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1 INTRODUCTION

Environmental Resource Management (ERM) provides air quality and noise monitoring at the Wollongong Coal (WCL) Wongawilli Colliery, Wongawilli, NSW using the EnviroSuite system.

The following report provides a summary of the data collected during the first quarter, January to March 2018. The monitoring network comprises one continuous ambient air quality particulate monitor, one continuous ambient noise monitor and one continuous automatic weather station.

The monitoring network is summarised in **Table 1.1** and presented in **Figure 1.1**.

Table 1.1: Monitoring Network

Description	Site	Address / Location	MGA 56 Easting (m)	MGA 56 Northing (m)
Continuous PM10 Monitor	BAM	Jersey Farm Road	294129	6182474
Meteorological Station	AWS	Near water tanks on ridge line	306297	6195791
Continuous Noise Monitor	NMT 3	Jersey Farm Road	294137	6182448

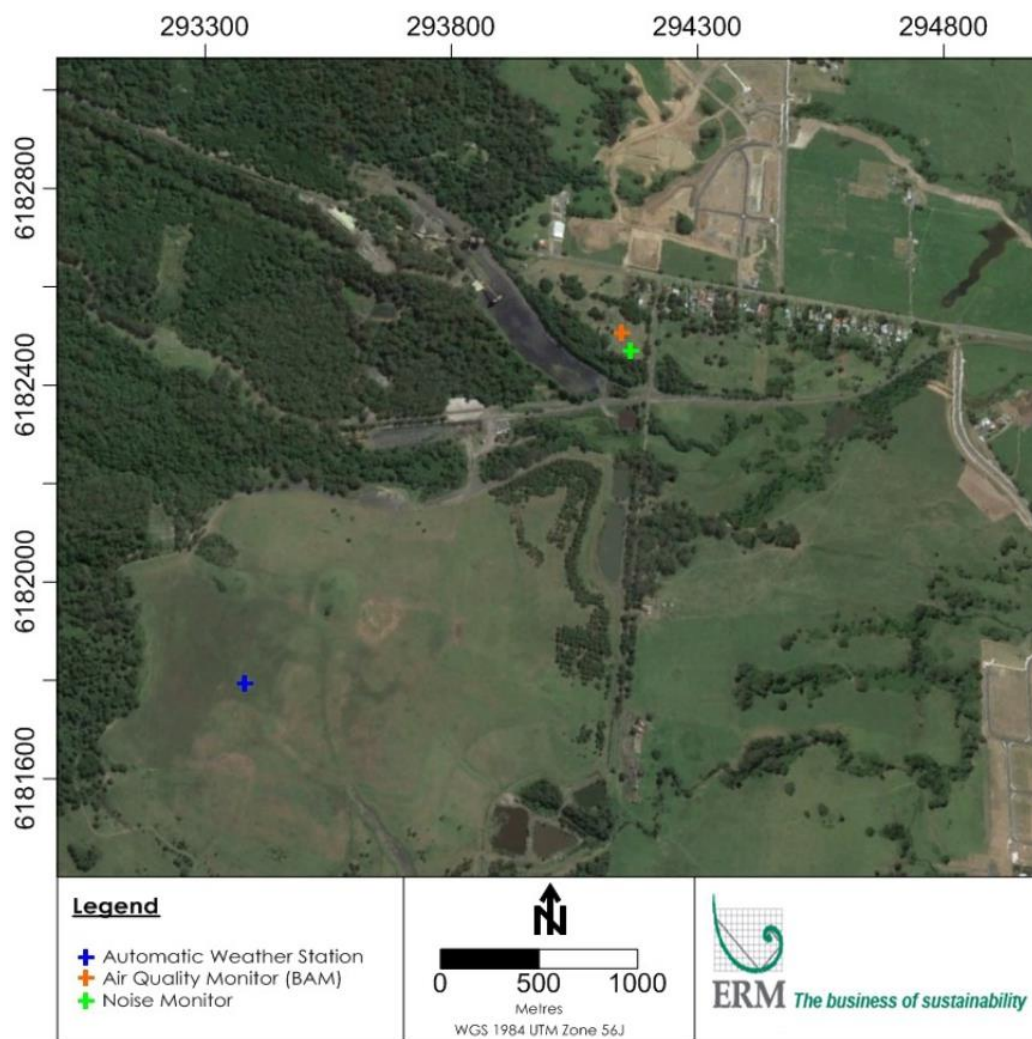


Figure 1.1: Monitoring Locations

2 PROJECT ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

2.1 Monitoring Requirements

In accordance with Project Approval (09_0161), air quality, meteorology and noise parameters are monitored as summarised in **Table 2-1**.

Table 2-1: Monitoring Summary

Item	Quantity Measured	Unit	Monitoring Frequency
Air Quality	Particulate Matter < 10 µm (PM ₁₀)	µg/m ³	24 h
Meteorology	Temperature at 10m	°C	Real Time
	Temperature at 2m	°C	
	Wind Speed at 10m	m/s	
	Wind Direction	°	
	Standard Deviation of Wind Speed (sigma theta)	-	
	Barometric Pressure	hPa	
	Rainfall	mm	
Noise	15 minute ambient continuous equivalent energy average noise level	LAeq,15min dB(A)	15 min
	1 minute LA1 noise level	LA1,1min dB(A)	1 min
	Period ambient continuous equivalent energy average noise level	LAeq, period dB(A)	Day, evening, night

2.2 Air Quality

The project is subject to environmental conditions as part of the Approval. For air quality these are summarised in **Table 2-2**.

Table 2-2: Project Air Quality Criteria

Pollutant	Averaging Period	Criterion ^a
Particulate Matter < 10 µm (PM ₁₀)	Annual	30 µg/m ³ (b)
Particulate Matter < 10 µm (PM ₁₀)	24 hour	50µg/m ³ (b)

- a) Excludes extraordinary events such as bushfires, prescribed burning, dust storms, sea fog, fire incidents, illegal activities or any other activity agreed by the Director-General in consultation with OEH.
- b) Total impact (i.e. incremental increase in concentrations due to the project plus background concentrations due to all other sources)

2.3 Noise

The Project Approval states both an amenity and intrusive noise criteria. The intrusive criteria are assessed over a 15 minute period and the amenity criteria are assessed over the relevant period (day, evening and night).

The intrusive criteria are both lower and assessed over a shorter time period, they represent the most onerous criteria and are therefore the limiting criteria.

These criteria are reproduced in **Table 2-3** and **Table 2-4**.

Table 2-3: Noise Criteria dB(A) – Medium term intrusive noise limits as defined in Table 4.3 of the Noise Management Plan

Location		Day	Evening	Night	
Area	Receiver Number	L _{Aeq} (15mins)	L _{Aeq} (15mins)	L _{Aeq} (15mins)	L _{A1} (15mins)
Lot 2410 Smiths Lane	RA1	43	43	43	59
120/130 Smiths Lane					
18 Wongawilli Road	RA2	44	43	43	60
1 Wongawilli Road					
Jersey Farm road	RA3	40	40	38	48
Horsley (closest receiver)					
All other privately owned land		40	40	38	48

Note: Day is defined as 7.00am to 6.00pm, evening as 6.00pm to 10.00pm and night as 10.00pm to 7.00am

Table 2-4: Noise Criteria dB(A) – Amenity Noise Limits as defined in Table 4 of the Project Approval

Receiver Area	Day	Evening	Night
	L _{Aeq} (11hr)	L _{Aeq} (4hr)	L _{Aeq} (9hr)
All privately-owned land	60	50	45

3 METEOROLOGICAL MONITORING RESULTS

For the first quarter of 2018, less than one hour of meteorological data was collected and therefore no meteorological data can be presented in the following section.

4 PM₁₀ MONITORING RESULTS

4.1 Continuous Air Quality Particulate Monitoring

Continuous air quality particulate monitoring is carried out at a BAM monitoring stations located on or near the site boundary (**Figure 1.1**). The monitors continuously measure airborne particulate matter from all sources.

The particle size ranges relevant to this report are described as PM₁₀ which refers to all particles with equivalent aerodynamic diameters of less than 10 µm, that is, all particles that behave aerodynamically in the same way as spherical particles with a unit density.

A statistical summary of the monitoring data collected during the first quarter of 2018 is provided in **Table 4.1**. The data recovery rate (for 24-hour average) was 75%. The 24-hour PM₁₀ concentrations are presented in **Figure 4.1** for the BAM.

Table 4.1: Summary Statistics for 24 hour PM₁₀ (µg/m³)

Statistical measure	January	February	March	Q1
Mean	17.2	14.3	12.1	14.5
Standard Deviation	5.5	7.5	3.9	6.3
Median	15.6	13.3	12.2	14.1
Minimum	10.1	5.4	5.8	5.4
Maximum	29.6	40.8	21.6	40.8
Days over the criteria	0	0	0	0

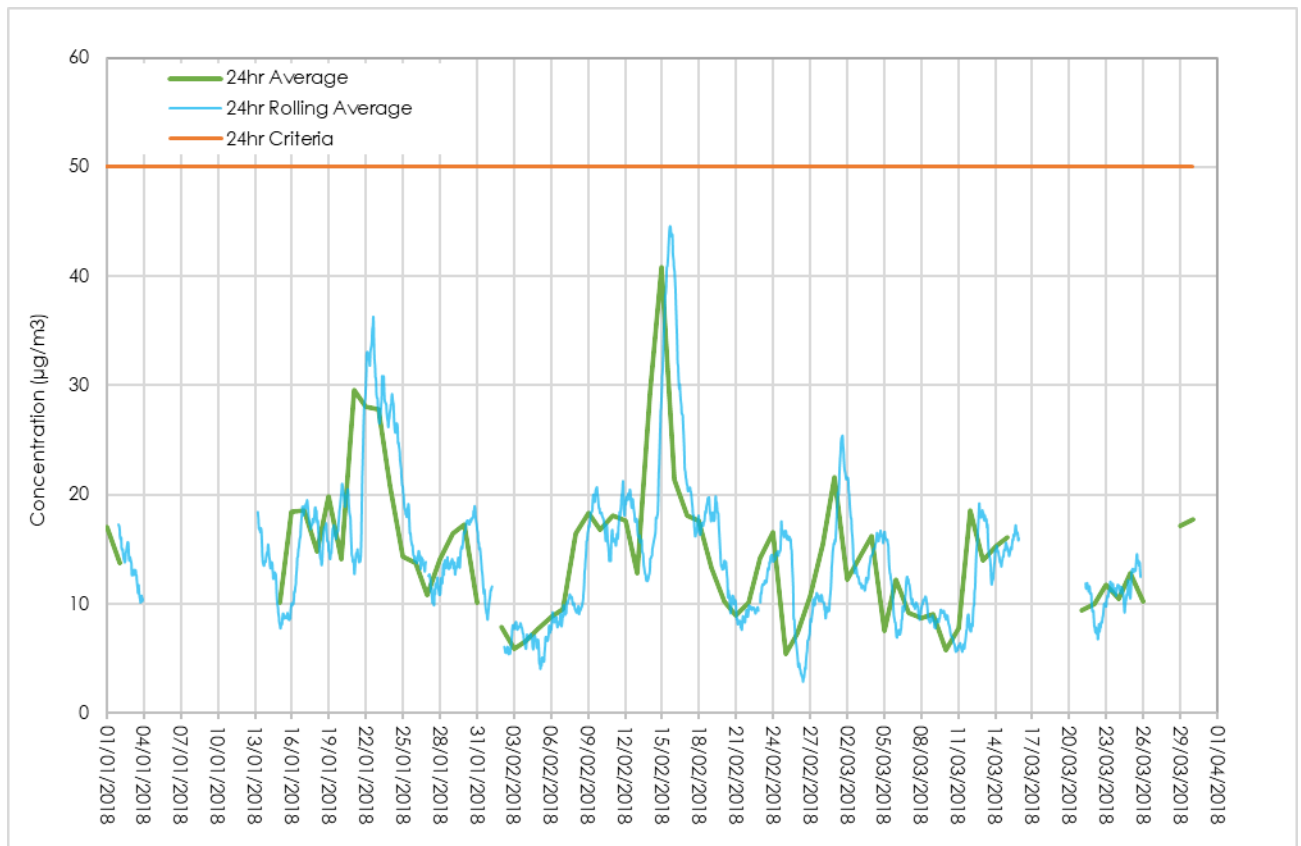


Figure 4.1: PM₁₀ Monitoring Data

5 NOISE MONITORING RESULTS

During the first quarter of 2018, due to instrumentation error no noise data was collected.

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