## **Licence Variation**

Licence - 11448



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## NOTICE OF VARIATION OF LICENCE NO. 11448

## BACKGROUND

- A. TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL ("the licensee") is the holder of Environment Protection Licence No. 11448 ("the licence") issued under the *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* ("the Act"). The licence authorises the carrying out of activities at QUARRY ROAD, MURWILLUMBAH, NSW, 2484 ("the premises").
- B. On 13-Jul-2021 the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) received an application for the variation of the licence.
- C. The variation sought to add a second discharge point to the licence to improve the efficiency of managing discharges from the premises.
- D. The proposed new discharge point is from the northern sediment basin, identified as catchment C in the Soil and Water Management Plan. Water discharged from this point will flow to Condong Creek via existing sediment ponds, an existing drainage line, a culvert beneath Lundberg Drive, and agricultural (cane) drains.

### VARIATION OF LICENCE NO. 11448

- 1. By this notice the EPA varies licence No. 11448. The attached licence document contains all variations that are made to the licence by this notice.
- 2. The following variations have been made to the licence:
  - Point 2 was added to the licence
  - Point 2 has been added to the concentration limits table

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- Point 2 has been added to the monitoring concentration of pollutants discharged table
- Condition L1.2 has been amended which now refers to the sediment basin at Point 2 having capacity to capture runoff from up to 82mm of rainfall
- Condition L2.5 has been amended which now refers to the northern and southern sediment basins (Point 1 and Point 2) in relation to discharges arising from rainfall over 82mm

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## INFORMATION ABOUT THIS NOTICE

- This notice is issued under section 58(5) of the Act.
- Details provided in this notice, along with an updated version of the licence, will be available on the EPA's Public Register (<u>http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeo/index.htm</u>) in accordance with section 308 of the Act.

### Appeals against this decision

• You can appeal to the Land and Environment Court against this decision. The deadline for lodging the appeal is 21 days after you were given notice of this decision.

### When this notice begins to operate

- The variations to the licence specified in this notice begin to operate immediately from the date of this notice, unless another date is specified in this notice.
- If an appeal is made against this decision to vary the licence and the Land and Environment Court directs that the decision is stayed the decision does not operate until the stay ceases to have effect or the Land and Environment Court confirms the decision or the appeal is withdrawn (whichever occurs first).

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## Information about this licence

## Dictionary

A definition of terms used in the licence can be found in the dictionary at the end of this licence.

## **Responsibilities of licensee**

Separate to the requirements of this licence, general obligations of licensees are set out in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 ("the Act") and the Regulations made under the Act. These include obligations to:

- ensure persons associated with you comply with this licence, as set out in section 64 of the Act;
- control the pollution of waters and the pollution of air (see for example sections 120 132 of the Act);
- report incidents causing or threatening material environmental harm to the environment, as set out in Part 5.7 of the Act.

## Variation of licence conditions

The licence holder can apply to vary the conditions of this licence. An application form for this purpose is available from the EPA.

The EPA may also vary the conditions of the licence at any time by written notice without an application being made.

Where a licence has been granted in relation to development which was assessed under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 in accordance with the procedures applying to integrated development, the EPA may not impose conditions which are inconsistent with the development consent conditions until the licence is first reviewed under Part 3.6 of the Act.

## **Duration of licence**

This licence will remain in force until the licence is surrendered by the licence holder or until it is suspended or revoked by the EPA or the Minister. A licence may only be surrendered with the written approval of the EPA.

### Licence review

The Act requires that the EPA review your licence at least every 5 years after the issue of the licence, as set out in Part 3.6 and Schedule 5 of the Act. You will receive advance notice of the licence review.

## Fees and annual return to be sent to the EPA

For each licence fee period you must pay:

- an administrative fee; and
- a load-based fee (if applicable).



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The EPA publication "A Guide to Licensing" contains information about how to calculate your licence fees. The licence requires that an Annual Return, comprising a Statement of Compliance and a summary of any monitoring required by the licence (including the recording of complaints), be submitted to the EPA. The Annual Return must be submitted within 60 days after the end of each reporting period. See condition R1 regarding the Annual Return reporting requirements.

Usually the licence fee period is the same as the reporting period.

## Transfer of licence

The licence holder can apply to transfer the licence to another person. An application form for this purpose is available from the EPA.

### Public register and access to monitoring data

Part 9.5 of the Act requires the EPA to keep a public register of details and decisions of the EPA in relation to, for example:

- licence applications;
- licence conditions and variations;
- statements of compliance;
- load based licensing information; and
- load reduction agreements.

Under s320 of the Act application can be made to the EPA for access to monitoring data which has been submitted to the EPA by licensees.

### This licence is issued to:

TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL

**PO BOX 816** 

### **MURWILLUMBAH NSW 2484**

subject to the conditions which follow.



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## **1** Administrative Conditions

## A1 What the licence authorises and regulates

A1.1 This licence authorises the carrying out of the scheduled activities listed below at the premises specified in A2. The activities are listed according to their scheduled activity classification, fee-based activity classification and the scale of the operation.

Unless otherwise further restricted by a condition of this licence, the scale at which the activity is carried out must not exceed the maximum scale specified in this condition.

Scheduled Activity	Fee Based Activity	Scale
Extractive activities	Extractive activities	> 50000 - 100000 T annually extracted or
		processed

A1.2 Notwithstanding the maximum scale at condition A1.1, the maximum scale of extractive activity authorised under this licence must not exceed the extraction limit approved by the development consent granted under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* for the premises specified in condition A2.

## A2 Premises or plant to which this licence applies

A2.1 The licence applies to the following premises:

Premises Details
TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL
QUARRY ROAD
MURWILLUMBAH
NSW 2484
LOT 1 DP 232745, LOT 10 DP 1071301, LOT 2 DP 1139059

## A3 Information supplied to the EPA

A3.1 Works and activities must be carried out in accordance with the proposal contained in the licence application, except as expressly provided by a condition of this licence.

In this condition the reference to "the licence application" includes a reference to:

a) the applications for any licences (including former pollution control approvals) which this licence replaces under the Protection of the Environment Operations (Savings and Transitional) Regulation 1998; and
b) the licence information form provided by the licensee to the EPA to assist the EPA in connection with the issuing of this licence.

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## **Discharges to Air and Water and Applications to** 2 Land

#### Location of monitoring/discharge points and areas **P1**

- P1.1 The following utilisation areas referred to in the table below are identified in this licence for the purposes of the monitoring and/or the setting of limits for any application of solids or liquids to the utilisation area.
- P1.2 The following points referred to in the table are identified in this licence for the purposes of the monitoring and/or the setting of limits for discharges of pollutants to water from the point.

		Water and land	
EPA Identi- fication no.	Type of Monitoring Point	Type of Discharge Point	Location Description
1	Waste water monitoring and discharge	Waste water monitoring and discharge	Waste water discharge to cane drain as specified in drawing number A1-1417/01 of the Environmental Management Plan for the premises dated 15/05/01
2	Waste water monitoring and discharge	Waste water monitoring and discharge	Waste water discharge to Condong Creek via existing sediment ponds, an existing drainage line, a culvert beneath Lundberg Drive, and agricultural (cane) drains as specified in Figure 2 of EPA Memo Supporting Information dated 10 June 2021.

#### Limit Conditions 3

#### L1 **Pollution of waters**

- L1.1 Except as may be expressly provided in any other condition of this licence, the licensee must comply with section 120 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.
- L1.2 The main sediment pond from which water is discharged from the site (at Point 2) must be capable of storing, without overflow, sediment laden water arising from rainfall of up to 82mm falling over any consecutive five day period.

#### L2 **Concentration limits**

- L2.1 For each monitoring/discharge point or utilisation area specified in the table/s below (by a point number), the concentration of a pollutant discharged at that point, or applied to that area, must not exceed the concentration limits specified for that pollutant in the table.
- L2.2 Where a pH quality limit is specified in the table, the specified percentage of samples must be within the





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specified ranges.

- L2.3 To avoid any doubt, this condition does not authorise the pollution of waters by any pollutant other than those specified in the table\s.
- L2.4 Water and/or Land Concentration Limits

### **POINT 1,2**

Pollutant	Units of Measure	50 percentile concentration limit	90 percentile concentration limit	3DGM concentration limit	100 percentile concentration limit
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre				10
pH (Wet)	рН				6.5 to 8.5
TSS	milligrams per litre				50

- L2.5 The concentration limits in the above table do not apply to any discharge from the northern or southern sediment basins (Point 1 and Point 2) arising from rainfall exceeding 82mm in total falling over any consecutive five day period.
- L2.6 Controlled discharges from any sediment basins must not exceed the 100th percentile concentration limits set out in the water and/or land concentration limits table (condition L2.4).

## L3 Waste

L3.1 The licensee must not cause, permit or allow any waste generated outside the premises to be received at the premises for storage, treatment, processing, reprocessing or disposal or any waste generated at the premises to be disposed of at the premises, except as expressly permitted by the licence.

### L4 Noise limits

L4.1 Noise generated at the premises must not exceed the noise limits at the times and locations in the table below.

Location	Noise Limits in dB(A)	
	Day	
	LAeq(15 minute)	
R01	40	



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R02	40
R03	40
R04	40
R05	40
R06	40
R07	40
R08	40
R09	40

### L4.2 For the purposes of condition L4.1:

a) Day means the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and the period from 8am to 6pm Sunday and public holidays.

#### L4.3

Noise-enhancing meteorological conditions

a) The noise limits set out in condition L4.1 apply under the meteorological conditions in the table below

b) For those meteorological conditions not referred to in the table below, the noise limits that apply are the noise limits in condition L4.1 plus 5dB.

Assessment Period	Meteorological Conditions
Day	Stability Categories A, B, C, D and E with wind speeds up to and including 3m/s at 10m above ground level.

### L4.4 For the purposes of condition L4.3:

a) The meteorological conditions are to be determined from meteorological data obtained from the meteorological weather station identified as Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) AWS at Coolongatta; and

b) Stability category shall be determined using the following method from Fact Sheet D of the *Noise Policy for Industry* (NSW EPA, 2017):

i. Pasquill-Gifford stability classification scheme (section D1.3.1).

### L4.5 To assess compliance:

a) with LAeq(15 minutes) noise limits in condition L4.1 and L4.3, the noise measurement equipment must be located:

(i) approximately on the property boundary, where any residence is situated 30 metres or less from the property boundary closest to the premises; or where applicable,

(ii) in an area within 30 metres of a residence facade, but not closer than 3 metres where any residence on the property is situated more than 30 metres from the property boundary closest to the premises; or where applicable

(iii) in an area within 50 metres of the boundary of a National Park or a Nature Reserve,

(iv) at any other location identified in condition L4.1



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b) with the LAeq(15 minutes) noise limits in condition L4.1 and L4.3, the noise measurement equipment must be located:

i) at the reasonably most affected point at a location where there is no residence at the location; or,

ii) at the reasonably most affected point within an area at a location prescribed by condition L4.5 (a).

L4.6 A non-compliance of conditions L4.1 and L4.3 may still occur where noise generated from the premises is measured in excess of the noise limit at a point other than the reasonably most affected point at the locations referred to in condition L4.5 (a) and L4.5 (b).

NOTE to L4.5 and L4.6: The reasonably most affected point is a point at a location or within an area at a location experiencing or expected to experience the highest sound pressure level from the premises.

- L4.7 For the purpose of determining the noise generated from the premises, the modifying factor corrections in Table C1 in Fact Sheet C of the *Noise Policy for Industry* (NSW EPA, 2017) may be applied, if appropriate, to the noise measurements by the noise monitoring equipment.
- L4.8 Noise measurements must not be undertaken where rain or wind speed at microphone level will affect the acquisition of valid measurements.

### Note: Definition

• Noise Policy for Industry - the document entitled "Noise Policy for Industry" published by the NSW Environment Protection Authority in October 2017.

• Noise - 'sound pressure levels' for the purposes of conditions L4.1 to L4.8.

• LAeq (15 minute) - the value of the A-weighted sound pressure level of a continuous steady sound that, over a 15 minute time interval, has the same mean square sound pressure level as a sound under consideration with a level that varies with time (AS1055.1-1997).

• LAFmax - the maximum sound pressure level of an event measured with a sound level meter satisfying AS IEC 61672.1-2004 set to 'A' frequency weighting and fast time weighting.

### Note: Noise measurement

For the purpose of noise measures required for this condition, the LAeq (15 Minute) noise level must be measured or computed at any point identified in condition L4.1 over a period of 15 minutes using "FAST" response on the sound level meter.

For the purposes of the noise criteria for this condition, 5dBA must be added to the measured level if the noise is substantially tonal or impulsive in character. The location or point of impact can be different for each development, for example, at the closest residential receiver or at the closest boundary of the development. Measurement locations can be:

- 1 metre from the façade of the residence for night time assessment;
- at the residential boundary;
- 30 metres from the residence (rural situations) where boundary is more than 30 metres from residence.
- Note: Noise sensitive locations means buildings used as a residence, hospital, school, childcare centre, places of public worship and nursing homes. A noise sensitive location includes the land within 30m of the building.

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## L5 Blasting Airblast Overpressure

L5.1 The overpressure level from blasting operations on the premises must not:

a) Exceed 115dB (Lin Peak) for more than 5% of the total number of blasts over a period of 12 months; and

b) Exceed 120dB (Lin Peak) at any time.

The airblast overpressure values stated above apply when the measurements are performed with equipment having a lower cut-off frequency of 2Hz or less. If the instrumentation has a higher cut-off frequency then a correction of 5dB should be added to the measured value. Equipment with a lower cut-off frequency exceeding 10Hz should not be used for the purpose of measuring airblast overpressure.

### Ground vibration (ppv)

L5.2 Ground vibration peak particle velocity from the blasting operations at the premises must not:

a) Exceed 5mm/s for more than 5% of the total number of blasts over a period of 12 months; and

b) Exceed 10mm/s at any time,

when measured at any point within 1 metre of any affected residential boundary or other noise sensitive location such as a school or hospital.

### Time of blasting

- L5.3 Blasting operations on the premises may only take place between 09:00 to 15:00 Monday to Friday inclusive. Blasting in or on the premises must not take place on Sundays or Public Holidays without the prior approval of the EPA.
- L5.4 The hours of operation for blasting operations specified in this condition may be varied if the EPA, having regard to the effect that the proposed variation would have on the amenity of the residents in the locality, gives written consent to the variation.
- L5.5 To determine compliance with condition(s) L5.1 and L5.2:

a) Airblast overpressure level and ground vibration peak particle velocity must be measured at the most affected residence or noise sensitive location that is not owned by the licensee or subject to a private agreement between the owner of the residence or noise sensitive location and the licensee as to an alternative airblast overpressure level and/or ground vibration peak particle velocity for all blasts carried out in or on the premises; and

b) Instrumentation used to measure the airblast overpressure level and ground vibration peak particle velocity must meet the requirements of Australian Standard AS 2187.2-2006.

L5.6 The licensee must report any exceedance of the licence blasting limits to the EPA within 24 hours of the exceedance becoming known to the licensee or to one of the licensee's employees or agents.



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L5.7 All sensitive recievers are to be given at least 24 hours notice prior to blasting being undertaken.

### L6 Hours of operation

- L6.1 All work at the premises must be conducted between the following hours: 0700 and 1800 Monday to Friday, 0700 to 1300 Saturday, and at no time on Sunday or Public Holidays.
- Note: Where a blast failure has occurred or there are compelling safety reasons, the EPA may permit a blast to occur outside the above hours. The licensee must provide prior notice of any such blast to the EPA by contacting 131 555.
- L6.2 This condition does not apply to the delivery of material outside the hours of operation permitted by condition L6.1, if that delivery is required by police or other authorities for safety reasons; and/or the operation or personnel or equipment are endangered. In such circumstances, prior notification must be provided to the EPA and affected residents as soon as possible or within a reasonable period in the case of emergency.

## 4 **Operating Conditions**

## O1 Activities must be carried out in a competent manner

O1.1 Licensed activities must be carried out in a competent manner. This includes:

a) the processing, handling, movement and storage of materials and substances used to carry out the activity; and

b) the treatment, storage, processing, reprocessing, transport and disposal of waste generated by the activity.

## O2 Maintenance of plant and equipment

- O2.1 All plant and equipment installed at the premises or used in connection with the licensed activity: a) must be maintained in a proper and efficient condition; and
  - b) must be operated in a proper and efficient manner.

### O3 Dust

- O3.1 Trucks entering and leaving the premises that are carrying loads must be covered at all times, except during loading and unloading.
- O3.2 The premises must be maintained in a condition which minimises or prevents the emission of dust from the premises.

## O4 Processes and management





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- O4.1 Each sedimentation basin must have a marker (the "sedimentation basin marker") that identifies the upper level of the sediment storage zone.
- O4.2 Whenever the level of liquid and other material in any sedimentation basin exceeds the level indicated by the sedimentation basin marker, the licensee must take all practical measures as soon as possible to reduce the level of liquid and other material in the sedimentation basin.
- O4.3 The licensee must ensure the design storage capacity of the sediment basins installed on the premises is reinstated within 5 days of the cessation of a rainfall event that causes runoff to occur on or from the premises.
- O4.4 The licensee must ensure that sampling point(s) for water discharged from the sediment basin(s) are provided and maintained in an appropriate condition to permit:
  - a) the clear identification of each sediment basin and discharge point;
  - b) the collection of representative samples of the water discharged from the sediment basin(s); and
  - c) access to the sampling point(s) at all times by an authorised officer of the EPA.
- O4.5 Sediment Basins shall be treated, if required, to reduce the Total Suspended Solids level to the licenced concentration limit before being discharged to the environment. Treatment can be with gypsum or any other material that has been approved by the EPA.
- O4.6 The licensee must maximise the diversion of run-on waters from lands upslope and around the site whilst land disturbance activities are being undertaken.
- O4.7 The licensee must maximise the diversion of stormwater runoff containing suspended solids to sediment basins installed on the premises.
- O4.8 The licensee must endeavour to maximise the reuse of captured stormwater on the premises.
- O4.9 All liquid chemicals, fuels and oils must be stored in tanks or containers inside suitable bund(s). Bund(s) are to be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Australian Standard for the Storage and Handling of Flammable and Combustible Liquids.

## 5 Monitoring and Recording Conditions

### M1 Monitoring records

- M1.1 The results of any monitoring required to be conducted by this licence or a load calculation protocol must be recorded and retained as set out in this condition.
- M1.2 All records required to be kept by this licence must be:
  a) in a legible form, or in a form that can readily be reduced to a legible form;
  b) kept for at least 4 years after the monitoring or event to which they relate took place; and
  c) produced in a legible form to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.
- M1.3 The following records must be kept in respect of any samples required to be collected for the purposes of this licence:
  - a) the date(s) on which the sample was taken;
  - b) the time(s) at which the sample was collected;
  - c) the point at which the sample was taken; and

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d) the name of the person who collected the sample.

## M2 Requirement to monitor concentration of pollutants discharged

- M2.1 For each monitoring/discharge point or utilisation area specified below (by a point number), the licensee must monitor (by sampling and obtaining results by analysis) the concentration of each pollutant specified in Column 1. The licensee must use the sampling method, units of measure, and sample at the frequency, specified opposite in the other columns:
- M2.2 Water and/ or Land Monitoring Requirements

### POINT 1,2

Pollutant	Units of measure	Frequency	Sampling Method
Oil and Grease	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample
рН	рН	Special Frequency 1	Probe
TSS	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample

M2.3 For the purposes of the table(s) above Special Frequency 1 means the collection of samples once each month of any discharge from the point occurring following rainfall of up to 82mm in total falling over any consecutive five day period.

## M3 Testing methods - concentration limits

M3.1 Subject to any express provision to the contrary in this licence, monitoring for the concentration of a pollutant discharged to waters or applied to a utilisation area must be done in accordance with the Approved Methods Publication unless another method has been approved by the EPA in writing before any tests are conducted.

## M4 Environmental monitoring

- M4.1 Rainfall at the premises must be measured and recorded in millimetres per 24 hour period, at the same time each day.
- M4.2 The licensee is required to install and maintain a rainfall depth measuring device.

## M5 Recording of pollution complaints

- M5.1 The licensee must keep a legible record of all complaints made to the licensee or any employee or agent of the licensee in relation to pollution arising from any activity to which this licence applies.
- M5.2 The record must include details of the following:





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a) the date and time of the complaint;

b) the method by which the complaint was made;

c) any personal details of the complainant which were provided by the complainant or, if no such details were provided, a note to that effect;

d) the nature of the complaint;

e) the action taken by the licensee in relation to the complaint, including any follow-up contact with the complainant; and

f) if no action was taken by the licensee, the reasons why no action was taken.

- M5.3 The record of a complaint must be kept for at least 4 years after the complaint was made.
- M5.4 The record must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see them.

## M6 Telephone complaints line

- M6.1 The licensee must operate during its operating hours a telephone complaints line for the purpose of receiving any complaints from members of the public in relation to activities conducted at the premises or by the vehicle or mobile plant, unless otherwise specified in the licence.
- M6.2 The licensee must notify the public of the complaints line telephone number and the fact that it is a complaints line so that the impacted community knows how to make a complaint.
- M6.3 The preceding two conditions do not apply until 3 months after: the date of the issue of this licence.

## M7 Blasting

### Blast Monitoring

M7.1 For the purpose of blast monitoring, the ground vibration peak particle velocity and the air-blast overpressure must be measured at the nearest sensitive receiver for each blast.

Note: The location or point of impact can be different for each development. Measurements should be taken within the grounds of 'noise sensitive sites' (e.g. residences, hospitals, schools etc). Measurement locations can be:

• At the residential boundary; or

• 30 metres from residences in rural situations where the boundary is more than 30 metres from residences;

Airblast overpressure levels should not be measured within 3.5 metres of any building. Ground vibration levels should not be measured with the longest dimension of the foundations of a building or structure away from such building or structure.

M7.2 Attended noise monitoring must be undertaken in accordance with Condition L4.5 and must:



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a) occur six monthly in a reporting period;

b) occur during each day, evening and night period as defined in the *Noise Policy for Industry* for a minimum of:

- 1.5 hours during the day;
- 30 minutes during the evening; and
- 1 hour during the night.

c) occur for three consecutive days.

## 6 Reporting Conditions

## R1 Annual return documents

R1.1 The licensee must complete and supply to the EPA an Annual Return in the approved form comprising:

- 1. a Statement of Compliance,
- 2. a Monitoring and Complaints Summary,
- 3. a Statement of Compliance Licence Conditions,
- 4. a Statement of Compliance Load based Fee,
- 5. a Statement of Compliance Requirement to Prepare Pollution Incident Response Management Plan,
- 6. a Statement of Compliance Requirement to Publish Pollution Monitoring Data; and
- 7. a Statement of Compliance Environmental Management Systems and Practices.

At the end of each reporting period, the EPA will provide to the licensee notification that the Annual Return is due.

- R1.2 An Annual Return must be prepared in respect of each reporting period, except as provided below.
- R1.3 Where this licence is transferred from the licensee to a new licensee:

a) the transferring licensee must prepare an Annual Return for the period commencing on the first day of the reporting period and ending on the date the application for the transfer of the licence to the new licensee is granted; and

b) the new licensee must prepare an Annual Return for the period commencing on the date the application for the transfer of the licence is granted and ending on the last day of the reporting period.

R1.4 Where this licence is surrendered by the licensee or revoked by the EPA or Minister, the licensee must prepare an Annual Return in respect of the period commencing on the first day of the reporting period and ending on:

a) in relation to the surrender of a licence - the date when notice in writing of approval of the surrender is given; or

b) in relation to the revocation of the licence - the date from which notice revoking the licence operates.

R1.5 The Annual Return for the reporting period must be supplied to the EPA via eConnect *EPA* or by registered post not later than 60 days after the end of each reporting period or in the case of a transferring licence not later than 60 days after the date the transfer was granted (the 'due date').



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- R1.6 The licensee must retain a copy of the Annual Return supplied to the EPA for a period of at least 4 years after the Annual Return was due to be supplied to the EPA.
- R1.7 Within the Annual Return, the Statements of Compliance must be certified and the Monitoring and Complaints Summary must be signed by:
  - a) the licence holder; or
  - b) by a person approved in writing by the EPA to sign on behalf of the licence holder.
- Note: The term "reporting period" is defined in the dictionary at the end of this licence. Do not complete the Annual Return until after the end of the reporting period.
- Note: An application to transfer a licence must be made in the approved form for this purpose.
- R1.8 The licensee must also include the following information with the Annual Return:
  - A statement detailing the total volume of material extracted from the quarry for the reporting period; and
  - The total volume of extracted material transported from the premises for the reporting period.

## R2 Notification of environmental harm

- R2.1 Notifications must be made by telephoning the Environment Line service on 131 555.
- R2.2 The licensee must provide written details of the notification to the EPA within 7 days of the date on which the incident occurred.
- Note: The licensee or its employees must notify all relevant authorities of incidents causing or threatening material harm to the environment immediately after the person becomes aware of the incident in accordance with the requirements of Part 5.7 of the Act.

## R3 Written report

R3.1 Where an authorised officer of the EPA suspects on reasonable grounds that: a) where this licence applies to premises, an event has occurred at the premises; or

b) where this licence applies to vehicles or mobile plant, an event has occurred in connection with the carrying out of the activities authorised by this licence,

and the event has caused, is causing or is likely to cause material harm to the environment (whether the harm occurs on or off premises to which the licence applies), the authorised officer may request a written report of the event.

- R3.2 The licensee must make all reasonable inquiries in relation to the event and supply the report to the EPA within such time as may be specified in the request.
- R3.3 The request may require a report which includes any or all of the following information:a) the cause, time and duration of the event;
  - b) the type, volume and concentration of every pollutant discharged as a result of the event;
  - c) the name, address and business hours telephone number of employees or agents of the licensee, or a



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specified class of them, who witnessed the event;

d) the name, address and business hours telephone number of every other person (of whom the licensee is aware) who witnessed the event, unless the licensee has been unable to obtain that information after making reasonable effort;

e) action taken by the licensee in relation to the event, including any follow-up contact with any complainants;f) details of any measure taken or proposed to be taken to prevent or mitigate against a recurrence of such an event; and

g) any other relevant matters.

R3.4 The EPA may make a written request for further details in relation to any of the above matters if it is not satisfied with the report provided by the licensee. The licensee must provide such further details to the EPA within the time specified in the request.

## 7 General Conditions

## G1 Copy of licence kept at the premises or plant

- G1.1 A copy of this licence must be kept at the premises to which the licence applies.
- G1.2 The licence must be produced to any authorised officer of the EPA who asks to see it.
- G1.3 The licence must be available for inspection by any employee or agent of the licensee working at the premises.

## 8 Special Conditions

## E1 Undertaking noise and blasting impact assessment and mitigation

E1.1 Unless otherwise stipulated in this licence, the licensee must undertake activities, including assessment and mitigation activities, in accordance with:

• Murwillumbah Quarry, Quarrying Noise & Blasting Impact Assessment, Report No. 18167 Version D, Wilkinson Murray dated September 2019; and,

•

Attachment B - Summary of amendments to modification application, Tweed Shire Council correspondence to EPA dated 4 October 2019.

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## Dictionary

## **General Dictionary**



3DGM [in relation to a concentration limit]	Means the three day geometric mean, which is calculated by multiplying the results of the analysis of three samples collected on consecutive days and then taking the cubed root of that amount. Where one or more of the samples is zero or below the detection limit for the analysis, then 1 or the detection limit respectively should be used in place of those samples
Act	Means the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
activity	Means a scheduled or non-scheduled activity within the meaning of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
actual load	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009
АМ	Together with a number, means an ambient air monitoring method of that number prescribed by the Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales.
AMG	Australian Map Grid
anniversary date	The anniversary date is the anniversary each year of the date of issue of the licence. In the case of a licence continued in force by the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, the date of issue of the licence is the first anniversary of the date of issue or last renewal of the licence following the commencement of the Act.
annual return	Is defined in R1.1
Approved Methods Publication	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009
assessable pollutants	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009
BOD	Means biochemical oxygen demand
СЕМ	Together with a number, means a continuous emission monitoring method of that number prescribed by the <i>Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales</i> .
COD	Means chemical oxygen demand
composite sample	Unless otherwise specifically approved in writing by the EPA, a sample consisting of 24 individual samples collected at hourly intervals and each having an equivalent volume.
cond.	Means conductivity
environment	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
environment protection legislation	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Administration Act 1991
EPA	Means Environment Protection Authority of New South Wales.
fee-based activity classification	Means the numbered short descriptions in Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009.
general solid waste (non-putrescible)	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997



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flow weighted composite sample	Means a sample whose composites are sized in proportion to the flow at each composites time of collection.
general solid waste (putrescible)	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environmen t Operations Act 1997
grab sample	Means a single sample taken at a point at a single time
hazardous waste	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
licensee	Means the licence holder described at the front of this licence
load calculation protocol	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Regulation 2009
local authority	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
material harm	Has the same meaning as in section 147 Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
MBAS	Means methylene blue active substances
Minister	Means the Minister administering the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
mobile plant	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
motor vehicle	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
O&G	Means oil and grease
percentile [in relation to a concentration limit of a sample]	Means that percentage [eg.50%] of the number of samples taken that must meet the concentration limit specified in the licence for that pollutant over a specified period of time. In this licence, the specified period of time is the Reporting Period unless otherwise stated in this licence.
plant	Includes all plant within the meaning of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 as well as motor vehicles.
pollution of waters [or water pollution]	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
premises	Means the premises described in condition A2.1
public authority	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
regional office	Means the relevant EPA office referred to in the Contacting the EPA document accompanying this licence
reporting period	For the purposes of this licence, the reporting period means the period of 12 months after the issue of the licence, and each subsequent period of 12 months. In the case of a licence continued in force by the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997, the date of issue of the licence is the first anniversary of the date of issue or last renewal of the licence following the commencement of the Act.
restricted solid waste	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
scheduled activity	Means an activity listed in Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
special waste	Has the same meaning as in Part 3 of Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
тм	Together with a number, means a test method of that number prescribed by the Approved Methods for the Sampling and Analysis of Air Pollutants in New South Wales.



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TSP	Means total suspended particles
TSS	Means total suspended solids
Type 1 substance	Means the elements antimony, arsenic, cadmium, lead or mercury or any compound containing one or more of those elements
Type 2 substance	Means the elements beryllium, chromium, cobalt, manganese, nickel, selenium, tin or vanadium or any compound containing one or more of those elements
utilisation area	Means any area shown as a utilisation area on a map submitted with the application for this licence
waste	Has the same meaning as in the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997
waste type	Means liquid, restricted solid waste, general solid waste (putrescible), general solid waste (non - putrescible), special waste or hazardous waste

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End Notes		
1	Licence varied by notice 1055432, issued on 23-Jan-2006, which came into effect on 17-Feb-2006.	
2	Condition A1.3 Not applicable varied by notice issued on <issue date=""> which came into effect on <effective date=""></effective></issue>	
3	Licence varied by notice 1110149, issued on 23-Dec-2009, which came into effect on 23-Dec-2009.	
4	Licence varied by notice 1509712 issued on 10-Dec-2012	
5	Licence varied by notice 1531714 issued on 02-Oct-2015	
6	Licence varied by notice 1592264 issued on 12-Jun-2020	
7	Licence varied by notice 1599398 issued on 18-Sep-2020	