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### **1** INTRODUCTION

The Downer Seymour Whyte Joint Venture (DSWJV) is contracted by Roads and Maritime Services (Roads and Maritime) to upgrade 10.3 kilometres of the Princes Highway between Mullers Lane (south of Berry) and Cambewarra Road, Bomaderry in New South Wales (NSW) (the Project). The project will provide a four-lane divided highway (two lanes in each direction) with median separation.

The project is one of a series of upgrades to sections of the Princes Highway which aims to provide a four-lane divided highway between Waterfall and Jervis Bay Road, Falls Creek. This would improve road safety and traffic efficiency, including for freight, on the NSW South Coast.

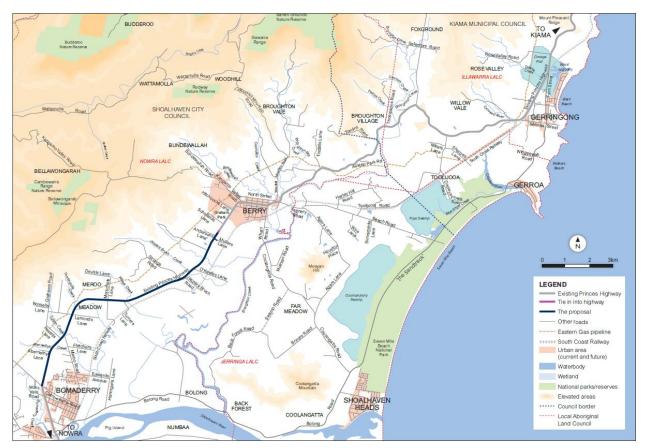


Figure 1 provides an overview of the project location.

Figure 1-1 Project location

In accordance with Environment Protection Licence (EPL) Condition R4.1, the following report details the required monitoring undertaken over the October 2018 reporting period.



### 2 NON-COMPLIANCES

A non-compliance with EPL dust deposition gauge (DDG) concentration limits, occurred during the October 2018 reporting period. This is noted in Section 5 of this report. DSWJV will raise an internal environmental non-conformance report and will investigate real-time dust monitoring at high risk locations.

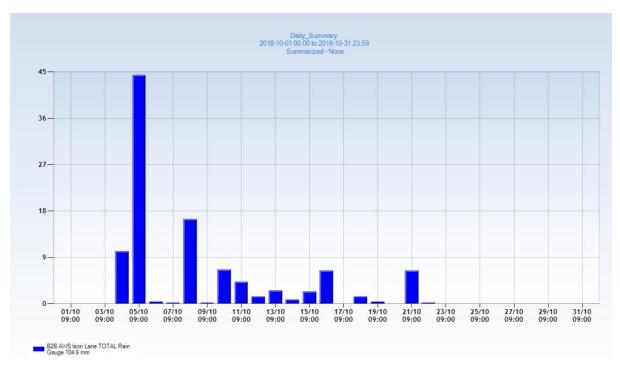
### **3 RAINFALL**

The RMS automatic weather station is situated at Ison Lane, Jaspers Brush, located adjacent to a main ancillary compound (Isons Compound) for the project. The results of rainfall monitoring for October 2018 are provided in Table 3-1 below.

#### Table 3-1 October 2018 Rainfall monitoring results

| Location   | Monthly rainfall recorded (mm) |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Ison Lane, Jaspers Brush (RMS automatic weather station) | 104.6                          |

October 2018 recorded seventeen rainfall events at the project specific weather station (Ison Lane, Jaspers Brush (RMS automatic weather station). The largest rainfall event was on the 05/10/18 recording 44mm.





### **4 SEDIMENT BASIN DISCHARGE**

The project now has seven sediment basins commissioned on the EPL. The list of basins is outlined in Table 4-1 below. Not all the sediment basins required dewatering or to be discharged in October 2018 due to a combination of the basin volumes being constructed oversized for the catchments. Additionally, not all catchments were completely disturbed allowing for some natural infiltration to the existing ground surface and some volumes of water in the basins were below levels able to be pumped out.

| EPA<br>Identification<br>No. | Location (adjacent address)         | Discharge Date | рН<br>(6.5-8.5)  | Total Suspended<br>Solids<br>(50mg/L) | Oil and<br>Grease<br>(none |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| TB22.80N                     | Ison Compound                       | 19/10/18       | 7.18             | 35                                    | Ν                          |
|                              |                                     | 29/10/18       | 6.55             | 6                                     | Ν                          |
|                              |                                     | 31/10/18       | 6.53             | 6                                     | Ν                          |
| TB22250.S                    | Opposite Strong's Road              | 25/10/18       | 6.61             | 26                                    | Ν                          |
|                              |                                     | 26/10/18       | 6.61             | 26                                    | Ν                          |
| TB22650.S                    | Opposite Isons Compound             |                | No Discharges Oc | tober 2018                            |                            |
| TB23400.S                    | Jaspers Brush North of Wileys Creek |                | No Discharges Oc | tober 2018                            |                            |
| TB23450.S                    | Jaspers Brush North of Wileys Creek |                | No Discharges Oc | tober 2018                            |                            |
| TB23800.S                    | Wileys side track compound          |                | No Discharges Oc | tober 2018                            |                            |
| TB28900.N                    | Abernethy's Lane                    |                | No Discharges Oc | tober 2018                            |                            |

#### Table 4-1 October 2018 Sediment basin discharge

### 5 AIR MONITORING RESULTS

Dust deposition gauges for the project were installed on 3 October and changed on the 31 October 2018 which is within the NATA accredited window (30 days +/- 2 days). Results are summarised in Table 5-1 below. October results indicate three exceedances greater than 4g/m<sup>2</sup>. Wind patterns from the Isons Compound weather station recorded predominate wind direction was from the SSE throughout the month. DDG J/K is unusually high of 15.3g/m<sup>2</sup>, despite there being over 100mm of rain and some insects were noted on collection of the gauge. DSWJV were undertaking earthworks in the vicinity of this location. The key strategies adopted by DSWJV to mitigate dust and air quality impacts during construction works have included the following:

- Continual use of water carts
- Covering of haul vehicles
- Stabilisation of cleared areas with hardstand materials such as concrete and crushed rock
- Hydro-mulching and laying geofabric to batters
- Reduction of cleared / exposed soils with concrete paving and geo-fabric installation
- Road sweepers.

DSWJV will continue to closely monitor activities in these work areas and implement the range of above-mentioned dust mitigation as required. DSWJV will also consider additional real-time dust monitoring to proactively assist with issues in high risk areas.



| EPA<br>Identification<br>No. | Location (adjacent address)              | Ash Content<br>g/m²,month | Combustible<br>Matter<br>g/m²,month | Total Insoluble<br>Matter<br>g/m²,month |
|------------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| 1-DDG A                      | 10 Croziers Lane, Jaspers Brush          | 0.4                       | 0.2                                 | 0.6                                     |
| 2-DDG B                      | 10A Jaspers Brush Road, Jaspers<br>Brush | 0.4                       | 0.1                                 | 0.5                                     |
| 3-DDG C                      | 20C Strongs Road, Jaspers Brush          | 2.9                       | 2.7                                 | 5.6                                     |
| 4-DDG D                      | 10C Jaspers Brush Road, Jaspers<br>Brush | 0.8                       | 0.7                                 | 1.5                                     |
| 5-DDG E                      | 30 Ison Lane, Jaspers Brush              | 0.4                       | 0.3                                 | 0.7                                     |
| 6-DDG F                      | Lot 209 DP 1210788                       | 0.9                       | 0.3                                 | 1.2                                     |
| 7-DDG H                      | 10 Lamonds Lane, Meroo Meadow            | 2.6                       | 0.6                                 | 3.2                                     |
| 8-DDG I                      | 19 Boxsells Lane, Meroo Meadow           | 0.5                       | <0.1                                | 0.5                                     |
| 9-DDG J/K                    | 265 Princes Highway, Meroo<br>Meadow     | 1.6                       | 13.7                                | 15.3                                    |
| 10-DDG L                     | 1028 Meroo Meadow, Meroo<br>Meadow       | 3.9                       | 0.8                                 | 4.7                                     |
| 11-DDG M                     | 32 Elvin Drive, Bomaderry                | 1.2                       | 0.1                                 | 1.3                                     |
| 12-DDG N                     | 9 Devitt's Lane, Meroo Meadow            | 0.5                       | 0.1                                 | 0.6                                     |
| 13-DDG P                     | 24 Abernethys Lane, Meroo Meadow         | 2.8                       | 0.8                                 | 3.6                                     |

#### Table 5-1 October 2018 Air quality monitoring results

### **6 NOISE MONITORING RESULTS**

Noise monitoring was undertaken in accordance with the Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP) for the project in October 2018. Noise monitoring was also undertaken for commencement of over-pumping activities at Wileys Creek to ensure compliance with limits specified in the EPL Condition 4.2(c). Two noise complaints were also received in October 2018 and noise monitoring was undertaken to confirm compliance with CNVMP parameters. Noise monitoring results are summarised in Table 6-1 below.

| EPA<br>Identification<br>No. | Type of<br>monitoring<br>point | Location<br>description                                | Construction activity                                     | Date     | Time            | $L(A)_{eq(15min)}$ | Comments   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|----------|-----------------|--------------------|--|
| 15                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L1 - B210<br>Princes<br>Highway,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush - | Nil no<br>construction<br>activity                        | 24/10/18 | 16:17-<br>16:32 | 74.6               | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars,<br>motorbikes, trucks |
| 16                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L2 - 20C<br>Strongs<br>Road,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush -     | Nil no<br>construction<br>activity                        | 24/10/18 | 15:56-<br>16:11 | 63                 | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars,<br>motorbikes, trucks |
| 17                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L3 - 30<br>Ison Lane,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush              | Drainage<br>Dewatering<br>Isons<br>sedimentation<br>basin | 24/10/18 | 15:40-<br>15:55 | 56.3               | Dewatering 3-inch pump<br>constant, traffic noise –<br>cars and trucks                       |

#### Table 6-1 October 2018 Noise Monitoring Results



| EPA<br>Identification<br>No. | Type of<br>monitoring<br>point | Location<br>description                              | Construction<br>activity   | Date     | Time            | L(A) <sub>eq(15min)</sub> | Comments   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|----------|-----------------|---------------------------|--|
| 18                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L5 - 15<br>Turner<br>Lane,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush       | Earthworks<br>Stockpiling and<br>importing rock  | 24/10/18 | 9:05-<br>9:20   | 54.8                      | Majority of noise was<br>continuous traffic from<br>the highway with a<br>constant stream of cars,<br>truck approx. every 30-<br>60 secs. Aside from<br>several short peaks of<br>noise the works were<br>inaudible except during<br>breaks in traffic |
| 19                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L6 - B710<br>Princes<br>Highway,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush | Nil no<br>construction<br>activity   | 24/10/18 | 14:41-<br>14:56 | 60                        | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars, trucks  |
| 20                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L7 - 310C<br>Princes<br>Highway,<br>Jaspers<br>Brush | Nil no<br>construction<br>activity   | 24/10/18 | 9:47-<br>10:02  | 68.1                      | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars,<br>motorbikes, trucks   |
| 21                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | BG08 - 19<br>Boxsells<br>Lane,<br>Meroo<br>Meadow    | Nil - aside from<br>Traffic control<br>using as a<br>turnaround<br>point during<br>monitoring<br>session | 24/10/18 | 14:17-<br>14:42 | 63.8                      | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars,<br>reversing traffic truck  |
| 22                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | BG09 -<br>1028<br>Meroo<br>Road,<br>Meroo<br>Meadow  | Utilities and<br>property<br>adjustments<br>Excavating<br>trench, moving<br>plastic pipes                | 24/10/18 | 10:24-<br>10:39 | 63.9                      | Construction noise –<br>excavator digging,<br>unloading trucks by<br>personnel, squawker<br>reverse alarm  |
| 23                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | L8 - 24<br>Abernethys<br>Lane,<br>Meroo<br>Meadow    | Earthworks<br>Trucks<br>unloading rock<br>and being<br>moved by roller                                   | 24/10/18 | 12:10-<br>12:25 | 59.8                      | Truck and dog<br>unloading, roller and<br>excavator working  |
| 24                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | BG10 - 35<br>Gardenia<br>Crescent,<br>Bomaderry      | Nil no<br>construction<br>activity   | 24/10/18 | 10:58-<br>11:13 | 46.5                      | Nil no construction in<br>this area, traffic noise<br>dominating cars, trucks  |
| 25                           | Noise<br>monitoring            | BG11 - 38<br>Elvin Drive,<br>Bomaderry               | Earthworks<br>Heavy vehicles<br>moving along<br>haul road  | 24/10/18 | 11:38-<br>11:53 | 59.7                      | Construction vehicles<br>on haul road and traffic<br>noise, cars, sports car,<br>trucks  |



| EPA<br>Identification<br>No. | Type of<br>monitoring<br>point | Location<br>description | Construction<br>activity  | Date     | Time            | $L(A)_{eq(15min)}$ | Comments   |
|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|---|----------|-----------------|--------------------|--|
| N/A                          | Noise<br>monitoring            | Wileys<br>Creek         | Over-pumping<br>operation on<br>float switch for<br>culvert works   | 17/10/18 | 11:51-<br>12:04 | -                  | In accordance with EPL<br>L4.2 (c) out of hours<br>works that are not more<br>than 5dB(A) over the<br>background rating.<br>Monitoring undertaken<br>at pump 7m away from<br>the source 58dBA<br>Compliant at nearest<br>sensitive receiver 135m<br>away. Temporary noise<br>shielding also installed. |
| Complaint                    | Noise<br>monitoring            | NCA 4B*                 | Earthworks<br>Scrapers,<br>Moxy, Grader,<br>Water Cart<br>movements | 24/10/18 | 8:02-<br>8:17   | 68.2               | Monitoring undertaken<br>in response to noise<br>complaint<br>Scrapers, moxies,<br>graders, water carts,<br>truck and dog tipping<br>gravel and tailgate<br>banging  |
| Complaint                    | Noise<br>monitoring            | NCA 4B*                 | Earthworks<br>Scrapers,<br>Moxy, Grader,<br>Water Cart<br>movements | 24/10/18 | 13:37-<br>13:52 | 70.1               | Monitoring undertaken<br>in response to noise<br>complaint earlier in the<br>day<br>Scrapers, moxies,<br>graders, water carts,<br>truck  |

\*specific location of complainant withheld for privacy

### 7 ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLAINTS

Three environmental complaints were received in October 2018. All complaints were responded to and closed within required timeframes. Noise monitoring was undertaken and demonstrated compliance to the noise limits in the CNVMP and are outlined in Table 6-1 above.

| Complaint No. | Date/time complaint received | Nature of Complaint  | Actions and due<br>date   | Status/timing         |
|---------------|------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|
| 001           | 30/10/2018 11:29             | Dirt and mulch on<br>service road at Jaspers<br>Brush Road   | Inspected area and<br>arranged for<br>sweeper to clean<br>debris from clearing<br>operations. | Closed with 24 hours. |
| 002           | 30/10/2018 9:07              | Noise of earthworks<br>construction causing<br>stress to horse with<br>colic. Also cited<br>personal stress<br>impacting ability to<br>work. |   |                       |

#### Table 7-1 October 2018 Environmental Complaints



| Complaint No. | Date/time complaint received | Nature of Complaint                   | Actions and due<br>date   | Status/timing           |
|---------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|-------------------------|
|               |                              |                                       | consider other<br>alternatives such<br>as relocating<br>horses / ear muffs.   |                         |
| 003           | 24/10/18 7.32am              | Construction noise from<br>earthworks | Monitoring showed<br>a 15 min LAeq of<br>72dBA.<br>Allowable limits as<br>per CNVMP is<br>73dBA. Advised<br>that we were<br>operating within<br>allowable limits. | Closed within 12 hours. |