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Bengalla Mine

State Significant Development 5170 Monthly Monitoring Data Summary

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1. INTRODUCTION

State Significant Development (SSD) 5170 requires the Bengalla Mining Company Pty Ltd (BMC) to make a comprehensive summary of the Bengalla Mine (Bengalla) monitoring results, reported in accordance with the specifications in any conditions of SSD-5170, or any approved plans and programs, publicly available on its website. This document has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) *Web-Based Reporting Guideline* (October 2015) to satisfy the above requirement.

This document provides a summary of environmental monitoring data sampled as prescribed by SSD-5170 for February 2018 (Reporting Period). Monitoring data provided is as follows:

- Air quality, particulate matter less than 10 microns (PM_{10}), total suspended particulate (TSP) matter and depositional dust;
- Noise; and
- Blast overpressure and ground vibration.

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2. AIR QUALITY

The air quality monitoring program at Bengalla is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of SSD-5170 (as modified), EPL 6538 and the Bengalla Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP). Air quality monitoring results relevant to SSD-5170 are summarised in the following sections.

2.1 Particulate Matter less than 10 Microns

To evaluate the performance of Bengalla against the SSD-5170 criterion for particulate matter, BMC operates and maintains a network of three High Volume Air Samplers (HVAS) measuring PM_{10}. Additional, PM_{10} data is sourced from Mt Arthur Coal through an information sharing agreement. The HVAS are run for 24 hours every six days.

PM_{10} data for the Reporting Period is provided in **Table 1**.

Pollutant:	PM_{10}
Unit of measure:	Micrograms per cubic metre (µg/m3)
Monitoring location:	See **Table 1** and **Appendix A.**
Monitoring frequency:	24 hours every 6 days
24 Hour Average Criteria:	50 µg/m3
Annual Average Criteria:	90 µg/m3
Sampled:	01/02/2018 – 28/02/2018

Table 1. PM_{10} Monitoring Summary

Run Date	Run Date Reading (µg/m3)			
	PM10-1 Racecourse Road	PM10-2 St James School	PM10-3* Roxburgh Road	PM10-4 Wybong Road
06/02/2018	33	25	35	61
12/02/2018	50	39	43	57
18/02/2018	60	40	55	99
24/02/2018	40	23	1	34

* Data sourced from Mt Arthur Coal

For the Reporting Period, no elevated 24-hour average PM^{10} readings were recorded at PM10-2.

Elevated 24-hour average PM^{10} readings were recorded at PM10-1 on 18 February 2018.

Elevated 24-hour average PM^{10} readings were recorded at PM10-3 on 18 February 2018.

Elevated 24-hour average PM^{10} readings were recorded at PM10-4 on 6, 12 and 18 February 2018.

2.2 Total Suspended Particle Matter

To evaluate the performance of Bengalla against the SSD-5170 criterion for particulate matter, BMC operates and maintains a network of five HVAS measuring TSP. The HVAS are run for 24 hours every six days.

TSP data for the Reporting Period is provided in **Table 2**.

Pollutant: TSP

Unit of measure: µg/m3

Monitoring location: See **Table 2** and **Appendix B.**

Monitoring frequency: 24 hours every 6 days

Annual Average Criteria: 90 µg/m3

Sampled: 01/02/2018 – 28/02/2018

Table 2. TSP Monitoring Summary

Run Date	Run Date Reading (µg/m3)				
	HV01 Wybong Road (East)	**HV02 Racecourse Road**	**HV03 Logues Lane**	**HV04 St James School**	**HV06 Wybong Road (West)**
06/02/2018	72	106	86	75	200
12/02/2018	109	147	119	118	207
18/02/2018	104	146	115	90	281
24/02/2018	92	114	90	57	129

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2.3 Depositional Dust

To evaluate the performance of Bengalla against the SSD-5170 criterion for depositional dust, BMC operates and maintains a network of 14 depositional dust gauges surrounding the Bengalla operations.

Depositional dust data for the Reporting Period is provided in **Table 3**.

Pollutant:	Depositional Dust
Unit of measure:	Grams per metre squared per month (g/m^2/month)
Monitoring location:	See **Table 3** and **Appendix C.**
Monitoring frequency:	Monthly
Maximum depositional dust increase criteria:	2 g/m^2/month
Maximum total depositional dust criteria:	4 g/m^2/month
Sampled:	15/01/2018 – 15/02/2018

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Table 3. Depositional Dust Monitoring Summary

Sampling point		Measured Value	Sampling Comments
D01	Queen Street, Muswellbrook	2.1	Insects
D02	King Street, Muswellbrook	2.7	Insects
D04A	Industrial Estate, Muswellbrook	4.1	Insects
D05	Intersection Kayuga and Wybong Road, Muswellbrook	2.6	Insects
D06	Logues Lane, Muswellbrook	2.0	Insects
D07A	St James School, Muswellbrook	3.7	Insects
D08	Denman Road, Muswellbrook	2.4	Insects
D09	Wybong Road, Muswellbrook	3.1	Insects
D10	Racecourse Road, Muswellbrook	4.2	Insects
D20	Wyndams Arms R.O.W., Muswellbrook	7.0	Insects
D23B	Logues Lane, Muswellbrook	1.4	Insects
D25	Roxburgh Road, Muswellbrook	3.5	Insects, spider, vegetation.
D26	Wybong Road, Muswellbrook	3.3	Insects
DA	Roxburgh Road, Muswellbrook	4.5	Insects

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3. NOISE

The noise monitoring program at Bengalla is undertaken in accordance with the requirements of SSD-5170 (as modified), EPL 6538 and the Bengalla Noise Management Plan (NMP).

BMC undertakes compliance attended noise monitoring for 15 minutes once per calendar month during the night period (10 pm to 7 am) at three locations representative of the nearest private receivers.

Noise monitoring data for the Reporting Period is provided in **Table 4**.

Pollutant:	Noise – Bengalla Only
Unit of measure:	L_{Aeq} (15 minute)
Monitoring location:	See **Table 4** and **Appendix D.**
Monitoring frequency:	Monthly
AN01 criteria:	35 dB(A)
AN04 criteria:	35 dB(A)
AN03 criteria:	40 dB(A)
Sampled:	16 February 2018

Table 4. Noise – Bengalla Only[1] LAeq (15 minute) Monitoring Summary

Sampling point		Sample Date	Sample Time	Measured value
AN01	1431 Wybong Road	16/02/18	00:09	26
AN03	1312 Denman Road	16/02/18	01:11	<35
AN04	Opposite 9 Racecourse Road	16/02/18	01:48	25

1. LAeq,15minute operational noise levels for Bengalla in the absence of all other noise sources.

For the Reporting Period noise data were below the SSD-5170 criteria.

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4. BLASTING

BMC maintains three blast monitors to measure blast overpressure and ground vibration against the SSD-5170 criteria.

The blast overpressure and ground vibration data for the Reporting Period is provided in **Table 5**.

Pollutant:	Air blast overpressure & ground vibration peak particle velocity
Unit of measure:	dB (Lin Peak) and millimetres per second (**mm/s**)
Monitoring locations:	See **Tables 5** and **Appendix D.**
Monitoring frequency:	All blasts
Overpressure criteria:	a) 115 linear decibels (**dB(L)**) for more than 5% of the total number of blasts carried out on the premises within the 12 months annual reporting period; and b) 120 dB(L) at any time.
Ground vibration criteria:	a) exceed 5 millimetres/second (**mm/s**) for more than 5% of the total number of blasts carried out on the premises within the 12 months annual reporting period; and b) 10mm/s at any time.
Sampled:	01/02/2018 – 28/02/2018

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Table 5. Blast Overpressure Monitoring Summary

Date	Time of Blast	Ground Vibration (mm/s)			Overpressure (dBL)		
		BLK	MRE	SCH	BLK	MRE	SCH
02/02/18	11:08:37 AM	0.32	2.21	0.11	90.60	104.80	86.90
02/02/18	11:24:33 AM	0.14	0.88	0.04	101.10	101.00	88.60
05/02/18	11:26:10 AM	0.56	5.53	0.51	87.30	96.80	99.70
07/02/18	10:55:58 AM	0.59	3.74	0.44	84.20	98.10	88.90
12/02/18	2:55:04PM	0.49	2.99	0.42	100.80	112.30	94.40
13/02/18	10:58:15 AM	0.03	0.07	0.02	99.60	88.20	81.80
15/02/18	11:26:33 AM	0.05	0.34	0.03	92.20	96.50	92.80
17/02/18	3:49:42 PM	0.45	4.85	0.24	102.50	99.40	87.70
22/02/18	11:13:49 AM	0.11	0.43	0.09	88.30	90.10	81.10
22/02/18	11:15:10 AM	0.18	1.08	0.07	91.30	93.30	96.60

For the Reporting Period, overpressure and ground vibration data were below the maximum criteria and within the 5% allowance limit.

Appendix A

PM10 Monitoring Locations

PRJ31060_BengallaMineNSW_50cm_19102017 _gda94mga56_ortho_full-area

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PM10 Monitoring Locations

Appendix B

TSP Monitoring Locations

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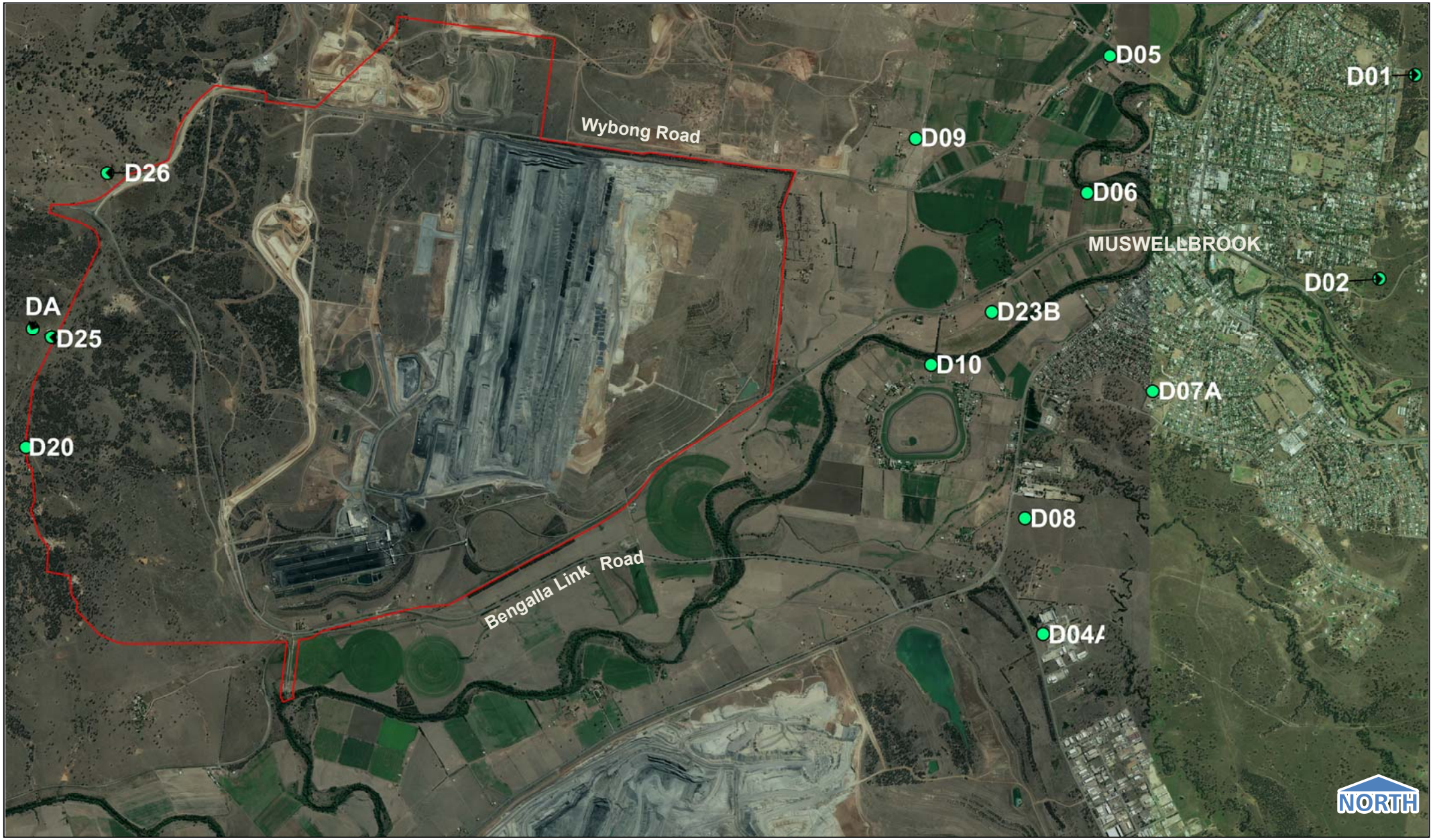
Appendix C

Depositional Dust Monitoring Locations



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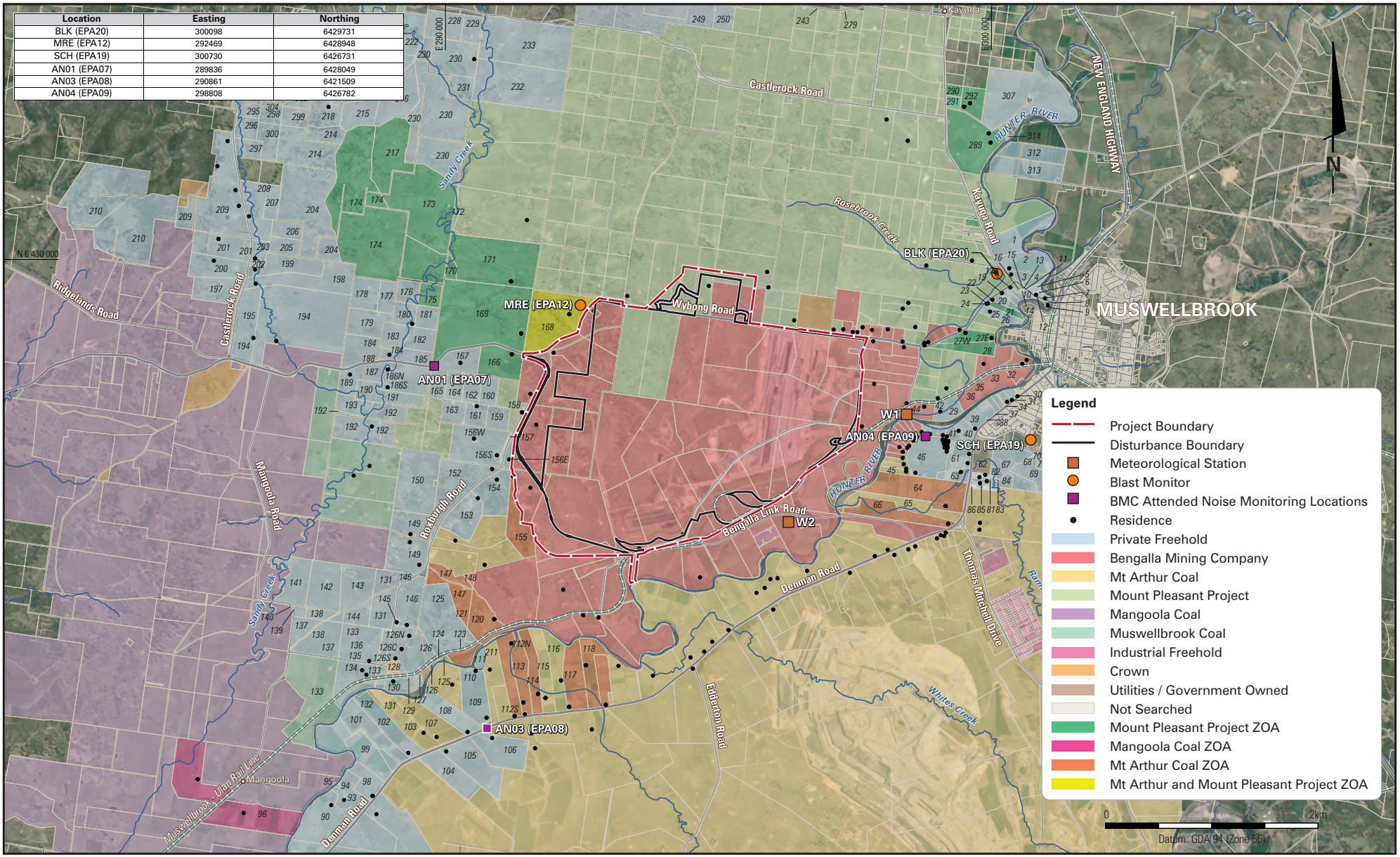
Depositional Dust Monitoring Locations

Appendix D

Noise and Blast Monitoring Locations



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Bengalla Compliance Acoustic Monitoring Network

FIGURE 1