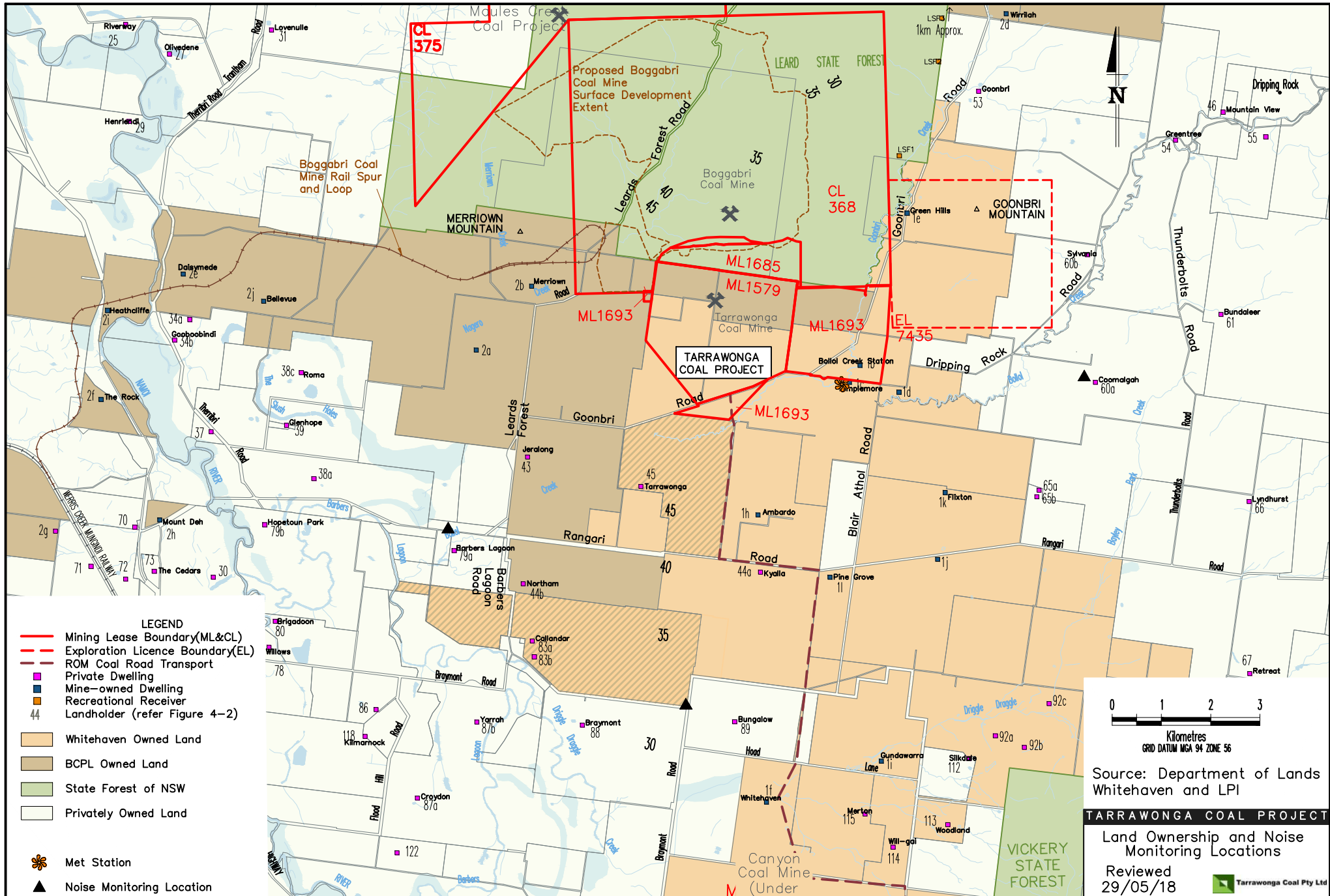


LEGEND

- Mining Lease Boundary (ML & CL)
- - - Exploration Licence Boundary (EL)
- - - Existing ROM Coal Road Transport
- Private Dwelling
- Mine-owned Dwelling
- 44 Landholder (refer Figure 1-2b)
- Whitehaven Owned Land
- BCPL Owned Land
- Whitehaven and BCPL Joint Owned Land
- State Forest of NSW
- Privately Owned Land
- + Dust Deposition Gauge
- ✿ Meteorological Station
- TEOM Site
- ▲ HVAS Site

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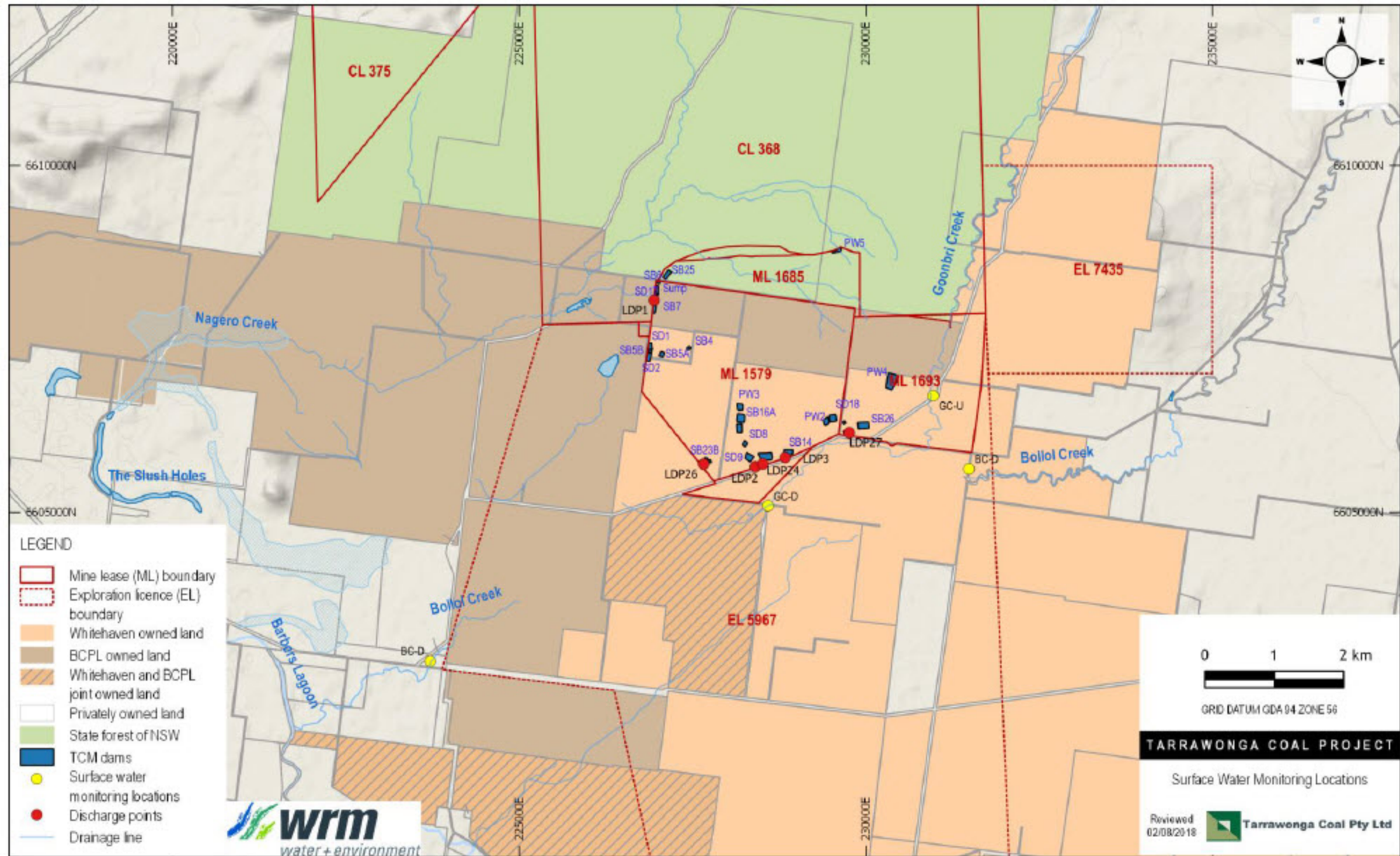
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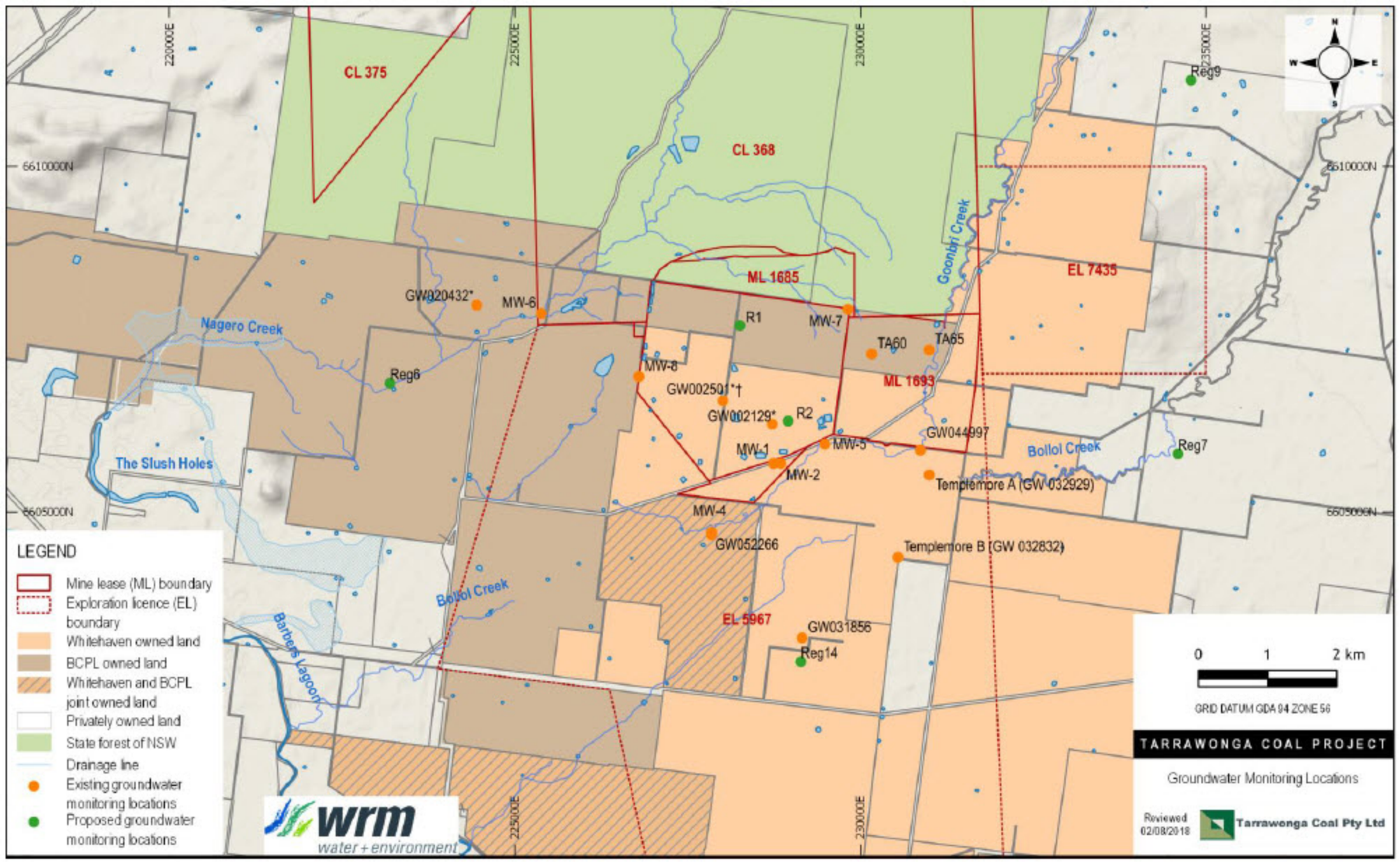
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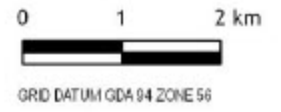
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- Mine lease (ML) boundary
- Exploration licence (EL) boundary
- Whitehaven owned land
- BCPL owned land
- Whitehaven and BCPL joint owned land
- Privately owned land
- State forest of NSW
- Drainage line
- Existing groundwater monitoring locations
- Proposed groundwater monitoring locations



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Groundwater Monitoring Locations

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Appendix B

WHITEHAVEN COAL OPERATIONAL NOISE MONITORING

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1 Introduction

Whitehaven Coal Limited (Whitehaven) has commissioned SLR Consulting Australia Pty Ltd (SLR) to conduct operational noise monitoring for Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) located approximately 16 km east of Boggabri, New South Wales (NSW) in accordance with the approved Tarrawonga Noise Management Plan (NMP) dated December 2014, the Whitehaven Project Approval (PA 11_0047 – May 2017) and the Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 12365 dated 27/06/2017 (EPL 12365).

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

- Conduct operator attended noise surveys at three (3) locations (79a, 89 and 60a) 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 TCM and determine compliance with respect to the limits contained in Section 2 of the NMP, Schedule 3 - Condition 3 & 6 of the PA and Condition L4.1 of the EPL.

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

2 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** of this report.

Table 1 Performance Assessment – Operations

EPL ID	Location	Date	Tarrawonga Coal Mine Contribution dBA				Criteria	Measurement Periods	Weather Compliant			Compliant
			LAeq(15minute) Day	LAeq(15minute) Evening	LAeq(15minute) Night	LA1(1minute) Night			Day	Eve	Night	
79a	Barbers Lagoon	25/02/2019	26	N/M	I/A	I/A	Day, Evening and Night – 35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	N	N	Y
		26/02/2019	I/A	I/A	25	27			Y	Y	Y	Y
		27/02/2019	26	I/A	N/M	N/M			Y	N	N	Y
		28/02/2019	I/A	N/M	31	33			Y	N	N	Y
89	Bungalow	25/02/2019	I/A	N/M	27	29	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute)		N	N	N	Y
		26/02/2019	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	Y		Y	Y	Y	
		27/02/2019	I/A	I/A	N/M	N/M	Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)		Y	N	Y	Y
		28/02/2019	<25	I/A	I/A	I/A	Y		N	N	Y	
60a	Coomalgah/ Matong	25/02/2019	25	N/M	I/A	I/A	Y	N	N	Y		
		26/02/2019	26	<25	<25	25	Y	Y	N	Y		
		27/02/2019	31	I/A	I/A	I/A	Y	N	N	Y		
		28/02/2019	26	N/M	I/A	I/A	Y	N	Y	Y		

Note:

I/A = Inaudible

N/M = Not Measurable

3 Noise Criteria

3.1 Project Approval, EPL and NMP

Noise monitoring at TCM was conducted in accordance with the EPL 12365, the PA 11_0047 requirements and the NMP. The site specific EPL and PA noise limits are summarised in Section 2 of the NMP and are reproduced in **Table 2**.

Table 2 Project Approval and EPL Noise Criteria- dBA (re 20 µPa)

Location	Day	Cumulative Criteria1	Evening	Night	
	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LAeq(15minute)	LA1(1minute)
All Privately owned Residences	35 dBA	40 dBA	35 dBA	35 dBA	45 dBA

Note 1. Cumulative noise criteria to include noise generated by other mines

3.1.1 Non-compliances & Exemptions

In accordance with Section 11.1.3 of the Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI) 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 TCM is excessive, in which case TCM will be not complying with its consent or licence condition.
- The noise was increased by extreme, nonstandard weather effects—in which case the TCM is not considered to be in non-compliance 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 NPfI 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.”*

TCM defines non standard weather effects as:

- 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

3.1.2 Attended Monitoring

TCM will be undertaking Attended Noise monitoring on a quarterly basis at residential areas. The attended monitoring will take place at the following locations & can be found in **Figure 1**.

- Barbers Lagoon – 6412 Rangari Road
- Bungalow – 1216 Braymont Road
- Coolmagah/Matong – Eastern boundary

This monitoring will involve Day, Evening and Night Attended monitoring to determine the $L_{Aeq(15\text{minute})}$. During attended monitoring, the following is to be monitored:

- Noise levels from TCM at residential areas.
- wind speed and direction.
- Sky cloud cover, using direct observation for night measurements.

4 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 – 2004 *Electroacoustics—Sound level meters – Specifications*, AS IEC 61672.2-2004, AS IEC 61672.3-2004 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 Sheets are provided in **Appendix B**.

4.2 Methodology - Operator Attended Noise Monitoring

Noise monitoring was conducted in accordance with the current Tarrawonga NMP, and Conditions M7.1 and M7.4 of the EPL.

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 each of the three (3) nominated noise monitoring locations 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	Receiver Type	Address	Monitoring Location - MGA Zone 56	
			Easting (m)	Northing (m)
79a	Residence	Barbers Lagoon – 6145 Rangari Road	222934	6602484
89	Residence	Bungalow – 1216 Braymont Road	227596	6599265
60a	Residence	Matong/Coomalgah – Eastern boundary	233182	6606083

The objective of the operator attended noise monitoring was to measure the maximum (L_{Amax}) and the $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise level contribution from the TCM at the nearest potentially affected receptors in order to determine the noise contribution of operational activities associated with TCM operations over each 15 minute measurement period. In addition, the operator quantifies and characterises the overall levels of ambient noise in the area (i.e. L_{Amax} , $LA1$, $LA10$, $LA90$, L_{Aeq} and L_{Amin}) over the 15 minute measurement interval.

Operator attended noise measurements were conducted using one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2250 Sound Level Meter (SLM) (serial number 3011836) and one-third octave integrating Brüel & Kjær Type 2270 SLMs (serial numbers 3011372 & 3008204).

Table 4 presents a summary of which days of the week the quarterly monitoring was conducted, in accordance with condition M7.5 of EPL 12365.

Table 4 Days of the Week Quarterly Monitoring was Conducted, Year 2018

Period	Day of the Week					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Day	25 February 2019	26 February 2019	27 February 2019	28 February 2019		
Evening	25 February 2019	26 February 2019	27 February 2019	28 February 2019		
Night ¹	25 February 2019	26 February 2019	27 February 2019	28 February 2019		

1. Taken to mean the night time period from 10:00 pm on the stated day to 7:00 am the following day.

Figure 1 Tarrawonga Coal Mine Attended Noise Monitoring Locations



5 Results and Discussion

5.1 Results of Operator Attended Monitoring

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at Barbers Lagoon, Bungalow and Matong/Coomalgah are provided in **Table 5** to **Table 16**.

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

Weather data during the monitoring period has been obtained from the weather station located on the TCM 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 the weather station.
- Typical maximum (L_{Amax}) and contributed $L_{Aeq(15minute)}$ noise levels.

5.1.1 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Barbers Lagoon (79a)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 5** to **Table 8**. Monitoring location 79a represents residential receptors located to the southwest of the site in Barbers Lagoon.

Table 5 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmIn		
Day 25/02/2019 11:41 1.7 – 5.1 m/s ENE/ESE 20-28 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	80	72	61	35	59	28	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Audible but not measurable at times. Dozer 28-31 Other Noise Events: Birds 63-80 Dog 63 Car 56
		2	D	64	56	49	28	45	25	26	
		3	D	58	51	43	31	40	28	N/M	
		4	E	60	55	49	34	45	31	N/M	
		5	A	73	57	46	31	46	26	25	
		6	A	62	54	43	30	41	26	26	
Evening 25/02/2019 20:32 3.5 – 4.9 m/s ESE 26-27°C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	79	72	56	40	59	37	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not measurable. Other Noise Events: Dog 56-79 Car 51
		2	D	70	57	51	44	49	40	N/M	
Night 25/02/2019 23:30 4 - 5.3 E/ESE 25-28 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	C	52	49	46	40	44	37	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Dog barking 56-67 Wind 35-50
		2	B	56	47	44	37	41	33	I/A	
		3	C	67	48	40	34	41	32	I/A	
		4	C	47	46	44	37	41	33	I/A	

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I/A = Inaudible

Table 6 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 26/02/2019 11:01 0 – 3 m/s E/W 21-28 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	B	65	58	46	31	45	27	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birdsong 35-44 Radio 34 Traffic 37-39 Farm animals 59-62 Resident vehicle pass 74-79
		2	D	79	58	48	30	49	26	I/A	
		3	E	74	59	49	30	48	26	I/A	
		4	D	62	55	45	31	43	26	I/A	
		5	E	67	59	49	32	47	27	I/A	
		6	E	66	54	45	30	43	26	I/A	
Evening 26/02/2019 20:12 1.2 – 1.3 m/s E/ESE 24-26 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	43	33	29	25	27	23	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible. Other Noise Events: Birds 30-33 Distant Truck 28 Car 37-45
		2	D	45	42	35	27	32	26	I/A	
Night 27/02/2019 01:04 0 – 1.2 m/s N 20-23 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	E	57	50	29	26	35	23	25	Site Related Noise Events: Audible. Dozer <25-30 Other Noise Events: Dog 49-57 Car 33-37 Birds 35-40
		2	E	41	29	27	25	26	22	<25	
		3	F	58	51	39	25	38	23	<25	
		4	F	55	46	33	26	33	24	25	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

Table 7 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAMin		
Day 27/02/2019 12:31 0 – 4.3 m/s E/SSW 21-31 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	69	60	42	28	46	24	<25	Site Related Noise Events: Audible. Dozer 28 Other Noise Events: Birds 40-79 Truck 38-44 Car 40-53
		2	A	72	63	56	32	52	24	<25	
		3	C	74	52	43	30	44	26	26	
		4	C	61	46	41	29	38	25	26	
		5	C	63	49	43	28	39	24	26	
		6	C	79	51	37	26	47	23	26	
Evening 27/02/2019 19:58 4.3 – 5.3 m/s E/ENE 27-28 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	66	53	50	43	47	40	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Farm operations 38 Birdsong 41-66 Wind 43-50
		2	D	55	52	48	42	46	40	I/A	
Night 27/02/2019 23:29 3 – 4.5 SSW/ESE 28-29 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	A	57	46	42	36	39	33	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Bats 57-65 Wind 36-49
		2	C	65	47	43	37	41	35	N/M	
		3	C	65	47	44	37	42	38	N/M	
		4	A	63	48	44	37	42	36	N/M	

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Table 8 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 79a – Barbers Lagoon (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmn		
Day 28/02/2019 13:07 0.3 – 3.5 m/s SE/SSW 28-30 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	83	60	50	53	59	27	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Birdsong 48-83 Plane 44 Car pass-by 52-61 Plane 44 Wind 40-53
		2	B	76	52	40	28	46	24	I/A	
		3	C	72	64	48	30	54	25	I/A	
		4	A	65	52	45	30	42	26	I/A	
		5	B	60	49	41	29	40	26	I/A	
		6	C	67	54	42	29	42	25	I/A	
Evening 28/02/2019 18:01 3.3 – 4.3 m/s SE 29 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	74	59	52	37	49	33	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Not measurable. Other Noise Events: Dog 63 Car 43-53 Birds 48-87
		2	D	87	76	67	39	64	33	N/M	
Night 28/02/2019 22:13 3.1 - 5 m/s ENE 24-25 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	60	51	41	34	40	31	29	Site Related Noise Events: Mine Clearly audible. Dozer: 32 Other Noise Events: Car 45-60 Dog 50-59 Cow 35
		2	D	58	43	40	32	37	29	30	
		3	D	42	39	36	31	33	29	31	
		4	D	60	43	37	30	36	28	31	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

5.1.2 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Bungalow (89)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 9** to **Table 12**. Monitoring location 89 represents residential receptors located to the south of the site in Bungalow.

Table 9 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAm _{ax}	LA ₁	LA ₁₀	LA ₉₀	LA _{eq}	LA _{min}		
Day 25/02/2019 09:40 4 – 6.2 m/s E/ESE 17-25 °C 3008204	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute)	1	C	60	55	44	33	42	28	I/A	Site related noise: Inaudible. Other noise events: Car 50- 61 Truck 67-68
		2	D	62	55	46	32	43	28	I/A	
		3	B	67	57	52	38	49	31	I/A	
		4	C	61	51	43	33	41	27	I/A	
		5	B	68	60	44	34	46	27	I/A	
		6	D	59	49	44	25	40	22	I/A	
Evening 25/02/2019 19:40 4.9 – 5.9 m/s ESE 27-28 °C 3008204	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute)	1	D	57	54	51	46	49	43	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Not measurable. Other Noise Events: Wind 50-70
		2	D	70	57	53	46	51	43	N/M	
Night 26/02/2019 00:50 4.2 – 5.3 m/s E 19 °C 3011836	35 dBA LA _{eq} (15minute) 45 dBA LA ₁ (1minute)	1	D	52	49	47	42	45	40	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Barely audible General operations 27 Other Noise Events: Insects 34-40 Wind 41-60
		2	D	60	48	46	41	44	38	N/M	
		3	D	50	45	43	38	41	35	N/M	
		4	E	44	40	38	33	36	30	27	

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

Table 10 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 26/02/2019 12:59 0.9 – 3.9 m/s SSE/SSW 18-30 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	73	64	43	32	52	28	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Car pass-by 71-74 Birdsong 46-65 Wind 27-51
		2	C	71	59	43	30	48	27	I/A	
		3	B	74	65	51	32	52	26	I/A	
		4	B	73	59	43	27	48	24	I/A	
		5	A	57	46	40	25	36	22	I/A	
		6	B	59	50	45	25	41	23	I/A	
Evening 26/02/2019 19:21 1.1 – 2.3 m/s ESE 28-29 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	54	48	43	29	39	22	I/A	Site related noise: Inaudible. Other noise events: Car 49-54 Truck 44 Insects 50-52 Birds 45-50
		2	E	52	50	48	37	45	32	I/A	
Night 26/02/2019 23:36 0 - 1 m/s S/SSW 27-28 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	B	60	56	54	48	52	36	I/A	Site related noise: Inaudible. Other noise events: Truck 55-63 Insects 54-56
		2	B	63	57	56	49	54	30	I/A	
	45 dBA LA1(1minute)	3	A	57	56	55	47	53	32	I/A	
		4	B	56	53	52	43	49	29	I/A	

N/M = Not Measurable

I/A = Inaudible

Table 11 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmx	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmIn		
Day 27/02/2019 10:41 0.7 – 3.5 m/s E/S 14-27 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	C	62	53	40	23	40	20	I/A	Site related noise: Inaudible. Haul truck 35 Other noise events: Car 55-78 Truck 75 Birds 45-45
		2	B	78	67	48	24	53	21	I/A	
		3	E	56	39	35	24	33	22	I/A	
		4	E	68	54	41	25	41	21	I/A	
		5	E	56	37	30	21	28	20	I/A	
		6	E	54	43	37	23	33	21	I/A	
Evening 27/02/2019 20:43 4.2 – 5.1 E/ENE 26 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	63	53	50	46	49	42	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 40-57 Car pass-by 58-63 Insects 41-43
		2	D	58	55	52	47	50	44	I/A	
Night 28/02/2019 01:06 0 – 1.2 m/s NE/WSW 19-23°C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	58	49	46	39	44	35	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not Measureable Other Noise Events: Insects 39-44 Wind 50-61
		2	E	61	52	48	42	46	38	I/A	
		3	E	55	50	47	40	44	37	I/A	
		4	F	60	50	46	38	44	32	I/A	

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Table 12 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 89 – Bungalow (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 27/02/2019 08:59 1.2 – 2.7 m/s ESE/SSE 20-25 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	B	76	61	47	37	50	28	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Intermittently audible General engine noise 24-26 Other Noise Events: Car pass-by 67-76 Plane 38-45 Birdsong 38-61
		2	B	72	59	45	27	47	25	I/A	
		3	C	72	59	42	26	46	23	<25	
		4	B	67	58	39	24	44	23	<25	
		5	A	65	49	38	26	37	24	N/M	
		6	B	64	53	42	26	41	24	I/A	
Evening 28/02/2019 18:55 3.8 – 4.7 m/s SE/SSE 28-29°C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	68	47	44	37	42	35	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible. Other Noise Events: Birds 68 Truck 35
		2	E	56	46	42	35	39	32	I/A	
Night 28/02/2019 22:01 3.1 – 5 ENE 24-25 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	62	55	53	48	51	43	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Insects 46 Wind 43-54 Car pass-by 56-65
		2	D	59	58	56	45	52	48	I/A	
		3	D	65	57	54	43	50	40	I/A	
		4	D	59	58	55	42	50	39	I/A	

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5.1.3 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – Matong/Coomalgah (60a)

Results of the operator attended noise surveys at R1 are provided in **Table 13** to **Table 16**. Monitoring location 60a represents residential receptors located to the east of the site at the Matong/Coomalgah boundary.

Table 13 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 1)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				L _{Amax}	L _{A1}	L _{A10}	L _{A90}	L _{Aeq}	L _{Amin}		
Day 25/02/2019 07:27 0.6 – 2.5 m/s SE/ESE 18-21 °C 3008204	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	C	53	48	37	21	35	19	<25	Site Related Noise Events: Mine clearly audible. Dozer 25 Other Noise Events: Plane 40-53 Car 46-53 Birds 60-72
		2	C	63	58	54	21	48	19	<25	
		3	C	64	53	40	22	40	19	<25	
		4	C	72	59	45	22	46	20	25	
		5	C	68	55	36	23	42	21	25	
		6	C	71	60	48	24	47	22	25	
Evening 25/02/2019 18:43 3.9 - 5.5 m/s ESE 29-30 °C 3008204	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	D	52	47	44	34	41	29	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not measurable. Other Noise Events: Car 46-59
		2	D	59	47	45	36	42	33	N/M	
Night 25/02/19 22:00 3.5 – 4.9 m/s E 24 °C 3011919	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15min) 45 dBA L _{A1} (1min)	1	E	44	41	39	30	36	26	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 35-54 Insects 33-35
		2	E	54	43	40	30	37	26	I/A	
		3	D	46	43	40	33	37	29	I/A	
		4	E	48	44	42	32	38	29	I/A	

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Table 14 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 2)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution (dB)	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	LAmin		
Day 26/02/2019 09:02 1.3 – 3.1 m/s W/WSW 23-26 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	56	49	41	27	38	24	26	Site Related Noise Events: Audible General truck noise 25-30 Other Noise Events: Other industry 26-31 Birdsong 35-60 Plane 32
		2	C	56	44	33	24	33	23	26	
		3	A	59	41	29	24	30	22	25	
		4	A	54	43	31	24	32	22	26	
		5	A	60	50	30	23	36	22	N/M	
		6	A	51	41	32	24	30	22	26	
Evening 26/02/2019 18:28 1.3 – 2.2 m/s E/ESE 30-31 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	49	35	26	21	25	19	<25	Site Related Noise Events: Mine clearly audible. Other Noise Events: Birds 33-63
		2	D	63	45	34	21	35	20	22	
Night 26/02/2019 22:06 3.5 – 4.6 m/s E/ENE 24-26 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute) 45 dBA LA1(1minute)	1	D	37	35	33	28	31	24	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Audible. Dozer 20-23 Other Noise Events: Insects 30-55
		2	D	55	32	29	22	26	19	<25	
		3	D	48	32	31	26	29	24	<25	
		4	E	49	33	32	28	30	25	<25	

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Table 15 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 3)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				LAmax	LA1	LA10	LA90	LAeq	L Amin		
Day 27/02/2019 08:41 1.4 – 2.8 m/s SW/SSW 22-25 °C 3008204	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	A	55	46	33	26	33	24	29	Site Related Noise Events: Mine clearly audible. Dozer 30-35 Horn 34-35 Engine Rev: 33-35 Other Noise Events: Birds 55-79 Car 41-46
		2	B	64	51	41	29	39	26	30	
		3	A	79	73	49	29	58	26	30	
		4	D	56	45	39	28	36	24	30	
		5	A	64	55	39	26	41	23	31	
		6	A	59	47	38	27	36	24	31	
Evening 27/02/2019 19:06 3 – 3.8 m/s E 28-30 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	D	65	43	36	25	35	25	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Car pass-by 70-74 Light wind 29-38 Birdsong 32-65 Plane 37
		2	D	74	60	40	23	49	21	I/A	
Night 27/02/2019 22:01 3.4 – 4.5 m/s E/ENE 25-26 °C 3011836	35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	1	E	52	50	49	43	47	38	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible Other Noise Events: Wind 46-57 Insects 43-45
		2	D	52	50	48	43	46	38	I/A	
	45 dBA LA1(1minute)	3	D	57	50	49	44	47	37	I/A	
		4	D	52	50	48	43	46	39	I/A	

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Table 16 Operator Attended Noise Survey Results – 60a – Matong/Coolmalgah (Day 4)

Period Date/Start Time Weather SLM Details	Criteria	Measurement Number	Stability Category	Primary Noise Descriptor						TCM Contribution	Description
				L _{Amax}	L _{A1}	L _{A10}	L _{A90}	L _{Aeq}	L _{Amin}		
Day 28/02/2019 11:03 1.1 – 2.9 m/s E/ENE 23-27 °C 3011836	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	B	58	57	60	25	29	23	<25	Site Related Noise Events: Audible General engine noise 22-29 Other Noise Events: Other Industry 26-31 Birdsong 51-62 Car pass-by 72-81
		2	D	57	45	32	24	32	22	<25	
		3	D	58	39	28	23	29	22	<25	
		4	D	59	48	31	25	34	23	<25	
		5	D	62	49	34	24	36	22	26	
		6	D	81	67	43	24	55	23	<25	
Evening 28/02/2019 20:54 3.6 – 4.8 SE 27 °C 3008204	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	D	73	43	39	31	39	29	N/M	Site Related Noise Events: Not measurable. Other Noise Events: Birds 40
		2	D	56	38	36	30	34	27	N/M	
Night 28/02/2019 22:00 0.3 – 2.1 m/s SE/ESE 23-27 °C 3011372	35 dBA L _{Aeq} (15minute)	1	D	53	34	32	28	30	25	I/A	Site Related Noise Events: Inaudible. Other Noise Events:
		2	D	53	36	33	29	32	26	I/A	
	45 dBA L _{A1} (1minute)	3	D	38	35	33	27	31	24	I/A	
		4	D	40	38	36	28	33	24	I/A	

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Both TCM and Boggabri Coal operations were audible during the day, evening and night-time noise monitoring, with both generating similar noise levels. The total noise levels remained below the 40 dBA L_{Aeq}(15minute) cumulative noise criteria.

6 Conclusion

SLR was engaged by Whitehaven Coal Limited to conduct attended noise monitoring for the TCM in accordance with the Tarrawonga Coal Mine Noise Management Plan.

Operator attended noise monitoring was conducted at three (3) locations in order to determine the noise performance of the TCM, with compliance achieved at all locations during all time periods.

Both TCM and Boggabri Coal operations were audible during the daytime noise monitoring, with both generating similar noise levels. The total noise levels remained below the 40 dBA $L_{Aeq(15\text{minute})}$ cumulative noise criteria.

APPENDIX A

Acoustic Terminology

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

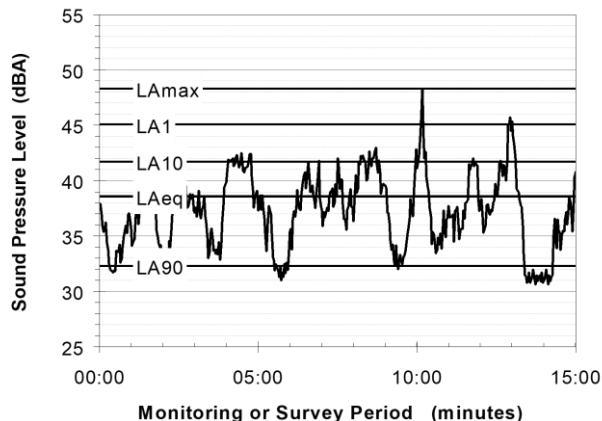
The Sound Power of a source is the rate at which it emits acoustic energy. As with Sound Pressure Levels, Sound Power Levels are expressed in decibel units (dB or dBA), but may be identified by the symbols SWL or LW, or by the reference unit 10^{-12} W.

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.

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

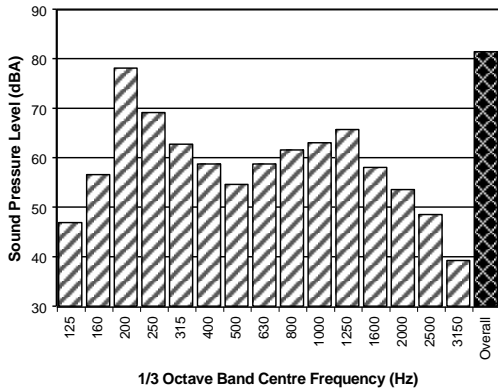
Frequency analysis is the process used to examine the tones (or frequency components) which make up the overall noise or vibration signal. This analysis was traditionally carried out using analogue electronic filters, but is now normally carried out using Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) analysers.

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.



8 Vibration

Vibration may be defined as cyclic or transient motion. This motion can be measured in terms of its displacement, velocity or acceleration. Most assessments of human response to vibration or the risk of damage to buildings use measurements of vibration velocity. These may be expressed in terms of “peak” velocity or “rms” velocity.

The former is the maximum instantaneous velocity, without any averaging, and is sometimes referred to as “peak particle velocity”, or PPV. The latter incorporates “root mean squared” averaging over some defined time period.

Vibration measurements may be carried out in a single axis or alternatively as triaxial measurements. Where triaxial measurements are used, the axes are commonly designated vertical, longitudinal (aligned toward the source) and transverse.

The common units for velocity are millimetres per second (mm/s). As with noise, decibel units can also be used, in which case the reference level should always be stated. A vibration level V , expressed in mm/s can be converted to decibels by the formula $20 \log (V/V_0)$, where V_0 is the reference level (10^{-9} m/s). Care is required in this regard, as other reference levels may be used by some organizations.

9 Human Perception of Vibration

People are able to “feel” vibration at levels lower than those required to cause even superficial damage to the most susceptible classes of building (even though they may not be disturbed by the motion). An individual’s perception of motion or response to vibration depends very strongly on previous experience and expectations, and on other connotations associated with the perceived source of the vibration. For example, the vibration that a person responds to as “normal” in a car, bus or train is considerably higher than what is perceived as “normal” in a shop, office or dwelling.

10 Over-pressure

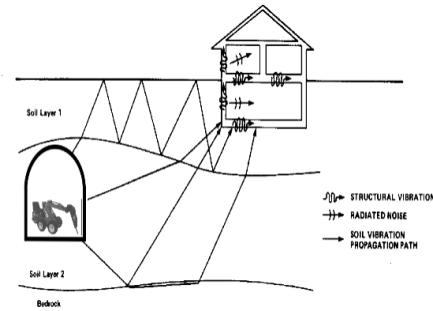
The term “over-pressure” is used to describe the air pressure pulse emitted during blasting or similar events. The peak level of an event is normally measured using a microphone in the same manner as linear noise (ie unweighted), at frequencies both in and below the audible range.

Ground-borne Noise, Structure-borne Noise and Regenerated Noise

Noise that propagates through a structure as vibration and is radiated by vibrating wall and floor surfaces is termed “structure-borne noise”, “ground-borne noise” or “regenerated noise”. This noise originates as vibration and propagates between the source and receiver through the ground and/or building structural elements, rather than through the air.

Typical sources of ground-borne or structure-borne noise include tunnelling works, underground railways, excavation plant (eg rockbreakers), and building services plant (eg fans, compressors and generators).

The following figure presents the various paths by which vibration and ground-borne noise may be transmitted between a source and receiver for construction activities occurring within a tunnel.



The term “regenerated noise” is also used in other instances where energy is converted to noise away from the primary source. One example would be a fan blowing air through a discharge grill. The fan is the energy source and primary noise source. Additional noise may be created by the aerodynamic effect of the discharge grill in the airstream. This secondary noise is referred to as regenerated noise

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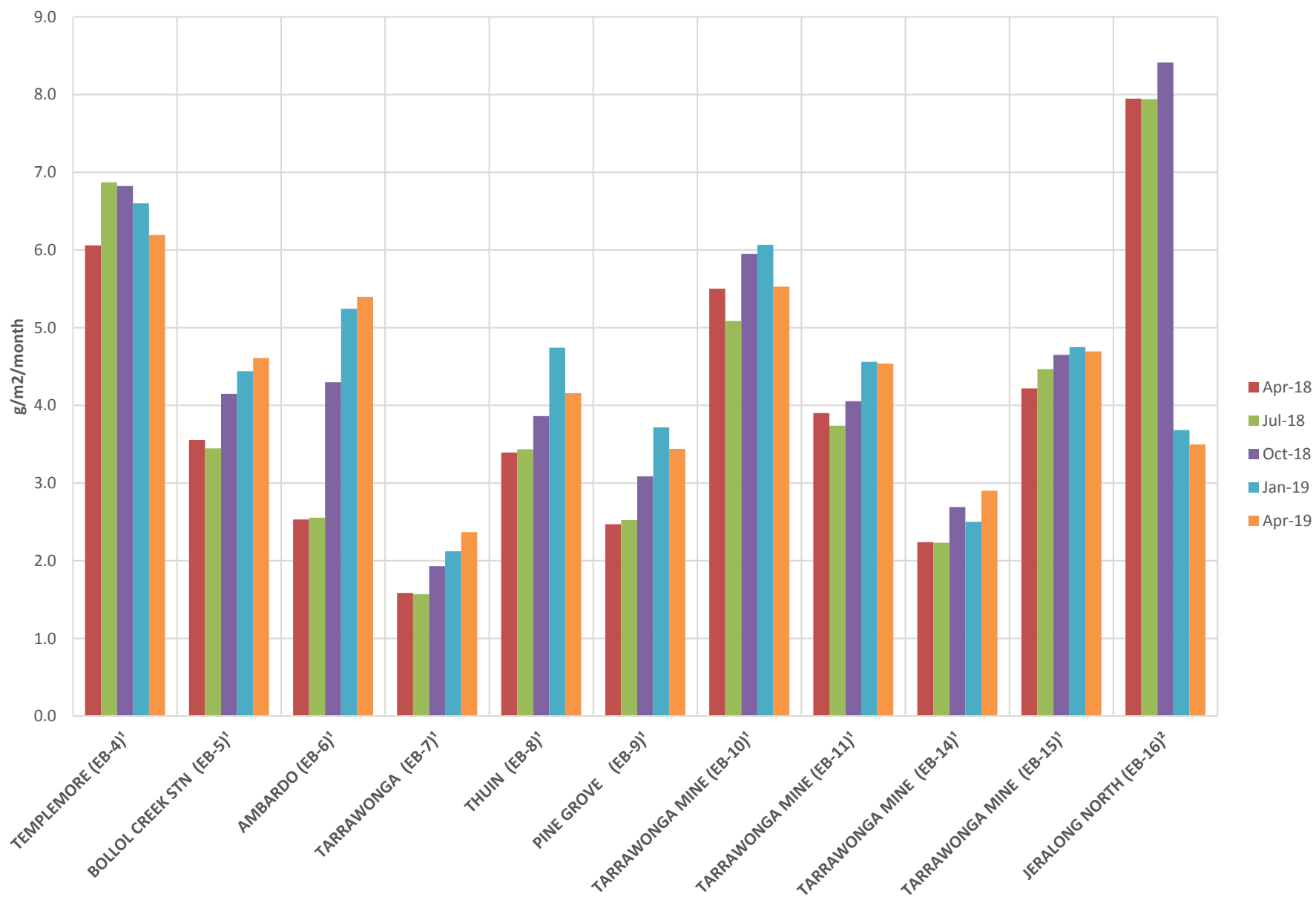
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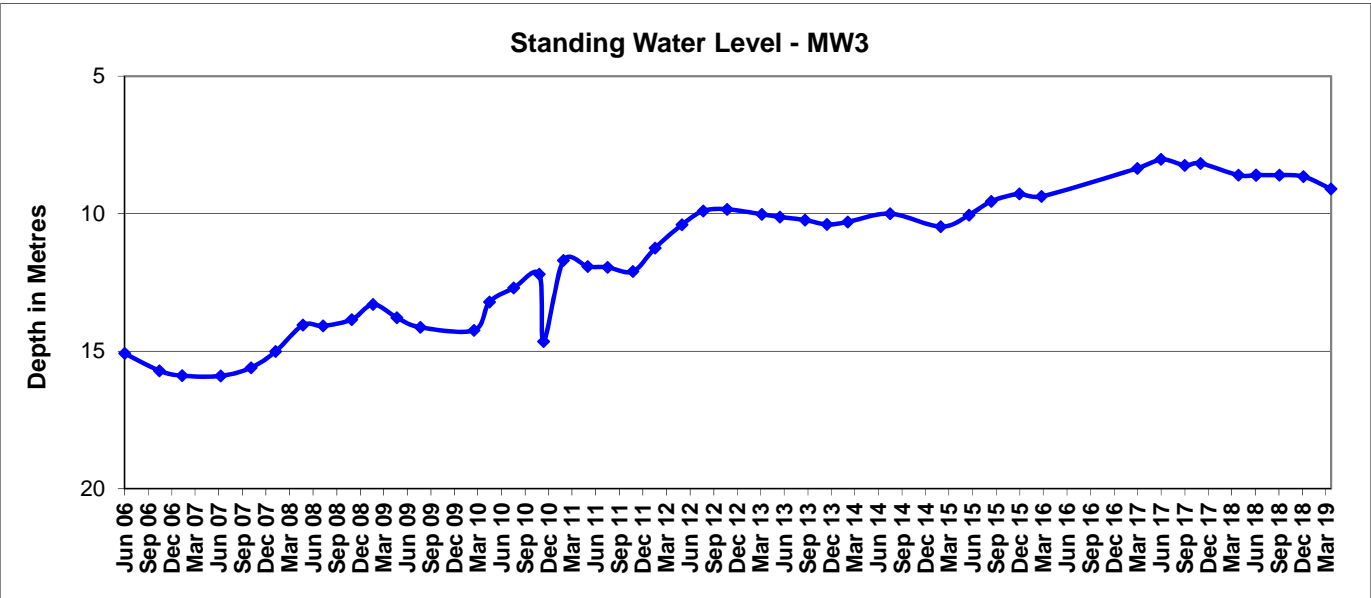
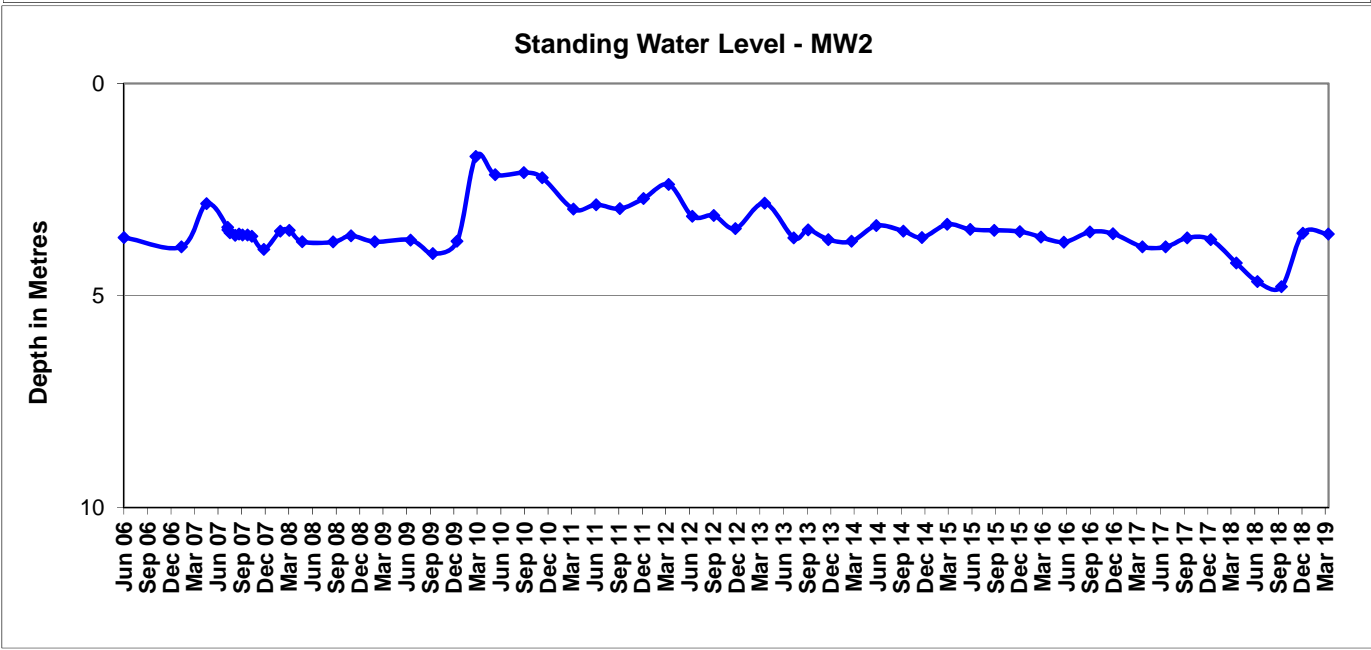
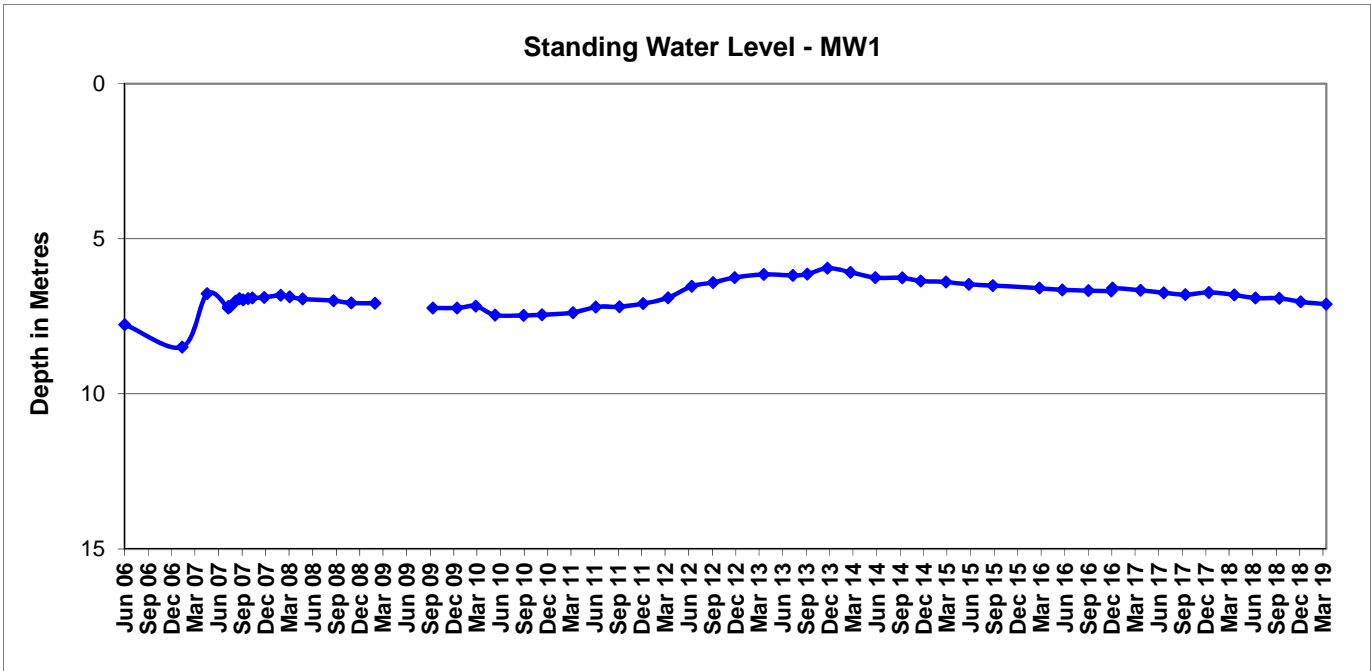
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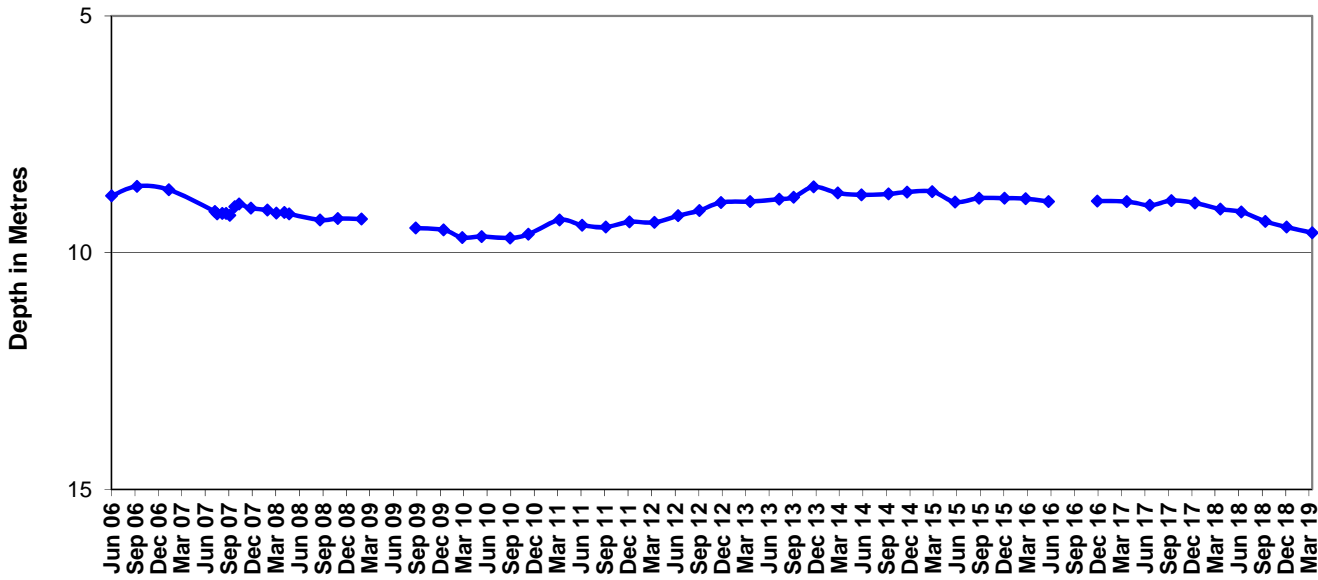
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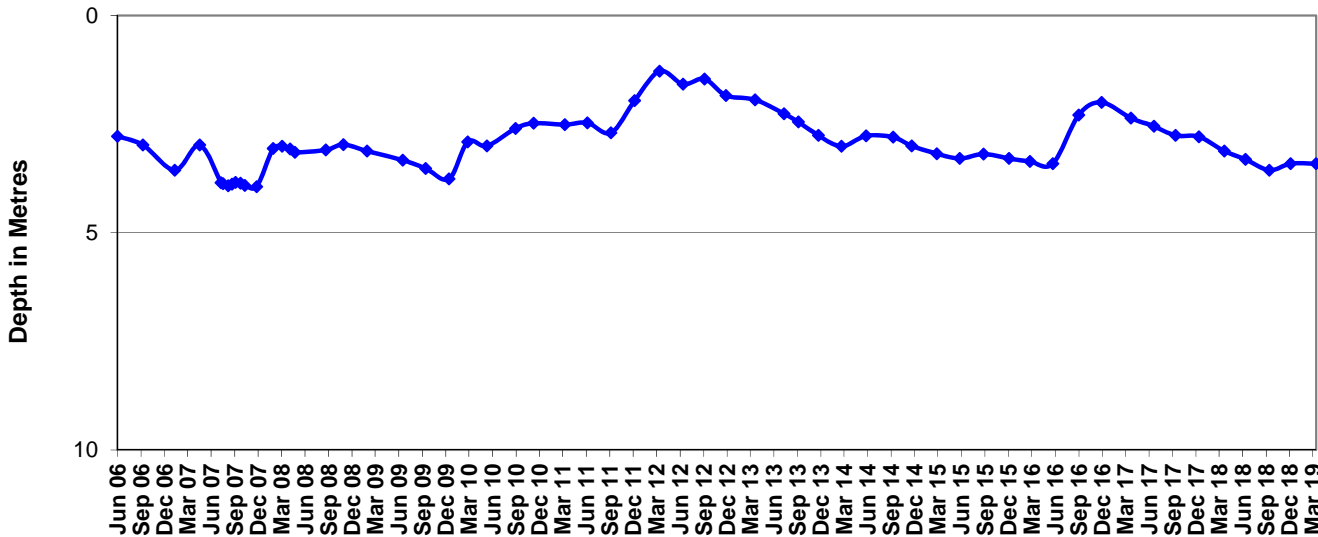
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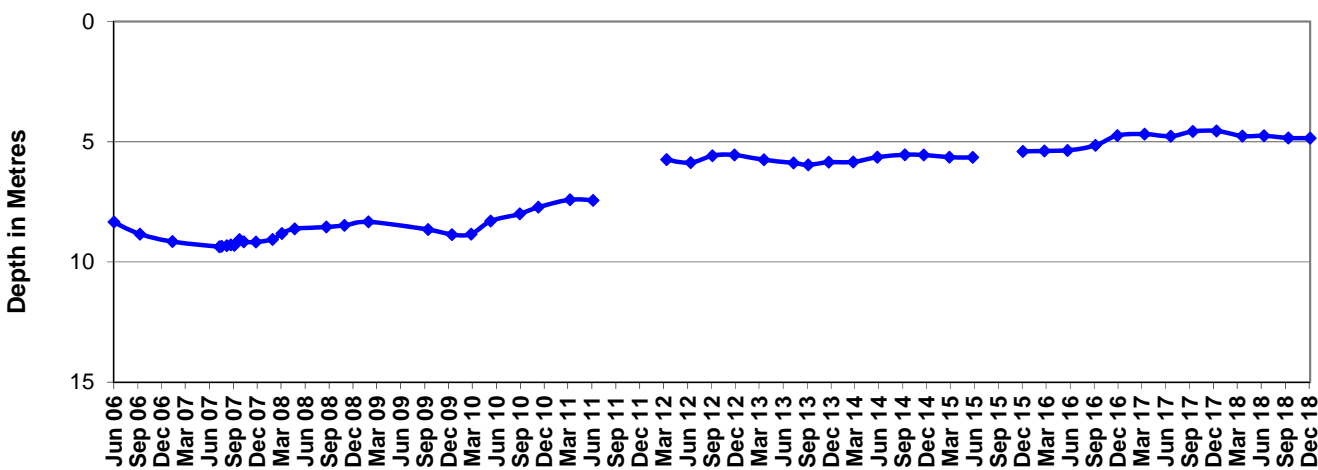
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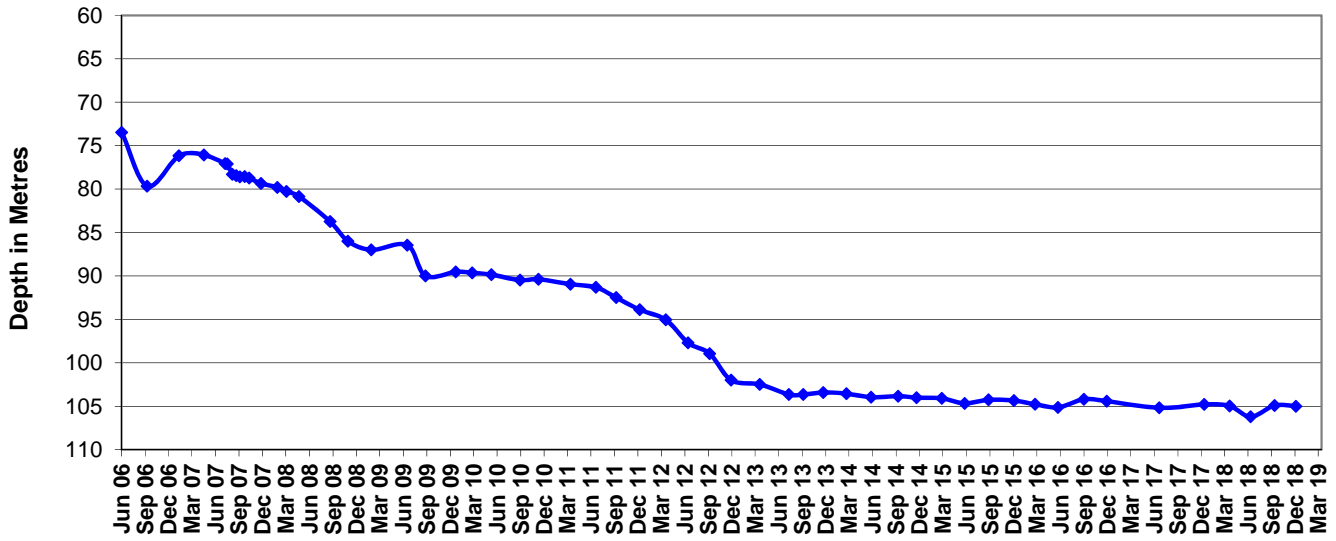
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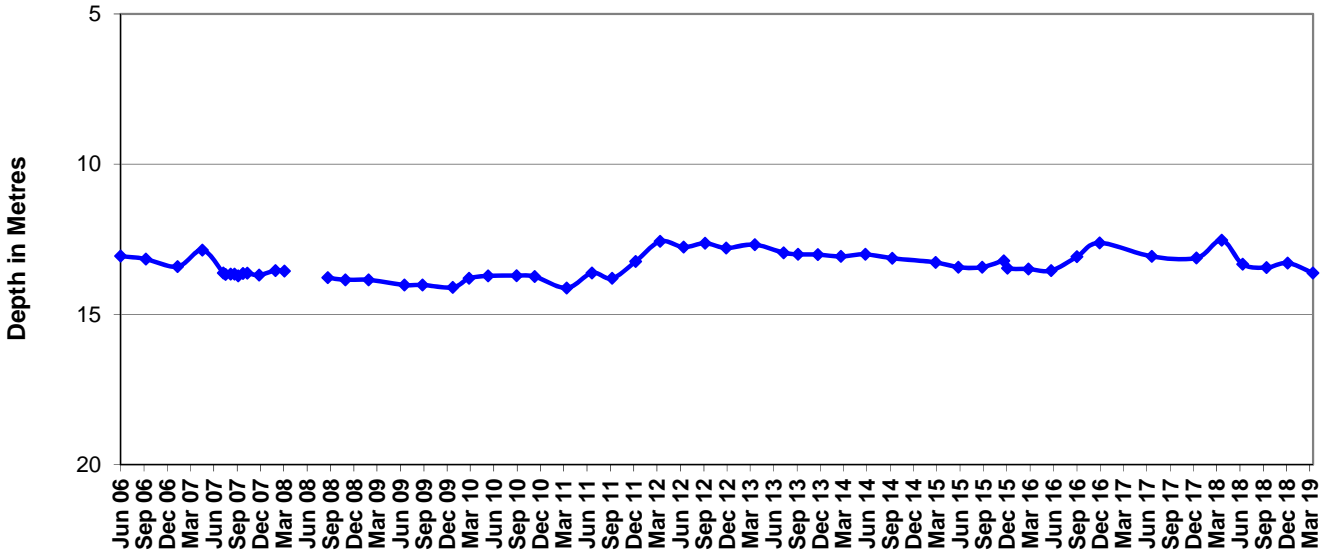
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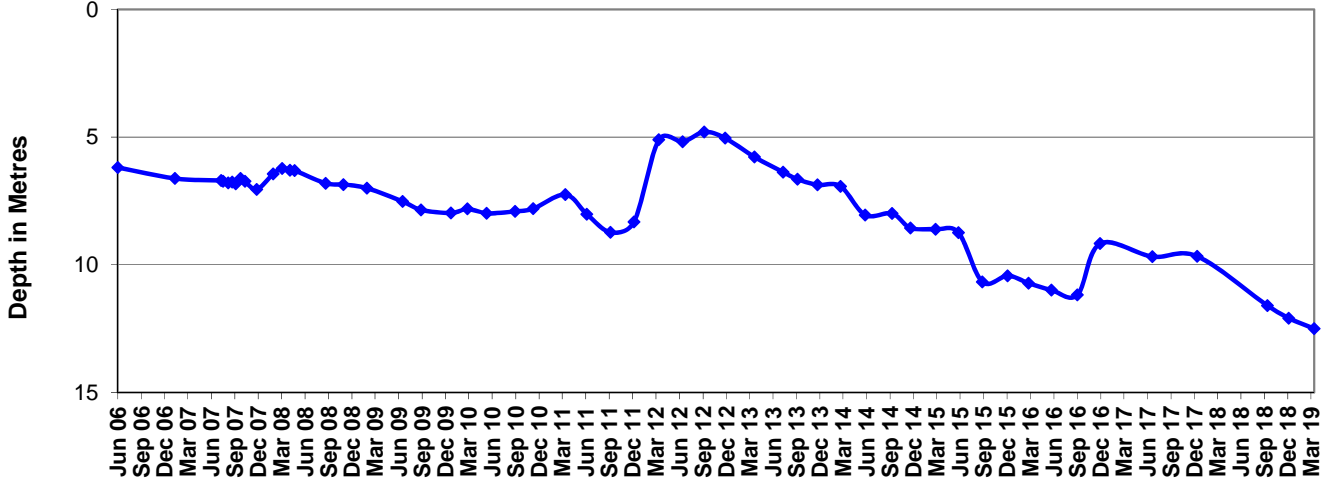
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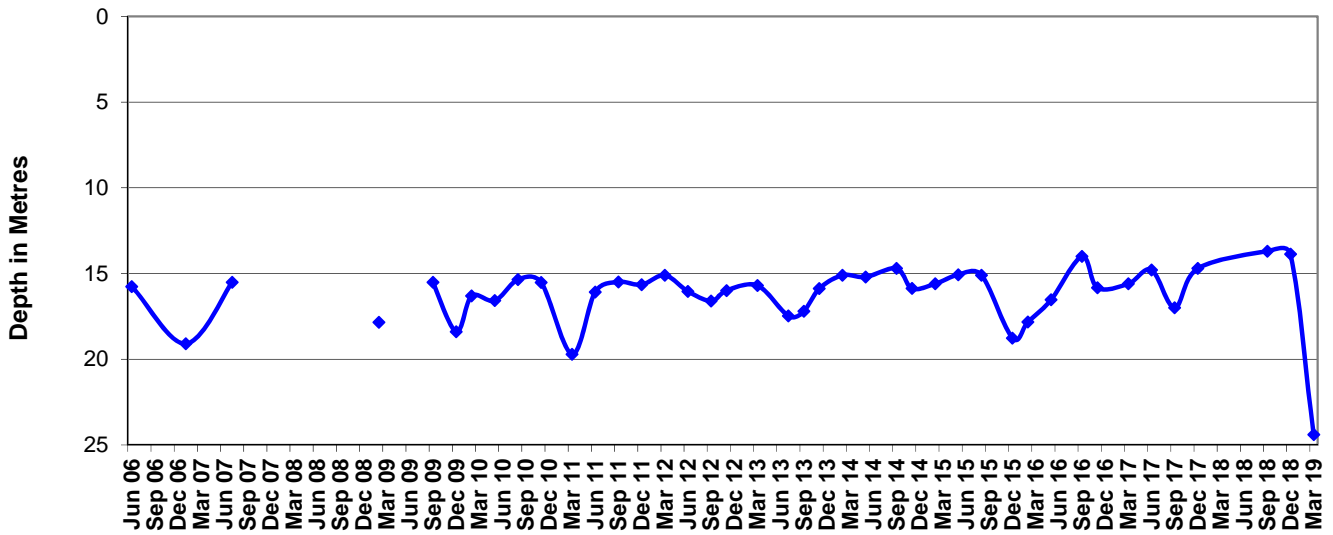
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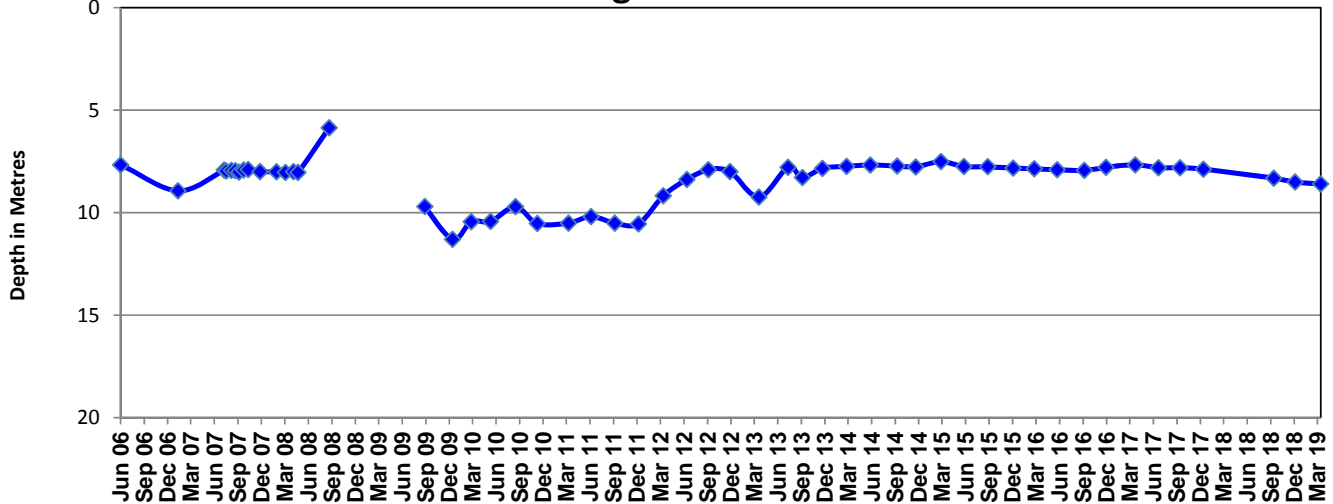
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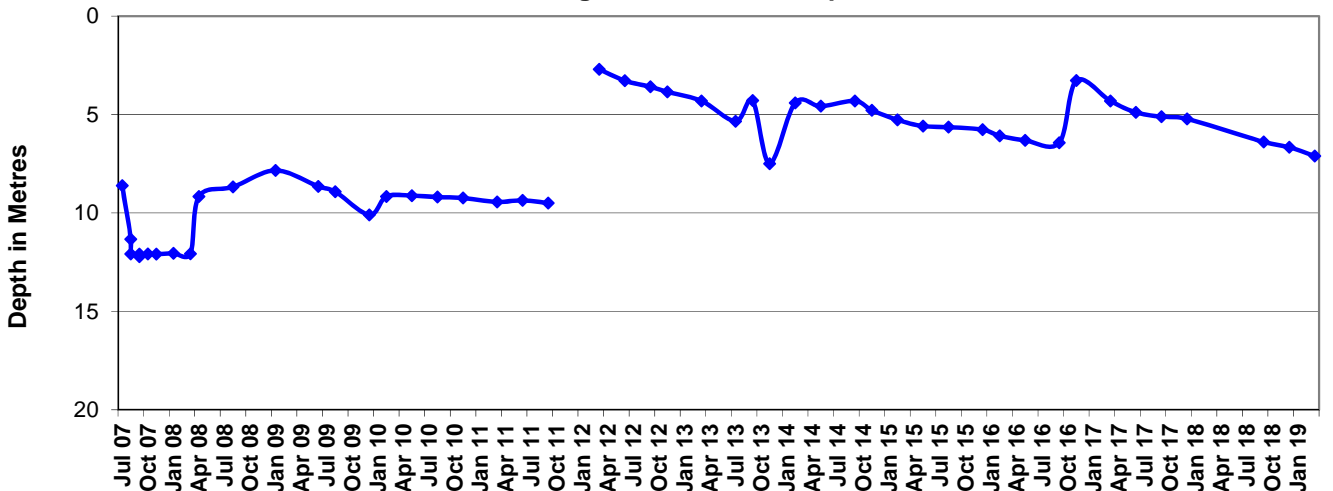
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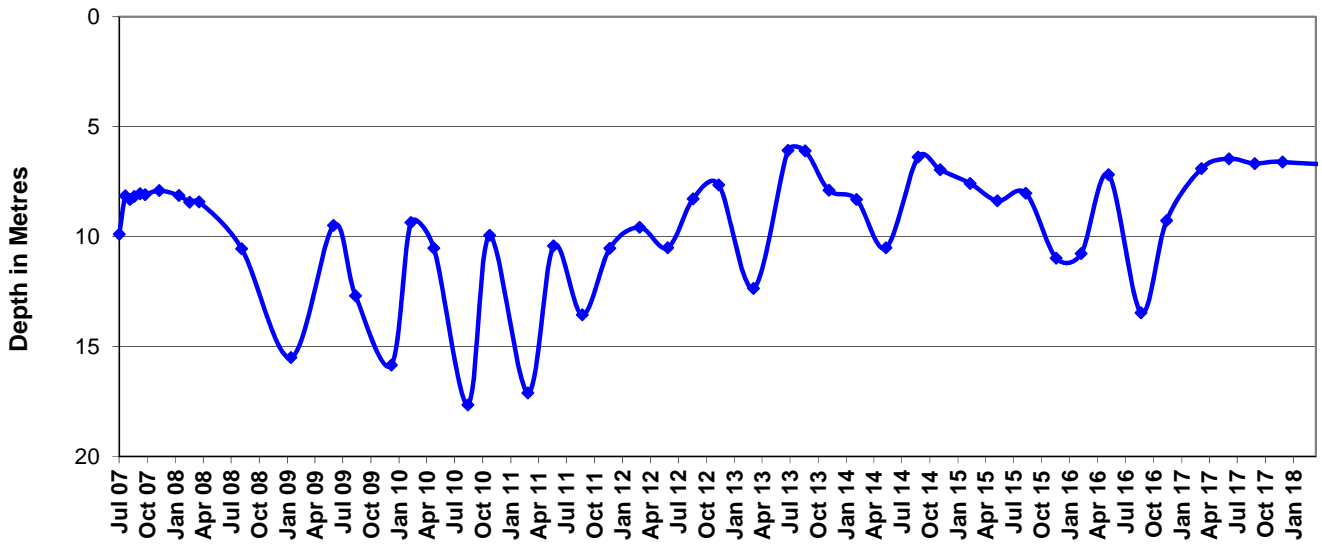
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Standing Water Level - Templemore B



Minutes of the 57th Meeting of the Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee (TCCC)

Meeting Held	11 th September 2019 between 10:00AM- 11:50AM		
Venue	Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM), training room		
Agenda Item	Discussion and Description	Action and Accountability	Status/ Date

1. Present and Apologies	<p><u>Present:</u> Mr David Ross (DR)- Independent Chairman, Mr David Moses (DM), Gunnedah Shire council Representative, Mrs Cath Collyer (CC)- Community Representative, Mrs Julie Heiler (JH)- Community Representative, Mrs Colleen Fuller (CF)- Community Representative, Mr Cameron Staines (CS), Narrabri Shire council Representative, Mrs Rebecca Ryan (RR)- Community Representative, Mr John Hamson (JHa), Operations Manager-TCM, Mr Sebastien Moreno (SM)- Environmental Superintendent- TCM, Mr Owen Mackay (OM)- Production Superintendent- TCM.</p>	<p>SM- Tim Muldoon has left WHC and there is a new structure at group level. DR- to prepare a ‘thank you’ letter for Tim on behalf of TCCC members.</p>	
	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Mr Andrew Johns (AJ), Gunnedah Shire Council Representative.</p>		

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2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests	DR- declared that he is paid a fee for participation as Independent Chairman		
3. Previous Minutes Actions	CC- Dust A Side description and usage	JHa- to invite the company “Dust A Side (DAS)” at next CCC meeting to talk about dust suppressant.	Complete - Russell Haack (DAS Operation Manager) made a presentation about the product used at TCM.
		DR- to discuss with EPA availability to attend next BTM CCC meeting to explain air matters.	Complete- EPA will make a presentation and talk about regulation.
	CCC Members- requested to organise a site tour next meeting.	JHa- to organise site tour before the next CCC meeting at 9am. DR- to confirm attendees.	
4. Business Arising	DR- discussion around revisiting number of CCC members and potential requirement to increase members’ number.	DR- to contact TCCC members and confirm attendance/availability for next meeting.	
5. Mine Progress Report	OM: -Additional new machines being commissioned, - On track with production rate, -Safety- LTI free- close to 300 days, - On-going usage of “Dust A Side” product. -TCM engaged with local school and received student (Manilla primary school) to discuss		

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	<p>job opportunities and different roles required in the mining operation. Student could ask questions to all the different personal including survey, geology, mining engineering, occupational health and safety and environment.</p>		
6. Environmental Monitoring report	<p>SM: -read and explained the Quarterly Environmental Report results. - advised trees planting and revegetation of rehabilitated areas campaign has been completed for 2019. - said daily trees watering program has started. -advised that any question regarding BTM matters should be raised at BTM CCC meeting.</p> <p>CC members- discussed rehabilitation requirements in the MOP and found unreasonable to have to plant trees during a drought. Wondering if regulator could be flexible and take more consideration of climate conditions.</p>		

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	JH- said other mines are also looking at different approach and trying other revegetation programs including planting medicinal plants/ trees and species that can be used for cooking.		
7. General business	<p>CC- asked how to access the environmental quality data before the start of mining. SM- advised baseline data should be available in the EIS and specialists Environmental Assessment reports prepared before the start of mining operation. Copies are available on the WHC website.</p> <p>JH- thanked JHa to invest time working with the community and younger generation (i.e. Manilla school)</p> <p>DM- wanted to understand the policy around usage of personal phone at TCM? JHa- explained each employee and contractor received a card to share with their family with all the list of persons and contact details in case of emergency during work hours. No personal phone are allowed onsite except if</p>		

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	<p>authorised by the Operations Manager on a case by case basis.</p> <p>DR: - few agencies have new structure including DPE now called DPE, - Regional air quality committee were informed that a strong focus on dust remains. It was noted that did March 2019 have very poor air quality, but also very low groundcover. A large dust storm on August 8th will be investigated and reported back to the committee at its next meeting.</p> <p>CF- said EPA is doing a great job with all their inspection reports available on EPA website.</p>		
8.Complaints	SM- no Complaint received since last CCC meeting.		
9. Next Meeting and Other Comments	<p>DR: -next TCCC meeting will be held on 30th October 2019 -next BTM CCC meeting will be held on 31st October 2019.</p>		

Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee Meeting #57

Quarterly Environmental Monitoring Report
May 1 – July 31, 2019



Photo taken in August 2019 showing a rehabilitated section of the Southern Emplacement area.

This report has been prepared for the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) Meeting to show Environmental monitoring performance at Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) for the reporting period from May 1 to July 31, 2019. Maps with all the monitoring locations are available in *Appendix A*.

Noise Monitoring

Attended noise monitoring was conducted at the “Bungalow” (TN4), “Barbers Lagoon” (TN3) and “Matong” (TN2) properties from 25th to 28th February 2019. The noise criterion for the mine is 35dB(A) Leq (15 min) for all operating times.

The results below show that noise emissions from the mine did not exceed the operational noise criterion at the “Barbers Lagoon”, “Bungalow” or “Matong” monitoring locations during the monitoring event except in one opportunity at Coomalgalh-Matong (TN2 location) on May 7.

(Summary table extracted from SLR Quarter 2 report 2019).

EPL ID	Location	Date	Tarrawonga Coal Mine Contribution dBA				Criteria	Measurement Periods	Weather Compliant			Compliant
			LAeq(15minute) Day	LAeq(15minute) Evening	LAeq(15minute) Night	LA1(1minute) Night			Day	Eve	Night	
79a	Barbers Lagoon	04/06/2019	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	Day, Evening and Night – 35 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	Y	Y	Y
		05/06/2019	I/A	I/A	23	25			N	Y	Y	Y
		06/06/2019	I/A	22	25	25			Y	Y	Y	Y
		07/06/2019	34	33	33	38			Y	Y	Y	Y
89	Bungalow	04/06/2019	I/A	I/A	I/A	I/A	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	Y	Y	Y
		05/06/2019	I/A	I/A	21	25			Y	Y	Y	Y
		06/06/2019	<25	I/A	<25	<25			Y	Y	Y	Y
		07/06/2019	35	29	30	35			Y	Y	Y	Y
60a	Coomalgalh/ Matong	04/06/2019	34	34	24	27	Night – 45 dBA LA1(1minute) Cumulative Day, Evening, Night 40 dBA LAeq(15minute)	Day - 1.5 hrs Evening - 0.5 hrs Night – 1hrs	N	Y	Y	Y
		05/06/2019	N/M	I/A	I/A	I/A			N	Y	Y	Y
		06/06/2019	24	22	29	34			Y	Y	Y	Y
		07/06/2019	42 ¹	<25	27	30			Y	Y	Y	N

Note 1: A +2dB modifying factor correction for low frequency noise has been applied in accordance with the NPfl.

I/A = Inaudible

N/M = Not Measurable

Noise from the mine must not exceed 45 dB(A) L1 (1 min) between 10 pm and 7 am. This is to minimise the potential for sleep disturbance as a result of individual loud noises from the mine. The results of the sleep disturbance monitoring show that the measured L1 (1 min) noise level did not exceed the sleep disturbance criterion.

The real time noise monitor located on the “Coomalgalh” property remains a management tool so the noise criteria are not applicable at that site. Level of noise recorded at that location is managed according to the noise management plan and trigger action response plan.

Blast Monitoring

Blasting Results

Since 2006, there have been 898 blasts (until 31/07/2019) at TCM.

There has been no exceedance of blast criteria since the last meeting. The highest result obtained for blasting overpressure was 113.2 dB (20/06/19) and the highest result for ground vibration was 1.8 mm/s (15/07/19) both recorded at the Coomalgalah monitor.

Table- 2: Max Peak Overpressure and Ground Pressure for the Quarter

Monitor Location	Date	Max. Peak Overpressure (dB)	Criterion (dB)	Date	Max. Peak Ground Pressure (mm/s)	Criterion (mm/s)
Tarrawonga*	04/07/19	110.8	N/A	6/05/19	0.7	N/A
Coomalgalah	20/06/19	113.2	115	15/07/19	1.8	10

**Limit Not applicable according to EPL and PA11_0047 because project related property.*

Air Quality Monitoring

Dust Deposition Results

Table 3 shows deposited dust gauge results over 12 months. All the monitors are located on project related land; as such compliance criteria (**4g/m²/month**) do not apply. Overall deposited dust trends remain steady during the reporting period (refer graph in *Appendix B*).

Table 3 – Deposited Dust Gauge Results [g/m²/month]

MONTH	TEMPLEMORE (EB-4)	BOLLOL CREEK STN (EB-5)	AMBARDO (EB-6)	TARRAWONGA (EB-7)	THUIN (EB-8)	PINE GROVE (EB-9)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-10)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-11)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-14)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-15)	JERALONG NORTH (EB-16)
Jul-18	18.4	3.4	0.9	0.6	3.4	1.1	2.2	2	1.8	5	1.1
Aug-18	5.19	4.01	11.55	1.77	3.63	2.11	3.85	5.08	3.58	4.35	1.94
Sep-18	5.9	9.8	3.6	3.4	4.1	4.4	5.6	3.4	4.3	6.1	3.1
Oct-18	5.9	4.3	11.1	1.7	3.8	4.7	10.8	3.5	3	5.4	2.7
Nov-18	4.3	1.6	3.2	4.1	6.2	5.8	5.5	11.3	4.6	6.8	3.32
Dec-18	18.9	11.1	11.1	2.8	4.2	4.6	5.7	3	47.2*	8	4.3
Jan-19	7.8	2.4	5.6	5.7	9.5	7.8	9.2	6.2	3.3	4	7.6
Feb-19	4.6	5.5	11.9	4.3	5.2	2.8	5.5	5.0	6.8	3.5	5.7
Mar-19	2.1	4.8	4	2.2	4.1	2.9	8.6	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.6
Apr-19	2.7	4.5	4.1	1.6	2.8	1.8	4.7	2.6	2.7	3.9	6.2
May-19	7	5.1	1.8	1.6	2.5	1.4	1.8	5.6	3	8.8	2.3
Jun-19	4.8	4	1.6	0.9	2.9	1.1	4.7	2.7	2.6	4.4	1.6
Jul-19	2	2.8	1.7	1.5	2	1.5	1.4	3.3	2.2	4.9	1.2
12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE	5.6	5.0	5.7	2.5	4.1	3.3	5.5	4.4	3.1	5.2	3.4

*ALS advised the sample was contaminated and the value is not included in the annual rolling average.

High Volume Air sampler (PM10) Results

The High Volume Air Sampler (HVAS) installed at Coomalgah property monitors level of Particle Matter under 10 micron (PM₁₀). It operates for 24hr every 6 days. **Table 4** shows all the 24hr average values recorded for this quarter and the rolling Annual average. Elevated level of dust recorded on the 2nd May was investigated and it was found that wind direction, grazing and farming activity near the monitor location were direct causes of the elevated level of dust recorded.

Table- 4: HVAS PM10 24 hr average levels for the Quarter

Date	24hr averaged PM10 (µg/m³)	Criterion 24hr average (µg/m³)	Comments
2/5/2019	72.5	50	Determined as not mine related. Windy and grazing activity noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from N-NE and S-SW. The real-time monitor near the mine recorded low levels of dust on that day with 33.5µg/m³..
8/5/2019	14.4		
14/05/2019	17.1		
20/05/2019	13.1		
26/05/19	29.5		
1/6/2019	16.3		
7/6/2019	12.4		
13/06/2019	23.2		
19/06/2019	10.6		
25/06/2019	42.2		
1/7/2019	22.0		
7/7/2019	14.0		
13/07/2019	11.8		
19/07/2019	6.7		
25/07/2019	10.0		
31/07/2019	5.5		

According to the current Air Quality and Greenhouse gas Management Plan, the real time air quality unit (TEOM) installed at the “Flixton” property monitors PM₁₀ levels in ambient air. It is an operational management tool and dust levels nearing or reaching the nominated criteria will trigger actions onsite to assess the source of dust and modify operations if it is determined to be related to Tarrawonga operations.



TEOM installed at Flixton property

Water Monitoring

Groundwater

Routine groundwater monitoring was undertaken in June 2019 and showed in **Table 5** (refer to graphs in *Appendix C*).

Table 5- Groundwater results Summary

Site	Date	SWL (mbgl)	pH (units)	Elect. Conduct (µS/cm)
MW1	February 2018	6.81	7.9	3,460
	June 2018	6.91	7.9	3,350
	September 2018	6.92	7.7	3,430
	December 2018	7.03	7.8	3,420
	March 2019	7.78	8.1	3,640
	June 2019	7.22	8.0	3,320
MW2	February 2018	4.23	7.3	519
	June 2018	4.67	7.3	547
	September 2018	4.79	6.8	615
	December 2018	3.53	6.8	545
	March 2019	4.34	7.1	532
	June 2019	3.41	7.0	461
MW4	February 2018	9.08	7.4	4,610
	June 2018	9.14	7.3	4,430
	September 2018	9.34	6.9	4,560
	December 2018	9.46	7.0	4,610
	March 2019	9.58	7.2	4,840
	June 2019	9.41	7.3	3,860
MW5	February 2018	3.12	7.9	2,320
	June 2018	3.31	7.9	1,413
	September 2018	3.56	7.8	2,040
	December 2018	3.41	7.7	2,130
	March 2019	3.41	7.9	1,220
	June 2019	2.91	7.6	1,292
MW6	February 2018	4.76	7.8	1,833
	June 2018	4.75	7.7	1,828
	September 2018	4.84	8.0	2,090
	December 2018	4.85	7.6	2,200
	March 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
	June 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
MW7	February 2018	104.97	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	June 2018	106.21	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	September 2018	104.65	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	December 2018	105.01	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	March 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
	June 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
MW8	February 2018	12.52	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	June 2018	13.33	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	September 2018	13.48	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	December 2018	13.29	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	March 2019	13.66	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	June 2019	13.69	Casing blocked	Casing blocked

Surface Water

Estimated volume of water stored onsite as 9th August 2019 was approximately 120 ML.

According to the BTM Complex strategy, water sharing opportunity is continuously discussed between the three mines. TCM continue assessing options to source additional water in order to maintain the mine in operation in the long run.

Rehabilitation and Clearing

Rehabilitation

Operations and Environment departments work together to develop and implement a more efficient rehabilitation program. The aim is to enhance the quantity of areas rehabilitated.

This year, TCM engaged the services of a specialised tree planting company to plant approximately 4,100 trees in the rehabilitation areas including Eucalyptus albens, Eucalyptus blakelyi, Eucalyptus crebra, Eucalyptus melliodora, Eucalyptus pilligaensis, Eucalyptus populanea, Eucalyptus macrocarpa, Eucalyptus Melanophloia, Eucalyptus Crebra, Eucalyptus Dealbata and Eucalyptus Dwyeriand. Native grass (ground cover) seeds were spread over approximately 40Ha and trials (including planting using fertilizers) were undertaken on approximately 2Ha at the southern emplacement area.



Trees planted along the mine fence near Goonbri road in July 2019



Section of the southern emplacement areas rehabilitated in July 2019

Clearing

The next tree clearing campaign will be conducted between February and April 2020.

Complaints

No complaint was received during the quarterly period.

Environmental Management Plans

In April 2019, the Department provided some comments to the updated Management Plans submitted in August 2018. TCM is working with experts to address all the Department's comments and re-submit the revised Management plans including:

Noise Management Plan

The Noise Management Plan is being revised and updated by Todoroski Air Science (TAS).

Blast Management Plan

The Blast Management Plan is being revised and updated by TAS.

Air Quality Greenhouse Gas Management Plan

The Air Quality Management Plan is being revised and updated by TAS.

Water Management Plan

The Water Management plan is being revised and updated by WRM.

BTM Water Strategy

The BTM complex mines received comments from DPE and Natural Resources Access Regulator (NRAR) regarding the draft Water Strategy. The three mines continue to work with a groundwater expert to address the comments related to the groundwater model. Agencies agreed the action plan and timeframe proposed by the BTM mines to address and submit a revised Water strategy and an updated BTM groundwater model.

Annual and Compliance Reporting

Annual Review and Annual Return Reports

TCM Annual Review report is available on the company website.

Annual Compliance EPBC statement

TCM submitted the Annual Compliance EPBC statement in June 2019.

Environmental Improvement and Initiatives

Dust Management

TCM have engaged the company Dust A Side to provide advice and solution to minimise potential fugitive dust generated by exposed surfaces such as haul roads. Since end of April 2018, TCM have been monitoring the results and trying to improve the spraying and mixing techniques. The product used is totally organic, has no corrosive chloride compounds, and is environmentally friendly and readily biodegradable. Usage of that product on mine haul truck roads is ongoing.

Water Management

TCM have installed marked gauge boards in the authorised discharged dams. This initiative improves water management practices.

TCM and Dust A Side investigate options and products to reduce water used for dust mitigation.

Noise Management

The portable noise monitor was relocated few hundreds meter away from farming/ grazing activity zone at Coomalgah and a new fence was installed around it.

Rehabilitation

TCM continues to use an ATV to water the rehabilitated areas and the tree recently planted. In 2018, that initiative allowed to achieve a high survival rate despite prolonged dry weather condition.

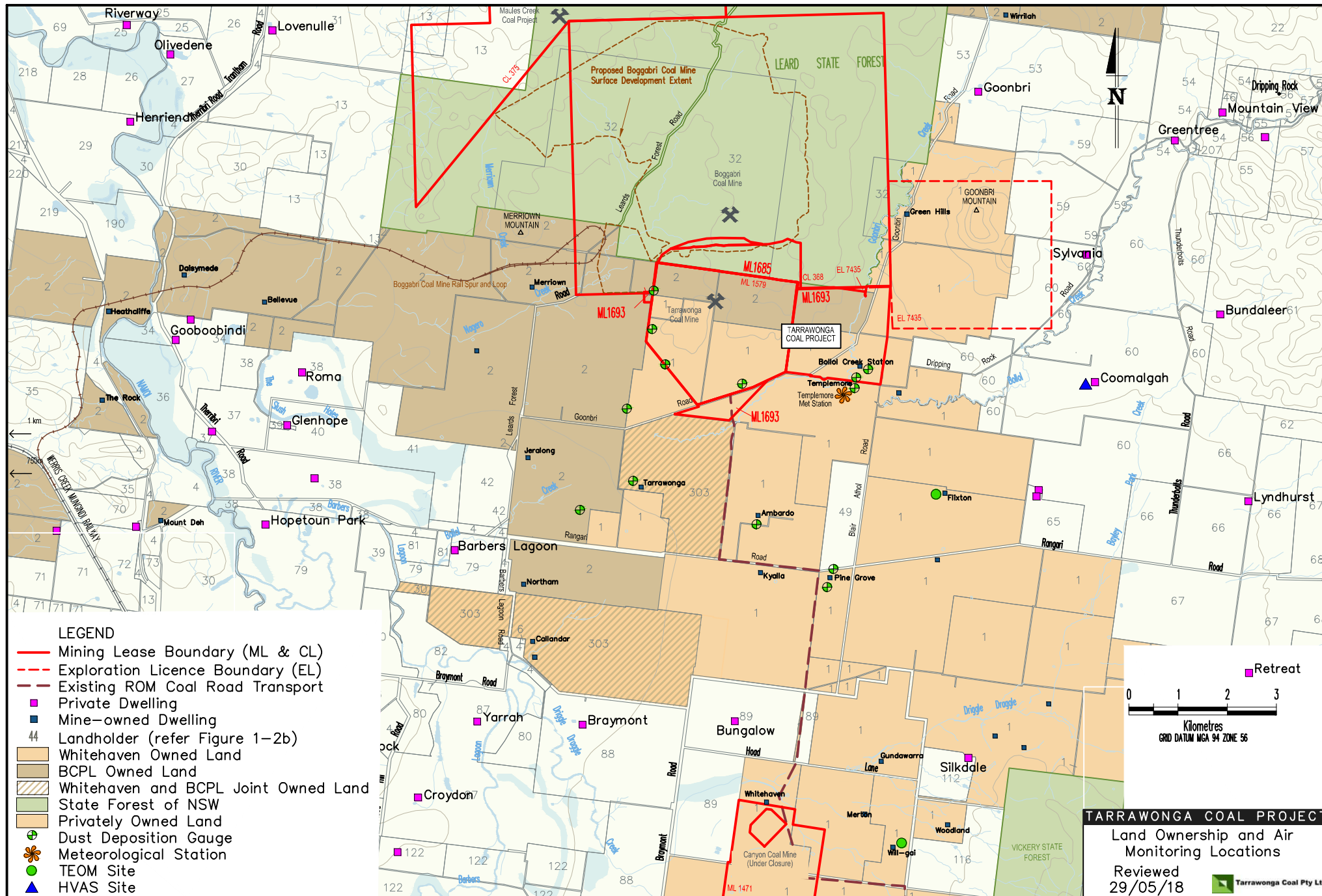
Air Quality

Three Portable dust (PM10) monitors have improved the real-time dust monitoring network and assist the operation to mitigate any potential dust generated by the operation.



Portable and real-time dust monitor installed at TCM in November 2018

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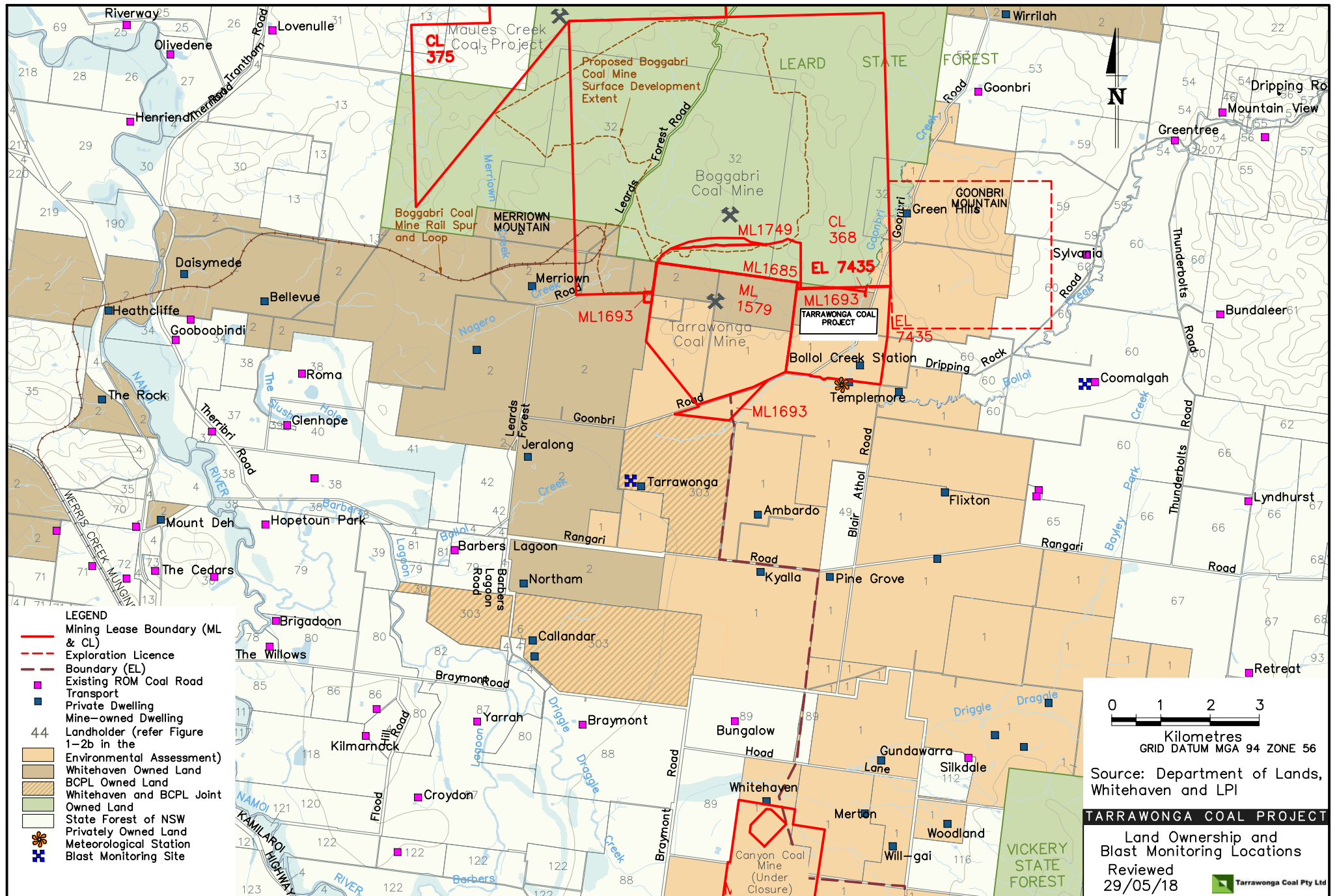


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- - - Exploration Licence Boundary (EL)
- - - Existing ROM Coal Road Transport
- Private Dwelling
- Mine-owned Dwelling
- 44 Landholder (refer Figure 1-2b)
- Whitehaven Owned Land
- BCPL Owned Land
- Whitehaven and BCPL Joint Owned Land
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- + Dust Deposition Gauge
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- ▲ HVAS Site

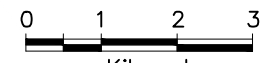
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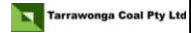


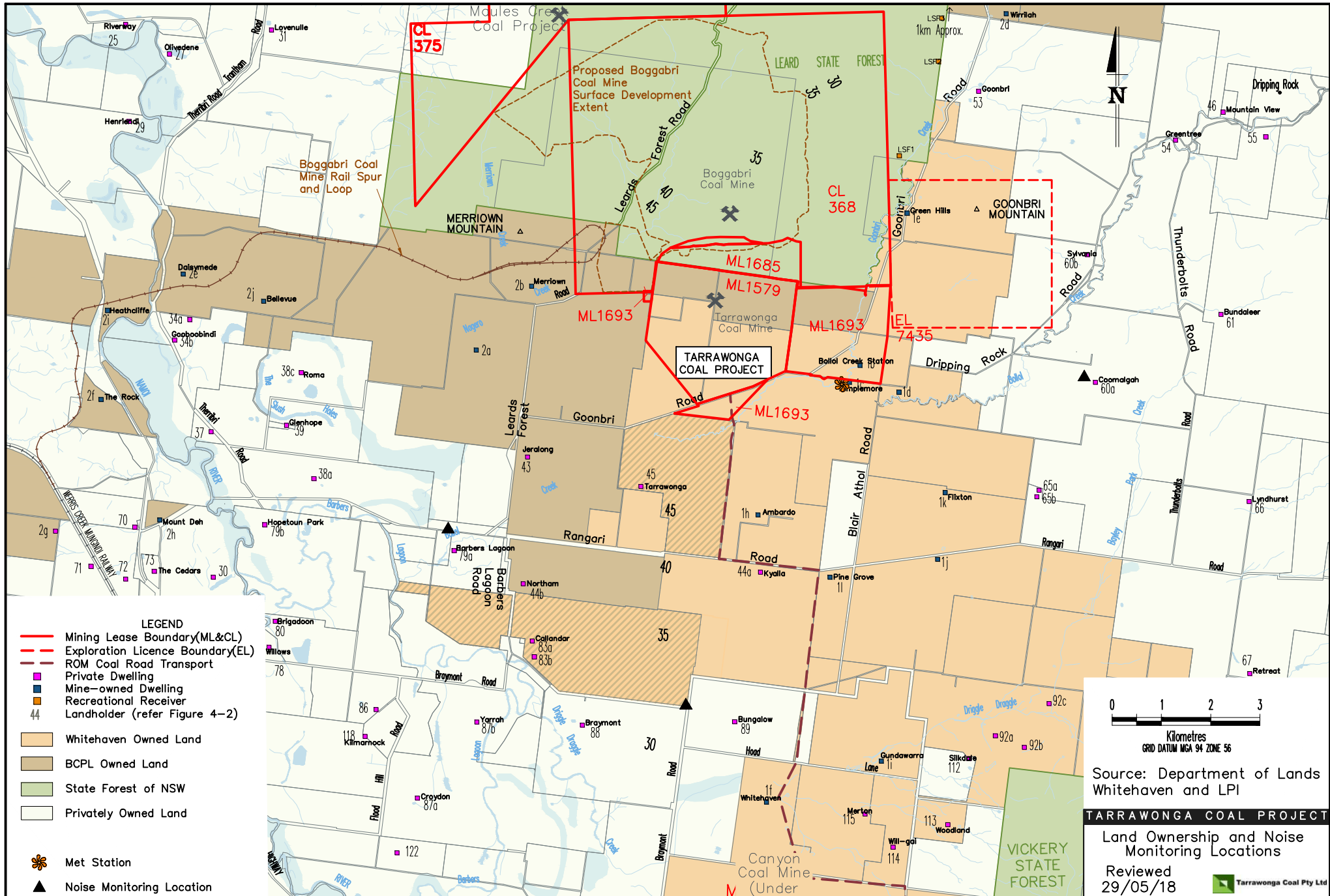
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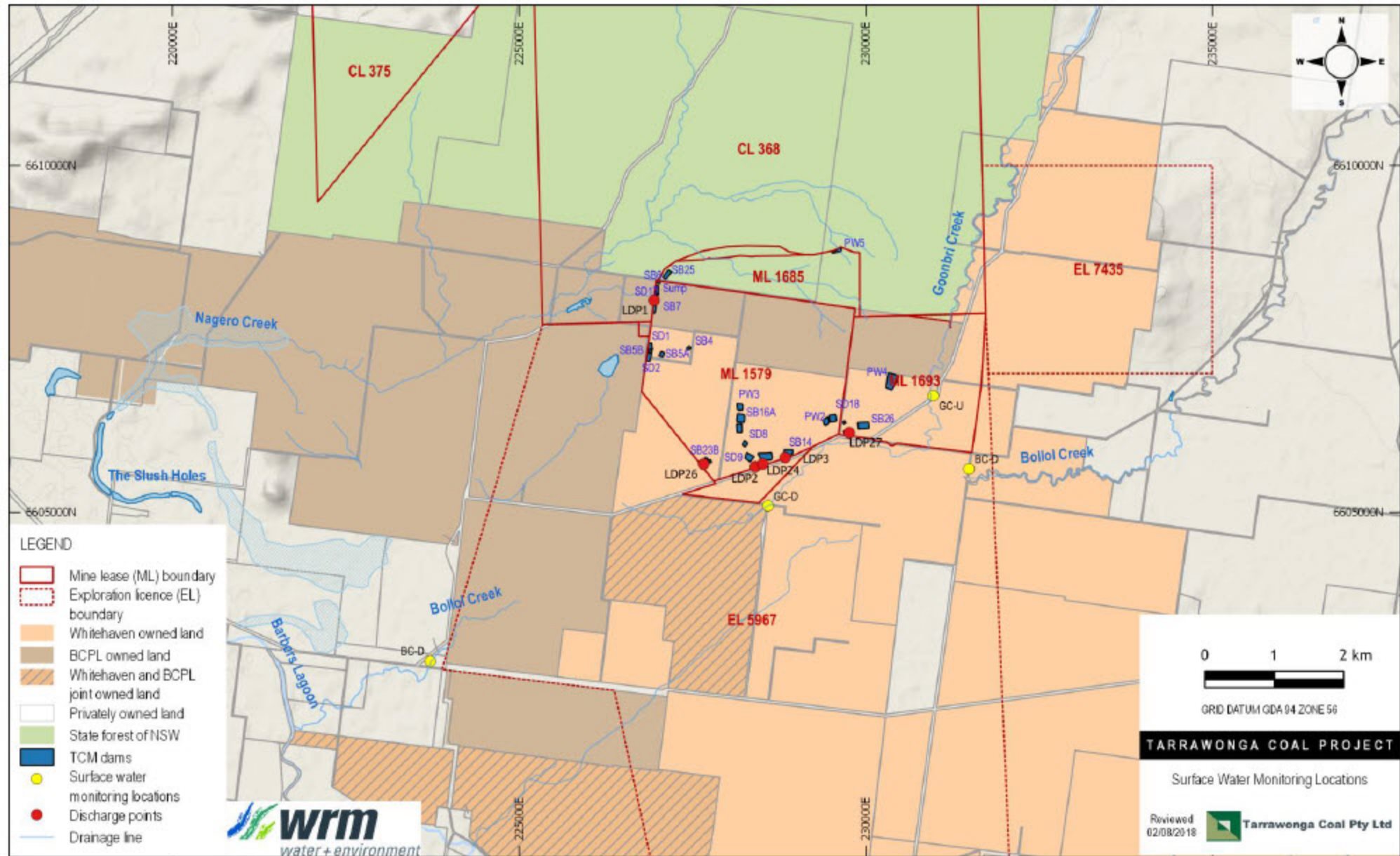
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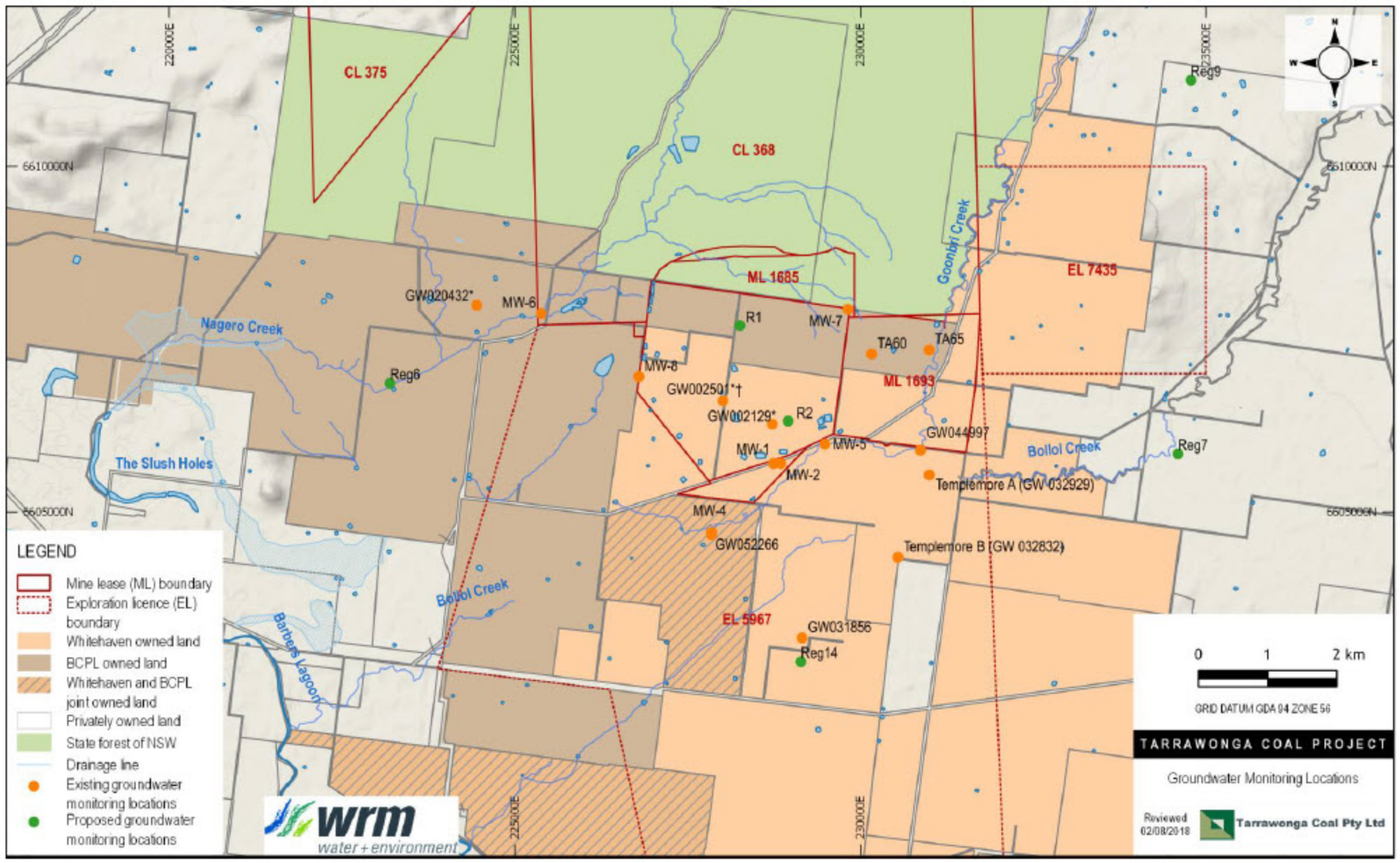
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- Exploration licence (EL) boundary
- Whitehaven owned land
- BCPL owned land
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- Privately owned land
- State forest of NSW
- Drainage line
- Existing groundwater monitoring locations
- Proposed groundwater monitoring locations



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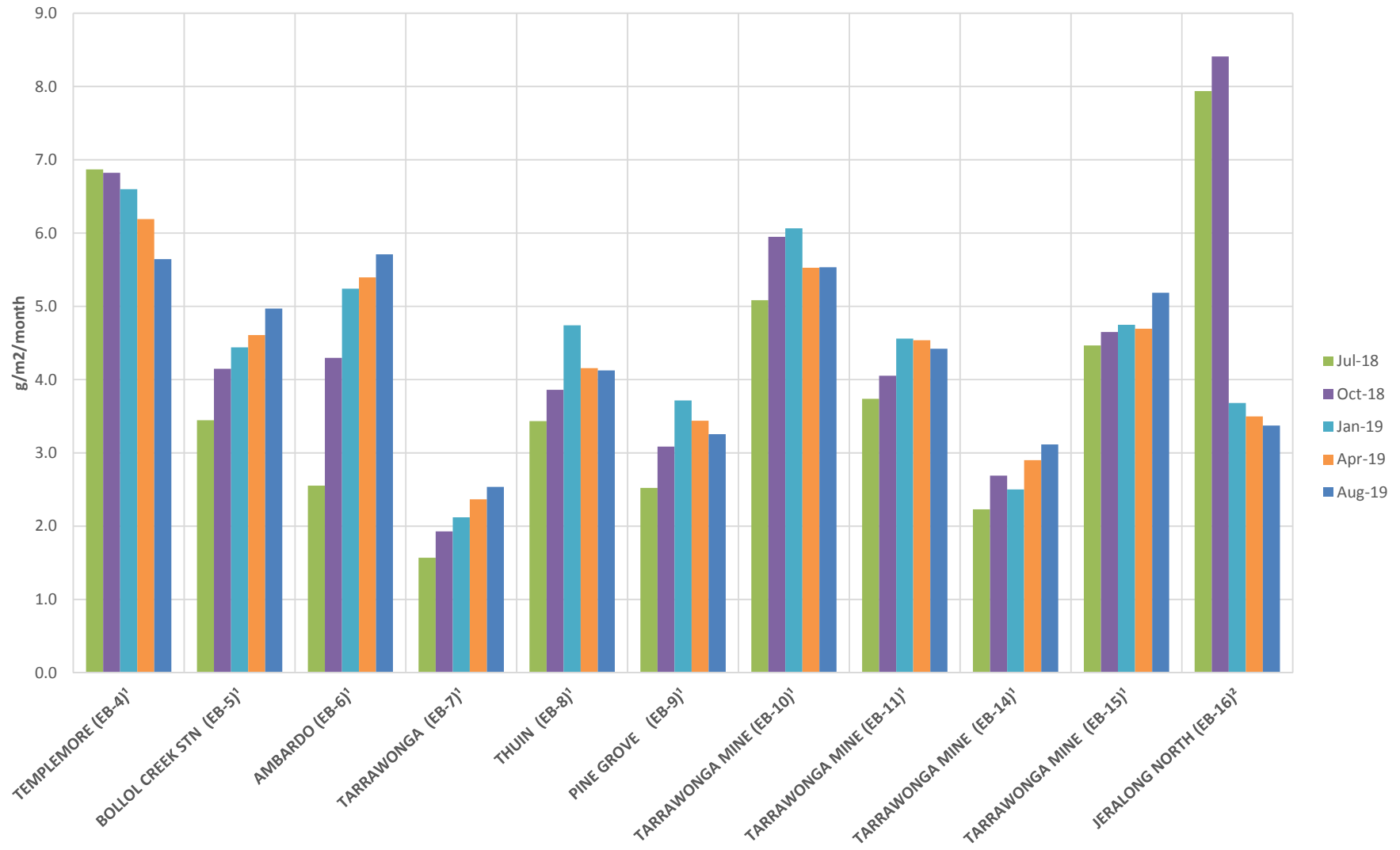
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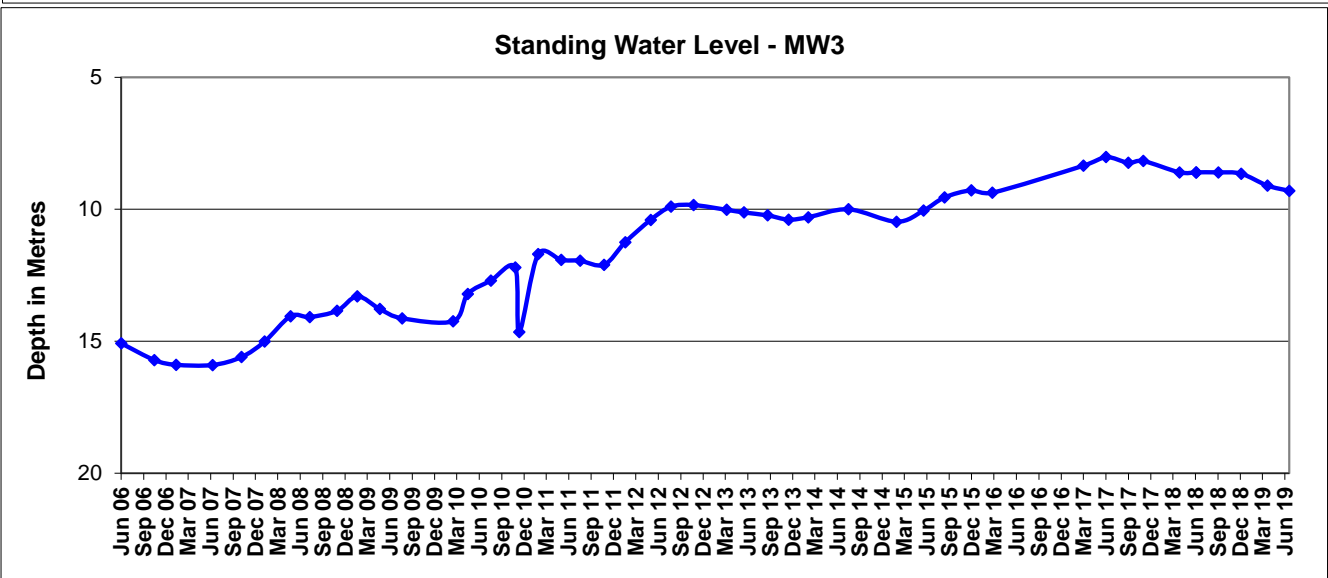
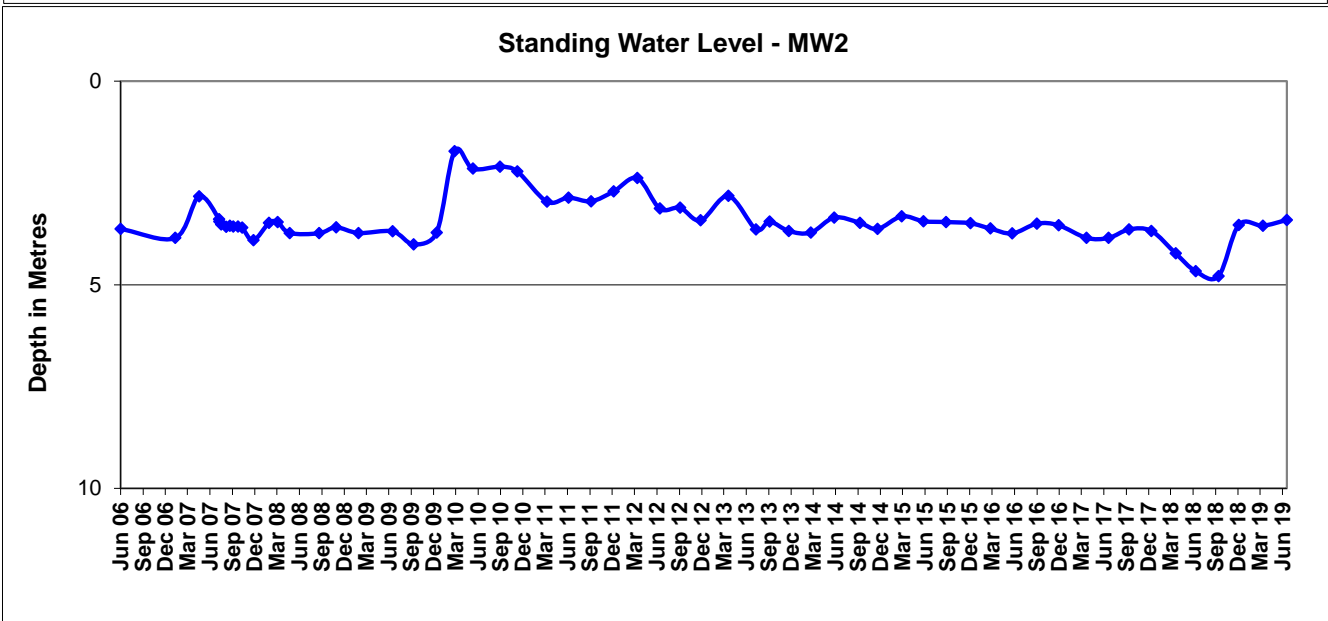
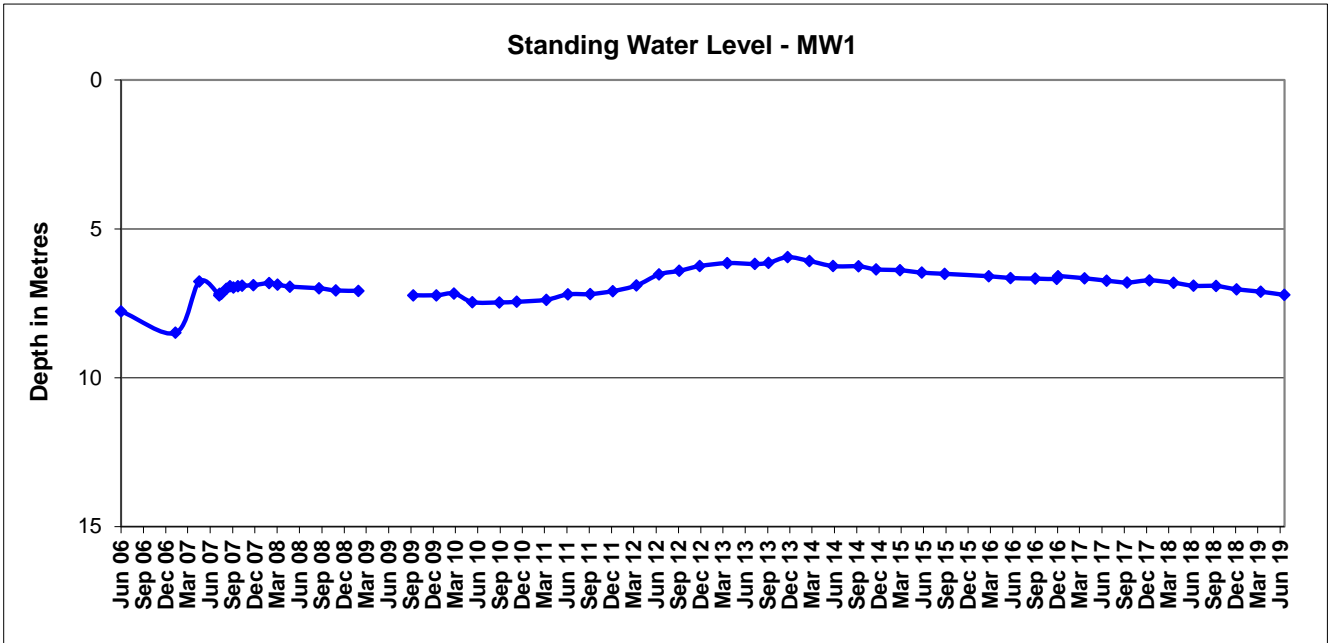
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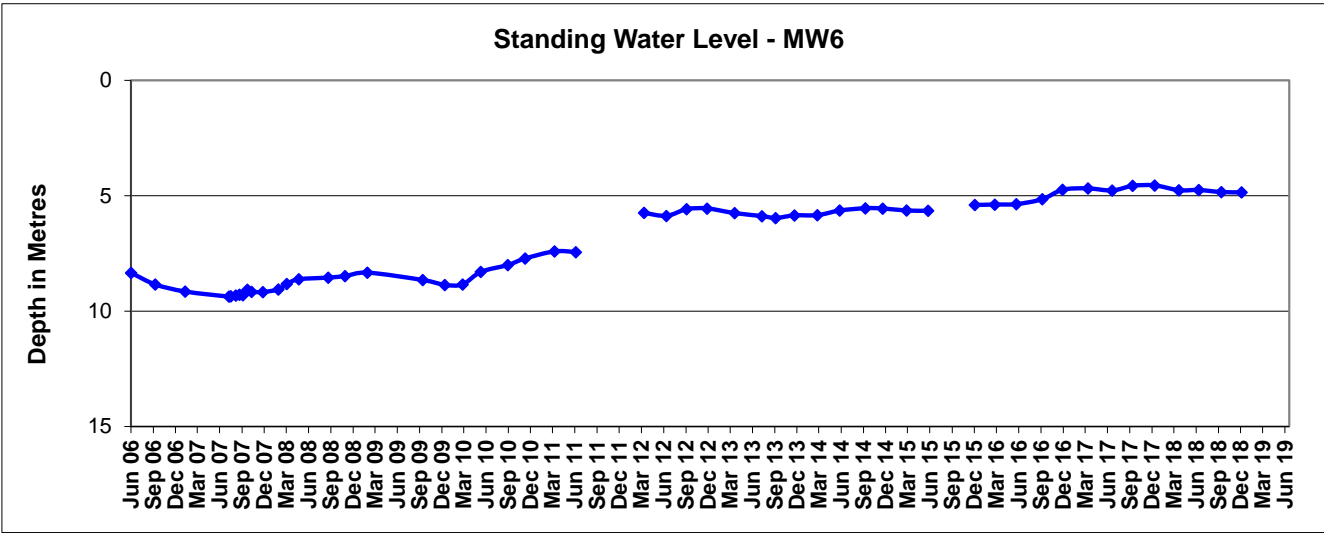
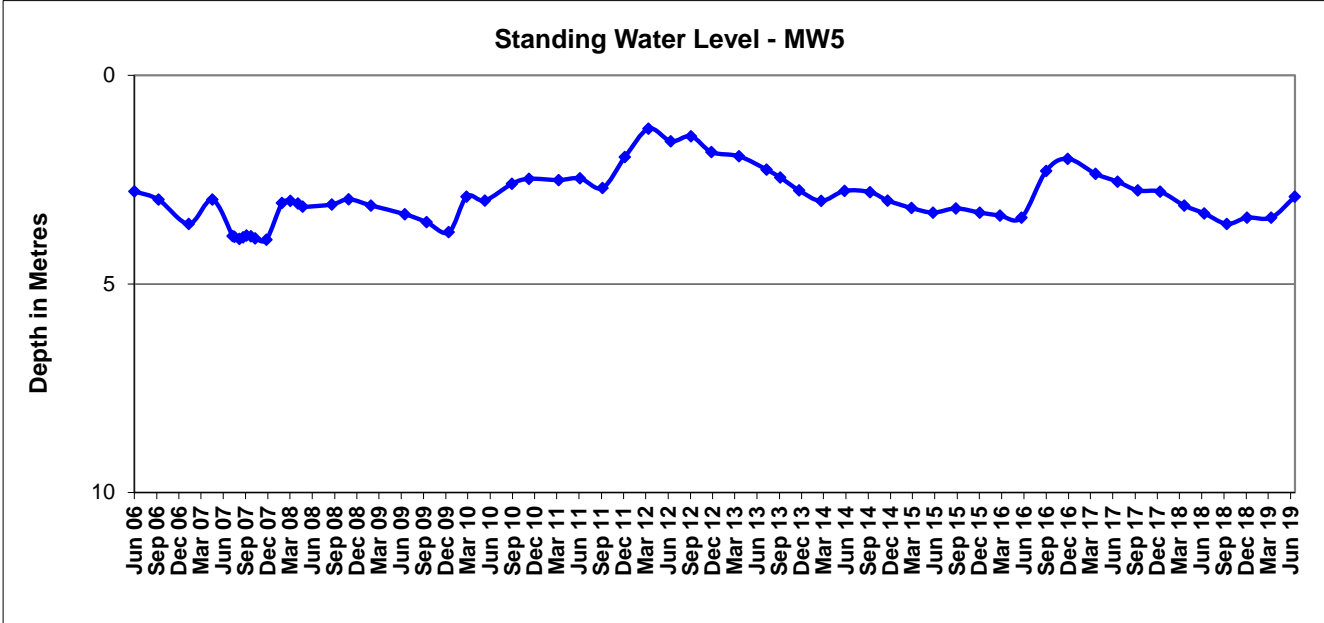
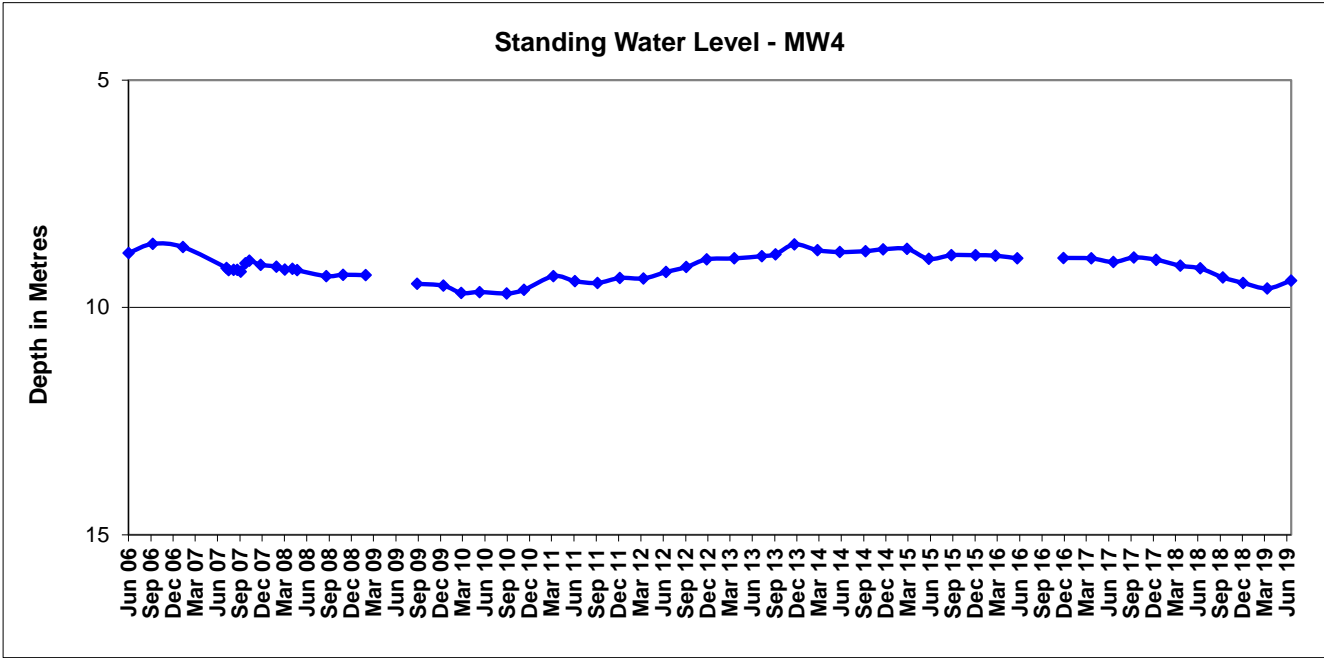
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Deposited Dust Gauge Results- Quarterly rolling average [g/m2/month]

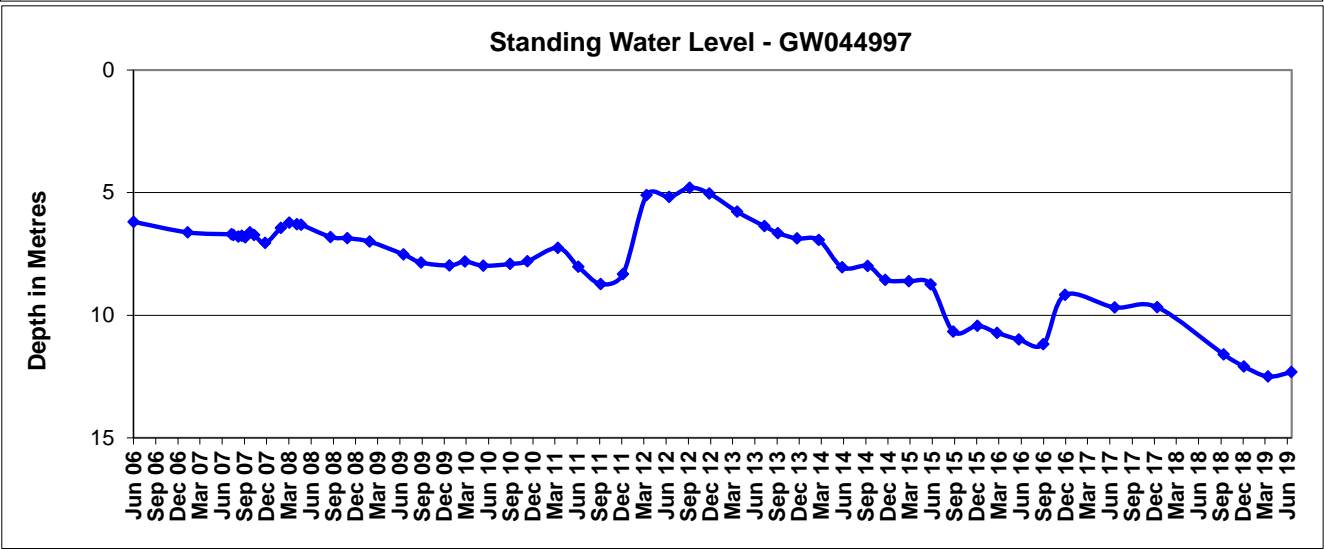
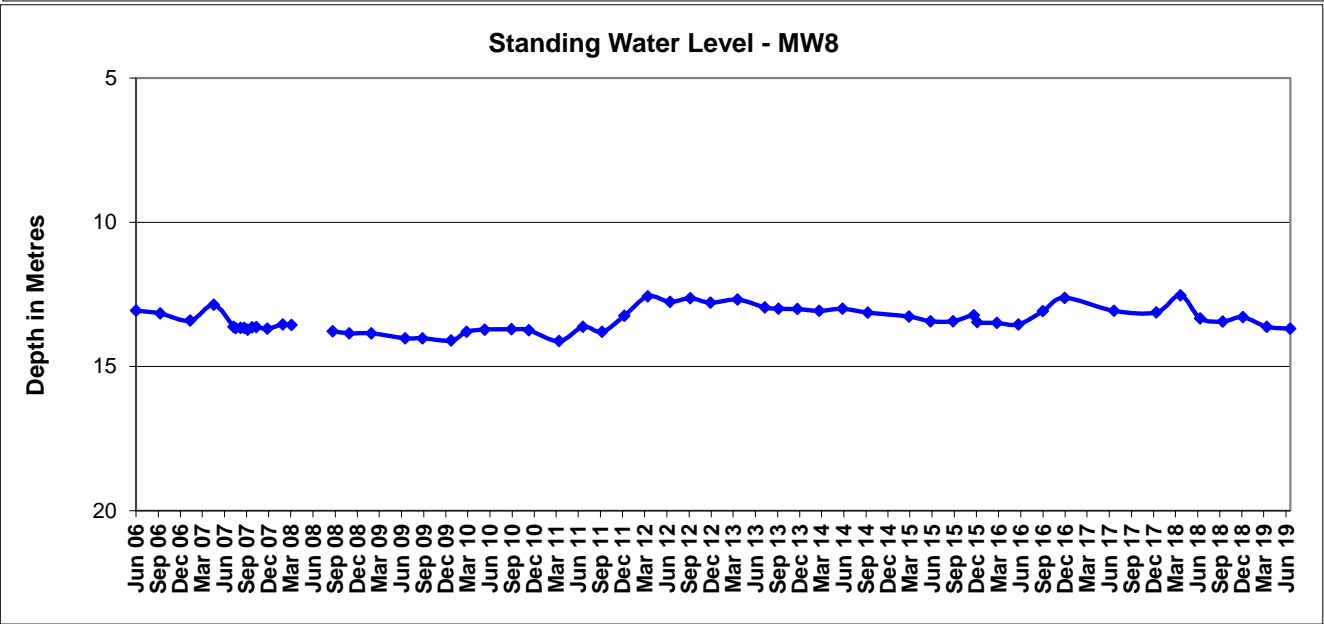
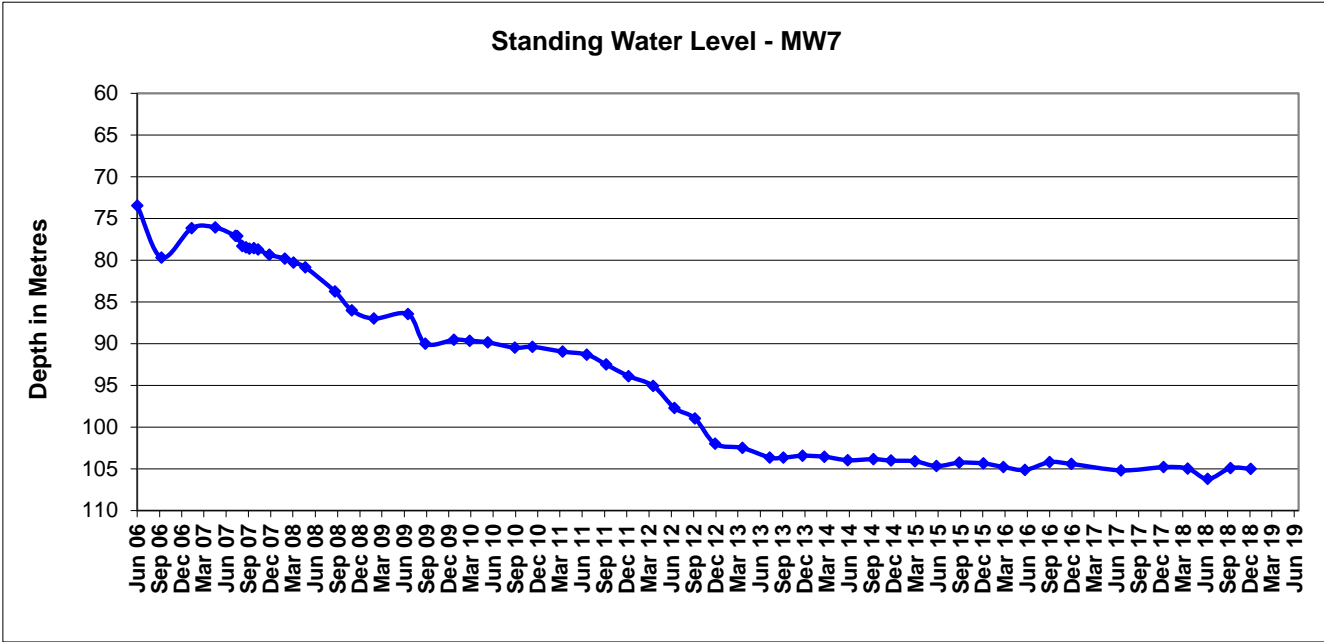


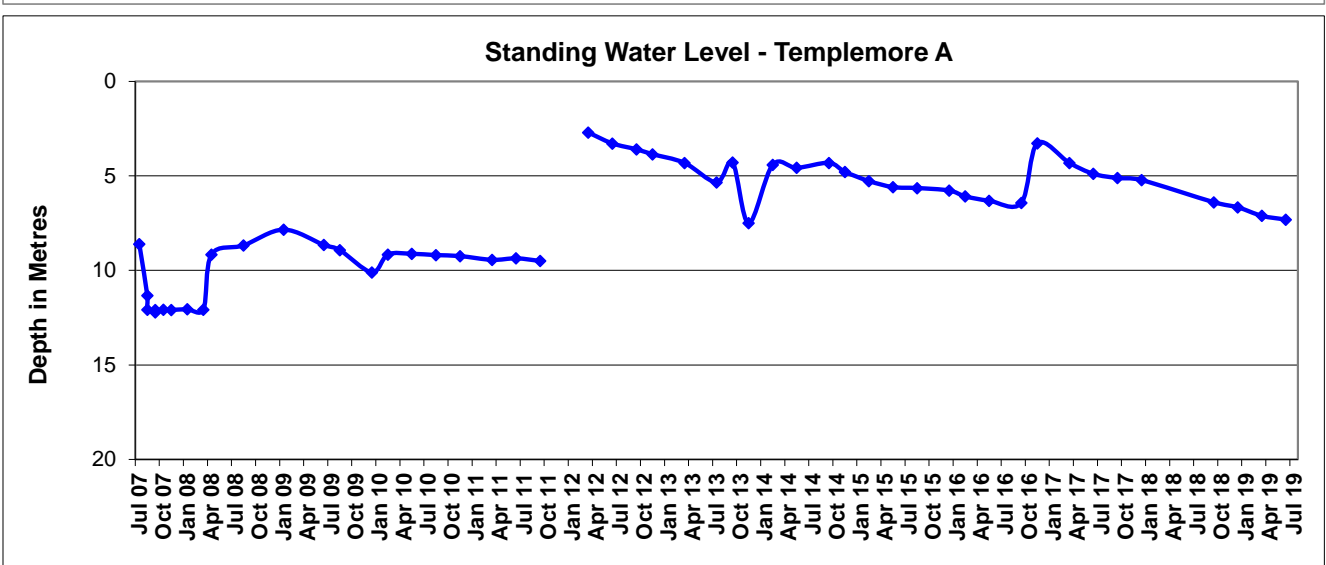
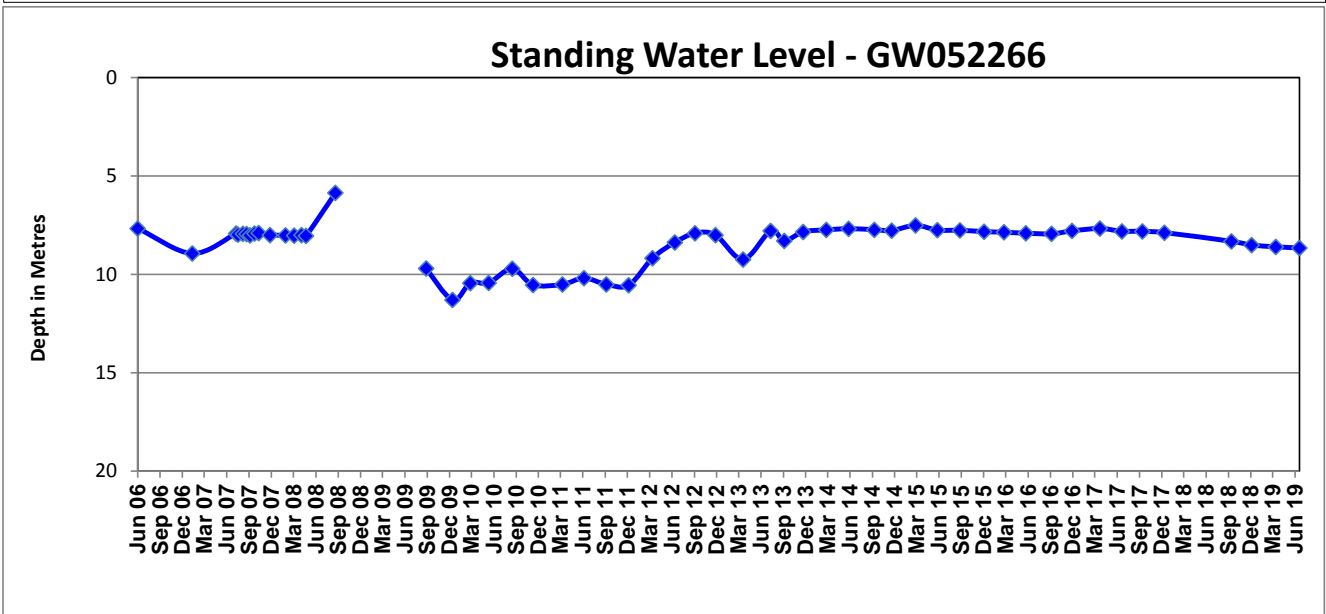
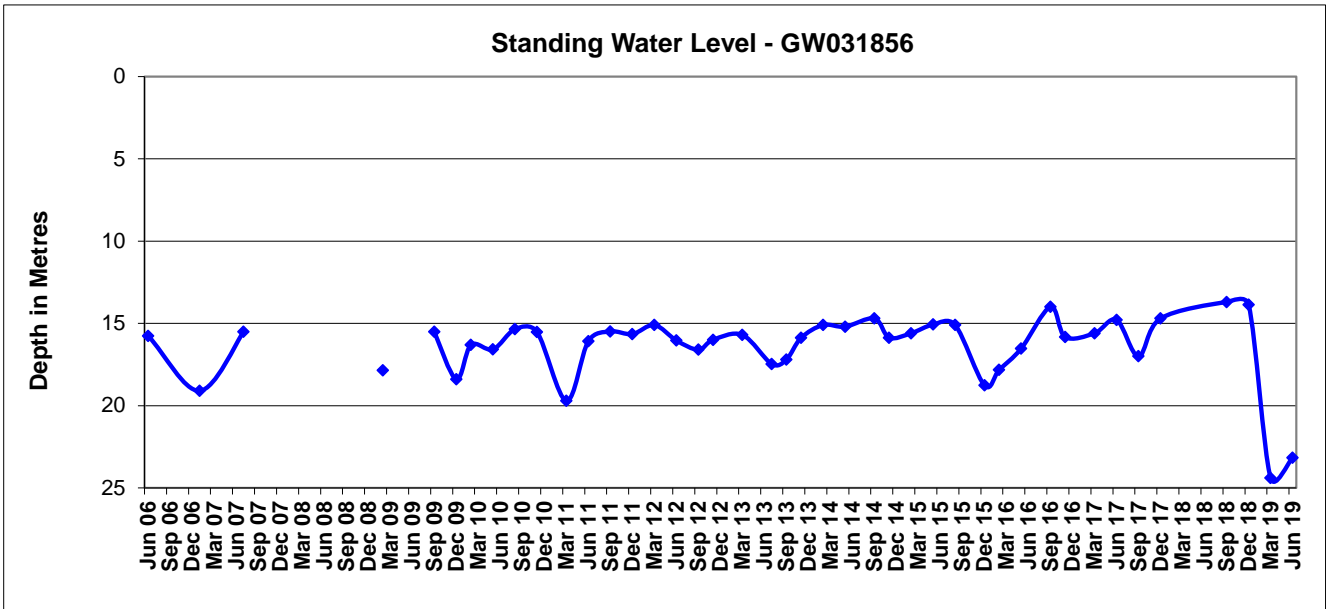
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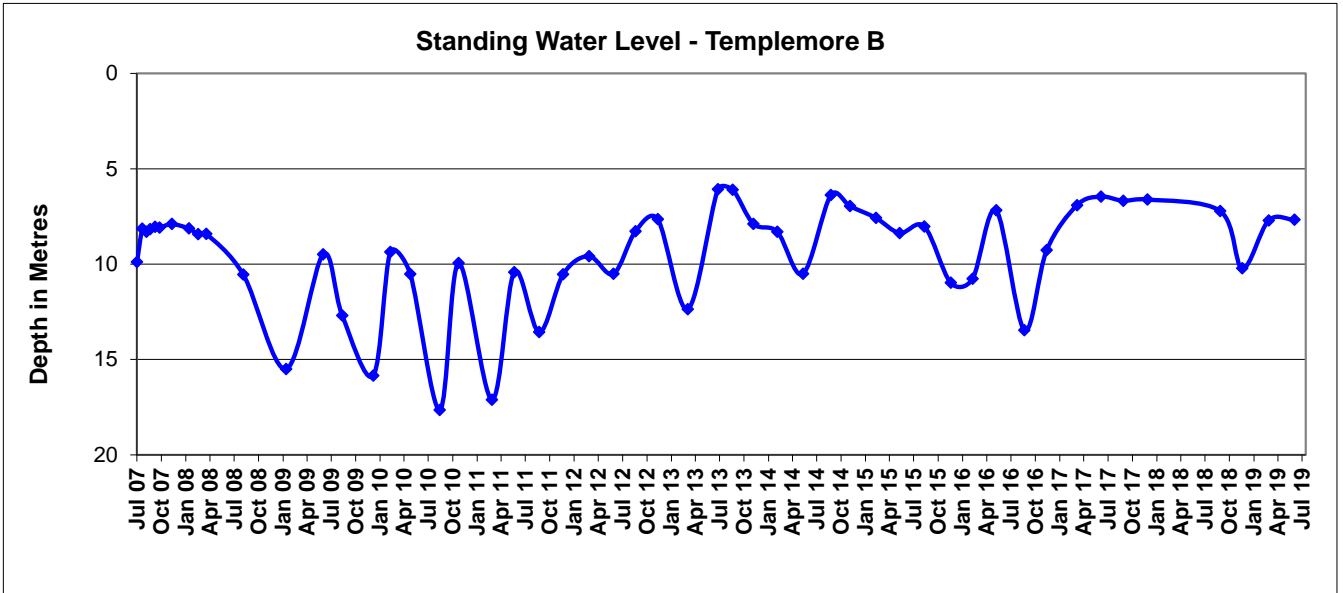




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1. Present and Apologies	<p><u>Present:</u> Mr David Ross (DR)- Independent Chairman, Mr Andrew Johns (AJ), Gunnedah Shire Council Representative. Mr Robert Hooke (RH), Gunnedah Shire council Representative Mrs Cath Collyer (CC), Community Representative, Mrs Colleen Fuller (CF), Community Representative, Mrs Rebecca Ryan (RR)- Community Representative, Mr John Hamson (JHa), Operations Manager-TCM, Mr Sebastien Moreno (SM)- Environmental Superintendent- TCM,</p>		
	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Mr David Moses (DM), Gunnedah Shire council Representative Mr Cameron Staines (CS), Narrabri Shire council Representative, Mrs Julie Heiler (JH), Community Representative,</p>		

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2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests	DR- declared that he is paid a fee for participation as Independent Chairman		
3. Previous Minutes Actions	CCC Members- requested to organise a site tour next year.	JHa- to organise site tour before the next CCC meeting at 9am. DR- to confirm attendees.	Complete Site tour was held prior to CCC meeting.
	SM- Tim Muldoon has left WHC and there is a new structure at group level.	DR- to prepare a “thank you” letter for Tim on behalf of TCCC members.	Complete DR sent the letter.
	CC- asked where to find the link to Annual review and EPBC reports and CCC minutes.	SM- to provide a link to WHC website.	Complete: AR, EPBC and CCC Minutes information available at: http://www.whitehavencoal.com.au/sustainability/environmental-management/tarrawonga-mine/
	JHa- queried whether JH will continue to be attending TCCC meeting.	DR- to discuss with JH to confirm her position	
	DR- requested CCC members to discuss CCC meeting performance and format	CCC Members - to prepare questions and share ideas	

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4. Business Arising	<p>CC- asked about replacement for Community and External relations Group Manager to attend TCM CCC meeting.</p> <p>JHa- Darren Swain was promoted Community Group Manager with a strong focus on MCCM and VEP but WHC is also seeking a second Community Group Manager. The accountabilities between those two Group Managers and the new Community and External relation structure has still to be confirmed.</p>		
5. Mine Progress Report	<p>JHa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Additional new machines being commissioned, - On track with production rate, -Safety- LTI free-YTD 337 days, TCM will celebrate if 365 days target is achieved. -Resource Regulator onsite conducting a safety audit. - On-going usage of “Dust A Side” product. <p>AJ- queried about DAS product to compare with the product used by GSC.</p> <p>JHa- advised a presentation was provided at the previous CCC meeting. The product is</p>		

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	biodegradable, easy to apply, environmental friendly, good value for money and has permitted TCM to significantly reduce water usage onsite.		
6. Environmental Monitoring report	<p>SM:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -read and explained the Quarterly Environmental Report results. - Annual review 2018 was available on WHC website, - Several updated management plans were resubmitted for approval 		
7. General business	<p>CF & CCC members- to congratulate BIS and haul truck contractors regarding safe and responsible way they drive on the road (i.e. slowing-down, using indicators, etc...)</p> <p>JHa- said will share positive feedback with the contractor' supervisors.</p> <p>RH- regarding skill shortage in the region and potential to reactivate the local TAFE through educational and apprenticeship programs in collaborations with industries.</p>		

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	JHa- advised that WHC has several programs in place including cadetship and apprenticeships programs but Darren Swain would be the person to contact to discuss further.		
8.Complaints	SM- no Complaint received since last CCC meeting.		
9. Next Meeting and Other Comments	DR: -next TCCC meeting will be held on 19 th February 2020 CCC members- Meeting not to be held 1 st or 3 rd Wednesday/Thursday of the month		

Tarrawonga Coal Mine Community Consultative Committee Meeting #58

Quarterly Environmental Monitoring Report
Aug 1 – Oct 30, 2019



Photo taken in October 2019 in a section of the southern emplacement areas rehabilitated in July 2019.

This report has been prepared for the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meeting to show Environmental monitoring performance at Tarrawonga Coal Mine (TCM) for the reporting period from August 1 to October 30, 2019. Maps with all the monitoring locations are available in *Appendix A*.

Noise Monitoring

Attended noise monitoring was conducted at the “Bungalow” (TN4), “Barbers Lagoon” (TN3) and “Matong” (TN2) properties from 16th to 19th September 2019. The noise criterion for the mine is 35dB(A) Leq (15 min) for all operating times.

The results below show that noise emissions from the mine did not exceed the operational noise criterion at the “Barbers Lagoon”, “Bungalow” or “Matong” monitoring locations during the monitoring event during the entire monitoring period.

(See below summary tables extracted from Wilkinson Murray report -19360-T-01-(Q3 2019)).

Table 4-1 Comparison of noise levels between TN2 and 573b Coomalgalah

Date	Time	Noise Limits	TN2	573b Coomalgalah	
		LAeq,15 min	Mine LAeq Noise Level (dB) Measured Mine Contribution	Mine LAeq Noise Level (dB) Commensurate Mine Compliance Level	Exceedance
16/09/19	15:19	35	<35	<26	0
	15:35	35	<35	<26	0
	15:52	35	<35	<26	0
	21:50	35	33	24	0
	22:06	35	34	25	0
	22:23	35	34	25	0
	02:39	35	33	24	0
	22:55	35	33	24	0
	23:11	35	32	23	0
	21:33	35	23	14	0
17/09/19	21:50	35	26	17	0
	22:01	35	21	12	0
	22:19	35	20	11	0
	22:36	35	19	10	0
18/09/19	13:57	35	NM	NM	0
	14:16	35	NM	NM	0
	21:37	35	19	10	0
	21:50	35	18	9	0

Date	Time	Noise Limits	TN2 Mine L _{Aeq} Noise Level (dB)	573b Coomalgalh Mine L _{Aeq} Noise Level (dB)	
		L _{Aeq,15 min}	Measured Mine Contribution	Commensurate Mine Compliance Level	Exceedance
19/09/19	22:07	35	20	11	0
	22:18	35	20	11	0
	22:33	35	NM	NM	0
	22:53	35	IA	IA	0
	11:24	35	29	20	0
	11:42	35	28	19	0
	12:00	35	27	18	0
	12:16	35	28	19	0
	12:41	35	28	19	0
	12:58	35	29	20	0

Table 4-3 Summary of noise assessment at TN3

Date	Time	TN3			
		Noise Limits	Mine L _{Aeq} Noise Level (dB)		
		L _{Aeq,15 min}	Measured Mine Contribution	Additional LF Penalty	Exceedance
16/09/19	17:17	35	IA	-	0
	17:30	35	IA	-	0
	17:40	35	IA	-	0
	17:51	35	IA	-	0
	20:18	35	IA	-	0
	20:37	35	IA	-	0
	01:12	35	NM	-	0
	01:44	35	23	-	0
	02:01	35	24	-	0
17/09/19	20:07	35	31	-	0
	20:25	35	26	-	0
	23:41	35	18	-	0
	23:58	35	17	-	0
	00:15	35	18	-	0
	00:34	35	19	-	0
18/09/19	11:15	35	IA	-	0
	11:30	35	IA	-	0
	01:21	35	33	2 dB	0
	01:38	35	31	-	0
	01:55	35	32	-	0
19/09/19	09:22	35	IA	-	0
	09:44	35	IA	-	0
	10:00	35	IA	-	0
	10:15	35	IA	-	0
	10:30	35	IA	-	0
	10:47	35	IA	-	0
	19:40	35	IA	-	0
19:57	35	IA	-	0	

Table 4-5 Summary of noise assessment at TN4

Date	Time	Noise Limits	TN4		
		LA _{eq,15 min}	Measured Mine Contribution	Mine L _{Aeq} Noise Level (dB)	Additional LF Penalty
16/09/19	21:10	35	IA	-	0
	21:23	35	IA	-	0
	23:49	35	IA	-	0
	00:04	35	IA	-	0
	00:19	35	IA	-	0
	00:35	35	IA	-	0
17/09/19	21:00	35	20	-	0
	21:15	35	20	-	0
	01:07	35	IA	-	0
	01:26	35	IA	-	0
	01:41	35	IA	-	0
	01:57	35	IA	-	0
18/09/19	13:12	35	IA	-	0
	13:30	35	IA	-	0
	14:03	35	IA	-	0
	14:20	35	IA	-	0
	14:37	35	IA	-	0
	23:35	35	IA	-	0
19/09/19	13:43	35	IA	-	0
	14:05	35	IA	-	0
	14:21	35	IA	-	0
	14:38	35	IA	-	0
	14:56	35	IA	-	0
	15:11	35	IA	-	0
20/09/19	20:39	35	IA	-	0
	20:54	35	IA	-	0
	09:18	35	IA	-	0
	09:33	35	IA	-	0
	10:05	35	IA	-	0
	10:21	35	IA	-	0
	10:36	35	IA	-	0

Noise from the mine must not exceed 45 dB(A) L1 (1 min) between 10 pm and 7 am. This is to minimise the potential for sleep disturbance as a result of individual loud noises from the mine. The results of the sleep disturbance monitoring show that the measured L1 (1 min) noise level did not exceed the sleep disturbance criterion.

Table 4-2 Comparison of maximum noise events between TN2 and 573b Coomalgalah

Date	Time	Noise Limits		TN2	573b Coomalgalah	
		LA _{1,1 min}	Noise Source	Mine L _{Amax} Noise Level (dB)	Mine L _{Amax} Noise Level (dB)	Exceedance
				Measured Level	Commensurate Mine Compliance Level	
16/09/19	22:23	45	Engine	42	33	0
	02:39	45	Engine	41	32	0
	22:55	45	Engine	39	30	0
	23:11	45	Engine	41	32	0
17/09/19	22:01	45	Hom	28	19	0
	22:19	45	-	NM	-	0
	22:36	45	Engine	26	17	0
18/09/19	22:07	45	-	NM	-	0
	22:18	45	-	NM	-	0
	22:33	45	-	NM	-	0
	22:53	45	-	IA	-	0

Table 4-4 Summary of maximum noise events at TN3

Date	Time	Noise Limits		TN3	
		LA _{1,1 min}	Noise Source	Mine L _{Amax} Noise Level (dB)	Exceedance
				Measured Level	
16/09/19	01:12	45	-	NM	0
	01:44	45	Engine	33	0
	02:01	45	Engine	32	0
17/09/19	23:41	45	-	NM	0
	23:58	45	-	NM	0
	00:15	45	-	NM	0
	00:34	45	-	NM	0
18/09/19	01:21	45	Engine	42	0
	01:38	45	Engine	38	0
	01:55	45	Engine	38	0

Table 4-6 Summary of maximum noise events at TN4

Date	Time	TN4			
		Noise Limits	Mine L _{Amax}	Noise Level (dB)	
		LA _{1,1 min}	Noise Source	Measured Level	Exceedance
16/09/19	23:49	45	-	IA	0
	00:04	45	-	IA	0
	00:19	45	-	IA	0
	00:35	45	-	IA	0
17/09/19	01:07	45	-	IA	0
	01:26	45	-	IA	0
	01:41	45	-	IA	0
	01:57	45	-	IA	0
18/09/19	23:35	45	-	IA	0

The real time noise monitor located on the “Coomalgah” property remains a management tool so the noise criteria are not applicable at that site. Level of noise recorded at that location is managed according to the noise management plan and trigger action response plan.

Blast Monitoring

Blasting Results

Since 2006, there have been 916 blasts (until 28/10/2019) at TCM.

There has been no exceedance of criterion since the last meeting for ground vibration. The highest result obtained for blasting overpressure was 116.6 dB at the project related property Tarrawonga recorded on 05/10/19 and the highest result for ground vibration was 1.3 mm/s recorded at the Coomalgalah station on 10/10/2019.

Note the exceedance of overpressure recorded at the project related property Tarrawonga was in accordance with conditions of:

- PA11_0047 sch3 cond14,
- EPL12365 cond.L5.1 and L5.2,
- ML1579 cond. 11b) and
- ML1693 cond. 10b) that state: "...blast overpressure noise must not exceed 120dB and 115dB in more than 5 % of the total number of blast over 12 month at any occupied dwelling..."

The overpressure measured on 5th October was the first recorded above 115 dB in 77 blasts over 12 months (equivalent to 1.3%).

Table- 2: Max Peak Overpressure and Ground Pressure for the Quarter

Monitor Location	Date	Max. Peak Overpressure (dB)	Criterion (dB)	Date	Max. Peak Ground Pressure (mm/s)	Criterion (mm/s)
Tarrawonga*	05/10/19	116.6	N/A	6/05/19	0.5	N/A
Coomalgalah	08/08/19	110.0	115	10/10/19	1.3	10

*Limit Not applicable according to EPL and PA11_0047 because project related property.

Air Quality Monitoring

Dust Deposition Results

Table 3 shows deposited dust gauge results over 12 months. All the monitors are located on project related land; as such compliance criteria (4g/m²/month) do not apply. Overall deposited dust trends remain steady during the reporting period (refer graph in *Appendix B*).

Table 3 – Deposited Dust Gauge Results [g/m²/month]

MONTH	TEMPLEMORE (EB-4)	BOLLOL CREEK STN (EB-5)	AMBARDO (EB-6)	TARRAWONGA (EB-7)	THUIN (EB-8)	PINE GROVE (EB-9)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-10)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-11)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-14)	TARRAWONGA MINE (EB-15)	JERALONG NORTH (EB-16)
Oct-18	5.9	4.3	11.1	1.7	3.8	4.7	10.8	3.5	3	5.4	2.7
Nov-18	4.3	1.6	3.2	4.1	6.2	5.8	5.5	11.3	4.6	6.8	3.32
Dec-18	18.9	11.1	11.1	2.8	4.2	4.6	5.7	3	47.2*	8	4.3
Jan-19	7.8	2.4	5.6	5.7	9.5	7.8	9.2	6.2	3.3	4	7.6
Feb-19	4.6	5.5	11.9	4.3	5.2	2.8	5.5	5.0	6.8	3.5	5.7
Mar-19	2.1	4.8	4	2.2	4.1	2.9	8.6	2.4	1.9	2.2	2.6
Apr-19	2.7	4.5	4.1	1.6	2.8	1.8	4.7	2.6	2.7	3.9	6.2
May-19	7	5.1	1.8	1.6	2.5	1.4	1.8	5.6	3	8.8	2.3
Jun-19	4.8	4	1.6	0.9	2.9	1.1	4.7	2.7	2.6	4.4	1.6
Jul-19	2	2.8	1.7	1.5	2	1.5	1.4	3.3	2.2	4.9	1.2
Aug-19	2	2.8	1.7	1.5	2	1.5	1.4	3.3	2.2	4.9	1.2
Sep-19	1.4	2.8	1.3	0.7	5	1.4	1.5	3.1	2.8	3.8	1.1
Oct-19	5.2	4.4	4.8	2.4	4.3	3.2	5.1	4.3	3.5	5.0	3.3
12 MONTH ROLLING AVERAGE	5.2	4.4	4.8	2.4	4.3	3.2	5.1	4.3	3.5	5.0	3.3

*ALS advised the sample was contaminated and the value is not included in the annual rolling average.

High Volume Air sampler (PM10) Results

The High Volume Air Sampler (HVAS) installed at Coomalgalah property monitors level of Particle Matter under 10 micron (PM₁₀). It operates for 24hr every 6 days. **Table 4** shows all the 24hr average values recorded for this quarter. Elevated levels of dust recorded were investigated and it was found that wind direction, grazing and farming activity near the monitor location, regional dust or smoke from bushfire were direct causes of the elevated level of dust recorded.

Table- 4: HVAS PM10 24 hr average levels for the Quarter

Date	24hr averaged PM10 (µg/m ³)	Criterion 24hr average (µg/m ³)	Comments
6/8/2019	25.9	50	Nil
12/8/2019	50.8		Determined as not mine related. Dusty surrounds noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from N-NE. The real-time monitor near the mine recorded PM10 24hr average levels below 15µg/m3.
18/08/2019	40.5		Nil
24/08/2019	46.1		Nil
30/08/2019	18.6		Nil
5/9/2019	41.3		Nil
11/9/2019	58.0		Determined as not mine related. Dusty conditions noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from SE.
17/09/2019	103		Determined as not mine related. Severe wind and dust noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds above 11m/s coming from E and S.
23/09/2019	37.3		Nil
29/09/2019	55.7		Determined as not mine related. Farming activity noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from W-SW.
5/10/2019	93.9		Determined as not mine related. Farming activity noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from NE-S.
11/10/2019	69.0		Determined as not mine related. Farming activity noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from East.
17/10/2019	78.6		Determined as not mine related. Dust storm noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from W and SW with 49% winds above 6m/s.
23/10/2019	132.0		Determined as not mine related. Contaminated paper filter and smoke haze noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from North.
29/10/2019	110.0		Determined as not mine related. Smoke haze in sky and farming activity noted in the field sheet by the contractor. Weather station recorded winds coming from E and SW.

Real-time Air monitoring (PM₁₀)

According to the current Air Quality and Greenhouse gas Management Plan, the real time air quality unit (TEOM) installed at the “Flixton” property monitors PM₁₀ levels in ambient air. It is an operational management tool and dust levels nearing or reaching the nominated criteria will trigger actions onsite to assess the source of dust and modify operations if it is determined to be related to Tarrawonga operations.



TEOM installed at Flixton property

Three portable dust (PM₁₀) monitors have improved the real-time dust monitoring network and assist the operation to mitigate any potential dust generated by the operation.



Portable and real-time dust monitor installed at TCM in November 2018

Water Monitoring

Groundwater

Routine groundwater monitoring was undertaken in September 2019 and showed in **Table 5** (refer to graphs in *Appendix C*).

Table 5- Groundwater results Summary

Site	Date	SWL (mbgl)	pH (units)	Elect. Conductivity (µS/cm)
MW1	September 2018	6.92	7.7	3,300
	December 2018	7.03	7.8	3,420
	March 2019	7.78	8.1	3,430
	June 2019	7.22	8.0	3,320
	September 2019	7.32	8.0	3,440
MW2				
	September 2018	4.79	6.8	600
	December 2018	3.53	6.8	545
	March 2019	4.34	7.1	560
	June 2019	3.41	7.0	461
	September 2019	4.01	6.9	530
MW4				
	September 2018	9.34	6.9	4,370
	December 2018	9.46	7.0	4,610
	March 2019	9.58	7.2	4,840
	June 2019	9.41	7.3	3,860
	September 2019	9.62	7.4	3,460
MW5				
	September 2018	3.56	7.8	1,980
	December 2018	3.41	7.7	2,130
	March 2019	3.41	7.9	1,240
	June 2019	2.91	7.6	1292
	September 2019	2.90	7.8	2,100
MW6				
	September 2018	4.84	8.0	2,020
	December 2018	4.85	7.6	2,200
	March 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
	June 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
	September 2019	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed	Casing destroyed
MW7				
	September 2018	104.65	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	December 2018	105.01	No sample (Grey mud)	No sample
	March 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
	June 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
	September 2019	Dry	Dry	Dry
MW8				
	September 2018	13.48	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	December 2018	13.29	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	March 2019	13.66	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	June 2019	13.69	Casing blocked	Casing blocked
	September 2019	13.77	Casing blocked	Casing blocked

Surface Water

According to the BTM Complex strategy, water sharing opportunity is continuously discussed between the three mines. TCM continue assessing options to source additional water in order to maintain the mine in operation in the long run.

Rehabilitation and Clearing

Rehabilitation

Operations and Environmental departments work together to develop and implement a more efficient rehabilitation program. The aim is to enhance the quantity of areas rehabilitated.

This year, TCM engaged the services of a specialised tree planting company to plant approximately 4,100 trees in the designated rehabilitation areas including *Eucalyptus albens*, *Eucalyptus blakelyi*, *Eucalyptus crebra*, *Eucalyptus melliodora*, *Eucalyptus pilligaensis*, *Eucalyptus populanea*, *Eucalyptus macrocarpa*, *Eucalyptus Melanophloia*, *Eucalyptus Crebra*, *Eucalyptus Dealbata* and *Eucalyptus Dwyeriand*. Native grass (ground cover) seeds were spread over approximately 40Ha and trials (including planting using fertilizers) were undertaken on approximately 2Ha at the southern emplacement area.

Clearing

The next tree clearing campaign will be conducted between February and April 2020.

Complaints

No complaint was received during the quarterly period.

Environmental Management Plans

In October 2019, TCM submitted updated Management Plans that address the Department comments including:

- Noise Management Plan
- Blast Management Plan
- Air Quality Greenhouse Gas Management Plan and
- Water Management Plan

BTM Water Strategy

The Water Management Strategy was approved by DPIE. However the three mines continue to work with a groundwater expert to address Natural Resource Access Regulator's (NRAR) comments related to the groundwater model. Agencies agreed the action plan and timeframe proposed by the BTM mines to address and submit a revised Water strategy and an updated BTM groundwater model.

Annual and Compliance Reporting

Annual Review and Annual Return Reports

Annual Review (AR) report for 2018 is available on the company' website. The next AR for 2019 will be prepared and submitted in Q1 2020.

Annual Compliance EPBC statement

Annual Compliance EPBC statement for 2018 is available on company' website. Next EPBC statement will be prepared and submitted in Q2 2020.

Environmental Improvement and Initiatives

Dust Management

TCM have engaged the company Dust A Side to provide advice and solution to minimise potential fugitive dust generated by exposed surfaces such as haul roads. Since end of April 2018, TCM have been monitoring the results and trying to improve the spraying and mixing techniques. The product used is totally organic, has no corrosive chloride compounds, and is environmentally friendly and readily biodegradable. Usage of that product on mine haul truck roads is ongoing.

Water Management

TCM and Dust A Side investigate options and products to reduce water used for dust mitigation.

Noise Management

The portable noise monitor was relocated few hundreds meter away from farming/ grazing activity zone at Coomalgah and a new fence was installed around it.

Rehabilitation

TCM continues to use an All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) to water the rehabilitated areas and the trees recently planted. In 2018, that initiative allowed to achieve a high survival rate despite prolonged dry weather condition.

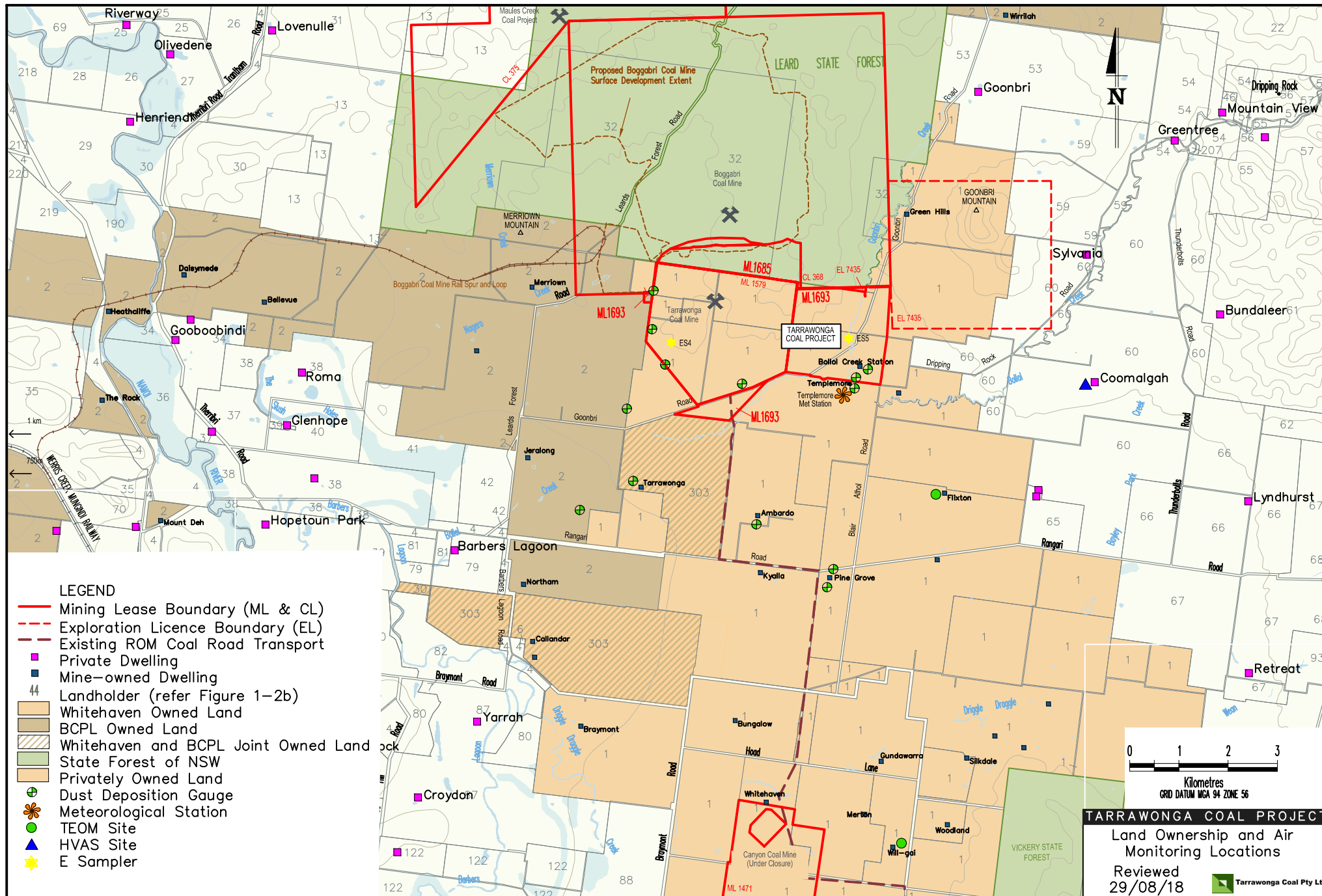


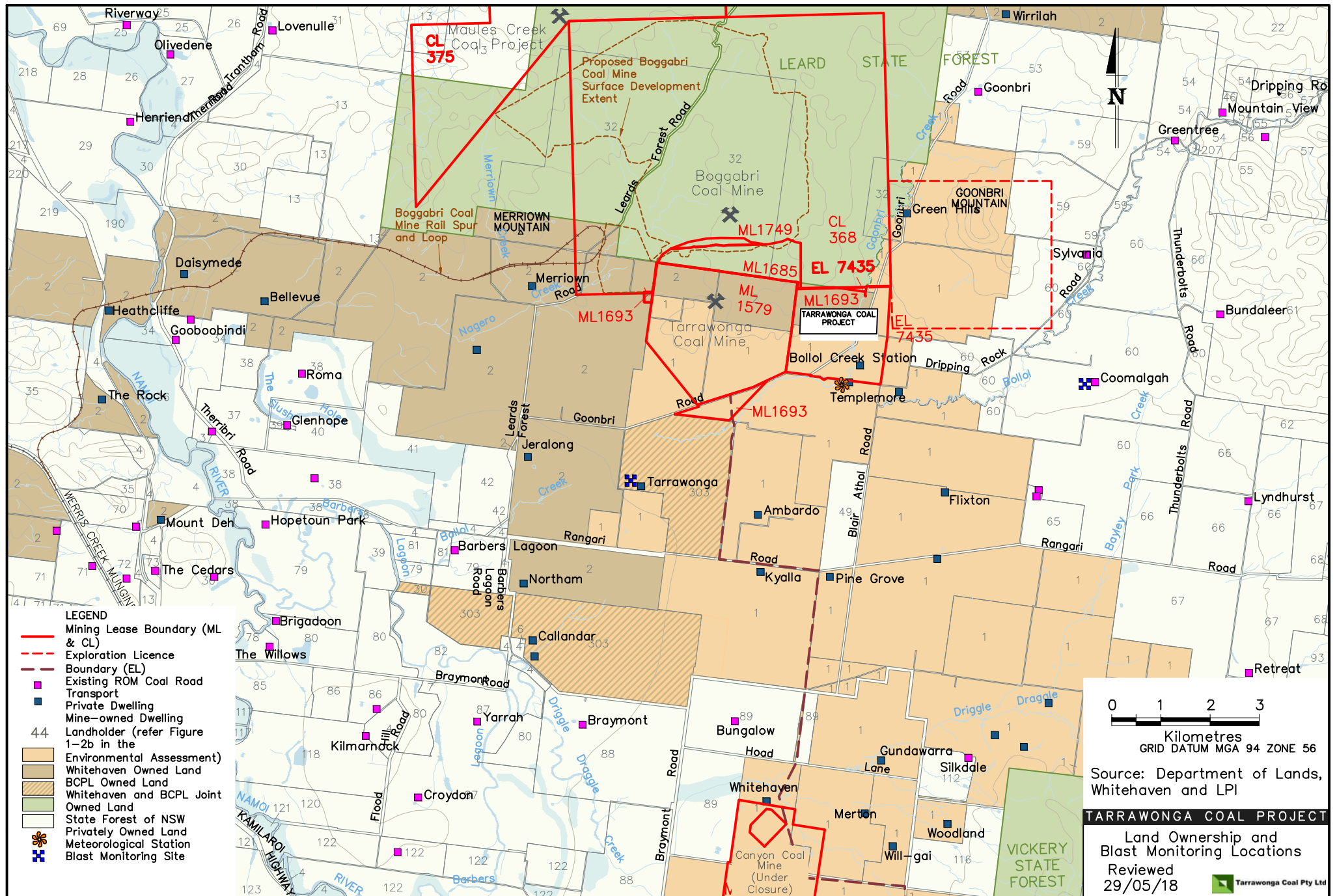
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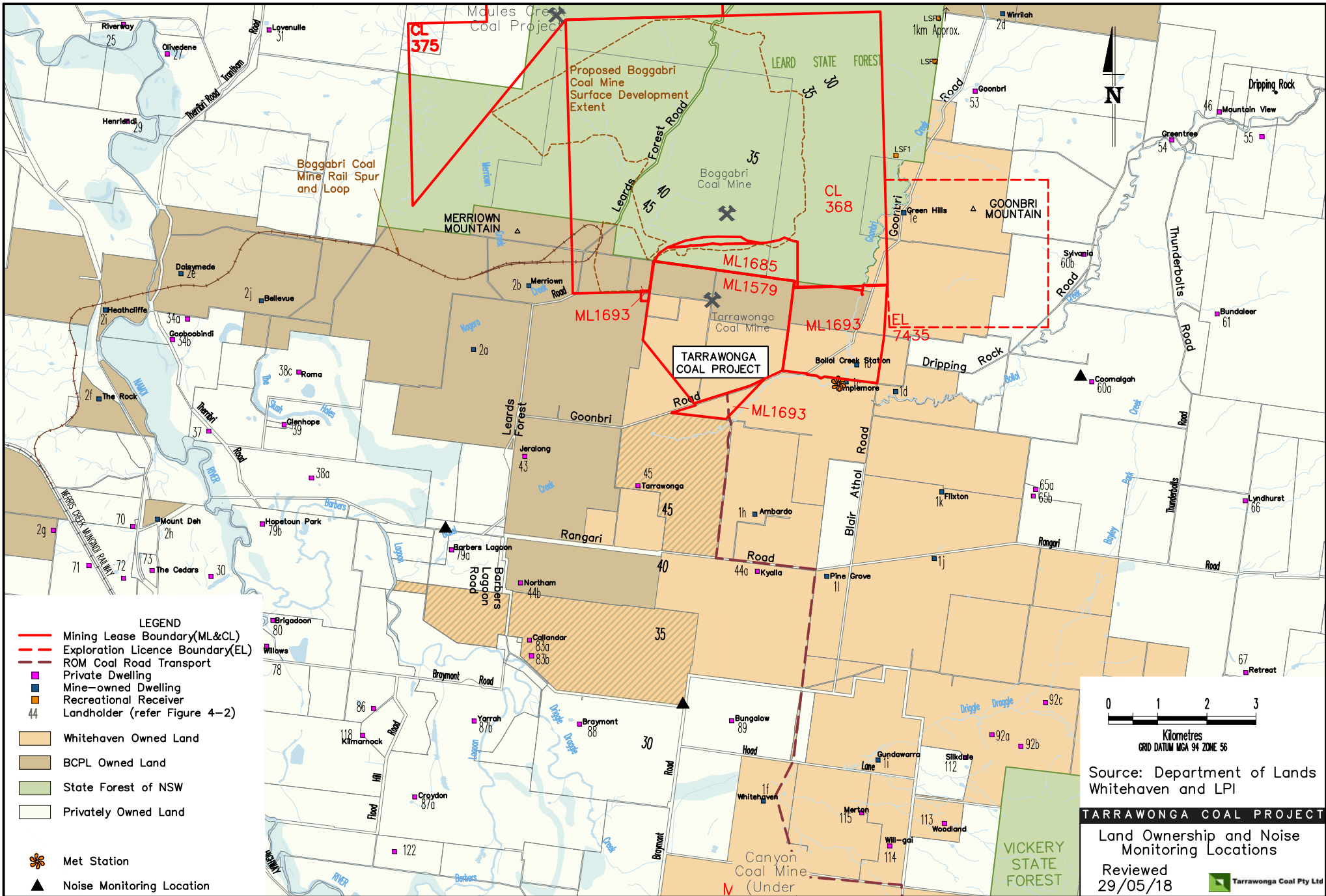
Air Quality

Three Portable dust (PM10) monitors have improved the real-time dust monitoring network and assist the operation to mitigate any potential dust generated by the operation.

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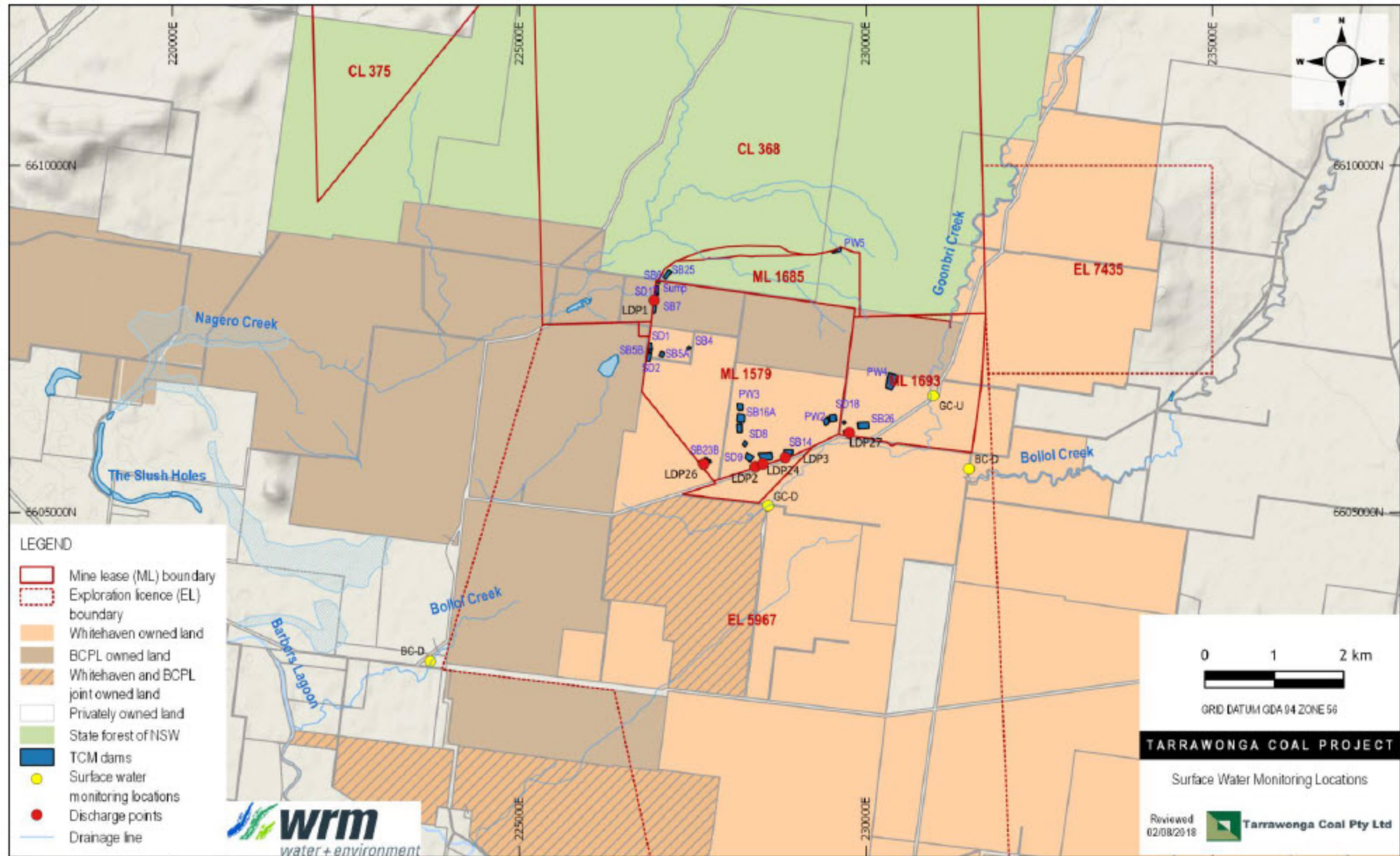
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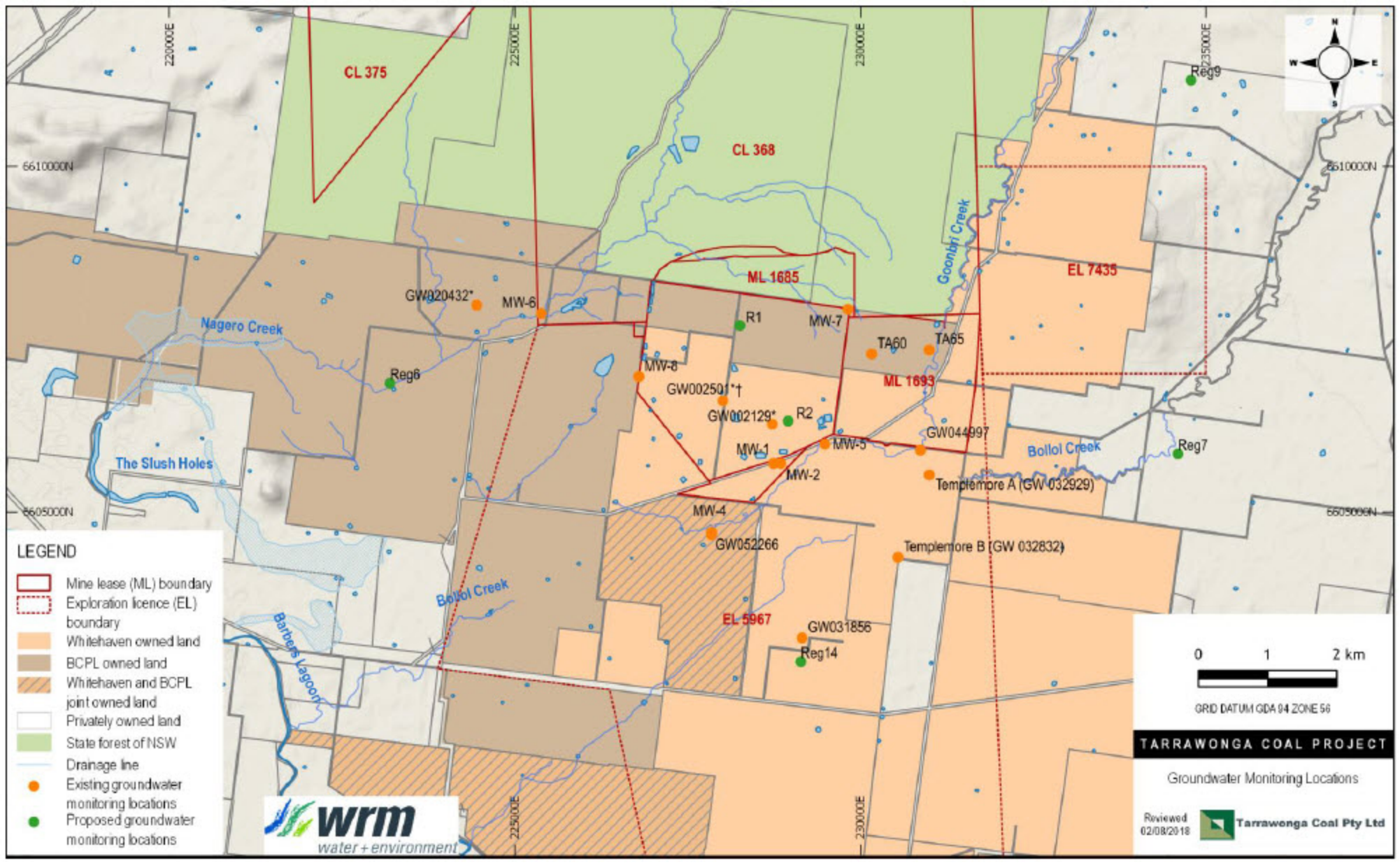
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Land Ownership and Noise
Monitoring Locations

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LEGEND

- Mine lease (ML) boundary
- Exploration licence (EL) boundary
- Whitehaven owned land
- BCPL owned land
- Whitehaven and BCPL joint owned land
- Privately owned land
- State forest of NSW
- Drainage line
- Existing groundwater monitoring locations
- Proposed groundwater monitoring locations



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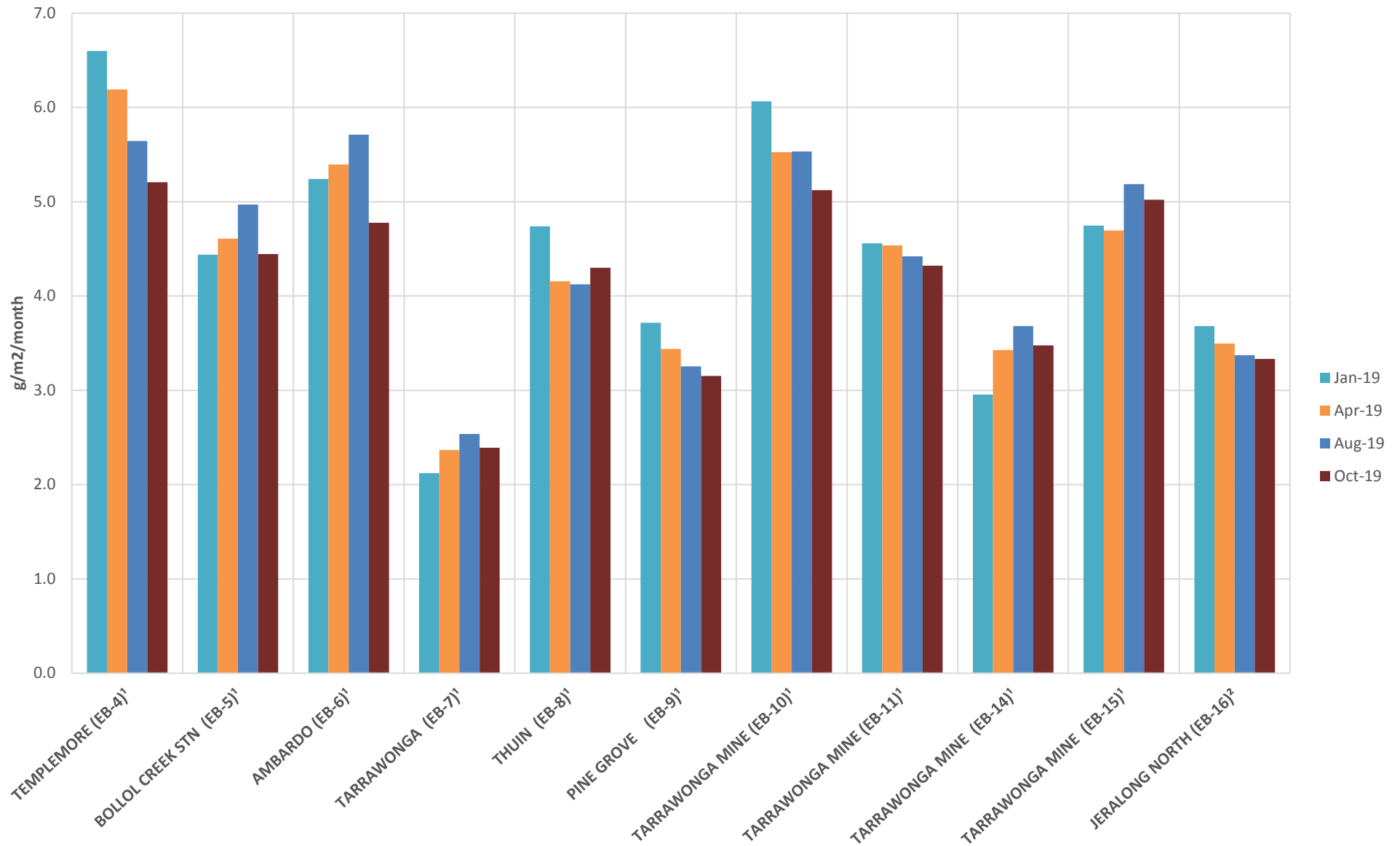
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Groundwater Monitoring Locations

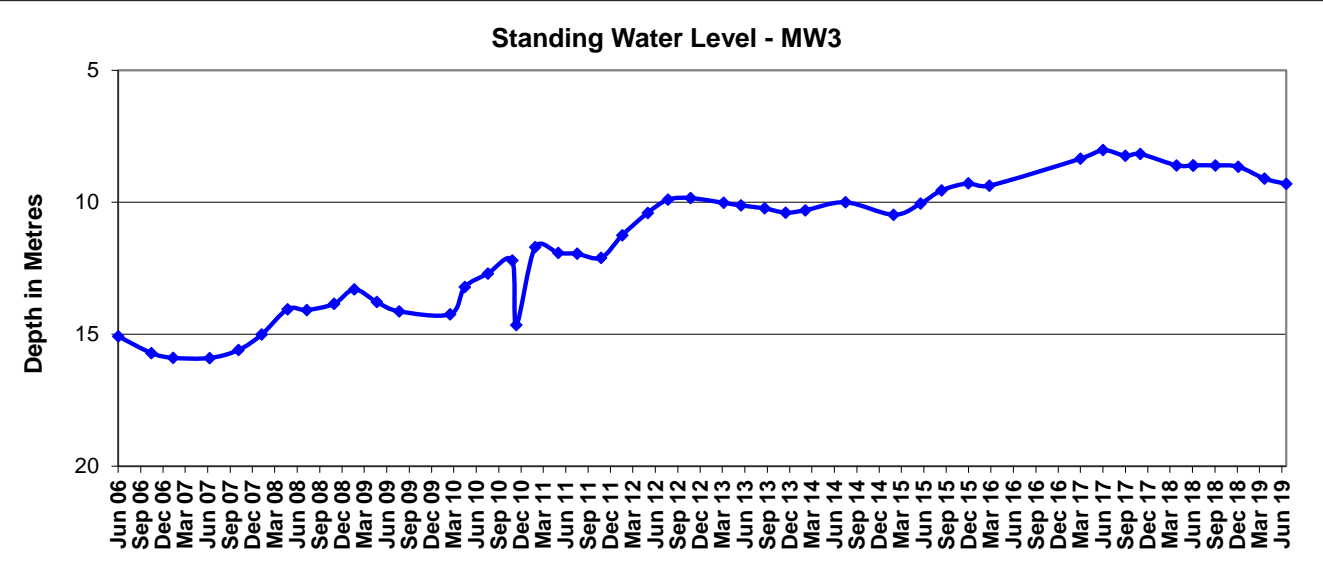
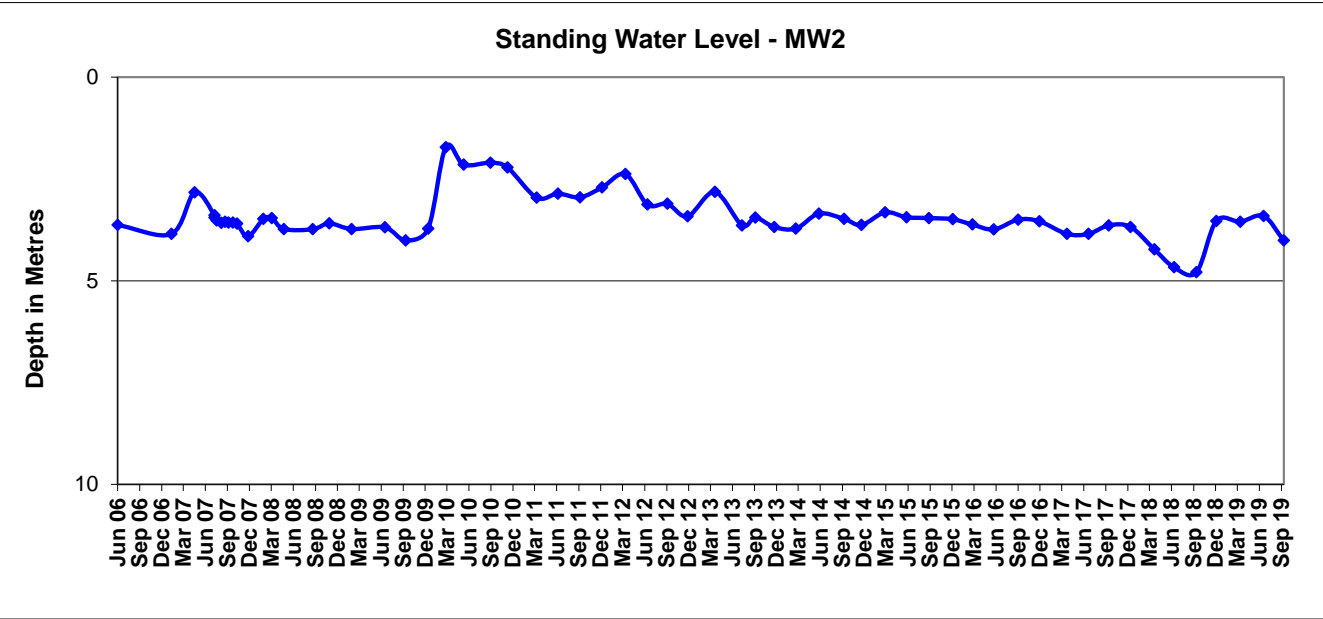
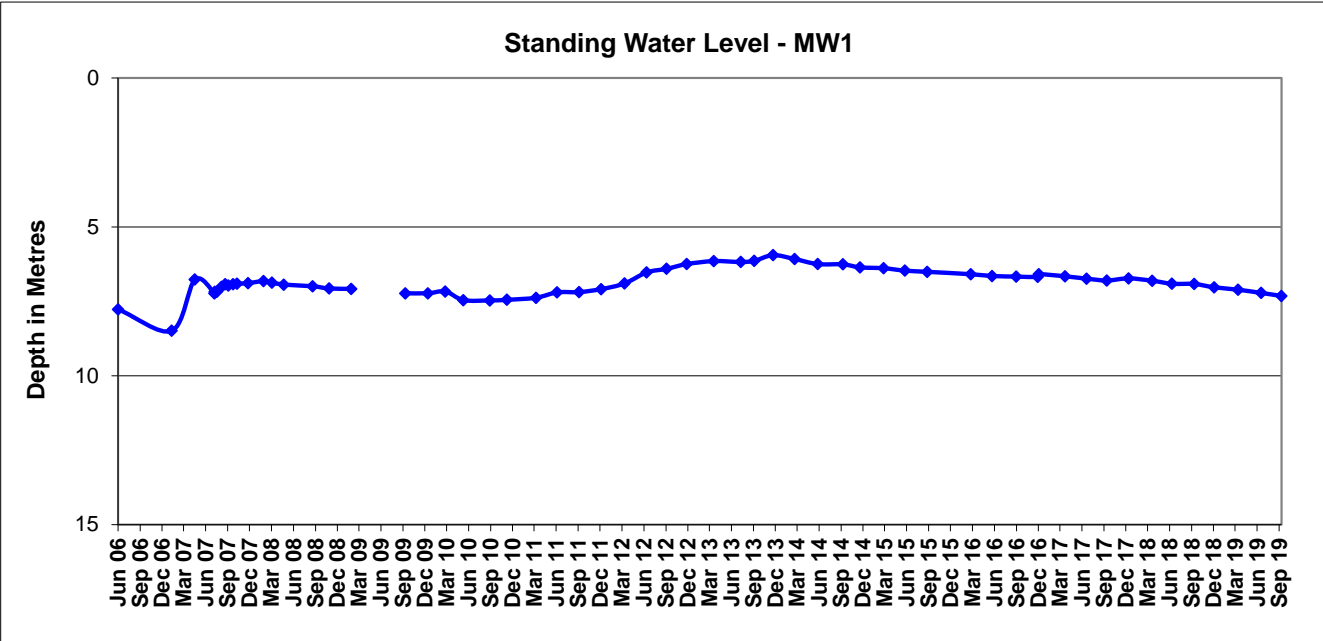
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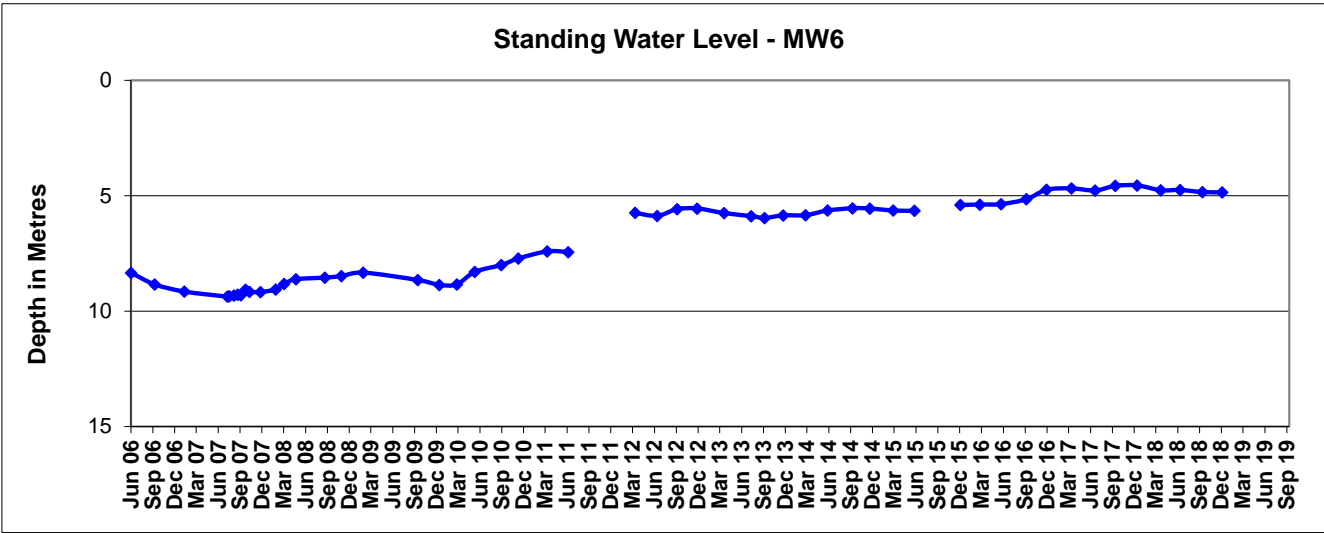
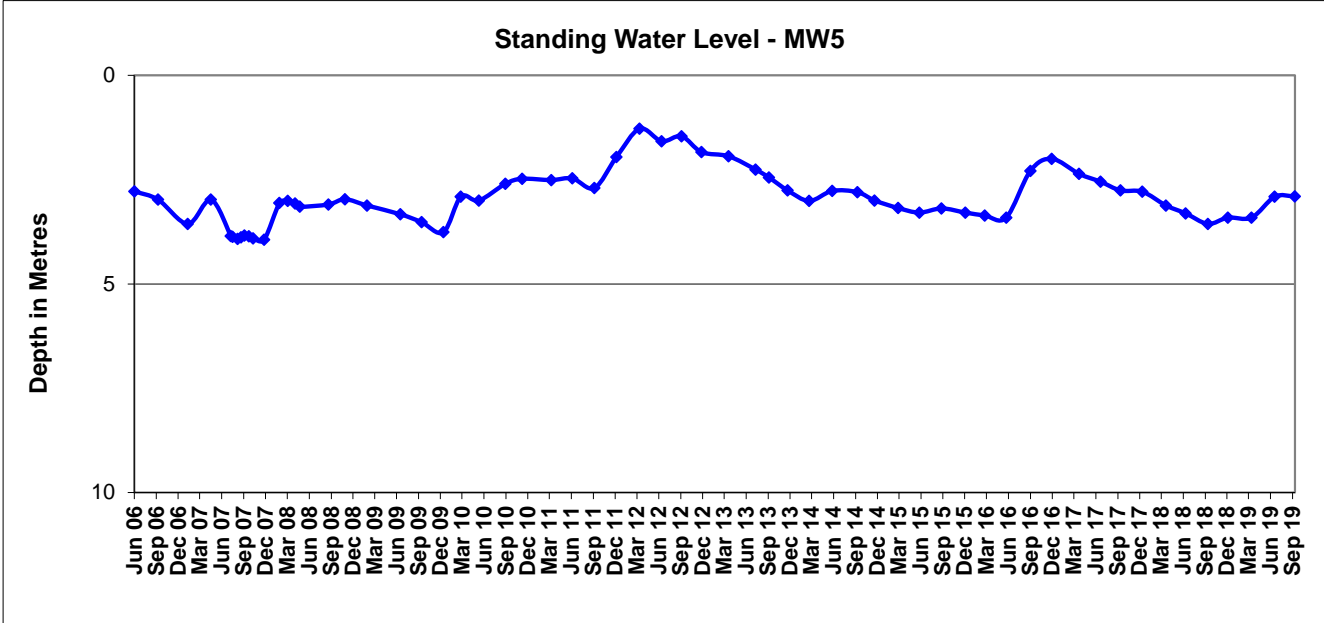
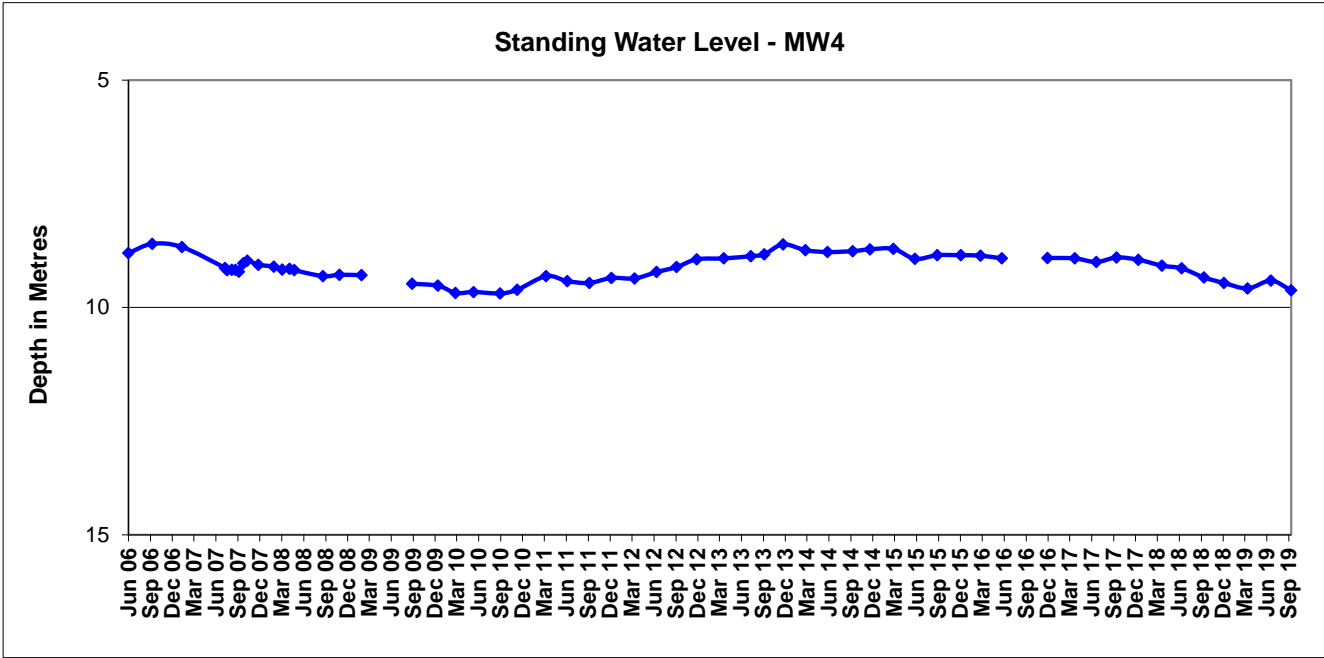
Appendix B

Deposited Dust Gauge Results- Quarterly rolling average [g/m2/month]



Appendix C





Not monitored anymore- casing destroyed

