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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to examine noise levels from quarry operations for compliance. Attended monitoring was conducted on the 18th December 2024 at noise sensitive receivers identified in the conditions of approval to establish the compliance status. Activities on the day were related to dredging and loading product to road registered trucks.

Table 1.1 Equipment being used at the time of the test

| |
|--------------------------------|
| CDE (Wash Plant) |
| Loader (Volvo 180) |
| Road Trucks and dogs |
| Dragflow Electric Dredge EI180 |

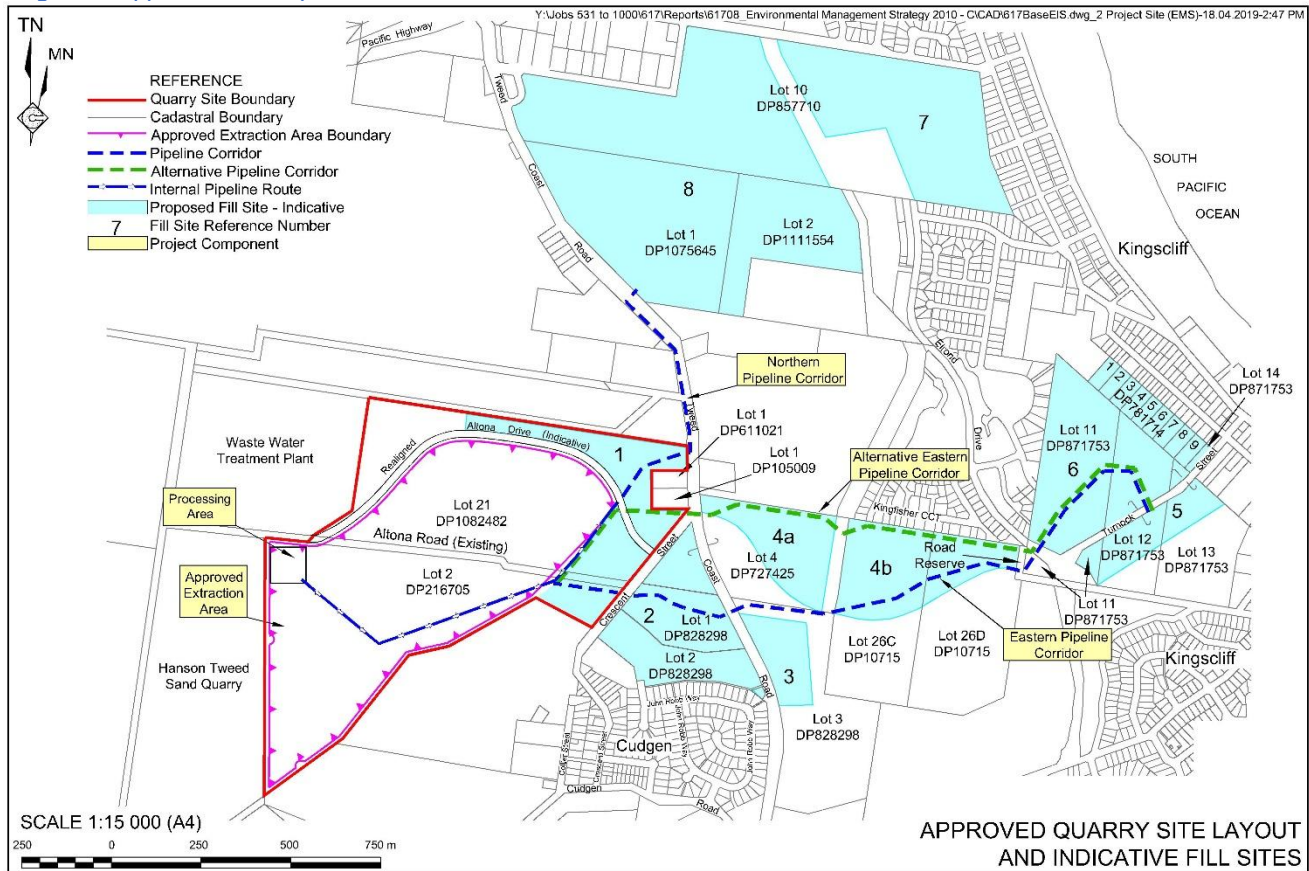
Table 1.2 Hours of operation

| Activity | Permissible Hours |
|--|---|
| Site establishment, dry processing, product transport by road, VENM receipts, other quarrying operations not specified in this table | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7.00 am to 6.00 pm Monday to Friday 7.00 am to 1.00 pm Saturday At no time on Sundays or public holidays |
| Sand extraction by dredging and pumping to the processing plant, wet processing. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7.00 am to 10.00 pm Monday to Friday 7.00 am to 4.00 pm Saturday At no time on Sundays or public holidays |
| Sand extraction by dredging and pumping to fill sites. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7.00 am to 6.30 pm Monday to Friday 7.00 am to 1.00 pm Saturday At no time on Sundays or public holidays |
| Operation of dredge to fill pipeline with water or pipeline flushing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6.30 am to 7.00 pm Monday to Friday 6.30 am to 1.30 pm Saturday At no time on Sundays or public holidays |
| Maintenance (if inaudible at neighbouring residences) | Any day |

Table 1.3 Operational Activities

| Activity | Day | Time |
|--|----------------------------|------------------|
| Site establishment, sand or soil extraction by excavator, dry processing, product transport by road, VENM receipts, other quarry related activities, maintenance (if audible at neighbouring residences) | Monday – Friday | 7:00am to 6:00pm |
| | Saturday | 7:00am to 1:00pm |
| | Sunday and Public Holidays | Nil |

Diagram 1 Approved Site Layout



2.0 LOCATION OF MONITORING

- *Receptor G – Residence - 216 Tweed Coast Road. (line of sight to operations)*
- *Receptor O – Residence - 607 Cudgen Road.(line of sight to operations)*
- *Receptor Pacific Views Estate – Residences – via Collier Street (located to rear of new residences). (line of sight to operations)*
- *Receptor DD – Residence - 34A Crescent Street.(no line of sight)*
- *Receptor F – Residence - 64 John Robb Way. (no line of sight)*

Diagram 2 Monitoring locations

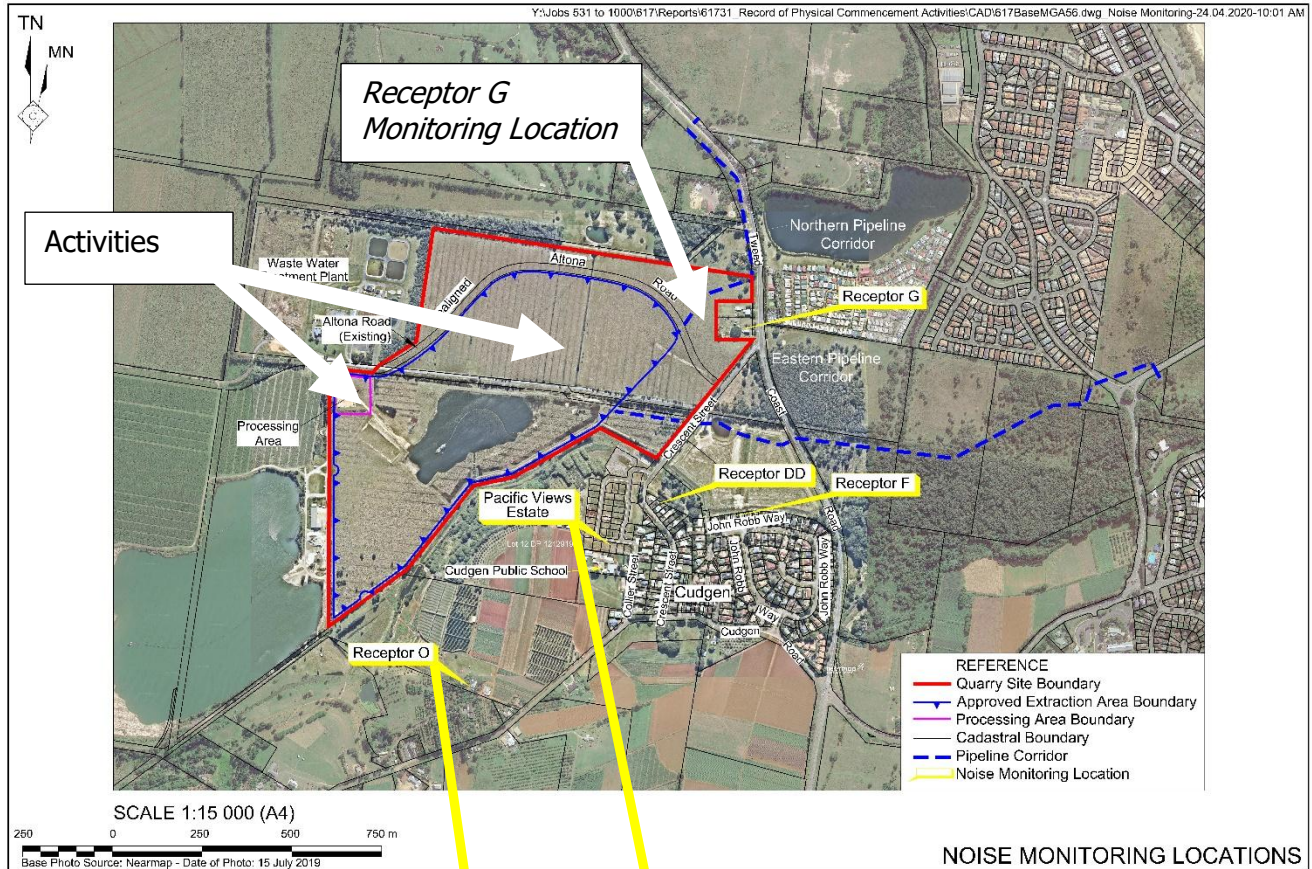
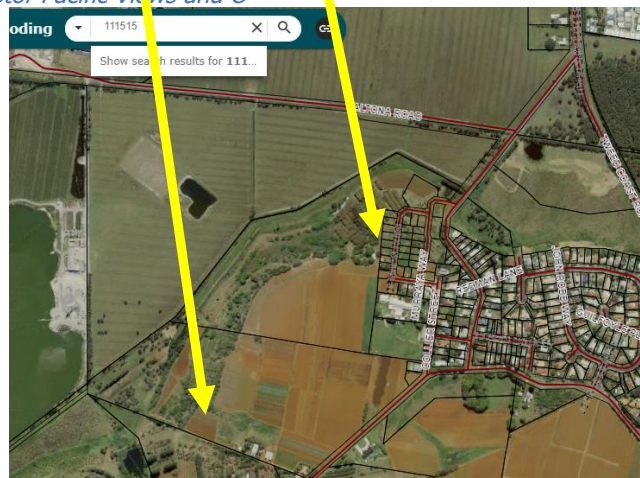


Diagram 3 Relocation of Receptor Pacific Views and O



Pic 1 View of site from Pacific views monitoring location



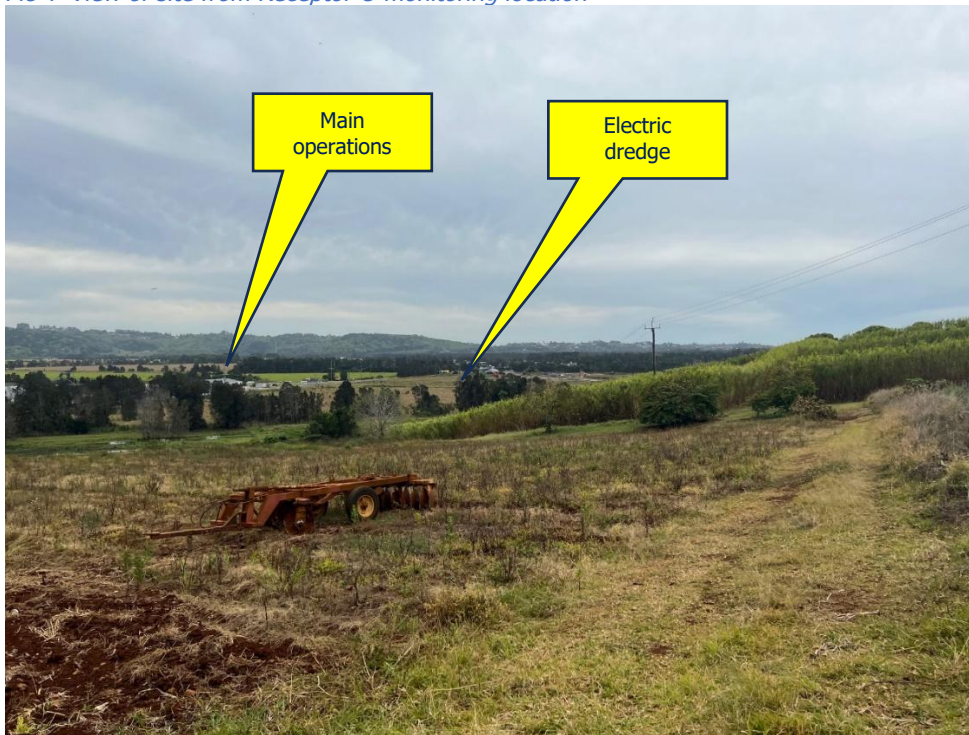
Pic 2 Zoomed in above pic main operations



Pic 3 Zoomed in Electric dredge



Pic 4 View of site from Receptor O monitoring location



3.0 CRITERIA

The relevant impact assessment and cumulative noise criteria as specified in Schedule 3 Conditions 3 and 4 of Project Approval 05_0103B are as follows.

3.1 Impact Assessment Criteria

Table 3.1 Impact Assessment Criteria

| Receiver Location | Day and Evening LAeq (15 min) dB(A) |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Residences on privately owned land | 47 |

3.2 Cumulative Noise Criteria

The project combined with the noise generated by other industrial development does not exceed the following amenity criteria on any privately owned land.

LAeq (11 hour) 50 dB(A) – Day;
LAeq (4 hour) 45 dB(A) - Evening and
LAeq(9 hour) 40 dB(A) - Night

LA90 corresponds to the A-weighted sound pressure level which is exceeded for 90% of the time. This parameter is used to measure the background noise level.

LAeq corresponds to the equivalent or energy-averaged level

4.0 SOUND MEASUREMENTS

4.1 Equipment

The following equipment was utilised during the test assessments:

Svantec Type 1, Sound and Vibration Analyser Model 977C Serial N0 98824, calibrated November 2024.

Svantec SV-33B Sound Level Calibrator Serial No 127992, calibrated August 2024.

The above equipment complies with the requirements of Australian Standards 1259.2 1990, Sound Level Meters, Part 2 Integrating – Averaging, as required by the Australian Standards.

Equipment was calibrated before the tests and checked after and found to be within the acceptable drift.

The above equipment complies with the requirements in **IEC 61672**.

4.2 Atmospheric Conditions

The atmospheric conditions during the period of monitoring are provided in Table 4.1.

Table 4.1 Atmospheric Conditions

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Humidity | 90% |
| Wind Speed | 0 |
| Wind Direction | - |
| Atmospheric Pressure | 1010 hpa |
| Cloud Cover | 0% |
| Temp | 28C |

5.0 TESTING

The following tests were carried out at locations G, O, Pacific Views Estate, DD and F within 30m of affected dwellings where practical as indicated on the attached site plan.

Tests conducted on 18 December 2024 between 0900 and 1100 hrs DST

- *Receptor G – Residence - 216 Tweed Coast Road. (rear boundary)*
- *Receptor O – Residence – 607 Cudgen Road. (rear boundary)*
- *Receptor Pacific Views Estate – Residences – via Collier Street. (opposite rear boundary of new residences)*
- *Receptor DD – Residence - 34A Crescent Street. (rear boundary)*
- *Receptor F – Residence - 64 John Robb Way. (rear boundary)*

5.1 On site equipment 18 December 2024

Table 5.1 Equipment on site at the time of the test 18/12/2024

| On site equipment | LAeq 15 min at 20 metres |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| CDE Wash Plant | 76 |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770) | 71 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Dredge (new electric) | 48 |

5.2 Equipment used during previous tests

Table 5.2 Equipment being used previous tests

| Date:20/12/ 2023 | Previous tests LAeq 15 min at 20 metres |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Operating equipment | |
| CDE Wash Plant | 76 |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator | 66 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Dredge (electric) | 48 |
| Date:08/03/2022 | |
| CDE Wash Plant | 76 |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator (Doosan DX 420 LCA) | 66 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Dredge (electric) | 48 |
| Date 01/10/2021 | |
| CDE Wash Plant (nil product) | 76 |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator (Doosan DX 420 LCA) | 66 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Date 05/08/2021 | |
| CDE Wash Plant (nil product) | 76 |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator (Doosan DX 420 LCA) | 66 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Date 18/06/2021 | |
| CDE Wash Plant (nil product) | - |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Road Trucks | 66 |
| Date 10/12/2021 | |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator (Doosan DX 420 LCA) | 66 |
| Roller compactor CA302 | 68 |
| Screener Sanvik(QA331) | 70 |
| Date 10/07/2020 | |
| Loader (Hyundai HL-770 | 71 |
| Excavator (Doosan DX 420 LCA) | 66 |
| Date April 2020 | |
| Operating equipment | LAeq |
| Screener (QA331) | 70 |
| Loader (Cat 926H) | 67 |
| Excavator (Cat 329D) | 68 |
| End loader and screener | 72 |

6.0 Attended monitoring results and criteria compliance

The results of attended monitoring and criteria compliance are presented in Table 6.1 below.

Table 6.1 Attended monitoring 18/12/2024

| Receptor & Time hrs | Attended Testing LAeq 15 minutes | > Project Criteria (47 LAeq 15min) | > Cumulative Criteria (50 LAeq 11 hrs) | Comments |
|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| G 0900-0915 | 45 | -2 | -5 | Noise from other sources such as traffic noise from Tweed Coast Road dominated background. Noise from operations not measurable / distinguishable above background. |
| O 0930-0945 | 47 | 0 | -3 | Noise from other sources such as traffic noise from Pacific Highway dominated background. Noise from operations not audible or measurable above background. |
| Pacific Views 0955-1005 | 49 | +2 | -1 | Noise from other sources such as traffic noise from Pacific Highway dominated background. Noise from operations not audible or measurable above background |
| DD 1010-1035 | 47 | 0 | -3 | Noise from other sources such as traffic noise from Tweed Coast Road dominated background. Noise from operations not audible or measurable / distinguishable above background. |
| F 1045-1100 | 47 | 0 | -3 | Noise from other sources such as traffic noise from Tweed Coast Road dominated background. Noise from operations not audible / distinguishable above background. |

7.0 PREDICTED LEVELS

Measurements were undertaken at approximately 20m from equipment during operations and distance attenuation applied to establish possible levels at monitoring locations.

Table 7.1 shows predicted compliance to the criteria for nominated equipment operations.

Table 7.1 Predicted levels of on site equipment based on measurements at 20m

| Receiver and source | LAeq | Source SPL @20m | Characteristic | Adjust character | Corrected LAeq 20m | Correction LAeq 20m | No of events 15 min | Duration of event | Correct 15min | Adjusted source | Distance | Minus distance attenuation | Building sound shell shielding | Adj building shield and distance attenuation | Barrier correction line or sight correction | Adj barrier correction | >47 LAeq 15 min | >50 LAeq 11 hrs |
|---------------------|------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|----------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| G | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 47 | 50 |
| Elec dredge | 48 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 48 | 880 | 15 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 15 | -32 | -35 |
| Wash | 71 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 71 | 880 | 38 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 38 | -9 | -12 |
| Loader | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 880 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 33 | -14 | -17 |
| Excavator | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 880 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 33 | -14 | -17 |
| Trucks | 63 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 63 | 880 | 30 | 0 | 30 | 0 | 30 | -17 | -20 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 41 | -6 | -9 |
| O | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Elec dredge | 48 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 48 | 600 | 18 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 18 | -29 | -32 |
| Elec dredge | 71 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 71 | 600 | 41 | 0 | 41 | 0 | 41 | -6 | -9 |
| Wash | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 600 | 36 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 36 | -11 | -14 |
| Loader | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 600 | 36 | 0 | 36 | 0 | 36 | -11 | -14 |
| Excavator | 63 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 63 | 600 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 0 | 33 | -14 | -17 |
| Trucks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 44 | -3 | -6 |
| PV | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Elec dredge | 48 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 48 | 555 | 19 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 19 | -28 | -31 |
| Wash | 71 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 71 | 555 | 42 | 0 | 42 | 0 | 42 | -5 | -8 |
| Loader | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 555 | 37 | 0 | 37 | 0 | 37 | -10 | -13 |
| Excavator | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 555 | 37 | 0 | 37 | 0 | 37 | -10 | -13 |
| trucks | 63 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 63 | 555 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 0 | 34 | -13 | -16 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 45 | -2 | -5 |
| DD | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Elec dredge | 48 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 48 | 780 | 16 | 0 | 16 | 10 | 6 | -41 | -44 |
| Wash | 71 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 71 | 780 | 39 | 0 | 39 | 10 | 29 | -18 | -21 |
| Loader | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 780 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 10 | 24 | -23 | -26 |
| Excavator | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 780 | 34 | 0 | 34 | 10 | 24 | -23 | -26 |
| Trucks | 63 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 63 | 780 | 31 | 0 | 31 | 10 | 21 | -26 | -29 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 32 | -15 | -18 |
| F | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Elec dredge | 48 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 48 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 48 | 900 | 15 | 0 | 15 | 10 | 5 | -42 | -45 |
| Wash | 71 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 0 | 71 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 71 | 900 | 38 | 0 | 38 | 10 | 28 | -19 | -22 |
| Loader | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 900 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 10 | 23 | -24 | -27 |
| Excavator | 66 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 66 | 900 | 33 | 0 | 33 | 10 | 23 | -24 | -27 |
| Trucks | 63 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 0 | 63 | 1 | 900 | 0 | 63 | 900 | 30 | 0 | 30 | 10 | 20 | -27 | -30 |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 30 | -17 | -20 |

Some of equipment not in use on the day but included in prediction to demonstrate compliance

$$Lp(R2) = Lp(R1) - 20 \cdot \log_{10}(R2/R1)$$

Where:

Lp(R1) = Sound Pressure Level at Initial location.

Lp(R2) = Sound Pressure Level at the new location.

R1 = Distance from the noise source to initial location.

R2 = Distance from noise source to the new location.

Logarithmic addition = $10 \cdot \log_{10}(\sum(10^{(user\ range/10)}))$

8.0 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

Noise from operations were not audible or measurable above ambient levels at locations G, O, Pacific Views, DD and F.

Distance calculations of equipment noise levels from plant in Table 7.1 shows that operations would be within the criteria of 47LAeq and not likely to be a major contributor the 50 LAeq cumulative criteria.

Monitoring for accumulative levels was only conducted over 15 minutes. These predictions would be relative for continuous operations over an 11 hour period. For shorter duration operations this figure would be reduced by 2 to 5 dB with breaks for lunch and working an 8 hour day.

Table 8.1 Compliance monitoring

| Receptor | Pre-project / Baseline Levels | Compliance Monitoring LAeq 15 min | | | | | | | | | | | | Project Criteria and Latest Test | | |
|---------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | Previous attended testing | | | | | | | | | | | | Latest tests LAeq 15 min | LAeq 15 min | LAeq 11 hr |
| | Unattended logger original report | 23/08/05 | 10/07/17 | 30/08/18 | 20/04/20 | 20/04/20 | 10/12/20 | 18/06/21 | 05/08/21 | 01/10/21 | 08/04/22 | 08/08/22 | 20/12/23 | 18/12/24 | >Impact Criteria day and evening 47LAeq | >Cumulative Criteria Day >50LAeq |
| G | 62 | 63 | 62 | 57 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 55 | 50 | 49 | 47 | 47 | 46 | 45 | -2 | -5 |
| O | | | 64 | 46 | 48 | 52 | 53 | 52 | 49 | 51 | 50 | 48 | 48 | 47 | 0 | -3 |
| Pacific Views | 55 | 51 | 57 | 48 | 55 | 53 | 52 | 51 | 51 | 50 | 51 | 48 | 50 | 49 | +2 | -1 |
| DD | 55 | 53 | 58 | 56 | 56 | 53 | 52 | 50 | 49 | 51 | 52 | 50 | 48 | 47 | 0 | -3 |
| F | 58 | 54 | 43 | 57 | 59 | 55 | 47 | 50 | 48 | 50 | 49 | 49 | 48 | 47 | 0 | -3 |

Monitored levels in the area are not unusual for daytime compliance testing. Examination of pre-project data shows ambient LAeq for day and evening rarely drops below the project design levels making it difficult to enable compliance identification.

To better demonstrate this, Appendix A shows graphs for the pre-project monitoring (Rumble Report No. 617/04 unattended logger). The project criteria for day and evening periods of 47LAeq is indicated by the straight red line. From Appendix A it can be seen that the LAeq levels generally do not fall below the project criteria until the night time period, at which time the Quarry is not approved to operate. This issue will be further considered during future monitoring events.

APPENDIX A PRE CONSTRUCTION TESTING

Measurements taken by Ron Rumble Pty Ltd and originally presented in Ron Rumble, (2008). Noise Assessment Report 61704- Part B.

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