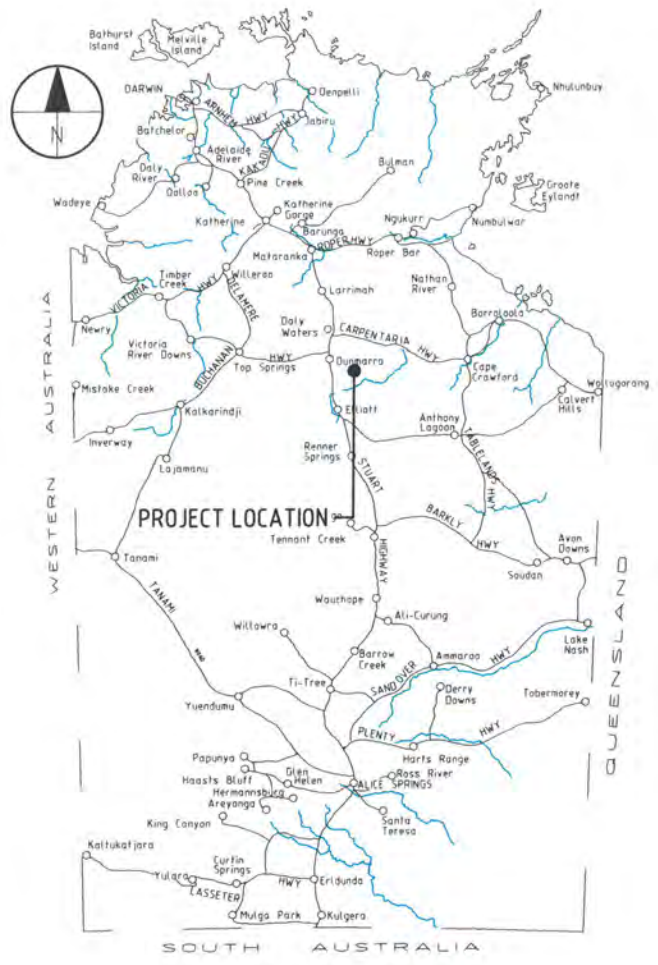


Appendix A: Engineering Drawings and Layouts



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LOCALITY PLAN
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NT-2050-20-DD-0022	DESIGN DETAILS
NT-2050-20-DD-0030	MUD SUMP DETAILS
NT-2050-20-DD-0024	PAD INTERSECTION DETAIL
NT-2050-20-DD-0026	DRILLING CELLAR DETAILS
NT-2050-15-MP-0021	DRILL PAD, ACCOMMODATION CAMP AND WATER TANK EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN
STANDARD DRAWINGS	
CIS13310	STOCK FENCE DESIGN AND DETAILS

LEGEND

EXISTING	PIPELINE
—	FENCE
—	PRINCIPAL ROAD
—	UNSEALED TRACK
—	WATERCOURSE

- GENERAL NOTES**
- ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN METRES UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.
 - ALL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS.
 - NO CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT OUTSIDE THE APPROVED WORK CORRIDOR BOUNDARIES.
 - CONSTRUCTION FACILITY AREA LOCATIONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT PRIOR TO WORKS COMMENCING.
 - THE CONTRACTOR IS TO LIAISE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE ALL CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND RELEVANT AUTHORITIES REQUIREMENTS.
 - NO SERVICES WERE PRESENT OR PROVIDED BY DBYD AT THE TIME OF DESIGN AND ARE THEREFORE NOT SHOWN, HOWEVER THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING A SEARCH PRIOR TO WORKS BEING CARRIED OUT. ANY DAMAGE TO EXISTING SERVICES IS TO BE RE-INSTATED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.
 - SIGNAGE TO BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO ROAD USE.

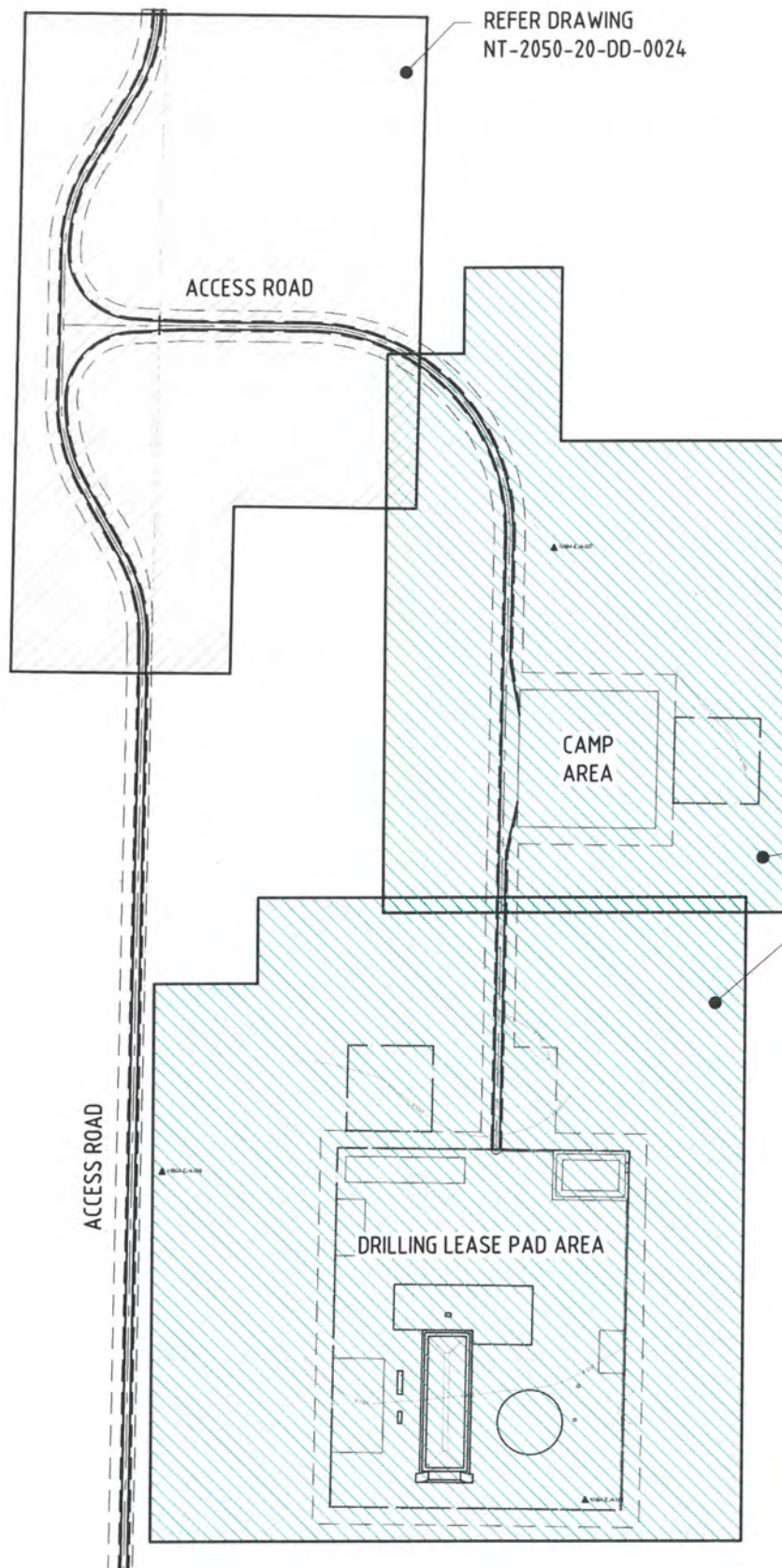
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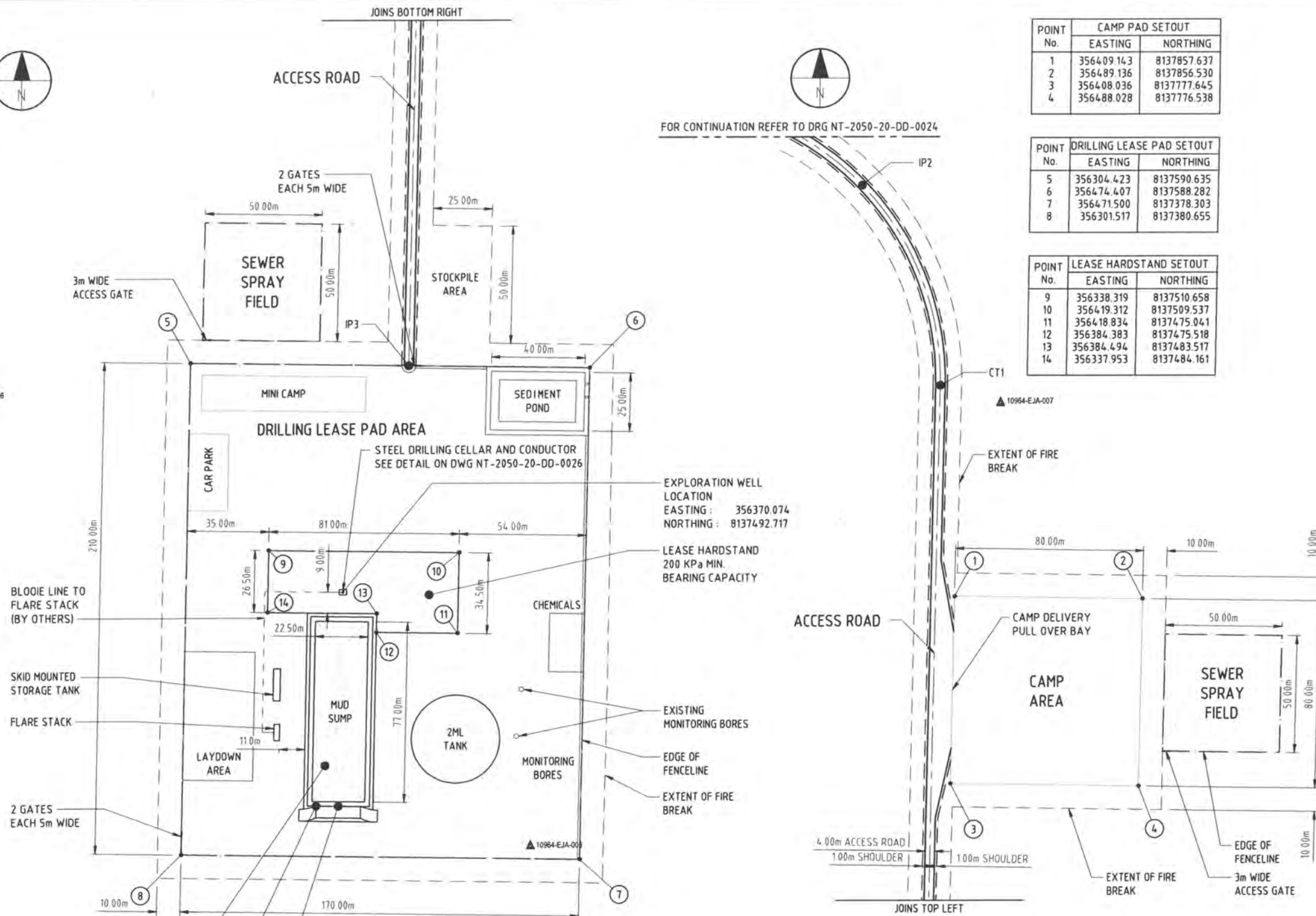
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LEGEND

- EXISTING
- PROPOSED
- CONTOURS
- ACCESS ROAD CENTERLINE
 - EDGE OF PAVEMENT
 - EDGE OF SHOULDER
 - EDGE OF FOOTPATH
 - - - EXTENT OF CLEARING - (EXTENT OF FIRE BREAK)
 - - - EDGE OF FENCELINE

NOTES:

- ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN METRES UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.
- REFER TO NORTHERN TERRITORY STANDARD DRAWING (S)3310 FOR TYPICAL STOCK FENCE DETAILS.
- SEWER SPRAY FIELD AREA IS NOT TO BE CLEARED. SPRAY PIPES LAID ON EXISTING VEGETATION BY OTHERS.
- LEASE AND CAMP PAD TO BE COMPACTED TO 120KPA BEARING CAPACITY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
- LEASE HARDSTAND PAD TO BE COMPACTED TO 200 KPA BEARING CAPACITY.
- ALL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS.
- NO CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT OUTSIDE THE APPROVED WORK CORRIDOR BOUNDARIES.
- CONSTRUCTION FACILITY AREA LOCATIONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT PRIOR TO WORKS COMMENCING.
- THE CONTRACTOR IS TO LIAISE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE ALL CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND RELEVANT AUTHORITIES REQUIREMENTS.
- THE CONTRACTOR IS TO CARRY OUT A DBYD AND LOCATE AND MARK SERVICES ON SITE. ANY DAMAGE TO EXISTING SERVICES IS TO BE RE-INSTATED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.
- SIGNAGE TO BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO ROAD USE.
- REFER TO DRAWING NT-2050-20-DD-0030 FOR MUD SUMP DETAILS AND DRAWING NT-2050-20-DD-0026 FOR STEEL DRILLING CELLAR DETAILS.
- THE NOMINATED AREA BOUND BY SETOUT POINTS 1 TO 14 IS TO BE A UNIFORMLY GRADED PAD.
- FINISH SURFACE LEVELS ARE TO FOLLOW EXISTING SURFACE LEVELS AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE AND TO THE GRADES SPECIFIED ON THE DRAWINGS.
- FIREBREAK CLEARINGS AROUND DRILLING LEASE AND CAMP PAD ARE TO BE USED FOR STORAGE OF TOPSOIL AND VEGETATION AS REQUIRED.
- FOR ROAD SETOUT TABLE REFER TO DRG. NT-2050-20-DD-0024.
- HARDSTAND AND LEASE PAD FINISHED SURFACE LEVELS TO BE EQUAL OR SMOOTH TRANSITION TO AVOID BATTERS OF STEPS.
- CAMP PAD AREA CROSSFALL TO BE NO GREATER THAN 1%.
- NO ESC DEVICE CAN BE INSTALLED IN CRITICAL RIG AREA WITHOUT APPROVAL BY WELLSITE REP.
- CATTLE PANEL FENCING TO BE INSTALLED AROUND MUD SUMP.
- USE SOIL FROM EXCAVATIONS TO BUILD BUNDING AROUND PERIMETER OF LEASE 1.2m HIGH, 2:1 BATTER.
- CAMP PAD COMPACTION EXTENT INCLUDES AREA ALLOCATED FOR FIRE BREAK.



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SUMP BANK INCLUDING RAMP 200 KPa MIN. BEARING CAPACITY

FENCE OR BARRICADE TO BE INSTALLED AT SUMP LOAD OUT LOCATION TO ENSURE VEHICLES DO NOT COMPROMISE SUMP WALL/ENTER SUMP

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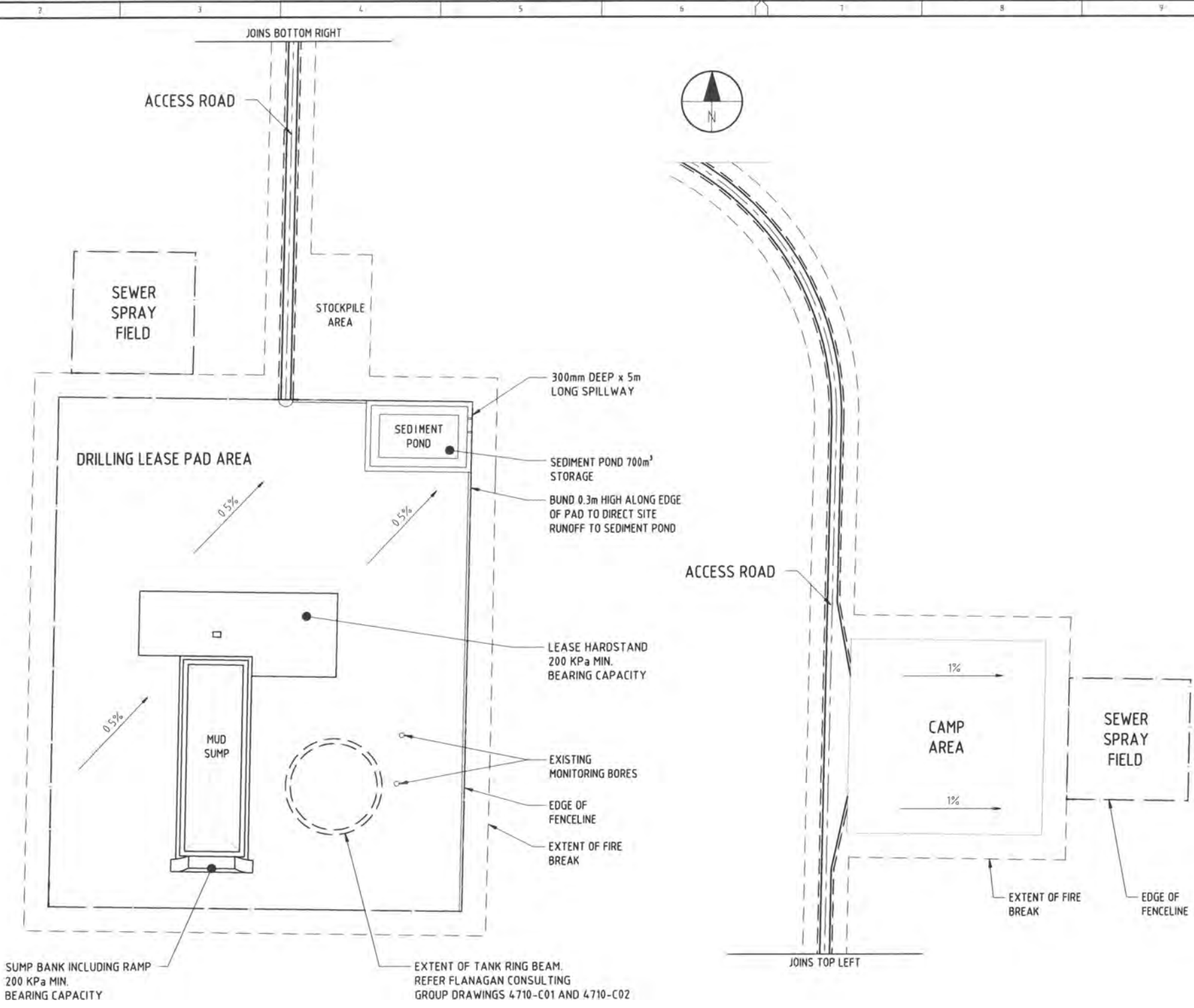


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EXISTING	CONTOURS
PROPOSED	ACCESS ROAD CENTERLINE
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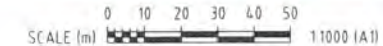
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2. LEASE AND CAMP PAD TO BE COMPACTED TO 120KPA BEARING CAPACITY UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.
3. LEASE HARDSTAND TO BE COMPACTED TO 200 KPA BEARING CAPACITY.
4. BULK EARTHWORKS ARE TO BE MINIMISED WHERE POSSIBLE.
5. ROAD AND PAD PAVEMENTS ARE TO BE CONSTRUCTED TO FOLLOW EXISTING SURFACE LEVELS AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE AND TO THE GRADES SPECIFIED ON THE DRAWINGS.
6. CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE TO FIND/LOCATE EXISTING SERVICES. ANY DAMAGE TO EXISTING SERVICES TO BE RE-INSTATED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.
7. ALL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS.
8. NO CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT OUTSIDE THE APPROVED WORK CORRIDOR BOUNDARIES.
9. CONSTRUCTION FACILITY AREA LOCATIONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT PRIOR TO WORKS COMMENCING.
10. TABLE DRAINS ARE TO BE CUT ALONG THE LENGTH OF THE ROAD AND ALL ROAD PAVEMENTS ARE TO HAVE A 4% CROSSFALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ROAD CROSS-SECTION DETAILED ON DWG. NT-2050-20-DD-0022.
11. REFER TO DWG NT-2050-20-DD-0022 FOR ROAD PAVEMENT DETAILS. LAYDOWN AND VEHICLE AREA, LEASE PAD AND ACCOMMODATION PAD ARE TO BE STRIPPED OF 150mm AND THEN RIPPED AND RE-COMPACTED TO 95%MMDD. DRILL PAD IS TO BE TESTED FOR REQUIRED BEARING CAPACITIES AND THE ORIGIN SITE SUPERVISOR NOTIFIED IF THIS CAN NOT BE ACHIEVED.
12. REFER TO DRAWING NT-2050-20-DD-0030 FOR MUD SUMP DETAILS AND DRAWING NT-2050-20-DD-0026 FOR STEEL DRILLING CELLAR DETAILS.
13. FOR TANK RING BEAM DETAIL REFER FLANAGAN CONSULTING GROUP DRAWINGS 4710-C01 AND 4710-C02.
21. FINAL DRILLING LEASE PAD AREA GRADE TO BE CONFIRMED ON SITE BY ORIGIN SITE SUPERVISOR.



GENERAL ARRANGEMENT PLAN

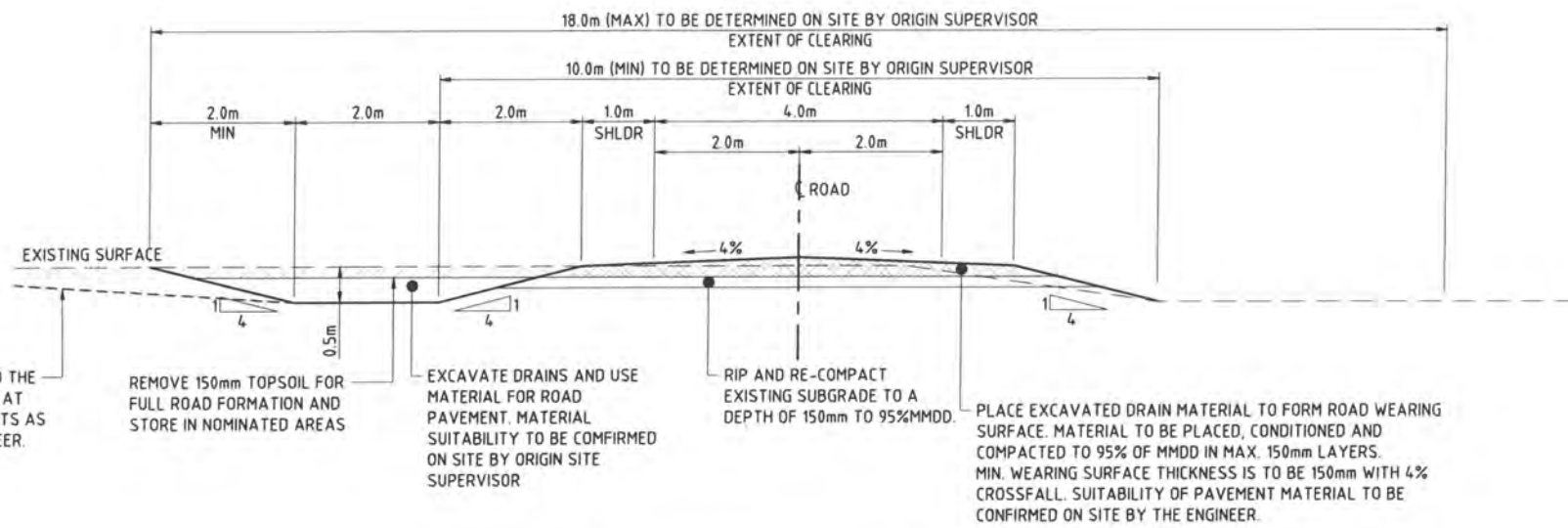
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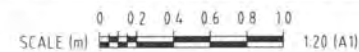


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TYPICAL CROSS SECTION - ACCESS ROAD



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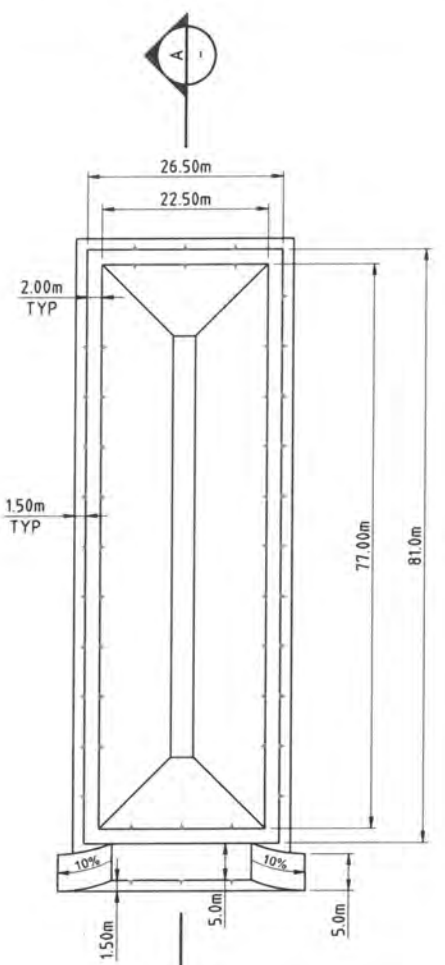
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2. ENSURE THAT TABLE DRAINS ARE FREE DRAINING.
3. GROUND CONDITIONS AND SUITABLE MATERIALS TO BE CONFIRMED ON SITE BY SUPERINTENDENT.
4. CLEARED VEGETATION TO BE STORED ALONGSIDE NEW ROAD FOR FUTURE REHABILITATION.
5. REFER TO SPECIFICATION FOR COMPACTION REQUIREMENTS.
6. STRIPPED TOPSOIL TO BE STORED IN BERMS ALONGSIDE ROAD.
7. REFER TO SPECIFICATION FOR GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
8. THE CONTRACTOR IS TO NOTIFY THE ORIGIN SUPERVISOR IF AREAS OF SOFT GROUND ARE ENCOUNTERED OR IF THE SPECIFICATION CANNOT BE ACHIEVED.
9. CLEAR, STRIP 150mm TOPSOIL AND STOCKPILE IN NOMINATED BUFFER ZONE TO ESTABLISH BORROW PITS.
10. THIS DRAWING MAY BE USED FOR TEMPORARY ACCESS APPLICATION TO NT ROADS.
11. TYPICAL CROSS SECTION DESIGNED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NORTHERN TERRITORY STANDARD DRAWING C(S)3003.

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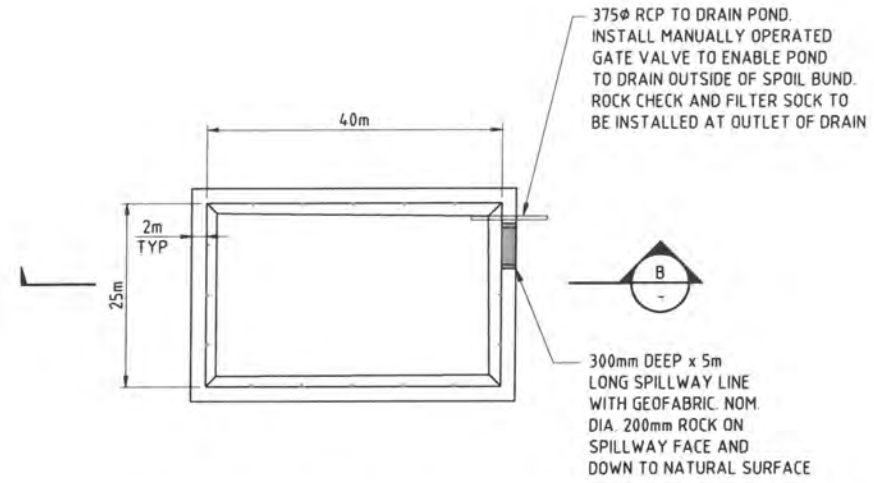
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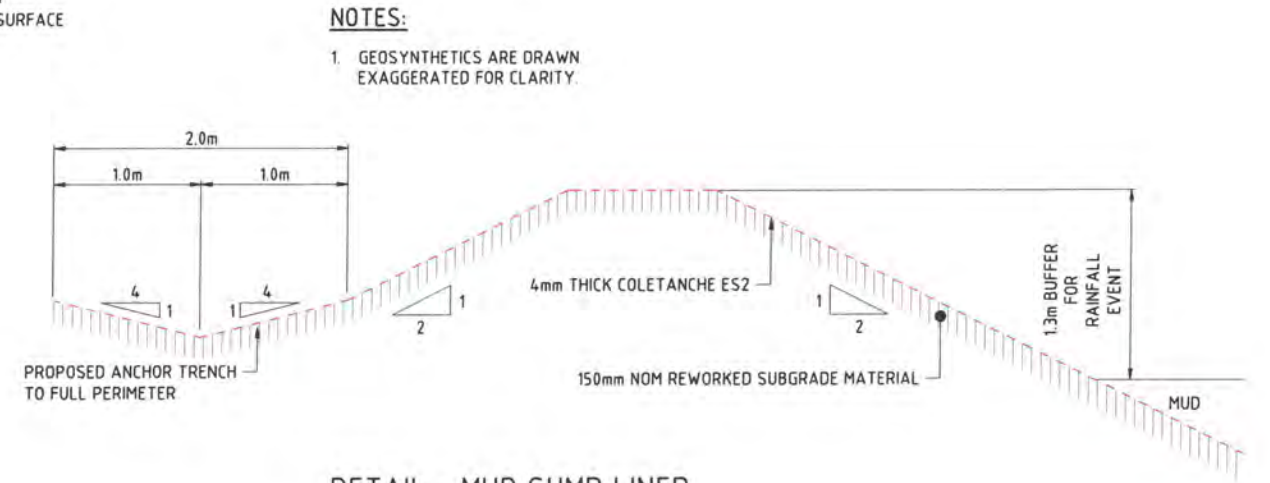
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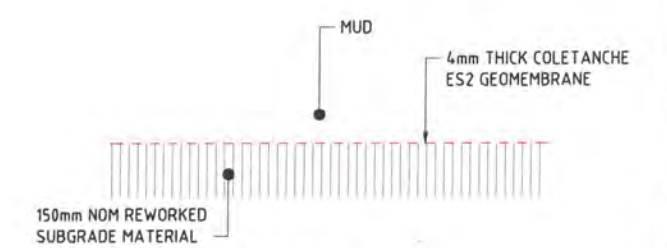
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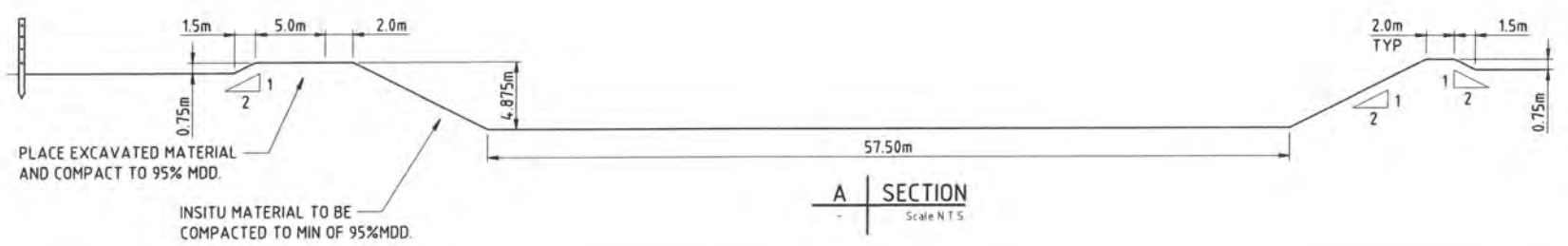
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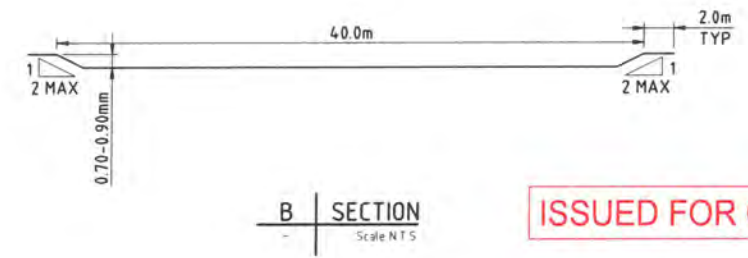
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2. GROUND CONDITIONS AND SUITABLE MATERIALS TO BE CONFIRMED ON SITE BY SUPERINTENDENT.
3. REFER TO SPECIFICATION FOR COMPACTION REQUIREMENTS.
4. REFER TO SPECIFICATION FOR GENERAL REQUIREMENTS.
5. THE CONTRACTOR IS TO NOTIFY THE ORIGIN SUPERVISOR IF AREAS OF SOFT GROUND ARE ENCOUNTERED OR IF THE SPECIFICATION CANNOT BE ACHIEVED.
6. REFER TO DRAWING NT-2050-20-DA-0022 FOR SETOUT DETAILS OF MUD SUMP.
7. FAUNA LADDERS TO BE INSTALLED TO MUD SUMP.
8. CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE CATTLE PANELS FOR FENCING AROUND SUMP WHERE DEPTH IS GREATER THAN 1.5m.
9. FENCE OR BARRICADE TO BE INSTALLED AT SUMP LOAD OUT LOCATION TO ENSURE VEHICLES DO NOT COMPROMISE SUMP WALL/ENTER SUM.
10. MUD SUMP VEHICLE OFFLOAD AREA TO BE COMPACTED TO 200 KPa

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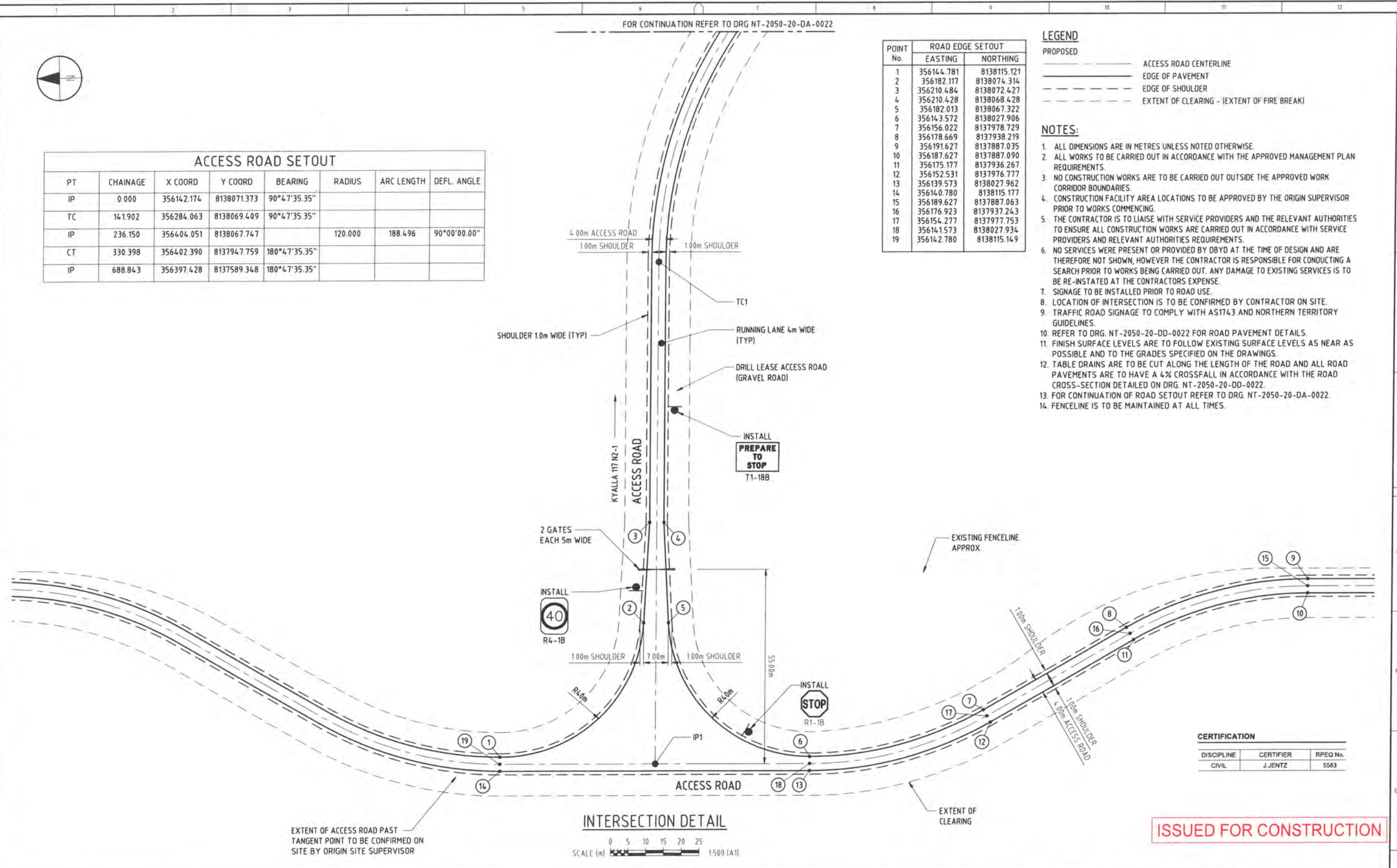
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- PROPOSED
- ACCESS ROAD CENTERLINE
 - EDGE OF PAVEMENT
 - - - EDGE OF SHOULDER
 - - - - - EXTENT OF CLEARING - (EXTENT OF FIRE BREAK)

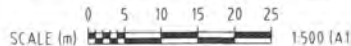
NOTES:

1. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN METRES UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.
2. ALL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED MANAGEMENT PLAN REQUIREMENTS.
3. NO CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE TO BE CARRIED OUT OUTSIDE THE APPROVED WORK CORRIDOR BOUNDARIES.
4. CONSTRUCTION FACILITY AREA LOCATIONS TO BE APPROVED BY THE ORIGIN SUPERVISOR PRIOR TO WORKS COMMENCING.
5. THE CONTRACTOR IS TO LIAISE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES TO ENSURE ALL CONSTRUCTION WORKS ARE CARRIED OUT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SERVICE PROVIDERS AND RELEVANT AUTHORITIES REQUIREMENTS.
6. NO SERVICES WERE PRESENT OR PROVIDED BY DBYD AT THE TIME OF DESIGN AND ARE THEREFORE NOT SHOWN, HOWEVER THE CONTRACTOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONDUCTING A SEARCH PRIOR TO WORKS BEING CARRIED OUT. ANY DAMAGE TO EXISTING SERVICES IS TO BE RE-INSTATED AT THE CONTRACTORS EXPENSE.
7. SIGNAGE TO BE INSTALLED PRIOR TO ROAD USE.
8. LOCATION OF INTERSECTION IS TO BE CONFIRMED BY CONTRACTOR ON SITE.
9. TRAFFIC ROAD SIGNAGE TO COMPLY WITH AS1743 AND NORTHERN TERRITORY GUIDELINES.
10. REFER TO DRG. NT-2050-20-DD-0022 FOR ROAD PAVEMENT DETAILS.
11. FINISH SURFACE LEVELS ARE TO FOLLOW EXISTING SURFACE LEVELS AS NEAR AS POSSIBLE AND TO THE GRADES SPECIFIED ON THE DRAWINGS.
12. TABLE DRAINS ARE TO BE CUT ALONG THE LENGTH OF THE ROAD AND ALL ROAD PAVEMENTS ARE TO HAVE A 4% CROSSFALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ROAD CROSS-SECTION DETAILED ON DRG. NT-2050-20-DD-0022.
13. FOR CONTINUATION OF ROAD SETOUT REFER TO DRG. NT-2050-20-DA-0022.
14. FENCELINE IS TO BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES.

ACCESS ROAD SETOUT						
PT	CHAINAGE	X COORD	Y COORD	BEARING	RADIUS	ARCL. ANGLE
IP	0.000	35614.2174	8138071.373	90°47'35.35"		
TC	141.902	356284.063	8138069.409	90°47'35.35"		
IP	236.150	356404.051	8138067.747		120.000	188.496 90°00'00.00"
CT	330.398	356402.390	8137947.759	180°47'35.35"		
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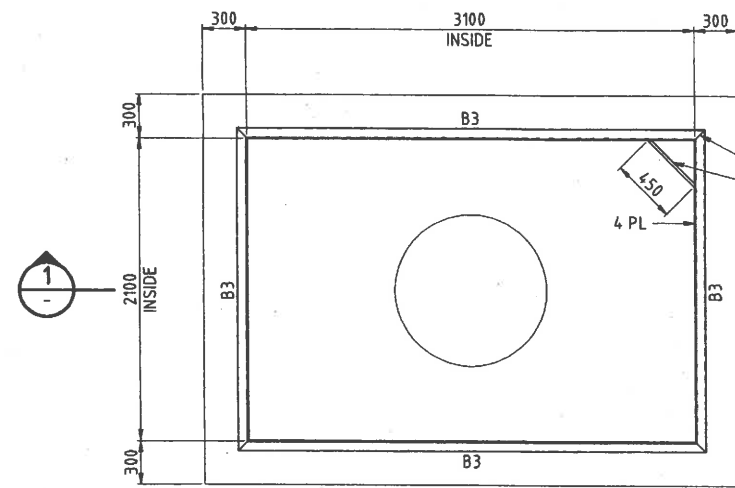


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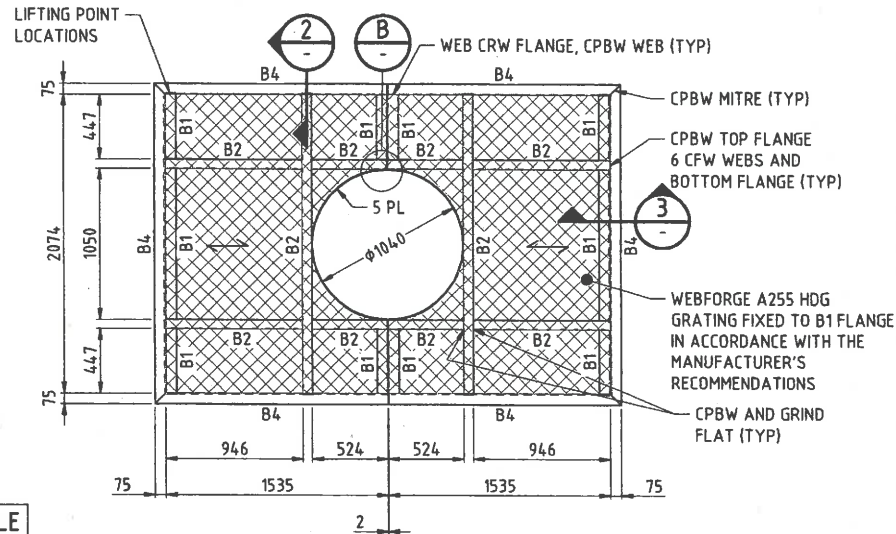
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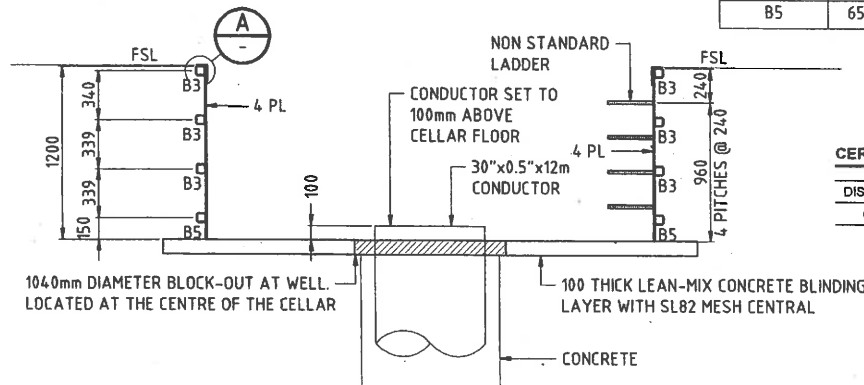
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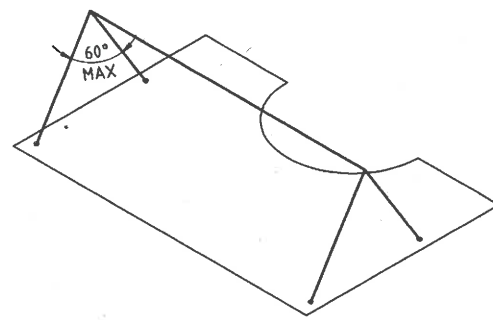
CELLAR COVER PLAN
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← GRATING SPAN DIRECTION

MARK	SIZE
B1	75x8 EA
B2	65x4 SHS
B3	65x5 SHS
B4	125x75x8 UA
B5	65x6 SHS

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SECTION 1
SCALE 1:25



LIFTING DIAGRAM
LIFTING NOTES

- DESIGN ASSUMES A DYNAMIC IMPACT FACTOR $K_d=1.2$ AND FACTOR OF SAFETY (FOS) OF 3.0
- SLING ANGLE MUST BE 60 DEGREES MAXIMUM AT THE HOOK.
- LIFTING BEAM SHALL HAVE WLL300kg STAMPED INTO FLANGE

GENERAL NOTES

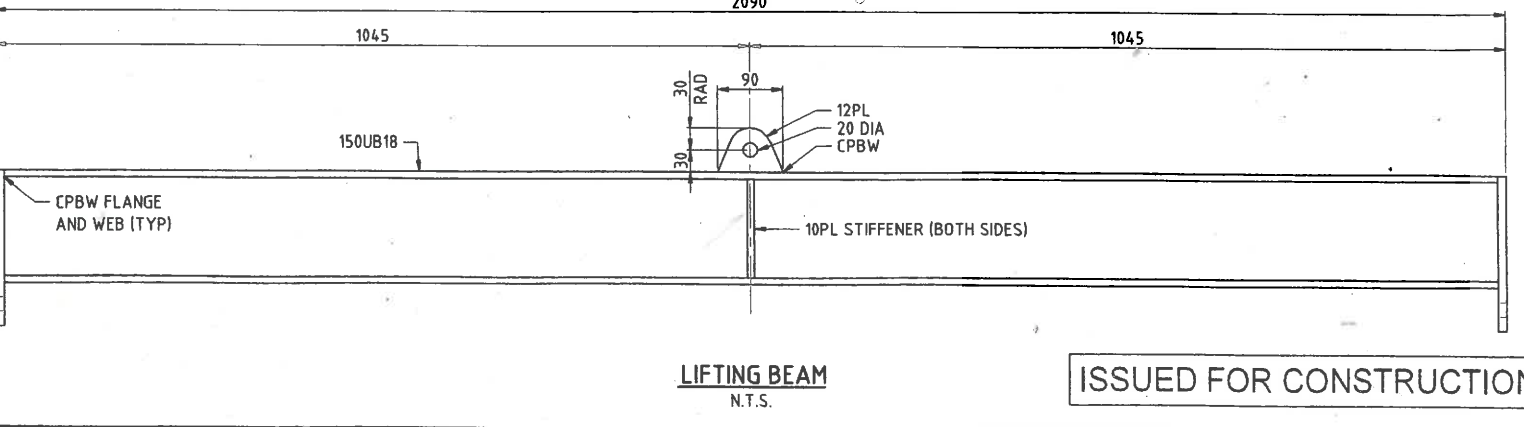
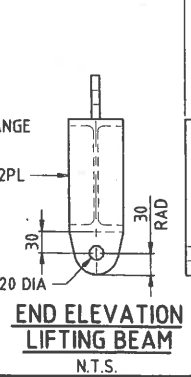
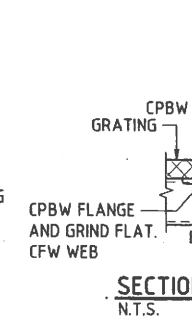
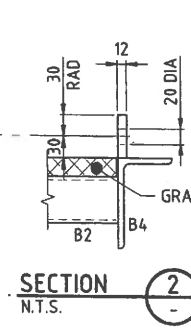
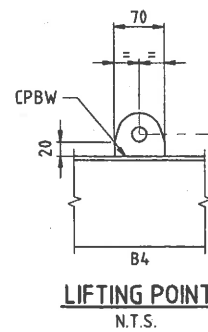
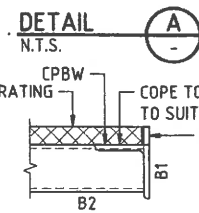
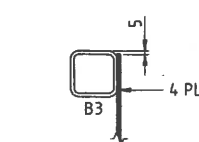
- THE FOOTINGS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED FOR A SAFE BEARING PRESSURE OF 50 kPa.
- THE FOOTING DEPTH SHALL BE CHECKED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT AFTER EXCAVATION, AND THE DEPTH MAY BE VARIED FROM THAT DETAILED ON THE DRAWINGS DEPENDING ON THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE LOAD BEARING STRATA.
- FILL UNDER BUILDING FLOOR SLABS: GRANULAR MATERIAL COMPACTED TO A DRY DENSITY RATIO NOT LESS THAN 98% (STANDARD COMPACTION).
- FILL UNDER PAVEMENT SLABS: GRANULAR MATERIAL TO A MIN. THICKNESS OF 50mm UNO ALL FILL AND TOP 150mm OF SUBGRADE COMPACTED TO A DRY DENSITY RATIO NOT LESS THAN 98% (STANDARD COMPACTION).
- DESIGN LIVE LOAD ON GRATING 2.5kPa / 1.1kN.
- DESIGN LIVE LOAD SURCHARGE ON SOIL 5 kPa
- ASSUMED SOIL PARAMETERS
 - $\phi = 30^\circ$
 - $\gamma = 18kN/m^3$
- THESE DRAWINGS SHALL BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ARCHITECTS AND OTHER ENGINEERS DRAWINGS, AND ALL DIMENSIONS AND DETAILS SHALL BE CHECKED WITH THEIR DRAWINGS AND ON SITE.
- TRADE NAMES HAVE BEEN USED ONLY TO ESTABLISH A BASIC REQUIREMENT AND ANY SATISFACTORY EQUIVALENT MAY BE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW.
- ALL DIMENSIONS OF EXISTING STRUCTURES SHALL BE CHECKED PRIOR TO FABRICATION AND ERECTION.
- DURING CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING THE STRUCTURE AND EXCAVATIONS IN A STABLE CONDITION, AND ENSURING NO PART SHALL BE OVERSTRESSED UNDER CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY.
- CONTRACTOR TO CONFIRM LEVELS TO SUPERINTENDENT PRIOR TO POURING.
- LIFTING LUGS TO BE REMOVED WHEN CONDUCTOR IS SET TO CORRECT HEIGHT.

STEELWORK NOTES

- ALL STEELWORK SHALL CONFORM TO A.S. 4100, STEEL STRUCTURES.
- STEEL GRADES: 300 UNO, SHS - 350, PLATES - 250.
- FABRICATION SHALL BE CARRIED OUT BY WELDERS WHO ARE QUALIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF A.S./NZS 1554.1.
- THE BOLTING PROCEDURE ADOPTED UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE IS 8.8/S IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF STEEL CONSTRUCTION - MANUAL OF STANDARDISED STRUCTURAL CONNECTIONS.
- ALL BOLTS OR FASTENERS SHALL BE MARKED WITH THE MANUFACTURERS BRAND, AND COMPLY WITH THE FOLLOWING:
 - BOLTS DENOTED 4.6/S ARE COMMERCIAL BOLTS OF STRENGTH GRADE 4.6 TO A.S. 1111 - SNUG TIGHT.
 - BOLTS DENOTED 8.8/S, 8.8/TF, OR 8.8/TB ARE HIGH STRENGTH STRUCTURAL BOLTS OF STRENGTH GRADE 8.8 TO A.S. 1252.
- BOLTS SHALL BE M20 8.8/S UNO.
- GRADE 8.8 BOLTS SHALL NOT BE WELDED, INCLUDING TACK WELDS FOR CAGING.
- PLATES IN STRUCTURAL STEEL CONNECTIONS SHALL BE 10mm THICK UNO
- MINIMUM CONNECTIONS SHALL BE 10PL, 2/M20 8.8/S BOLTS UNO.
- ALL BOLTS (INCLUDING MASONRY ANCHORS) SHALL BE HOT DIPPED GALVANISED.
- ALL WELDS SHALL BE 6 CFW UNLESS NOTED OTHERWISE.
- ALL WELDS SHALL BE CATEGORY S.P. AS SPECIFIED IN A.S. 1554, UNO.
- ELECTRODES SHALL BE B-G49X OR B-T49X UNO.
- ALL RHS AND CHS MEMBERS SHALL HAVE 5 PL. SEAL PLATES AT ENDS UNO.
- PROTECTIVE COATING SHALL BE EITHER
 - ALL STEELWORK SHALL BE BLAST CLEANED TO CLASS 2 1/2 AS SPECIFIED IN AS 1627.4 WITH SURFACE ROUGHNESS OF 75 MICRONS
 - 2 COATS OF IMMERSION GRADE EPOXY TO DRY FILM THICKNESS 400 MICRONS (EACH COAT).

CONCRETE NOTES

- CONCRETE, CONCRETE WORK, AND STEEL REINFORCEMENT SHALL CONFORM TO A.S. 3600, CONCRETE STRUCTURES.
- THE PROPORTION OF FLY ASH SHALL BE 25% BY WEIGHT OF THE TOTAL COMBINED WEIGHT OF FLY ASH AND CEMENT.
- MAXIMUM SLUMP OF CONCRETE = 80±15mm UNO.
- MAXIMUM NOMINAL SIZE OF AGGREGATE = 20mm.
- PLACE 2.N12 REINFORCING BARS X 1000 LONG IN TOP REINF. LAYER DIAGONALLY ACROSS ALL RE-ENTRANT CORNERS AND OPENINGS.
- REINFORCEMENT SHOWN ON DRAWINGS IS REPRESENTED DIAGRAMMATICALLY AND NOT NECESSARILY IN TRUE PROJECTION.
- ALL REINFORCEMENT HOOKS AND COGS SHALL BE STANDARD UNLESS SHOWN OR NOTED OTHERWISE ON THE DRAWINGS.
- ALL REINFORCING STEEL SHALL BE ACRS (AUSTRALIAN CERTIFICATION AUTHORITY FOR REINFORCING AND STRUCTURAL STEEL) CERTIFIED.



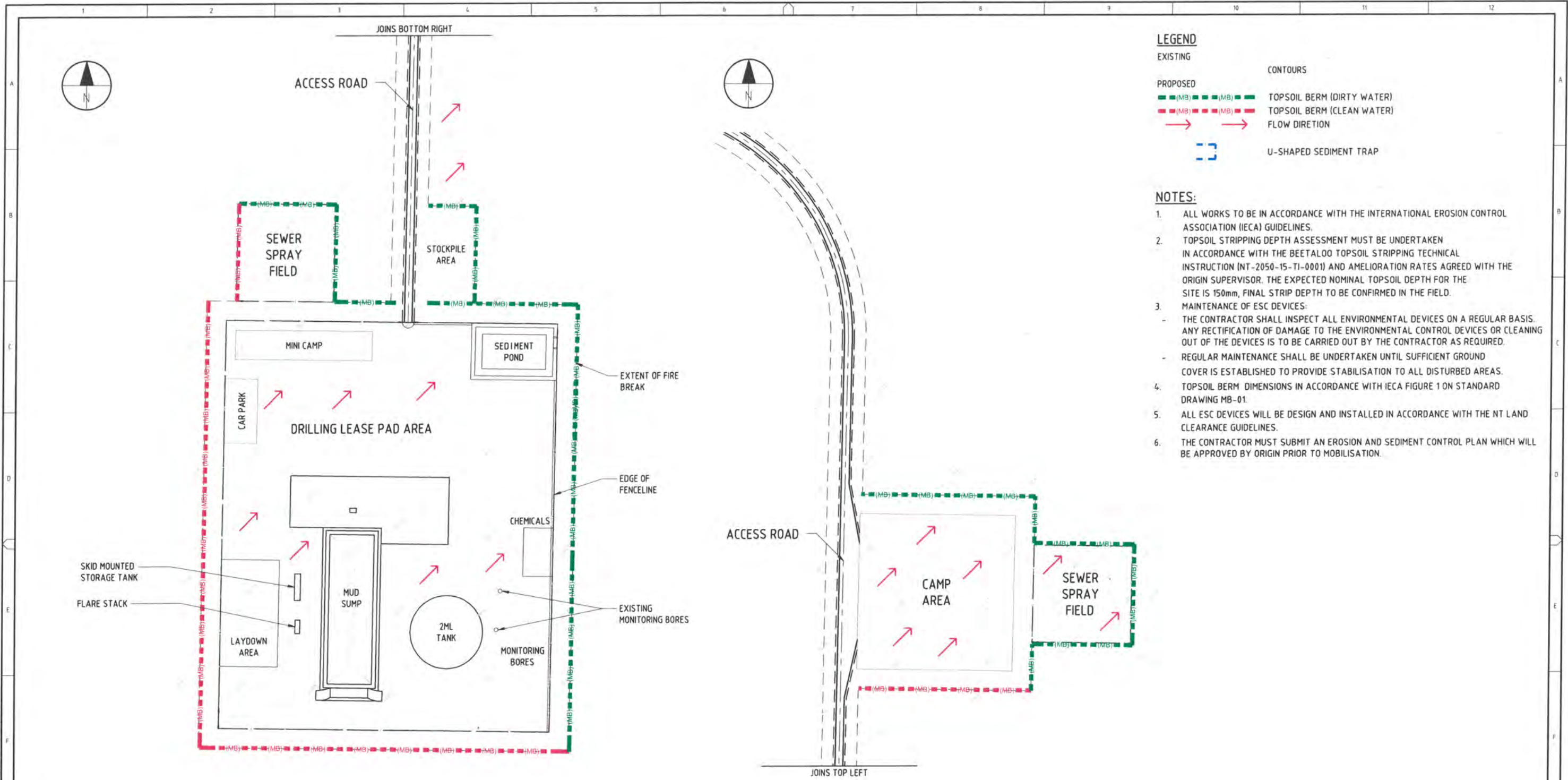
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LEGEND

EXISTING

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CONTOURS

TOPSOIL BERM (DIRTY WATER)

TOPSOIL BERM (CLEAN WATER)

FLOW DIRECTION

U-SHAPED SEDIMENT TRAP

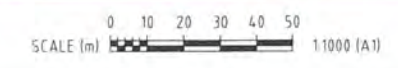
- NOTES:**
- ALL WORKS TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL EROSION CONTROL ASSOCIATION (IECA) GUIDELINES.
 - TOPSOIL STRIPPING DEPTH ASSESSMENT MUST BE UNDERTAKEN IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BEETALOO TOPSOIL STRIPPING TECHNICAL INSTRUCTION (NT-2050-15-TI-0001) AND AMELIORATION RATES AGREED WITH THE ORIGIN SUPERVISOR. THE EXPECTED NOMINAL TOPSOIL DEPTH FOR THE SITE IS 150mm, FINAL STRIP DEPTH TO BE CONFIRMED IN THE FIELD.
 - MAINTENANCE OF ESC DEVICES:
 - THE CONTRACTOR SHALL INSPECT ALL ENVIRONMENTAL DEVICES ON A REGULAR BASIS. ANY RECTIFICATION OF DAMAGE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL DEVICES OR CLEANING OUT OF THE DEVICES IS TO BE CARRIED OUT BY THE CONTRACTOR AS REQUIRED.
 - REGULAR MAINTENANCE SHALL BE UNDERTAKEN UNTIL SUFFICIENT GROUND COVER IS ESTABLISHED TO PROVIDE STABILISATION TO ALL DISTURBED AREAS.
 - TOPSOIL BERM DIMENSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH IECA FIGURE 1 ON STANDARD DRAWING MB-01.
 - ALL ESC DEVICES WILL BE DESIGN AND INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NT LAND CLEARANCE GUIDELINES.
 - THE CONTRACTOR MUST SUBMIT AN EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN WHICH WILL BE APPROVED BY ORIGIN PRIOR TO MOBILISATION.

EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN

CERTIFICATION

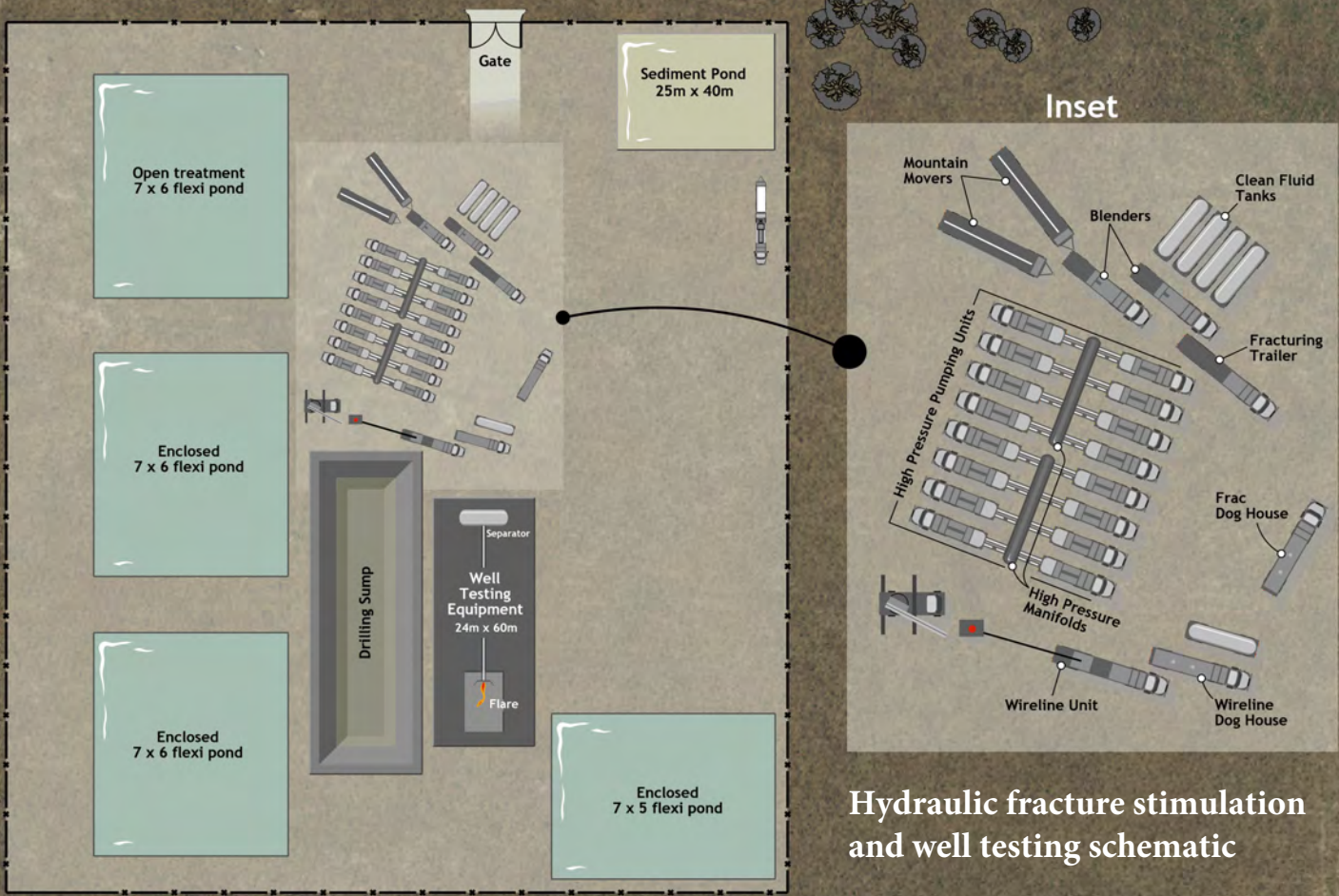
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Hydraulic fracture stimulation and well testing schematic

PRODUCT DATA SHEET

COLETANCHE ES 2



DESCRIPTION

COLETANCHE ES 2 is an SBS elastomeric modified bituminous geomembrane.

USE

Moderate level of mechanical resistance, for use an environmental protection and groundworks waterproofing, in particular :

- To cover landfill,
- Hydraulic ponds,
- Containment of Industrial liquid wastes,
- Canals ,
- Contaminated land.

Product use must be validated by Axter

APPLICATION METHOD

By torch welding or other similar technique

STORAGE

Rolls must not be stored directly on the ground. Provide suitable supports (blocks, slides, wooden planks) with a minimum height of 35 cm to be placed under the ends of the mandrel.

COMPOSITION

(indicative)

Reinforcement (g/m ²) :	Glass mat	50
Reinforcement (g/m ²) :	Non-woven geotextile	250
Binder (g/m ²) :	Elastomeric SBS	4300
Surface finish (g/m ²) :	Sand	250
Under surface finish (g/m ²) :	Polyester antirroot film	15

CHARACTERISTICS

		STANDARD	UNITS	AVERAGE	Minimum
Dimensions	Length	-	m	80	79
	Width		m	5.10	5.01
Thickness (on finished product)		ASTM D 5199	mm	4.00	3.60
Surface mass		ASTM D 3776	kg/m ²	4.85	4.30
Resistance to tearing	Longitudinal	ASTM D 4073	N	825	619
	Cross direction			700	525
Tensile properties : maximum tensile strength	Longitudinal	ASTM D 7275	kN/m	27	20.3
	Cross direction			24	15
Tensile properties : elongation	Longitudinal		%	50	35
	Cross direction			50	35
Static Puncture		ASTM D 4833	N	530	477
Flexibility at low temperature	Longitudinal	ASTM D 5147	°C	-20	-15
	Cross direction			-20	-15
Water permeability (liquid tightness)		ASTM E 96	m/s	6.10 ⁻¹⁴	<
Gas permeability (gas tightness)		ASTM D 1434-82	m ³ /(m ² .j.atm)	2.10 ⁻⁴	<

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Liner and wastewater tank storage specifications

18 Oct 2016		Enviro Liner® 1000 Properties				
Style	ASTM	EL 1020	EL 1030	EL 1040N	EL 1040	
Thickness	D5199	20 mil 0.5 mm	30 mil 0.75 mm	36 mil 0.91 mm	40 mil 1.0 mm	
Density (Typical)	D792	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.93	
Tensile Strength at Break	D6693	76 ppi 13 N/mm	114 ppi 20 N/mm	136 ppi 24 N/mm	152 ppi 27 N/mm	
Elongation	D6693	800%	800%	700%	800%	
Tear Resistance	D1004	11 lbs 49 N	16 lbs 70 N	19 lbs 84 N	22 lbs 100 N	
Puncture Resistance	D4833	28 lbs 120 N	42 lbs 190 N	54 lbs 240 N	56 lbs 250 N	
Carbon Black Content	D6370	≥ 2.0%	≥ 2.0%	2.0%	≥ 2.0%	
High Pressure OIT	D5885	400 min	400 min	N/A	400 min	
Low Temperature Impact Resistance	D746	-69°F -56°C	-69°F -56°C	-40°F -40°C	-69°F -56°C	
Service Temperatures	Max Continuous Use	140°F 60°C	140°F 60°C	140°F 60°C	140°F 60°C	

18 Oct 2016		Enviro Liner® 1000 Shop Seam Strengths				
Style	ASTM D6392	Enviro Liner® 1020	Enviro Liner® 1030	Enviro Liner® 1040N	Enviro Liner® 1040	
Heat Bonded Seam Strength	25.4 mm (1") Strip	30 ppi 5.2 N/mm	45 ppi 7.7 N/mm	50 ppi 8.7 N/mm	60 ppi 10.3 N/mm	
Peel Adhesion Strength (Wedge Weld)	25.4 mm (1") Strip	25 ppi 4.3 N/mm	38 ppi 6.5 N/mm	45 ppi 7.9 N/mm	50 ppi 8.7 N/mm	



FlexiPond Wind Loading

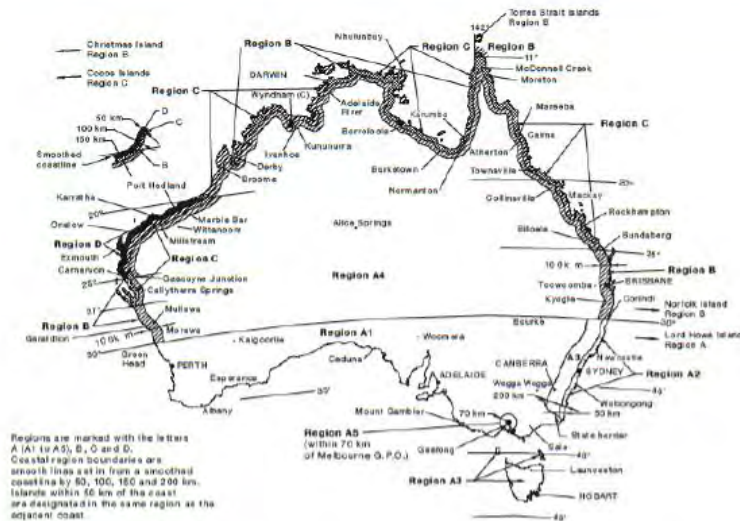
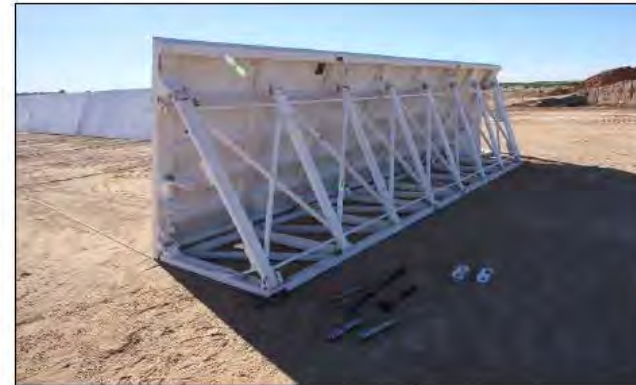


FIGURE 3.1(A) WIND REGIONS



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Wind Rating as per AS1170.2:2011(R2016)

- Individual panel (or a straight line section of assembled panels)
- Overturning/Sliding rating (e.g. in storage or prior to installation) **rated to a maximum of 100km/hr**
- Fully Assembled (with corner pieces, locking pins and cables)
- **Stable to all wind conditions in all wind regions (includes cyclonic)**

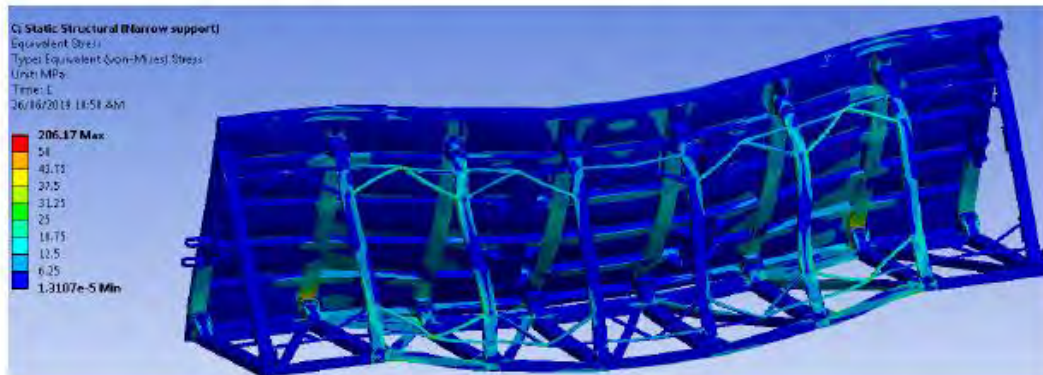
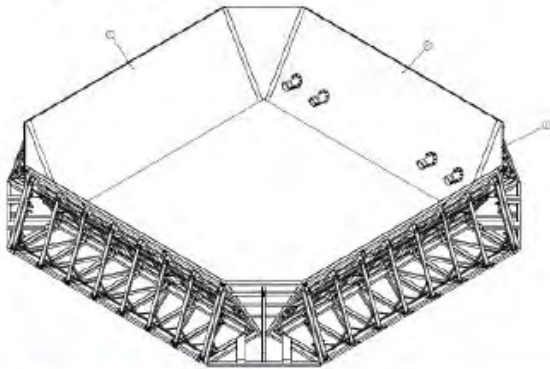
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- Wind Rating as per AS1170.2:2011(R2016), Structural Design Actions Part2 : Wind Actions
 - Individual panel (or a straight line section of assembled panels)
 - Overturning/Sliding rating (e.g. in storage or prior to installation) rated to a maximum of 100km/hr
 - Fully Assembled (with corner pieces, locking pins and cables)
 - Stable to all wind conditions in all wind regions (includes cyclonic)
 - However, recommend minimum 100mm of fluid in tank at shallow end to stop liner from blowing away/tearing
 - Hydrostatic Loading as per AS NZS 1170.1-2011(R2016) and AS3990-1993(R2016)
 - Assembled with cables and pins
 - Fluid maximum specific gravity of 1.2 in conjunction with wind loading
 - Structurally able to handle erosion under 70% of the frame (although not recommended as the liner would be removed under the panel by the hydrostatic fluid)
 - Cables to be capable of being safely loaded to 160kN
 - Installation conditions
 - Site Slope
 - See chart for numbers of panels versus slope
 - Ground Bearing Pressures
 - Uniformly supported panels exert a pressure of 35 kPa beneath the frame members when filled with 1.2 SG fluid
 - The liner exerts a pressure on the ground of 25 kPa when filled with 1.2 SG fluid
 - As a reference – A typical passenger vehicle tyres exert approx. 200kPa on ground
 - Ground/Site Preparation
 - Assessment would be on a site-specific basis
 - Recommended final site preparation of a bedding material of loose sand or fine aggregate to ensure uniform loading under frame members
 - A depth of not less than 100mm would ensure final levelling could be performed during assembly of the panels
 - Alternatively, a ground level tolerance of +/- 16mm should be used to ensure uniform loading under frame members
 - To reduce the likelihood of erosion, it is recommended that a spoon drain or similar be provided around the structure, particularly on the high side or where there is the potential for significant runoff to impact the structure. This would also be site specific.
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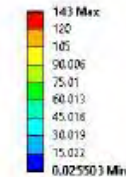
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Finite Element Analysis (FEA) software used to simulate various load conditions and confirm engineering calculations



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Deformed Scale = 300 times

Structural FEA of Frame Connecting Pin

- Supported in the middle of the pin
- Loaded on either end of the pin

Structural FEA simulating erosion under 70% of Structure

- Supported on either side by the ground and horizontal cables
- Fluid hydrostatic pressure acting on the panel surface

Appendix B: Land Condition Assessment

Land Condition Assessment

Velkerri 76 S2 and Kyalla 117 N2 Exploration Program

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Velkerri 76 S2 and Kyalla 117 N2 Exploration Program

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Table of Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
°C	Degrees Celsius
%	Percentage
AAPA	Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority
ALA	Atlas of Living Australia
AS	Australian Standard
BOM	Bureau of Meteorology
CLA	Cambrian Limestone Aquifer
Cth	Commonwealth
DoH	Department of Health (NT)
DotEE	Department of the Environment and Energy (Cmwlth)
DENR	Department of Environment and Natural Resources (NT)
DPIR	Department of Primary Industries and Resource (NT)
DLPE	Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment (NT)
EPA	Environment Protection Authority (NT)
EP##	Exploration Permit (e.g. EP76, EP98 and EP117)
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
EPBC	Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation
ESCP	Erosion and Sediment Control Plan
GPS	Global Positioning Device
Ha	hectare
IBA	Important Bird Area
ILUA	Indigenous Land Use Agreement
Km	Kilometre
km ²	Square Kilometres
km/hr	Kilometre per hour
LCA	Land Condition Assessment
m	metre
MD	Measured Depth
MNES	Matters of National Environmental Significance
mm	millimetre
NLC	Northern Land Council
NT	Northern Territory
OHS	Occupational Health and Safety
RWA	Restricted Work Area
TO	Traditional Owner
<i>TPWC Act</i>	<i>Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act</i>

Acronym	Meaning
WMP	Weed Management Plan
WoNS	Weed of National Significance

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this Report

AECOM Australia Pty Ltd (AECOM) conducted a land condition assessment (LCA) to support Origin Energy's (Origin) application to the Northern Territory Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for various exploration activities.

The purpose of the LCA was to gather baseline information to provide an environmental condition assessment to support the proposed exploration activities to be carried out by Origin at two proposed lease sites during 2019/2020.

1.2 Project Boundary

Origin are proposing to undertake a series of activities required to expand their exploration program in the Beetaloo Basin. Origin are targeting two sites for the 2019/2020 exploration program, Velkerri 76 S2 and Kyalla 117 N2. The location and proposed disturbance area are presented in Table 1 and Figure 1.

Table 1 Proposed Lease Area for Exploration Activities and Disturbance Area

Exploration Permit	Name	Station	Zone*	Easting	Northing	Disturbance Area (ha)
EP76	Velkerri 76 S2-1	Amungee Mungee	53	435488	8136321	7.2~
EP117	Kyalla 117 N2-1	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	356175	8137500	9.8~
EP117	Stuart Highway Intersection	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	332371	8135170	0.5
EP117	Gravel Pit 1	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	339883	8135005	1.0
EP117	Gravel Pit 2	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	360366	8135138	1.0
EP117	Gravel Pit 3	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	362841	8135102	1.0
EP117	Gravel Pit 4 and access track	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	397906	8136039	1.5
EP117	Gravel Pit 5 and access track	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	403386	8135809	1.0
EP117	Gravel Pit 6 and access track	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	405049	8135927	1.0
EP76	Gravel Pit 7	Amungee Mungee	53	435749	8135306	0.5
Total Disturbance Area (Ha)						24.5 ha

* Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) geographic coordinate system is Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA) 94.

~Includes well pad, camp lease, stockpile laydown and access track turnin.

For the purpose of this assessment, the project boundaries were defined as the areas which may be affected by the proposed exploration activities, including:

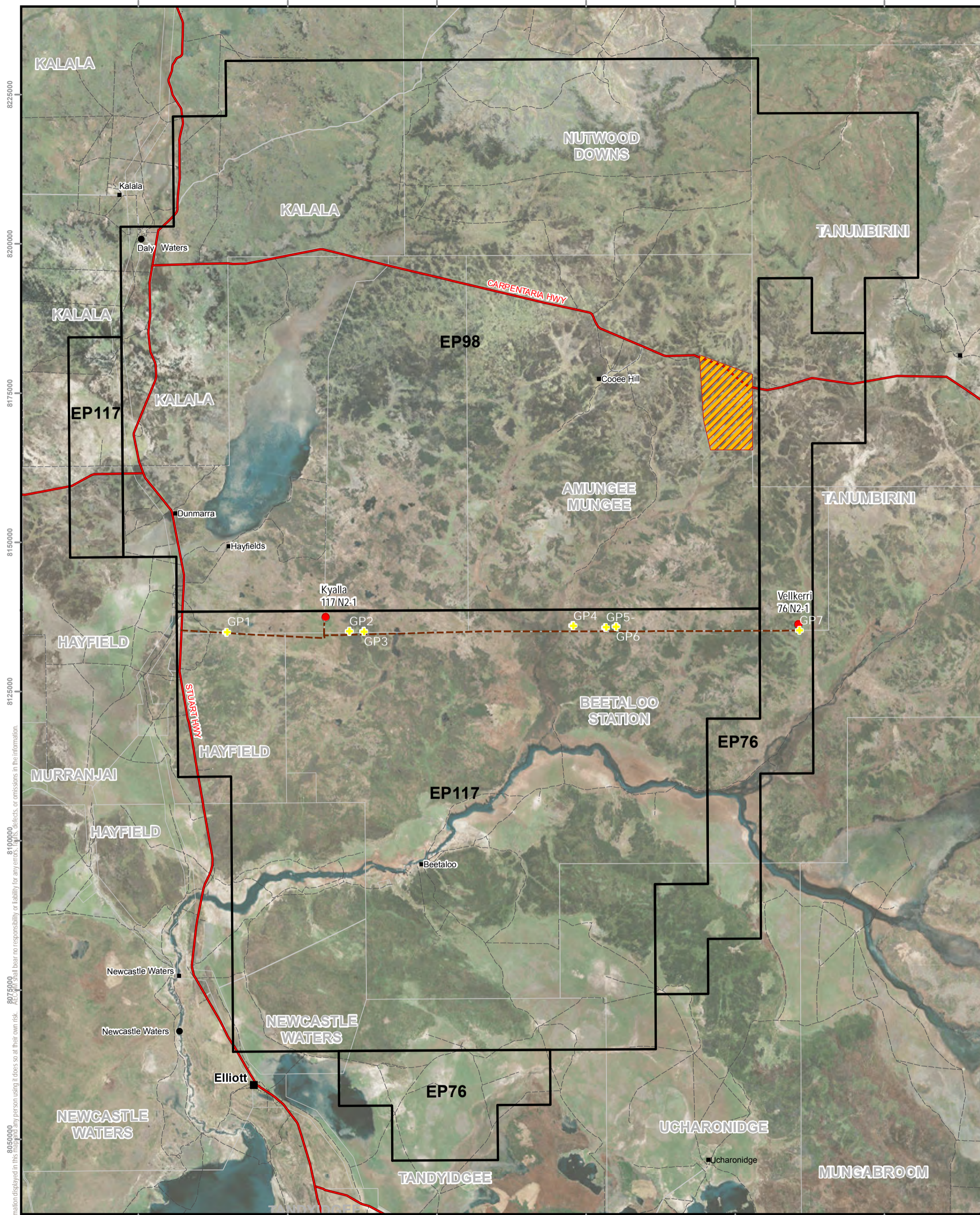
- Construction of a 5.5-ha lease pad at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construction of a 1.2-ha camp pad at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construction of a 0.2-ha stockpile area at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.

- Construction of a 0.25-ha helipad and 1-ha wet weather storage area at the Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construct a 650 m long x 8 m wide (0.52-ha) lease pad turn in to Kyalla 117 N2 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.
- Construct a 1,100 m long x 8 m wide (0.88-ha) lease pad turn in to Velkerri 76 S2 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.
- Minor intersection upgrade works at the intersection with the Stuart Highway of approximately 0.5-ha in accordance with approved Road Agency approval (2018-0186-D2) and Permit to Work within NT Government Road Reserve.
- Utilise approximately 107 km of existing access track.
- Obtain gravels, as required, for construction of drill pads and sections of the access track at up to seven proposed borrow pits (7 gravel pits up to 1 to 2.1 ha).
- All other activities ancillary to the drilling, stimulation and well testing of an exploration well.

1.3 Scope of works

The scope of work for the LCA involved:

- a review of historical data and reports prepared during the previous Beetaloo onshore oil and gas exploration programs
- a search of the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy (DoTEE) Protected Matters database (27 August 2018)
- a search of the NT Natural Resource Management InfoNet Database (flora and fauna database) (4 September 2018)
- a search of the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) database for flora and fauna records (2014 and 2016)
- completion of LCA field survey of the proposed exploration lease areas drilling program.
- Preparation of this report.



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LEGEND

● Proposed Wells 2018	Highway	Cadastre
 Homestead	Tracks	Permit Areas
● Place Name	Access Routes	Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve
■ Populated Place		
+ Gravel Pits		

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2.0 Assessment Method

2.1 Desktop Review

The existing data collected between 2005 and 2016 for the permit areas was mapped based on image interpretation, with ground-truthing of the proposed exploration areas being completed during the field assessment (refer Section 2.2). This information was reviewed prior to the field work to identify the following:

- terrestrial vegetation types and flora and fauna species occurring within the region and with potential to occur within the project area, using existing documents and aerial / satellite imagery.
- terrestrial Commonwealth or Territory listed threatened species or communities identified within the region and with potential to occur within the project area.
- matters of national environmental significance or other matters protected by the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act (EPBC Act) that are likely to occur within the project area.
- existing weeds or feral animals listed under the EPBC Act, *Weeds Management Act* or the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act* and with potential to occur within the project area.

Table 2 provides a chronological list of reports previously compiled for the exploration permit area between 2004 and 2016, in relation to environmental approvals and management support for petroleum exploration activities in the Beetaloo Basin, NT.

The extent of work undertaken since 2004 has enabled a good understanding of the natural and cultural environment, which has been used in assessing the proposed exploration areas within the Permit Area.

Table 2 Summary of existing Environmental Assessments and Reports for the Beetaloo Basin (2004 to 2018)

Date	Report
Sweetpea Petroleum	
Jul- Aug 2004	Baseline land condition assessment
	Site database established
Jul 2005	Exploration EMP finalised and approved
Petrohunter Australia (Partner to Sweetpea)	
Dec 2006	Baseline vegetation assessment
Apr 2007	Drill site assessments
Apr 2007	Annual report
Jun 2007	Update of the existing EMP to include the new Exploration Permit areas
Jul 2007	Drill Site maps
Jul 2007	Supplemental Environmental Management Plan, Drilling Program 2007, Beetaloo Basin, NT
Jul 2007	Soil erosion assessment
Jul 2007	Groundwater quality
July 2007	Emergency Maps
Jul 2007	Environment & Heritage Induction Materials
Aug 2007	Site-based Drilling EMP
Falcon Oil and Gas	
Dec 2010	Drill site condition assessments

Date	Report
Jan 2011	Archaeological survey
March 2011	Site-specific drilling EMP
2011	Falcon Shenandoah 1 Stimulation and Testing Groundwater Monitoring
2011/2012	Shenandoah 1 Re-Entry Environment Plan (EP)
July 2012	EP99 Archaeological Survey, Beetaloo Basin
2013	EP99 Seismic Exploration Environmental Management Plan
2013	Sweetpea 2006 Closeout Environmental Survey
Origin	
2015 and 2016	Beetaloo Basin Environmental and Heritage Assessment and preparation of Approval documentation.
October 2018	Land Condition Assessment

2.2 Field assessment and reporting

The LCA of the proposed exploration lease areas, including access tracks, was conducted on 28 to 29 August 2018 by Principal Environmental Scientist, Abe Francis. The survey involved helicopter and pedestrian survey of the proposed exploration lease areas and access tracks and was accompanied by the AECOM Principal Heritage Consultant, Luke Kirkwood and the Department of Environment and Natural Resource (DENR) Regional Weed Officer (Onshore Shale Gas Development), Tahnee Hill.

The LCA used rapid assessment techniques, which allowed for large areas to be surveyed over a relatively small period of time. The helicopter provided a good platform to enable the field team a degree of flexibility by allowing an aerial view of the access tracks and proposed exploration lease areas, as well as the ability to land in otherwise remote locations for ground-truthing.

The primary aim of the LCA was to identify and document site condition prior to the proposed activities occurring in the footprint of the two lease areas and proposed access tracks and inform the preparation of the programs Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

Following the desktop review, AECOM undertook a condition assessment at each of the nominated sites and access tracks to record site-based characteristics, including:

- the presence of drainage lines and the direction of surface flows
- the distance to the nearest sensitive receptors (such as significant vegetation communities or fauna habitats)
- soil characteristics and intactness
- terrestrial vegetation community types (note that the vegetation descriptions would be based on dominant species for each vegetation structural component)
- listed threatened flora species and fauna habitat features, such as hollows, logs and burrows (the fauna habitat quality for each mapped vegetation community type would be assessed)
- incidental fauna sightings
- the presence of weeds and/or feral animals (i.e. indication of scats, tracks, wallows etc.)
- general land use description.

For this assessment, the environmental scouting included a 4-hectare area around the proposed exploration areas, plus an additional 500 m buffer to allow for future flexibility for the proposed Origin exploration activities.

A 250 m buffer each side of an existing access track were scouted to allow for locating camps, gravel pits and water supply bores in the future. Where the access tracks were located on a property boundary, the buffer was 500 m out into the property the track was located on.

It is noted that not all of the nominated areas scouted for the exploration areas and/or access tracks will be affected by site activities, but sufficient size was allowed to provide flexibility in the siting of infrastructure and borrow pits, which in turn can be used to minimise environmental and heritage impacts (e.g. significant tree or habitat avoidance, Sacred Site/archaeological artefact avoidance).

3.0 Land Condition Assessment

The results of the LCA and desktop review has been summarised in the following sections. The area covered during the assessment is shown in Figure 2. During the helicopter survey, two sites proposed for exploration activities were ground-truthed, along with the proposed access tracks (refer Section 1.2). Scoping for the gravel pits was also conducted.

3.1 Climate

The climate of the Origin permit areas can be described as arid to semi-arid, with rainfall decreasing in frequency and quantity from north to south. The climate is monsoon influenced, with a distinctive wet and dry season experienced through the year. The area experiences a wet season during the summer months between October and March, which is dominated by hot and wet conditions. Whilst the dry season during the winter months experiences mild days and cool nights between May to August. September and April are transitional months, with occasional rainfall. The average annual rainfall in the north of the permit area is listed at 680 mm at Daly Waters. The southern portion of the permit area records an average annual rainfall of 535 mm at Newcastle Waters and 608 mm listed at Elliott. Approximately 90% of the rainfall occurs during the Wet Season, and annual totals show moderate variability from year to year.

The maximum rainfall for the permit area occurs during January and February. Daly Waters experience the highest rainfall in the region at this time, with 165 mm during each month, followed by Elliott (133-164 mm during each month) and Newcastle Waters (125-130 mm during each month). July and August experience the least amount of rainfall and are the driest months across all three weather monitoring sites, ranging from one to four mm of rainfall. The annual rainfall pattern within the area is highly variable and becomes increasingly unpredictable the further move away from the coast. Drought conditions are known to occur in the region once every ten years (Holt and Bertram, 1981).

The land condition assessment was undertaken between 28 and 29 August 2018. The timing of the assessment was such that it fell within the dry season. The Daly Water airstrip station recorded a higher than average rainfall of 590 mm between January to April 2018 wet season compared to the mean rainfall from 1939 to 2018 of 482 mm.

The average annual rainfall experienced across the region (which includes the BOM data from Daly Waters Airstrip and Elliot) is shown in Table 3.

Table 3 Annual rainfall 2016-2018

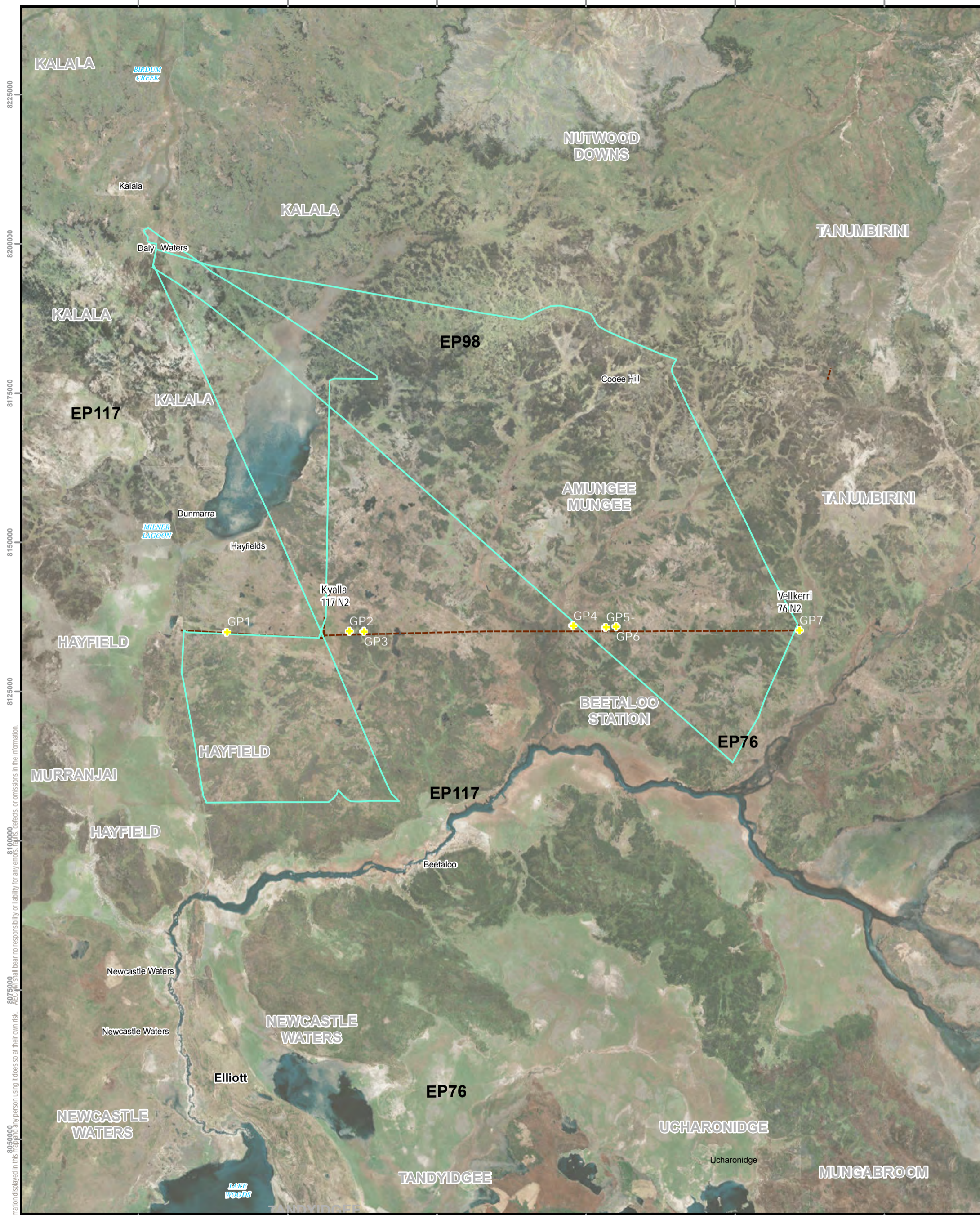
Year	Annual Rainfall (mm)		Months Rain was recorded	
	DW	NW	DW	NW
2016	608	570	12	9
2017	866	607	7	6
2018*	590	270	4	4

DW – Daly Waters Airstrip, NW – Newcastle Waters.


Data sourced from Bureau of Meteorology, Climate Averages for Station 014626 Daly Waters Airstrip recorded from 1939-2018, Station 015131 Elliot recorded from 1949-2018. * note 2018 is only current to date (October 2018)

Due to the timing of the LCA occurring at the end of the dry not all species were able to be identified, however sufficient data was able to be captured to obtain a good understanding of the land condition within the proposed lease areas to help inform required management measures for the protection of the environment.


The proposed lease sites and the short access roads are unlikely to be impacted by the onset of the wet season because they are located outside of the adjacent major flow paths and creeklines within the permit area (refer to Section 3.2).



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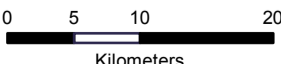


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- Homestead
- Place Name
- Populated Place
- Highway
- Minor Road
- Tracks
- Access Tracks
- Cadastre
- Permit Areas
- Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve
- Helicopter Transects
- Gravel Pits

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3.2 Topography, Surface Water and Drainage

The permit area is located within three main topographic zones. These are primarily made up of black soil plains in the south, laterite plains in the north and small sections of bedrock hills in the south west and north east of the permit areas (Tickell, 2003). The proposed lease areas occur within the lateritic plains. The topography of the two sites have low relief and surface water flow ultimately drains in a south and south westerly direction.

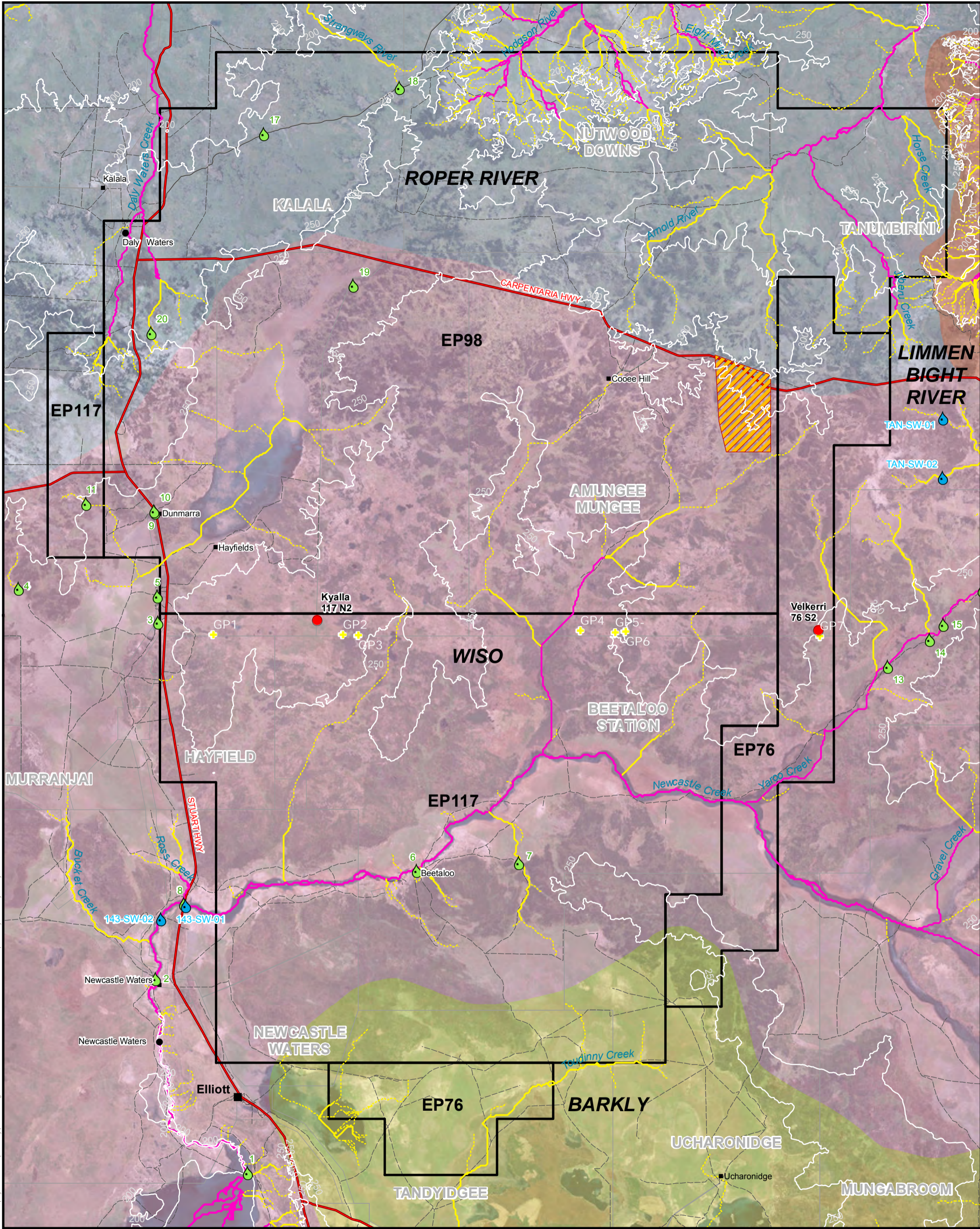
Three main river basins, Roper River Basin to the north, Wiso River Basin in the centre and the Barkly River Basin in the south occur within the exploration permit area (Figure 3). All the proposed lease areas are located within the Wiso River Basin. The Wiso River Basin covers the southern half of EP98 (south of the Carpentaria Highway) and the majority of EP117 and is internally drained by Newcastle Creek and a number of small ephemeral creeks. Newcastle Creek flows into Lake Woods, which is located south of Newcastle Waters Station.

Lake Woods covers an area of inundation of approximately 50,000 ha in normal rainfall years, extending to 80,000 ha in exceptionally wet years, after which it can retain water for several years (AECOM, 2015). Lake Woods is described as a major quasi-permanent surface water body in the region, although some semi-permanent and many ephemeral waterholes are located across the permit area (HLA, 2006b) and is listed as a Site of Conservation Significance by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and is listed on the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia. Lake Woods is listed as a wetland of national significance in the Directory of Important Wetlands in Australia (DIWA: NT013 Lake Woods). The site meets criteria 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and includes DIWA wetland types: B1, B6, B10, B13 and B14.

Although Lake Woods is located outside of the Exploration Permit Areas, it is fed principally by surface inflow of Newcastle Creek originating more than 160 km north-east on Amungee Mungee Station (NTG, undated). During the period of inundation, Lake Woods supports over 100,000 waterbirds including internationally significant numbers of Plumed Whistling-Duck. Numerous bird species nest and feed in the diverse wetland habitat, and the conservation group 'Birdlife International' nominated Lake Woods as an 'Important Bird Area' (IBA). The lake also includes the largest area of lignum swamp in the Northern Territory and in tropical Australia (NTG, undated).

Newcastle Creek (Stream Order 4) and a number of small intermittent streams (Stream Order 1 and 2) are located along the proposed access tracks to Velkerri 76 S2 site (refer Figure 3). The streams only flow for a short period during the wet season, with waterholes forming at the beginning of the dry season. If the wet season is poor, the waterholes will often remain dry, whereas, during heavy wet seasons, large areas of the internal drainage systems are flooded. The stream banks are often lined with a scatter of small trees which highlights them from the surrounding plains.

The two proposed lease pad areas are not located within the major flow pathway of Newcastle Creek and the small intermittent streams. During the wetseason it is likely the region would experience widespread surface flooding, to a depth of 30 cm, which has previously been identified by debris being collected on fence lines (HLA, 2005).



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LEGEND

- Proposed Well 2018
- Surface Water 2007
- Homestead
- Contours
- Place Name
- Surface Water 2015
- Populated Place
- DLRM Surface Water
- Contours
- Highway
- Minor Road
- + Gravel Pits
- Tracks
- Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve
- Cadastre
- Permit Areas
- River Basins
- Barkly
- Limmen Bight River
- Roper River
- Wiso
- Stream Order Intermittent Streams
- Creeks
- Rivers
- Rivers
- Rivers

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Data sources:
Permit Area, Cadastre, Basin - NT Gov 2014
Places - Aust Gov 2014
Highways, Roads, Drainage - StreetPro 2014

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3.3 Land System

Land systems are defined because of their distinct differences from the surrounding areas and by the recurring pattern of geology, topography, soils and vegetation. Land system mapping for the permit area developed is a compilation of the Northern Land Systems (scale 1:250 000) and the Southern Land Systems (scale 1:1 000 000) (Department of Land Resource Management 2013). The data set is made up of the following:

- *Land Systems of the Northern Part of the Northern Territory* is an amalgamation of 16 existing Land System surveys with modifications to some of the original interpretations. This land system dataset is the Northern Territory contribution to Australian Soil Resource Information System (ASRIS) national soils database at scale 1:250,000.
- *Land Systems of the Southern Part of the NT* is a compilation of three existing land system surveys and the Atlas of Australian Soils (scale 1:2,000,000). It covers the southern part (approx 70%) of the Northern Territory. Published maps were made digital and edited to accommodate overlaps, gaps and mismatching boundaries. Where possible, the land system descriptions have been extrapolated into areas covered by the broader scale Atlas mapping.

Using the available information, there are 22 different land systems located within the exploration permit areas. The Velkerri 76 S2 and Kyalla 117 N2 proposed lease area and seven proposed gravel pits all occur within the Beetaloo Land System which is characterised by:

- gently undulating lateritic plains and rises
- lateritic red earths and lateritic podzolic soils
- *Acacia shirleyi* (Lancewood) forest.

3.4 Soils

The dominant soils encountered within the permit area have been derived from ancient rock formations and ancestral soils that were formed during the earlier weathering cycles. The soils are deeply weathered and leached (Orr and Holmes, 1984). The soils in the permit area have been influenced by:

- past wetter conditions that formed relict Tertiary plains which comprise highly leached and lateritic soils
- extensive areas of Post-Tertiary Alluvia on which a variety of mature soils formed
- the dissected hilly country that is dominated by skeletal soils or rocky outcrops
- a range of parent materials of residual soils, ranging from basic volcanic and highly calcareous rocks to granitoid rocks and sandstones (Christian *et al*, 1951).

The lateritic plains, located within the permit area, are classed as very strongly leached soils of the Tertiary land surface. The three main soil types located within the permit area, include:

- **Tertiary Lateritic Red Earths**, which occur on the gently undulating topography. The soil profile can be described as:

A-Horizon	Grey-brown sandy loam
B-Horizon	Reddish brown sandy clay loam
C-Horizon	Red-brown to red light clay, overlying heavy ferruginous gravel and massive laterite
- **Tertiary Lateritic Red Sands**, which occur on gently undulating to undulating topography of the Tertiary Lateritic Plain, formed from sandstones and complex parent materials of the deep sandy soils. The soil profile can be described as:

A-Horizon	Grey-brown to brown sand
B-Horizon	Brown sand

C-Horizon Red-brown to yellow-brown sand overlying pisolitic ferruginous gravel and massive laterite. Altered colouring of highly siliceous parent sandstone is only evident in the mottled and pallid zones.

- **Tertiary Lateritic Podzolic Soils**, formed on the gently undulating topography over a variety of rocks. These soils are located in the northern section of the Barkly Basin. The soil profile can be described as:

A-Horizon Grey sand

B-Horizon Yellowish-grey sand

C-Horizon Yellow-grey sandy loam with ferruginous gravel overlying massive laterite, mottled and pallid zones.

Geotechnical investigations have confirmed the proposed lease sites consist of red silty sand with some gravel pieces. Although Velkerri 76 S2 test result indicated a higher percentage of gravel content compared to Kyalla 117 N2 both sites should be characterised as red silty sand. The surface soils collected during the field survey indicated the soils were slightly acidic (pH range of 5.0 to 6.2) across the permit area. A dispersion test was also undertaken on the samples which indicated that the soils were non-dispersive and maintained their shape when submerged in water. Results from the soil testing is provided in Appendix A.

There are also small sections of the proposed access track that may traverse through Black soil plain country. Black Soil Plains are located within the Barkly Tablelands, including EP76, the southern part of EP117 and a small section of EP98. The soils usually crack widely in the upper profile upon drying and have a loose, self-mulching surface. The soils are neutral to alkaline, calcareous and commonly have depths to one metre (Fisher, 2001). The cracking clay soils occur mostly on flat or gently undulating plains ('downs') and are associated with the exposure and weathering of sedimentary or basic volcanic rocks. The Black soils also occur on the more recent depositional landscapes in the form of alluvial clays associated with drainage lines and major river systems.

3.4.1 Erosion Susceptibility

Soil erosion susceptibility varies throughout the permit area, dependent upon the soil types, slope and extent of ground disturbance. Apart from the erosive impact of climatic conditions, soil erosion is influenced mainly by the inherent properties of the soils and the processes which occurred during the formation of the landscapes (Aldrick and Wilson, 1992).

Erosion will occur in the permit area if the land is used beyond its capacity, as is seen if land is overstocked or vehicle movements not controlled, for example. The location of proposed lease areas has been examined on the ground, to determine the risk of erosion occurring. Factors considered include the following.

- Soil type – soils with higher clay content are prone to generation of bulldust and are easily eroded by wind and water. Gravelly soils tend to be more robust to disturbance on the scale expected during the exploration program. Both sites reported a soil type of red silty sand.
- Slope – the slope of the site will determine the risk of erosion during rainfall events, with steeply inclined areas a higher risk than small undulations in the landform. All the proposed lease sites were in very flat (low relief) with a slope of <1%. During the program, the crossings of the access track on the small ephemeral streams and Newcastle Creek will require additional controls.
- Aspect – the position of the access track and pads in relation to the direction of the contour should be considered and creation of tracks across (as opposed to parallel with) the contour should be avoided.
- Rainfall – Table 4 present the erosion risk rating based on average monthly rainfall using the rating system provided in the IECA (2008) Table 4.4.2 for Daly Waters. The construction activities for all exploration activities is proposed to be commence following the wet season from April 2019 onwards. Most of the soil disturbance activities will be completed prior to the onset of the wet season in November 2019. As such, based on rainfall during the construction period, the overall risk of erosion is considered very low for the Velkerri 76 S2 and Kyalla 117 N2 sites.

Table 4 Erosion Risk Rating based on average monthly rainfall at Daly Waters

-Item	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Rainfall (mm)	165.4	165.4	120.1	23.6	5.0	5.6	1.5	1.7	4.9	22.5	59.4	110
Erosion Risk*	H	H	H	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	M	H

* **E** = Extreme (>225 mm); **H** = High (100+ to 225 mm); **M** = Moderate (45+ to 100 mm); **L** = Low (30+ to 45 mm); **VL** = Very Low (0 to 30 mm)

Based on the sites descriptions and the results from the soil samples, the erosion risk for the proposed lease areas is considered None/Slight erosion risk. This was confirmed during the field survey in August 2018 which reported no evidence of erosion within the proposed lease areas.

Certain sections of the proposed access tracks are likely to encounter more erosion susceptible soils, such as the access track to the southern sites and where streams and Newcastle Creek are crossed (refer Section 3.2). Mitigation measures will need to be established to minimise the risk for erosion along the track and are stabilised leading up to the wet season.

Overall, the main issues to be managed in relation to soils during exploration activities in the permit areas include:

- the generation of bull dust along the access tracks. Noting previous observations have indicated bull dust had formed where the surface crust had been disturbed and then subjected to repeated ground disturbance (AECOM 2015). This was primarily in grassland areas.
- The formation erosion gullies along inappropriately placed tracks and fence lines, where a slope was present. Scolding to bedrock has previously been observed in other areas of the permit, as well as pooling of water in areas of compaction and subsidence.

3.5 Biological Environment

3.5.1 Vegetation Communities

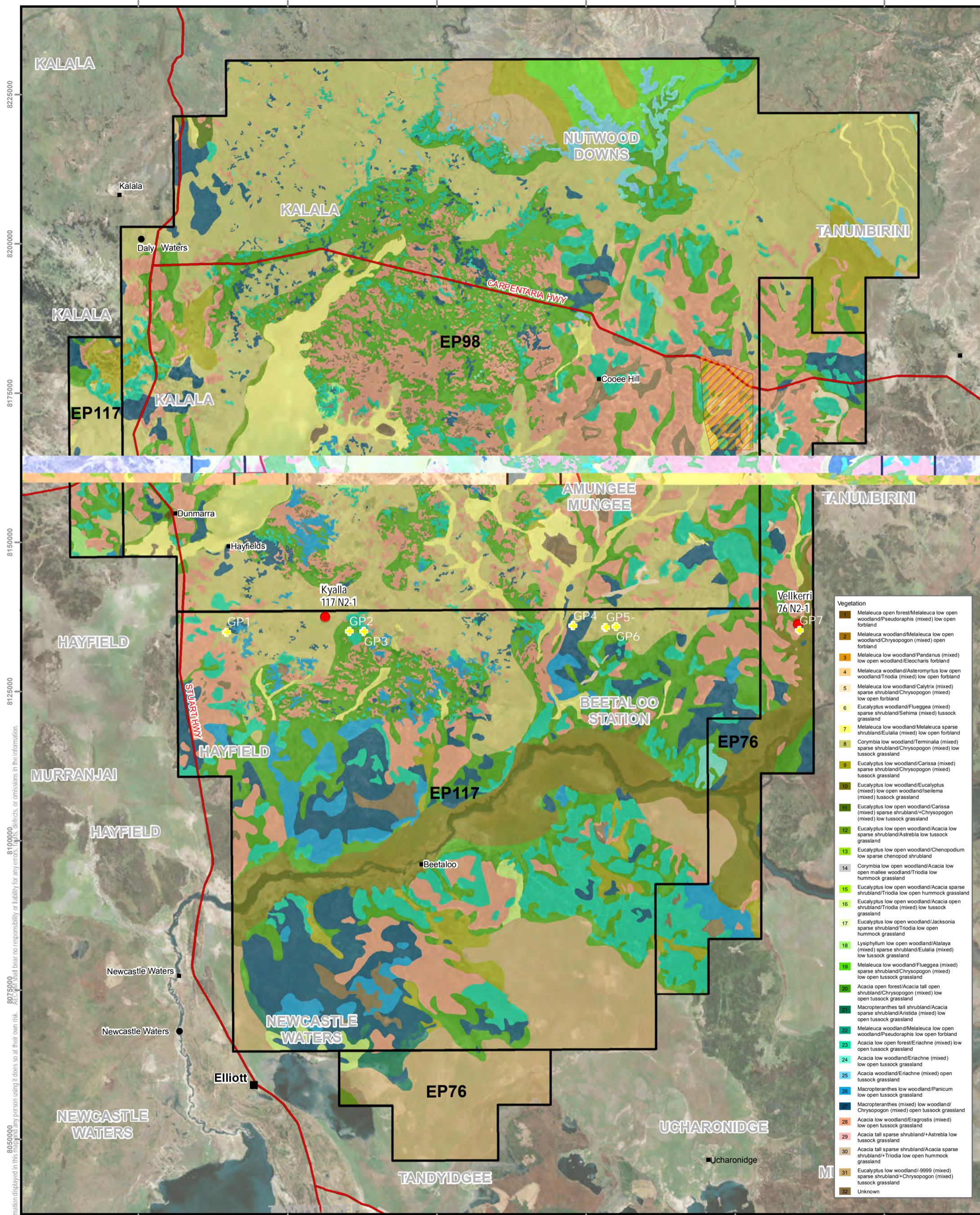
The Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia is a nationally recognised ecosystem classification system (Environment Australia, 2000). Bioregions are large, geographically distinct ecosystems that are distinguished by broad physical and biological characteristics, which can be further classified into Subregions. These regions and subregions are used as the basis for regional comparisons and conservation of flora and floristic communities.

Of the 85 bioregions mapped nationally, 20 occur within the Northern Territory and only two within the Origin permit areas, the Sturt Plateau bioregion and the Mitchell Grass Downs bioregion. The 2018 proposed lease sites all fall within the Sturt Plateau Bioregion which comprises undulating plains on sandstone, with predominantly neutral sandy red and yellow earth soils. Dominant vegetation associations included extensive areas of Lancewood (*Acacia shirleyi*) - Bullwaddy (*Macropteranthes kekwickii*) vegetation. Land condition in the bioregion is moderate to good but is threatened by impacts from weeds, feral animals, pastoralism and changed fire regimes.

Vegetation communities within the permit areas have been ground-truthed during baseline assessments in 2004, 2006 (HLA, 2006; 2006c), 2010, 2014, 2016 (AECOM, 2011; 2014; 2016) and more recently in August 2018, along with assessments of weeds, habitat, erosion and land condition.

Kyalla 117 N2 vegetation community including the turn-in is described as *Corymbia* spp open woodland with mixed *Terminalia* spp. shrubland over low tussock grassland (*Triodia bitextura*). Whereas, Velkerri 76 S2 vegetation community is described as *Eucalyptus/Corymbia* spp. low open woodland with *Iseilema* spp. mixed tussock grassland. Directly to the west and south of Velkerri 76 S2 there is a large stand of Bullwaddy and Lancewood vegetation community which the proposed access track previously traversed. Following site survey the project has determined that the access track will now be diverted around the Lancewood/Bullwaddy stand to minimise impact on a known sensitive vegetation community.

Figure 4 provides vegetation communities across the entire permit area, while Figure 5 and Figure 6 provides the vegetation communities on the proposed lease sites, Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.



Vegetation

1	Melaleuca open forest/Melaleuca low open woodland/Pseudoraphis (mixed) low open formland
2	Melaleuca woodland/Melaleuca low open woodland/Chrysopogon (mixed) open formland
3	Melaleuca low woodland/Pandanus (mixed) low open woodland/Eleocharis formland
4	Melaleuca woodland/Asteromyrtus low open woodland/Troodia (mixed) low open formland
5	Melaleuca low woodland/Calytrix (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open formland
6	Eucalyptus woodland/Flueggea (mixed) sparse shrubland/Sehima (mixed) tussock grassland
7	Melaleuca low woodland/Melaleuca sparse shrubland/Eulalia (mixed) low open formland
8	Corymbia low woodland/Terminalia (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland
9	Eucalyptus low woodland/Carissa (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) tussock grassland
10	Eucalyptus low woodland/Eucalyptus (mixed) low open woodland/Seilma (mixed) tussock grassland
11	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Carissa (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland
12	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Acacia low sparse shrubland/Astrelba low tussock grassland
13	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Chenopodium low sparse chenopod shrubland
14	Corymbia low open woodland/Acacia low open mallee woodland/Troodia low hummock grassland
15	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Acacia sparse shrubland/Troodia low open hummock grassland
16	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Acacia open shrubland/Troodia (mixed) low tussock grassland
17	Eucalyptus low open woodland/Jacksonia sparse shrubland/Troodia low open hummock grassland
18	Lysiphylum low open woodland/Atalaya (mixed) sparse shrubland/Eulalia (mixed) low tussock grassland
19	Melaleuca low woodland/Flueggea (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland
20	Acacia open forest/Acacia tall open shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland
21	Macropteranthes tall shrubland/Acacia sparse shrubland/Aristida (mixed) low open tussock grassland
22	Melaleuca woodland/Melaleuca low open woodland/Pseudoraphis low open formland low open tussock grassland
23	Acacia low open forest/Eriachne (mixed) low open tussock grassland
24	Acacia low woodland/Eriachne (mixed) low open tussock grassland
25	Acacia woodland/Eriachne (mixed) open tussock grassland
26	Macropteranthes low woodland/Panicum low open tussock grassland
27	Macropteranthes (mixed) low woodland/Chrysopogon (mixed) open tussock grassland
28	Acacia low woodland/Eragrostis (mixed) low open tussock grassland
29	Acacia tall sparse shrubland/Astrelba low tussock grassland
30	Acacia tall sparse shrubland/Acacia sparse shrubland/Troodia low open hummock grassland
31	Eucalyptus low woodland/9999 (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) tussock grassland
32	Unknown

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- Homestead
- Place Name
- Populated Place
- Highway
- Permit Areas
- Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve
- Gravel Pits

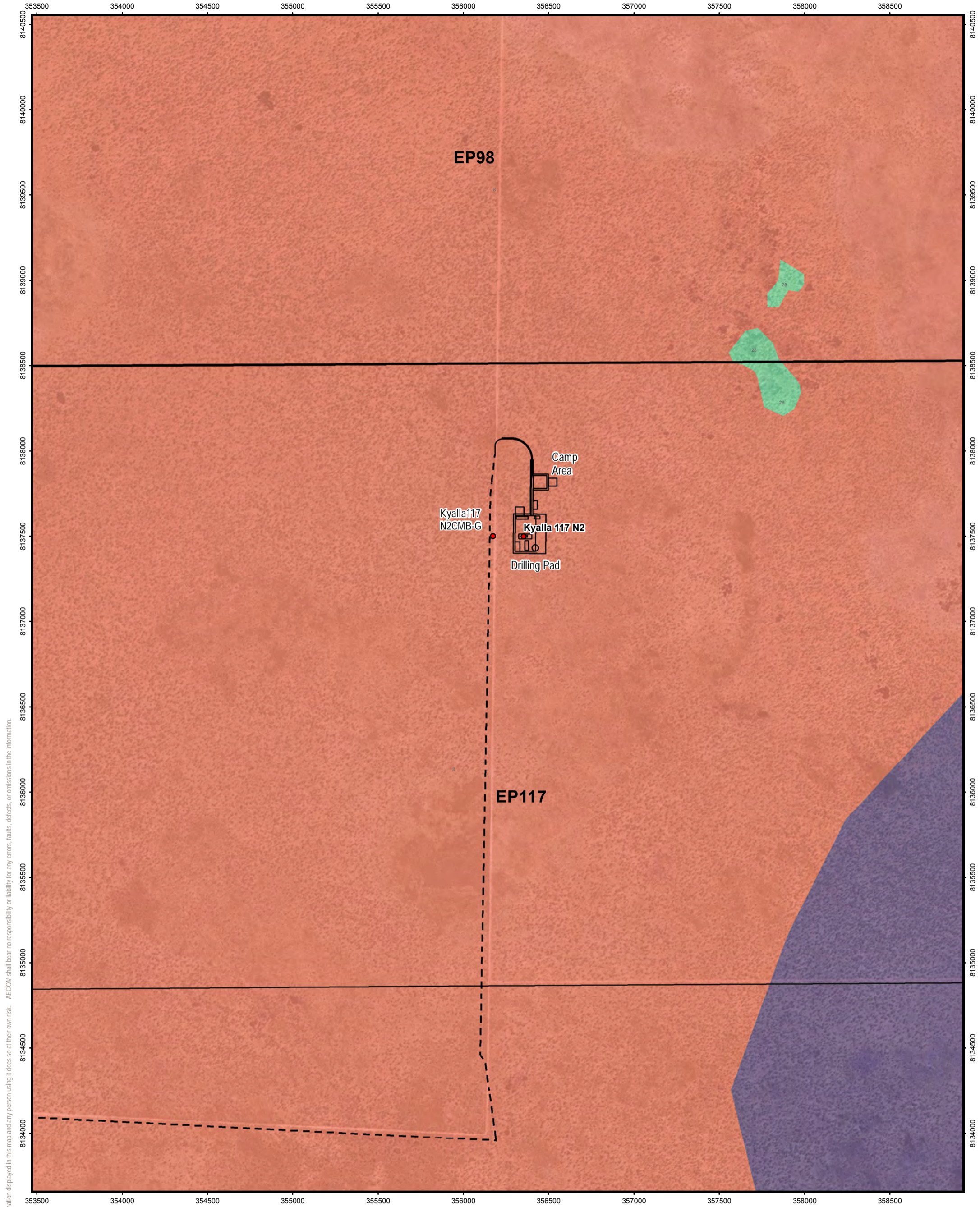
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Figure 4



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LEGEND

- KYA117-N2 CMB-G
- Proposed 2019
- Drill Pad and Services Location
- Permit Areas

Vegetation Community

- Acacia low woodland/Eragrostis (mixed) low open tussock grassland
- Acacia open forest/Acacia tall open shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland
- Corymbia low woodland/Terminalia (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland

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Places, Vegetation - Aust Gov 2019
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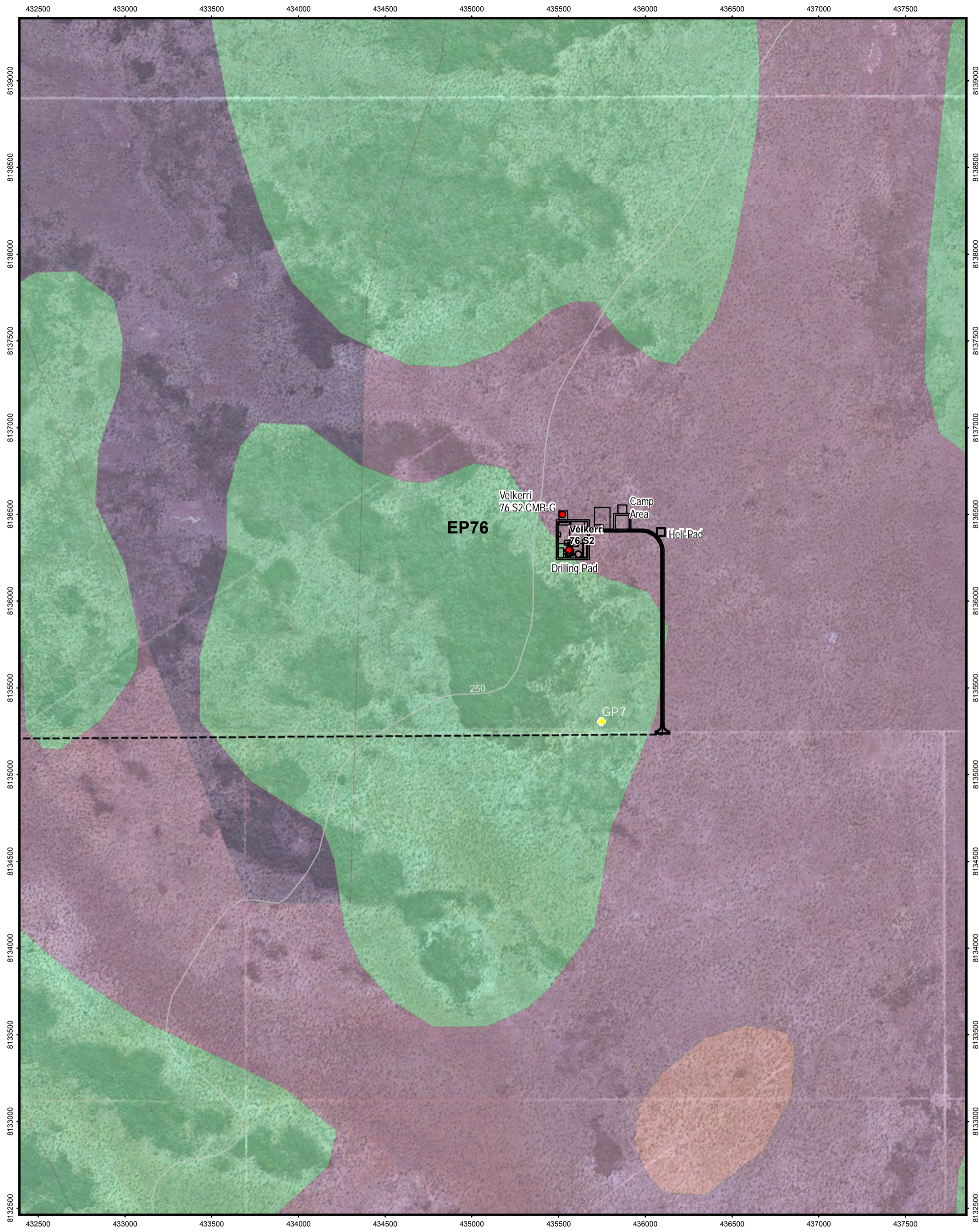
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<p>LEGEND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Velkerri76 S2 CMB-G ● Velkerri76 S2 Permit Areas Tracks Contours + Gravel Pits 	<p>Vegetation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acacia low woodland/Eragrostis (mixed) low open tussock Acacia open forest/Acacia tall open shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland Eucalyptus low woodland/Eucalyptus (mixed) low open woodland/Iseilema (mixed) tussock grassland Macropteranthes (mixed) low woodland/Chrysopogon (mixed) open tussock grassland
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LOCATION



Data sources:
Permit Area, Cadastre - NT Gov 2019.
Places, Vegetation - Aust Gov 2019
Highways, Roads, Drainage - StreetPro 2019

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The approximate 107 km of the existing access track is predominantly surrounded by the same vegetation unit as Kyalla 117 N2, with patches of Bullwaddy and Lancewood, including at the proposed entrance off the Stuart Highway and surrounding some of the Gravel Pits. In addition, there are some areas of minor stands of Melaleuca low open wood and mixed acacia woodlands.

Previous exploration activities in the permit area provided some understanding on how the vegetation communities regenerated following clearing and rehabilitation. The rehabilitation monitoring following previous exploration programs were undertaken during 2007 and again in 2013 (HLA, 2007 and 2013). It was noted that in the first year the success of rehabilitation was greatest in communities with grassland understory (primarily due to annual grass growth), whereas woodlands (mainly Lancewood and Bullwaddy) showed low levels of natural regeneration. By 2013, six years after disturbance the origin seismic lines through the Lancewood were such that there was almost no difference in the canopy height to the surrounding Lancewood communities.

The vegetation types described for the identified gravel pit locations are described in Table 5.

Table 5 Gravel Pit Vegetation Description

Gravel Pit	Vegetation Description
GP1	Corymbia low woodland/Terminalia (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland
GP2	Acacia open forest/Acacia tall open shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland
GP3	Acacia open forest/Acacia tall open shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low open tussock grassland
GP4	Macropteranthes (mixed) low woodland/Chrysopogon (mixed) open tussock grassland
GP5	Corymbia low woodland/Terminalia (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland
GP6	Corymbia low woodland/Terminalia (mixed) sparse shrubland/Chrysopogon (mixed) low tussock grassland
GP7	Acacia low woodland/Eragrostis (mixed) low open tussock grassland

The vegetation throughout the permit area during the August 2018 survey appeared in very good condition with minimal impacts from grazing, fire and erosion.

3.5.2 Flora

A total of 805 plant species have been recorded within the wider region, during the August 2018 survey 10 dominant flora species were identified at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2 (Appendix B). As the survey was conducted during the late dry season, grasses and other annual species were difficult or impossible to identify due to the lack of inflorescence or because they had already died-back.

No Commonwealth or NT threatened plant species were identified as occurring by the Protected Matters Searches (refer Appendix C). One species, the prostrate, herbaceous vine *Ipomoea argillicola*, is listed as Near Threatened under Section 29 of the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act 2000* (TPWC Act) and could potentially occur in the project sites, although has not been reported in previous and current surveys. NT flora data base shows that this species has been recorded from the Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve and at locations surrounding the area in previous searches (AECOM, 2015).

The region supports fragmented stands of Bullwaddy, which is listed under the TPWC Act as 'Least Concern', which refers to species that are either widespread or common and cannot be categorised as Critically Endangered, Endangered, Vulnerable, Near Threatened or Data Deficient. However, Bullwaddy is significant in terms of the habitat it provides for a range of native species. The extent of Bullwaddy in the permit area is far more extensive than that indicated by the NT Herbarium records.

3.5.3 Weeds

Weeds remain an increasing threat to the Barkly region's natural assets. This threat is not new and considerable time and effort has already been invested in weed management across the region (Department of Land Resource Management, 2015).

Figure 7 and Table 6 provides a list of weed species that are known to occur or likely to occur within the wider exploration Permit Areas.

This information is based on:

- Mapping data provided by the Weed Management Branch, DENR.
- *Weed Management Planning Guide: Onshore Petroleum Projects* (DENR, June 2019).
- Guidelines for the *Management of the Weeds of Beetaloo 2018* (DLRM et al 2018).
- Department of the Environment and Energy (DotEE) EPBC Act Protected Matters Report database.
- Previous data collected by AECOM in the permit area.

Table 6 NT listed weeds known of likely to occur within the Permit Area

Scientific Name	Common Name	Status	Data Source
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Prickly Acacia	Class A and C, WoNS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DotEE Protected Matters Report
<i>Alternanthera pungens</i>	Khaki Weed	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
<i>Andropogon gayanus</i>	Gamba Grass	Class A and C, WoNS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Neem	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Cenchrus ciliaris</i>	Buffel Grass	Not declared in NT	DotEE Protected Matters Report
<i>Cenchrus echinatus</i>	Mossman River Grass	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
<i>Datura ferox</i>	Fierce Thornapple	Class A and C	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
<i>Hyptis suaveolens</i>	Hyptis	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
<i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>	Bellyache Bush	Class B and C, WoNS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018) DotEE Protected Matters Report
<i>Parkinsonia aculeate</i>	Parkinsonia	Class B and C, WONS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018) DotEE Protected Matters Report

Scientific Name	Common Name	Status	Data Source
<i>Prosopis pallida</i>	Mesquite	Class A and C, WONS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Sida acuta</i>	Spinyhead sida	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Sida cordifolia</i>	Flannel Weed	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Sida rhombifolia</i>	Paddy's Lucerne	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Tamarix aphylla</i>	Athel pine	Class B and C, WONS	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Themeda quadrivalvis</i>	Grader Grass	Class B and C, WoNs	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Tribulus terrestris</i>	Caltrop	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Xanthium occidentale</i>	Noogoora Burr	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)

Note: Declarations under the Northern Territory Weeds *Management Act 2013*:

- a Class A weed is to be eradicated
 - a Class B weed is to have its growth and spread controlled
 - a Class C weed is not to be introduced to the NT.
- * All Class A and B weeds are also Class C.

They survey undertaken in August 2018 and June 2019 of the proposed exploration lease areas did not identify any weed species. This suggests that the habitat condition in the areas of the proposed sites and surrounding areas were good.

Previous surveys within the Permit Area in 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018 and 2019 of drill sites and access tracks have also found that the proposed areas had a low number of weed species which suggests the habitat condition was fairly high in and around the Permit Area. Specifically, three listed species, *Parkinsonia aculeate* (Parkinsonia), *Hyptis suaveolens* (Hyptis) and *Calotropis procera* (Rubber Bush) have been recorded.

Rubber Bush (Plate 1) was recorded during the follow up survey conducted June 2019. In addition, Wild Passionfruit (*Passiflora foetida*) (Plate 2) and Stylo (*Stylosanthes* sp.) were observed throughout the area but are not listed as weed under NT legislation.

Rubber Bush (Class B and C) has previously been recorded in close proximity to the Beetaloo access track in 2016 and was also noted during the 2019 survey at the start of the Stuart Highway intersection (Plate 1). This was a patch of adult plants with seedpods.

Parkinsonia is considered a Weed of National Significance (WoNS), which are weed species that are the focus of national management programs for restricting their spread and/or eradicating them from parts of Australia. This species was not recorded within the proposed 2019 exploration area.

It is possible that additional species are present but were present in low abundance or difficult to identify due to stage of growth.



Plate 1 Rubber Bush near the Stuart Highway Intersection on Hayfield/Shenandoah



Plate 2 Wild Passionfruit also located near the Stuart Highway Intersection.

These weed species surveyed within the Permit Area and their corresponding Northern Territory *Weeds Management Act 2013* declarations are listed in Table 7.

Table 7 Species found within the permit area

Scientific Name	Common Name	Declaration	Where located
<i>Hyptis suaveolens</i>	Hyptis	Class B and C	Beetaloo access track Access track to Velkerri 98-E1-1 site Stuart Highway
<i>Parkinsonia aculeate</i>	Parkinsonia	Class B and C, WONS	Beetaloo access track
<i>Calotropis procera</i>	Rubber bush	Class B and C	Close proximity to the Beetaloo access track. At beginning of 2019 Access Track near Stuart Highway Intersection

In addition to these 18 species a range of annual grass weeds are known to occur along road corridors throughout the region. Hyptis (Plate 3), and Buffel Grass (*Cenchrus ciliaris*) (Plate 4) were recorded along the Stuart Highway within the NTG Road Reserves. Buffel Grass is of concern due to its invasive nature and ability to alter ecosystem function. Buffel Grass however was introduced and cultivated for livestock feed and is useful in soil stabilisation.



Plate 3 Hyptis at a road side truck stop on the Stuart Highway



Plate 4 Buffel Grass on top of a Table Drain along Stuart Highway

The *Guidelines for the Management of the Weeds of Beetaloo 2018* (DLRM et al 2018), also identifies a number of introduced plants that have previously been recorded within the proposed permit areas and have been identified as problem weeds in one or more locations across Northern Australia. It is noted that these are not listed under the NT *Weeds Management Act* but could be of concern elsewhere in Australia. Understanding the potential weeds likely to occur within the Permit Area is particularly important when proposed activities include transporting machinery and equipment during the construction process.

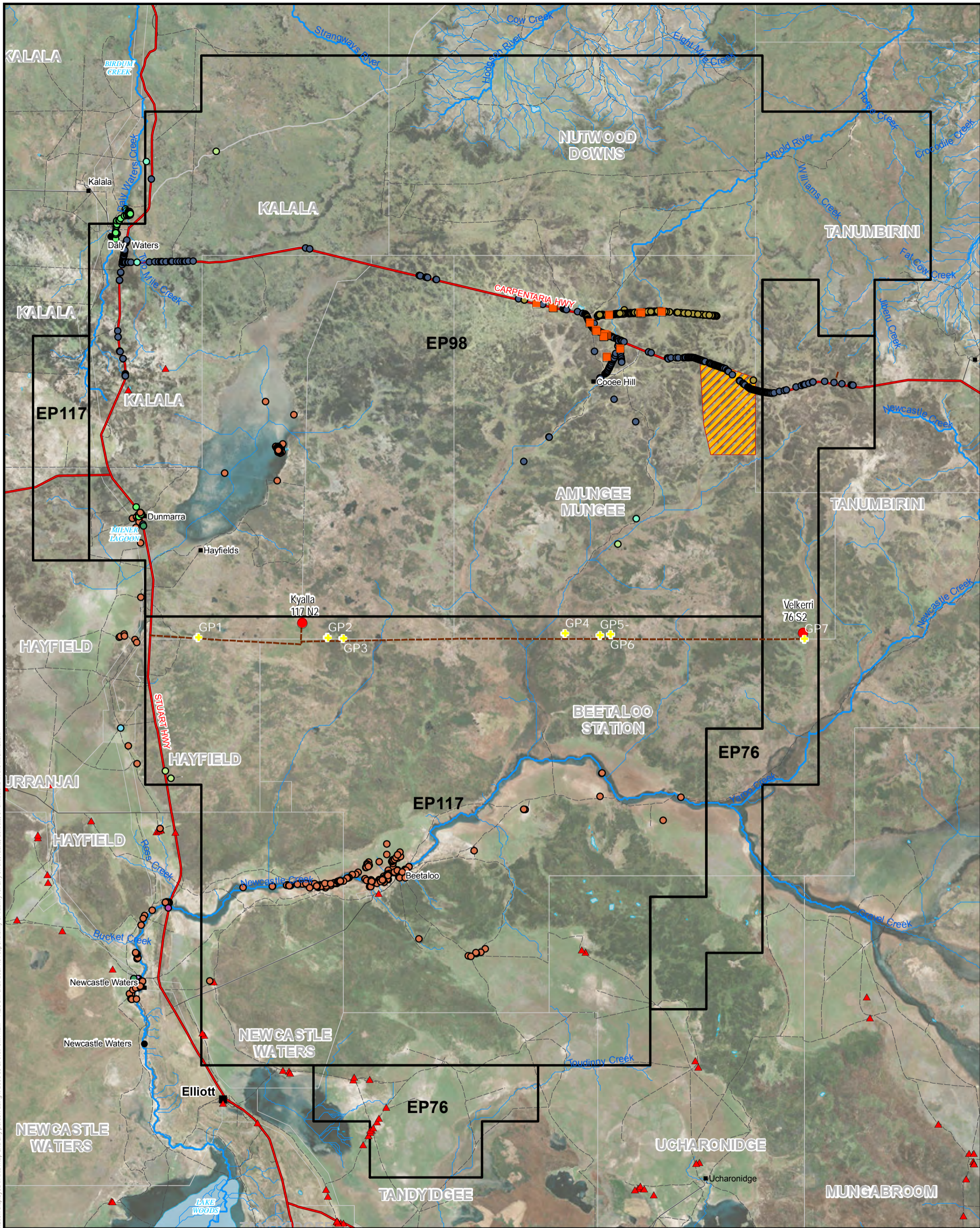
The *Barkly Regional Weed Management Plan* provides additional information on regional weed management priorities and management actions to support landholders in their obligations to manage weeds on their land (DLRM, 2015).

This plan includes a list of alert weed species. These species are not yet naturalised in the region but have the potential to have a high level of impact to the region should they become established. The likelihood of the species naturalising and spreading in the region is perceived to be high (DLRM, 2015).

The alert species identified the *Barkly Regional Weed Management Plan* are listed Table 8. If found the program EMP requires the Weed Management Branch to be contacted for identification and disposal.

Table 8 Alert species identified in the Barkly Region

Scientific Name	Common Name	Declaration
<i>Cenchrus setaceum</i>	Fountain grass	Class B and C
<i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>	Parthenium	Class A and C, WONS
<i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>	Rubber vine	Class A and C, WONS



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LEGEND		Weed Name		LOCATION	
● Proposed Wells 2019	— Highway	● Athel pine	● Mesquite		
■ Homestead	— Minor Road	● Belyache bush	● Neem		
● Place Name	— Tracks	● Burr - Noogoora	● Parkinsonia		
■ Populated Place	□ Cadastre	● Grader grass	● Prickly acacia		
— Major Stream	□ Permit Areas	● Hyptis	● Sida - Flannel weed		
— Minor Stream	□ Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve		● Sida - Spiny head		
— Access Tracks	+ Gravel Pits		■ Gamba Grass		
			▲ Rubberbush		

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3.5.4 Fauna and Habitat

Previous surveys and database searches indicate that the permit areas are an important area for a diverse array of fauna. The NT Fauna database provides records for the following fauna species (excluding migratory birds): 32 species of mammal, 198 species of birds, 96 species of reptiles and 19 species of frogs. Surveys undertaken elsewhere within the region have recorded:

- 78 bird, 33 reptile, 11 mammal and six frog species in the Bullwaddy Conservation Reserve (PWCNT, 2005)
- 148 bird, 47 reptile, 21 mammal and six frog species in the Junction Stock Reserve and nearby Newcastle Waters (Fleming *et al.*, 1983)
- 157 bird species within the project area as determined by a search of the Birds Australia bird atlas database (Birds Australia, 2010).

The proposed exploration sites are all located within similar habitat types consisting primarily of open *Eucalyptus/Corymbia* woodland with a tussock grass understorey. There are Bullwaddy/Lancewood communities around the proposed sites and individuals of both species are dispersed throughout. In the wider landscape, including proposed access tracks, additional vegetation types include those associated with drainage lines, grasslands/floodplains and acacia shrublands.

Eucalypt/Corymbia woodland provides habitat for a range of species. The proposed sites had high native grass cover and included numerous species suitable for granivorous birds (seed eaters). Dense leaf litter and numerous logs provide suitable refuge and foraging sites for fauna such as reptiles. Although most of the species found in this vegetation type are widespread in the tropical savannas of the Northern Territory, some such as the threatened Crested Shrike-tit (*Falcunculus frontatus whitei*) are rare and known to utilise this habitat (DoTEE, 2014, Ward, 2008). Many of the sites have a high density of hollow-bearing trees that provide important habitat for many fauna species. Avoiding clearing large hollow-bearing trees will reduce the impact to native wildlife within the permit area.

Savanna grasslands and open woodland provide suitable habitat for species such as Emu (*Dromaius novaehollandiae*) and Australian Bush Turkey (*Ardeotis australis*). Drainage lines and seasonally inundated grasslands may also provide habitat for migratory species during the wet season and are breeding areas for frogs. Limiting disturbances in these areas and avoiding these areas during the wet season would limit impacts on fauna.

3.5.4.1 Threatened Fauna

A search of the DoTEE Protected Matters database of nationally significant fauna (PMST), the NT Government fauna database (NRM Infonet), and records from the Atlas of Living Australia (ALA) was undertaken for the proposed lease areas and access tracks. The search results indicate the potential presence of 15 fauna species listed as threatened under the EPBC Act and/or the TPWC Act (Table 9). These included ten birds, eight mammals and two reptiles.

The likelihood assessment of species occurrence is based on the availability of suitable habitat within the permit area, records in the vicinity and distributional data. Therefore many of the threatened and migratory fauna species indicated in databases as 'occurring' or 'likely to occur' have been assessed as *unlikely to occur* within the proposed exploration lease areas. As some areas in the proposed lease area have not been subject to intensive survey and some species are very cryptic, a conservative approach has been taken to assess species presence. A full description of each species, their distribution and habitat associations are outlined in Table 9 below.

No core habitat for threatened fauna was identified at the sites. However, some species may possibly occur and are known to occur in the wider landscape. Threatened species that may possibly occur include:

- Gouldian Finch *Erythrura gouldiae* (E-EPBC Act, VU-TPWC Act)
- Crested Shrike-tit (northern) *Falcunculus frontatus whitei* (VU-EPBC Act, NT-TPWC Act)

Research has shown that critical components of suitable habitat for the Gouldian Finch include suitable nesting trees during the breeding season (particularly *E. tintinnans*, *E. brevifolia* or *E. leucophloia*), a water source and a diverse range of favoured annual and perennial grasses (DoE,

2015). No nesting habitat was recorded during the surveys and it is unlikely this species breeds in close vicinity of the sites. During the wet season Gouldian Finches move from breeding habitat on hillsides with suitable trees down to lower lying areas where they forage on perennial grasses such as *Triodia* sp., *Alloteropsis semialata*, and *Chrysopogon fallax* (Palmer *et al.* 2012). Some of the perennial grasses were recorded during recent surveys so potential foraging habitat is present; however, there are limited records in the vicinity of the sites suggesting it is not an important area for this species.

The Crested Shrike-tit lives in dry Eucalypt forests and woodland where it feeds on insects from the canopy and also under bark (Ward, 2008). It has been recorded in wet Melaleuca open woodlands, woodlands dominated by Nutwood (*Terminalia arastrata*), Bloodwoods with flaky bark and ironwood (DoE, 2014, Ward, 2008). In the NT, nesting has been recorded from September through to January and nests are built in terminal branches at the top of trees (Ward *et al.*, 2009). The stronghold of this species is north of this location and only one old record exists near Borroloola. Although it is possible this species may be present in the area, it is unlikely to represent an important area for this species and the impact of the proposed activities, given their size, would be small.

The Grey Falcon (*Falco hypoleucus*) is a widespread species listed as Vulnerable in the NT that is considered possibly to be present in the study area. The Painted Honeyeater (*Grantiella picta*) has been known to occur in the study area, however, given it does not breed in the NT it would only be present intermittently for foraging. Based on the field assessment there was no breeding habitat recorded, and depending on grass seed and water availability it is unlikely the study area comprises core habitat for this species.

As records of species may be limited in remote areas the precautionary principle has been applied. There are some species that have been assessed as possibly occurring even though their primary habitat is not found within the proposed sites or access tracks. These include species that are associated with ephemeral wetlands, low lying areas that may be seasonally inundated and creeks. During the wet and early dry season these areas may sustain threatened species such as wetland birds (including migratory species) and also the Plains Death Adder (*Acanthopis hawkei*).

Table 9 EPBC and TPWC Listed Threatened Species and Likelihood of Occurrence

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
Birds					
<i>Calidris ferruginea</i> Curlew Sandpiper	Marine Migratory	VU	In the NT this species occurs around Darwin, north to Melville Island and Cobourg Peninsula, and east and south-east to Gove. It has been recorded inland from Victoria River Downs and around Alice Springs (Higgins & Davies 1996).	Coastal habitats, inland it has been found around lakes, dams and ephemeral/permanent waterholes.	Unlikely (suitable habitat not present at survey sites but potential sporadic in wider landscape)
<i>Erythrotriorchis radiatus</i> Red Goshawk	VU	-	Found across most of Northern Australia, in the NT most records are from the Top End but there are records from central Australia (Pizzey & Knight, 2012).	Red Goshawks occupy a range of habitats, often at ecotones, including coastal and sub-coastal tall open forest, tropical savannahs crossed by wooded or forested watercourses. In the NT, it inhabits tall open forest/woodland as well as tall riparian woodland (Aumann & Baker-Gabb, 1991).	Unlikely (no records and core habitat absent)
<i>Erythrura gouldiae</i> Gouldian Finch	E	VU	Formerly widespread across northern Australia. In the NT they are found in the Top End south past Daly Waters (Palmer <i>et al.</i> , 2012).	Gouldian Finches occupy different habitat types in the breeding and non-breeding season. Breeding habitat consist of hillsides with suitable nesting trees. In the non-breeding season they are found in lowland drainages to feed on suitable perennial grasses (Dostine & Franklin, 2002).	Possible (sporadic, foraging only, no recent records)
<i>Falcunculus frontatus whitei</i> Crested Shrike-tit (northern)	VU	NT	This species has a very patchy distribution with records from the Victoria River District to Maningrida. Only one record near Borroloola (1930) (Woinarski & Ward, 2012).	Occupies wet and semi-arid melaleuca and eucalypt open woodlands. May be associated with bloodwoods with flaky bark and ironwood (Ward, 2008).	Possible (no records in vicinity although suitable habitat present, very rare)

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
<i>Falco hypoleucos</i> Grey Falcon	-	VU	This species has a widespread distribution and records for this species exist throughout the NT. However, most records are from arid and semi-arid regions (Pizzey and Knight, 2012).	Grey Falcons inhabit lightly treed inland plains, gibber deserts, sandridges, pastoral lands, timbered watercourses and, occasionally, the driest deserts. (Pizzey and Knight, 2012). Also found also in association with inland drainage systems.	Likely (probably not at proposed lease areas but likely in floodplains across the permit area)
<i>Geophaps smithii</i> Partridge Pigeon	VU	VU	Occurs across the Top End of the NT, declined/disappeared from lower rainfall areas (Woinarski, 2007).	Found predominantly in open eucalypt forest and woodland with grassy understories (Woinarski, 2007).	Unlikely (no records, occurs north of the permit area although some habitat present)
<i>Grantiella picta</i> Painted Honey Eater	VU	VU	This species is found throughout eastern Australia but breeding is known from south-eastern Australia (Pizzey and Knight, 2012). This species is rare.	This species specialises on the fruit of mistletoes although it may also forage on nectar and insects (Garnett <i>et al.</i> , 2011). Numerous large tracts of <i>Acacia shirleyi</i> with abundant mistletoes were recorded in the vicinity of the Beetaloo sites.	Possible (records from Barkly Tablelands but none in close vicinity, habitat present, foraging only)
<i>Polytelis alexandrae</i> Princess Parrot	VU	VU	Occupies arid lands in Australia where it is patchily distributed (Woinarski, 2007).	Found in sand dune habitat, spinifex with eucalypts, and shrubs such as acacias, hakeas, and eremophilas (Pizzey and Knight, 2012; Woinarski, 2007).	Unlikely (most records from southern arid region, not primary habitat)
<i>Rostratula australias</i> Australian Painted Snipe	CE	VU	In the NT, probably occurs in central and southern area although it also possible occurs in the northern portion of the area (Woinarski <i>et al</i> , 2007).	These birds prefer a habitat of recently flooded temporary vegetated wetlands during the non-breeding period and brackish temporary freshwater wetlands with minimum vegetation during breeding periods. Birds usually forage in thick, low vegetated areas during the day (Curtis <i>et al</i> , 2012).	Unlikely* (one record, no suitable habitat at drill sites but may be present in the wider landscape during the wet season)
<i>Tyto novvaehollandiae kimberli</i>	VU	VU	Distributed in Northern Australia although not well	This species inhabits tall open eucalypt forest in the NT, especially those associated	Unlikely

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
Masked Owl (northern)			known. In the NT, occurs from Cobourg south to Katherine and the VRD and east to the McArthur River (DOTE, 2014)	with <i>E. Miniata</i> and <i>E. tetradonta</i> (Woinarski, 2007). Also found in riparian and monsoonal forest and rainforest (DOTE, 2014)	(primary habitat absent)
Mammals					
<i>Dasyurus hallucatus</i> Northern Quoll	E	CE	Found throughout most of Northern Australia although now restricted to six main areas (Menkhorst & Knight, 2011). In the NT it is found in the Top End as far southeast as Boroloola (DOTE, 2014). One previous record from Shenandoah Pastoral Lease (unknown date).	Northern Quolls do not have highly specific habitat requirements although the most suitable appear to be rocky habitats (Woinarski, 2007). They occur in a variety of habitats across their range, including open forest and woodland. Daytime den sites provide important shelter. Shelter sites include rocky outcrops, tree hollows, hollow logs, termite mounds, goanna burrows and human dwellings.	Unlikely (no recent records, no core habitat)
<i>Pseudantechinus mimulus</i> Carpentarian Antechinus	–	VU	Found in QLD and the NT. In the NT it has been reported from the Sir Edward Pellew Island group, and Pungalina reserve near Borroloola.	This species is distributed in rocky habitat including sandstone boulders and outcrops with hummock grasses (Woinarski, 2004). In QLD, this species has been recorded on rocky ridges and hill-slopes (Lloyd <i>et al.</i> , 2013).	Unlikely (one record but no suitable habitat)
<i>Isodon auratus</i> Golden Bandicoot	V	E	This species used to be found across northern, central and western Australia but decline after European settlement (Woinarski, 2007). Now only found on Marchinbar Island in the NT and small area of the NW Kimberley (Fisher and Woinarski, 1994; Woinarski, 2007).	Previously inhabiting a range of arid and semi-arid habitats, in the NT it occupies heathland and shrubland and hummock grasslands on sandstone, vine thickets and grassy woodlands (Menkhorst and Knight, 2011; Woinarski, 2007).	Highly unlikely (only persists in NE Arnhemland)

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
<i>Macroderma gigas</i> Ghost Bat	VU	NT	The species' current range in northern Australia ranges from relatively arid conditions in the Pilbara region of Western Australia to humid rainforests of northern Queensland. A large colony occurs in a series of gold mine workings at Pine Creek, NT. This species have also been recorded throughout the mainland Top End north of approximately 17° latitude.	The distribution of this species is influenced by the availability of suitable caves and mines for roost sites (NTG, 2018).	Unlikely (no recent records, no suitable cave located near proposed sites)
<i>Macrotis lagotis</i> Greater Bilby	VU	VU	This species occurs in south-western Queensland and in arid north-western Australia (Western Australia and Northern Territory). This species was previously widespread in arid and semi-arid Australia (Pavey, 2009). The most northern records are from Newcastle Waters and Wave Hill (Southgate & Paltridge, 1998).	In the NT, this species is found on sandy soils dominated by spinifex (Pavey, 2009). Low shrubs such as <i>Acacias</i> and <i>Melaleucas</i> are also common in this habitat. Also hummock grassland associated with low lying drainage systems and alluvial areas.	Unlikely (no recent records, primary habitat limited in permit area)
<i>Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus</i> Bare-rumped Sheath-Tailed Bat	CE	DD	Wide distribution from India through south-eastern Asia to the Solomon Islands, including north-eastern Queensland and the NT. The north-eastern Australian populations are described as the subspecies <i>S. s. nudicluniatus</i> , although it is	Previous specimens have been collected from Open <i>Pandanus</i> woodland fringing the sedgelands of the South Alligator River in Kakadu National Park (Friend and Braithwaite, 1986). In the NT, it has also been recorded from eucalypt tall open forests (Churchill, 1998)	Unlikely (no records and primary habitat not present)

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
			not clear whether this should be applied to the NT population (Duncan et al. 1999). There have been very few (<5 confirmed) records since (McKean et al. 1981; Thomson 1991). All confirmed records have been from the Kakadu lowlands.		
<i>Trichosurus vulpecula vulpecula</i> Common Brushtail Possum	–	E	Previously widespread in the NT, this species is now found in isolated locations in the southern NT (Woinarski, 2007).	This species occupies riparian habitat in the vicinity of rocky outcrops or slopes (Kerle <i>et al.</i> , 1992).	Unlikely (no records in the vicinity of the lease area and no suitable habitat)
<i>Rattus tunneyi</i> Pale Field-rat	–	V	Inhabiting higher rainfall area including the Top End of the NT (Menkhorst and Knight, 2011).	This species favours dense vegetation found along rivers where it occupies burrows in loose colonies (Cole and Woinarski, 2002). However, this species can be found in a variety of habitats including woodlands if a dense understorey of grasses is present (Menkhorst and Knight, 2011)	Unlikely (one record from 1999 in greater area, primary habitat absent)
Reptiles					
<i>Acanthopis hawkei</i> Plains Death Adder	VU	VU	In the NT this species is found in the floodplains of the Adelaide, Mary and Alligator Rivers and the Barkly Tablelands.	Found on flat cracking soils in treeless floodplains where it forages on frogs, reptiles and rats.	Unlikely (no records or suitable habitat)
<i>Varanus Mertensi</i> Mertens Water Monitor	–	V	Distributed throughout coastal and inland waters in northern Australia. In the NT found throughout most of the Top	Semi-aquatic species that inhabits vegetation associated with water such as Pandanus and paperbark. Seldom found far away from water (Mayes, 2006).	Unlikely* (<u>was confirmed</u> during previous surveys along Newcastle

Species	Conservation Status		Distribution	Habitat	Likelihood of Occurrence
	EPBC	NT			
			End. Decrease in NT population attributed to Cane Toads.		Creek_habitat unsuitable at proposed exploration lease sites)

3.5.5 Feral Animals

Feral animals known to occur within the region include:

- Pig (*Sus scrofa*)
- Wild Dog (*Canis lupus familiaris*)
- Feral Cat (*Felis catus*)
- Cane Toad (*Bufo marinus*)
- Horse (*Equus caballus*)
- Donkey (*Equus asinus*)
- Water Buffalo (*Bubalus bubalis*)
- Camel (*Camelus dromedarius*)
- Black Rat (*Rattus rattus*)
- Domestic Cattle (*Bos Taurus*)

During the August 2018 survey evidence of cattle grazing in present or 1-2 years previously was recorded and in previous surveys of the permit area cat tracks were observed as the only non-native species recorded but based on records many species, especially Dogs/Dingo, Pigs and Cane Toads will be present in permit area. The disturbance from cattle within the proposed sites were considered to have resulted in less than 5% damage or no damage at all.

The Cane Toad is known to be present in the permit area and the Commonwealth DoTEE recognises this species as a 'key threatening process' related to their impacts on biodiversity through predation, competition, land degradation and poisoning. In the Northern Territory, the Cane Toad has been implicated in the decline of several species including a large number of reptiles such as the King Brown Snake and water monitors (Smith & Phillips, 2006).

Pest predators such as the Cat are most likely common although their abundance is difficult to assess due to their cryptic nature. Introduced predators such as Cats can impact many vertebrates (e.g. Dickman, 2009 & 1996). One of the primary concerns of introduced predators in the site is the impact on EPBC listed species such as reptiles, and ground-dwelling birds. Feral cats are believed to be one of factors that have led to the decline of threatened ground-dwelling bird the Partridge Pigeon (Woinarski *et al.* 2007)

Species could be attracted to the increased activities at the site potentially increasing their abundance in the landscape, and their control should be taken into consideration during the proposed activities on site. It is of key importance during all phases of the project that care is taken to ensure that rubbish is securely contained (i.e. with suitable lids) and removed from the site as soon as possible to discourage attracting any feral animals.

3.5.6 Fire

Fire is a natural occurrence in most Australian ecosystems and plays an important role in their ecology. Fire is generally excluded from Mitchell grasslands by pastoral management in order to maintain forage throughout the dry season (HLA, 2005) whereas fire is more frequent in the Sturt Plateau.

Historically, the majority of dry season fires (June to September) have occurred in the northern half of the permit area, in EP76, EP98 and EP117. At this time of year, the fires are likely to be high intensity (HLA, 2005). Wet season fires (October to May) have occurred within the permit area. These fires are likely to be patchy and of lower intensity, depending on the state of curing of the fuel load.

Bullwaddy and Lancewood communities, which are located throughout the permit area, are fire sensitive and hot fires have the ability to reduce habitat quality for both flora and fauna species. Research suggests that fauna diversity may be impacted by a hot fire, particularly for diurnal reptiles (e.g. Legge *et al.*, 2008).

Based on field data, fire disturbance was determined as follows:

- Vekerri 76 S2-1 – Fire Frequency 2-3 years previous, Intensity 1 (minor scars on some trees/shrubs and Height <1m).
- Kyalla 117 N2-1 – Fire Frequency 1-2 years previous, Intensity 4 (some trees and shrubs killed) and Height 1-4 m. It was noted that site appeared to have had a hot fire go through previously with abundance of new Acacia regrowth.

All sites that showed evidence of fire disturbance were showing signs of regrowth and recovery.

3.6 Land Condition Summary

Detailed land condition description and photographs of each of the proposed lease areas (Vekerri 76 S2-1, Kyalla 117 N2-1) are provided in Table 10 and Table 11 below.

Table 10 Velkerri 76 S2 Condition Description













Site ID	Velkerri 76 S2	Habitat photos at central point of survey site (August 2018)	
Location	-16°51' 20.13, 134°23' 39.85		
Landform and soil	Plains and rises associated with deeply weathered profiles (laterite) including sand sheets and other depositional products; sandy and earth soils. Trace of cracking clay soils.		
Habitat type	<i>Eucalyptus/Corymbia low woodland</i>		
Vegetation Community	Eucalyptus low woodland/low open tussock grassland This vegetation community is considered regionally extensive and not subjected to extensive clearing.		
Dominant flora species	Canopy dominated by <i>Corymbia dichromophloia</i> , <i>Erythrophleum chlorostachys</i> . Shrub layer including <i>Eucalyptus sp.</i> Ground layer species include <i>Aristida latifolia</i> , <i>Pterocaulon sphacelatum</i> , <i>Triodia bitextura</i> .	Additional Habitat Photos across survey site (August 2018)	
Habitat condition	Good condition with evidence of recent grazing. Large hollow bearing trees and logs were common in the area. The large hollows provide suitable nesting and shelter for numerous fauna species including reptiles, arboreal mammals, and nocturnal birds. The habitat contained moderate refuge opportunities in the form of dense leaf litter, dense grass cover, and woody debris. Good continuous cover adjoining adjacent woodland habitat. No evidence of weeds or feral animals.		
Potential Listed Threatened Species	Grey Falcon, Northern Shrike-tit, Plains Death Adder, Gouldian Finch.		

Table 11 Kyalla 117 N2-1 Condition Description

Site ID	Kyalla 117 N2-1	Habitat photos at central point of survey site (August 2018)	
Location	-16°50' 29.01, 133°39' 0.16		
Landform and soil	Plains and rises associated with deeply weathered profiles (laterite) including sand sheets and other depositional products; sandy and earth soils		
Habitat type	<i>Corymbia</i> low woodland		
Vegetation Community	<i>Corymbia</i> low woodland/ <i>Terminalia</i> (mixed) sparse shrubland/ <i>Chrysopogon</i> (mixed) low tussock grassland This vegetation community is considered regionally extensive and not subjected to extensive clearing.		
Dominant flora species	Canopy dominated by <i>Corymbia dichromophloia</i> , <i>Eucalyptus setosa</i> . Shrub layer including <i>Acacia ancistrocarpa</i> , <i>Alphitonia pomaderroides</i> , <i>Brachychiton paradoxus</i> . Ground layer species include <i>Triodia bitextura</i>		
Habitat condition	Good condition with evidence of recent grazing. Vegetation appeared to heavily burnt in recent years. No evidence of hollow bearing trees and logs. The habitat contained moderate to high refuge opportunities in the form of dense leaf litter, tussock grass cover, and woody debris. Good continuous cover adjoining adjacent woodland habitat and regionally extensive. No evidence of weeds or feral animals.		
Potential Listed Threatened Species	Grey Falcon, Northern Shrike-tit, Plains Death Adder, Gouldian Finch.	Additional Habitat Photos across survey site (August 2018)	
			

4.0 Conclusion

During August 2018, AECOM undertook a land condition assessment of the two proposed exploration lease areas and access tracks to provide a baseline assessment of ecological conditions in support of Origin Energy's application to the Northern Territory Department of Environment and Natural Resources, including the preparation of an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for various exploration activities. Additional weed survey was conducted during June 2019 to further inform conditions at the site.

The purpose of the LCA was to gather baseline information to provide an environmental condition assessment to support the proposed exploration activities to be carried out by Origin at two proposed lease sites during 2019/2020.

The LCA identified the ecological conditions and documented the site condition prior to Origin commencement of exploration within two of their Permit Areas EP76 and EP117. The information obtained during the initial LCA will assist in determining that at the end of the exploration activities that the lease areas have been rehabilitated back to its natural state.

The proposed exploration program will have a total disturbance of approximately 24.5 ha and will utilise 107 km of existing access tracks.

The desktop review and field survey assisted in identifying the potential environmental risks and impacts to the environment based on the conditions identified on site and has allowed the development of mitigation measures to minimise Origin's impact on the environment.

During the survey of the proposed exploration lease areas, as well as the areas surrounding the proposed access tracks were assessed to be in generally good condition with no to low evidence of weeds, erosion and disturbance from cattle.

The likelihood assessment concluded that no EPBC listed threatened ecological communities or threatened species are likely to be significantly impacted from the proposed exploration program activities.

Overall, the impacts of the vegetation clearing for the proposed lease areas and access tracks are considered minor from a landscape perspective. Surrounding habitat is extensive and most species are mobile and will be able to access surrounding habitat.

The mitigation measures presented in the Drilling and Stimulation EMP would assist in minimising the impacts from Origin's activities on EPBC listed species and communities.

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Appendix A

Soil Test Results

Soil Id	Photo	Soil pH	Soil Colour	Dispersion Test Observations
Kyalla N2-1		5.14	1.5YR 4/6	<p>Initial Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sample was fully crumbed when submerged in demineralised water. <p>Final Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-dispersive, particles crumble though water remains clear.
Velkerri S2		5.02	10YR 3/4	<p>Initial Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sample was fully crumbed when submerged in demineralised water. <p>Final Observation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-dispersive, particles crumble though water remains clear.
<p>NOTE: Initial Observation - observation made when the sample was submerged in water Final Observation - observation made after 2 hours</p>				

Appendix B

Flora Species Record,
August 2018

Appendix B Flora Species Record, August 2018

Table 12 Flora Species Recorded, August 2018 Field Survey

Family	Genus	Species
Asteraceae	<i>Pterocaulon</i>	<i>sphacelatum</i>
Caesalpiniaceae	<i>Erythrophleum</i>	<i>chlorostachys</i>
Combretaceae	<i>Terminalia</i>	<i>canescens</i>
		<i>arostrata</i>
	<i>Macropteranthes</i>	<i>kekwickii</i>
Euphorbiaceae	<i>Petalostigma</i>	<i>pubescens</i>
Fabaceae	<i>Acacia</i>	<i>ancistrocarpa</i>
		<i>shirleyi</i>
		<i>sp.</i>
Myrtaceae	<i>Corymbia</i>	<i>dichromophloia</i>
		<i>drysdalensis</i>
		<i>ferruginea</i>
Poaceae	<i>Aristida</i>	<i>holathera</i>
	<i>Chrysopogon</i>	<i>fallax</i>
	<i>Enneapogon</i>	<i>lindleyanus</i>
	<i>Eragrostis</i>	<i>spartinooides</i>
	<i>Eriachne</i>	<i>aristidea</i>
		<i>ciliata</i>
		<i>nervosa</i>
		<i>sp.</i>
	<i>Heteropogon</i>	<i>contortus</i>
	<i>Sarga</i>	<i>plumosum</i>
	<i>Schizachyrium</i>	<i>fragile</i>
	<i>Sporobolus</i>	<i>australasicus</i>
	<i>Themeda</i>	<i>triandra</i>
<i>Triodia</i>	<i>bitextura</i>	
	<i>sp.</i>	
Rhamnaceae	<i>Alphitonia</i>	<i>pomaderroides</i>
Sterculiaceae	<i>Brachychiton</i>	<i>paradoxum</i>

Appendix C

DotEE Protected Matters Search Report



EPBC Act Protected Matters Report

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected.

Information on the coverage of this report and qualifications on data supporting this report are contained in the caveat at the end of the report.

Information is available about [Environment Assessments](#) and the EPBC Act including significance guidelines, forms and application process details.

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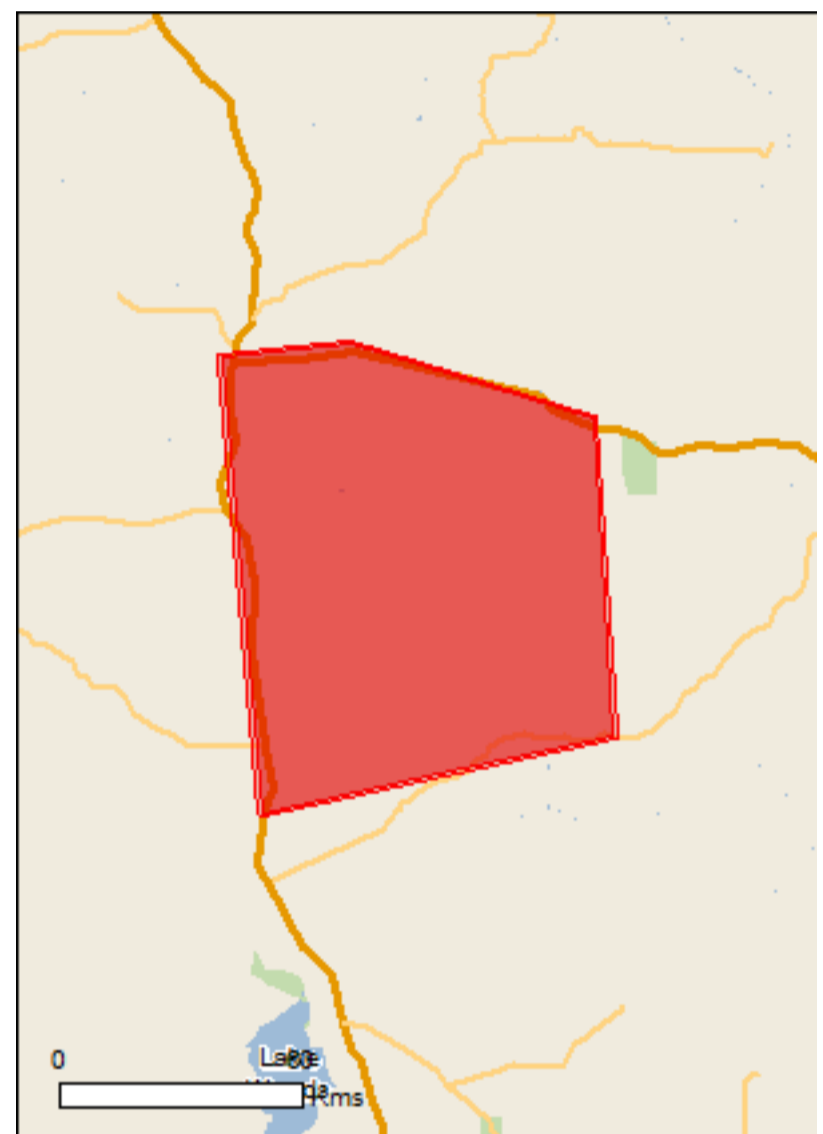
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Summary

Matters of National Environmental Significance

This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the [Administrative Guidelines on Significance](#).

World Heritage Properties:	None
National Heritage Places:	None
Wetlands of International Importance:	None
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park:	None
Commonwealth Marine Area:	None
Listed Threatened Ecological Communities:	None
Listed Threatened Species:	12
Listed Migratory Species:	12

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at <http://www.environment.gov.au/heritage>

A [permit](#) may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species.

Commonwealth Land:	None
Commonwealth Heritage Places:	None
Listed Marine Species:	19
Whales and Other Cetaceans:	None
Critical Habitats:	None
Commonwealth Reserves Terrestrial:	None
Australian Marine Parks:	None

Extra Information

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have nominated.

State and Territory Reserves:	1
Regional Forest Agreements:	None
Invasive Species:	15
Nationally Important Wetlands:	None
Key Ecological Features (Marine)	None

Details

Matters of National Environmental Significance

Listed Threatened Species		[Resource Information]
Name	Status	Type of Presence
Birds		
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Erythrotriorchis radiatus Red Goshawk [942]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Erythrura gouldiae Gouldian Finch [413]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Falcunculus frontatus whitei Crested Shrike-tit (northern), Northern Shrike-tit [26013]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Grantiella picta Painted Honeyeater [470]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Rostratula australis Australian Painted-snipe, Australian Painted Snipe [77037]	Endangered	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Tyto novaehollandiae kimberli Masked Owl (northern) [26048]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Mammals		
Macroderma gigas Ghost Bat [174]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Macrotis lagotis Greater Bilby [282]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Saccolaimus saccolaimus nudicluniatus Bare-rumped Sheath-tailed Bat, Bare-rumped Sheath-tail Bat [66889]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Reptiles		
Acanthophis hawkei Plains Death Adder [83821]	Vulnerable	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Elseya lavarackorum Gulf Snapping Turtle [67197]	Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area

Listed Migratory Species [\[Resource Information \]](#)

* Species is listed under a different scientific name on the EPBC Act - Threatened Species list.

Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
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Migratory Marine Birds

[Apus pacificus](#)

Fork-tailed Swift [678]

Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Migratory Terrestrial Species

[Cecropis daurica](#)

Red-rumped Swallow [80610]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Cuculus optatus](#)

Oriental Cuckoo, Horsfield's Cuckoo [86651]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Hirundo rustica](#)

Barn Swallow [662]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Motacilla cinerea](#)

Grey Wagtail [642]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Motacilla flava](#)

Yellow Wagtail [644]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

Migratory Wetlands Species

[Actitis hypoleucos](#)

Common Sandpiper [59309]

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Calidris acuminata](#)

Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Calidris ferruginea](#)

Curlew Sandpiper [856]

Critically Endangered

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Calidris melanotos](#)

Pectoral Sandpiper [858]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Charadrius veredus](#)

Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

[Glareola maldivarum](#)

Oriental Pratincole [840]

Species or species habitat may occur within area

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act

Listed Marine Species [\[Resource Information \]](#)

* Species is listed under a different scientific name on the EPBC Act - Threatened Species list.

Name	Threatened	Type of Presence
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Birds

[Actitis hypoleucos](#)

Common Sandpiper [59309]

Species or species habitat known to occur within area

[Anseranas semipalmata](#)

Magpie Goose [978]

Species or species habitat may occur within

Name	Threatened	Type of Presence area
Apus pacificus Fork-tailed Swift [678]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Ardea alba Great Egret, White Egret [59541]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Ardea ibis Cattle Egret [59542]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris acuminata Sharp-tailed Sandpiper [874]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris ferruginea Curlew Sandpiper [856]	Critically Endangered	Species or species habitat may occur within area
Calidris melanotos Pectoral Sandpiper [858]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Charadrius veredus Oriental Plover, Oriental Dotterel [882]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Chrysococcyx osculans Black-eared Cuckoo [705]		Species or species habitat known to occur within area
Glareola maldivarum Oriental Pratincole [840]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Haliaeetus leucogaster White-bellied Sea-Eagle [943]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Hirundo daurica Red-rumped Swallow [59480]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Hirundo rustica Barn Swallow [662]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Merops ornatus Rainbow Bee-eater [670]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla cinerea Grey Wagtail [642]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Motacilla flava Yellow Wagtail [644]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Rostratula benghalensis (sensu lato) Painted Snipe [889]	Endangered*	Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Reptiles		
Crocodylus johnstoni Freshwater Crocodile, Johnston's Crocodile, Johnston's River Crocodile [1773]		Species or species habitat may occur within area

Extra Information

State and Territory Reserves [\[Resource Information \]](#)

Name	State
Frew Ponds	NT

Invasive Species [\[Resource Information \]](#)

Weeds reported here are the 20 species of national significance (WoNS), along with other introduced plants that are considered by the States and Territories to pose a particularly significant threat to biodiversity. The following feral animals are reported: Goat, Red Fox, Cat, Rabbit, Pig, Water Buffalo and Cane Toad. Maps from Landscape Health Project, National Land and Water Resources Audit, 2001.

Name	Status	Type of Presence
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Frogs

Rhinella marina Cane Toad [83218]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
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Mammals

Bos taurus Domestic Cattle [16]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Bubalus bubalis Water Buffalo, Swamp Buffalo [1]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Camelus dromedarius Dromedary, Camel [7]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Canis lupus familiaris Domestic Dog [82654]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Equus caballus Horse [5]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Felis catus Cat, House Cat, Domestic Cat [19]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Rattus rattus Black Rat, Ship Rat [84]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Sus scrofa Pig [6]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Plants

Name	Status	Type of Presence
Acacia nilotica subsp. indica Prickly Acacia [6196]		Species or species habitat may occur within area
Cenchrus ciliaris Buffel-grass, Black Buffel-grass [20213]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Jatropha gossypifolia Cotton-leaved Physic-Nut, Bellyache Bush, Cotton-leaf Physic Nut, Cotton-leaf Jatropha, Black Physic Nut [7507]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Parkinsonia aculeata Parkinsonia, Jerusalem Thorn, Jelly Bean Tree, Horse Bean [12301]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
Vachellia nilotica Prickly Acacia, Blackthorn, Prickly Mimosa, Black Piquant, Babul [84351]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area

Reptiles

Hemidactylus frenatus Asian House Gecko [1708]		Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
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Caveat

The information presented in this report has been provided by a range of data sources as acknowledged at the end of the report.

This report is designed to assist in identifying the locations of places which may be relevant in determining obligations under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999. It holds mapped locations of World and National Heritage properties, Wetlands of International and National Importance, Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves, listed threatened, migratory and marine species and listed threatened ecological communities. Mapping of Commonwealth land is not complete at this stage. Maps have been collated from a range of sources at various resolutions.

Not all species listed under the EPBC Act have been mapped (see below) and therefore a report is a general guide only. Where available data supports mapping, the type of presence that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. People using this information in making a referral may need to consider the qualifications below and may need to seek and consider other information sources.

For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

Threatened, migratory and marine species distributions have been derived through a variety of methods. Where distributions are well known and if time permits, maps are derived using either thematic spatial data (i.e. vegetation, soils, geology, elevation, aspect, terrain, etc) together with point locations and described habitat; or environmental modelling (MAXENT or BIOCLIM habitat modelling) using point locations and environmental data layers.

Where very little information is available for species or large number of maps are required in a short time-frame, maps are derived either from 0.04 or 0.02 decimal degree cells; by an automated process using polygon capture techniques (static two kilometre grid cells, alpha-hull and convex hull); or captured manually or by using topographic features (national park boundaries, islands, etc). In the early stages of the distribution mapping process (1999-early 2000s) distributions were defined by degree blocks, 100K or 250K map sheets to rapidly create distribution maps. More reliable distribution mapping methods are used to update these distributions as time permits.

Only selected species covered by the following provisions of the EPBC Act have been mapped:

- migratory and
- marine

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in reports produced from this database:

- threatened species listed as extinct or considered as vagrants
- some species and ecological communities that have only recently been listed
- some terrestrial species that overfly the Commonwealth marine area
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in small numbers

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:

- non-threatened seabirds which have only been mapped for recorded breeding sites
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent

Such breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

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Appendix C: Chemical Risk Assessment

Beetaloo 2019 Campaign - Chemical Risk Assessments

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1.0 Background

Chemical risk assessments were performed to assess the potential human health and environmental health effects of the chemicals proposed to be used in the Beetaloo 2019 campaign.

The following fluid systems were assessed:

- Hydraulic fracture stimulation fluids;
- Hydraulic fracture stimulation chemical tracers; and
- Drilling fluids.

The method used for the chemical risk assessment aligned with the guidance provided by the Commonwealth and the methodology adopted for the chemical risk assessment was in general accordance with the following:

- Northern Territory Government, Department of Environmental and Natural Resources, Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environmental Management Plan under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations, 2019 (herein referred to as NT 2019)
- Department of the Environment and Energy, Exposure Draft - Chemical Risk Assessment Guidance Manual: for chemicals associated with coal seam gas extraction, 2017 (herein referred to as DOE 2017)
- National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS), National Assessment of Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction in Australia, 2017 (herein referred to as NICNAS 2017)
- enHealth "Environmental Health Risk Assessment, Guidelines for Assessing Human Health Risks from Environmental Hazards", 2012
- National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure 1999 (ASC NEPM); Schedule B4, Site-specific health risk assessment methodology, 2013

The chemical risk assessment comprised the following tasks, consistent with the framework presented in NT 2019:

- Hazard assessment. An evaluation of the environmental hazard of the chemical additives in the hydraulic fracturing fluid, based on their environmental persistence, bioaccumulation and aquatic toxicity properties. Chemicals of potential concern are identified for further assessment. An evaluation of human health toxicity is also provided.
- Exposure assessment. The exposure assessment comprises of an evaluation of surface and sub-surface exposure pathways assessment and mass balance calculation to identify the amount of each chemical additive of the hydraulic fracturing fluid.
- Screening and validation processes via Tier 1 and Tier 2 assessments. To determine chemicals known to be of low concern, and identify chemicals for further risk assessment
 - Tier 1: using published information about each chemical proposed to be used in the hydraulic fracturing activity.
 - Tier 2: A quantitative evaluation of the risks using toxicity values and quantitative estimates of chemical intake to provide an estimate of potential human health and environmental risk associated with the hydraulic fracturing activities, based on the identification of complete exposure pathways and hazard identification.

As per the NT Government Guidance (NT 2019), the Tier 1 Screening Assessment included the following information:

- 1) Name of chemical
- 2) Chemical purpose
- 3) Chemical Abstract Services (CAS) number
- 4) Total mass in kg

- 5) Approximate down-hole concentration for that chemical expressed in mg/L
- 6) Appropriate ecotoxicity (aquatic and oral values) data including for acute LC50/EC50 and chronic No Observable Effects Concentration (NOEC) data.
- 7) Information on the biodegradation and bioaccumulation potential of any organic chemicals

1.1 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluids

It is understood that three recipes (SW, Hybrid and HVFR) will be used for the 2019 Beetaloo campaign.

1.1.1 Outcome of Tier 1 Screen

Comparison of the chemicals with the assessment criteria indicated that all of the chemicals (with the exception of Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate, CAS# 64742-47-8) were not considered to require a Tier 2 assessment. However some chemicals (14 from SW, 17 from Hybrid 15 from HVFR) were identified to require management in flowback water and addressed in the wastewater management and disposal program due to their volume of use and elevated concentrations that were above ecotoxicity values. It is to be noted that none of these chemicals were identified to be persistent and bioaccumulative.

The Tier 1 screening is provided in **Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix C**, the chemical toxicological profiles are provided in **Appendix D**.

1.1.2 Outcome of Tier 2 Screen

A Tier 2 assessment was conducted on Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate, which was classified as a bioaccumulative and toxic substance. As per NICNAS 2017 and DOE 2017 guidance, the Margin of Exposure approach (MOE) was used to assess the health risk to workers. For each occupational activity scenario (i.e. transport and storage, mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals, injection of drilling chemicals and cleaning and maintenance), a MoE was derived by comparing the point of departure (e.g No Observed Adverse Effects Level (NOAEL)) for long term health effects from the critical toxicological study to the estimated total human internal dose from all routes of exposure. Based on the calculated MoEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).

The Tier 2 screening is provided in **Appendix A, Appendix B, Appendix C**, the chemical toxicological profiles are provided in **Appendix D**.

1.2 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Chemical Tracers

It's understood the following chemical tracers may be used for the 2019 Beetaloo campaign – CFT, GFT and WFT.

1.2.1 Outcome of Tier 1 Screen

Comparison of the chemicals with the assessment criteria indicated that all of the chemicals included in the proposed chemical tracers passed the Tier 1 screening.

The Tier 1 screening is provided in **Appendix E**, the chemical toxicological profiles are provided in **Appendix F**.

1.3 Drilling Fluids

It's understood a drilling fluid recipe supplied by Bariod, specifically the 'planned' chemicals (as opposed to the chemicals nominated as 'contingency') will be used for the 2019 Beetaloo campaign.

1.3.1 Outcome of Tier 1 Screen

Comparison of the chemicals with the assessment criteria indicated that all of the chemicals (with the exception of Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate, CAS# 64742-47-8) were not considered to require a Tier 2 assessment.

However some (3) chemicals were identified to require management in flowback water and addressed in the wastewater management and disposal program due to their volume of use and elevated concentrations that were above ecotoxicity values. It is to be noted that none of these chemicals were identified to be persistent and bioaccumulative.

The Tier 1 screening is provided in **Appendix G**, the chemical toxicological profiles are provided in **Appendix H**.

1.3.2 Outcome of Tier 2 Screen

A Tier 2 assessment was conducted on Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate, which was classified as a bioaccumulative and toxic substance. As per NICNAS 2017 and DOE 2017 guidance, the Margin of Exposure approach (MOE) was used to assess the health risk to workers. For each occupational activity scenario (i.e. transport and storage, mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals, injection of drilling chemicals and cleaning and maintenance), a MoE was derived by comparing the point of departure (e.g No Observed Adverse Effects Level (NOAEL)) for long term health effects from the critical toxicological study to the estimated total human internal dose from all routes of exposure. Based on the calculated MoEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).

The Tier 2 screening is provided in **Appendix G**, the chemical toxicological profiles are provided in **Appendix H**.

Appendix A

Chemical Risk
Assessment Hydraulic
Fracture Stimulation
Fluid – Hybrid

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid HYBRID Recipe**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Choline Chloride	67-48-1	1.1	24,720	0.0950%	27,192	0.0973%	1,096	Clay Stabiliser	96-hour fish LC50 value is >100 mg/L 48-hour in vertebrate EC50 is 349 mg/L 72-hour EC50 to Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata is >1,000 mg/L 21-day Daphnia NOEC value is 30.2 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Choline chloride is readily biodegradable and thus it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Not Bioaccumulative (based on a measured log Kow of -3.77 and a calculated BCF of 0.59)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Guar gum	9000-30-0	0.7	23,649	0.0909%	16,555	0.0592%	667	Gelling agent	lowest measured ecotoxicity endpoint for fish was reported to be 218 mg/L.	Based on Acute: Low	Guar gum is a naturally occurring polysaccharide which would be expected to readily biodegrade. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence	Not Bioaccumulative based on the molecular weight of guar gum (ranges from 200,000 to 300,000 daltons), and it is also water soluble.	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrochloric acid	7647-01-0	1.152	10,206	0.0392%	11,757	0.0421%	474	Acid	Algae = 0.492 mg/L Daphnia = 0.492 mg/L Fish = 4.92 mg/L Daphnia (chronic) = 62 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C6-12, ethoxylated propoxylated	68937-66-6	0.94	5,253	0.0202%	4,938	0.0177%	199	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethylene glycol	107-21-1	1.11	3,723	0.0143%	4,132	0.0148%	166	Crosslinker	LC50 for fish = 22800 mg/L LC50 for Daphnia = 7800 mg/L NOEC for Algae = 100 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the measured log Kow of -1.36 and a measured BCF of 10	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	NICNAS has classified this chemical as having low environmental concern. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ulexite	1319-33-1	1.49	3,476	0.0134%	5,175	0.0185%	209	Crosslinker	Chronic endpoints for Boric acid were available for Daphnia (6 mg/L) and Fish (2.1 mg/L).	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Triethanol amine	102-71-6	1.1245	3,309	0.0127%	3,721	0.0133%	150	Crosslinker	Fish: 96h-LC50 of 11,800 mg/l Daphnia: 24h-EC50 of 1,390 mg/l Daphnia: 21 d NOEC of 16 mg/l Algae: 96 h EC50 of 910 mg/l	Based on Chronic: Low	Inherently biodegradable	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of -1.0, and BCF value of <3.9)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Chloride	7647-14-5	2.165	2,859	0.0110%	6,189	0.0221%	249	Stabiliser	EC50 = 400 to 30000 mg/L EC50 Fish = 1290 mg/L NOEC = 314 mg/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium polyacrylate	9003-04-7	1.32	2,370	0.0091%	3,128	0.0112%	126		96 hr LC50 for fish is >1000 mg/L NOEC from a chronic early life stage test for the fathead minnow is 56 mg/L 48 hr LC50 for Daphnia magna is >1000 mg/L NOEC for a 21day chronic reproductive test on Daphnia magna is 5.6 mg/L EC10 for Scenedesmus is 180 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Moderate to low	Sodium polyacrylate has limited biodegradation potential and thus meets the screening criteria for persistence.	Bioaccumulation of sodium polyacrylate is unlikely due to the high molecular weight of the polymer.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	1.515	2,059	0.0079%	3,119	0.0112%	126	pH buffer	Measured acute endpoints were available for fish (196 mg/L). Measured chronic endpoint were available for Daphnia (240 mg/L)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C10-16, ethoxylated propoxylated	68227-22-1	0.94	1,876	0.0072%	1,763	0.0063%	71	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) ErC50 (48h) 0.7 mg/L (Skeletonema costatum) ErC50 (16.9h) > 10 g/L (Pseudomonas putida)	Based on Acute: Very high	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on acute data. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acetic acid	64-19-7	1.05	1,558	0.0060%	1,636	0.0059%	66	Acid	Acute endpoints: Fish = 75 mg/L, Daphnia EC50 = 32 mg/L Chronic endpoints: Daphnia = 150 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	Not Bio accumulative (Based on log Kow = -0.136)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Diethanolamine	111-42-2	1.1	1,459	0.0056%	1,605	0.0057%	65	Breaker Activator	Fish 96-h LC50 = 1370 mg/l Invertebrates 48-h EC50 = 55 mg/l Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata 96-h ErC50 = 2.2 mg/l Microorganisms 16-h TTC = 16 mg/l Daphnia magna, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.78 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	Not Bioaccumulative. Based on a measured log Kow of -2.18 and a calculated BCF of 3.16	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Tributyl tetradecyl phosphonium chloride	81741-28-8	0.95	736	0.0028%	700	0.0025%	28	Biocide	LC50: (96 hour) 0.46 mg/L (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: (96 hour) 0.06 mg/l (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: (96 hour) 0.58 mg/l (fish) TLM96: 1.6 mg/l (Crangon crangon) TLM48: 0.025 mg/l (Daphnia magna) Modelled acute endpoint: Daphnia is 16.788 mg/L Fish is 1059.2530 mg/L	Based on Acute: Very high	Not available, however it has been observed to biodegrade in sediment.	Not bioaccumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 6.26)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is not expected to be bioaccumulative and has been observed to biodegrade. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylamide acrylate copolymer	9003-06-9	0.75	730	0.0028%	548	0.0020%	22	Scale Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish = 1 400 mg/L 48 hour EC50 for Daphnia magna = 1 200 mg/L 21 day EC50 for Daphnia magna = 680 mg/L 21 day NOEC for algae = 380 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Polymers are not readily biodegradable, hence they meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Polymers are expected to have very high molecular weights and poor water solubility. They are not expected to be bioavailable.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

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Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Sodium bisulfite	7681-38-1	2.44	483	0.0019%	1,179	0.0042%	47	Scale Inhibitor	72h-EC50 = 36.8 mg sodium sulfite/L (alga) NOEC of >8.41 mg sodium sulfite/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Chlorous acid, sodium salt	7758-19-2	2.47	458	0.0018%	1,131	0.0040%	46	Breaker	LC50 values above 100 mg/l (fish) LC50 48-hour = 0.063 mg/l (daphnia) ECr50 value at 72 h as 1.2 mg/l (algae)	Based on Acute: Very High	No. Not expected to be persistent due to its instability.	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 3	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on acute data. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Disodium octaborate tetrahydrate	12008-41-2	1.874	336	0.0013%	630	0.0023%	25	Crosslinker	Algae: EC10 (3 d) 96.5 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) Fish: LC50 (96 h) 314.6 mg/L (Pimephales promelas), NOEC (34 d) 25.2 mg/L (Danio rerio) Invertebrates: NOEC (21 d) 42.5 mg/L (Daphnia magna) Microorganism: EC50 (3 h) > 39371 mg/L (activated sludge)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Cinnamaldehyde	104-55-2	1.048	332	0.0013%	348	0.0012%	14	Corrosion Inhibitor	Danio rerio (Zebrafish) 96 h LC50 = 3.1 mg/L; Daphnia magna (Water flea) 48 h EC50 = 3.86 mg/L; Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae) 72 h EC50 = 4.07 mg/L. 72 h NOEC value = 2.0 mg/L Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	1.21	328	0.0013%	397	0.0014%	16	Scale Inhibitor	LC50 = 100 mg/L (fish) LC50 = 1000 mg/L (invertebrates) EC 50 = 15.91 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on BCF of 3.2	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is slightly elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Diethylene glycol	111-46-6	1.12	303	0.0012%	339	0.0012%	14	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC 50 = >100 mg/L (fish, invertebrates, algae)	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the estimated BCF of 3	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Crystalline silica, quartz	14808-60-7	2.6	235	0.0009%	611	0.0022%	25	Crosslinker	no acute toxicity to fish, Daphnia, or algae, though some physical effects were observed with loading rates of greater than or equal to 10 g/L (OECD 2004). Any harmful effects to aquatic ecosystems are therefore not ecotoxicological in nature. No chronic toxicity data were identified.	Based on Acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Methanol	67-56-1	0.791	125	0.0005%	99	0.0004%	4	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	LC50s ranged from 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L (fish) 24-hour and 48-hour EC50s were > 10,000 mg/L (Daphnia) 28 days NOEC was 446.7 mg/L (fish) 21 days NOEC was 208 mg/L (invertebrates)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Kow of -0.74	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium persulfate	7775-27-1	1.68	116	0.0004%	194	0.0007%	8	Breaker	LC50 fish = 163 to 771 mg/L EC50 invertebrates = 133 and 519 mg/L EC50 algae = 116 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Amine oxides, cocoalkyldimethyl	61788-90-7	0.716	103	0.0004%	74	0.0003%	3	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50/EC20 values: 0.60-32 mg/L for fish 0.50-10.8 mg/L for Daphnia magna 0.010-5.30 mg/L for algae NOEC/ EC20: 0.010-1.72 mg/L for algae 0.28 mg/L for Daphnia 0.31 mg/L for fish	Based on Chronic: Very High	Readily biodegradable	No based on the calculated Log Kow of <2.7 and BCF <87	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on chronic data. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Citric acid	77-92-9	1.542	69	0.0003%	106	0.0004%	4	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50 > 100 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) 8 day NOEC = 425 mg/L (algae)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Benzaldehyde	100-52-7	1.0415	47	0.0002%	48	0.0002%	2	Corrosion Inhibitor	Acute LC50 for freshwater fish is 1.07 mg/L, freshwater invertebrates is 16.2 mg/L and EC10 for freshwater algae is 20 mg/L. Chronic NOEC for freshwater fish is 0.12 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on Log Pow of 1.4	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethanol	64-17-5	0.7864	45	0.0002%	35	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	LC50/EC50 > 1000 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) NOEC for invertebrates is 9.6 mg/L (10 day reproduction), plants it is 280 mg/L (7 day study)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No based on calculated logBCF=0.5	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate	64742-47-8	0.8	43	0.0002%	35	0.0001%	1	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 hr LL50 was 2 to 5 mg/L (fish) 48 hr EL50 was 1.4 mg/L (daphnia) 21 d NOEL = 0.48 mg/L (daphnia)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	Yes based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight	Tier 2	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. The substance is expected to be readily biodegradable, but is considered to have a potential to bioaccumulate. Thus, a Tier 2 assessment would be required.	A Tier 2 assessment was conducted using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach as per DOE and NICNAS 2017 guidance. Based on the calculated MOEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).
Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated	61791-00-2	1.054	23	0.0001%	24	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	96h-LL50 > 100 mg/L (fish) 48h-EL50 = 12.41 mg/L (invertebrates) 72h-EL50 = 39.7 mg/L (algae) 72h-EL10 = 7.08 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No based on low BCF values of < 100 L/kg ww	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

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Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ³	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Amides, tall-oil fatty, N,N-bis(hydroxyethyl)	68155-20-4	0.9	22	0.0001%	20	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 6.7 mg/L (Danio rerio) (similar substance) LC50 (21d) = 0.1 mg/L (Daphnia magna) LC50 (48h) = 2.15 mg/L EC50 (72h) 2.2 mg/L (Scenedesmus subspicatus) (similar substance)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No Log Kow 3	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Butyl alcohol	71-36-3	0.81	22	0.0001%	18	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	Fish, LC50 (96h) 1376 mg/l Invertebrates, EC50 (48h) 1328 mg/L) Algae, EC50 (96h) 225 mg/L EC10 (17h) Pseudomonas putida = 2476 mg/L Chronic NOECrepro (21d) = 4.1 mg/L for Daphnia magna	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow values of 1	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-15, ethoxylated	68131-39-5	0.867	20	0.0001%	18	0.0001%	1	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L. Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L. Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L. Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L. EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-16, ethoxylated	68551-12-2	0.97	20	0.00008%	19	0.00007%	1	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L. Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L. Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L. Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L. EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium iodide	7681-82-5	3.67	5	0.00002%	19	0.00007%	1	Corrosion Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish is > 860 mg/l 7 days NOEC for fish is 100 mg/L 48hrs-EC50 for Daphnia magna is 1.27 mg/L NOEC for algae is 66 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylonitrile	107-13-1	0.806	2	0.00001%	2	0.00001%	0.1	Surfactant	96h LC50 for freshwater fish = 10 - 20 mg/l 96h LC50 for saltwater fish 8.6 mg/l 48h EC50 for Daphnia = 7.6 mg/l 30d NOEC for fish of 0.17 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Biodegradable	No based on the low log Pow (0.00-0.30)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be Biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Sulfate	7757-82-6	2.68	0	0.0000004%	0	0.00000%	0.01	Scale Inhibitor	acute studies all show a toxicity of sodium sulfate higher than 100 mg/l	Based on Acute: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Glutaraldehyde	111-30-8	1.05	0	0.0000001%	0	0.00000%	0.001	Biocide	96 h acute Bluegill sunfish LC50 = 11.2 mg/L 48 h acute Oyster larvae LC50 = 2.1 mg/L 96 h acute Green crabs LC50 = 465 mg/L 96 h acute Grass shrimp LC50 = 41 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 0.35 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 16.3 mg/L 21 d reproduct'n Daphnia magna LOEC = 4.3 mg/L, NOEC = 2.1 mg/L 96 h algal growth inhibition Selenastrum capricornutum iLm = 3.9 mg/L (median inhibitory limit) 96 h algal growth inhibition Scenedesmus subspicatus EC50 = 1.0 mg/L Bacterial inhibition Sewage microbes IC50 = 25-34 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Pow of -0.01	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as moderate based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

Notes
 1 - Please refer to the individual toxicity profiles for further detail.
 2 - Toxicity assessed using Commonwealth of Australia 2013 Ecotoxicity Assessment Guidelines (presented as Table 4 in the Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019))
 3- Biodegradation assessed as per Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019) and Australian Government Department of Health National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
 BCF - Bioconcentration Factor
 NA - Not Applicable
 MOE - Margin of Exposure
 NICNAS 2017 - National Assessment of Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction in Australia
 DOE 2017 - Draft Risk Assessment Guidance Manual: For Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction, Australian Government, Department of Energy

Attachment A - Risk Characterisation Calculations

64742-47-8 Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated light

Adult worker exposure scenario	Total Internal Dose (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / dosage)	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Occupational Activity					
Transport and storage	Negligible*	1000	maternal toxicity in rats		No
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810			1235	
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*				
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure	0.972			1029	

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Worker exposure during mixing/blending of chemicals			
Dermal Exposure			
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$ (source Equation 1 - NICNAS 2017)			
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.06	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm2/day	0.1	mg/cm2/day
SAderm	surface area of exposed skin, cm2	840	cm2
Bderm	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017)			
Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of DEASE, 0.1 mg/cm2/day is used (NICNAS 2017)			
US EPA 2011, NICNAS 2017			
NICNAS 2017			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
Inhalation Exposure			
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$ (source Equation 2 - NICNAS 2017)			
Einh	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.750	mg/kg bw/day
Fresp	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m3	0.6	mg/m3
Vair	worker ventilation rate, m3/day	22	m3/day
Binh	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	4	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
t	time	4	hours
assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017)			
default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used as the concentration of chemical when delivered to site. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017)			
NICNAS 2017			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
NICNAS 2017			
assumed to be four hours, which is an estimate of the duration of manual handling activities that occur during mixing (NICNAS 2017)			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
NICNAS 2017			
Etotal =	Ederm + Einh		
Etotal =	0.810		mg/kg bw/day

Worker exposure during cleaning and maintenance (drilling)			
Dermal Exposure			
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$			
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.012	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm2/day	0.1	mg/cm2/day
SAderm	surface area of exposed skin, cm2	840	cm2
Bderm	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
t	time	8	hours
an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection			
Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of Dease, 0.1 mg/cm2/day, is used (NICNAS 2017).			
for hands (USEPA 2011, NICNAS 2017)			
NICNAS 2017			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
Inhalation Exposure			
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$			
Einh	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.150	mg/kg bw/day
Fresp	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m3	0.6	mg/m3
Vair	worker ventilation rate, m3/day	22	m3/day
Binh	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	8	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017)			
an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection			
Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value is used - EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, NICNAS			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
NICNAS 2017			
assumed to be eight hours which is an estimate of the manual handling activities that occur during cleaning and maintenance (NICNAS 2017)			
enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
Etotal =	Ederm + Einh		
Etotal =	0.162		mg/kg bw/day

Appendix B

Chemical Risk
Assessment Hydraulic
Fracture Stimulation
Fluid – HVFR

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid HVFR Recipe**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Tier 1 Screening Assessment	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Acetic acid	64-19-7	1.05	50	0.0034%	53	0.0033%	38	Acid	Acute endpoints: Fish = 75 mg/L, Daphnia EC50 = 32 mg/L Chronic endpoints: Daphnia = 150 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	Not Bio accumulative (Based on log Kow = -0.136)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylamide acrylate copolymer	9003-06-9	0.75	39	0.0026%	29	0.0018%	21	Scale Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish = 1 400 mg/L 48 hour EC50 for Daphnia magna = 1 200 mg/L 21 day EC50 for Daphnia magna = 680 mg/L 21 day NOEC for algae = 380 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Polymers are not readily biodegradable, hence they meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Polymers are expected to have very high molecular weights and poor water solubility. They are not expected to be bioavailable.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylamide, sodium acrylate polymer	25987-30-8	0.75	265	0.0179%	199	0.0123%	143	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)	Based on Chronic: Low	96 hour LC50 for fish = 1 400 mg/L 48 hour EC50 for Daphnia magna = 1 200 mg/L 21 day EC50 for Daphnia magna = 680 mg/L 21 day NOEC for algae = 380 mg/L	Polymers are not readily biodegradable, hence they meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylonitrile	107-13-1	0.806	0	0.0000%	0	0.0000%	0.1	Surfactant	96h LC50 for freshwater fish = 10 - 20 mg/l 96h LC50 for saltwater fish 8.6 mg/l 48h EC50 for Daphnia = 7.6 mg/l 30d NOEC for fish of 0.17 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Biodegradable	No based on the low log Pow (0.00-0.30)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be Biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C10-16, ethoxylated propoxylated	69227-22-1	0.94	172	0.0117%	162	0.0100%	116	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Skeletotema costatum) EC50 (16.9h) > 10 g/L (Pseudomonas putida)	Based on Acute: Very high	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on acute data. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-15, ethoxylated	68131-39-5	0.867	1	0.0001%	1	0.0001%	1	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 – 0.33 mg/L Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 – 1.75 mg/L Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-16, ethoxylated	68551-12-2	0.97	1	0.0001%	1	0.0001%	1	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 – 0.33 mg/L Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 – 1.75 mg/L Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C6-12, ethoxylated propoxylated	68937-66-6	0.94	482	0.0327%	454	0.0281%	326	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Amides, tall-oil fatty, N,N-bis(hydroxyethyl)	68155-20-4	0.9	1	0.0001%	1	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 6.7 mg/L (Danio rerio) (similar substance) LC50 (21d) = 0.1 mg/L (Daphnia magna) LC50 (48h) = 2.15 mg/L EC50 (72h) 2.2 mg/L (Scenedesmus subspicatus) (similar substance)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No based on Log Kow of 3	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Amine oxides, cocoalkyldimethyl	61788-90-7	0.716	5	0.0003%	4	0.0002%	3	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50/ErC50 values: 0.60-32 mg/L for fish 0.50-10.8 mg/L for Daphnia magna 0.010-5.30 mg/L for algae NOEC/ EC20: 0.010-1.72 mg/L for algae 0.28 mg/L for Daphnia 0.31 mg/L for fish	Based on Chronic: Very High	Readily biodegradable	No based on the calculated Log Kow of <2.7 and BCF -87	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on chronic data. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Benzaldehyde	100-52-7	1.0415	2	0.0002%	2	0.0001%	2	Corrosion Inhibitor	Acute LC50 for freshwater fish is 1.07 mg/L, freshwater invertebrates is 16.2 mg/L and EC10 for freshwater algae is 20 mg/L. Chronic NOEC for freshwater fish is 0.12 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on Log Pow of 1.4	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Butyl alcohol	71-36-3	0.81	1	0.0001%	1	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	Fish, LC50 (96h) 1376 mg/l Invertebrates, EC50 (48h) 1328 mg/L Algae, EC50 (96h) 225 mg/L EC10 (17h) Pseudomonas putida = 2476 mg/L Chronic NOECrepro (21d) = 4.1 mg/L for Daphnia magna	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow values of 1	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Choline Chloride	67-48-1	1.1	1,388	0.0940%	1,527	0.0945%	1098	Clay Stabiliser	96-hour fish LC50 value is >100 mg/L 48-hour in vertebrate EC50 is 349 mg/L 72-hour EC50 to Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata is >1,000 mg/L 21-day Daphnia NOEC value is 30.2 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Choline chloride is readily biodegradable and thus it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Not Bioaccumulative (based on a measured log Kow of -3.77 and a calculated BCF of 0.59)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Cinnamaldehyde	104-55-2	1.048	17	0.0011%	17	0.0011%	13	Corrosion Inhibitor	Danio rerio (Zebrafish) 96 h LC50 = 3.1 mg/L; Daphnia magna (Water flea) 48 h EC50 = 3.86 mg/L; Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae) 72 h EC50 = 4.07 mg/L. 72 h NOEC value = 2.0 mg/L Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Citric acid	77-92-9	1.542	3	0.0002%	5	0.0003%	4	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50 > 100 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) 8 day NOEC = 425 mg/L (algae)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Diethanolamine	111-42-2	1.1	0	0.0000%	0	0.0000%	0.1	Breaker Activator	Fish 96-h LC50 = 1370 mg/l Invertebrates 48-h EC50 = 55 mg/l Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata 96-h ErC50 = 2.2 mg/l Microorganisms 16-h TTC = 16 mg/l Daphnia magna, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.78 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on a measured log Kow of -2.18 and a calculated BCF of 3.16	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid HVFR Recipe**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Tier 1 Screening Assessment	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Diethylene glycol	111-46-6	1.12	15	0.0010%	17	0.0010%	12	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC 50 > 100 mg/L (fish, invertebrates, algae)	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the estimated BCF of 3	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethanol	64-17-5	0.7864	2	0.0002%	2	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	LC50/EC50 > 1000 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) NOEC for invertebrates is 9.6 mg/L (10 day reproduction), plants it is 280 mg/L (7 day study)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No based on calculated logBCF=0.5	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethoxylated branched C13 alcohol	68439-54-3	0.8	18	0.0012%	14	0.0009%	10		96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L. Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L. Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L. Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L. EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethylene glycol	107-21-1	1.11	20	0.0014%	22	0.0014%	16	Crosslinker	LC50 for fish = 22800 mg/L LC50 for Daphnia = 7800 mg/L NOEC for Algae = 100 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the measured log Kow of -1.36 and a measured BCF of 10	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	NICNAS has classified this chemical as having low environmental concern. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated	61791-00-2	1.054	1	0.0001%	1	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	96h-LL50 > 100 mg/L (fish) 48h-EL50 = 12.41 mg/L (invertebrates) 72h-EL50 = 39.7 mg/L (algae) 72h-EL10 = 7.08 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No based on low BCF values of < 100 L/kg ww	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrochloric acid	7647-01-0	1.152	510	0.0345%	588	0.0364%	423	Acid	Algae = 0.492 mg/L Daphnia = 0.492 mg/L Fish = 4.92 mg/L Daphnia (chronic) = 62 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate	64742-47-8	0.8	223	0.0151%	178	0.0110%	128	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 hr LL50 was 2 to 5 mg/L (fish) 48 hr EL50 was 1.4 mg/L (daphnia) 21 d NOEL = 0.48 mg/L (daphnia)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	Yes based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight	Tier 2	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. The substance is expected to be readily biodegradable, but is considered to have a potential to bioaccumulate. A Tier 2 assessment is required.	A Tier 2 assessment was conducted using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach as per DOE and NICNAS 2017 guidance. Based on the calculated MOEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).
Methanol	67-56-1	0.791	6	0.0004%	5	0.0003%	4	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	LC50s ranged from 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L (fish) 24-hour and 48-hour EC50s were > 10,000 mg/L (Daphnia) 28 days NOEC was 446.7 mg/L (fish) 21 days NOEC was 208 mg/L (invertebrates)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Kow of -0.74	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	1.21	30	0.0020%	36	0.0023%	26	Scale Inhibitor	LC50 = 100 mg/L (fish) LC50 = 1000 mg/L (invertebrates) EC 50 = 15.91 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on BCF of 3.2	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sorbitan, mono-9-octadecenoate, (Z)	1338-43-8	1.06	18	0.0012%	19	0.0012%	13	Surfactant	96 h LC50 for fish = 75 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on a calculated BCF of 2.832 and a BAF of 36.4	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as low and the exposure concentration is below the respective EC50 value. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium bisulfite	7681-38-1	2.44	27	0.0018%	66	0.0041%	48	Scale Inhibitor	72h-EC50 = 36.8 mg sodium sulfite/L (alga) NOEC of >8.41 mg sodium sulfite/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Chloride	7647-14-5	2.165	68	0.0046%	146	0.0091%	105	Stabiliser	EC50 = 400 to 30000 mg/L EC50 Fish = 1290 mg/L NOEC = 314 mg/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium diacetate	126-96-5	1.01	18	0.0012%	18	0.0011%	13	pH buffer	96 h LC 50 for fish = 184.7 mg/L 48h EC 50 for daphnia > 141 mg/L 72 h EC50 for algae = 164 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on a log Kow of -3.72 and a calculated BCF of 3.16	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	NICNAS has classified this chemical as having low environmental concern. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	1.515	4	0.0003%	6	0.0004%	4	pH buffer	Measured acute endpoints for fish (196 mg/L). Measured chronic endpoint for Daphnia (240 mg/L)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium iodide	7681-82-5	3.67	0	0.0000%	1	0.0001%	1	Corrosion Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish is > 860 mg/l 7 days NOEC for fish is 100 mg/L 48hrs-EC50 for Daphnia magna is 1.27 mg/L NOEC for algae is 66 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium polyacrylate	9003-04-7	1.32	133	0.0090%	176	0.0109%	126	Gelling Agent	96 hr LC50 for fish is >1000 mg/L NOEC from a chronic early life stage test for the fathead minnow is 56 mg/L 48 hr LC50 for Daphnia magna is >1000 mg/L NOEC for a 21day chronic reproductive test on Daphnia magna is 5.6 mg/L EC10 for Scenedesmus is 180 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Moderate to low	Sodium polyacrylate has limited biodegradation potential and thus meets the screening criteria for persistence.	Bioaccumulation of sodium polyacrylate is unlikely due to the high molecular weight of the polymer.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sorbitan monooleate polyoxyethylene derivative	9005-65-6	1.06	18	0.0012%	19	0.0012%	13	Surfactant	EC50 in algae was reported to be 100 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Not readily biodegradable	No. Based on a log Kow of -2.03 and a calculated BCF of 3.16	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as low and the exposure concentration is below the respective EC50 value. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Tributyl tetradecyl phosphonium chloride	81741-28-8	0.95	41	0.0028%	39	0.0024%	28	Biocide	LC50: (96 hour) 0.46 mg/L (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: (96 hour) 0.06 mg/L (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: (96 hour) 0.58 mg/L (fish) TLM96: 1.6 mg/l (Crangon crangon) TLM48: 0.025 mg/l (Daphnia magna) Modelled acute endpoint: Daphnia is 16.788 mg/L Fish is 1059.2530 mg/L	Based on Acute: Very high	Not available, however it has been observed to biodegrade in sediment.	Not bioaccumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 6.26)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is not expected to be bioaccumulative and has been observed to biodegrade. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

Notes
 1 - Please refer to the individual toxicity profiles for further detail.
 2 - Toxicity assessed using Commonwealth of Australia 2013 Ecotoxicity Assessment Guidelines (presented as Table 4 in the Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019))
 3- Biodegradation assessed as per Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019) and Australian Government Department of Health National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
 BCF - Bioconcentration Factor
 NA - Not Applicable
 MOE - Margin of Exposure
 NICNAS 2017 - National Assessment of Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction in Australia
 DOE 2017 - Draft Risk Assessment Guidance Manual: For Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction, Australian Government, Department of Energy

Attachment A - Risk Characterisation Calculations

64742-47-8 Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated light

Adult worker exposure scenario	Total Internal Dose (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / dosage)	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Occupational Activity					
Transport and storage	Negligible*	1000	maternal toxicity in rats		No
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810			1235	
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*				
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure	0.972			1029	

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Worker exposure during mixing/blending of chemicals			
Dermal Exposure			
		$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$ (source Equation 1 - NICNAS 2017)	
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.06	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm2/day	0.1	mg/cm2/day
SAderm	surface area of exposed skin, cm2	840	cm2
Bderm	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
<p>default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017) Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of DEASE, 0.1 mg/cm2/day is used (NICNAS 2017) US EPA 2011, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017</p>			
Inhalation Exposure			
		$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$ (source Equation 2 - NICNAS 2017)	
Einh	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.750	mg/kg bw/day
Fresp	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m3	0.6	mg/m3
Vair	worker ventilation rate, m3/day	22	m3/day
Binh	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	4	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
t	time	4	hours
<p>assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017) default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used as the concentration of chemical when delivered to site. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017) NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 assumed to be four hours, which is an estimate of the duration of manual handling activities that occur during mixing (NICNAS 2017) enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017</p>			
Etotal =	Ederm + Einh		
Etotal =	0.810		mg/kg bw/day

Worker exposure during cleaning and maintenance (drilling)			
Dermal Exposure			
		$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$	
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.012	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm2/day	0.1	mg/cm2/day
SAderm	surface area of exposed skin, cm2	840	cm2
Bderm	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
t	time	8	hours
<p>an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of Dease, 0.1 mg/cm2/day, is used (NICNAS 2017). for hands (USEPA 2011, NICNAS 2017) NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017</p>			
Inhalation Exposure			
		$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$	
Einh	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.150	mg/kg bw/day
Fresp	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m3	0.6	mg/m3
Vair	worker ventilation rate, m3/day	22	m3/day
Binh	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	8	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
<p>assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017) an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value is used - EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, NICNAS enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 assumed to be eight hours which is an estimate of the manual handling activities that occur during cleaning and maintenance (NICNAS 2017) enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017</p>			
Etotal =	Ederm + Einh		
Etotal =	0.162		mg/kg bw/day

Appendix C

Chemical Risk
Assessment Hydraulic
Fracture Stimulation
Fluid – SW

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid SW Recipe**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Choline Chloride	67-48-1	1.1	24720	0.0848%	27192	0.0869%	977	Clay Stabiliser	96-hour fish LC50 value is >100 mg/L 48-hour in vertebrate EC50 is 349 mg/L 72-hour EC50 to Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata is >1,000 mg/L 21-day Daphnia NOEC value is 30.2 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Choline chloride is readily biodegradable and thus it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Not Bioaccumulative (based on a measured log Kow of -3.77 and a calculated BCF of 0.59)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrochloric acid	7647-01-0	1.152	23649	0.0811%	27244	0.0871%	979	Acid	Algae (acute) = 0.492 mg/L Daphnia (acute) = 0.492 mg/L Fish (acute) = 4.92 mg/L Daphnia (chronic) = 62 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C6-12, ethoxylated propoxylated	68937-66-6	0.94	10,206	0.0350%	9,593	0.0307%	345	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C10-16, ethoxylated propoxylated	69227-22-1	0.94	5,253	0.0180%	4,938	0.0158%	177	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) ErC50 (48h) 0.7 mg/L (Skeletonema costatum) ErC50 (16.9h) > 10 g/L (Pseudomonas putida)	Based on Acute: Very high	Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances	Not Bio accumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on acute data. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan.	NA
Sodium polyacrylate	9003-04-7	1.32	3723	0.0128%	4914	0.0157%	177		96 hr LC50 for fish is >1000 mg/L NOEC from a chronic early life stage test for the fathead minnow is 56 mg/L 48 hr LC50 for Daphnia magna is >1000 mg/L NOEC for a 21 day chronic reproductive test on Daphnia magna is 5.6 mg/L EC10 for Scenedesmus is 180 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Moderate to low	Sodium polyacrylate has limited biodegradation potential and thus meets the screening criteria for persistence.	Bioaccumulation of sodium polyacrylate is unlikely due to the high molecular weight of the polymer.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Chloride	7647-14-5	2.165	3476	0.0119%	7525	0.0241%	270	Stabiliser	EC50 = 400 to 3000 mg/L EC50 Fish = 1290 mg/L NOEC = 314 mg/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylamide acrylate copolymer	25987-30-8	0.75	3309	0.0113%	2482	0.0079%	89	Scale Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish = 1 400 mg/L 48 hour EC50 for Daphnia magna = 1 200 mg/L 21 day EC50 for Daphnia magna = 680 mg/L 21 day NOEC for algae = 380 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Polymers are not readily biodegradable, hence they meet the screening criteria for persistence.	Polymers are expected to have very high molecular weights and poor water solubility. They are not expected to be bioavailable.	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acetic acid	64-19-7	1.05	2859	0.0098%	3002	0.0096%	108	Acid	Acute endpoints: Fish = 75 mg/L, Daphnia EC50 = 32 mg/L Chronic endpoints: Daphnia = 150 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	Not Bio accumulative (Based on log Kow = -0.136)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Tributyl tetradecyl phosphonium chloride	81741-28-8	0.95	2370	0.0081%	2251	0.0072%	81	Biocide	LC50: (96 hour) 0.46 mg/L (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: (96 hour) 0.06 mg/L (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: (96 hour) 0.58 mg/L (fish) TLM96: 1.6 mg/L (Crangon crangon) TLM48: 0.025 mg/L (Daphnia magna) Modelled acute endpoint: Daphnia is 16.788 mg/L Fish is 1059.2530 mg/L	Based on Acute: Very high	Not available, however it has been observed to biodegrade in sediment.	Not bioaccumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 6.26)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high. The exposure concentration is elevated. However, this chemical is not expected to be bioaccumulative and has been observed to biodegrade. Management of this chemical in flowback water is addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Polyethylene glycol	25322-68-3	1.21	2059	0.0071%	2491	0.0080%	89	Scale Inhibitor	LC50 = 100 mg/L (fish) LC50 = 1000 mg/L (invertebrates) EC 50 = 15.91 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: Moderate	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on BCF of 3.2	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium bisulfite	7631-90-5	1.348	1876	0.0064%	2529	0.0081%	91	Scale Inhibitor	72h-EC50 = 36.8 mg sodium sulfite/L (alga) NOEC of >8.41 mg sodium sulfite/L (Daphnia)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethylene glycol	107-21-1	1.11	1558	0.0053%	1729	0.0055%	62	Crosslinker	LC50 for fish = 22800 mg/L LC50 for Daphnia = 7800 mg/L NOEC for Algae = 100 mg/L	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the measured log Kow of -1.36 and a measured BCF of 10	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	NICNAS has classified this chemical as having low environmental concern. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Cinnamaldehyde	104-55-2	1.048	1459	0.0050%	1529	0.0049%	55	Corrosion Inhibitor	Danio rerio (Zebrafish) 96 h LC50 = 3.1 mg/L; Daphnia magna (Water flea) 48 h EC50 = 3.86 mg/L; Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae) 72 h EC50 = 4.07 mg/L 72 h NOEC value = 2.0 mg/L Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae)	Based on Chronic: Moderate	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as moderate. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is an inorganic substance and its ionic species is ubiquitous in environment. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Diethylene glycol	111-46-6	1.12	736	0.0025%	825	0.0026%	30	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC 50 = >100 mg/L (fish, invertebrates, algae)	Based on Acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the estimated BCF of 3	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Methanol	67-56-1	0.791	730	0.0025%	578	0.0018%	21	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	LC50s ranged from 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L (fish) 24-hour and 48-hour EC50s were > 10,000 mg/L (Daphnia) 28 days NOEC was 446.7 mg/L (fish) 21 days NOEC was 208 mg/L (invertebrates)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Kow of -0.74	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Amine oxides, cocoalkyldimethyl	61788-90-7	0.716	483	0.0017%	346	0.0011%	12	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50/ErC50 values: 0.60-32 mg/L for fish 0.50-10.8 mg/L for Daphnia magna 0.010-5.30 mg/L for algae NOEC/ EC20: 0.010-1.72 mg/L for algae 0.28 mg/L for Daphnia 0.31 mg/L for fish	Based on Chronic: Very High	Readily biodegradable	No based on the calculated Log Kow of <2.7 and BCF <87	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high based on chronic data. The exposure concentration is elevated. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	1.515	458	0.0016%	694	0.0022%	25	pH buffer	Measured acute endpoints for fish (196 mg/L). Measured chronic endpoint for Daphnia (240 mg/L)	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Citric acid	77-92-9	1.542	336	0.0012%	518	0.0017%	19	Corrosion Inhibitor	LC50/EC50 > 100 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) 8 day NOEC = 425 mg/L (algae)	Based on Chronic: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Benzaldehyde	100-52-7	1.0415	332	0.0011%	346	0.0011%	12	Corrosion Inhibitor	Acute LC50 for freshwater fish is 1.07 mg/L, freshwater invertebrates is 16.2 mg/L and EC10 for freshwater algae is 20 mg/L. Chronic NOEC for freshwater fish is 0.12 mg/L.	Based on Chronic: High	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on Log Pow of 1.4	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid SW Recipe**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Density (kg/L)	Volume of Chemical (L)	Volume Fraction (%v/v)	Chemical Mass in Fluid (kg)	Mass Fraction (% w/w)	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Parent Compound Purpose	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Ethanol	64-17-5	0.7864	328	0.0011%	258	0.0008%	9	Surfactant	LC50/EC50 > 1000 mg/L (fish, daphnia, algae) NOEC for invertebrates is 9.6 mg/L (10 day reproduction), plants it is 280 mg/L (7 day study)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No based on calculated logBCF=0.5	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Hydrotreated light petroleum distillate	64742-47-8	0.8	303	0.0010%	242	0.0008%	9	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 hr LL50 was 2 to 5 mg/L (fish) 48 hr EL50 was 1.4 mg/L (daphnia) 21 d NOEL = 0.48 mg/L (daphnia)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	Yes based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight	Tier 2	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. The substance is expected to be readily biodegradable, but is considered to have a potential to bioaccumulate. A Tier 2 assessment is required.	A Tier 2 assessment was conducted using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach as per DOE and NICNAS 2017 guidance. Based on the calculated MOEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).
Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated	61791-00-2	1.054	235	0.0008%	248	0.0008%	9	Surfactant	96h-LL50 > 100 mg/L (fish) 48h-EL50 = 12.41 mg/L (invertebrates) 72h-EL50 = 39.7 mg/L (algae) 72h-EL10 = 7.08 mg/L (algae)	Based on Acute: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No based on low BCF values of < 100 L/kg ww	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Amides, tall-oil fatty, N,N-bis(hydroxyethyl)	68155-20-4	0.9	125	0.0004%	112	0.0004%	4	Surfactant	LC50 (96h) 6.7 mg/L (Danio rerio) (similar substance) LC50 (21d) = 0.1 mg/L (Daphnia magna) LC50 (48h) = 2.15 mg/L EC50 (72h) 2.2 mg/L (Scenedesmus subspicatus) (similar substance)	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable (read across)	No Log Kow 3	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Butyl alcohol	71-36-3	0.81	116	0.0004%	94	0.0003%	3	Surfactant	Fish, LC50 (96h) 1376 mg/l Invertebrates, EC50 (48h) 1328 mg/L Algae, EC50 (96h) 225 mg/L EC10 (17h) Pseudomonas putida = 2476 mg/L Chronic NOECrepro (21d) = 4.1 mg/L for Daphnia magna	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on low log Kow values of 1	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-15, ethoxylated	68131-39-5	0.867	103	0.0004%	89	0.0003%	3	Friction Reducer, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Alcohols, C12-16, ethoxylated	68551-12-2	0.97	69	0.0002%	67	0.0002%	2	Corrosion Inhibitor, Surfactant	96 h LC50 Oncorhynchus mykiss was 5 - 7 mg/L Lepomis macrochirus, NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L Daphnia magna, EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L Daphnia magna, NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L Green algae, EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 - 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 - 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium iodide	7681-82-5	3.67	47	0.0002%	171	0.0005%	6	Corrosion Inhibitor	96 hour LC50 for fish is > 860 mg/l 7 days NOEC for fish is 100 mg/L 48hrs-EC50 for Daphnia magna is 1.27 mg/L NOEC for algae is 66 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Low	N.A. (Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1 (NICNAS)	A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Acrylonitrile	107-13-1	0.806	45	0.0002%	36	0.0001%	1	Surfactant	96h LC50 for freshwater fish = 10 - 20 mg/l 96h LC50 for saltwater fish 8.6 mg/l 48h EC50 for Daphnia = 7.6 mg/l 30d NOEC for fish of 0.17 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Biodegradable	No based on the low log Pow (0.00-0.30)	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Diethanolamine	111-42-2	1.1	43	0.0001%	48	0.0002%	2	Breaker Activator	Fish 96-h LC50 = 1370 mg/l Invertebrates 48-h EC50 = 55 mg/l Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata 96-h ErC50 = 2.2 mg/l Microorganisms 16-h TTC = 16 mg/l Daphnia magna, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.78 mg/l	Based on Chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	No. Based on a measured log Kow of -2.18 and a calculated BCF of 3.16	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Glutaraldehyde	111-30-8	1.05	23	0.0001%	24	0.0001%	1	Biocide	96 h acute Bluegill sunfish LC50 = 11.2 mg/L 48 h acute Oyster larvae LC50 = 2.1 mg/L 96 h acute Green crabs LC50 = 465 mg/L 96 h acute Grass shrimp LC50 = 41 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 0.35 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 16.3 mg/L 21 d reproduct'n Daphnia magna LOEC = 4.3 mg/L NOEC = 2.1 mg/L 96 h algal growth inhibition Selenastrum capricornutum ILM = 3.9 mg/L (median inhibitory limit) 96 h algal growth inhibition Scenedesmus subspicatus EC50 = 1.0 mg/L Bacterial inhibition Sewage microbes IC50 = 25-34 mg/L	Based on Chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Pow of -0.01	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as moderate based on chronic data. However, the exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values and as this chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable, a Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

Notes
 1 - Please refer to the individual toxicity profiles for further detail.
 2 - Toxicity assessed using Commonwealth of Australia 2013 Ecotoxicity Assessment Guidelines (presented as Table 4 in the Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019))
 3- Biodegradation assessed as per Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019) and Australian Government Department of Health National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
 BCF - Bioconcentration Factor
 NA - Not Applicable
 MOE - Margin of Exposure
 NICNAS 2017 - National Assessment of Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction in Australia
 DOE 2017 - Draft Risk Assessment Guidance Manual: For Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction, Australian Government, Department of Energy

Attachment A - Risk Characterisation Calculations

64742-47-8 Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated light

Adult worker exposure scenario	Total Internal Dose (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / dosage)	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Occupational Activity					
Transport and storage	Negligible*	1000	maternal toxicity in rats		No
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810			1235	
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*				
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure	0.972			1029	

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Worker exposure during mixing/blending of chemicals			
Dermal Exposure			
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$ (source Equation 1 - NICNAS 2017)			
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.06	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm ² /day	0.1	mg/cm ² /day
SA _{derm}	surface area of exposed skin, cm ²	840	cm ²
B _{derm}	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017) Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of DEASE, 0.1 mg/cm ² /day is used (NICNAS 2017) US EPA 2011, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
Inhalation Exposure			
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$ (source Equation 2 - NICNAS 2017)			
E _{inh}	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.750	mg/kg bw/day
F _{resp}	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%
Dem _{kg}	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m ³	0.6	mg/m ³
V _{air}	worker ventilation rate, m ³ /day	22	m ³ /day
Bin _h	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	4	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
t	time	4	hours
assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017) default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used as the concentration of chemical when delivered to site. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017) NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 assumed to be four hours, which is an estimate of the duration of manual handling activities that occur during mixing (NICNAS 2017) enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017			
E _{total} =	E _{derm} + E _{inh}		
E_{total} =	0.810		mg/kg bw/day

Worker exposure during cleaning and maintenance (drilling)			
Dermal Exposure			
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$			
Ederm	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.012	mg/kg bw/day
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm ² /day	0.1	mg/cm ² /day
SA _{derm}	surface area of exposed skin, cm ²	840	cm ²
B _{derm}	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw
t	time	8	hours
an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of Dease, 0.1 mg/cm ² /day, is used (NICNAS 2017). for hands (USEPA 2011, NICNAS 2017) NICNAS 2017 enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
Inhalation Exposure			
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Dem_{kg} \times V_{air} \times Bin_{h} \times t}{BW}$			
E _{inh}	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.150	mg/kg bw/day
F _{resp}	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%
Dem _{kg}	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m ³	0.6	mg/m ³
V _{air}	worker ventilation rate, m ³ /day	22	m ³ /day
Bin _h	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%
t	duration of exposure, h/day	8	h/day
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw
assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017) an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value is used - EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, NICNAS enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017 NICNAS 2017 assumed to be eight hours which is an estimate of the manual handling activities that occur during cleaning and maintenance (NICNAS 2017) enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017			
E _{total} =	E _{derm} + E _{inh}		
E_{total} =	0.162		mg/kg bw/day

Appendix D

Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Fluid - Chemical Toxicological Profiles

Toxicity Summary - Acetic acid

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,6}	
CAS number	64-19-7
Molecular formula	C ₂ H ₄ O ₂
Product name	Acetic Acid 60%
Molecular weight	60 g/mol
Solubility in water	1000 g/L at 25°C
pH	1.38
Melting point	16.6 °C
Boiling point	117.9 °C
Vapour pressure	1.5 kPa at 20°C
Henry's law constant	0.0101 Pa m ³ /mol
Explosive potential	Above 39°C explosive vapour mixtures may be formed. Risk of fire and explosion on contact with strong oxidants.
Flammability potential	Flammable. Flashpoint = 39°C
Colour/Form	Clear colourless liquid with a pungent vinegar smell
Overview	Acetic acid is naturally occurring as the acid in apple cider vinegar and other fruit derived products. Acetic acid is recognised by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) and the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as safe as a food additives (e.g. flavouring agent, preservative).
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	When released into the environment, acetic acid is not expected to adsorb onto suspended solids or sediments. Acetic acid dissociates in aqueous media to H ⁺ and the acetate anion (CH ₃ CO ₂ ⁻). The compound is expected to be present in the dissociated form, where volatilisation is not an important process. Based on the range of expected Koc values, acetic acid is expected to have a very high to moderate mobility in soil. In air acetic acid will exist solely in the vapour phase where it is degraded with photochemically produced hydroxyl radicals with a half-life for this reaction in air of approximately 22 days. Acetic acid is readily biodegradable, and biodegrades rapidly under aerobic and anaerobic conditions. Based on an estimated bioconcentration factor of 3.2, the potential for bioaccumulation is low.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,5,6}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>In a six-month repeat dose oral toxicity study (Lamb and Evard 1919), pigs were initially fed acetic acid at 155 mg/kg bw/day with the dose was raised every 10 to 30 days until a final dose of 380 to 450 mg/kg bw/day was reached after 60 days. There was no mortality and no effects on body weight or acid-base balance noted in this study (REACH 2013). A NOAEL was not established in this study. Repeated intra-gastric administration of the chemical at 3% concentration in animals (unspecified) for six months resulted in chronic inflammation of the oesophageal mucosa (HSDB 2013). Similarly, intra-gastric administration to rats of 3 mL of a 10% solution for 90 days produced a drop in haemoglobin concentration and erythrocyte count (HSDB 2013). In another similar study, pigs were fed daily diets containing the chemical at 0, 240, 720, 960 and 1200 mg/kg bw/day for successive 30-day periods for a total of 150 days (HSDB 2013). There were no significant differences in growth rate, weight gain, early morning urinary ammonia and terminal blood pH between controls and test groups. A NOEL or NOAEL was not indicated by the authors. Based on the available information and taking a conservative approach, the NOAEL in the study is considered to be 1200 mg/kg bw/day, the highest tested dose with no adverse effects. This NOAEL will be used for human health risk assessment.</p> <p>In the only available dermal repeat dose toxicity study (Slaga et al. 1975), acetic acid was applied dermally to mice at doses of 1 to 40 mg/animal, one to three times/week for 32 weeks. Single dermal applications of acetic acid at doses of up to 40 mg/animal did not induce mortality. However, more than one application per week of 10 mg acetic acid or more caused excessive mortality. 33% of mice died when 10 mg acetic acid/animal was applied dermally three times/week and approximately 50% of mice died when 20 mg was applied twice a week. No biochemical or histopathological effects were reported. A LOAEL of 10 mg/animal was suggested by the authors, however it was expressed in terms of 'mg/animal' rather than 'mg/kg bw/day' and it therefore cannot be adopted. Dermal NOAEL or LOAEL for acetic acid are not available.</p> <p>Repeated oral, inhalation and dermal exposure of humans to pure acetic acid has been reported to have effects on the gastrointestinal tract and to cause digestive disorders including heartburn and constipation, chronic inflammation of the respiratory tract, pharyngitis, catarrhal bronchitis, darkening of skin, skin dermatitis and erosion of the exposed front teeth enamel. In addition, skin on the palms of hands can become dry, cracked and hyperkeratotic. These observed effects were not associated with any systemic findings, suggesting the effects observed could be due to its corrosive action (EC 2012; HSDB 2013).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>In a carcinogenicity study (Slaga et al. 1975), acetic acid was tested as the promoter for tumour development in mice. Acetic acid was applied dermally to mice initiated with a carcinogenic agent, dimethylbenz(a)anthracene (DMBA) at doses of 1 to 40 mg/animal, one to three times/week for 32 weeks. Control animals received acetic acid dermally once per week. No further details were provided about the exposure duration. Single dermal application of acetic acid at doses of up to 40 mg/animal did not induce mortality. However, more than one application per week of 10 to 40 mg acetic acid caused excessive mortality. Thirty three per cent of mice died when 10 mg acetic acid/animal was applied dermally three times/week and approximately 50% of mice died when 20 mg was applied twice a week. No biochemical or histopathological effects were reported. Acetic acid did not produce any carcinogenic effects in mice (REACH 2013).</p> <p>In another study, oral administration of the chemical as a 3% solution in rats, three times/week for eight months did not induce tumours in the oesophagus and fore-stomach, although epithelial hyperplasia was observed. When dosed in combination with the known carcinogen, N-nitrososarcosine ethyl ester (positive control), there was an increase in oesophageal/stomach tumour formation (REACH 2013).</p> <p>Based on the limited available data, acetic acid is not likely to be a carcinogen.</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Acetic acid was not mutagenic in bacterial reverse mutation assays using Salmonella typhimurium strains TA100, TA1535, TA97 and TA98 with and without metabolic activation (Ishidate et al. 1984). Acetic acid was negative in the chromosome aberration assay using Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts at concentrations of up to 1 mg/mL with or without metabolic activation. In one study using Chinese hamster ovary KI cells, acetic acid induced chromosomal aberrations at the initial pH of 6.0 or below (about 10 to 14 mM of acid) both with and without S9 mix (REACH 2013). However, when the culture medium was neutralised to pH 7.2 with sodium hydroxide, no clastogenic activity was observed. Moreover, pH lower than 6.0 (pH 5.7 or below) were also found to be cytotoxic. Chromosomal aberrations induced at these high concentrations were therefore considered to be artefacts due to acidification of the culture medium. Acetic acid was concluded not to be clastogenic when tested in cultured Chinese hamster K1 cells (REACH 2013; HSDB 2013). It was concluded that acetic acid is not mutagenic.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity</p>	<p>No data available</p>
<p>Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>In two developmental toxicity studies conducted according to the EU Method B.31 (prenatal developmental toxicity study), acetic acid was administered by gavage to pregnant female Wistar rats and CD-1 mice at 16, 74.3, 345, and 1600 mg/kg bw/day during gestation days 6 to 15 (10 consecutive doses) (REACH 2013). In a similar study, the chemical was administered by gavage to female Dutch rabbits at 16, 74.3, 345, and 1600 mg/kg bw/day during gestation days 6 to 18 (13 consecutive doses) (REACH 2013). There were no clearly discernible effects on implantation, maternal survival or foetal survival in any species at any of the doses. The number of abnormalities seen in either soft or skeletal tissues of the test groups did not differ significantly from those occurring spontaneously in the controls. No NOAEL could be established for maternal toxicity or foetal developmental effects. Based on the available data, the chemical does not show developmental toxicity.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Acetic acid was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) observed in two rat studies is greater than 2000 mg/kg bw (REACH2013). In one study, groups of unfasted rats were fed 2239, 2512, 2859, 3100, 3500, 4000, 4467 mg/kg bw sodium acetate and observed for six days (REACH 2013). The acute oral median lethal dose (LD50) of the sodium salt of acetic acid was found to be 3310 mg/kg bw for rats.</p> <p>Acetic acid was of moderate acute toxicity in rabbits following dermal exposure. The LD50 in rabbits was 1060 mg/kg bw (HSDB 2013). Details regarding the concentration of the administered test substance were not provided. The moderate acute dermal toxicity is believed to be due to its local corrosive effects rather than any systemic toxicity.</p> <p>Acetic acid was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following inhalation exposure. In an acute inhalation study, mice were exposed to various concentrations of acetic acid (experimental details and concentration range not provided) (HSDB 2013). Clinical signs of respiratory irritation were evident at concentrations of 2.46 mg/L and higher. Animals exposed to concentrations higher than 11.07 mg/L died within 27 hours of exposure. Surviving mice recovered quickly and showed no abnormalities three days after exposure. The median lethal concentration (LC50) was determined by the Weil's method and was estimated to be 13.8 mg/L in the mouse.</p> <p>Severe health effects have been reported in humans following accidental exposure to acetic acid by different routes, mainly due to the local corrosive effects of the chemical leading to systemic effects (HSDB 2013).</p>

<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Pure acetic acid is corrosive to skin. In animal studies, severe skin burns were reported in guinea pigs following application to intact or abraded skin of patches of 80% solution of the chemical, moderate to severe burns at 50 to 80% solution, mild injury at 50% solution, and no effect at 10% solution (HSDB 2013). In a study with rabbits, the chemical was considered to be slightly irritating at concentrations of 3.3% and 10% (REACH 2013). In another study with rabbits, a concentration of 2.5% of the chemical was not irritating while concentrations of 10 to 25% caused moderate to severe erythema, slight to severe oedema, skin lesions over the application site and eschar formation (REACH 2013). A 10% solution was therefore considered a skin irritant.</p> <p>As part of a study to select the optimum testing conditions for predicting hazard to the human eye, 3% and 10% aqueous acetic acid were tested in rabbit eyes (REACH 2013). Materials were applied directly to the central corneal surface. Irritation was followed for up to 21 days and scored according to the Draize scale. The 3% acetic acid gave moderate irritation and 10% acetic acid was severely irritating or corrosive. In other studies, instillation of 0.5 mL of a 1% acetic acid solution in the eyes of rabbits caused a severe burn (Smyth et al. 1951). Solutions of 5% induced injury in eyes of rabbits which healed by 14 days, while a 10% solution resulted in severe permanent damage (Henschler 1973). Based on the results of the studies pure acetic acid is considered to be corrosive to eyes.</p> <p>In an acute inhalation study in mice, clinical signs of respiratory irritation were evident at concentrations of 2.46 mg/L and higher (see Section A28.5.2.3). Acetic acid vapours were reported to cause damage to nose, throat and lungs in humans (SCOEL 2012). Acetic acid is considered to be a respiratory tract irritant.</p> <p>Chemical burns and eye and nasal irritation have been reported in humans following exposure</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>No experimental data were available, however the US National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards mentions skin sensitisation as one of the symptoms of acetic acid exposure (NIOSH 2010). A 1994 report (Kivity et al. 1994) describes a late asthmatic response to inhaled glacial acetic acid by an asthma patient. Based on reports of patients with bronchial asthma reacting to acetic acid challenge, it is believed that acetic acid may cause allergic reactions in humans (HSDB 2013). Some researchers consider acetic acid capable of causing a syndrome known as 'reactive airways dysfunction', which resembles bronchial asthma. Symptoms include dyspnoea, wheezing, and cough.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Acetic acid has low acute oral and inhalation toxicity but moderate dermal toxicity. LD50 for oral, dermal and inhalation routes were >3100 mg/kg bw, 1060 mg/kg bw and 13.8 mg/L, respectively in laboratory animals. It is corrosive to skin, eyes and respiratory tract. Acetic acid has low repeat dose toxicity by oral and dermal routes. Information on toxicity by the inhalation route is not available. It is not genotoxic or carcinogenic and does not have any developmental effects in animals. Information on effects on fertility is not available.</p> <p>The critical health effect of acetic acid for risk characterisation is its corrosivity.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>A NOEL or NOAEL was not established in any of the repeat dose studies. Based on the available information and taking a conservative approach, the highest tested dose with no adverse effects in the repeat dose oral study (1200 mg/kg bw/day) was taken as the NOAEL for human health risk assessment.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ²</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>Acute endpoints: Fish = 75 mg/L (measured), Daphnia EC50 = 32 mg/L (Dept. Env. (2013a) in LMC, 2012 Chronic endpoints: Daphnia = 150 mg/L (measured)</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>PNECaquatic: On the basis of the chronic results for Daphnia, an assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 150 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 15 mg/L.</p>

Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	Acetic acid is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrase for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2013): C; R35 (Corrosive, causes severe burns). Mixtures containing the chemical are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases based on the concentration (Conc) of the chemical in the mixtures: Conc >=90%: C; R35 (Corrosive, causes severe burns) ≥25% Conc <90%: C; R34 (Corrosive, causes burns) ≥10% Conc <25%: Xi; R36/38 (Irritant, Irritating to eyes and skin).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	The chemical has an exposure standard of 25 mg/m ³ (10 ppm) Time Weighted Average (TWA) and 37 mg/m ³ (15 ppm) Short-Term Exposure Limit (STEL) (Safe Work Australia 2013).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards are identified in Galleria Chemica (2013). Occupational Exposure limit (TWA): 10 to 25 mg/m ³ [China, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the US]. An exposure limit (STEL): 15 to 50 mg/m ³ [China, Canada, France, Ireland, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the US].
Australian Food Standards	Acetic acid is allotted the following International Numbering System of food additives number: INS 260 (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. The acetate ion of acetic acid is readily biodegradable and thus it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The log Kow for acetic acid is reported to be -0.136. Acetate is also found in the body and is metabolized as part of the body's biochemical pathways. Thus, acetic acid (specifically, the acetate ion) does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The NOECs from the chronic aquatic toxicity data on acetic acid are >1 mg/L, hence does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT

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Toxicity Summary - Acrylamide polymers: Acrylamide, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, sodium salt polymer and Polymer of 2-acrylamido-2-ethylpropanesulfonic acid sodium salt and methyl acrylate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{2,3,4}	
CAS number	38193-60-1, 136793-29-8, 9003-06-9, 25987-30-8
Molecular formula	38193-60-1: (C ₇ H ₁₃ NO ₄ S.C ₃ H ₅ NO.Na) _x 136793-29-8: C ₁₁ H ₁₈ NNaO ₆ S
Molecular weight	Likely >1000 MW
Solubility in water	No data available.
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	No data available.
Overview	<p>No studies are available for the Acrylamide polymers. Information for 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt will be referenced in the following sections. 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salts are generally incorporated into polymers. As such, the fate of the monomer is tied to the polymer and no hydrolysis, movement, biodegradation or bioaccumulation of the polymer is expected.</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for Acrylamide, 2-acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, sodium salt polymer has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ²	
Soil/Water/Air	The polymers are not expected to be readily biodegradable. Biodegradation is limited due to the very high molecular weights and the low water solubilities of the polymers. Due to their high molecular weight, the polymers are not expected to bioaccumulate.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ²	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	A repeat dose 28 day oral toxicity study carried out in rats with a 50% aqueous solution of 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt indicated no treatment related toxic effects.
Carcinogenicity	No information available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt did not induce a mutagenic response in bacteria and no clastogenicity was observed when a 50% solution of the notified chemical was tested in albino mice cells in vitro.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.

Acute Toxicity	Aqueous solutions containing 50% of 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt exhibited low acute oral and dermal toxicity in rats (LD50 > 5 000 mg/kg, and 2 000 mg/kg respectively).
Irritation	2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt was non-irritant to rabbit skin and a slight eye irritant in rabbits.
Sensitisation	A 50% aqueous solution of 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt showed minimal sensitisation potential when tested in guinea pigs.
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No data available
Ecological Toxicity ²	
Aquatic Toxicity	Limited information is available. The polymers are expected to be a low concern for toxicity to aquatic organisms. Due to their poor solubility and high molecular weights, they are not expected to be bioavailable. The polymers do not contain any reactive functional groups. Ecotoxicity data for 2-Acrylamido-2-methylpropanesulfonic acid, ammonium salt indicate that it is practically non-toxic to fish, water fleas and algae.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	No PNEC values were calculated.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁵	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	Based on health considerations, the concentration of acrylamide in drinking water should not exceed 0.0002 mg/L.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment ^{1, 2}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	The polymers are not readily biodegradable, hence they meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The polymers are expected to have very high molecular weights and poor water solubility. They are not expected to be bioavailable, hence the polymers do not meet the criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	There are no aquatic toxicity studies on the polymers. They are expected to have low aquatic toxicity because of their very high molecular weights and poor water solubility. As such, the polymers do not meet the criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT substances
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Toxicity Summary - Acrylonitrile

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	107-13-1
Molecular formula	C ₃ H ₃ N
Molecular weight	53.06
Solubility in water	73 g/L at 20 °C
Melting point	– 88.55 °C
Boiling point	77.3 °C
Vapour pressure	12.4 kPa at 20 °C
Henry's law constant	9.0 Pa · m ³ /mole at 20 °C
Explosive potential	Sax (1989) presents that acetonitrile forms explosive mixtures with air. The lower explosive limit is 3.05% in volume and the upper explosive limit 17% in volume.
Flammability potential	Acetonitrile is highly flammable, with a lower flammability limit of 4.4% in volume and an upper flammability limit of 16% in volume.
Colour/Form	Volatile, colourless liquid with a sweet ether-like odour
Overview	<p>Acrylonitrile was first prepared in 1893 but had no significant technical or commercial applications until the late 1930s when a synthetic rubber based on a co-polymer of butadiene and acrylonitrile was introduced in Germany (Langvardt, 1984). In USA, projects relating to nitrile rubber received special support during World War II because of their strategic importance and acrylonitrile became established as a monomer of commercial importance. Demand for acrylonitrile began to soar following the introduction of acrylic fibres in 1950. Today, acrylonitrile is an industrial intermediate used predominantly in the production of polymeric materials, with acrylic fibres accounting for 60% and plastics for 25% of world consumption (SRI, 1995). Other uses include the production of adiponitrile and acrylamide monomers and the co-polymerisation with other monomers to produce polymer emulsions, elastomers and nitrile rubber.</p> <p>From the early 1940s to the mid-1960s, acrylonitrile was mainly manufactured by the dehydration of ethylene cyanohydrin produced from ethylene oxide and aqueous hydrocyanic acid. Nowadays, all acrylonitrile is produced by direct catalytic conversion of propene, oxygen (as air) and ammonia (SRI, 1995). Processes based on propane or ethylene have been developed and may become commercially viable in the future where propane or ethylene feedstock is readily available.</p> <p>In 1995, global acrylonitrile capacity amounted to 4.5 million metric tonnes (t) (SRI, 1995).</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Acrylonitrile is readily to fairly degradable in water, soil and in the troposphere. Its toxicity to aquatic vertebrates and invertebrates, algae and aquatic plants is slight to moderate. Bioaccumulation is expected to be slight to negligible. As there are no readily hydrolysable groups on the acrylonitrile molecule, hydrolysis is not expected to be an environmentally significant process. The vapour pressure of acrylonitrile puts it in the category of highly volatile chemicals (Mensink et al., 1995). However, the water solubility is also high. The Henry's Law constant can provide an indication of the volatility characteristics of compounds (Lyman et al., 1982). The characteristics of acrylonitrile indicate that although the volatilisation from aquatic systems is not rapid, it may be a significant removal process in the environment. Therefore, the high vapour pressure is mediated by the high water solubility. The volatilisation half-life of acrylonitrile in a typical pond, river and lake has been estimated at 6, 1.2 and 4.8 days respectively (Howard, 1989). The US EPA has previously suggested that although acrylonitrile is quite volatile, large spillages of the substance could lead to groundwater contamination (DoE, 1993).</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	

Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Repeated-dose toxicity studies involving inhalation, ingestion or subcutaneous or intraperitoneal injection of acrylonitrile for 1-12 months in rats, mice, guinea pigs, rabbits, cats, dogs and monkeys showed a narrow range between lethal and no observed adverse effect levels. The most consistently observed effects were decreased body weight gain, irritation of the respiratory tract, kidney damage and reversible ataxia or paralysis. Retching and vomiting, adrenal hyperplasia, increased liver weight, hyperplasia of the gastric mucosa and biochemical effects such as small reductions in haemoglobin, haematocrit and erythrocyte counts and small increases in alkaline phosphatase were observed in some studies.
Carcinogenicity	<p>The carcinogenic potential of acrylonitrile has been investigated in three strains of rats exposed to 5-80 ppm in air (2 studies), 1-500 ppm in drinking water (5 studies), or 0.1-10 mg/kg by gavage (2 studies). Exposure-related tumours were found in all studies. The most common forms were astrocytomas of the CNS and carcinomas of the zymbal gland, both of which rarely occur spontaneously in experimental animals. Tumours of the mammary gland, tongue, small intestine and forestomach (oral exposure only) were less consistent across studies. A 2-year bioassay in mice, where metabolism via CNEO plays a greater role than in rats, is currently underway within the US National Toxicology Program.</p> <p>Acrylonitrile has also been evaluated by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). In 1979 and 1987, IARC concluded that there was limited evidence of carcinogenicity of acrylonitrile in humans and sufficient evidence of carcinogenicity in animals and therefore assigned the chemical to group 2A: agents that are probably carcinogenic to humans (IARC, 1979, 1987). In February 1998, all published literature on acrylonitrile was re-evaluated by an IARC working group comprising 30 experts from 12 countries. The group concluded that although additional studies confirmed that acrylonitrile is a potent multi-site carcinogen in rats, the combined epidemiological evidence did not support a credible association between acrylonitrile exposure and cancer. As such, IARC determined that there was inadequate evidence in humans but sufficient evidence in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of acrylonitrile and re-classified the chemical in group 2B: agents that are possibly carcinogenic to humans (IARC, 1999).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	The genetic toxicity of acrylonitrile has been investigated in numerous in vitro and in vivo test systems. In vitro, it was weakly positive in several bacterial, fungal and mammalian mutagenicity assays and mammalian and fungal cytogenetic tests, particularly in the presence of metabolic activation. Where CNEO was tested in parallel assays, it was mutagenic in the absence of metabolic activation. In vivo, acrylonitrile tested negative in several dominant lethal, micronucleus and chromosome aberration assays. Studies in Drosophila using various genetic markers gave positive results. In vitro and in vivo assays for DNA binding and unscheduled DNA synthesis yielded negative results in tests using the most reliable techniques. On balance, it appears that acrylonitrile has little affinity for DNA, whereas the metabolite CNEO is a direct-acting mutagen in vitro. It is conceivable that the lack of genotoxicity of acrylonitrile in several in vivo tests is due to limited formation and/or rapid degradation of CNEO in intact mammals.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	In a 3-generation rat study, up to 35 mg/kg/day had no effect on fertility. In sub-acute studies in rats and mice, there was evidence of defective spermatogenesis at oral doses approaching acutely toxic levels, whereas several long-term studies found no abnormalities in male reproductive organs. In developmental toxicity studies in rats, hamsters, and rat embryos exposed in vitro, acrylonitrile showed some potential to cause foetal toxicity, but developmental effects in vivo occurred only at exposure levels associated with marked maternal toxicity.
Acute Toxicity	Acrylonitrile is acutely toxic by all routes of administration. In the rat, the LD50 is 72-186 mg/kg from oral and 148-282 mg/kg from skin exposure, and the 4 h LC50 from inhalation is 138-558 ppm (0.47-1.2 mg/L). The acute toxicity is roughly similar in other species, including mice, guinea pigs, rabbits, cats and dogs. Irrespective of route or test species, a lethal dose causes central nervous system (CNS) excitation followed by paralysis and respiratory arrest. The target organs are the gastrointestinal tract (bleeding), adrenals (haemorrhagic necrosis), brain (oedema) and lungs (oedema).
Irritation	Acrylonitrile is irritating to the skin and eyes. Repeated airborne exposure induces inflammatory and hyperplastic changes in the nasal mucosa, indicating a potential for irritation of the respiratory system.

Sensitisation	A guinea pig maximisation test for skin sensitisation was strongly positive. There are no data on respiratory sensitisation.
Health Effects Summary	Acrylonitrile is acutely toxic to humans by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. It is also a severe eye irritant and may cause sensitization by skin contact. Repeat dose toxicity studies in animals have shown treatment related changes in the gastrointestinal tract, central nervous system and adrenal gland. There are occasional reports of liver and kidney damage. It is a rodent carcinogen, tumours being observed in the brain, Zymbal gland, gastrointestinal tract and mammary gland. Detailed, recent epidemiological studies do not however provide evidence of human carcinogenicity. Acrylonitrile is an in vitro mutagen, indicating that the mechanism of carcinogenicity may be genotoxic. This is not however supported by the results of in vivo mutagenicity studies. It is concluded that there is a need for active management of the identified risk and further consideration of the risk management measures currently being applied in relation to workers, consumers and the population exposed via the environment.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	In animals repeated exposure to acrylonitrile results in damage to the gastrointestinal tract, central nervous system and adrenal gland. There are occasional reports of liver and kidney damage. The respiratory tract is also affected following inhalation exposure, based on histopathological changes in the nasal turbinates of rats in the Quast et al.,(1980) two year study. A LO(A)EL of 20 ppm was established in the study, treatment-related nasal changes being evident at this exposure level, and this was used as a starting point in the risk assessment in relation to inhalation exposure. A No Adverse Effect Level (NAEL) of 4 ppm for the inhalation route was been derived from the LO(A)EL of 20 ppm, by application of a safety factor of 5. In relation to oral administration of acrylonitrile, the N(A)OEL is estimated to be 3 ppm (0.25 mg/kg/day) in drinking water, based on the information from the Biodynamics study (1980) study in rats which showed systemic toxicity, probably attributable to metabolic release of cyanide.
Ecological Toxicity ⁶	
Aquatic Toxicity	The data set for acrylonitrile includes a wide range of information on short and long term toxicity in fish, Daphnia and other aquatic invertebrates. Acrylonitrile is moderately toxic to fish, with 96-hour LC50 for fresh water fish generally lying in the range of 10 - 20 mg/l (nominal). A recent short term study in the saltwater species <i>Cyprinodon variegatus</i> , carried out in full compliance with current protocols, reported a 96-hour LC50 of 8.6 mg/l. The lowest 48 hour EC50 for Daphnia was 7.6 mg/l. The fish early life stage toxicity test in <i>Pimephales promelas</i> , using flow-through conditions, provided a LOEC/NOEC of 0.34 mg/l, while a 30 day flow through test in mature fish of the same species provided a long-term LC50 of 2.6 mg/l. If the value of 0.34 mg/l is taken as a LOEC, a NOEC may be derived by application of safety factor of 2, giving a NOEC of 0.17 mg/l.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Applying an assessment factor of 10 to the NOEC (0.17 mg/l) derived from the fish early life stage toxicity test gives a PNEC of 17 µg/l.
Current Regulatory Controls ^{1,7}	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Chemical Information System (HCIS) (Safe Work Australia): H225 (Highly flammable liquid and vapour) H350 (May cause cancer) H331 (Toxic if inhaled) H311 (Toxic in contact with skin) H301 (Toxic if swallowed) H335 (May cause respiratory irritation) H315 (Causes skin irritation) H318 (Causes serious eye damage) H317 (May cause an allergic skin reaction) H411 (Toxic to aquatic life with long-lasting effects)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	The current national occupational exposure standard for acrylonitrile in Australia is 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m ³) expressed as an 8 h TWA airborne concentration, Carcinogen Category 2, with a 'skin' notation (NOHSC, 1995a).

International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>The following exposure standards are identified:</p> <p>8h TWA:</p> <p>Austria 2 ppm (4.5 mg/m³) Belgium 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m³) Denmark 2 ppm (4.0 mg/m³) Finland 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m³) France 2 ppm (4.0 mg/m³) Germany 3 ppm (7.0 mg/m³) Hungary 0.23 ppm (0.5 mg/m³) India 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m³) Ireland 2 ppm (4.5 mg/m³) Japan 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m³) Netherlands 4 ppm (9 mg/m³) Philippines 20 ppm (43 mg/m³) Poland 5 ppm (10 mg/m³) Russia 0.23 ppm (0.5 mg/m³) Spain 2 ppm (4.5 mg/m³) Sweden 2 ppm (4.5 mg/m³) Turkey 20 ppm (43 mg/m³) United Kingdom 2 ppm (4 mg/m³) USA (NIOSH) 1 ppm (2.2 mg/m³) USA (OSHA) 2 ppm (4.3 mg/m³)</p> <p>Short-term exposure limits (STEL):</p> <p>Finland 4 ppm (9 mg/m³) France 15 ppm (32.5 mg/m³) Netherlands 10 ppm (22 mg/m³) Sweden 6 ppm (14 mg/m³) USA (NIOSH) 10 ppm (22 mg/m³) USA (OSHA) 10 ppm (22 mg/m³)</p>
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	A freshwater low reliability trigger value of 160 µg/L was calculated for acetonitrile using an AF of 1000. In the absence of marine data, this was adopted as a marine low reliability trigger value.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Acrylonitrile is readily to fairly degradable in water, soil and in the troposphere
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. The low log Pow (0.00-0.30) measures for acrylonitrile suggest bioaccumulation will not occur.
T criteria fulfilled?	Yes. Chronic toxicity data <1 mg/L in fish, thus acrylonitrile meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Alcohols, C10-16, ethoxylated propoxylated

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	69227-22-1
Molecular formula	No data available.
Molecular weight	No data available.
Solubility in water	Soluble in water
Melting point	-3 °C
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Yellow liquid, mild odour
Overview	Principle Route of Exposure: Eye or skin contact, inhalation Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	This substance is expected to be readily biodegradable (84% @ 28d) (similar substances). Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative. Mobility in soil: KOC = >4
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data available to indicate product or components present at greater than 0.1% are chronic health hazards.
Carcinogenicity	Did not show carcinogenic effects in animal experiments (similar substances)
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In vitro tests did not show mutagenic effects. In vivo tests did not show mutagenic effects. (similar substances)
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.
Acute Toxicity	LD50 Oral: 600 mg/kg (Rat) (similar substance) LD50 Dermal: > 5200 mg/kg (Rabbit) (similar substance) LD50 Inhalation: > 0.22 mg/L (saturated concentration) (Rat) (similar substance)
Irritation	May cause mild respiratory irritation. Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation.
Sensitisation	Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals (guinea pig) (similar substances)
Health Effects Summary	Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ¹	

Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Toxicity to fish: LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) (similar substance) LC50 (96h) 1.6 mg/L (Pimephales promelas) (similar substance) LC50 (96h) 3 mg/L (Brachydanio rerio) (similar substance)</p> <p>Toxicity to invertebrates: EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) (similar substance) EC50 (48h) 2 mg/L (Daphnia magna) (similar substance)</p> <p>Toxicity to algae: EC50 (72h) 0.75 mg/L (Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata) (similar substance) ErC50 (48h) 0.7 mg/L (Skeletonema costatum) EC10 9.79 mg/L (Selenastrum capricornutum) (similar substance) ErC50 1.1 mg/L (Scenedesmus subspicatus) (similar substance)</p> <p>Toxicity to microorganisms: ErC50 (16.9h) > 10 g/L (Pseudomonas putida) (similar substance)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	On the basis that the data consists of short term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 0.14 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNEC aquatic is 0.14 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	H302 - Harmful if swallowed H315 - Causes skin irritation H318 - Causes serious eye damage
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.01 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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References

1. Redacted

Toxicity Summary - Alcohols, C6-12, ethoxylated propoxylated

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	68937-66-6
Molecular formula	No data available.
Molecular weight	No data available.
Solubility in water	Soluble in water
Melting point	-3 °C
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Yellow liquid, mild odour
Overview	Principle Route of Exposure: Eye or skin contact, inhalation Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	This substance is expected to be readily biodegradable (60% @ 28d) (similar substances). Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative. Mobility in soil: KOC = >4
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data available to indicate product or components present at greater than 0.1% are chronic health hazards.
Carcinogenicity	Did not show carcinogenic effects in animal experiments (similar substances)
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In vitro tests did not show mutagenic effects. In vivo tests did not show mutagenic effects. (similar substances)
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.
Acute Toxicity	LD50 Oral: 600 mg/kg (Rat) (similar substance) LD50 Dermal: > 5200 mg/kg (Rabbit) (similar substance) LD50 Inhalation: > 0.22 mg/L (saturated concentration) (Rat) (similar substance)
Irritation	May cause mild respiratory irritation. Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation.
Sensitisation	Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals (guinea pig) (similar substances)
Health Effects Summary	Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ¹	

Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Toxicity to fish: LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) (similar substance) LC50 (96) 1.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas) (similar substance) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)</p> <p>Toxicity to invertebrates: EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) (similar substance) EC50 (48h) 0.39 mg/L (Cerodaphnia dubia) (similar substance)</p> <p>Toxicity to algae: EC50 (72h) 0.75 mg/L (Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata) (similar substance) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subapitata) (similar substance) CD10 8 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subapitata) EC10 2 mg/L (Brachionus calyciflorus)</p> <p>Toxicity to microorganisms: EC50 (48h) 0.39 mg/L (Cerodaphnia dubia) (similar substance)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	On the basis that the data consists of short term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 0.14 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNEC aquatic is 0.14 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	H302 - Harmful if swallowed H315 - Causes skin irritation H318 - Causes serious eye damage
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium hydroxide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
Revised	January 2019

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Toxicity Summary - Ethoxylated of aliphatic alcohols (>C6)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	112-59-4, 3055-93-4, 3055-94-5, 3055-95-6, 3055-97-8, 4536-30-5, 5274-68-0, 25190-05-0, 9002-92-0, 9004-95-9, 9004-98-2, 9005-00-9, 9043-30-5, 31726-34-8, 24938-91-8, 26183-52-8, 26468-86-0, 27252-75-1, 27306-79-2, 31943-12-1, 32128-65-7, 37281-47-3, 37702-39-9, 39587-22-9, 52292-17-8, 61723-78-2, 68439-45-2, 68439-46-3, 68439-49-6, 68439-50-9, 68439-54-3, 61791-13-7, 61791-28-4, 61827-42-7, 64425-86-1, 66455-14-9, 66455-15-0, 69227-20-9, 67254-71-1, 68002-97-1, 68131-39-5, 68131-40-8, 68155-01-1, 68213-23-0, 68526-94-3, 68551-12-2, 97953-22-5, 68920-66-1, 68991-48-0, 78330-21-9
Molecular formula	Unspecified
Molecular weight	Unspecified
Solubility in water	0.1876 - 13.18 mg/L at 25 °C (C12-14 ethoxylated, 1-2.5 EO) (CAS 68131-39-5) 1.69 - 246.7 mg/L at 25 °C (C9-11, ethoxylated (EO < 2.5)) (CAS 68439-46-3)
Melting point	7.2 °C at 101.3 kPa (CAS 68131-39-5) -20 °C at 101.3 kPa (CAS 68439-46-3)
Boiling point	271.11 - 516.11 °C (CAS 68131-39-5) 260 °C (CAS 68439-46-3)
Vapour pressure	< 1 Pa at 25 °C (CAS 68131-39-5) 0.004 - 117 Pa at 20 °C (CAS 68439-46-3)
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Non explosives
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Organic liquid, colourless to light yellow
Overview	<p>The chemicals in this group are structurally related alcohol ethoxylates (AEs), ethoxylated ethers of aliphatic alcohols, where the alkyl chain length is six carbons or higher. Ethoxylates of shorter chain alcohols (C<6) do not show the same degree of surfactancy compared to the chemicals in this group. Commercially available AEs generally consist of a mixture of various AE homologues of varying carbon chain lengths and degree of ethoxylation. The chemicals contain a hydrophobic alkyl chain attached via an ether linkage to a hydrophilic ethylene oxide (EO) chain that gives them their characteristic surfactant properties. The hydrophobic alkyl and the hydrophilic EO chains can vary in length depending on method of production and source of the precursor chemicals (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Although most of chemicals of this group are polymers according to the definition in the Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act (1989), the individually named members do not necessarily meet the polymer of low concern (PLC) criteria as the number-average molecular weight (NAMW) >1000 Da. Lower molecular weight forms of these chemicals (MW <500) are expected to be used in commercial, domestic and cosmetic products. The chemicals are used extensively as non-ionic surfactants in a wide range of cosmetic and domestic products.</p> <p>The chemicals in this group are expected to have similar physicochemical and toxicological properties, which depend on the alkyl chain length and the number of EO units.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Alcohol ethoxylates are readily biodegradable under aerobic conditions and also anaerobically biodegradable (HERA, 2009). The main mechanism of primary biodegradation for the linear and essentially linear AE is the central cleavage of the molecule, leading to the formation of long chain alcohol and polyethylene glycol (HERA, 2009; Marcomini et al., 2000a; Marcomini et al., 2000b). Long chain alcohols themselves are readily biodegradable up to C18 (SIDS, 2006).</p> <p>Abiotic degradation in water, soil, sediment and air is not expected to occur because of the chemical structures of AE homologues. Neither hydrolysis under normal</p>

	<p>environmental conditions (pH range from 4 to 9) nor photolysis in the atmosphere, in water, or when absorbed to soil and sediment surfaces, is to be considered (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Experimentally determined BCF-values given for pure homologues and summarized in the publication of Tolls et al. (2000) are used as read-across data for the endpoint bioaccumulation in water. It can be stated that bioaccumulation of alcohol ethoxylates is regarded to be negligible as the surfactants will be rapidly metabolised. For more detail see endpoint summary for bioaccumulation.</p> <p>Concerning transport and distribution of the alcohol ethoxylate mixtures a high adsorption of the substances is determined by using QSAR-models. Adsorption onto surfaces is an intrinsic property of alcohol ethoxylates and thus a high Koc-value is expected.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are not expected to cause serious damage to health fr In several 90-day oral feeding studies in rats (similar to OECD TG 407), the NOAEL was established between 50 and 700 mg/kg bw/day (calculated from dietary levels) for group members (CAS Nos. 68439-50-9 and 68131-39-5, ranging from C12–15 with EO7). Effects observed at higher concentrations included reduction in mean body weights, and increases in relative liver and kidney weights. These changes were considered to be adaptive and related to the poor palatability of the test chemicals. No treatment related histopathological changes were reported (SCCS, 2007; HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>Similar effects were seen in longer-term studies. Alcohols, C12-13, ethoxylated (CAS No. 66455-14-9; EO6.5) and alcohols, C14-15, ethoxylated (CAS No. 68951-67-7, EO7, not listed on AICS) were given to rats in one- and two-year chronic feeding studies at levels between 0.1 and 1 %. The NOAEL was established between 50 and 192 mg/kg bw/day (calculated from dietary level). Effects observed at higher levels included reduction in mean body weights, and increase in relative liver and kidney weights. These changes were considered to be adaptive and may be due to poor palatability of the test chemicals. No treatment related lesions were observed (SCCS, 2007; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).om repeated oral and dermal exposure.</p> <p>In a 90-day study (OECD TG 411), Fischer rats were exposed to the chemical (C9–11 with 6 EO units, CAS No. 68439-46-3) at 1, 10 or 25 % concentration, 3 days/week. The application site was shaved but not covered. There were no significant treatment related effects at any concentration. Dry and flaky skin was observed in the 10 and 25 % dose groups. Increased relative kidney weights were observed in the 25 % dose groups. However, no histological lesions were observed. The NOAEL was established at 10 %, equivalent to 80 mg/kg bw/day (HERA, 2009).</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals in this group are not considered to be carcinogenic.</p> <p>Two chemicals, alcohols, C12-13, ethoxylated (CAS No. 66455-14-9; EO6.5) and alcohols, C14-15, ethoxylated (CAS No. 68951-67-7, EO7, not listed on AICS) were administered at up to 1 % in the diet to rats for one and two years, respectively. No treatment related histopathological effects or increased tumour incidences were observed in either study (HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>The chemicals are synthesised through processes which may result in 1,4-dioxane as an impurity. This impurity is classified as a Carcinogen—Category 3 (R40—Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect). However, it is reported that cosmetic industry uses additional purification steps to remove the 1,4-dioxane residual in PEG before blending into cosmetic formulations (CIR, 2012).</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals in this group are not considered to be genotoxic.</p> <p>The group members (CAS Nos. 68439-50-9, 68131-39-5 and 64425-86-1) and several analogue chemicals (ranging from C12-18 and EO3-21) produced negative results in several in vitro and in vivo tests for gene mutation and clastogenicity. Negative results were reported in bacterial reverse mutation tests for mutagenicity against <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> (strains TA98, TA100, TA102, TA104, TA1535, TA1537 and TA1538) and <i>Escherichia coli</i> (strains WP2 and WP2uvrA pKM101), with or without metabolic activation.</p> <p>Negative results were also reported in chromosomal aberration tests in Chinese hamster V79, Chinese hamster ovary, mouse lymphoma and rat liver cell lines (SCCP, 2007; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>These chemicals did not induce chromosomal damage in Chinese hamster or Tunstall Wistar rat bone marrow cells after acute oral doses ranged between 250 and 3400 mg/kg bw (HERA, 2009).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals of this group are not considered to cause reproductive or developmental toxicity.</p> <p>In a two-generation reproductive and developmental toxicity study, the chemical (C14-15EO7) was administered in the diet of Charles River CD rats (n=25/sex/group, at doses of 0, 25, 50 or 250 mg/kg bw/day). The NOAEL for reproductive toxicity was established as 250 mg/kg bw/day (or 0.5 % of the diet). No treatment related effects were reported with respect to fertility, gestation, or viability indices or other histopathological parameters. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity was established as 50 mg/kg bw/day based on reduced pup body weights in the second generation at 250 mg/kg bw/day (HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a two-generation reproductive and developmental toxicity study, the chemical (C9-11EO6) was applied dermally to Fischer 344 rats (n=30/sex/group, at doses of 0, 10, 100 or 250 mg/kg bw/day, 3 times a week except mating periods). No treatment related effects were reported with respect to mating, fertility, gestation, or viability indices and mean gestational length in both generations. No effects on testicular weights or sperm counts were observed in the male rats. The NOAEL for reproductive toxicity was established as 250 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity was >250 mg/kg bw/day, based on no effects seen in growth and development in the offspring up to the highest dose tested (HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a two generation study, the chemical (C12EO6) was administered in the diet of female rabbits at doses of 0, 50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw/day from gestation days 2 to 16. Ataxia and a slight decrease in body weight were observed at 100 and 200 mg/kg bw/day, indicating maternal toxicity. Nine rabbits in the control group and 31 in the treatment groups died during the study (details not available). There were no treatment related effects on implantations, number of live fetuses and spontaneous abortions. The NOAEL for maternal toxicity was reported as >50 mg/kg bw/day (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Although certain short chain monoethylene glycol ethers such as 2-ethoxyethanol (CAS No. 110-80-5) are known reproductive toxicants, the ability of the glycol ethers to cause testicular toxicity decreases with increasing chain length, with effects not observed with chain lengths greater than C2 (OECD, 2004).</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Based on the available animal (rats, mice and guinea pigs) studies, the chemicals in this group are expected to have low to moderate acute oral toxicity (REACHa-h; OECD, 2005; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012). The LD50 in rats ranged from 600 mg/kg bw to greater than 20 g/kg bw. Observed sublethal effects for the chemical with the highest toxicity (C15–16 and EO10) included diarrhoea, pilo-erection, ataxia, abnormal posture, difficult laboured breathing, salivation, lacrimation, bloody noses and lethargy. Data from HERA assessment studies show that the chemicals with ethoxylate chains (EO) between 5 and 15 units were more toxic by the oral route than those with less than 4 or greater than 21 units. No relationship between the alcohol chain length and toxicity was observed (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>The chemicals of this group exhibit low acute dermal and inhalation toxicity. The chemicals (C9 to C15 with 3–13 EO units) were of low acute toxicity in rats and rabbits following dermal exposure. The LD50 ranged from 2000 to 5000 mg/kg bw. Sub-clinical effects included wet appearance of the fur, little or no urine, laboured breathing, lethargy, diarrhoea, ataxia, muscle tremours and decreased activity. There was no relationship between the alcohol chain length or number of ethoxylate groups and toxicity. Very high dermal doses of the chemicals (>16000 mg/kg bw) applied dermally for 24 hours in rabbits led to severe skin irritation, ataxia and lung lesions (HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a guideline study (Test Guideline (TG) 403), a single static inhalation exposure to substantially saturated vapour (equivalent to 131.58 ppm - calculated) of C6EO1-2.5 (CAS No. 112-59-4), resulted in no mortality or other signs of inhalation toxicity in Sprague- Dawley (SD) rats (REACHa).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are reported to be moderate to severe skin irritants in animal studies. The degree of irritation was reported to be dependent on the type of patch (occluded vs semi-occluded), exposure time (ranging from 4 hours up to 4 weeks) and the concentration used. Undiluted chemicals were moderately to severely irritating, 1–10 % was mildly irritating and 0.1 % and 0.5 % were non-irritating. There was also a general trend between the severity of irritation and the degree of ethoxylation. Chemicals with three and less ethoxylate units appeared to be more irritating than chemicals with higher degree of ethoxylation. No trend in irritation potential with respect to the length of carbon chain could be established.</p> <p>Available data indicates that undiluted AEs can produce varying degrees of eye irritation ranging from moderate to severe irritancy. The severity of irritation was found to be concentration dependent, with up to 1 % minimally irritating and concentrations in the range of 1 to 10 % slightly to moderately irritating. In most cases, following exposure, the eyes of the treated animals recovered a few days after exposure. Further tests showed that rinsing the eye 30 seconds after application with tap water may reduce the severity of the effects. No clear relationship could be established between the number of EO units or carbon chain length and eye irritation potency.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on available data, the chemicals in this group are not skin sensitisers.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are synthesised from linear alcohols (primary or secondary) or branched alcohols. The commercial AEs may also contain un-reacted alcohol as reaction by-products at about 5 % but with variations between different commercial products (HERA, 2009). Available data on linear and branched chain alcohols show that they have low acute and systemic toxicity and exhibit similar patterns of absorption, metabolism, and excretion to alcohol ethoxylates. They are also shown to have no skin sensitisation potential. A potential for skin and eye irritation exists with alcohols >11 carbon chain length (OECD, 2006; OECD, 2006a).</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The critical human health effects for risk characterisation are acute oral toxicity and skin and eye irritation. The irritant effects are similar to those produced by other surfactants, and the severity of irritation appears to increase directly with concentration and generally decrease with an increasing number of ethoxylate units.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96 h LC50 value for Alcohols, C9-11, ethoxylated with <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> was 5 - 7 mg/L based on nominal concentrations.</p> <p>In the long term toxicity test to <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>, the NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 – 0.33 mg/L.</p> <p>In the short-term toxicity test to <i>Daphnia magna</i>, the EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L.</p> <p>In the long term toxicity test to <i>Daphnia magna</i>, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 – 1.75 mg/L.</p> <p>In the short-term toxicity test to <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> (green algae), the EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L.</p> <p>The EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L.</p> <p>In a study conducted with two different fish species (bluegill sunfish and fathead minnow) the effects of C14 -15 alcohol ethoxylates (7EO) were determined (Dorn et al., 1995, Shell). In two experiments fish were exposed for 10 d in a laboratory assay and for 30 d in an outdoor stream mesocosm. Effect parameters determined were survival and growth of juvenile bluegills and survival and reproduction of fathead minnows. In the laboratory experiment the NOEC for survival and swimming performance of bluegills and for survival of fathead minnows was 0.16 mg/L. In the stream mesocosm the NOEC for bluegill survival and growth was >0.33 mg/L and for fathead minnow survival 0.28 mg/L. There was an indication of decreased egg laying by fathead minnow in the streams at concentrations of 0.33 mg/L or greater. On the basis of the reported results a worst-case NOEC of 0.16 mg/L is assumed.</p> <p>One publication is available for an alcohol ethoxylate mixture with a chain length of C12 - C13 and approximately 6.5 ethoxy groups (Gillespie et al. 1999). The 21 days flow-through chronic experiment on daphnids is conducted according to the guidelines USEPA-TSCA (U.S. EPA, 1992) and ASTM (1988) and is well documented in the paper. Nevertheless the degree of ethoxylation of the tested mixture described in the paper (6.5 EO) is higher than the degree of ethoxylation described for CAS 68131-39-5 (2.5 EO). The NOEC of 0.77 mg/L for reproduction can be used for read-across.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	A PNECaquatic of 11 µg/L was calculated using the lowest chronic endpoint of NOEC of 0.11 mg/L for <i>Daphnia magna</i> . An assessment factor of 10 was used.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	Trigger values for freshwater (95% species) (ANZECC 2000): Alcohol ethoxylated sulfate (AES) = 650 µg/L ⁻¹ Alcohol ethoxylated surfactants (AE) = 140 µg/L ⁻¹
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. These chemicals were found to be readily biodegradable. Thus, it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Bioaccumulation in organisms is expected to be negligible, due to biotransformation and excretion of alcohol ethoxylates.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The NOECs from the chronic aquatic toxicity data are >0.01 mg/L, hence does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.

Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Alcohols, C6-12, ethoxylated propoxylated

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	68937-66-6
Molecular formula	No data available.
Molecular weight	No data available.
Solubility in water	Soluble in water
Melting point	-3 °C
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Yellow liquid, mild odour
Overview	Principle Route of Exposure: Eye or skin contact, inhalation Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	This substance is expected to be readily biodegradable (60% @ 28d) (similar substances). Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative. Mobility in soil: KOC = >4
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data available to indicate product or components present at greater than 0.1% are chronic health hazards.
Carcinogenicity	Did not show carcinogenic effects in animal experiments (similar substances)
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In vitro tests did not show mutagenic effects. In vivo tests did not show mutagenic effects. (similar substances)
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Animal testing did not show any effects on fertility.
Acute Toxicity	LD50 Oral: 600 mg/kg (Rat) (similar substance) LD50 Dermal: > 5200 mg/kg (Rabbit) (similar substance) LD50 Inhalation: > 0.22 mg/L (saturated concentration) (Rat) (similar substance)
Irritation	May cause mild respiratory irritation. Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation.
Sensitisation	Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals (guinea pig) (similar substances)
Health Effects Summary	Causes severe eye irritation which may damage tissue. Causes skin irritation. Harmful if swallowed.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ¹	

Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Toxicity to fish: LC50 (96h) 0.59 mg/L (Pleuronectes platessa) (similar substance) LC50 (96) 1.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas) (similar substance) NOEC 4.4 mg/L (Pimephales promelas, juvenile)</p> <p>Toxicity to invertebrates: EC50 (48h) 0.14 mg/L (Daphnia magna) (similar substance) EC50 (48h) 0.39 mg/L (Cerodaphnia dubia) (similar substance)</p> <p>Toxicity to algae: EC50 (72h) 0.75 mg/L (Pseudokirchnerella subcapitata) (similar substance) EC50 (96h) 0.7 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subapitata) (similar substance) CD10 8 mg/L (Pseudokirchneriella subapitata) EC10 2 mg/L (Brachionus calyciflorus)</p> <p>Toxicity to microorganisms: EC50 (48h) 0.39 mg/L (Cerodaphnia dubia) (similar substance)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	On the basis that the data consists of short term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 0.14 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNEC aquatic is 0.14 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	H302 - Harmful if swallowed H315 - Causes skin irritation H318 - Causes serious eye damage
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on an estimated log Kow value of 4.3 – 5.36, and BCF value of 1.1 – 1.8, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium hydroxide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Amides, tall-oil fatty, N,N-bis(hydroxyethyl)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2}	
CAS number	68155-20-4
Molecular formula	UVCB
Molecular weight	370 (typical C18 monounsaturated)
Solubility in water	Dispersible
Melting point	<25 °C (liquid)
Boiling point	>300 °C (estimated)
Vapour pressure	<1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰ (estimated)
Henry's law constant	<1.0×10 ⁻¹⁰ (estimated)
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Liquid
Overview	Non-confidential information in the IUR indicated that the industrial processing and uses of the chemical include other basic organic chemical manufacturing as surface active agents and intermediates; pesticide and other agricultural chemical manufacturing as surface active agents; soap and cleaning compound manufacturing as surface active agents; support activities for mining as surface active agents; and petrochemical manufacturing as surface active agents. Non-confidential commercial and consumer uses of this chemical include lubricants, greases and fuel additives.
Environmental Fate ^{1,2}	
Soil/Water/Air	The members of the fatty nitrogen derived amides category are long-chain alkyl substituted amides used in commercial product mixtures. The category consists of three subcategories: Subcategory I, fatty acid amides; Subcategory II, fatty alkanolamides; and Subcategory III, fatty acid reaction products with amines. For the purpose of this discussion only, a one-member Subcategory, Subcategory IV, which contains CASRN, 61790-63-4, has been considered as part of Subcategory II. The components of Subcategory I are solids possessing low vapor pressure and low water solubility. The substances in Subcategory II contain solids and liquids with negligible to low vapor pressure and tend to be dispersible in water. The substances in Subcategory III also contain solids and liquids possessing negligible to low vapor pressure that tend to be dispersible in water. The fatty acid amides (Subcategory I) and the fatty acid reaction products with amines (Subcategory III) are expected to possess low mobility in soil. The fatty alkanolamides (Subcategory II) are expected to possess moderate to high mobility in soil. Volatilization is low to moderate for the fatty acid amides and low for the fatty alkanolamides and the fatty acid reaction products with amines. The rate of hydrolysis is considered negligible for all category members. The rate of atmospheric photooxidation is considered moderate to rapid for members of each subcategory; however, this is not expected to be an important environmental fate process since these substances are not expected to exist in the vapor phase in the atmosphere. The overall weight of evidence suggests that the members of the fatty nitrogen derived amides category should possess low persistence (P1) and low bioaccumulation potential (B1) with the exception of two members of subcategory III. Fatty acids, tall-oil, reaction products with tetraethylenepentamine and fatty acids, tall-oil, reaction products with polyethylenepolyamines are expected to possess low persistence (P1), but moderate bioaccumulation potential (B2).
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>Based on read-across from CAS 120-40-1, an oral repeated dose toxicity study reported NOEL = 0.1% which corresponds to 50 mg/kg/day. No rats died as a result of being treated with the test substance. Two males treated with diet containing 1.0% test substance were euthanized on Days 23 and 58 because of weight loss and respiratory distress. Extensive lung abscess formation was seen at autopsy and bronchopneumonia was confirmed histologically. Growth was inhibited significantly in males and females at and above the 0.5% dietary concentration. Food intake was reduced at all dietary levels except 0.1%, and was attributed to an effect of the test substance on palatability of the diet. The rats in the palatability study showed exclusive preference to the control feed than the treated feed, virtually no test diet was consumed at any dietary levels incorporated. Hematological examination revealed statistically significant reductions in hemoglobin levels and red cell counts in females at the 2.0 and 1.0% dietary concentration and in hemoglobin levels in males at the 2.0% level. Examination of the femoral bone marrow smears showed not deviation from normality. Serum chemistry revealed significantly high serum levels of glutamic-oxaloacetic transaminase in females at the 0.5% level and higher, but only at the 0.5% level in males. Urinalysis was comparable across all groups for males and females. Gross examinations were unremarkable. Statistically significant increases in relative kidney weight in all test groups except at 0.1% in females and at 2.0 and 1.0% in males; and increases in relative liver weight in females at 2.0 and 1.0% were seen. These were attributed to the decreases in body weight. Types and incidence of pathological lesions seen histologically were comparable in control and test groups. Gonads were examined histologically, thus this study meets SIDS requirements for a reproductive screen.</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Not regarded as carcinogenic.</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on read-across from CAS 120-40-1, the test substance did not induce reverse mutations in the tested strains of Salmonella typhimurium in the presence or absence of S-9 activation.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on read-across from CAS 68603-42-9, the results from a developmental toxicity study showed that repeated oral administration of COMPERLAN KD to pregnant rats on day 6 through 15 of gestation, caused no symptoms of cumulative toxicity up to a dose level of 1000 mg/kg/day. With the exception of salivation and propulsion of the head during the dose administration, there were no treatment-related effects. Also, COMPERLAN KD does not reveal any embryotoxic or teratogenic potential at dose levels up to 1000 mg/kg/day (author of the report).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Acute oral and dermal toxicities of CASRN 68140-00-1 in rat and rabbit, respectively, are low.</p> <p>Based on read-across from CAS 68140-00-1, an oral acute toxicity test on rats reported LD50 > 5 g/kg. All animals survived the 8-day observation period and no adverse effects were observed. With respect to the determined LD50 value, it is assumed that the LD50 value for female rats also exceeds the limit dose of > 2000 mg/kg body weight. In a dermal acute toxicity test on rabbits, LD50 > 2 g/kg was reported. All animals survived. All animals appeared normal through day 14. Two females that had abraded skin lost weight (0.01 and 0.25 kg) over the 14-day post-exposure period. All remaining rabbits gained weight through day 14.</p> <p>Swiss-Webster mice (4 males/dose) were administered "Alkanolamide #1", identified in the robust summary as CASRN 68144-20-4, via whole body exposure for 3 hours. Doses were 86- 219 mg/m³ (0.086 – 0.219 mg/L). Animals were observed for several days. No mortality was observed. LC50 > 0.219 mg/L</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The test article produced sensory irritation later in the exposure at low concentrations. Pulmonary irritation also occurred later in these exposures.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Did not cause sensitization on laboratory animals (similar substances)</p>

Health Effects Summary	Acute oral and dermal toxicities of CASRN 68140-00-1 in rat and rabbit, respectively, are low. CASRNs 142-78-9 and 68140-00-1 were negative for gene mutations in bacteria in vitro. No data are available for the repeated-dose/reproductive/developmental toxicity and genetic toxicity (chromosomal aberrations) endpoints. The repeated-dose/reproductive/developmental toxicity and genetic toxicity (chromosomal aberrations) endpoints are identified as data gaps
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ^{1, 3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Based on read-across for CAS No: 68603-42-9 Daphnia: EC50 (24-hour): 3.3 mg active matter/l Daphnia: 48-hour LC50 = 2.15 and 2.64 mg/l Based on read-across for CAS No: 112-84-5 The experiment measured the survival and reproduction of Daphnia magna over a 21-day exposure to the test and control substances. Daphnids were cultured in the laboratory using Elendt M7 medium and a daily feeding regiment of green algal cells (<i>Chlorella vulgaris</i>). Four experimental groups: control (Elendt M7 medium), solvent control (0.1 ml methanol/l), 33 µg/l, and 100 µg/l (nominal concentrations) were used in a static-renewal exposure system. All test solutions were prepared with Elendt M7 medium. Replicate test vessels consisted of 4 oz glass bottles containing 100 ml of test solution. There were 10 replicates per experimental group. On the day of test initiation, neonate daphnids were removed from cultures and placed in a crystallizing dish containing Elendt M7 medium. One daphnid was placed in each replicate test vessel, and each vessel was randomly placed in the testing area. Light intensity was not measured, but ambient laboratory lighting was provided with a photoperiod of 16 hours light/8 hours dark. Each day, test solutions were renewed, and the daphnids were fed 1.7 x 10 ⁵ cells/ml of <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> . Adult survival and reproduction was assessed each day and neonates were removed daily. The pH, dissolved oxygen (DO) and total hardness (as mg/l CaCO ₃) were measured on test days 0, 1, every Tuesday and Friday and on day 21. Means and ranges for temperature, water pH, DO and total hardness were 19.7 °C (14.5 - 25.0 °C), 7.6 (7.2 - 8.1), 8.2 mg/l (4.5 - 9.3 mg/l) and 245 mg/l (234 - 256 mg/l) as CaCO ₃ , respectively. Concentrations of the test substance in exposure solutions were measured on test days 0, 1, 5, 9, 12, 16 and 19 in both the old and the new solutions. Effect concentrations were based on mean measured concentrations. 21 d NOEC = 0.08 mg/L
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Applying an assessment factor of 1000 to the NOEC (0.08 mg/l) gives a PNEC of 0.08 µg/l.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Expected to be readily biodegradable based on similar substances.

B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on BAF = 108 and log Kow of 3 (estimated)
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Acute toxicity data was >1 mg/L.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Amine oxides, cocoalkyldimethyl

Chemical and Physical Properties	
CAS number	61788-90-7
Molecular formula	CH ₃ .(CH ₂) _R .N(CH ₃) ₂ O, where R is 9-17
Molecular weight	237 (70% C12: 30% C14) (molecular weight will vary depending on structure)
Solubility in water	409.5 g/L
Melting point	Average: 130.5
Boiling point	Decomposes before boiling
Vapour pressure	Predicted vapour pressure values are < 4.6E-7 hPa
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	No data available.
Overview	<p>Surfactants known as amine oxides (AO) contain even numbered linear alkyl chains ranging from C8 to C20. Also known as fatty alkyl dimethyl AOs, they are usually produced by reacting alkyl dimethyl amines with hydrogen peroxide in water. The AOs are produced, transported and used in water solutions, typically at a 25-35% activity level. The AOs are produced and used either as single chain length substances (e.g., C12) or as a mixture of different chain lengths (e.g., C12 to C18). All of the substances in this category are surfactants, consisting of a polar "head" (the amine oxide) and a relatively inert, hydrophobic "tail" (the long alkyl substituent).</p> <p>AOs are used in cleaning and personal care products as foam stabilizers, thickeners, emollients, emulsifying and conditioning agents. Primary uses are in liquid hard surface cleaners, laundry and dishwashing detergents, shampoos and hair conditioning products.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	AOs are highly water soluble (C10-16 AO = 409.5g/L). AO is fully biodegradable under both aerobic and anaerobic conditions and is effectively removed during wastewater sewer transport ("pipe loss" >90%) and in biological wastewater treatment (~98%). It has low potential for bioaccumulation (BCF <87 L/kg). These characteristics help to minimize the potential for environmental exposure, and for indirect human exposures via drinking water and/or fish consumption.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	In four repeated-dose studies with rats and mice exposed to AO via oral and dermal routes (all with CAS No 70592-80-2), three dermal studies were designed to assess the effect of repeated exposure on skin at maximum doses of 1.5 mg AO/kg-bw/day. Higher doses were tested in a 90-day dietary study with rabbits. No treatment-related clinical chemistry, hematology and histopathological changes were observed. In these studies, LOAELs ranged from 87 to 150 mg AO/kg bw/day with the highest oral NOAEL below the lowest LOAEL as 80 mg AO/kg bw/day. Signs of toxicity observed in the oral study included suppressed mean body weight gain, lenticular opacities and diarrhoea; in the dermal studies, local dermal irritation was evident.
Carcinogenicity	The carcinogenic potential of amine oxides has been thoroughly investigated in three carcinogenicity studies in rats or mice by dermal, dietary, or drinking water routes. In all cases the substances demonstrated no evidence of a carcinogenic response.

Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In five in vitro bacterial (Salmonella) mutagenicity studies, AO shows no evidence of mutagenicity either with or without S9 metabolic activation at concentrations up to 250 ug/plate (higher concentrations caused cytotoxicity). Three in vivo studies investigated clastogenic effects on a close structural analog of the category, 1-(methyldodecyl)dimethylamine-N-oxide including: a mouse micronucleus, a Chinese hamster micronucleus and a Chinese hamster cytogenetics study. These studies were all negative showing no increase in micronuclei or chromosome aberrations. An in vivo mouse dominant lethal assay showed no evidence of heritable effects. Two AOs (CAS No 1643-20-5 and CAS No 3332-27-2) were negative in an in vitro cell transformation assay tested at concentrations up to 20 ug/ml.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No evidence of reproductive toxicity or fertility effects was observed in a study in which rats were given dietary doses of AO in the diet over two generations (CAS No 1643-20-5). No macroscopic or histopathological changes were attributable to treatment with the test substance. The maternal NOAEL from this reproductive study was >40 mg AO/kg bw/day, which was the highest dose tested. At all treatment levels, the rate of bodyweight gain for the F1 and F2 offspring was reduced during the lactation period, however, this reduction was not greater than 10%. This effect appeared to be dose-related, but was not statistically significant until after weaning in the mid and high dose levels. This was not considered an adverse effect since the body weight change only reached statistical significance when the rat pups were getting the majority of their calories from solid food (Developmental NOAEL >40 mg/kg bw/day). In three developmental toxicity studies via gavage in rats and rabbits (with CAS No 1643-20-5 & 70592-80-2), effects such as decreased fetal weight or delayed ossification, were most often observed only at maternally toxic doses and were associated with the irritation effects of AO on the gastrointestinal tract. No decreases in litter size, no changes in litter parameters, no malformations or significant differences in skeletal defects were observed at oral doses up to 25 mg/kg bw/day in rats (based on decreased fetal weight at 100 mg/kg bw/day) and >160 mg/kg bw/day in rabbits (the highest dose tested).
Acute Toxicity	In rat oral acute toxicity limit tests, no deaths occurred at single doses of 600 mg C10-16 AO/kg bw or less (for CAS No 70592-80-2). In multi-dose studies, acute oral LD50 values for rats ranged from 846 mg AO/kg bw to 3873 mg AO/kg bw (both values for CAS No 61788-90-7), with several other AO's having rat oral LD50's falling within this range. In single dose acute dermal toxicity limit tests, no deaths occurred at a dose of 520 mg AO/kg bw (CAS No 70592-80-2). This dose was equivalent to 2 mL/kg of a 30% formulation. There were no deaths observed in a rat acute inhalation study to aerosol droplets of a consumer product providing a dose of 0.016 mg AO/L.
Irritation	In a series of studies on rabbits, AO's of varying chain length showed consistent results and all 1) were not irritating to the skin or eyes at low concentrations (1%), 2) were moderately irritating at 5%, and 3) more severely irritating when tested as produced (e.g., ~30% aqueous solutions). In studies that included rinsing, eye irritation effects diminished with rinsing after 30 seconds of exposure and were slight with rinsing after 4 seconds of exposure. In Draize rabbit eye irritation tests using ~30% AO solutions, rabbits experienced severe to moderate irritation. (The maximum concentration of AO is 10% active in consumer products.) Accidental eye exposure in manufacturing employee incidents and consumer incidents established that eye irritation effects of exposure during manufacturing and use of products containing AO and other surfactants are moderate, transient and reversible
Sensitisation	There is no indication of skin sensitization for the AO category based on the available animal and human data.
Health Effects Summary	The chemicals in this category present properties indicating a hazard for human health (skin and eye irritation). However, these hazards do not warrant further work as they are related to reversible, transient and non-lasting effects. Nevertheless, these hazards should be noted by chemical safety professionals and users.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	Skin and eye irritation.

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Extensive aquatic toxicity data are available for commercially representative amine oxides (C10 to C18) that are single chain length as well as mixtures. Based on hazard data, freshwater green algae are considered the most sensitive species, for acute and chronic endpoints. Acute toxicity is affected by chain length for fish and invertebrates. Chain length affects hydrophobicity, wherein longer chain-lengths increase the rate of uptake and decrease depuration. All but four supporting AO's have been tested for acute toxicity in fish, daphnia, and algae. The range of acute LC50/EC50/ErC50 values based on a review of the aquatic toxicity data on AO were 0.60-32 mg/L for fish, 0.50-10.8 mg/L for Daphnia magna and 0.010-5.30 mg/L for algae. Chronic toxicity data were normalized to a chain length of 12.9 carbon atoms, as this average chain length represents the largest volume product for North America (CAS No 70952-80-2). Chronic toxicity (NOEC, EC20) for an amine oxide of average chain length of C12.9 ranged as follows for the different trophic levels: 0.010-1.72 mg/L for algae, 0.28 mg/L for Daphnia (flow through) and 0.31 mg/L for fish (flow through). These are based on geometric mean values, and a dataset of 21 chronic toxicity studies. Based on a chronic periphyton microcosm bioassay that included 110 taxa of algae (most sensitive species), a NOEC value of 0.050 mg/L was derived when normalized for a C12.9 amine oxide.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Chronic toxicity values are reported for fish, aquatic invertebrates, and freshwater algae. Since there is valid chronic toxicity data for three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 10 is used (in accordance with EU guidance). Based on the NOEC for freshwater algae (the most sensitive species), the aquatic PNEC is 0.01 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. AOs are highly removed by conventional sewage treatment systems and biodegrade rapidly and completely under aerobic and anaerobic conditions.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. BCFWIN predictions using the calculated logKow value of < 2.7 as input parameters (derived for C10-16 AO), calculated bioconcentration factor < 87 for C12-14 AO (The Procter & Gamble Company, 2002C). Thus the potential for bioaccumulation of AOs in aquatic organisms is considered to be low.
T criteria fulfilled?	Yes. Chronic toxicity data < 1 mg/L fish, aquatic invertebrate and/or algae, thus AO does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Benzaldehyde

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	100-52-7
Molecular formula	C ₇ H ₆ O
Molecular weight	106.12
Solubility in water	6.55 g/L at 25°C
Melting point	-26°C
Boiling point	179.2°C
Vapour pressure	0.130 kPa (0.97 mmHg) at 20°C
Henry's law constant	2.85 Pa.m ³ .mol ⁻¹ @ 25 °C
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless or yellow liquid with an almond-like odour.
Overview	Benzaldehyde is a colourless liquid that becomes yellowish with age. It smells a little like almond and has a burning, aromatic taste. Benzaldehyde is very soluble in water. Benzaldehyde occurs naturally in plants. It can be formed in the atmosphere from the reaction of some chemicals with sunlight. It has been detected in air associated with volcanoes. Benzaldehyde is an important commercial chemical that is used to make other chemicals. It is also used as a preservative in cosmetics, personal care products, food and select car detailing products. It is used as a solvent for oils, flavouring, and in synthetic perfumes. It may be a tobacco additive. It was formerly used as an insecticide.
Environmental Fate ^{2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>The test substance is readily biodegradable. The test substance was shown to degrade under influence of light with a DT50 of 9.4 hours. In addition under anaerobic conditions complete biodegradation is expected.</p> <p>As the logKow is 1.4, the potential for bioaccumulation and sorption of the test substance is considered to be low. The Henry Constant was calculated to be 2.85 Pa m³/mol. A calculation with Simple Treat shows that the test substance will degrade in the Sewage Treatment Plant for > 88% with at maximum about 12% to end up in the water compartment.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹

Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity

Based on the data available, the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health from repeated oral and inhalation exposure.

In a repeated dose oral toxicity study, Fischer rats (male/female, 10/sex/dose) were administered the chemical by oral gavage at doses of 0, 50, 100, 200, 400 or 800 mg/kg bw/day, five days a week, for 13 weeks. Mortalities and histopathological changes including lesions in the brain (degeneration and necrosis of the cerebellum and necrosis in the hippocampus), renal tubular necrosis, hyperplasia and/or hyperkeratosis of the forestomach, and degeneration of the liver were observed in both sexes at the highest tested dose level. Depressed body weights (26 % lower than controls) were also observed for male rats at this dose. A no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) of 400 mg/kg bw/day was established (NTP, 1990; OECD, 2002; CIR, 2006; REACH).

A similar repeated dose oral toxicity study on B6C3F1 mice (male/female, 10/sex/dose) was also conducted. The mice were administered the chemical by oral gavage at doses of 0, 75, 150, 300, 600 or 1200 mg/kg bw/day, five days a week, for 13 weeks. Within the first week of dosing, 9/10 males and 1/10 females died at the highest tested dose. Mild to moderate renal tubular degeneration in all males was observed in the high dose group and 1/10 males in the 600 mg/kg/day group. Depressed body weights (9 % lower than controls) were also observed for the males at 600 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL was determined to be 300 mg/kg bw/day for male mice and 600 mg/kg bw/day for female mice (NTP, 1990; OECD, 2002; CIR, 2006; REACH).

In another repeated dose oral toxicity study, similar to OECD TG 408, groups of Osborne–Mendel rats (male/female, five/sex/dose) were fed a powdered diet containing the chemical at concentrations of 1000 ppm for 28 weeks, or 10000 ppm (approximately 500 mg/kg bw/day) daily for 16 weeks. No effects on body weight or haematological parameters and no macroscopic/microscopic changes in selected organs were noted at 10000 ppm (CIR, 2006; REACH).

In a repeated dose inhalation toxicity study conducted similarly to OECD TG 412, groups of Sprague Dawley (SD) rats (male/female, 14/sex/dose) were exposed (whole body) to the vapours of the chemical at 0, 500, 750 and 1000 ppm, six hours a day for 14 days. Significant reduction in body weight was observed for all males but only at 1000 ppm for females. Mortalities occurred in the two higher dose groups. All groups exhibited clinical toxicity symptoms including reduced motor activity, hypothermia, respiratory problems and nasal and ocular irritation. With increased concentrations, the severity of nasal and ocular irritation increased. At the two highest doses, the rats displayed aggressive behaviour and central nervous system symptoms (tremors, piloerection, diuresis, seizures and sensitivity to noise). The most prominent histopathological observation was goblet cell metaplasia in the respiratory epithelial lining of the nasal septum, which was found in males at doses 500 and 1000 ppm, but not in females. A no observed adverse effect concentration (NOAEC) could not be determined due to the clinical observations (indicative of neurotoxicity), hypothermia, and goblet cell metaplasia which were seen at concentrations of 500 ppm and above. The lowest observed adverse effect concentration (LOAEC) was reported to be 500 ppm in this study (CIR, 2006; HSDB; REACH).

In another repeated dose inhalation toxicity study with limited documentation (non-guideline), rats were exposed to the chemical at 186 ppm (803 mg/m³), four hours a day, five days a week for two weeks. Respiratory irritation was observed during exposure. No other effects were reported (EC, 2000; OECD 2002).

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Although the chemical has been reported to have 'some evidence of carcinogenic activity' in B6C3F1 mice, there was 'no evidence of carcinogenic activity' in Fischer 344 rats receiving 200 or 400 mg/kg bw/day (NTP, 1990). It was further concluded that the increased incidences of pancreatic acinar cell neoplasms in male rats and squamous cell papillomas of the forestomach in mice were probably due to the high concentrations of corn oil (mild irritant and mitogen) used as a vehicle in these studies (US EPA, 2001). The chemical is also considered not to have mutagenic or genotoxic potential (see Genotoxicity). Therefore, the chemical is not considered to have carcinogenic potential.</p> <p>In a combined chronic toxicity–carcinogenicity study (OECD TG 451), groups of eight-week-old Fischer 344 rats (male/female, 50/sex/dose) were administered (gavage) the chemical in corn oil at doses of 200 or 400 mg/kg bw, five days a week for two years. At the highest dose, mortality in male rats was significantly higher than the controls. No dose-related effects on body weight and clinical signs were observed. As squamous cell papillomas of the forestomach were seen in only two female rats in the high dose group and there was a lack of supporting hyperplasia, these were not considered to be due to the administration of the chemical. Significant increases in the incidences of pancreatic acinar cell hyperplasia and tumours were observed in male rats only at the high dose. Unpublished National Toxicology Program (NTP) studies indicated that pancreatic acinar cell tumours found in rats gavaged with corn oil were not autonomous as these tumours failed to transplant. Therefore, based on the facts that these tumours failed to transplant, were present in variable numbers in control animals, and increased only at the high dose, it was concluded that pancreatic acinar cell hyperplasia and tumours were not considered as evidence of carcinogenic activity for the chemical (NTP, 1990; EC, 2000; HSDB; REACH). It was further concluded that the increased incidence of tumours specific to male rats in this study was probably due to the use of corn oil as a vehicle in this study (US EPA, 2001).</p> <p>In the same carcinogenicity study, groups of eight-week-old B6C3F1 mice (male and female, 50/sex/dose) were administered (gavage) the chemical in corn oil at doses of 200 or 400 mg/kg bw (in males), 300 or 600 mg/kg bw (in females), five days a week for two years. Although no significant differences in mean body weights and survival were observed between any groups of mice, effects were noted in the forestomach of mice. The incidences of uncommonly occurring squamous cell papillomas of the forestomach in both exposure groups were significantly greater as compared to the controls (male: vehicle control, 1/50; low dose, 2/50; high dose, 5/50; female: 0/50; 5/50; 6/50). The increased incidences of papillomas were accompanied by significantly increased incidences of focal hyperplasia in the forestomach in both sexes of the 400 mg/kg bw group and in females of the 200 mg/kg bw group, compared with vehicle controls. The NTP considered that the increase in papillomas was due to a concurrent increase in hyperplasia following treatment with the chemical and concluded that there was 'some evidence of carcinogenicity' in mice. It was also concluded male and female mice might have been able to tolerate higher doses (NTP, 1990; REACH).</p>
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<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Overall, the data indicate that the chemical has no mutagenic or genotoxic potential.</p> <p>Although there is no mutagenic activity in bacterial systems, the chemical does have weak clastogenic effects in some mammalian cell assays. There are also no in vivo data available.</p> <p>The chemical gave negative results in several in vitro bacterial reverse mutation assays with <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> at concentrations up to 3333 mg/plate. Induction of chromosomal aberrations was also not observed in Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) cells, treated with the chemical up to 500 mg/mL in the absence of S9 or with up to 1600 ug/mL with S9 (NTP, 1990; REACH).</p> <p>In an in vitro chromosomal aberration assay (OECD TG 473) in the Chinese hamster cell line B241, a significant percentage (13 %; 21/162) of the cells displayed abnormalities following exposure to a concentration of 5.3 nM of the chemical for 24 hours (CIR, 2006). Cytogenetic tests with CHO cells reported an increased number of sister chromatid exchanges at doses of 50 mg/ml and 160 mg/ml in the absence of S9 or at 1600 mg/mL with S9 (NTP, 1990; HSDB; REACH).</p> <p>The chemical gave positive results in a mouse lymphoma forward mutation assay (OECD TG 476) with mouse lymphoma L5178Y cells. The concentrations of the chemical tested in this assay were 0, 50, 100, 200, 400, and 800 mg/mL. Although significant increases in mutant fractions were observed at a dose of 400 mg/mL, the positive response was noted to be close to the cytotoxic dose of 640 mg/ml (HSDB; REACH).</p> <p>Negative results were obtained with the chemicals in an in vivo sex-linked recessive lethal test with <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> (NTP, 1990; OECD, 2002; HSDB; REACH).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Although limited data are available, the available information indicates that the chemical does not show specific reproductive or developmental toxicity.</p> <p>Benzyl derivatives, including benzaldehyde, have been reported to produce no evidence of reproductive and developmental toxicity during various studies. It was also stated that as benzyl derivatives generally follow similar metabolic pathways, studies conducted on benzyl derivatives provide adequate evidence for benzaldehyde (US EPA, 2001). As part of reviewing the reproductive toxicity and teratogenicity of benzaldehyde and related compounds (benzyl acetate, benzyl alcohol, and benzoic acid and its salts), the Joint Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the World Health Organization (WHO) Expert Committee on Food Additives concluded that 'delayed development and reduced foetal and postnatal pup body weights were observed in developmental toxicity studies in rats, mice, hamsters and rabbits, but only at doses that were toxic to the mother' (CIR, 2006).</p> <p>In a poorly-documented one-generation reproductive toxicity study (non-guideline), male and female rats were administered the chemical by oral gavage at doses of 0 or 5 mg/kg bw/day in oil, once every second day for 32 weeks. Dosing commenced at 75 days before breeding with untreated males; two pregnancies per rat were studied, one at 75 days and one at 180 days. The number of gestating females, number of live-born offspring, pup weights at birth and on postnatal days 7 and 21, and pup viability were recorded. The incidences of pregnancy were reported to be lower for treated females compared with controls. All other parameters were reported to be similar between the treatment and control groups. It was concluded that the treatment did not cause a significant change in any of the reproductive parameters measured. (US EPA, 2001; OECD, 2002; CIR, 2006; REACH).</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>In an acute oral toxicity study conducted similar to the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Test Guideline (TG) 401, groups of male Wistar rats were administered (by gavage) the chemical at doses of 0.8, 1.0, 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.5, and 1.8 mL/kg bw and observed twice daily for 14 days. The acute median lethal dose (LD50) was reported to be 1.43 mL/kg bw (1430 mg/kg bw), with a mortality rate of 100 % (10/10) at the highest tested dose. Observed sub-lethal effects included sedation, staggering, weight loss and a rough coat (REACH).</p> <p>In another acute oral toxicity study with limited data, male and female rats were administered the chemical at doses of 1100–1540 mg/kg bw. An LD50 of 1300 mg/kg bw was established (OECD, 2002; REACH).</p> <p>Although limited information is available, the chemical is likely to have low acute dermal toxicity in animal tests following dermal exposure. In an acute dermal toxicity study in rabbits with limited available data, an LD50 of >1250 mg/kg bw was reported (OECD, 2002; HSDB; REACH).</p> <p>Although limited data are available, the available information indicates that the chemical has moderate acute toxicity in animal tests following inhalation exposure and is recommended for classification.</p> <p>In an acute inhalation toxicity study conducted according to OECD TG 436, Wistar rats (male/female) were exposed (nose only) to the vapours of the chemical at 1 and 5 mg/L for four hours and observed up to 14 days. Clinical effects were observed in most animals following exposure at 5 mg/L including lethargy, flat/hunched postures, ventrolateral recumbency, respiratory difficulties and piloerection. Four animals out of six (one male and three females) died following exposure at 5 mg/L. A median lethal concentration (LC50) of <5mg/L was established, based on mortalities at the highest tested dose (REACH).</p> <p>An increased incidence of respiratory symptoms was noted among workers exposed to vapour of the chemical at atmospheric concentrations of >5 mg/m³ (OECD, 2002).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Although limited data are available, the available information indicates that the chemical is not likely to be a skin irritant.</p> <p>In two skin irritation studies (non-guideline) with limited data, the undiluted chemical (500 mg) was applied to the intact or abraded skin of New Zealand White rabbits for 24 hours with observation up to seven days. Although the exact details were not provided, slight skin irritation was observed (EC, 2000).</p> <p>Although limited data are available, the chemical had been reported to be an eye irritant in animal studies. The available information is not sufficient to support a classification.</p> <p>In an eye irritation study (non-guideline), one drop of the undiluted chemical was applied to the conjunctival sac of a rabbit. Observations were made at one, 24 and 48 hours following application. Immediate irritation effects were noted at one hour and within 24 hours, the anterior portion of the cornea was damaged. The cornea was cleared within 48 hours and only erythema of the conjunctiva and nictitating membrane was noted at this stage. Although the rabbit died on the sixth day, the death was not related to the application of the chemical (CIR, 2006; REACH).</p> <p>In another eye irritation study (non-guideline) with limited data, the chemical (100 µL, concentration not stated) was instilled into the eyes of two rabbits and observed for seven days. The chemical was observed to be slightly irritating to the eyes (REACH).</p>

<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Although the chemical has produced skin sensitisation reactions in some tests, based on the weight of evidence, the chemical is not likely to be a skin sensitiser. It is also noted that the chemical is rapidly metabolised to benzoic acid in the skin. Clinical reports of allergy to the chemical are rare and benzoic acid has also been reported not to produce sensitisation in clinical trials in humans (CIR, 2006).</p> <p>In a Magnusson-Kligman skin sensitisation test conducted by the US EPA, guinea pigs (10/group) were initially exposed to the chemical intradermally by a 0.1 mL injection of 3 % chemical in paraffin oil followed by topical application to a patch of skin (occluded for 48 hours) of 15 % chemical in petrolatum. The skin was later challenged by a topical application (occluded for 24 hours) of 7 % chemical in petrolatum on a patch of skin. As the chemical failed to induce erythema in either group, the chemical was concluded not to be a skin sensitiser (CIR, 2006).</p> <p>In a skin sensitisation study that compared four testing methods of 32 fragrance materials on Himalayan guinea pigs, the chemical tested positive for allergenicity in the Draize test (DT), the maximisation test (MT) and Freund's complete adjuvant (FCA) test. The guinea pigs were injected intradermally with the chemical at doses of 0.05 mL (0.1 % solution), 0.1 mL (5 % solution) and 0.05 mL (undiluted) for DT, MT and FCA, respectively (EC, 2000; CIR, 2006; REACH).</p> <p>The chemical was reported to be non-sensitising in the open epicutaneous test (OET) for the same study as reported above. The guinea pigs were exposed to the chemical (undiluted, 0.03, 0.1, 0.3, 1, 3, 10, or 30 %) at a dose of 0.1 mL on an 8 cm² area of shaved skin on the flank. Applications were repeated once a day for 21 days and the sites were scored for signs of irritation 24 hours following each treatment. The acute minimum irritating concentration was 10 % and after 21 exposures was 3 %. The animals were challenged with 3 % (minimum irritating concentration for day 21) or an unspecified lower concentration on a 2 cm² area of shaved skin at two weeks post-exposure. The sites were scored at 24, 48 and 72 hours. No sensitisation effects were observed (CIR, 2006; REACH).</p> <p>In a guinea pig skin maximisation test (OECD TG 406), animals were injected intradermally with 2.7 % of the chemical and followed by three epidermal challenges with 2.1, 2.1 and 0.64 % of the chemical. It was noted that only one intradermal induction was performed and no additional topical induction. Also, there were three challenge reactions instead of one. The time between induction and challenge applications was also not stated. No sensitisation effects were observed (REACH).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include systemic acute effects (acute toxicity from oral and inhalation exposure).</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The chemical has been reported to possibly cause respiratory failure, depression of the CNS and convulsions at high concentrations (HSDB).</p> <p>A young woman died after ingesting 50–60 ml (700–2000 mg/kg) of the chemical. At autopsy, yellowish-white pulp with a strong odour of bitter almond was found in the stomach. The time between consumption and death was not specified. In another case, a man had to be revived from near death following ingestion of 40 ml of a derivative of the chemical (o-hydroxybenzaldehyde). Based on these two studies, a lethal oral dose of 600–900 mg/kg bw was calculated for the chemical in the absence of prompt treatment (NTP, 1990; EC, 2000; CIR, 2006).</p> <p>In a case study, workers exposed to vapour of the chemical at atmospheric concentrations of >5 mg/m³ reported an increased incidence of respiratory symptoms (OECD, 2002).</p> <p>In an inhalation toxicity study, human volunteers were exposed to 4.5 ppm (19.5 mg/m³) of the chemical for one minute. Irritation of the eyes and upper respiratory tract were observed. In an occupational study, workers exposed to the chemical vapour at atmospheric concentrations of >5 mg/m³ reported symptoms of slight eye irritation and considerable skin irritation (OECD, 2002).</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Acute LC50 for freshwater fish is 1.07 mg/L, freshwater invertebrates is 16.2 mg/L and EC10 for freshwater algae is 20 mg/L. Chronic NOEC for freshwater fish is 0.12 mg/L. The overall acute dataset on aquatic organisms yields a lowest LC50 value for fish of 1.07 mg/L and a NOEC of 0.12 mg/L. However, the substance is readily biodegradable and has a low potential for bioaccumulation. Based on the second ATP to CLP the test substance was classified as Chronic category 3 for aquatic toxicity.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Ecotoxicological data indicate that benzaldehyde is acutely toxic to fish, harmful to daphnia and very slightly toxic to algae. Using an uncertainty factor of 100 on the lowest LC50 to fish a PNEC (Predicted No Effect Concentration) of 10.7 ug/L is calculated, for aquatic organisms.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): Harmful if swallowed, Xn; R22 (Acute toxicity)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica). The chemical has an exposure standard of 5 mg/m ³ time weighted average (TWA) in Bulgaria, Hungary, Latvia and Russia; 10 mg/m ³ in Poland; and 2 ppm in the USA. Short-term exposure limits (STEL) of 4 ppm in the USA and Canada; 10 mg/m ³ in Hungary; and 40 mg/m ³ in Poland have been reported.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Expected to be readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. As the Log Pow is 1.4 (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The chronic aquatic toxicity of the chemical is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfil the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Butyl alcohol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	71-36-3
Molecular formula	C ₄ H ₁₀ O
Molecular weight	74.12
Solubility in water	77 g/l at 20 °C
Melting point	-89.9 °C
Boiling point	117.6 °C
Vapour pressure	0.56 kPa at 20 °C
Henry's law constant	0.054 Pa m ³ /mol
Explosive potential	Non-explosive
Flammability potential	Flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless liquid with a mildly alcoholic odour.
Overview	n-Butyl alcohol is used as a solvent in surface coatings. These can include varnishes, resins, waxes and gums. It is also used in the manufacture of other butyl compounds. n-Butyl alcohol is a product of fermentation. It has also been detected in the volatiles of foods such as cheese, muskmelon and cooked rice. People that work in industries where products containing n-butyl alcohol are used will have the highest exposure. These could include varnishing of automobiles, painting shops and fabric coating. Exposure will happen by eating foods containing n-butyl alcohol and breathing in fumes from cooking certain foods. n-Butyl alcohol can be found in surface water and air. It is often found in indoor air of new construction. It breaks down in air by reaction with radicals. It is expected to evaporate from soil and water surfaces. n-Butyl alcohol that remains in soil or water will be broken down by microorganisms. It is not expected to build up in aquatic organisms.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Based on level III fugacity modelling, BA will partition 83.5% in air, 5.9% in soil, 10.6% in water, <0.1% in suspended solids, and <0.1% in biota and in sediment. BA degrades in air by reaction with hydroxyl radicals, having a half-life in air of 1.2 to 2.3 days. The volatilization half-life for BA in water is estimated to be 2.4 hours for streams, 3.9 hours for rivers and 126 days for lakes.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) of 125 mg/kg bw/day and a lowest observed adverse effect level (LOAEL) of 500 mg/kg bw/day in male and female CD rats was reported based on results from a repeat dose oral study using the chemical (OECD 2001).</p> <p>Groups of male and female rats (30/sex/group) were administered the chemical via gavage at 0, 30, 125 or 500 mg/kg/day for 13 weeks. It was reported that ataxia (impaired muscle coordination) and hypoactivity were observed at the highest dose during the final six weeks of the study. No treatment related effects were reported in the 30 and 125 mg/kg/ bw/day dose groups (OECD 2001).</p> <p>In a non-guideline study, the chemical was applied to the skin of rabbits under occlusive conditions over a period of 21 days. Local effects were reported such as drying of the skin, cracking, wrinkling and exfoliation of the epidermis. However, no systemic toxicity was reported (REACH).</p> <p>In another non-guideline repeat dose dermal study on rabbits, 42 to 55 mL/kg of the chemical applied to the skin of rabbits over four consecutive days resulted in 100 % mortality. However, the same study reported that 30 applications of 20 mL/kg of the chemical over six weeks did not produce any deaths (OECD 2001).</p>

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>OECD (2001) reported that based on the number of negative mutagenicity and clastogenicity findings, the chemical is not expected to be a carcinogen.</p> <p>A weight of evidence study reported that the chemical is not expected to have carcinogenic potential as it does not contain structural components to support carcinogenicity (REACH, HSDB).</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>The chemical is not expected to be genotoxic.</p> <p>The chemical tested negative in a number of tests for genotoxicity. These included several in vitro tests (OECD Guideline 473: mammalian chromosome aberration test on Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts V79; OECD Guideline 471: bacterial reverse mutation assay on <i>S. typhimurium</i> TA 98, TA 100, TA 98, TA 1535 and TA 1537; OECD Guideline 476: mammalian cell gene mutation test on Chinese hamster lung fibroblasts V79) and in vivo tests (OECD Guideline 474: mouse micronucleus) (OECD 2001, REACH).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>The chemical is not expected to be toxic to reproduction (OECD 2001).</p> <p>In a non-guideline study, male and female Sprague Dawley (SD) rats were exposed to the chemical via inhalation at 0, 3000 or 6000 ppm for seven hours/day. Female rats were exposed to the chemical throughout gestation, while males were exposed to the chemical for six weeks prior to mating. No harmful effects on fertility or pregnancy rate were reported at any of the dose levels.</p> <p>In another non-guideline study, no testicular toxicity (effect on testes weight or histopathology) was reported in SD male rats that were administered the chemical via oral intubation at 533 mg/kg bw/day over six days (OECD 2001).</p> <p>Any developmental effects were only reported to be observed secondary to maternal toxicity, so the chemical is not expected to be a developmental toxin.</p> <p>OECD (2001) reported that the chemical showed mild foetotoxicity and developmental variations in offspring only at or near the maternally toxic and, in some cases, lethal dose of 8000 ppm.</p> <p>Offspring of female SD rats exposed via inhalation to 0, 3500, 6000 or 8000 ppm of the chemical on gestations days 1 to 19, reported a reduction of foetal weights at 6000 and 8000 ppm and a slight increase in skeletal malformations at 8000 ppm but not at the lower dosage levels. At a maternally toxic dose of 8000 ppm, decreased weight gain, food consumption and dam deaths were reported. The NOAEL for offspring and dams was 3500 ppm as there was a slight decrease in foetal weight at the 6000 ppm dose level.</p> <p>In another 20 day study in male and female SD rats exposed to 0, 3000 or 6000 ppm of the chemical via inhalation, a small number of behavioural and neurochemical variations in offspring at 6000 ppm were reported. No maternal toxicity was reported throughout gestation for females or for six weeks prior to mating for males as a result of maternal or paternal exposure. However, the effects observed in offspring were not regarded as biologically significant by the authors due to inconsistencies between dose-response patterns.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemical is reported to be slightly acutely toxic via the oral route of exposure. Oral median lethal doses (LD50s) in rats were reported between 790 and 4360 mg/kg bw (OECD 2001).</p> <p>The chemical is reported to have low toxicity via the dermal route of exposure. The lowest LD50 in rabbits was reported to be 3402 mg/kg bw (OECD 2001).</p> <p>The chemical is reported to be of low acute toxicity via the inhalation route of exposure. The median lethal concentration (LC50) in rats was reported to be greater than 5000 ppm (OECD 2001).</p>

<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Based on an inhalation study in mice, it was reported that 1268 ppm (3909 mg/ m³) of the chemical was predicted to be intolerable in humans, 127 ppm (390.9 mg/ m³) would be uncomfortable in humans and 13 ppm (40 mg/ m³) was expected to have no effect on humans (OECD 2001).</p> <p>Moderate irritation was reported in a 24 hour patch test (non-guideline study) where 405 or 500 mg of the chemical was applied to the skin of the rabbits. It was reported that these effects may be due to the chemical's defatting (chemical dissolving of dermal lipids from the skin) and drying characteristics (OECD 2001).</p> <p>Another non-guideline study reported the chemical was a skin irritant in several Vienna white rabbits exposed to 0.5 mL of the chemical for five minutes, one hour or two hours under occlusive conditions. The animals were observed for eight days. The authors concluded that exposure for two hours under occlusive conditions resulted in higher Draize scores and observed superficial necrosis (death of tissue). However, there was no full thickness destruction of the skin (REACH).</p> <p>The chemical was reported to be a severe eye irritant when tested according to OECD Test Guideline (TG) 405 using 0.1 mL of the chemical applied to three New Zealand white rabbits. Severe ocular lesions were present at the end of the seven day observation period, indicating severe eye damage and irreversible effects on the eye (REACH).</p> <p>The chemical was reported to be a severe eye irritant in rabbits in non-guideline studies where 1.62 or 20 mg of the chemical was applied into rabbit eyes over a 24 or 72 hour period (OECD 2001). An additional non-guideline study reported severe corneal irritation when 0.005 mL of the chemical was applied into rabbit eyes.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on available repeat dose dermal studies, the chemical is not expected to be a skin sensitiser. OECD (2001) reported that human studies and experience show that the chemical is not likely to be a skin sensitiser.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include local effects (serious damage to the eyes and respiratory irritation). The chemical also possesses hazardous properties such as skin irritation, harm if ingested and chemical vapours causing drowsiness and dizziness.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>n-Butyl alcohol was only slightly toxic to experimental animals following acute oral, dermal, or inhalation exposure. The acute oral LD50 values for female rats ranged from 790 to 4360 mg/kg.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity³</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>Results on acute aquatic toxicity are available for fish (<i>Pimephales promelas</i>, LC50 (96h) 1376 mg/l), invertebrates (<i>Daphnia magna</i>, EC50 (48h) 1328 mg/L), and algae (<i>Selenastrum capricornutum</i>, EC50 (96h) 225 mg/L). EC10 (17h) as determined for <i>Pseudomonas putida</i> was 2476 mg/L. Furthermore, based on the chronic NOECrepro (21d) of 4.1 mg/L for <i>Daphnia magna</i> butan-1-ol is very likely not harmful to aquatic organisms. Thus, no adverse effects were observed.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>A PNECaqua = 0.082 mg/L can be calculated based on the lowest chronic toxicity value (21 day NOEC = 4.1 mg/L) for aquatic invertebrates (<i>Daphnia</i>) with the assessment factor of 50.</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls⁴</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>The chemical is classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) Safe Work Australia:</p> <p>Xn; R22 (Harmful if swallowed) Xi; R37/38-41 (Irritating to respiratory system and skin. Risk of serious damage to eyes) R67 (Vapours may cause drowsiness and dizziness)</p>
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 152 mg/m³ (50 ppm) Peak limitation Time Weighted Average (Ceiling TWA).</p>

International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards were identified (Galleria Chemica): Ceiling TWA: 150- 152 mg/m ³ (50 ppm). India, Indonesia, Japan (OEL), Malaysia and USA [National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)]. Ceiling TWA: 90 mg/m ³ (30 ppm). Canada (British Colombia), Estonia, Russia and Sweden. TWA: 150- 154 mg/m ³ (50 ppm). Canada (Yukon), Chile, Denmark, Egypt, Iceland, Poland and Switzerland. TWA: 300- 310 mg/m ³ (100 ppm). Germany, Greece, Taiwan and USA [Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)]. TWA: 45- 75 mg/m ³ (15-25 ppm). Canada (Alberta, British Colombia, Saskatchewan), Estonia, Hungary, Ireland, Japan [Workplace Exposure Standards (WES) and Working Environment Evaluation Standards (WEES)], Norway and Sweden.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. n-Butanol is considered readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Due to the low log Pow (1.0), accumulation in organisms is not to be expected.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus butyl alcohol does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Chlorous acid, sodium salt

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	7758-19-2
Molecular formula	ClHO2.Na
Molecular weight	90.4
Solubility in water	571 g/L at 20 °C
Melting point	234 °C
Boiling point	Decomposes > 170 °C. Poor purity of test substance, accurate value cannot be obtained.
Vapour pressure	1.1 x 10 ⁻⁷ Pa at 25°C
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	At normal temperature and pressure, the natural form of chlorine dioxide is unstable, highly reactive (an oxidizing agent) and explosive. It is explosive when its concentration in air exceeds 10% v/v when it is easily detonated by sunlight, heat, contact with mercury or carbon monoxide (O'Neil et al. 2001).
Flammability potential	Non-flammable
Colour/Form	White crystals or crystalline powder, odourless
Overview	<p>The commercial production of sodium chlorite is carried out in two steps: firstly, sodium chlorate is reacted with an acid to generate chlorine dioxide (gas) and secondly, chlorine dioxide is reacted with caustic soda, catalysed by hydrogen peroxide, to form sodium chlorite. The industrial product formed is a solution of 34.5%; the commercial grade is obtained by dilution with water. Chlorine dioxide may also be produced from sodium chlorate.</p> <p>The total amount of sodium chlorite (as 100%) sold on average in the EU Member States (15) for the years 1998-2000 was 11 800 tonnes per year. This includes use as preservatives for liquid cooling and processing systems; food and feed area disinfectants; food or feedstocks; molluscicides; and slimicides and other non-defined biocidal use. The estimated annual total consumption of sodium chlorite in Japan is 4000 tonnes.</p>
Environmental Fate ²	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Irradiation of sodium chlorite solutions indicated a photodegradation half-life of about 30 minutes with a steady increase in pH (pH 8 to 12.6) and major products identified as hydroxide, chlorine dioxide and chloride with chlorate and hypochlorite as minor products and trace amounts of chlorine. The radiation dose (9000 j/m²) needed to produce a 50% reduction in chlorite concentration suggests that the doses (200-250 j/m²) used for drinking water disinfection would not result in a significant reduction in chlorite concentrations (Cosson and Ernst, 1994; Leitner et al., 1992).</p> <p>It is not considered technically appropriate to perform a ready biodegradation test on sodium chlorite. As ready biodegradation studies measure oxygen consumption or carbon dioxide production, none of these techniques can be used to analyse mineralization of this compound. However, sodium chlorite is expected to be rapidly reduced to sodium chloride in the environment, especially in anaerobic conditions. Due to its extremely low lipophilicity and high instability in water, sodium chlorite and hence chlorine dioxide are not expected to bioaccumulate in fish.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2}

Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity

In a study used by the World Health Organization (WHO) to establish a drinking water guideline for chlorite in 1993, rats were administered sodium chlorite at doses of 0, 10, 50, 100, 250 and 500 mg/L (equivalent to 0, 1, 5, 10, 25 and 50 mg/kg bw/day) via drinking water for 30, 60 or 90 days (Heffernan et al. 1979). After 30 days, haematological parameters were depressed indicating slight anaemia at 10 and 25 mg/kg bw/day. These were correcting at 60 days and returned to near normal levels by 90 days. Decreases in erythrocyte glutathione levels were observed at 5 mg/kg bw/day and above, but given the magnitude of variations normally seen in mammals, the toxicological significance of these changes was uncertain. The No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) established from this study was 5 mg/kg bw/day.

In a 14-day range finding study conducted to OECD TG 407, rats were administered sodium chlorite daily by gavage at doses of 0, 25, 50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw day (CMA 1992a; Harrington et al. 1995a). At 200 mg/kg bw/day, 3 of 10 animals died. At 100 mg/kg bw/day, changes in haematological parameters were seen and body weight gains were reduced. At 50 mg/kg bw/day, body weights in males were reduced and at both 25 and 50 mg/kg bw/day haematocrits were slightly reduced.

A follow-up 90-day study was performed in which rats were administered sodium chlorite daily by gavage at doses of 0, 10, 25 or 80 mg/kg bw day (CMA 1992b; Harrington et al. 1995a). At 80 mg/kg bw/day, four of 30 animals died and surviving animals displayed hypoactivity, piloerection and hunched posture. At 25 mg/kg bw/day, one of 30 animals died. Increased salivation was observed at both doses. Treatment-related haematological changes consisting of reduced erythrocyte counts, reduced associated erythrocyte parameters and morphological changes in erythrocytes were observed at 80 mg/kg bw/day. These were accompanied by increases in absolute and relative spleen weights, histopathological abnormalities in the spleen and evidence of irritation of the gastric mucosa. At 25 mg/kg bw/day, minor clinical signs and occasional histopathological abnormalities in the stomach mucosa were seen. There were no haematological changes considered treatment related at this dose. A NOAEL was established at 10 mg/kg bw/day.

Data on repeat dose toxicity were also available from a two-generation reproductive toxicity study in rats conducted to OECD TG 416 (Chlorine Dioxide Panel of the Chemical Manufacturers Association 1996; Gill et al. 2000). This study was used by the WHO to revise an earlier drinking water quality guideline for chlorite and chlorate (WHO 2005). A NOAEL of 35 ppm (approximately 3.9 mg/kg bw/day) was derived based on decreased liver weights in two generations.

Repeated dose toxicity studies have also been performed in mice. Mice were treated for 30 days with doses equivalent to 0, 0.19, 1.9 and 19 mg/kg bw/day sodium chlorite in drinking water (Moore and Calabrese 1980). Slight changes in haematological parameters suggestive of effects on erythrocyte cell membranes were seen at 19 mg/kg bw/day. A NOAEL of 1.9 mg/kg bw day was established.

Similarly, in more limited studies, mice were administered sodium chlorite in drinking water at doses up to approximately 17 mg/kg bw/day for 30, 90 or 180 days. No effects on water consumption, body weight gain, kidney weights or kidney histology were seen (Connor et al. 1985). Also, no dose-related immunomodulatory effects were seen in a study of immunotoxicity in mice receiving sodium chlorite in drinking water at levels up to 30 mg/L for 28 days (Karrow et al. 2001).

In conclusion, several rodent studies of 30 to 90 days' duration have reported haemotoxicity from repeated doses of sodium chlorite. A guideline 90-day repeated dose toxicity study in rats reported reduced erythrocyte counts, reduced associated erythrocyte parameters and morphological changes in erythrocytes at 80 mg/kg bw/day. At lower doses, minor clinical signs and occasional histopathological abnormalities in the stomach mucosa were seen. A NOAEL for repeated dose oral toxicity was established from this 90-day study at 10 mg/kg bw/day.

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>A limited number of carcinogenicity studies indicated that sodium chlorite is not carcinogenic in laboratory animals.</p> <p>In an oral carcinogenicity study conducted similarly to OECD TG 451, groups of 50 male and 50 female rats were exposed to sodium chlorite in drinking water at concentrations of 0, 300 or 600 mg/L (estimated to be 0, 18 or 32 mg/kg bw/day for males and 0, 28 or 41 mg/kg bw/day for females) for 85 weeks. The original study envisaged an exposure period of 104 weeks, but was stopped at 85 weeks due to infections in all groups. At this time there were no significant changes in organ weights and haematological or clinical chemistry findings between groups. Tumours developed in the testis, uterus, pituitary gland, thyroid gland (males) and adrenal gland (males) of both treated and control rats. However, the incidences of tumours and non-neoplastic lesions in the three groups were not significantly different. There were no findings suggestive of a carcinogenic effect of sodium chlorite (Shimoyama et al., 1985).</p> <p>In another oral carcinogenicity study conducted similarly to OECD TG 451, groups of 50 male and 50 female B6C3F1 mice were exposed to sodium chlorite in drinking water at concentrations of 0, 250 or 500 mg/L (estimated to be 0, 36 and 71 mg/kg bw/day) for 85 weeks (Yokose et al., 1987). After 85 weeks, surviving animals were euthanised and histopathological examinations were performed. Although tumours developed in a variety of organs in all animals including controls, the only significant change was an increase in lung adenomas in highest dose males: 5/43 (12 %) in this group, compared with 0/35 (0 %) in the control group. Based on an absence of dose-related increases in the incidence of lung adenomas and the lack of increased incidence of lung adenocarcinomas, the authors concluded that sodium chlorite had no carcinogenic potential.</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Sodium chlorite is not mutagenic or genotoxic. In vitro genotoxicity test results for sodium chlorite are not available. In the three in vivo tests that looked at chromosomal damage or sperm head abnormality, sodium chlorite gave negative results for genotoxicity (Meier et al., 1985).</p> <p>In vitro tests using chlorine dioxide have been reported in the literature. Chlorite (and chlorate) ions are produced following dissolution of chlorine dioxide in aqueous media. Therefore, in vitro test results for chlorine dioxide are regarded as relevant to sodium chlorite. Two of the three in vitro tests, the mouse lymphoma forward mutation assay and in vitro transformation of BALB/3T3 cells, were negative for chlorine dioxide, whereas the chromosome aberration frequencies test in Chinese hamster ovary cells was positive (Scopas, 1986a, Scopas, 1986b and Scopas, 1986c).</p> <p>Across all available studies, data suggest that sodium chlorite (and chlorine dioxide) has low genotoxic potential.</p>

<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on a series of studies of fertility and sperm parameters in rats, sodium chlorite is not considered to be toxic to the reproductive system. Studies in rats and rabbits did not show any effect of sodium chlorite on development. In a rabbit study conducted according to US EPA guidelines, sodium chlorite was administered via drinking water to groups of 16 pregnant New Zealand White rabbits at concentrations of 0, 200, 600 or 1200 mg/L during gestation days (GD) 7–19 (Harrington et al., 1995b). At 600 and 1200 mg/L, dose-related reductions in water consumption (due to palatability problems), food consumption and body weight gain were observed. No treatment-related abnormalities were observed at maternal necropsy. Overall, data indicate that sodium chlorite does not cause developmental toxicity at doses below those associated with maternal toxicity.</p> <p>In a two-generation reproduction study in rats conducted according to OECD TG 416 (Gill et al. 2000), groups of 30 male and 30 female Sprague-Dawley rats were administered sodium chlorite via drinking water at doses of 0, 35, 70 or 300 ppm (approximately 0, 4, 7.6 or 28.2 mg/kg bw/day for males and 0, 3.9, 8 and 38.7 mg/kg bw/day for females) (Chlorine Dioxide Panel of the Chemical Manufacturers Association 1996; Gill et al. 2000). Dosing was conducted in the parental F0 generation commencing 10 weeks prior to mating, until weaning of the F2 generation. Males were exposed through mating and then sacrificed. Females were exposed through mating, pregnancy and lactation and were sacrificed following weaning of litters. F1 pups were continued on the same treatment regime as the parents. At 14 weeks they were mated to produce the F2 generation.</p> <p>Reductions in food and water consumption and body weight gain were observed for all generations, attributed to unpalatability of the formulated drinking water.</p> <p>At 35 and 70 ppm, minor reductions in several haematological parameters were observed in F1 female pups. These appeared within the range of historical control data and were not regarded as toxicologically significant. At 70 ppm, a reduction in liver weight was also observed in F0 females and F1 males and females. A slight decrease in the maximum response to auditory startle stimulus was also observed in F2 pups. At 300 ppm, reductions in haematological parameters were seen in F1 male and female pups and adults. Reduced liver weights were seen in F0 adult males, F1 adult males and females and F1 pups. Reduced thymus and spleen weights were also seen in both generations. A slight decrease in absolute brain weight was seen in F1 male pups at post-natal day (PND) 11 but not at PND 25. In F2 pups at this dose, there was a slightly lowered incidence of normal righting reflexes and a slight decrease in the maximum response to auditory startle stimulus. Reduced pup body weight at birth and during lactation in F1 and F2 generations were also observed. Delays in preputial separation and vaginal openings were reported for F1 pups. Despite systemic toxicity, the authors reported no treatment-related changes to oestrous cyclicity, sperm motility, sperm morphology, or mating, fertility or gestational indices. Also, there were no treatment-related changes in number of pups born, sex ratios, live birth index or pup survival indices. There were no treatment-related changes in serum T3 or T4 in F1 pups or F1 adults. On the basis of historical data, delays in preputial separation and vaginal openings reported for F1 pups were attributed to reduced body weight rather than a direct treatment-related effect. Similarly, slight decreases in brain weight in male pups were consistent with decreased body weight.</p> <p>The toxicological significance of decreases in auditory startle stimulus response at 70 and 300 ppm was unclear. The magnitude of responses was small compared to known neuroactive chemicals, dose response to the stimulus was weak, there was a lack of corroborative evidence from neuropathology or other test of motor function or arousal, and the decreases in response were not replicated upon later examination of the same animals at PND 60 (Gill et al. 2000). A NOAEL of 35 ppm (approximately 3.9 mg/kg bw/day) with a LOAEL at 70 ppm (approximately 7.6 mg/kg bw/day) were derived based on decreased liver weights.</p>
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<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Sodium chlorite has moderate acute oral toxicity. An acute oral toxicity study in rats, similar to OECD Test Guideline TG 401, derived a lethal median dose (LD50) of 284 mg/kg bw for sodium chlorite. At doses of 250 mg/kg bw and above, the main clinical signs were prostration and cyanosis (Atochem, 1984).</p> <p>Sodium chlorite has high acute dermal toxicity. In a dermal toxicity study in rabbits, conducted according to US EPA test guidelines, various doses of an aqueous slurry (80 %) of sodium chlorite were administered under semi-occlusive dressings to over 10 % of the body surface area for 24 hours. Animals were observed for clinical signs immediately after dosing, at one and four hours and then once daily for 14 days following exposure. Slight depression and dose-related dermal irritation consisting of skin thickening, epidermal scaling, necrosis and sloughing were noted in all animals. The study reported a dermal LD50 of 134 mg/kg bw (Degussa Corporation, 1984).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Sodium chlorite is a severe skin irritant. Necrosis was observed in rabbits in the skin irritation studies.</p> <p>In one skin irritation study conducted according to US EPA test guidelines, 0.5 g sodium chlorite powder (80 % pure) was applied to three male and three female New Zealand White rabbits under occlusive conditions for four hours. Dermal responses were assessed at 30–60 minutes on day one, and once daily for 21 days after application. Irritation consisted of erythema (grades 1–3) in all sites at 30–60 minutes and 24 hours after dosing, persisting through day seven at two sites. Oedema (grade one) was observed at one site at 30–60 minutes and at two sites at 48 hours. Other dermal effects included blanching, thickening, necrosis, sloughing, and blackened areas (REACH, 2014).</p> <p>In another study in rabbits, edema cutis and subcutis were observed immediately after patch removal followed by formation of eschar within 24–48h. Dose and other details of the test were not provided (REACH, 2014)</p> <p>A 34.5 % solution of sodium chlorite, applied to rabbit skin for four hours under semi-occlusive conditions, did not elicit any irritation effects. Only one of three animals displayed slight erythema and dryness of the skin (Elf Atochem SA, 1994).</p> <p>In the only eye irritation study available and conducted according to US EPA test guidelines, sodium chlorite was found to be a severe eye irritant.</p> <p>A 31.5 % sodium chlorite solution was applied to the eyes of rabbits. Six of the nine rabbits showed corneal opacity that did not reverse by rinsing the eyes 30 seconds after instillation. All animals showed iris damage and exhibited moderate to severe redness and chemosis which was also not abolished by rinsing. Superficial corneal vascularisation and transient cases of haemorrhaging and adhesion of conjunctivae to cornea were also seen (Atochem, 1985).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Sodium chlorite is not considered to be a skin sensitiser.</p> <p>A guinea pig maximisation test conducted according to OECD TG 406 reported no clinical signs and no cutaneous reactions upon a challenge application of 1 % sodium chlorite in normal saline. Sodium chlorite was concluded not to be a skin sensitiser (CEFIC sodium chlorite sector group, 2002).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include acute effects from oral and dermal exposure, and severe skin and eye irritation and repeated dose toxicity from oral exposure.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>A guideline two-generation reproductive toxicity study in rats also reported haemotoxicity, as well as hepatotoxicity and slight neurobehavioural changes at doses below those associated with no effects in repeated dose studies. The study reported no effects on fertility or development. Accordingly, a NOAEL for hepatotoxicity was established from this 2- generation study at 3.9 mg/kg bw/day. The LOAEL was approximately 7.6 mg/kg bw/day. This NOAEL is used for this human health risk assessment.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ²</p>	

Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Sodium chlorite, in general, shows low acute toxicity to fish with LC50 values above 100 mg/l for zebrafish, sheepshead minnow and rainbow trout and slightly lower for bluegill sunfish. Due to extremely low lipophilicity and high instability in water, sodium chlorite is not expected to bioaccumulate in fish.</p> <p>Sodium chlorite is more toxic to invertebrates with high toxicity to <i>Daphnia magna</i> (sodium chlorite, LC50 48-hour = 0.063 mg/l) and the crustacean, <i>Mysidopsis bahia</i> (sodium chlorite LC50 96-hour = 0.65 mg/l). However, the mollusc, <i>Crassostrea virginica</i> was much less sensitive (sodium chlorite 96 hours NOEC was 70.6 mg/l and the EC50 (shell growth) was 129 mg/l).</p> <p>The green algae were more sensitive to sodium chlorite than fish or oyster and toxicity increased with time (ECr50 value at 72 hours was recorded as 1.2 mg/l).</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Using an uncertainty factor of 100 on the lowest LC50 to <i>Daphnia</i> a PNEC (Predicted No Effect Concentration) of 0.63 ug/L is calculated, for aquatic organisms.
Current Regulatory Controls¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is not listed on the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	There is no specific exposure standard for sodium chlorite. However, the permissible exposure limits for dusts apply: · Time Weighted Average (TWA): 10 mg/m ³ measured as inspirable dust.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	There are no specific exposure standards for sodium chlorite. However, the following exposure standards for particulates are identified (Galleria Chemica 2013). TWA: · 10 mg/m ³ [Canada, Ireland, Spain] · 5 mg/m ³ [US] · 1 mg/m ³ [Latvia].
Australian Food Standards	Sodium chlorite has the following listings in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code – Standard 1.3.3 Processing Aids (Food Standards Australia and New Zealand 2013): · As a permitted bleaching agent, washing and peeling agent (maximum level 1 mg/kg available chlorine) · As a permitted processing aid with miscellaneous functions (anti-microbial agent for meat, fish, fruit and vegetables; maximum level is the limit of determination for chlorite, chlorate, chlorous acid and chlorine dioxide).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Australian Drinking Water Guidelines lists chlorite under microbial, chemical and physical characteristics as a by-product of chlorine dioxide disinfection. The guideline value for chlorite based on health considerations is 0.8 mg/L (NHMRC 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment³	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Not expected to be persistent due to its instability.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. There is no concern for potential bioaccumulation from chlorine chlorite.
T criteria fulfilled?	Yes. Acutely toxic to aquatic invertebrates.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - 2-hydroxy-N,N,N-trimethylethanaminium

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	67-48-1
Molecular formula	C ₅ H ₁₄ NOCl
Molecular weight	139.63 g/mole
Solubility in water	Very soluble in water and alcohol
Melting point	247°C
Boiling point	Decomposition upon heating
Vapour pressure	6.57 x 10 ⁻⁸ Pa at 25°C
Henry's law constant	2.06*10E-11 Pa*m ³ /mole at 25°C
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Combustible. Gives off irritating or toxic fumes (or gases) in a fire.
Colour/Form	white crystalline solid
Overview	<p>Choline chloride is a quaternary amine salt, it dissociates in water into the corresponding positively charged quaternary hydroxyl alkylammonium ion and the negatively charged chloride ion. Choline chloride has neither explosive nor oxidizing properties due to its molecular structure. Choline is a dietary component and found in foods as free choline and as esterified forms such as phosphocholine, glycerophosphocholine, sphingomyeline, and phosphatidylcholine. It functions as a precursor for acetylcholine, phospholipids, and the methyl donor betaine and is important for the structural integrity of cell membranes, methyl metabolism, cholinergic neurotransmission, transmembrane signalling, and lipid and cholesterol transport and metabolism.</p> <p>Evidence from animal studies and from human exposure indicates that choline chloride has low toxicity, is not mutagenic and has no developmental toxicity. This is not unexpected in view of its presence in the diet and its production in metabolic processes in the body; it fulfils key roles in nerve transmission, cell membrane integrity, and lipid metabolism. Only limited animal data are available on effects on fertility, but the normal exposure of humans to appreciable amounts of choline chloride both from the diet and formed from normal metabolic processes, would argue against it having any significant adverse effects on fertility. This is supported by the fact that it has been widely used as an animal feed additive for decades with no apparent adverse effects being noted on fertility.</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that this chemical was identified as low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{1,3,4}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Distribution modelling using Mackay Level I indicates water (100 %) to be the main target compartment. The amount in the other compartments is with < 0.0001 % negligible. Choline chloride is readily biodegradable according to OECD-criteria (MITI-I Test; BOD measurements) reaching 93 % degradation within 14 days. Due to the chemical structure hydrolysis can be excluded. In the atmosphere choline chloride will be rapidly degraded according to a half-life time (t_{1/2}) of about 6.9 hours for hydroxyl-radicals based on a 12 hours day. Due to the measured and calculated logKow of -3.77 and -5.16 both at 25°C, respectively, and a calculated logKoc of 0.37 a bio- or geoaccumulation is not to be expected.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,3,4,5}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	A 72-week feeding study was conducted to investigate the impact of choline chloride on the liver tumour promoting activity of phenobarbital and DDT in diethylnitroamine-initiated Fischer 344 rats (Shivapurkar <i>et al.</i> , 1986). Animals received approximately 500 mg/kg-day choline chloride. Following the end of the exposure period, the animals were kept on the same untreated diet as the control group until study termination at week 103. Histopathology was limited to the liver and organs that developed gross abnormalities. There were no significant differences between treated and control animals on survival rates, body weights, and relative liver weights. Neither was there any increased number of neoplastic liver nodules, hepatocellular carcinomas, lung tumours, leukaemia nor other tumours between treated and control animals. The NOAEL for choline chloride in this study is 500 mg/kg/day. In humans, oral administration of 10,000 mg/day choline chloride in a pilot study treating a small number of patients with Alzheimer's disease, resulted in a slight hypotensive effect (Boyd <i>et al.</i> , 1977). This dose was regarded as a LOAEL by the Standing Committee on the Scientific Evaluation of Dietary Reference Intake (2000).
Carcinogenicity	No studies were located.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Choline chloride was not mutagenic to bacteria in reverse mutation assays (Haworth <i>et al.</i> , 1984; JETOC, 1997; Litton Bionetics, 1977). A small, but statistically significant, and dose-related increase in sister chromatid exchanges (SCEs) in Chinese Hamster Ovary (CHO) cells was reported at 50 and 500 µg/ml choline chloride in the absence of S9 only (Bloom <i>et al.</i> , 1982). No higher concentrations were examined. These results could not be confirmed in another study using CHO cells at concentrations of choline chloride up to 5,000 µg/ml. (Galloway <i>et al.</i> , 1985). In a gene conversion assay with <i>Saccharomyces cerevisiae</i> strain D4, choline chloride was negative in the presence and absence of metabolic activation (Litton Bionetics, 1977). No <i>in vivo</i> genotoxicity studies were available.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Pregnant female mice were given in their feed 1,250 to 20,000 mg/kg choline chloride during gestational days 1 to 18 (BASF AG, 1966). Maternal body weight gain was reduced in all treated groups except for the 1,250 mg/kg group. Determination of maternal weight gain of dams with embryonic/foetal absorptions showed that there was no All foetuses were resorbed in the 20,000 mg/kg group. Embryonic/foetal lethality of 35% and 69% were seen in the 4,160 and 10,800 mg/kg groups, respectively. No resorptions occurred in the 1,250 mg/kg group. Developmental toxicity was seen in all but the 1,250 mg/kg group. No statistically significant increases in malformations were observed in any dose group. The NOAELs for maternal and developmental toxicity is 1,250 mg/kg/day.
Acute Toxicity	The oral LD50 in rats was reported to be between 3,150 and 5,000 mg/kg (BASF AG, 1963a, 1969).
Irritation	Application of a 70% aqueous solution to the skin of rabbits for 20 hours under occlusive conditions resulted in only minor skin irritation (BASF AG, 1963b). Slight eye irritation was seen in the eyes of rabbits after instillation of a 70% aqueous solution of choline chloride; no effects were seen one day after exposure (BASF AG, 1963c).
Sensitisation	No data are available in animals. In a Human Repeated Insult Patch Test, there was no evidence of dermal sensitization in two hundred subjects given 0.5% (w/v) aqueous solution of choline chloride during the induction phase and 0.2% (w/v) aqueous solution during the challenge phase (Colgate-Palmolive, 2003).
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>The Standing Committee on the Scientific Evaluation of Dietary Reference Intakes selected hypotension as the critical effect from the study by Boyd <i>et al.</i> (1977) when deriving a Tolerable Upper Intake Level. Boyd <i>et al.</i> (1977) reported a LOAEL of 10,000 mg/day choline chloride (7,500 mg/day choline). An uncertainty factor of 2 was chosen because of the limited data regarding hypotension and the inter-individual variation in response to cholinergic effects. Thus, the value for the Tolerable Upper Intake Value for repeated exposure of adults to choline is 3,500 mg/day choline.</p> <p>The oral RfD for choline chloride is derived by using the LOAEL of 10,000 mg/day from the Boyd <i>et al.</i> (1977) study, which is divided by an uncertainty factor of 2, to obtain a value of 5,000 mg/day or 71 mg/kg/day for a 70 kg person. Oral RfD = 71 mg/kg/day Drinking water guideline value = 248 ppm</p>
Ecological Toxicity ⁴	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96-hour fish LC50 value is >100 mg/L (nominal and measured) in <i>Oryzias latipes</i> (MOE Japan, 1999a), and the 48-hour in vertebrate EC50 is 349 mg/L (nominal and measured) in <i>Daphnia magna</i> (MOE Japan, 1999b). The 72-hour EC50 to <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> is >1,000 mg/L (nominal and measured) based on growth rate; the 72-hour NOEC is 32 mg/L (MOE Japan, 1999c). In a 21-day <i>Daphnia magna</i> reproduction test, the nominal and measured NOEC was reported to be 30.2 mg/L (MOE Japan, 1999d).</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>PNECaquatic: Experimental results are available for three trophic levels. Acute E(L)C50 values are available for fish (>100 mg/L), invertebrates (349 mg/L), and algae (>1,000 mg/L). Results from chronic studies are available for invertebrates (21-day NOEC = 30.2 mg/L) and algae (72-hour NOEC = 32 mg/L). On the basis that the data consists of chronic studies on two trophic levels, an assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported NOEC of 30 mg/L for <i>Daphnia</i>. The PNECaquatic is 3.02 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment ³	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Choline chloride is readily biodegradable and thus it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on a measured log Kow of -3.77 and a calculated BCF of 0.59, choline chloride does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	The chronic toxicity data on choline chloride show NOECs of >0.01 mg/L. Thus, choline chloride does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).
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Toxicity Summary - Cinnamaldehyde

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	104-55-2
Molecular formula	C ₉ H ₈ O
Molecular weight	132.16
Solubility in water	2.11 g/L at 22 °C
Melting point	-18 °C
Boiling point	250°C
Vapour pressure	3.85 Pa at 25 °C
Henry's law constant	0.162 Pa.m ³ .mol ⁻¹ at 25 °C
Explosive potential	Non-explosive
Flammability potential	Non-flammable
Colour/Form	Yellowish oily liquid with strong odour of cinnamon
Overview	Cinnamaldehyde is a plant natural product that is present in some essential oils extracted from plants. For large scale applications such as in the flavouring and fragrance industries, this chemical is synthesised.
Environmental Fate ^{1,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	Cinnamaldehyde is expected to remain in soil, or partition to water and sediment, when released as a result of industrial uses. It is not expected to be persistent in the environment and is expected to undergo rapid and ultimate biodegradation in water. Cinnamaldehyde is not expected to bioaccumulate in aquatic organisms. No evidence has been identified to indicate that Cinnamaldehyde biomagnify through the aquatic food chain. The atmospheric oxidation half-life of cinnamaldehyde was estimated using the level III multimedia model. It was estimated that the substance is not persistent in air medium as the half-life period of cinnamaldehyde in air is only 0.31 days. This indicates that cinnamaldehyde is rapidly phototransformed in air. The Hydrolysis rate constant of Cinnamaldehyde is estimated to be 3.36 x 10 ⁻¹⁷ cm ³ /molecule-sec. at half-life of 3.411 days indicating that the substance is slowly hydrolysable.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,4}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Cinnamaldehyde is 'generally regarded as safe' for use as a flavour ingredient by the US Food and Drug Administration (US FDA, 2015), reflecting the low level of concern regarding its potential for long-term toxicity via the oral route. Considering the no observed adverse effect levels (NOAELs) of 68–200 mg/kg bw/day, based on 17-week to 2-year rat studies (read across), and no toxicologically significant treatment-related effects reported in various studies, repeated oral exposure to the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health. Based on the limited data available, the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health by repeated dermal exposure.
Carcinogenicity	Based on the limited data available for cinnamaldehyde and trans-cinnamaldehyde (CAS No. 14371-10-9), the chemical is not expected to have carcinogenic potential. In a two-year carcinogenicity study, groups of F344/N rats and B6C3F1 mice (50 animals/sex/dose) were fed microencapsulated trans-cinnamaldehyde (CAS No. 14371-10-9) by daily gavage at doses of 0, 1000, 2100 or 4100 ppm (equivalent to 0, 50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw/day). Increased incidences of preputial and prostate gland adenomas and mononuclear cell leukaemia were considered to be within the historical range in controls, or likely to represent biological variations unrelated to exposure to the chemical. No other treatment-related neoplasms or non-neoplastic lesions were reported in either species (Adams et al., 2004; NTP, 2004; REACH; US HPVIS, 2009).

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>The chemical cinnamaldehyde contains an a,b-unsaturated aldehyde group, a common structural alert for genotoxicity due to the ability of the chemical to form DNA adducts. However, based on the available data, the chemical is not considered to be genotoxic. The chemical cinnamaldehyde and the isomer trans-cinnamaldehyde (CAS No. 14371-10-9) were negative for point mutations in almost all strains of Salmonella typhimurium in the Ames test. A positive result was found only with TA100 strain, and in only two out of eleven tests. Evidence of genotoxic activity was also observed in isolated mammalian cells. However, these results were weakly positive and observed at cytotoxic concentrations. A sex-linked recessive lethal test in Drosophila melanogaster demonstrated that systemically-available chemical (administered via injection) could enter germ cells and induce mutations; however, oral dosing did not produce the same effect. Importantly, the reported activity in in vitro and insect studies did not translate into significant genotoxic activity in mammalian systems in vivo.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>The chemical is not expected to have the potential for reproductive or developmental toxicity. Any developmental effects were only observed secondary to maternal toxicity. In a two-generation study in rats (strains not reported), cinnamaldehyde (absolute dose 2 mg—route not specified) was dosed every two days for 223 and 210 days and did not have any effects on body weight gain, reproductive ability, development or viability of offspring (NTP, 2004). Cinnamaldehyde in olive oil was administered to female SD rats via oral gavage at doses of 0, 5, 25 or 250 mg/kg bw/day on gestation days (GD) 7–17. Treatment-related, increased incidence of defective cranial ossification in all dose groups was observed. Renal abnormalities including dilated pelvis and reduced papilla and dilated ureters were observed at low and mid doses, but not at high dose. Offspring at ≥ 25 mg/kg bw/day had significantly increased instances of reduced ossification of the tympanic bulla. An increase in the incidence of abnormal sternalbrae was also reported in the 25 mg/kg bw/day group. However, these effects were not found to be dose-related and may be attributed to a decrease in maternal weight gain that was noted in the mid- and high-dose groups. A LOAEL of 5 mg/kg bw/day for developmental toxicity was reported based on the reduced cranial ossification and kidney variations. A LOAEL of 25 mg/kg bw/day was reported for maternal toxicity based on the reduced weight gain observed in the dams (Adams et al., 2004; NTP, 2004; US HPVIS, 2009; HSDB; REACH). No signs of toxicity were reported in the dams or in the offspring of CD-1 mice after exposure to 1200 mg/kg bw/day during GD 6–13 (cinnamaldehyde) or GD 7–14 (trans-cinnamaldehyde) (NTP, 2004; US HPVIS, 2009; REACH).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Cinnamaldehyde has low acute oral toxicity based on animal studies. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats is >2000 mg/kg bw. Cinnamaldehyde has moderate acute dermal toxicity based on animal studies, warranting hazard classification. The dermal LD50 in rabbits was in the range of 620–1260 mg/kg bw (Bickers et al., 2005; Cocchiara et al., 2005; FFHBVC, 2005; and US HPVIS, 2009). Albino rabbits (2 animals/dose) were administered a single dose of cinnamaldehyde (0, 0.25, 0.50, 1.0, 2.0 or 4.0 mL/kg bw—equivalent to 0, 263, 525, 1050, 2100 or 4200 mg/kg bw) by application to intact and abraded skin. All animals in the 1.0 mL/kg and higher dose groups died after treatment. The LD50 was reported to be 620 mg/kg bw (Cocchiara et al., 2005; FFHPVC, 2005; US HPVIS, 2009; REACH).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Respiratory irritation was assessed in CF-1 female mice by recording their respiratory rate following exposure to nebulised cinnamaldehyde for 1 minute, either through nose-only breathing or via a tracheal cannula. Marked respiratory depression with nose-only inhalation was observed. The ED25 (dose providing a 25 % reduction in respiratory rate) was calculated to be 241 $\mu\text{g/L}$. No significant effects were observed when inhalation was through the tracheal cannula (Cocchiara et al., 2005).</p> <p>Cinnamaldehyde produced severe irritation in rabbits when applied undiluted, mild irritation in mice and guinea pigs at concentrations of 3–5 %, and was non-irritating to rabbits at 1 % (Bickers et al., 2005). The US EPA considers cinnamaldehyde a strong skin irritant in guinea pigs (no study details provided) (US HPVIS, 2009). Several international agencies have concluded that cinnamaldehyde is an eye irritant (US HPVIS, 2009; REACH), and a number of notifications to the Classification and Labelling Inventory by industry in the European Union have indicated the chemical as irritating to the eyes (ECHA C&L).</p>

Sensitisation	The chemical was considered to be a moderate to strong skin sensitiser based on the positive results in several local lymph node assays (LLNA). The EC3 value (concentration required to provoke a 3-fold increase in lymph node cell proliferative activity compared with controls) was reported to be as low as 0.2 % (SCCS, 2012).
Health Effects Summary	<p>Cinnamaldehyde is a well-recognised and frequently reported consumer contact allergen (SCCNFP, 1999; RIVM, 2009; SCCS, 2012; IFRA, 2013). It is one of eight components of the diagnostic test, the fragrance mix, used by dermatologists to determine if a patient has allergies to common chemicals used in fragrances. It is an established contact allergen in humans according to the Scientific Committee on Consumer Safety (2012), and accounts for 5–36 % of the reactions to the fragrance mix (SCCNFP, 1999).</p> <p>A number of human repeat insult patch tests (HRIPTs) have been undertaken to determine the skin sensitisation potential of cinnamaldehyde in healthy volunteers, as well as groups of subjects suspected of skin allergies to fragrances (SCCNFP, 1999; NTP, 2004; Cocchiara et al., 2005). Although fewer cases of sensitisation were found when the concentration of the chemical was less than 1 %, positive allergic responses have been reported in cases where the administered concentration of cinnamaldehyde was as low as 0.2 % (Cocchiara et al., 2005). Skin irritation effects were generally predominant at concentrations above 3 % cinnamaldehyde, and often impeded the interpretation of results from the patch testing (SCCNFP, 1999; NTP, 2004).</p> <p>Many cases of skin sensitisation have occurred following occupational and consumer exposure to the chemical. Workers in spice manufacturing plants, hairdressing salons and bakeries have reported cases of contact dermatitis that were traced back to cinnamaldehyde. In addition, exposure of consumers to toothpaste, cosmetics and perfumes containing the chemical as a fragrance ingredient have resulted in a number of case studies identifying cinnamaldehyde as an agent responsible for the allergic reactions (see SCCNFP, 1999; NTP, 2004; Cocchiara et al., 2005 for review).</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The critical health effect for risk characterisation is skin sensitisation. Other observed health effects include systemic acute effects (acute toxicity from dermal exposure) and local effects (eye/skin/respiratory irritation).
Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The following data are measured acute toxicity values for cinnamaldehyde: Danio rerio (Zebrafish) EC Directive 92/69/EEC C.1 Acute Toxicity for Fish: 96 h LC50 = 3.1 mg/L; Daphnia magna (Water flea) OECD TG 202: 48 h EC50 = 3.86 mg/L; Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae) OECD TG 201: 72 h EC50 = 4.07 mg/L.</p> <p>In the chronic toxicity study, the 72 h NOEC value of 2.0 mg/L was reported for Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata (Green algae) OECD TG 201.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	A PNECaqua = 0.2 mg/L can be calculated based on the chronic toxicity value (72 h NOEC = 2 mg/L) for green algae with the assessment factor of 10.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is not listed in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available for the chemical.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The US Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs) for cinnamaldehyde are 14, 150 and 670 mg/m ³ (Galleria Chemica).
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.

PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic salt, ionic species ubiquitous in environment)
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; sodium and hydroxide ions are ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium hydroxide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Citric acid

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{2,3,5}	
CAS number	77-92-9
Molecular formula	C6-H8-O7
Product name	--
Molecular weight	192.124
Solubility in water	1000000 mg/L
pH	2 to 2.2
Melting point	Decomposition > 175 C
Boiling point	152 to 159 C
Vapour pressure	White powder or granules
Henry's law constant	1.7×10^{-8} mm Hg at 25 deg C
Explosive potential	4.39×10^{-09} Pa.m ³ /mol
Flammability potential	Dust explosion possible if powder or granular form, mixed with air
Colour/Form	Melts and decomposes in fire, a non-hazardous reaction.
Overview	<p>Citric acid is a water soluble organic solid. It is a natural substance that appears as an intermediate in the basic physiological citric acid or Krebs cycle in every eukaryote cell. Citric acid has been produced for many years in high volumes. It has wide dispersive use, being added to processed food and beverages, used in pharmaceutical preparations and in household cleaners as well as in special technical applications. Citric acid is recognised by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) and the WHO JECFA as safe as a multipurpose food additive. No upper limit of concentrations has been established in food products.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,5}	
Soil/Water/Air	Citric acid is highly mobile in the environment and is extremely soluble in water. The pKa of citric acid is 2.79, indicating that this compound will exist almost entirely in the anion form in the environment. The compound does not sorb to soil or particles in the water column and is readily and rapidly degraded in surface waters and in soil. (OECD, hsdB)

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,4,5}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A 2-year chronic oral study in rats being given 5% or 3% citric acid in feed (approx. 2 resp. 1.2 g/kg/d) found slightly decreased growth in the higher dosage group but no tissue abnormalities in the major organs. From the lower dosage a NOAEL of 1200 mg/kg/d results. Similarly, NOAELs of 1500 mg/kg/d (rabbit) and of 1400 mg/kg/d (dog) have been determined.</p> <p>In general, citric acid is a strong chelating agent, the dietary uptake of which may interfere with biological availability, absorption and excretion of metals. Further, loss of superficial enamel and erosion of teeth as well as local irritation result from frequent ingestion of citric acid in beverages including natural fruit juices; citric acid fumes were reported to apparently affect the teeth of exposed workers.</p> <p>The average daily intake of citric acid from natural sources in the diet and food additives was estimated at about 40 mg/kg for women, 130 mg/kg for infants and 400 mg/kg for individuals on slimming diets; maximum daily intake is reported to reach levels of 500 mg/kg. No formal ADI (acceptable daily intake) level has been specified for citric acid and its common salts by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives nor by the EC Scientific Committee for Food.</p>
Carcinogenicity	Citric acid has not been classified by the IARC.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In several in vitro and in vivo tests citric acid was not mutagenic. The substance was not mutagenic either in bacterial tests with <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> (Ames test, 2 studies) and <i>Escherichia coli</i> , with and without metabolic activation.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	In a two-generation 90 days study with male and female rats fed 1.2 % citric acid no adverse effect on reproductive parameters nor any teratogenicity of dietary citric acid was seen. There were no indications of teratogenic or other adverse effects in three shorter term reproductive studies in rats with dietary dosage of either 5% citric acid (approx. 2.5 g/kg/d) previous, during and after mating (NOEL = 2500 mg/kg/d), or 295 mg/kg/d (route unspecified) during days 6–15 of pregnancy
Acute Toxicity	Citric acid has a low acute toxicity by oral application in both rat (LD50 = 3,000–12,000 mg/kg, 3 different values) and mouse (LD50 = 5,400 mg/kg). General effects comprised physiological disturbances (acidosis and calcium deficiency), while “high” doses caused nervous system effects as well as severe damage to the stomach mucosa.
Irritation	Local effects of citric acid to the skin (rabbit) are reported as slightly irritating in two studies and as not irritating in a third study using a 30% aqueous solution. In an acute eye irritation/corrosion test in rabbits according to OECD 405 citric acid was highly irritating.
Sensitisation	The sensitising potential is low.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	A 2-year chronic oral study in rats being given 5% or 3% citric acid in feed resulted in a NOAEL of 1200 mg/kg/d. Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability) and 10 (intraspecies variability). Drinking water guideline = 4.7 ppm
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,5}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96-hour LC50 values for citric acid to fish are from 440 to 1,516 mg/L. The acute toxicity 24 hour EC50 value for invertebrates is 85 mg/L. The 7 day toxic limit concentration (TLC) values for algae range from 300 to 640 mg/L. In an 8 day freshwater static test for the algae <i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>, the NOEC is 425 mg/L.</p> <p>In freshwater, citric acid appears to be of low toxicity to aquatic acute test standard organisms, fish, daphnia and algae, with consistent LC50/EC50 values of several hundred milligrams per litre.</p>

Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>PNEC_{aquatic}: Experimental results are available for three trophic levels. Acute E(L)C₅₀ values are available for fish (440 mg/L), Daphnia (85 mg/L). A TLC value of 300 mg/L was obtained for algae from which no dependable EC50 can be derived. Even though a NOEC was obtained from the algae study, there were no chronic studies conducted on fish or Daphnia.</p> <p>On the basis that the data consists of short-term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 85 mg/L for Daphnia Magna. The PNEC_{aquatic} was calculated to be 0.085 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	
International Occupational Exposure Standards	
Australian Food Standards	
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
Australian Hazard Classification	
PBT Assessment¹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Citric acid is expected to be readily biodegradable and does not persist in the environment
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on the low Log Kow and widespread natural occurrence, citric acid is not expected to have potential for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	Long term data not available (acute data >0.1 mg/L); potentially not toxic.
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).

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Toxicity Summary - Crystalline silica-cristobalite, crystalline silica-quartz

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3}	
CAS number	Crystalline Silica (Cristobalite) : 14464-46-1 Crystalline Silica (Quartz): 14808-60-7 Diatomaceous Earth (Calcined silica): 91053-39-3
Molecular formula	Crystalline Silica (Cristobalite): SiO ₂ Crystalline Silica (Quartz): SiO ₂ Diatomaceous Earth (Calcined silica): SiO ₂
Molecular weight	60.09 g/mol
Solubility in water	Insoluble/negligible
pH	-
Melting point	1713°C (Cristobalite) 1610°C (Quartz)
Boiling point	2230 °C
Vapour pressure	NA
Henry's law constant	NA
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	Transparent crystals
Overview	Silica is an off-white granule that occurs naturally in various crystalline and amorphous or other non-crystalline forms. Crystalline silica is characterized by silicon dioxide (SiO ₂) molecules oriented in fixed, periodic patterns to form stable crystals. The primary crystalline form of silica is quartz. Other crystalline forms of silica include cristobalite, tripoli and tridymite. Particle size is a key determinate of silica toxicity, since toxicity is restricted to particles that are small enough to be deposited into the target regions of the respiratory tract. Uncalcined diatomaceous earth typically contains around 1% crystalline silica. When diatomaceous earth is subjected to pressure or is processed ("calcined") at temperatures above 1000°C some of the amorphous silica is converted to crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite. Calcined diatomaceous earth can contain anywhere from 1% to 75% cristobalite.
Environmental Fate ^{1,2}	
Soil/Water/Air	Crystalline Silica consists of diatomaceous earth, a naturally occurring material. Its primary component, silica, is found in common materials like quartz, sand and agate. The materials are ubiquitous and unlikely to react chemically with any other substance in the environment.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A number of animal studies have found that cristobalite is more toxic to the lung than quartz, and more tumorigenic (e.g., King et al. 1953; Wagner et al. 1980). However, several other authors concluded that this is not the case (Bolsaitis and Wallace 1996; Guthrie and Heaney 1995). OSHA (2013) has examined evidence on the comparative toxicity of the silica polymorphs (quartz, cristobalite, and tridymite) and found no difference in toxicity effects between cristobalite and quartz. Furthermore, no difference in toxicity between cristobalite and quartz has been observed in epidemiologic studies (NIOSH 2002).</p> <p>There is no information on the repeat dose oral, inhalation or dermal effect of calcined silica. However, since calcined diatomaceous earth contains varying amounts of crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite, and may also contain small amounts of quartz and tridymite, it is expected that any long-term health hazards associated with diatomaceous earth would mainly be due to the effects of crystalline silica.</p> <p>In humans, the most prevalent effect identified from long term exposure in occupational settings is silicosis, a diffused nodular pulmonary fibrosis (US EPA 1996).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>IARC (2012) concluded that there is sufficient evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of inhaled crystalline silica in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources. There is sufficient evidence in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of quartz and cristobalite.</p> <p>The IARC has also concluded that inhaled crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite or quartz from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1) (IARC 2012).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>Conflicting results have been reported in genotoxicity studies with crystalline quartz or cristobalite, and a direct genotoxic effect for crystalline silica has not been confirmed or ruled out. Studies on genotoxicity of calcined diatomaceous silica are not available.</p>
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>No data available.</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>No data available.</p>
Irritation	<p>No data available. Most acute toxicity studies for quartz or cristobalite were conducted using intratracheal instillation. Single intratracheal instillation of quartz caused inflammatory effects and formation of discrete silicotic nodules in rats, mice and hamsters (IARC 2012; WHO 2000). Other effects like oxidative stress, cellular proliferation and increases in water, protein, and phospholipid content of rat lungs, apoptosis (programmed cell death) and lung cancer were also noted. In general, exposure to high concentrations of dust may cause coughing and mild, temporary irritation (CCOHS 2001).</p>
Sensitisation	<p>No data available. However, based on the structure and physico-chemical properties, the three forms of crystalline silica or the calcined diatomaceous silica are not expected to cause skin sensitisation.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>The substances are not skin or eye irritants but acute inhalation of dust may cause discomfort and stress as well as signs of local irritation to nasal, bronchiolar and ocular mucous membranes. Based on the evaluation of the epidemiological data it is concluded that inhalation exposure to crystalline silica results in lung cancer. This conclusion is also supported by animal studies in which inhalation and intratracheal exposure to crystalline silica resulted in lung tumours. The most common types of lung tumour observed in rats were lung adenocarcinomas.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>Not applicable.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Aquatic toxicity studies performed at saturation concentrations of synthetic amorphous silica showed no acute toxicity to fish, Daphnia, or algae, though some physical effects were observed with loading rates of greater than or equal to 10 g/L (OECD 2004). Any harmful effects to aquatic ecosystems are therefore not ecotoxicological in nature. No chronic toxicity data were identified.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Not applicable.
Current Regulatory Controls ³	
Australian Hazard Classification	Quartz and cristobalite are listed in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2014a) as hazardous substances. Calcined silica is not listed in the HSIS.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Time Weighted Average (TWA) occupational exposure standard of 0.1 mg/m ³ for quartz and cristobalite are recommended in Australia (Safework Australia 2013). A Short-Term Exposure Limit (STEL) is not recommended for any of the compounds.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA for quartz, cristobalite: Canada: 0.025 mg/m ³ France: 0.05 mg/m ³ Japan: 0.03 mg/m ³ Sweden: 0.05 mg/m ³ US (ACGIH): 0.025 mg/m ³ US (NIOSH): 0.05 mg/m ³ US (OSHA): 0.1 mg/m ³ US: 0.3, 0.9, 1.5, 500 mg/m ³ Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEEL) (Diatomaceous silica, calcined)
Australian Food Standards	No data found.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	The Australian Drinking Water Guidelines state: 'To minimise an undesirable scale build up on surfaces, silica (SiO ₂) within drinking water should not exceed 80 mg/L' (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2001).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found.
PBT Assessment ³	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Not applicable, inorganic substance, ubiquitous in environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Not applicable, inorganic substance, ubiquitous in environment.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Long term data not available (acute data >0.1 mg/L).
Overall conclusion	It is not currently possible to categorise the environmental hazards of metals and other inorganic chemicals according to standard persistence, bioaccumulation and toxicity (PBT) hazard criteria. These criteria were developed for organic chemicals and do not take into account the unique properties of inorganic substances and their behaviour in the environment (UNECE 2007; US EPA 2007). Further assessment of the environmental risks from the use of this chemical is not required as identified by DoEE
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Toxicity Summary - Diethanolamine

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,4}	
CAS number	111-42-2
Molecular formula	C ₄ H ₁₁ NO ₂
Molecular weight	105.14
Solubility in water	1,000 g/L @ 20 °C
Melting point	27 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	269.9 °C at 101.325 kPa
Vapour pressure	0.0028 hPa (25 °C)
Henry's law constant	3.97 x 10 ⁻⁶ Pa*m ³ /mol
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless crystals or a white syrupy liquid with a mild ammonical odour.
Overview	2,2'-Iminodiethanol (diethanolamine, DEA) belongs to the ethanolamines group that includes monoethanolamine (MEA), diethanolamine (DEA) and triethanolamine (TEA). Large-scale production of DEA is carried out by the reaction of ethylene oxide and excess ammonia, followed by fractionation of the three ethanolamines (mono-, di- and triethanolamine). Ethanolamines are used widely as intermediates in the production of anionic and non-ionic surfactants, which have become commercially important as detergents, textile and leather chemicals, and emulsifiers. Their uses range from drilling and cutting oils to medicinal soaps and high-quality toiletries. DEA is an important additive of corrosion inhibitors, particularly in coolants for automobile engines. DEA is also employed as an additive in lubricants and in cement/concrete production. Large amounts of DEA are used as such in closed systems for absorptive gas purification to remove weakly acidic components. In the production of detergents, cleaners, fabric softeners and metalworking fluids DEA is used for acid neutralization and to prevent soil deposition. DEA is also used as an intermediate in the production of morpholine, photographic chemicals and polyurethanes. In addition, DEA is used as a building block for agrochemicals.
Environmental Fate ⁴	
Soil/Water/Air	The colourless solid DEA is completely miscible with water at ambient temperature and has a negligible vapour pressure of 0.0028 hPa (25 °C). The measured log KOW of -2.18 (25 °C) and the calculated BCF of 3.16 indicate a low potential for bioaccumulation. The Henry's law constant of 3.97 x 10 ⁻⁶ Pa*m ³ /mol (uncharged) is considered as an indication for low volatility. The calculated Koc of uncharged DEA is 1 (corrected log Koc = 0). Thus, the potential for adsorption to soil, sediment, and suspended solid may be low. However, binding of the substance to the matrix of soils (and sediments) with high capacities for cation exchange (e.g. clay) cannot be excluded for the charged molecule. The measured pKa value of 8.92 (23 °C) indicates that at environmentally relevant conditions of pH 6 – 8, the molecule will predominantly occur in the charged (cationic) form. At pH values > 9, DEA will predominantly be present as the uncharged species. According to Mackay Level I modelling, uncharged DEA will distribute almost completely into water (99.99 %). DEA is readily biodegradable according to OECD criteria. Potential for anaerobic degradation of DEA was also observed. In the atmosphere, it will be photodegraded by reactions with OH radicals (calculated half-life of the uncharged molecule for a 12-hour day and 1.5E06 OH/cm ³ : 2.4 hours = 0.1 day; for a 24-h day and 0.5E06 OH/cm ³ : 4.2 hours = 0.2 days). At environmental pH conditions hydrolysis is not expected to be a relevant degradation process due to the absence of hydrolysable groups
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2}	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>In a 90 day oral gavage study conducted similarly to OECD TG 408 in F344 rats, lowest observed adverse effect levels (LOAEL) of 320 and 160 ppm (equivalent to 25 and 14 mg/kg bw/day, respectively) was reported in male and female rats, respectively. These were the lowest doses tested. Mortality was observed in males (2/10 animals) at the highest dose (5000 ppm) before the completion of the study (REACH; OECD, 2008). Signs of toxicity were observed across all dose groups (160 - 2500 ppm), and included tremors, extreme weight loss, abnormal posture and a dose dependent increase in microcytic anaemia. Dose related (≥ 320 ppm in males and ≥ 160 ppm in females) changes in kidney weights were associated with an increase in nephropathy and renal cell necrosis. Dose related (≥ 320 ppm in males and ≥ 630 ppm in females) increase in liver weight was associated with a moderate increase in serum bile acid concentration (REACH; OECD, 2008).</p> <p>Based on treatment-related effects reported with a LOAEL of 32 and 80 mg/kg bw/day in rat and mouse studies, respectively, the chemical is considered to cause serious damage to health from repeated oral exposure.</p> <p>In a 90 day dermal application study conducted similarly to OECD TG 411 in F344 rats, a LOAEL of 32 mg/kg bw/day was reported in male and female rats. Mortality occurred in one male and two female rats administered the highest dose of 500 mg/kg bw/day (REACH; OECD, 2008). Ulceration, inflammation, hyperkeratosis, and acanthosis occurred at all administered doses (32 - 500 mg/kg bw/day). Other signs of toxicity included reductions in body weight gain, anaemia, renal function changes and liver weight increases. Demyelination in the brain, nephropathy and renal tubular necrosis were also observed (REACH; OECD, 2008).</p> <p>In a similar study conducted similarly to OECD TG 411 in B6C3F1 mice, a LOAEL of 80 mg/kg bw/day was reported in male and female mice. Effects on the skin were noted at all doses (80 - 1250 mg/kg bw/day) and consisted of acanthosis at the lower doses and a dose-dependent increase in ulcerations, inflammation and hyperkeratosis at higher dose levels (630 and 1250 mg/kg bw/day in males and females, respectively) (REACH; OECD, 2008). Further signs of toxicity included dose dependent increases in liver and kidney weights. The increase in liver weight was associated with hepatocellular changes consisting of enlarged hepatocytes and, at the higher dose levels, the presence of multinucleated, giant hepatocytes. Liver damage (hepatocellular necrosis) was observed in male mice only (REACH; OECD, 2008).</p> <p>Based on the available data no adverse systemic toxicity was evident. Local effects were observed at a lowest observed adverse effect concentration (LOAEC) of 0.15 mg/L in one study. The available data do not warrant a hazard classification for repeated dose inhalation toxicity. However, a classification for respiratory irritation is warranted.</p> <p>In a 90 day inhalation study conducted according to OECD TG 413 in Wistar rats, a LOAEC of 0.15 mg/L was reported in male and female rats. Local inflammation (focal squamous metaplasia and hyperplasia) was evident in the larynx (0.15 mg/L) and trachea (0.4 mg/L) in a concentration dependent manner (REACH, SIDS, 2008). Marginal increases in liver weight and serum alkaline phosphatase levels occurred at the mid - high doses (0.15 and 0.4 mg/L, respectively), although, no histopathological changes were noted. In females, erosions of the glandular stomach occurred in a dose dependent manner (0.15 mg/L and 0.4 mg/L) (REACH; OECD, 2008).</p> <p>A further study conducted according to OECD TG 413 in male and female Wistar rats using lower doses (0.0015, 0.003 or 0.008 mg/L) showed similar local irritation effects (focal squamous metaplasia) after 90 days of exposure. After 90 days of exposure to the chemical, a group of 10 animals were given three months of recovery. At the end of the recovery period, no treatment related systemic effects were observed, indicating reversibility in the laryngeal epithelium up to the highest dose administered (0.008 mg/L) (REACH, OECD, 2008).</p>
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<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Limited data are available on the carcinogenicity of DEA. A two-year carcinogenicity study was conducted by the United States National Toxicology Program (NTP, 1999). Based on the pattern of occupational and consumer exposure, dermal administration was considered the most appropriate route for the carcinogenicity study in rats and mice. Groups of 50 male F344/N rats were administered dermal doses of 0, 16, 32, or 64 mg/kg bw DEA in ethanol solutions, 5 days per week for 103 weeks. Female rats were administered 0, 8, 16, or 32 mg/kg bw, and male and female B6C3F1 mice were administered 0, 40, 80, or 160 mg/kg bw DEA dermally, 5 days per week for 103 weeks.</p> <p>Mean body weights of treated rats were generally lower than those of the control rats. The only clinical finding attributed to DEA administration was irritation of the skin at the site of application. This effect was dose-related. Exudate, consisting of focal accumulations of serum and cellular debris on the epidermal surface, occurred at significantly increased incidences in 64 mg/kg bw males and in all dosed female groups.</p> <p>In rats, the main histopathological effects were noted in kidneys of female rats with nephropathy, renal tubular epithelial cell necrosis and/or mineralisation, which increased in incidence and/or severity in a dose-dependent manner. The incidence of nephropathy in dosed female groups was significantly greater than that in the vehicle controls; but no such effects were seen in male rats. There was no neoplastic response in the skin or any organ associated with DEA exposure during the two-year study. The incidence of basophilic foci was significantly decreased in all dosed groups of males and females. The incidence of fibroadenoma in mammary glands in female rats occurred with a negative trend, being lower in all dosed groups compared to the historical control range.</p> <p>In mice, mean body weights of treated groups were depressed, more so in female mice than in male mice. The liver was clearly the most affected organ, and female mice were more sensitive than males. Exposure to diethanolamine for two years produced a marked neoplastic response in the liver characterised by significant increases in the incidences and multiplicity of hepatocellular adenomas (males: 31/50, 42/50, 49/50, 45/50 and females: 32/50, 50/50, 48/50, 48/50) and hepatocellular carcinoma (males: 12/50, 17/50, 33/50, 34/50 and females: 5/50, 19/50, 38/50, 42/50) at 0, 40, 80 and 160 mg/kg bw/day, respectively. The microscopic appearance of these liver neoplasms was typical of those usually observed spontaneously in B6C3F1 mice. There was a morphologic continuum from adenoma to carcinoma, with less differentiation and typical trabecular formations in the carcinomas.</p> <p>Increased mortality was noted in female mice and this, along with reduced body weights, was considered to be a consequence of the presence of liver neoplasms. The incidence of hepatoblastomas, uncommon phenotypic variants of hepatocellular carcinoma, was significantly increased in male mice, but not in females. In addition, the incidence of syncytial alteration, a non-neoplastic lesion characterised by the presence of hepatocytes containing multiple (three or more) nuclei, was increased in all groups of dosed mice; this lesion was not present in the controls. Centrilobular cytoplasmic alteration was increased in treated males but was not present in females. There were no neoplasms of the skin in mice. Effects in the kidneys included increased organ weights and increased incidence of tubular epithelial cell necrosis. The incidences of renal tubule adenoma and renal tubule adenoma or carcinoma (combined) occurred with a positive trend in male mice, but renal tubule carcinoma did not follow the same pattern. Detailed evaluation of the renal neoplasms indicated a treatment- and dose-related increase in the incidences of renal tubule adenoma (1/50, 4/50, 6/50 and 6/50) and adenoma or carcinoma (combined) (3/50, 5/50, 6/50 and 8/50 at 0, 40, 80 and 160 mg/kg, respectively). Diethanolamine is eliminated in urine as the parent compound.</p> <p>The data on the mode of action are insufficient to conclude that diethanolamine-induced tumours in mice are relevant for humans and, therefore, based on the available information, diethanolamine is not classified for carcinogenicity.</p>
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<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>The chemical tested negative in several in vitro (Ames test with and without metabolic activation, reverse mutation assay, cytogenic assay and the mouse lymphoma assay) and in vivo (micronucleus assay and the alkaline elution assay) tests for gene mutation and clastogenicity (NICNAS; OECD, 2008).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>No reproductive toxicity studies are available for diethanolamine. Repeated dose studies were conducted in F344/N rats and B6C3F1 mice of both sexes for 13 weeks (10/sex/species/dose) to characterise the effects of oral and dermal exposure (NTP, 1992). No reproductive toxicity in male or female rats was reported following dermal administration of the chemical for 13 weeks. There were no morphological effects on male or female reproductive organs or in sperm parameters (NTP, 1992).</p> <p>It is likely that testicular degeneration in a 90-day drinking water study is a direct toxic effect of diethanolamine. However, no effect on the reproductive organs of the female rats was noted. The NOAEL for reproductive effects in males is 630 ppm (48 mg/kg bw/day).</p> <p>In an inhalation study, conducted according to OECD TG 413, male and female Wistar rats were exposed to the chemical via inhalation (0.015, 0.15 or 0.4 mg/L), five times a week for 90 days. Reproductive effects in males were reported at the highest concentration (0.4 mg/L) and these included testicular atrophy and slight atrophy of the prostate. No changes were observed in female rats (OECD, 2008).</p> <p>The effects of diethanolamine on the male reproductive system are indicative of a potential to impair reproductive capability. However, more detailed reproductive toxicity studies are needed to confirm the potential effects on fertility observed in male rats. The current information is insufficient to classify diethanolamine for reproductive toxicity.</p> <p>Developmental effects were tested following exposure of dams to diethanolamine by oral, dermal and inhalation routes. In almost all the rodent studies, developmental effects were seen only at higher doses, at which maternal effects were also noted. In a dermal study in rabbits, the overall incidence of malformation was similar to the incidence seen in control animals.</p> <p>The current data therefore do not allow for a clear delineation of reproductive and developmental toxicity of diethanolamine in experimental animals. Classification of diethanolamine for reproductive and developmental toxicity is, therefore, not recommended at this stage.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The reported oral median lethal dose (LD50) values in rats ranged from 780 - 3540 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2008). In one study male Sprague Dawley (SD) rats administered a single oral dose of aqueous DEA (100 – 6400 mg/kg bw) resulting in 90 % mortality at the highest dose. Doses greater than 100 mg/kg bw resulted in an increase in liver weight. An increase in the relative kidney weight was observed at doses greater than 1600 mg/kg bw. Clinical chemistry changes were reported for the liver at doses greater than 200 mg/kg bw and for the kidney at greater than 400 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2008).</p> <p>The chemical was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following dermal exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rabbits is greater than 12000 mg/kg bw (IUCLID, 2000).</p> <p>The chemical was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following inhalation exposure. The median lethal concentration (LC50) in rats is 6.4 mg/L. The available data do not warrant hazard classification.</p> <p>Acute inhalation exposure to the chemical for 1.5 – 4 hours at concentrations between 30 – 1476 ppm (0.13 - 6.4 mg/L) caused mortality in 5/8 rats after 105 minutes of exposure to 6.4 mg/L. Exposure to 3.35 mg/L (768 ppm) for up to 4 hours resulted in no mortality. It was reported that the exposure was to vapours or aerosols (most likely at the higher concentration). Observed sub-lethal effects included lethargy, increased breathing, increased blood pressure, congestion in the lung and discolouration in the kidney and thymus (REACH; OECD 2008).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemical on unabraded rabbit skin produced skin irritation after 1 - 15 minutes and marked irritation after 20 hours. Over 72 hours, erythema increased and oedema decreased (REACH). After 20 hours of exposure the mean Draize scores for erythema and oedema formation were 2 and 1.33, respectively. While the Draize scores for erythema and oedema returned to normal after 8 days, severe desquamation of the skin persisted.</p> <p>The chemical is also reported to cause ulceration, inflammation and hyperkeratosis following repeated exposure.</p> <p>In an eye irritation study in Vienna White rabbits, 0.05 mL of the chemical was instilled into the rabbit's eyes and observed for eight days. The chemical caused signs of severe irritation consisting of superficial corrosion, corneal opacity, conjunctival bleeding, conjunctivitis and oedema (OECD, 2008; REACH). Extensive corrosion was evident at the end of the observation period.</p> <p>In a further study, 0.1 g of the chemical was applied into the conjunctival sac of New Zealand White rabbits. This resulted in strong irritation of the cornea, iris and conjunctiva, which did not completely resolve over seven days of observation (OECD, 2008).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The chemical was not found to induce dermal sensitisation in the Guinea pig maximization test conducted according to OECD Test Guideline (TG) 406 (OECD, 2008).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include systemic acute effects (acute toxicity by the oral route of exposure) and local effects (skin, eye and respiratory irritation). The chemical may also cause harmful effects following repeated exposure through oral and dermal routes.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The lowest observed adverse effect levels (LOAEL) of 320 and 160 ppm (equivalent to 25 and 14 mg/kg bw/day, respectively) were reported in male and female rats, respectively, based on kidney and liver weights in the drinking water study (US NTP, 1992). In mice, the LOAEL was 630 ppm (104 mg/kg bw/day for males and 142 mg/kg bw/day for females) based on liver weight changes.</p> <p>It is reported that the fatal oral dose of the chemical is 20g in humans (HSDB).</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{3,4}</p>	

Aquatic Toxicity	The lowest reliable acute toxicity values for aquatic species were as follows: Pimephales promelas (fish) 96-h LC50 = 1370 mg/l (nominal) Daphnia magna (invertebrates) 48-h EC50 = 55 mg/l (nominal) Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata 96-h ErC50 = 2.2 mg/l (nominal) Pseudomonas sp. (microorganisms) 16-h TTC = 16 mg/l (nominal) In a chronic toxicity test on reproduction of the water flea Daphnia magna, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.78 mg/l (nominal, based on analytical verification).
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Using an uncertainty factor of 50 on the lowest NOEC to Daphnia a PNEC (Predicted No Effect Concentration) of 0.02 mg/L is calculated, for aquatic organisms.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): Xn; R22 (Acute toxicity) Xi; R38/41 (Irritation) Xn; R48/22 (Repeated dose toxicity)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	The chemical has an exposure standard of 13 mg/m ³ (3 ppm) time weighted average (TWA).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica): An exposure limit (TWA) of 2 - 15 mg/m ³ (0.46 – 3 ppm) in different countries such as USA (Alaska, Hawaii), Canada (Yukon), Norway and Switzerland.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ⁴	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. DEA is readily biodegradable according to OECD criteria.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on a measured log Kow of -2.18 and a calculated BCF of 3.16, this chemical does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The chronic aquatic toxicity of the chemical is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfil the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - 2,2"-oxydiethanol (Diethylene glycol)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	111-46-6
Molecular formula	C ₄ H ₁₀ O ₃
Molecular weight	106.1 g/mol
Solubility in water	Miscible
Melting point	-10°C
Boiling point	245°C
Vapour pressure	It has a low vapour pressure (<0.01 kPa at 25°C).
Henry's law constant	2.0X10 ⁻⁹ atm-cu m/mol at 25 °C
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Combustible
Colour/Form	Odourless, colourless, viscous and hygroscopic liquid with a sharply sweetish taste
Overview	Diethylene glycol (DEG) is produced via a non-catalytic reaction between ethylene oxide and water at high pressure temperature. The resulting crude ethylene glycols (EG) are dried. The water-free glycol mixture is subsequently fractionated by vacuum distillation into mono, di and triethylene glycol. Biodegradation of polyethylene glycols results in chain shortening with concomitant formation of ethylene glycol and diethylene glycol in nature DEG is a widely used chemical in industrial and household applications. It is also used in cosmetics for topical use. DEG is not an approved food additive in Australia. However, DEG is allowable in food in Australia as an impurity in polyethylene glycol (PEG) used as a processing aid or miscellaneous food additive. PEG used for this purpose must contain no more than 0.25% w/w DEG.
Environmental Fate ^{1,4}	
Soil/Water/Air	EGs emitted to the atmosphere readily undergo hydroxyl radical induced photodegradation, with half-lives ranging from about 2 to 15 hours. Particulate-phase EGs may be physically removed from the atmosphere by wet deposition (SRC, 2003). EGs have limited volatility, decreasing with increasing molecular weight. Level III fugacity modelling and Henry's Law constants ranging from 1.31 × 10 ⁻⁷ to 7.62 × 10 ⁻¹⁵ atm-m ³ /mole indicate that volatilization from water to the atmosphere is limited. EGs are inherently to readily biodegraded in water. Since these substances are resistant to water hydrolysis, abiotic degradative processes in water are not major elimination pathways. Fugacity modelling indicates that EGs have a high affinity for soil as well as water. Low soil/sediment coefficients (Koc = 1 to 10) suggest that these substances are highly mobile in soil, have limited tendency to adsorb onto suspended solids and sediment, and are therefore subject to biodegradative elimination in either soil or water. Overall, the data suggest that EGs do not persist in the environment and that they have limited potential for bioaccumulation.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,4,5}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Two well-conducted studies were identified from which effect levels from long-term oral DEG administration could be derived (OECD, 2004; Health Council of the Netherlands 2007). In these two studies by Gaunt et al. (1976*) using DEG doses in food of 0%-4% (0.3-3.7 g/kg bw/d) for 98 days and 0%-2% (0.05-1.5 g/kg bw/d) for 225 days in Wistar rats (10-15/sex/dose), kidney effects were reported consisting of oxalate crystalluria, increased urine volumes and histopathological evidence of hydropic degeneration and tubular necrosis.</p> <p>For the crystalluria and increased urine volumes, there were inconsistent findings between male and female rats and questionable dose-response relationships. For example, the number of male rats with urinary oxalate crystals was not increased at the highest male dose of 1.2 g/kg bw/d in the 225 day study. In addition, the observed increase in urinary volumes was possibly caused by the osmotic diuretic effect of DEG and the oxalate crystalluria could not be explained in view of oxalic acid being a minor metabolite of DEG in rats. Therefore, the significance of elevated production of oxalate was regarded as unclear (Health Council of the Netherlands, 2007) and was viewed as a biomarker and not an indication of toxicity (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>OECD (2004) identified a LOAEL for kidney effects of 230 mg/kg bw/d from the 225 day study based on increases in urine volume. The NOAEL was 100 mg/kg bw/d. Health Council of the Netherlands (2007) regarded a NOAEL based on renal histopathological findings as more relevant than a NOAEL based on increased urine volumes. From the 98 day study, a LOAEL based on renal hydropic degeneration was established at 1.6 g/kg bw/day with the NOAEL at 300 mg/kg bw/d (Health Council of the Netherlands, 2007).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has not evaluated DEG as a carcinogen.</p> <p>Urinary bladder calculus and tumour responses were recorded in some long-term oral studies in the rat. Bladder tumours were found associated with the formation of oxalate containing bladder stones in a 2-year feeding study by Fitzhugh and Nelson (1946*). On the other hand, Weil et al. (1965*, 1967*) found that DEG did not induce bladder tumours in rats unless a foreign body or lesion was present, such as an oxalate-containing bladder stone or a surgery-induced bladder lesion. These authors concluded that the bladder tumours seen were due to mechanical irritation by oxalate-containing bladder stones rather than the carcinogenic response to DEG. In more recent studies such as Ito et al. (1988*), Masui (1988*) and Hiasa et al. (1990* and 1991*), DEG did not demonstrate any evidence of carcinogenic effects after oral administration. Several studies in mice also showed that DEG is not carcinogenic after dermal application.</p> <p>No information was found in the literature concerning the occurrence of bladder stones in humans after ingestion of DEG. Overall, although some human carcinogenicity information are available, data are insufficient (e.g. lack of a quantitative estimate of DEG exposure and sound methodology) to evaluate the carcinogenic potential of DEG.</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>DEG was shown to be negative in the majority of gene mutation and chromosome aberration studies in vitro. Some indications of chromosomal damage were seen in vivo only at high doses. Taken together, DEG is considered non-genotoxic.</p>

<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>In oral studies, adverse effects on fertility were seen in mice and foetal abnormalities occurred in rats and mice. Inhalation and injection studies in rabbits and hamsters also revealed foetal abnormalities and other adverse effects on the foetus. However, reduced fertility was observed only at high doses of DEG, up to 6.1 g/kg bw/d in mice with maternal toxicity. With regard to developmental toxicity, a significant decrease in mean foetal body weight in mice was seen at 10 g/kg bw/d in the presence of maternal toxicity. In addition, at an oral dose of 6.1 g/kg bw/d in a 2-generation study in mice, craniofacial malformations, including exencephaly and cleft palate, and related mortality were observed in the presence of maternal toxicity. In rats, a decreased foetal body weight with increased skeletal variations was seen at 4.5 g/kg bw/d in the presence of maternal toxicity. Foetal malformations were not observed at dose levels up to 8.9 g/kg bw/d. From these studies, the NOAEL for fertility and developmental effects is established at 3.1 g/kg bw/d with a LOAEL of 6.1 g/kg bw/d based on reductions in litters/pair, live pups/litter and live pup weight</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>In animals, the acute oral, dermal and inhalational toxicity of DEG are low. Oral toxicity is similar for both rats and mice with LD50 values ranging 13-30 g/kg bw across both species. A single study of dermal toxicity in rabbits derived an LD50 value of 12.5 or 13.3 g/kg bw . Acute inhalational toxicity has also been tested in rats and mice. The 4-hour LC50 in rats was 4600 mg/m³.</p> <p>In humans, mortality and morbidity are high in cases of inadvertent DEG ingestion, with most deaths occurring within the first 2 weeks post exposure. Neurological impairments observed after exposure include encephalopathy, demyelinating neuropathy, optic neuritis, facial paralysis, cerebral oedema and haemorrhages. Acute anuric renal failure with metabolic acidosis and concomitant severe neurological abnormalities progressing to coma and finally death were also noted during severe intoxications after uptake of DEG in patients with burns. A median lethal oral dose of 1.49 g/kg bw DEG (range 0.25-4.9 g/kg bw) was estimated from large-scale intoxication of Haitian children with a paracetamol syrup contaminated with DEG. However, large overlaps in ranges of lethal and non-lethal doses have been observed for adults and children.</p> <p>Accidents in humans following acute DEG exposure have been recorded. A large number of mass poisonings in humans involving substitution of DEG for more expensive, non-toxic, glycols in medicinal preparations have been documented over the past 70 years. Typical features of acute toxicity include neurological impairment, metabolic acidosis and acute renal failure. Early mortality and morbidity are high, with most deaths occurring within the first two weeks following DEG exposure. Humans appear to be 10 times more susceptible to acute oral toxic effects of DEG compared with experimental animals, with median lethal dose of 1490 mg/kg bw in humans compared with > 15000 mg/kg bw in rats (NICNAS, 2009).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Overall, available data indicate that DEG causes no or only minimal skin and eye irritation in laboratory animals. Respiratory depression was reported in mice although the characteristics were reported as not typical of a pure airway irritant (OECD, 2004). No other information on respiratory irritation was available. Similar to experimental animals, DEG causes no or only minimal skin irritation in humans. Data for eye irritation in humans were not available.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>DEG does not cause skin sensitisation in guinea pigs. In humans, there is a single case study reporting skin sensitisation 2-4 weeks after a man had started smoking a brand of cigarettes containing DEG. However, overall, available data indicate that DEG is not a skin sensitiser in humans.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include systemic acute effects (acute toxicity from oral exposure).</p>

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>The effects of diethylene glycol on the liver and kidneys after prolonged oral exposure are considered as the critical effects. Key study is the oral exposure study in rats carried out by Gaunt <i>et al.</i> (1976). the NOAEL for hydropic degeneration is 300 mg/kg bw/day (0.4% diethylene glycol in food) in the male rats (Health Council of the Netherlands, 2007).</p> <p>Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability); 10 (intraspecies variability); 10 (sub-chronic to chronic) Oral RfD = 300/1000 = 0.3 mg/kg/day Drinking water guidance value = 1.17 mg/L</p>
Ecological Toxicity^{1,4}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Fish acute toxicity (measured as LC50 in mg/L) for DEG ranges from >1000 mg/L to 77900 mg/L. The lowest acute toxicity (LC50) to invertebrates (Daphnia) value was >100 mg/L (48hr LC50) . Algal toxicity has been tested for DEG with an EC50 of >1000 mg/L. Chronic toxicity to fish was also tested which resulted in a 7 day LC50 of 61,000 mg/L and chronic toxicity data on pentaEG are available for algae (NOEC – 100 mg/L)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>On the basis that short term results from three trophic levels and long term results from two trophic levels, an assessment factor of 50 has been applied to the lowest reported NOEC for algae (100 mg/L). The PNEC aquatic is 2.0 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls⁶	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>The chemical is classified as hazardous with the following risk phrase for human health in HSIS (Safe Work Australia): Xn; R22 (Harmful if swallowed)</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>TWA (time weighted average) = 100 mg/m³ (Safe Work Australia).</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>TWA = 101 mg/m³ [UK] (HSE, 2013).</p>
Australian Food Standards	<p>No data available</p>
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	<p>No data available</p>
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	<p>No data available</p>
PBT Assessment^{1,4}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	<p>DEG is readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.</p>
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	<p>An estimated BCF of 3 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low.</p>
T criteria fulfilled?	<p>The acute aquatic toxicity of DEG is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfill the screening criteria for toxic (T).</p>
Overall conclusion	<p>Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).</p>
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Toxicity Summary - Boric acid/sodium tetraborate / boronatrocalcite / boron sodium oxide

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3,5,8}	
CAS number	Boric Acid: 10043-35-3 Sodium Tetraborate: 1330-43-4 Boronatrocalcite: 1319-33-1 Boron sodium oxide: 12008-41-2
Molecular formula	Boric acid: H ₃ BO ₃ Sodium Tetraborate: Na ₂ B ₄ O ₇ Boronatrocalcite: CaNaH ₁₂ (BO ₃) ₅ ·2H ₂ O Boron sodium oxide: B ₈ Na ₂ O ₁₃
Molecular weight	Boric acid: 61.833 g/mol Sodium Tetraborate: 201.220 g/mol Boronatrocalcite: 405.23 g/mol Boron sodium oxide: 340.47
Solubility in water	Boric acid: 49.20 g/l @ 20± 0.5 °C Sodium Tetraborate: 3.1% at 25 °C Boronatrocalcite: no data found Boron sodium oxide: 223.65 g/L @ 20 °C
pH	Boric acid: 6.1 in a 0.1% (wt) solution Sodium Tetraborate: 9.3 at 20 °C (3% solution) Boronatrocalcite: no data found Boron sodium oxide: no data found
Melting point	Boric Acid: 170.9 °C Sodium Tetraborate: 743 °C Boronatrocalcite: no data found Boron sodium oxide: 813 °C
Boiling point	Boric Acid: 300 C Sodium Tetraborate: 1,575 °C (decomposes) Boronatrocalcite: no data found Boron sodium oxide: no data found
Vapour pressure	Boric acid: 9.9 x 10 ⁻⁶ Pa @ 25 °C Sodium Tetraborate: Negligible at 20 °C Boronatrocalcite: no data found Boron sodium oxide: no data found
Henry's law constant	No data found
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	Boric Acid: Colourless, transparent crystals or white granules or powder. Sodium Tetraborate: Colourless, monoclinic crystalline salt; also occurs as a white powder. Boronatrocalcite: Silky white rounded crystalline masses or parallel fibres. Boron sodium oxide: Solid white powder. Odourless.

<p>Overview</p>	<p>Limited toxicity data is available for sodium tetraborate (Borax anhydrous) and boronatocalcite (Ulexite) as such; this toxicity profile includes data on boron and boric acid.</p> <p>Boric acid and borate salts exist naturally in rocks, soil, plants and water as forms of the naturally occurring element boron. Anhydrous Borax is a free flowing mixture of clear, glass-like particles and white granules formed by the crushing of relatively large masses of fused materials. Borax is a salt of boric acid. Borax occurs naturally in evaporite deposits produced by the repeated evaporation of seasonal lakes and has many applications in chemistry, mining and pharmaceuticals. Ulexite is a sodium-calcium-hydroborate and, like other borates, is a structurally complex mineral. It is composed of hydrogen (3.98 %), sodium (5.67 %), calcium (9.89 %), boron (13.34 %), and oxygen (67.12 %) There is a lack of data available in the literature to directly assess the toxicity of the chemical. The major component of the chemical is a borate ion, which is likely to be associated with human health hazards of the chemical. The other constituents are considered to be of low concern to human health (NICNAS, 2013). As the chemical will readily break down in the stomach pH to boric acid (H₃BO₃) following ingestion, the toxicokinetics and toxicity of the chemical will be driven predominantly by borate ions.</p> <p>Boron is a naturally occurring element that is found in the form of borates in the oceans, sedimentary rocks, coal, shale, and some soils. Boron is widely distributed in nature, with concentrations of about 10 mg/kg in the earth's crust (range 5 mg/kg in basalts to 100 mg/kg in shales) and about 4.5 mg/L in the ocean. Borates are used in glass, ceramics, detergents, wood treatment and insulation fiberglass industries. Boric acid and other borates are also used in a range of consumer products including cosmetic and personal care products and also in detergents. Moreover, borates are essential for all plants – their use as fertilizers increases crop yields (including grapes, potatoes, sugar beets, alfalfa and olives) and quality. Boron occurs in foods as borate and boric acid. Boron has not been established to be an essential nutrient for humans and no specific biochemical function for boron has been identified in higher animals or man. There is some evidence that, in humans, boron intake within the usual dietary range may influence the metabolism and utilisation of other nutrients, particularly calcium, and may have a beneficial effect on bone calcification and maintenance.</p>
<p>Environmental Fate^{2,4}</p>	
<p>Soil/Water/Air</p>	<p>All of the chemical in this group will transform into boric acid in the aquatic environment. This simple mononuclear boron compound is highly water soluble and is the predominant form of dissolved boron in surface waters. It is a mobile species in the environment and is to be found in all major environmental compartments.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,3,4,8,9}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	The haematological system and the testes have been identified as the major targets after oral repeat dose exposure to Boric acid. Studies after repeated dermal or inhalation exposure to boric acid are not available. A NOAEL for effects on testes and the blood system of 17.5 mg boron/kg bw/day can be derived (with a LOAEL of 58.5 mg boron/kg bw/day) from two 2-year studies in rats on boric acid. Results obtained with boric acid can be supported by findings obtained from other borates thus indicating that the boron ion is the toxicologically relevant species
Carcinogenicity	Boric acid is not listed as an IARC carcinogen. In long term feeding studies on boric acid and disodium tetraborate decahydrate in both rats and dogs, no carcinogenic effects were observed.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Boric acid is not mutagenic either in vitro or in vivo.
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Results from animal experiments demonstrate that boric acid adversely effects fertility and development. Feeding studies in different animal species (rats, mice and dogs) have consistently demonstrated that the male reproductive system is the principle target in experimental animals, although effects on the female reproductive system have also been reported. Testicular damage ranging from mildly inhibited spermiation to complete atrophy has been demonstrated following oral administration of boric acid. Effects on fertility were observed at lower dose levels compared to dose levels, where signs of general toxicity appeared. Based on data from the two-year feeding studies with boric acid and borax in rats, 17.5 mg boron /kg bw/day (equivalent to 100 mg boric acid/kg bw/day) was derived as a NOAEL for male and female fertility. Developmental effects have been observed in three species, rats, mice and rabbits. The most sensitive species appears to be rats, in which the effects observed at non maternally toxic doses include a reduction in foetal body weight and minor skeletal variations which, with the exception of short rib XIII, had reversed by 21 days post-natal. The NOAEL for developmental effects is 9.6 mg boron/kg bw/day (55 mg boric acid/kg/day).
Acute Toxicity	Boric acid is of low acute toxicity. LD50 oral rat > 3765 mg/kg bw (659 mg boron/kg/bw); LD50 dermal rabbits > 2000 mg/kg bw/day; 4 hour LC50 inhalation rat ≥ 2.03 mg/L.
Irritation	In rabbits, boric acid caused no/mild skin irritation, induced reversible conjunctival redness and chemosis with minor effects on the iris. In rats and mice, boric acid acts as a sensory irritant. The substance may irritate the eyes, nasal mucous membranes, skin and the respiratory tract, and may cause effects on the gastrointestinal tract, liver and kidneys.
Sensitisation	No borate tested has displayed skin sensitisation in Bheuler studies. No evidence of skin sensitisation has been seen in humans exposed occupationally to sodium borates, or in a human patch test with a 3% aqueous boric acid solution.
Health Effects Summary	Borates are of low acute toxicity and low skin irritation potential. It may cause sensory irritant effects on animals and humans with acute exposure. Borates were shown not to be skin sensitisers, genotoxic or carcinogenic. Repeated exposures to boron as boric acid induced effects on fertility (testes), development and the blood system.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The critical lowest No Observed Adverse Effect (NOAEL) level for the purposes of risk assessment is 9.6 mg boron/kg bw/day. This NOAEL was the equivalent of 55 mg boric acid/kg bw/day; 38 mg disodium octaborate anhydrate/kg bw/day and 85 mg borax/kg bw/day), from feeding (dietary intake) studies based on developmental effects. Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability); 10 (intraspecies variability); 10 (subacute to chronic). Drinking water guideline for boron: 3.5 ppm

Ecological Toxicity ^{3,9}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The most sensitive tests report that acute effects on fish are in the range of 10-20 mg-B/L although the quality of these studies was rated low. The lowest daphnid acute value is 133 mg-B/L. Algal and microbial inhibition studies suggest less toxicity: Selenastrum growth was not affected at 93 mg-B/L and activated sludge respiration showed minimal effects at 683 mg/L boric acid (119 mg-B/L). Chronic endpoints for Boric acid were available for Daphnia (6 mg/L) and Fish (2.1 mg/L).
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Canadian Water Quality Guidelines for the Protection of Aquatic Life: Long-term Exposure to Boron is 1.5 mg/L (2009). An assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the lowest reported chronic effect concentration of 2.1 mg/L for Fish. The PNECaquatic is 0.021 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁹	
Australian Hazard Classification	Boric acid and borax are classified as hazardous for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2013) with the following risk phrases: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Toxic to reproduction (Repr.) Cat. 2; R60 (May impair fertility) · Repr. Cat. 2; R61 (May cause harm to the unborn child) Mixtures containing boric acid and borax are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases based on the concentration (conc) of the chemicals in the mixtures. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Boric acid: Conc ≥5.5%: Toxic (T); R60; R61 · Borax: Conc ≥8.5%: T; R60; R61.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	There are no specific exposure standards for boric acid or disodium octaborate anhydrate. However, the permissible exposure limits (as the time weighted average (TWA)) for dusts apply (10 mg/m ³ measured as inspirable dust) (Safe Work Australia 2013b). The exposure standard for borax is 5 mg/m ³ TWA (Safe Work Australia 2013a).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards were identified (Galleria Chemica 2013): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Boric acid <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Canada 2 mg/m³ TWA, 6 mg/m³ Short-term exposure limit (STEL) (borate compounds) – Germany 10 mg/m³ TWA; 1 mg/m³ STEL – Spain 10 mg/m³ TWA (insoluble particles) – US 2 mg/m³ TWA; 6 mg/m³ STEL (borate compounds), 5 mg/m³ TWA (particulates, respirable fraction) · Disodium octaborate anhydrate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Canada 10 mg/m³ TWA, (insoluble particles) – Spain 10 mg/m³ TWA (particulates, inhalable fraction) – US 5 mg/m³ TWA (particulates, respirable fraction) · Borax <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Canada 1 to 5 mg/m³ TWA, 6 mg/m³ STEL (inorganic borate compounds) – Denmark 1 to 2 mg/m³ TWA – Germany 0.5 mg/m³ TWA – Spain 5 mg/m³ TWA – Sweden and UK 2 mg/m³ TWA – US 2 mg/m³ TWA (inorganic borate compounds); 5 to 10 mg/m³ TWA.
Australian Food Standards	No data found.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No aesthetic or health-related guidance values exist specifically for boric acid, disodium octaborate anhydrate or borax. However, the guidelines note that boron in the environment is likely to be predominantly in the form of boric acid and that based on health considerations, the concentration of boron in drinking water should not exceed 4 mg/L (NHMRC 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	For boron: 90 µg/L (ANZECC 2000 99% Freshwater)
PBT Assessment ⁹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	For the purposes of this PBT assessment, the persistent criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic substance.

B/vB criteria fulfilled?	For the purposes of this PBT assessment, the bioaccumulation criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic substance.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The chronic toxicity data is >1 mg/L.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Ethanol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	64-17-5
Molecular formula	C ₂ H ₆ O
Molecular weight	46.07
Solubility in water	1 x 10 ³ g/L at 25 °C
Melting point	114.14 °C
Boiling point	78.3 °C
Vapour pressure	57.3 hPa at 20°C
Henry's law constant	0.000252
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Highly flammable (100%)
Colour/Form	Clear, colourless liquid with a characteristic pleasant odour and burning taste.
Overview	Ethanol, also known as grain alcohol, is a clear, colourless liquid. It has an alcohol odour a burning taste. Ethanol mixes easily with water. Ethanol is present in emissions from plants, fires, volcanoes, animal wastes, insects and natural fermentation of sugars. Ethanol is an important commercial chemical used in alcoholic beverages, which may contain up to 50% ethanol. It is also used as a solvent in cleaners and as a fuel additive. Ethanol is used in the production of other chemicals, pharmaceuticals, perfumes, and cosmetics. It is also used as a fungicide and to regulate plant growth. It is an ingredient in many consumer products, such as cleaners, sprays, inks, mouthwash, perfume and aftershave, and human and veterinary medicines. Ethanol is a food additive.
Environmental Fate ³	
Soil/Water/Air	Ethanol is stable to hydrolysis but is readily biodegradable (74% after 5 days) and is not likely to bioaccumulate (calculated logBCF=0.5). Ethanol is not persistent in the environment. Fugacity-based modelling shows that ethanol released into the environment will become distributed mainly into air and water. Relative distributions between compartments based on an emission pattern of 1000:100:10 were 57 % in air, 34 % in water, and 9 % in soil. These predictions are supported by the limited data available on prevailing concentrations, which shows that ethanol has been detected in outdoor air and in river water. The total tropospheric half-life of ethanol is estimated to be 10-36 hours, with degradation due to hydroxyl, NO _x and SO _x radical-mediated photooxidation. As a volatile organic compound in the atmosphere, ethanol is a potential contributor to tropospheric ozone formation under certain conditions, however its photochemical ozone creation potential is considered to be moderate to low (40-45 relative to ethylene as 100).
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>Many repeated dose studies of chemical have been conducted in many species, predominantly with the aim of assessing adverse effects associated with the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Consequently, these are mostly conducted through oral exposure and with doses well in excess of those that might be encountered in occupational exposure or consumer products (OECD, 2005), or unintentional public exposures from environmental contamination.</p> <p>Considering the lowest observed adverse effect level (LOAEL) available from a 90-day rat study (3600 mg/kg bw/day), and based on the treatment-related effects reported in various repeated dose toxicity studies, the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health from repeated oral exposure, except from exposure to high doses.</p> <p>In a well-conducted repeated dose toxicity study, the chemical was administered (in a liquid diet) to Sprague Dawley (SD) rats at a 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10 % concentration for 90 days. Water consumption in the 10 % group was reduced relative to controls. There were no adverse clinical signs or mortality during the study. Serum liver enzymes were unaffected by treatment and kidney findings were reported to be minimal. A LOAEL was established at 3 % (approximately 3600 mg/kg bw/day), based on dose-related hepatic yellowing, centrilobular steatosis, increased frequency and severity of Mallory bodies (hyaline), and acidophilic degeneration and necrosis. The no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) was 2 % (approximately 2400 mg/kg bw/day) (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>In another repeated dose toxicity study conducted in accordance with national test guidelines of USA (EPA OPPTS 870.3100), the chemical was administered in drinking water to Fischer 344 (F344) rats and B6C3F1 mice at a single dose of 5 % concentration for 90 days. Even though male rats showed minor changes in thymus weights, and some slight but inconsistent changes in haematology and clinical chemistry, these effects were not considered adverse. Based on water consumption data, this single dose study established a 5 % nominal NOAEL for male rats (approximately 3250 mg/kg bw/day). Although minor changes in clinical chemistry were also seen in female rats, some female rats (4/10) also exhibited liver nodules (diaphragmatic nodules) and small increases in liver weights. As no NOAEL could be established for female rats, a LOAEL of 4400 mg/kg bw/day was established. For male mice, a LOAEL at 9700 mg/kg bw/day was established, based on increased organ weights (liver, heart, kidney and lung) and decreased sperm counts in the cauda epididymis. Although female mice showed small changes in the length of dioestrus and pro-oestrus, the overall cycle length was unchanged. As biological significance of these changes was unclear, a NOAEL for female mice was established at 5 % (9400 mg/kg bw/day) (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>As properly conducted studies in animals are not available, there are no valid data on the effects of repeated inhalation exposure to the chemical. However, limited information is presented below to indicate that the chemical is likely to be of low toxicity following repeated inhalation exposure.</p> <p>In a repeated dose toxicity study, SD male rats (10/dose) were exposed to the chemical through inhalation (whole body exposure) continuously at 20 mg/L for three, six, nine, and 26 days. Although initial exposure to the chemical produced a number of transient effects (lethargy, ataxia and intoxication, mild hepatic vacuolisation and changes to clinical chemistry parameters), animals adapted and appeared normal at the end of the study. Induction of metabolic tolerance to the chemical was also indicated as it was noted that the levels of the chemical in the blood of animals exposed for 26 days were much lower than those exposed for shorter periods (REACH).</p> <p>In another repeated dose toxicity study, the chemical was administered through inhalation at 0 or 6300 ppm (1 ppm = 1.92 mg/m³) to SD rats (10/sex/dose) for six hours/day, five days/week, for four weeks (total of 20 days exposure). Additional groups of animals (five/sex/dose) were also included in the study to determine reversibility of effects for a further four weeks following cessation of treatment. There were no treatment-related clinical signs of toxicity and there were also no gross pathological or histological changes reported of the major organs. Body weights, liver enzyme levels, haematology, and clinical chemistry parameters were otherwise normal (REACH).</p>
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<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has concluded that there is sufficient evidence in humans and experimental animals to establish carcinogenicity of alcohol consumption and ethanol, respectively. It was also concluded that there is sufficient evidence in experimental animals to establish carcinogenicity of acetaldehyde (major metabolite of ethanol). Consequently, IARC has classified that 'alcohol consumption is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1)' and that 'ethanol in alcoholic beverages is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1)'. This conclusion was supported by an analysis of the expanded human dataset that carcinogenic effects appeared independent of the type of alcoholic beverage (IARC, 2010; IARC, 2012).</p> <p>As the use of the chemical in alcoholic beverages is not considered in this report, the above assessment of carcinogenicity of alcohol beverages may not be relevant to occupational exposure to the chemical or from using the chemical in consumer products (OECD, 2005). Furthermore, studies in animals conducted mostly through oral exposure at very high doses, exceeding the 'maximum tolerated dose', may be of little relevance when assessing risks associated with occupational exposure or using consumer products containing the chemical (OECD, 2005). Thus, classification is not considered appropriate.</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Overall, the data indicate that the chemical has no mutagenic or genotoxic potential (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>The results from numerous bacterial mutation assays of the chemical have generally been negative. A very weak positive effect of the chemical was found in an Escherichia coli DNA repair test but not in Ames tests with Salmonella typhimurium conducted by the same authors. In separate studies, there have been positive results reported in Ames tests, but only at concentrations of the chemical significantly greater than those specified in test guidelines. The chemical is therefore not considered mutagenic in bacteria.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>The chemical does not show specific reproductive or developmental toxicity. Any reproductive and developmental effects were only observed secondary to maternal toxicity. As results of inhalation studies showed no developmental toxicity from chemical exposures even at maternally toxic doses, it can be concluded that deliberate oral consumption of alcoholic beverages is required for any reproductive or developmental toxicity (OECD, 2005).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemical has low acute toxicity by oral exposure in animal tests. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats is >2000 mg/kg bw. Observed sub-lethal effects included central nervous system depression, e.g. inebriation, disturbances of gait, dose-related decreases in responses to painful stimuli, respiratory depression, and coma. Deaths were reported due to cardiorespiratory failure (OECD, 2005; HSDB; REACH).</p> <p>Few studies are available on the dermal toxicity of the chemical. A poorly documented rabbit study reported death in one of four animals following a dose of 20000 mg/kg bw. Although limited data are available, the apparent low dermal toxicity from this study is regarded as consistent with low uptake of ethanol through intact skin. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats is greater than 2000 mg/kg bw. Observed sub-lethal effects were not reported for the study (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>The chemical has low acute toxicity by inhalation exposure in animal tests. The lowest reported median lethal concentration (LC50) is 124.7 mg/L/four hours in rats. Observed sub-lethal effects included attempts to escape, reddish-watery eyes, nasal secretions, closing of eyelids, snout wiping, intermittent respiration, loss of pain reflex, abdominal position, and apathy (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p>

<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemical is not regarded as irritating to skin. In a skin irritation study conducted in accordance with OECD Test Guideline (TG) 404, the chemical was applied to six New Zealand White rabbits for four hours using exposure chambers. The mean score for erythema was one at 24 hours and remained zero at all other time points (48, 72 hours); the mean score for oedema remained zero at all time points (24, 48, 72 hours). The chemical was concluded not to be irritating to the skin of rabbits. Another skin irritation study in rabbits, where the chemical was applied under occlusion for 24 hours, also showed only very slight skin irritation (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>The chemical produced irritant effects in several eye irritation studies in rabbits. In an eye irritation study conducted in accordance with US Federal guideline (Fed. Reg. Vol. 38, No. 187, 1973), the chemical (0.1 mL) was applied on the conjunctival sac of one eye of each of three New Zealand White rabbits. Irritation responses were observed at 24, 48 and 72 hours and eight days following application. Mean Draize scores following grading at 24, 48 and 72 hours for three rabbits were 1 for corneal opacity, 0.22 for iritis, 2.45 for conjunctivitis, and 1.89 for chemosis. Mean Draize scores following grading at day eight were 0.67 for corneal opacity, 1.67 for conjunctivitis, and 1.33 for chemosis. While iris lesions were fully reversible by day eight, other eye lesions were not fully reversible at this time. Given the observation period did not extend to 21 days, it is difficult to conclude any findings on the reversibility of the irritation. The average response of 2/3 animals was sufficiently severe in terms of conjunctival effects (>2.5) and chemosis (≥2) observed, that classification as an eye irritant is warranted (REACH).</p> <p>In another eye irritation study (OECD TG 405), the chemical (0.1 mL) was applied to the eyes of three rabbits (strain not specified) and observed up to 14 days. Mean Draize scores at 24, 48 and 72 hours were 2.11 for conjunctivitis, 1.33 for chemosis, 0.44 for iritis, and 1.11 for corneal opacity. Although all symptoms subsided by day 14, conjunctivitis was still present at day seven. As positive responses for corneal opacity (mean score >1 for 2/3 animals) and conjunctival redness (mean score >2 for 2/3 animals) were noted in the study, the chemical is considered to be an eye irritant (category 2A) (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>In an eye irritation study (OECD TG 405), the chemical (0.1 mL) was applied into the lower conjunctival sac of one eye of six New Zealand White rabbits and observed up to 72 hours. Reported average Draize scores at 24, 48 and 72 hours were 2.39 for redness of the conjunctivae, 1.2 for chemosis, 0.28 for iritis, and 1.2 for corneal opacity. As conjunctival redness persisted for 24 hours with a mean score of >2 and corneal opacity was noted with a mean score >1, the chemical is considered to be an eye irritant (category 2A) (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>In an eye irritation study conducted in accordance with US Federal guideline (Fed. Reg. 28 (119), 5582, 1963), the chemical (0.1 mL) was applied on the lower lid of one eye of six New Zealand White rabbits. The eyes were examined at 24, 48, and 72 hours and at day seven following administration of the chemical. Mean Draize scores following grading at 24, 48 and 72 hours were 1.72 for conjunctivitis, 1.78 for chemosis, 0.83 for iritis, and 1.28 for corneal opacity. While iris lesions were fully reversible at day seven, other eye lesions were not. Mean Draize scores following grading at day seven were 0.83 for conjunctivitis, 0.83 for chemosis, and 1.17 for corneal opacity. As corneal opacity was noted with a mean score >1, the chemical is considered an eye irritant (category 2A). In addition, whilst mean scores for conjunctival redness and chemosis were <2, scores ≥2 were noted in four out of six animals (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p>
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<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The available data indicate that the chemical does not induce skin sensitisation in animals.</p> <p>The chemical, at 75 % concentration, was used as a solvent in a Magnusson and Kligman guinea pig maximisation test of a polyalkalene glycol. Skin reactions were not observed at challenge with the polyalkalene glycol in 75 % ethanol in either the test or negative control animals (OECD, 2005). In a mouse ear swelling test, no increase in ear thickness was observed following a challenge application of the chemical at 95 % (OECD, 2005; REACH).</p> <p>In a mouse local lymph node assay (LLNA) (OECD TG429) the chemical, or diethyl phthalate, were used as vehicles to examine the skin sensitisation potential of four test fragrance materials. The concentration of the chemical in this study varied from 0–100 %. The level of induced T-lymphocyte proliferation was low for the chemical compared with that for fragrance materials known to be mild to moderate skin sensitisers, and comparable with the other negative control vehicle (diethyl phthalate). On the basis of a lack of sensitising potential up to a concentration of 100 %, the test concluded that the chemical is an appropriate vehicle for use in a local lymph node assay (REACH).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>While exposure to the chemical through consuming alcoholic beverages is associated with an increased risk of carcinogenicity and reproductive and developmental toxicity, these risks increase in a dose-dependent manner and are not considered relevant at doses relating to occupational exposure and using consumer products containing the substance such as mouthwash.</p> <p>Therefore the critical health effect for risk characterisation from industrial use of the chemical is a local effect: eye irritation.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>Overall, the most sensitive endpoint for ethanol is repeat dose toxicity. The oral NOAEL was 2,400 mg/kg bw/day. This NOAEL is used in this human health risk assessment.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>The aquatic toxicity data in fish, invertebrates, and algae indicate a low order of acute toxicity with LC50/EC50 values greater than 1000 mg/L. The most sensitive species were algae <i>Chlorella vulgaris</i> with a 96hr EC50 of 1000 mg/L and the invertebrate <i>Artemia Salina</i> with a 24hr LC50 of 1833 mg/L. Valid chronic toxicity data are available for two trophic levels. NICNAS (2017) reported a measured chronic endpoint of 7800 mg/L for <i>Daphnia</i>.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>A PNECaqua = 780 mg/L can be calculated based on the chronic toxicity value (NOEC = 7800 mg/L) for aquatic invertebrates (<i>Daphnia</i>) with the assessment factor of 10.</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls ^{1,4}</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>The chemical is not classified for health hazards on the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia).</p>
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 1880 mg/m³ (1000 ppm) time weighted average (TWA).</p>
<p>International Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica):</p> <p>An exposure limit (TWA) of 960–1920 mg/m³ (500-1000 ppm) in countries such as Canada, Denmark, Germany, Sweden, South Africa, Switzerland, United Kingdom, and the United States of America.</p> <p>An exposure limit (STEL) of 1900–1920 mg/m³ (1000 ppm) in countries such as Canada, Sweden, and Switzerland.</p>

Australian Food Standards	Ethanol has the following listings in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code (Food Standards Australia and New Zealand 2013): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · as a permitted food additive subject to GMP (ethanol) (Standard 1.3.1 Food additives) · as a generally permitted processing aid (ethyl alcohol) (Standard 1.3.3 Processing aids) · as a permitted component of wine (alcohol) (Standard 2.7.3 Fruit wine and vegetable wine) · as subject to a composition limit in brewed soft drinks (no more than 1.15% alcohol/volume) (Standard 2.6.2 Non-alcoholic beverages and brewed soft drinks) · As subject to a composition limit in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – wine and sparkling wine (no less than 45mL ethanol/L and not to contain added ethanol) – fortified wine (no less than 150 mL ethanol/L and no more than 220 mL ethanol/L) – brandy (must contain no less than 250 mL/L of the spirit distilled at a strength of no more than 830 mL ethanol/L at 20°C (Standard 4.5.1 Wine production requirements).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for this chemical in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (NHMRC 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	1400 µg/L (95% protection level) (ANZECC & ARMCANZ, 2000)
PBT Assessment ²	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Ethanol is readily biodegradable (74% after 5 days).
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Ethanol is not likely to bioaccumulate (calculated logBCF=0.5).
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Chronic aquatic toxicity (NOEC) >1mg/l, thus ethanol does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Ethylene glycol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2}	
CAS number	107-21-1
Molecular formula	C2H6O2
Molecular weight	62.07 g/mol
Solubility in water	Miscible with water.
pH	No data found
Melting point	-12.69 °C
Boiling point	197.3 °C
Vapour pressure	0.092 mm/Hg at 25C
Henry's law constant	Low. 6.00X10-8 atm-cu m/mol at 25 deg C
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Lower flammable limit of 3.2% by volume; Flashpoint of 232 deg F (111 deg C). Not combustible.
Colour/Form	Colourless odourless liquid
Overview	<p>Ethylene glycol is a clear, colourless, syrupy liquid with a sweet taste but no odour. It has low volatility. It is miscible with water and some other solvents, slightly soluble in ether, but practically insoluble in benzene, chlorinated hydrocarbons, petroleum ethers, and oils. As a small molecular weight alcohol, ethylene glycol readily passes through biological membranes and will be effectively absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract and via inhalation exposure. It is rapidly distributed in body water.</p> <p>The chemical has numerous domestic and commercial uses, and is found in cleaning products, cosmetics, hydraulic brake fluids, anti-freeze agents and corrosion inhibitors.</p> <p>Ethylene glycol has been assessed by NICNAS to be of low environmental concern when used in coal seam gas extraction.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{1,3,5}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Ethylene glycol released to the atmosphere will be degraded by reaction with hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for the compound in this reaction has been estimated at between 0.3 and 3.5 days. No hydrolysis of ethylene glycol is expected in surface waters. The compound has little or no capacity to bind to particulates and will be mobile in soil. The low octanol/water partition coefficient and measured bioconcentration factors indicate low capacity for bioaccumulation. Ethylene glycol is readily biodegradable in standard tests using sewage sludge. Rapid degradation has been reported in surface waters (less in salt water than in fresh water), groundwater, and soil.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,4,6,7}

Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity

Considering the lowest observed adverse effect levels (LOAELs) available from 13–104 week studies (300–3000 mg/kgbw/d) (ATSDR, 2010), and based on the treatment-related effects reported in various repeated dose toxicity studies, the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health from repeated oral exposure. However, there is evidence of cumulative effects, as the nephropathy observed at high doses in acute toxicity studies also occurs after repeated exposure at lower doses. The National Toxicology Program (NTP) conducted a 13 week and a two year study in B6C3F1 mice. In the 13 week study, 10 male and 10 female mice were administered 0, 3200, 6300, 12500, 25000 or 50000 ppm ethylene glycol incorporated into feed. There were no reported deaths and no chemical-related clinical findings were reported. Histopathology showed chemical-related kidney and liver lesions, which were significantly elevated in the 25000 and 50000 ppm male mice. These lesions included nephropathy and centrilobular hepatocellular hyaline degeneration (NTP, 1993). The two year study used 60 male mice dosed with the chemical at 0, 6250, 12500 or 25000 ppm and 60 females dosed at 0, 12500, 25000 or 50000 ppm in feed. The doses in ppm were reported as being equivalent to: males - 0, 1500, 3000 or 6000 mg/kg bw/d and females - 0, 3000, 6000 or 12000 mg/kg bw/d. There were no significant differences in survival although male mice in the high dose (6000 mg/kg bw/d) group had to be housed separately after week 54 due to excessive fighting. Survival of mice was not affected by ethylene glycol administration at all doses. As with the 13 week study, mice did not show any adverse clinical signs. Histopathology showed hepatocellular degeneration in the mid and high dose male and high dose female mice. Pulmonary arterial hyperplasia occurred at a higher incidence in female mice than male mice exposed to the chemical. Some male mice in the high dose group had oxalate-like crystals and/or calculi in the renal system (NTP, 1993).

Mice appear to be less sensitive than rats to ethylene glycol. A two-year study conducted in Fischer-344 (F344) rats found that administration of the chemical (40, 200 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d) resulted in excessive mortality in male rats in the high dose group after nine months. All male rats in the high dose group (1000 mg/kg bw/d) were reported dead by 15 months of the study. Survival was significantly reduced in male rats in the 1000 mg/kg bw/d group only. (Cruzan et al., 2004; DePass et al., 1986). Pathology investigation of the male rats concluded that extensive kidney damage was the reason for increased mortality in the 1000 mg/kg bw/d group. The NOAEL for male rats was reported as 200 mg/kg bw/d in this study (DePass et al., 1986).

A further study indicates that the Wistar rat strain is more sensitive than the F344 strain. In a 16-week study, 10 male rats of each strain were exposed to the chemical (0, 50, 150, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d) by incorporation in a normal diet. Mortality was reported in two Wistar rats at the highest dose and significant weight loss was observed in Wistar rats administered 500 and 1000 mg/kg bw/d, respectively. Both strains of rats treated with ≥ 500 mg/kg bw/d had increased calcium oxalate crystals in the kidney tubules as well as crystal associated nephropathy; this was reported as being more severe in the Wistar rat strain (Cruzan et al., 2004).

Further repeated dose studies conducted in rodents have reported no observed adverse effect levels (NOAELs) in the range of 150–2000 mg/kg bw/d depending on species and strain studied. Overall, repeated oral exposure to ethylene glycol is consistently associated with adverse effects on the kidney such as crystal nephropathy in rodents (ATSDR, 2010).

	<p>In a study conducted according to OECD TG 410, five male Beagle dogs per group were dermally exposed (60 % of the total body surface area) to 0.5, 2.0 or 8 mL/kg bw/d Glysantin G 105 (automotive coolant which contains ≥ 92.5 % ethylene glycol and ≥1.4 % p-tert.-butyl benzoate (PTBBA)) daily for four weeks. Mortality (4/5 animals) was reported at the highest dose (8 mL/kg). Prior to death, animals showed signs of toxicity including staggering gait, vomiting, diarrhoea and reduced food intake. Clinical analysis showed increased creatinine and urea levels and increased incidence of calcium oxalate crystals. Pathology investigation reported oxalate nephrosis, testicular atrophy and uraemic gastroenteritis. Similar pathology findings were reported at the mid dose (2 mL/kg), but only in one animal. No mortality or any further clinical or pathological adverse effects were reported at the mid and lower doses. Further studies conducted comparing pure ethylene glycol to Glysantin G105 showed that the testicular atrophy was associated with the presence of PTBBA in Glysantin G105 and not ethylene glycol (REACH). PTBBA has known testicular toxicity (NICNAS).</p> <p>Mortality was reported in 1/15 rats, 3/15 guinea pigs, 1/3 rabbits, 0/3 dogs and 0/3 monkeys after exposure to 12 mg/m³ of ethylene glycol aerosol for 90 days. Apart from mortality, no specific signs of clinical toxicity were reported. In a further study, no mortality or toxicity was observed in the same range of animal species exposed to either 10 or 57 mg/m³ ethylene glycol. The authors noted that as the exposure was whole body, further oral intake from grooming may have occurred, and therefore a reliable LOAEL could not be established (ATSDR, 2010).</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the available data, ethylene glycol is not considered to be a carcinogen. Histopathological investigations showed no evidence of carcinogenicity in studies conducted in various rodent species. No tumours were reported in SD rats administered up to 3000 mg/kg bw/day in the diet for two years, F344 rats administered 1000 mg/kg bw/day in the diet for one year, B6C3F1 mice administered up to 12000 mg/kg bw/day in the diet for two years and CD-1 mice administered up to 1000 mg/kg bw/day in the diet for two years (NTP, 2004; WHO, 2002). A limited number of epidemiological studies have reported that exposure to the chemical does not increase the risk of cancer. Ethylene glycol exposure (inhalation) in 1666 chemical plant employees was not found to increase the odds ratio (OR) for any type of cancer (ATSDR, 2010).</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on the weight of evidence from the available in vitro and in vivo genotoxicity studies the chemical is not considered to be genotoxic. An Ames assay conducted according to OECD TG 471 reported that the chemical did not induce bacterial mutations in Salmonella typhimurium strains TA 1535, TA 1537, TA 98, TA 100 and Escherichia coli WP2 at a concentration up to 5000 µg/plate with or without metabolic activation (REACH). Further in vitro genotoxicity tests conducted with bacterial and mammalian cell lines were all negative for gene mutations and DNA strand breaks respectively (ATSDR, 2010). An in vivo study in mice reported no chromosomal aberrations in Swiss mice exposed to 638 mg/kg bw/day for two days (WHO, 2002). Negative results were found for dominant lethal mutations in F344 rats after administration of up to 1000 mg/kg bw/d ethylene glycol in a 155-day multi-generational study.</p>

<p>Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>The available data from rat studies suggest that developmental effects were only observed secondary to maternal toxicity, so the chemical does not show specific developmental toxicity. The chemical is not toxic to reproduction. Having reviewed the available data the Centre for the Evaluation of Risks to Human Reproduction (CERHR) expert panel concluded that there are sufficient data to conclude that the chemical is not toxic to reproduction in rats orally exposed to 1000 mg/kg bw/day in diet (NTP, 2004). A study in mice gave negative results at doses up to 2826 mg/kg bw/day via drinking water. The expert panel also concluded that exposure of CD-1 mice to the chemical by the dermal route for 6 hours/d on gestation days (GD) 6-15 resulted in no evidence of developmental toxicity up to a dose of 3549 mg/kg bw/d. Developmental toxicity was also not observed in rabbits exposed orally via gavage on GD 6-19 to doses as high as 2000 mg/kg bw/d. Severe maternal toxicity was observed at the high dose with maternal deaths as well as oxalate crystals in the kidney. Data suggested that oral exposure to high doses of the chemical (≥500 mg/kg bw/d in CD-1 mice and ≥1000 mg/kg bw/d in SD rats) on GD 6-15 causes developmental effects in mice and rats such as axial skeletal malformations, external malformations, reduced body weights and increased post-implantation loss (NTP, 2004). The CERHR expert panel concluded that developmental toxicity may not be attributed directly to the chemical but from the accumulation of glycolic acid, which is a metabolic breakdown product of ethylene glycol. The developmental effects are seen at doses that exceed saturation of glycolic acid metabolism. Observations from rat studies suggest that oral doses resulting in developmental toxicity (1000 mg/kg bw/d) are greater than those associated with maternal and renal toxicity at 500 mg/kg bw/d.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Ethylene glycol has low acute toxicity via oral, inhalation, or dermal exposure. LD50s for the oral administration of ethylene glycol in rats range from 4000 to 10 020 mg/kg body weight, while reported values in guinea-pigs and mice are 6610 mg/kg body weight and 5500–8350 mg/kg body weight, respectively. The minimum lethal oral dose in rats is 3.8 g/kg body weight (Clark et al., 1979). Oral LD50s of 5500 and 1650 mg ethylene glycol/kg body weight have also been reported in dogs and cats, respectively. A dermal LD50 of 10 600 mg/kg body weight has been reported for rabbits. In rats and mice, the lethal concentration following 2-h inhalation exposure has been reported to be >200 mg/m³.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The available data show that the chemical is a mild skin irritant in animals. Mild dermal irritation was reported in rabbits and guinea pigs. No dermal effects were reported in female CD-1 mice exposed to 3549 mg/kg bw/day ethylene glycol under occlusive conditions for 6 hours/day on gestation days 6-15 (NTP, 2004; WHO, 2002). The available data indicate that the chemical is a mild eye irritant in animals. In a study conducted in six New Zealand White rabbits, 0.05 mL of the chemical (4 or 40 %) applied to one eye (while the other eye served as a control) at 10 minute intervals for a total of 35 applications in a six hour period was reported to cause chemosis, swelling and conjunctival redness. All eyes exposed to the chemical were reported to be normal on day seven of observation and no evidence of systemic toxicity was reported (REACH).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The chemical was not found to induce dermal sensitisation when tested according to OECD Test Guideline (TG) 406 (REACH).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Ethylene glycol demonstrates acute oral toxicity, is a mild skin and eye irritant and a respiratory irritant in humans. The chemical is not a skin sensitiser. Consistent adverse effects associated with repeated exposure to ethylene glycol in animals are the kidney effects, characterised by calcium oxalate crystal deposition and consequent renal lesions.</p>

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The key study chosen for the determination of a drinking water guidance value is the one-year rat feeding study by Wilson et al. (2005). No adverse chronic renal effects from ethylene glycol dosing were seen in animals exposed below 150 mg/kg/day. The oral RfD for ethylene glycol is thus based on the NOAEL of 150 mg/kg/day. Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability); 10 (intraspecies variability) Oral RfD = 150/100 = 1.5 mg/kg/day Drinking water guideline value = 0.59 ppm
Ecological Toxicity ^{3,8}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The aquatic toxicity of the 'ethylene glycol and higher glycols' (mono-, di-, tri-, tetra- and pentaethylene glycol) is evaluated as a category. Fish acute toxicity (measured as LC50 in mg/L) has been tested for all category members and ranges from 22800 for EG to greater than 50000 for pentaEG. Toxicity to Daphnia (measured as LC50 in mg/L) is greater than 20,000 for all category members except tetraEG (LC50=7800 mg/L) indicating low toxicity, but the toxicity was not as uniform as in fish. Toxicity evaluations in another invertebrate, brine shrimp (<i>Artemia salina</i>) were imprecise, but appear to be more consistent than the measured Daphnia toxicity values (no toxicity observed at the highest tested dose, 20g/l for EG, 10 g/l for DEG, TEG and tetraEG). Algal toxicity has been tested for EG, DEG, TEG, and PentaEG, and no toxicity was found at concentrations less than or equal to 100 mg/L. As a worst case assumption the limit test concentration of 100 mg/L was used as NOEC value for the PNEC derivation.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: An assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 100 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 10 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁷	
Australian Hazard Classification	Xn (Harmful); R22 (Harmful if swallowed) (Safe Work Australia 2013) Acute Toxicity: Harmful if swallowed – Cat 4 (H302) (NICNAS)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Ethylene glycol has an exposure standard of 10 mg/m ³ time weighted average (TWA). A further exposure standard for ethylene glycol (vapour) is 52 mg/m ³ (20 ppm) TWA and a short-term exposure limit (STEL) of 104 mg/m ³ (40 ppm) (Safe Work Australia 2013)
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA: 50 mg/m ³ (20 ppm) [Belgium, Hungary, UK, Finland] 26 mg/m ³ (10 ppm) [Denmark, Iceland, Sweden] 25 to 50 mg/m ³ (63 to 125 ppm) [Mexico, Norway] 5 mg/m ³ [Russia] STEL: 20 to 40 mg/m ³ (50 to 104 ppm) [Belgium, Hungary, UK, Finland, Peru, Sweden] 10 mg/m ³ [Russia]
Australian Food Standards	No data found.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment ^{1,3,5}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Ethylene glycol is readily biodegradable both aerobically and anaerobically and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on the measured log Kow of -1.36 and a measured BCF of 10, Ethylene glycol is not bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of Ethylene glycol is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfill the screening criteria for toxic (T)
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).
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Toxicity Summary - Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	61791-00-2
Molecular formula	C(18-50)H(34-98)O(3-8)
Molecular weight	UVCB
Solubility in water	No data available.
Melting point	-85 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Non-explosive (100%)
Flammability potential	Not classified
Colour/Form	Liquid
Overview	This substance is used by consumers, in articles, by professional workers (widespread uses), in formulation or re-packing, at industrial sites and in manufacturing.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	One study investigating the adsorption/desorption behaviour of Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated (CAS 61791-00-2) is available. The study was performed according to GLP and OECD guideline 121 (BASF 2017). 6 different peaks were observed with log Koc values ranging from < 1.8 to > 5.63. The two main components (> 85%) show log Koc values > 4. Thus, adsorption of Fatty acids, tall-oil, ethoxylated to solid soil is expected. The test with the source substance was conducted according to OECD Guideline 301B, under GLP conditions (BASF 2005). Domestic, non-adapted activated sludge was exposed to the test substance for 28 days at 22°C, and biodegradation was measured by CO ₂ consumption. After 28 days, the test substance reached a biodegradation of 90 - 100 %. Based on the results for the read-across substance, Fatty acids, tall oil, ethoxylated (EO > 1 < 2.5) (CAS 61791-00-2) is considered to be readily biodegradable. The test substance consists of components with log Kow values in the range of 5 to > 10 (KOWWIN v1.68) indicating a potential for bioaccumulation. But due to rapid environmental biodegradation, metabolism via enzymatic hydrolysis (monoesters and diesters) as well as sterical hindrance of crossing biological membranes (high molecular weight of diesters) a relevant uptake and bioaccumulation in aquatic organisms is not expected. This is supported by low BCF values of < 100 L/kg ww (BCFBAF v3.01, Arnot-Gobas, including biotransformation, upper trophic) calculated for different components of the UVCB (mono- and diester EO1 to EO5). Thus, taking all information into account, the test substance is not considered to be bioaccumulative.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Under the conditions of this Combined Repeated Dose Toxicity Study with the Reproduction/Developmental Toxicity Screening Test, the oral administration by gavage of test substance to Wistar rats revealed no adverse signs of toxicity in male and female animals at a dose level of 1000 mg/kg bw/d. Thus, the no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) for general systemic toxicity was 1000 mg/kg bw/d for male and female Wistar rats.
Carcinogenicity	No data available.

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>The test substance is not mutagenic in bacteria, as determined in an OECD 471 study.</p> <p>The test substance is not chromosome damaging, as determined in an OECD 487 study.</p> <p>The test substance is not mutagenic in mammalian cells, as determined in an OECD 476 study.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Under the conditions of this Combined Repeated Dose Toxicity Study with the Reproduction/Developmental Toxicity Screening Test, the oral administration by gavage of the test substance to Wistar rats revealed no adverse signs of toxicity in male and female animals at a dose level of 1000 mg/kg bw/d. Thus, the no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) for general systemic toxicity was 1000 mg/kg bw/d for male and female Wistar rats. The NOAEL for reproductive performance and fertility was set to 1000 mg/kg bw/d for male and female Wistar rats.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>In an acute oral toxicity study performed similar to OECD guideline 401 (BASF 1971), three groups of rats consisting of 10 animals/sex/dose were treated by single gavage application with an aqueous solution of the test substance (10000, 8000, 6400 mg/kg bw). The animals were observed for mortality and for clinical symptoms of toxicity over a period of 7 days. At the end of the observation period, the surviving animals were sacrificed for the purpose of necropsy. No mortality occurred at the tested concentrations. At all doses mastication, irregular breathing, redness of the eyes and closed eyes were seen immediately after dosing. The next morning mastication and irregular breathing was observed. On the following days, no clinical sings were observed. Pathological examination revealed hydrometra in 3 animals exposed to 10000 mg/kg bw, 2 animals exposed to 8000 mg/kg bw, and 3 animals exposed to 6400 mg/kg bw. Based on the results obtained under the test conditions of this study, the acute oral LD50 was determined to be > 10000 mg/kg bw.</p> <p>To evaluate the potential acute inhalation toxicity of the test substance an Inhalation Risk Test conducted according to a BASF internal testing method (BASF 1971). The test demonstrates the toxicity of an atmosphere saturated with vapours of the volatile components of a test substance at the temperature chosen for vapour generation (20 °C). Rats were exposed sequentially to the vapours, generated by bubbling 200 l/h air through a substance column of about 5 cm above a fritted glass disc in a glass cylinder. The animals were exposed for 8 hour. The exposure concentration was estimated to be 0.28 mg/L based on evaporated substance. In addition to mortality, clinical signs were recorded and necropsy on surviving animals performed. No mortality occurred and no clinical sign were noted during exposure and observation period. In one animal exposed for 8 hours hydrometra was observed after necropsy. Since no mortality occurred at the concentrations tested an LC50 estimation cannot be made.</p> <p>In another Inhalation Risk Test of similar design, Rats (12 animals) were exposed sequentially to the vapours, generated by bubbling 200 l/h air through a substance column of about 5 cm above a fritted glass disc in a glass cylinder. This time vapours were generated at 20 °C as well as 50 °C. The exposure concentrations were 0.04 mg/L and 0.34 mg/L. Rats were exposed for 8 hour. As in the previous study, no mortality occurred after exposure up to 8 hours. Clinical sings observed in the animals exposed to the vapour generated at 20°C included mild escape attempts when exposure began and at the end of the exposure period slight eye irritation was observed. The next day, the animals were without symptoms. In the animals exposed to the vapour generated at 50 °C escape attempts were noted in the first 60 minutes of exposure. Exposure to the saturated atmosphere caused slight eye irritation. At the end of the exposure period, all clinical signs were resolved. Since no mortality occurred at the concentrations tested an LC50 estimation cannot be made.</p> <p>Based on the inhalation studies, no conclusion on LC50 can be drawn, because the tested concentrations are too low in relation to the classification criteria.</p>

Irritation	<p>The test substance was not irritant or corrosive to the skin in a GLP-compliant OECD 431 and 439 study. The test substance was not irritant to the eyes in a GLP-compliant OECD 492 study.</p> <p>Based on the available information, classification for skin and eye irritation is not warranted, in accordance with EU Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Substances and Mixtures (CLP) Regulation No. (EC) 1272/2008.</p>
Sensitisation	<p>The test substance did not show an indication of skin sensitising potential in an OECD 429 (LLNA) study. However, an earlier Buehler test (OECD 406) did indicate skin sensitising potential of the substance.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>Possible sensitiser.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Short-term toxicity tests with the target substance for all trophic levels (fish, daphnia, algae) are available. The test substance did not indicate to be harmful to freshwater fish (96h-LL50 > 100 mg/L), but showed to be toxic to aquatic invertebrates (48h-EL50 = 12.41 mg/L) and harmful to algae (72h-EL50 = 39.7 mg/L). Hence, aquatic invertebrates were most susceptible to the test substance and this effect value was used for the PNEC derivation. Long-term toxicity data with the source substance are only available for algae. The algal test revealed the substance to be of low toxicity to algae (72h-EL10 = 7.08 mg/L). In addition, data are available for toxicity to microorganisms. A test on respiration inhibition with activated sludge resulted in an 3h-EC10 of > 10000 mg/L indicating that detrimental effects in STPs are not to be expected.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>A PNECaqua = 0.012 mg/L can be calculated based on the lowest acute toxicity value (EL50 = 12.41 mg/L) for aquatic invertebrates (Daphnia) with the assessment factor of 1000.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Food Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
PBT Assessment¹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	<p>No. Based on the results from the read-across substance, Fatty acids, tall oil, ethoxylated (EO > 1 < 2.5) (CAS 61791-00-2) is considered to be readily biodegradable.</p>
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	<p>No. The test substance consists of components with log Kow values in the range of xx to > 10 (KOWWIN v1.68) indicating a potential for bioaccumulation. But due to rapid environmental biodegradation, metabolism via enzymatic hydrolysis (monoesters and diesters) as well as sterical hindrance of crossing biological membranes (high molecular weight of diesters) a relevant uptake and bioaccumulation in aquatic organisms is not expected. This is supported by low BCF values of < 100 L/kg ww (BCFBAF v3.01, Arnot-Gobas, including biotransformation, upper trophic) calculated for different components of the UVCB (mono- and diester</p>

	EO1 to EO5). Thus, taking all information into account, the test substance is not considered to be B or vB.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Available short-term and long-term toxicity tests with aquatic organisms resulted in effect values > 1 mg/L. Thus, this substance does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Glutaraldehyde

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	111-30-8
Molecular formula	C5H8O2
Molecular weight	100.11
Solubility in water	Soluble in all proportions in water and ethanol; soluble in benzene and ether.
Melting point	-14°C
Boiling point	188°C
Vapour pressure	2.03 x 10 ⁻³ kPa at 25 °C (50% solution)
Henry's law constant	0.011 Pa m ³ /mol @ 25 °C
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless oily liquid. In the vapour state, glutaraldehyde has a pungent odour, with an odour threshold of 0.04 ppm.
Overview	<p>Glutaraldehyde is manufactured in Germany by BASF and in the USA by Union Carbide Corporation. It is usually sold commercially as a 45% or 50% aqueous solution. Glutaraldehyde has a wide variety of uses throughout the world with its use spread over a number of different industries. It is used primarily as a biocide but it also has wide use as a fixative, and some use as a therapeutic agent.</p> <p>The principal health effects of glutaraldehyde are irritation of the skin, eye and respiratory tract, skin sensitisation and occupational asthma. Exposure data indicated that, in some situations, particularly the health care industry (disinfection), x-ray film processing and the animal health industry (spray use), health concerns may arise where available control measures such as ventilation have not been implemented to minimise exposure. Due to low and intermittent exposure, the public health risk from the industrial use of glutaraldehyde is minimal. For the use of glutaraldehyde in cosmetics, a safety margin of >400 for extensive use indicated low concern.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Glutaraldehyde is a hydrophilic substance that will be mainly associated with the aquatic compartment, with minor amounts partitioning to the atmosphere, following release to the environment. Hydrolysis is slow, but glutaraldehyde, like other aldehydes, undergoes aerial oxidation in solution. It biodegrades rapidly in aerobic and anaerobic aquatic environments at sublethal concentrations (below 10 mg/L) and will not bioaccumulate. Tropospheric degradation is also rapid.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>A two-year chronic study was conducted in male and female Fischer 344 rats (NICNAS 1994). Groups of 100 male and 100 female rats were administered 0, 50, 250, or 1000 ppm w/v glutaraldehyde in drinking water (4, 17 and 64 mg/kg bw/day for the males and 6, 25 and 86 mg/kg/day for the females). The mortality rate over the treatment period was 25 to 30% for males and 19 to 23% for females with no dose-related increase. The major cause of death in all rats (control and dose groups) was large granular cell lymphatic leukaemia (LGLL).</p> <p>Small dose-related decreases in absolute body weight and body weight gain occurred at 250 and 1000 ppm in males and at 1000 ppm in females. Dose-related decrease in urine volumes and associated increase in osmolality were observed in higher dose animals. At necropsy at 52, 78 and 104 weeks, the only statistically significant changes in organ weights were for the kidney. Relative kidney weights were increased for males and females at 52 and 78 weeks. A significant dose-related increase in kidney weight relative to final body weight occurred for males and females in the 250 and 1000 ppm groups, including an increase in absolute kidney weight for the female rats. Changes in final body weights and the weights of other organs were minor and / or sporadic and were unlikely to be related to glutaraldehyde exposure.</p> <p>The total leucocyte count was significantly increased at week 104 in males at 250 and 1000 ppm, and in females at 250 ppm only. The variation in counts was large, possibly due to the large monocyte count at 250 and 1000 ppm. Changes in clinical chemistry parameters included decreases in the activities of some enzymes at 250 and 1000 ppm and occasional decreases in total protein, globulin and phosphorous; these were probably due to reduced food consumption and body weight.</p> <p>Gross pathology showed evidence of gastric inflammation, particularly in rats sacrificed at the end of the study, with irritation observed as ulceration, a multifocal colour change and thickening of the mucosa (dose groups not specified). Histologic examination of the tissues revealed squamous epithelial hyperplasia and keratinised cysts and oedema.</p> <p>Based on the observations, a NOAEL of 4 mg/kg bw/day for males and 6 mg/kg bw/day for females was established in this study. For the purpose of human health risk assessment, the lowest NOAEL (4 mg/kg bw/day) established in the two-year chronic study in rats will be used.</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>In a two-year chronic/carcinogenicity study by Van Miller et al. (2002), groups of 100 male and 100 female Fischer 344 rats were treated with 0, 50, 250, or 1000 ppm w/v glutaraldehyde in drinking water. The mean glutaraldehyde consumption for each of the three groups was 4, 17 and 64 mg/kg bw/day for the males and 6, 25 and 86 mg/kg bw/day for the females.</p> <p>The mortality rate during the study period was 25 to 30% for males and 19 to 23% for females and was not dose-related. Gross pathology showed evidence of gastric inflammation.</p> <p>The main finding of the study was an increased incidence of large granular lymphocytic leukaemia (LGLL) in the spleen and liver of male and female rats in all groups, including the control group. Treated females showed a significantly increased incidence of LGLL and analysis for dose-response trend for the severity of LLGL revealed an increased severity in females at the higher dosages (53% in spleen and 54% in liver versus respectively 20% and 23% in untreated females) while no such observation were made for the males. No other significant oncogenic effects were observed during the study.</p> <p>Occurrence of LGLL was seen in all groups including controls; the incidence of LGLL in the 1000 ppm group was high compared to controls but no clear dose-response relationship was evident, and LGLL mainly affected treated females whereas the incidence in treated males was within the control range (REACH 2013).</p> <p>Historical control data for untreated Fischer 344 rats in NTP studies also indicates that the ranges for this tumour are 10 to 72% in males and 6 to 31% in females (REACH 2013). The control data in the Van Miller et al. study fitted in with the historical control data reported from NTP studies. The variability in control data for LGLL and the wide variation reported in the literature makes a definitive conclusion difficult.</p> <p>Base on this study, glutaraldehyde was considered not to be carcinogenic.</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde has been extensively tested for genetic activity in vitro and in vivo, however there is disagreement in the literature regarding glutaraldehyde's genetic activity (Zeiger et al. 2005). While all in vivo genotoxicity tests with glutaraldehyde gave negative results, mixed results were reported for in vitro mutagenicity tests. Early in vitro tests were negative (Watts 1984), but some recent bacterial assays and tests in mammalian cells indicated that glutaraldehyde could be mutagenic in vitro.</p> <p>A series of reverse mutation assays was carried out with various Salmonella typhimurium strains, with and without metabolic activation (REACH 2013). All assays with TA 100, 1535, 1537 and 98 were negative. Some assays with TA 102 and 104 gave positive results. Tests with Escherichia coli also yielded both positive as well as negative results.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde induced sister chromatid exchanges in CHO cells with and without S9 metabolic activation in one laboratory, but was negative without S9 and only weakly positive with S9 in the second laboratory (NICNAS 1994). The difference in the results was attributed to slight differences between the data evaluation systems used in the two laboratories.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde was not mutagenic in any of the in vivo assays such as peripheral blood micronucleus test, rat bone marrow chromosomal aberration assay and the Drosophila melanogaster sex-linked recessive lethal test (NICNAS 1994; REACH 2013). Chromosome aberrations in bone marrow cells were reported in only one out of eight studies using rats and mice, micronuclei were not induced in bone marrow cells of mice, and dominant lethal mutations were not induced in mice.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde did not induce cell transformation in Syrian hamster embryo cells in vitro (Zeiger et al. 2005). In vivo, inhalation of glutaraldehyde induced cell proliferation in nasal tissue in rats and mice, but did not induce DNA damage at these sites.</p> <p>Based on these observations, it is concluded that glutaraldehyde is not a genotoxin.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Studies on the incidence of miscarriage in pregnant women have shown no difference between those exposed to glutaraldehyde and those not exposed to the chemical. Studies in female rats and mice have resulted in embryotoxicity/foetotoxicity for glutaraldehyde, but only at doses which are maternally toxic. A number of studies have found no evidence of teratogenicity.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Several acute oral toxicity studies with glutaraldehyde have been reported in rats and other species. In one reliable study, administration of 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 1.0, 1.7 mL/kg bw glutaraldehyde (corresponding to 226, 339, 565, 1130 and 1921 mg/kg bw, respectively) to male/female Wistar rats by gavage gave a median lethal dose (LD50) of 226 mg/kg bw (REACH 2013). Necropsy of animals that died during the observation period revealed congestion of the lungs and the abdominal viscera. In another study in Sprague-Dawley rats, the oral LD50 was 316 mg/kg bw for males and 285 mg/kg bw for females, when 10 mL of 2.15, 3.16, 4.64, 14.7% glutaraldehyde (corresponding to 215, 316, 464 and 1470 mg/kg bw) was administered by oral gavage (REACH 2013).</p> <p>In a separate study using different strengths of glutaraldehyde, Ballantyne (1986) showed that the oral LD50 for glutaraldehyde in rats varied with the concentration of the glutaraldehyde used. By using different concentrations of glutaraldehyde solutions (1% to 50%) and varying the administration volume to maintain a constant dose, oral LD50 in the range 66 to 733 mg/kg bw were obtained. These studies indicate that glutaraldehyde has high acute oral toxicity.</p> <p>Of the 18 acute dermal toxicity studies reported in REACH (2013) dossiers, results from 14 studies indicated LD50 higher than 2000 mg/kg bw. In four other studies, LD50 ranged between 250 and 1432 mg/kg bw. These studies however did not follow international guidelines and have low reliability. Based on these studies, glutaraldehyde is considered to have low acute dermal toxicity.</p> <p>In a well-defined study, 10 male and 10 female Sprague-Dawley rats per dose group were exposed to glutaraldehyde as liquid aerosol at 0.22, 0.31 and 0.63 mg/L for 4 hours (REACH 2013). Exposure was followed by an observation period of 14 days. During the exposure period slight nasal discharge, snout wiping, flank respiration and irregular to intermittent respiration were reported in rats. During the post-exposure period, bloody nasal discharge, red crusts surrounding the nose, whooping or gasping respiration with rasping sounds and a tremulous gait were observed. These symptoms disappeared in the surviving animals within 5 to 9 days post-exposure. Mortalities were noted in all treated groups. The determination of the LC50 values was based on the Probit Analysis. An LC50 of 0.48 mg/L was calculated for both male and female rats.</p> <p>In another acute inhalation study conducted in a similar manner to the above study, Sprague-Dawley rats, 10 rats per sex per dose group, were exposed to 0.1, 0.18, 0.28, 0.39 and 0.44 mg/L glutaraldehyde as liquid aerosol for 4 hours (REACH 2013). During and after exposure, mortality and clinical signs of toxicity were recorded at regular time intervals. The LC50 in this study was established as 0.28 mg/L for females and 0.39 mg/L for males. Based on the above studies, glutaraldehyde is considered to have high acute inhalation toxicity.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde is corrosive to the skin and eyes of rabbits at high concentrations, with signs of skin irritation evident at 2%, and eye irritation at 0.2%. Exposure to glutaraldehyde vapours in acute inhalational studies resulted in nasal irritation and respiratory difficulties. Joint irritation was seen in rabbits after intra-articular administration.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The skin sensitisation effect of glutaraldehyde was demonstrated in tests with guinea pigs.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde has high acute oral and inhalation toxicity and low to moderate acute dermal toxicity. Based on human and animal data, it is corrosive, the vapours are irritating to the respiratory tract, and it has skin and respiratory sensitisation potential. Glutaraldehyde has high repeat dose oral and inhalation toxicity, with an oral No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) of 4 mg/kg bw/day based on changes in liver and kidney weights and clinical chemistry parameters.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde is not genotoxic or carcinogenic. It did not have any adverse effects on the reproductive system of adult rats or on the development of foetuses. The critical adverse health effects of glutaraldehyde are corrosivity, skin and respiratory tract sensitisation and acute and repeat dose oral and inhalation toxicity.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>From the hazard characterisation, the critical (most sensitive) adverse health effects for repeated exposures to the chemical are changes in clinical chemistry parameters and relative organ (liver and kidney) weights. Glutaraldehyde has high repeat dose oral toxicity with an oral NOAEL of 4 mg/kg bw/day. This NOAEL is used in this human health risk assessment.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3,4}</p>	

<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>96 h acute Bluegill sunfish LC50 = 11.2 mg/L 48 h acute Oyster larvae LC50 = 2.1 mg/L 96 h acute Green crabs LC50 = 465 mg/L 96 h acute Grass shrimp LC50 = 41 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 0.35 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 16.3 mg/L 21 d reproduct'n Daphnia magna LOEC = 4.3 mg/L, NOEC = 2.1 mg/L 96 h algal growth inhibition Selenastrum capricornutum ILM = 3.9 mg/L (median inhibitory limit) 96 h algal growth inhibition Scenedesmus subspicatus EC50 = 1.0 mg/L Bacterial inhibition Sewage microbes IC50 = 25-34 mg/L</p> <p>In summary, the test results indicate that glutaraldehyde is slightly to moderately toxic to aquatic fauna and moderately to highly toxic to algae. In some instances, glutaraldehyde appeared to be rapidly lost from test waters in the laboratory. Such behaviour in aquatic toxicity tests generally means that their results will underestimate the inherent toxicity of a substance. However, the toxicity that will prevail under environmental conditions is likely to be lower than that recorded in the laboratory in view of the rapid degradation that would be expected to occur in natural surface waters.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>As a wide selection of species is available, applying a safety factor of 10 to the NOEC (2.1 mg/L) derived from Daphnia seems most appropriate, giving a PNEC of $2100/10 = 0.21$ mg/L for faunal species</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls ^{1,2,4}</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde is classified as hazardous in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) with the following risk phrase (Safe Work Australia 2013):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · T (Toxic); R23/25 (Toxic by inhalation and if swallowed) · C (Corrosive ; R34 (causes burns) · R42/43 (May cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact). <p>Mixtures containing the chemical are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases based on the concentration (Conc) of the chemical in the mixtures. The risk phrases for this chemical are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Conc ≥50%: T; R23/25; R34; R42/43 (Toxic; toxic by inhalation and if swallowed; causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥25% Conc <50%: T; R23; R22; R34; R42/43 (Toxic; toxic by inhalation, harmful if swallowed, causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥10% Conc <25%: C; R20/22; R34; 42/43 (Corrosive; harmful by inhalation and if swallowed; causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥2% Conc <10%: Xn; R20/22; R37/38; R41; R42/43 (Harmful; harmful by inhalation and if swallowed; irritating to respiratory system and skin; risk of serious eye damage; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥1% Conc <2%: Xn; R36/37/38 R42/43 (Harmful; Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥0.5% Conc <1%: Xi; R36/37/38; R43 (Irritating; irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin; may cause sensitisation by skin contact)
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 0.41 mg/m³, 0.1 ppm; Time Weighted Average (TWA).</p>
<p>International Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The following exposure standards are identified in Galleria Chemica (2013):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Occupational Exposure limit (TWA) of 0.2 mg/m³ [Canada, China, Denmark, Japan, Korea, UK] · 0.4 mg/m³ TWA [Sweden] · 0.8 mg/m³ TWA [US (NIOSH), Greece]
<p>Australian Food Standards</p>	<p>No Australian food standards relating to the chemical have been identified (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).</p>
<p>Australian Drinking Water Guidelines</p>	<p>No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for this chemical in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines. (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).</p>

Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. As the Log Pow is -0.01 (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus glutaraldehyde does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Guar gum

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,7}	
CAS number	9000-30-0
Molecular formula	NA.
Product name	
Molecular weight	220,000 g/mol
Solubility in water	Completely soluble in water
pH	No data were found.
Melting point	No data were found.
Boiling point	No data were found.
Vapour pressure	solid
Henry's law constant	NA
Explosive potential	NA
Flammability potential	NA
Colour/Form	NA
Overview	<p>Guar gum is a yellowish-white free-flowing powder. It is completely soluble in water and practically insoluble in oils, greases, hydrocarbons, ketones and esters. Water solutions are tasteless, odourless and a pale, translucent grey colour and neutral. The powder has 5 to 8 times the thickening power of starch. Water solution may be converted to a gel by adding a small amount of borax and are stable to heat. Guar gum is extensively used, eg typically used as a protective colloid, stabilizer, thickening and film forming agent for cheese, salad dressing, milk products including ice cream and soups; disintegration agent in tablet formulations; in pharmaceutical jelly formulations; in suspension, emulsions, lotions, creams and toothpastes; in bulk laxatives and appetite depressants; in mining industry as a flocculent, for hydraulic fracturing aid in oil well recovery and as a filtering agent; gelling and waterproofing agent in explosive and in water treatment as a coagulant. Guar gum is approved for use as a food additive by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and is on the list of substances "generally recognized as safe" (CFR 1974).</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	No information was found. Guar gum, being a polysaccharide composed of galactomannan, would be expected to be readily biodegradable

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	F344 rats and B6C3F1 mice were given diets containing 0, 6,300, 12,500, 25,000, 50,000 or 100,000 ppm guar gum for 13 weeks (NTP, 1982). Mean body weights were decreased in male rats (100,000 ppm group) and in female mice (50,000 and 100,000 ppm). A dose-related decrease in feed consumption was observed for male and female rats; male and female mice were comparable or higher than that of controls. There were no compound-related clinical signs or histopathological effects. F344 rats and B6C3F1 mice were given diets containing 0, 25,000 ppm or 50,000 ppm guar gum for 103 weeks (NTP, 1982). Mean body weights of the high-dose females were lower than those of the controls after week 20 for mice and week 40 for rats. No compound-related clinical signs or adverse effects on survival were observed. Feed consumption by dosed rats and mice of either sex was lower than that of controls. There were no non-neoplastic histopathological effects in either rats or mice that were treatment-related.
Carcinogenicity	F344 rats and B6C3F1 mice were given diets containing 0, 25,000 ppm or 50,000 ppm guar gum for 103 weeks (NTP, 1982). There were increased incidences of adenomas of the pituitary in male rats and pheochromocytomas of the adrenal in female rats that were statistically significant, but these differences were considered to be unrelated to guar gum administration. When pituitary adenomas or carcinomas and when pheochromocytomas or malignant pheochromocytomas are combined, the statistical differences disappear. Hepatocellular carcinomas occurred in treated male mice at incidences that were significantly lower than that in controls. The combined incidence of male mice with either hepatocellular adenomas or carcinomas was also significantly lower in the highdose group. It was concluded that under conditions of this bioassay, guar gum was not carcinogenic for F344 rats or B6C3F1 mice.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Guar gum induced no consistent responses in dominant lethal gene tests to suggest that it was mutagenic to the rat. Guar gum was not mutagenic to Salmonella typhimurium TA 1530 or G-46 when tested without metabolic activation; however, it was mutagenic to Saccharomyces cerevisiae D- 3 (Green, 1977). Guar gum also was reported to cause chromosomal aberrations in human embryonic lung cells WI-38 (Green, 1977). No in vivo genotoxicity studies have been conducted on guar gum.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	The developmental effects of guar gum were evaluated in groups of 20 rabbits by daily dermal administration of the test substance for 6 hours/day at dose levels of 0, 2, 10 and 50 mg/kg/day on days 6 through 18 of gestation. The number of early resorptions was significantly increased and the number of viable foetuses was correspondingly decreased at 50 mg/kg/day (p<0.05). The NOEL was 2 mg/kg/day. The frequency of foetal malformations and variations in the treated groups was comparable to that of the control group at all dose levels. Female rabbits were given daily (6 hours/day) dermal administration of 0, 2, 10 and 50 mg/kg guar gum during gestational days 6 through 18 (IRDC, 1988). Mortalities included 2 deaths at 50 mg/kg and 1 death at 10 mg/kg. A single animal was killed in extremis. A dose-related increase in dermal irritation (including erythema, edema, and desquamation) was observed in animals receiving 10 and 50 mg/kg. The number of early resorptions was significantly increased and the number of viable fetuses was correspondingly decreased at 50 mg/kg/day (p<0.05). The frequency of fetal malformations and variations in the treated groups was comparable to that of the control group at all dose levels. The NOEL for this study is 2 mg/kg/day.
Acute Toxicity	Guar gum has been blamed for causing esophageal obstruction. A death has the use of one guar gum tablet product, which apparently swelled in the esophagus, resulting in complications that caused the fatality. Mildly toxic by ingestion. The oral LD50 is 8,100 mg/kg for mice and 9,400 mg/kg for rats.
Irritation	No data were found.
Sensitisation	Occupational asthma has been reported in subjects of guar gum. A respiratory sensitizer There are reports of respiratory sensitization in workers exposed occupationally to guar gum dusts (Maio, 1986).

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The key studies for the determination of a drinking water guidance value is the NTP two year chronic bioassays. The LOAELs are based on decreased mean body weights in female mice and rats fed 50,000 ppm guar gum in diet for 103 weeks. The NOAELs for these studies are 25,000 ppm guar gum. Rat: NOAEL (mg/kg/day) = 25,000 ppm * 0.05 = 1,250 mg/kg/day Mouse: NOAEL (mg/kg/day) = 25,000 ppm * 0.13 = 3,250 mg/kg/day Where 0.05 and 0.13 are the fraction of body weight that rats and mice, respectively, consume per day as food (U.S. EPA). The lowest NOAEL of 1,250 mg/kg/day for the rat will be used to derive a drinking water guidance value. Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability); 10 (intraspecies variability) Oral RfD = 1,250/100 = 12.5 mg/kg/day Drinking water guideline = 49 ppm
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,7}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The lowest measured ecotoxicity endpoint for fish was reported to be 218 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis that the data consists of only one short-term result from one trophic level, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the reported effect concentration of 218 mg/L for Fish. The PNECaquatic is 0.218 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No biodegradation information was found on guar gum. However, guar gum is a naturally occurring polysaccharide which would be expected to readily biodegrade. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The molecular weight of guar gum ranges from 200,000 to 300,000 daltons, and it is also water soluble. Thus, guar gum is not expected to meet the criteria for bioaccumulation
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of guar gum is >0.1 mg/L. Thus, guar gum is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance.

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Toxicity Summary - Hydrochloric acid

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2}	
CAS number	7647-01-0
Molecular formula	HCl
Molecular weight	36.46 g/mol
Solubility in water	Soluble
Melting point	-114.22 °C
Boiling point	-85.05°C
Vapour pressure	35,424 mm Hg at 25 deg C
Henry's law constant	2.04 x10 ⁶ mol/L atm
Explosive potential	Reacts with most metals producing explosive hydrogen gas
Flammability potential	Not combustible
Colour/Form	liquid
Overview	CAS Registry number. Since the gas becomes the acid in aqueous systems and volatilization of the gas can occur from aqueous systems, it is often difficult to determine which is being considered in a specific item in the literature. If released to water, hydrogen chloride dissociates readily in water to chloride and hydronium ions, decreasing the pH of the water. The solution in water is a strong acid, it reacts violently with bases and is corrosive. Reacts violently with oxidants forming toxic gas (chlorine). Attacks many metals in the presence of water forming flammable/explosive gas (hydrogen). Hydrochloric acid is one of the most widely used industrial chemicals. Uses include pickling and cleaning metals, food process, and cleaning of industrial equipment.
Environmental Fate ^{3,4}	
Soil/Water/Air	Hydrochloric acid is readily dissociated in water into hydrated protons and chloride ions. The increase in the concentration of hydrochloric acid in water decreases the pH in the aquatic ecosystem. Generally, the buffer capacity to maintain the pH in the aquatic ecosystem is important and the equilibrium between CO ₂ , HCO ₃ ⁻ and CO ₃ ²⁻ in the aquatic ecosystem is mainly responsible for the buffer capacity of receiving water.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,8}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Frequent contact with aqueous solutions of hydrochloric acid may lead to dermatitis. For repeated dose toxicity, local irritation effects were observed in the groups of 10 ppm and above in a 90-day inhalation study. Rats were fed diets containing 280 to 1,250 mmol/kg hydrochloric acid (10.2 to 45.6 mg/kg) for 7-12 weeks. There was increased water intake in all treated groups. All animals fed diet containing 937 mmol/kg and above for 9 weeks, and half of the animals fed diet containing 900 mmol/kg for 12 weeks died. Also at doses >937 mmol/kg, there was decreased body weight, food consumption, blood pH, femur length, rate of ash in bone (Upton and L'Estrange, 1977). In another study with rats, hydrochloric acid was administered via drinking water at pH 2-3 (study duration not provided). Decreased protein levels in urine and decreased urine volumes were observed in the treatment groups (Clausing and Gottschalk, 1989).
Carcinogenicity	HCl is not classifiable as a human carcinogen. No evidence of treatment related carcinogenicity was observed either in other animal studies performed by inhalation, oral or dermal administration. In three industry-based human case studies conducted in the U.S, no association between hydrogen chloride exposure and cancers of the lung, brain, or kidney was observed. In one U.S study of steel-pickling workers an excess risk for cancer of the lung was identified in workers exposed primarily to hydrochloric acid. Under IARC definitions, HCl is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (Group 3).
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In single studies, HCl induced mutation and chromosomal aberrations in mammalian cells and induced chromosomal aberrations in insects and in plants. It did not induce mutation in bacteria. For genetic toxicity, a negative result has been shown in the Ames test. A positive result, which is considered to be an artefact due to the low pH, has been obtained in a chromosome aberration test using Hamster ovary cells. The effects of low pH in in vitro studies are not a problem in vivo as the proton level is regulated systemically. Hydrochloric acid is not considered to be genotoxic.
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No reliable studies have been reported regarding toxicity to reproduction and development in animals after oral, dermal or inhalation exposure to hydrogen chloride/hydrochloric acid. As protons and chloride ions are normal constituents in the body fluid of animal species, low concentrations of hydrogen chloride gas/mist or solution do not seem to cause adverse effects to animals. The cells of gastric glands secrete hydrochloric acid into the cavity of the stomach. No reliable conclusion could be drawn on the potential reproductive toxicity of hydrogen chloride/hydrochloric acid.

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Rapid evaporation of the liquid may cause frostbite. The substance is corrosive to the eyes, the skin and the respiratory tract and can cause serious skin burns and blurred/reduced vision or blindness. Inhalation of high concentrations of the gas may cause pneumonitis and lung oedema, resulting in reactive airways dysfunction syndrome. The effects may be delayed. Exposure to hydrochloric acid can produce burns on the skin and mucous membranes, with severity related to the concentration of the solution. Subsequent ulceration may occur, followed by keloid and retractile scarring. Dental decay, including yellowing, softening and breaking of teeth, and related digestive diseases have been recorded after exposures to hydrochloric acid. Mortality has been observed following ingestion of hydrochloric acid.</p> <p>Female rats orally administered 3.3% hydrochloric acid yielded an acute oral median lethal dose (LD50) in a range from 238 to 277 mg/kg bw (Hoechst 1966). No details of the study were available. In another study in rats, administration of a solution of undisclosed concentration induced stomach ulceration, inflammation of the intestine, discolouration of the liver and hyperaemia of the lung (Monsanto 1976). An LD50 of 700 mg/kg bw was reported. An acute dermal LD50 was established as >5010 mg/kg bw in rabbits however the dose levels administered were not reported (Monsanto 1976). Acute median lethal concentration (LC50) values of 8.3 mg/L and 3.2 mg/L were observed in rats and mice respectively after a 30 minute inhalation exposure to aerosolised hydrochloric acid (Darmer et al. 1974).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>In a skin irritation test in rabbits performed according to OECD TG 404, 37% hydrochloric acid (0.5 mL) was applied by both semi-occlusion and occlusion (Potokar 1985). The chemical was found to be corrosive under both conditions after one hour exposure. Concentrations >17% also caused corrosion in rabbits. Concentrations >3.3% caused skin irritation to rabbits after application for 5 days. Hydrochloric acid caused mild to severe eye irritation in animal studies. There were no data available for respiratory irritation however; inhalation of hydrochloric acid vapours is expected to cause irritation. In humans, the chemical was determined to be 'irritating to skin' (York et al. 1996).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>May cause dermatitis with frequent contact of aqueous solutions of hydrochloric acid.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Hydrochloric acid has demonstrated acute oral toxicity, corrosive effects to the skin and eye, and irritant effects to the respiratory system. Hydrochloric acid is not a skin sensitizer based on the available studies.</p> <p>Only limited information on the repeated oral toxicity of hydrochloric acid is available. However, as the component ions are normal constituents of the human body (particularly the stomach), only localised effects are expected. No systemic effects from repeated exposures are expected.</p> <p>The chemical is not genotoxic. No evidence of treatment-related carcinogenicity was observed in animal studies performed by inhalation or dermal administration. In humans, no association between hydrogen chloride exposure and tumour incidence was observed. No reliable studies were identified regarding specific toxicity to reproduction and development in animals after exposure to hydrochloric acid/hydrogen chloride. Because protons and chloride ions are normal constituents in the body fluids, low concentrations of hydrochloric acid/hydrogen chloride would not be expected to cause adverse reproductive effects to animals. This conclusion is supported by the 90-day inhalation study of hydrogen chloride where no effects on the gonads of rodents were observed.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The Australian drinking water guideline value for pH may apply to hydrochloric acid.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,3,4,8}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The measured acute endpoint for: Algae = 0.492 mg/L Daphnia = 0.492 mg/L Fish = 4.92 mg/L The measured chronic endpoint for Daphnia is 62 mg/L
Determination of PNEC aquatic	On the basis that the data consists of short-term and long-term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported Chronic endpoint of 62 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNECaquatic is 6.2 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁸	
Australian Hazard Classification	C (Corrosive); R34 (Causes burns) Xi (Irritant); R37 (Irritating to respiratory system).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	There are no specific exposure standards for hydrochloric acid. However, the permissible exposure limits for hydrogen chloride gas apply (Safe Work Australia 2013): Time Weighted Average (TWA) of 7.5 mg/m ³ (5 ppm).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards were identified for hydrogen chloride (Galleria Chemical 2013). TWA: 7 to 8 mg/m ³ (5 ppm) [Austria, Belgium, Denmark, EU, Hungary, Japan, Korea, Mexico, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Turkey] 2 to 5 mg/m ³ (1-2 ppm) [Germany, Poland, Switzerland, UK]. Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL): 15 mg/m ³ (10 ppm) [Austria, Belgium, EU, Hungary]
Australian Food Standards	Hydrochloric acid is an additive permitted in accordance with Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) in processed foods specified in Schedule 1 of the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code – Standard 1.3.1 – Food Additives (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	Hydrochloric acid is listed as an endorsed drinking water treatment chemical in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Hydrochloric acid is an organic salt that dissociates completely to hydrogen and chloride ions in aqueous solutions. Biodegradation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; both hydrogen and chloride ions are also ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment. Thus, the persistent criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Hydrogen and chloride ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. Thus, hydrochloric acid is not expected to bioaccumulate.
T criteria fulfilled?	No chronic toxicity data exist on hydrochloric acid; however, the acute EC(L)50s are >0.1 mg/L in fish, invertebrates and algae. Thus, hydrochloric acid does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Distillates, Hydrotreated Light

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	64742-47-8
Molecular formula	C48H94
Molecular weight	Not applicable - unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or biological materials (UVCB)
Solubility in water	0.009 to 6.45 mg/L (at 25°C)
Melting point	-49 °C
Boiling point	146 to 299 °C
Vapour pressure	1 to 3.7 kPa at 37.8 °C
Henry's law constant	No data found.
Explosive potential	Above 66°C explosive vapour/air mixtures may be formed
Flammability potential	Combustible
Colour/Form	Liquid at room temperature
Overview	<p>Distillates, hydrotreated light (also called deodorised kerosene) is a petroleum substance. The C₉-C₁₄ Aliphatic [$< 2\%$ Aromatic] Hydrocarbon Solvents Category is comprised of complex aliphatic hydrocarbon solvents that contain $>98\%$ aliphatic constituents with carbon numbers in the range of C₉-C₁₄ and less than 2% aromatic constituents.</p> <p>The chemical is used as a component of a drilling fluid formulation for coal seam gas extraction.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Members of the C₉-C₁₄ Aliphatic [$\leq 2\%$ aromatics] Hydrocarbon Solvents Category have the potential to volatilize from surface waters, based on Henry's Law constants (HLC) representing volatility for category members that range from 4.76×10^4 to 1.67×10^6 Pa-m³/mole (at 25°C). In the air, category members have the potential to rapidly degrade through indirect photolytic processes mediated primarily by hydroxyl radicals ($\bullet\text{OH}$) with calculated degradation half-lives ranging from 0.42 to 1.10 days or 10.8 to 26.4 hours based on a 12-hr day and an $\bullet\text{OH}$ concentration of 1.5×10^5 $\bullet\text{OH}/\text{cm}^3$. These chemicals are unlikely to degrade by hydrolysis as they lack a functional group that is hydrolytically reactive.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>In a 90-day study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 408, Sprague-Dawley rats were administered deodorized kerosene by gavage at doses of 0, 100, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day (REACH 2013). Microscopic changes, such as incidence of a₂μ-globulin, were seen in male kidneys. These effects are not considered relevant to humans. No other treatment-related effects were observed. No Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) or No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) could be established in this study.</p> <p>Repeated dermal exposures to members of the kerosene/jet fuel category showed minimal systemic effects (API 2010). Animal data on repeat dermal toxicity of kerosene (petroleum) are summarised from REACH (2013) and presented in Table A29.2. The LOAELs and NOAELs are indicated for each study. Prolonged skin exposure to kerosene (petroleum) in rats and rabbits were consistently associated with local irritation. In rabbits only, systemic effects included changes in bodyweight and organ weights. It is expected that deodorized kerosene would have similar effects in the animals.</p> <p>In a 13-week study, rats (strain not specified) were exposed to deodorized kerosene vapour at concentrations of 0, 0.02, 0.048 or 0.10 mg/L for six hours/day, five days/week. No treatment-related effects were reported (REACH 2013).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>A study for deodorized kerosene is available in the REACH Dossier (REACH 2013) but was not reported in enough detail to be able to determine the carcinogenicity of the substance.</p> <p>In a study conducted similarly to OECD TG 451, B6C3F1 mice were applied 0, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw/day kerosene (petroleum) in the interscapular region (type of wrapping not specified) for 103 weeks (REACH 2013). At the end of the study, less than 10% decrease in bodyweight gain was observed at the top dose in both sexes. Mortality in females was significantly higher at the two doses compared to controls. Increased incidence and severity of chronic dermatitis was seen in all treatment groups. At the top dose, increased incidence of the following non-neoplastic lesions was reported: amyloid in the liver, kidney, adrenal cortex (males only), spleen; granulocytic hyperplasia in the bone marrow; and hyperplasia of the axillary lymph nodes (females only). The only indication of neoplastic lesions was an increased incidence of malignant lymphomas observed in treated female animals but the values were within the range of historical controls. Under the conditions of the test, kerosene (petroleum) was not carcinogenic. The LOAEL for systemic effects is 250 mg/kg bw/day.</p> <p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded that there is inadequate evidence for the carcinogenicity of kerosene (petroleum) in experimental animals and humans, placing the chemical in Group 3 (Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans) (IARC 1989). Deodorized kerosene is not carcinogenic, based on reading across the information available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>In vitro tests reported deodorized kerosene as negative both with and without metabolic activation in Ames tests conducted in accordance with OECD TG 471 (REACH 2013; OECD 2011) and in chromosomal aberration tests conducted in accordance with OECD TG 473 (OECD 2011, 2012). In an in vivo study, deodorized kerosene was negative in a dominant lethal assay, conducted in accordance with OECD TG 478, in male Swiss mice and Long Evans rats administered 10% deodorized kerosene intraperitoneally (REACH 2013).</p> <p>These studies demonstrate that deodorized kerosene is not genotoxic.</p>

<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents and C14-C20 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents are not toxic to fertility (OECD 2011, 2012). Members of the kerosene/jet fuel category are not toxic to fertility (API 2010).</p> <p>Sprague-Dawley rats were administered undiluted kerosene (petroleum) by gavage at doses of 0, 750, 1500 or 3000 mg/kg bw/day in males treated for 70-90 days and 0, 325, 750 or 1500 mg/kg bw/day in females treated for 21 weeks. At 750 and 1500 mg/kg bw/day, increased absolute liver weight was observed in females but with no corresponding changes in clinical chemistry or histopathology. In females only, other effects included perianal dermatitis at 1500 mg/kg bw/day and stomach hyperplasia at 750 and 1500 mg/kg bw/day. These parameters were not measured in males. In males, the study indicated dose dependent decrease in male bodyweight that was linked to nephropathy specific to male rats. Data for this effect were not provided in the study description. There were no treatment related effects on fertility in both sexes (REACH 2013). The NOAEL for systemic effects in females only was 325 mg/kg bw/day. No NOAEL can be established for fertility effects.</p> <p>C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents and C14-C20 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents are not developmental toxicants (OECD 2011, 2012). Members of the kerosene/jet fuel category are not developmental toxicants (API 2010).</p> <p>In a study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 414, Sprague-Dawley rats were administered kerosene (petroleum) by gavage on gestation days (GD) 6 to 15 at doses of 0, 500, 1000, 1500 or 2000 mg/kg bw/day (REACH 2013). Bodyweight gain was decreased at 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw/day. Foetal weight was decreased at 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw/day which may be attributed to decreased maternal bodyweight gain. No malformations were reported. The maternal NOAEL is 1000 mg/kg bw/day.</p> <p>In another study, Sprague-Dawley rats were exposed (whole body) to kerosene (petroleum) in air at concentrations of 0, 106 or 364 ppm on GD 6-15. There were no treatment-related effects observed in the dams and offspring (REACH 2013).</p> <p>Deodorized kerosene is not considered a developmental toxicant, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats is >2000 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2011; US EPA, 2011; OECD, 2012a; OECD, 2012b; OECD, 2012c).</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following dermal exposure. The LD50 in rats and rabbits is >2000 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2011; US EPA, 2011; OECD, 2012a; OECD, 2012b; OECD, 2012c).</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following inhalation exposure.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Semi-occlusive applications of commercial grade deodorized kerosene produced slight irritation in New Zealand White and SPF rabbits in dermal irritation studies conducted in accordance with OECD TG 404. The studies reported the range of erythema and oedema scores to be 0.3-0.9 and 0.2-1.0, respectively, based on Draize scoring at 24, 48 and 72 hours. Deodorized kerosene is slightly irritating to rabbit skin.</p> <p>Several studies conducted similarly to OECD TG 405 showed minimal effects to the eye with the reported range of conjunctival redness score to be 0-0.2 from instillation of undiluted deodorized kerosene in the eyes of New Zealand White and SPF rabbits (OECD 2011). Deodorized kerosene is slightly irritating to rabbit eye.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatics) Category members do not cause skin sensitization.</p>

Health Effects Summary	<p>Deodorised kerosene is an aspiration hazard since it has low viscosity and is composed of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons up to 10%. Deodorised kerosene has low acute oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity, and is slightly irritating to the skin and eyes. The substance is not a skin sensitiser, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p> <p>No treatment-related effects were reported in repeated oral and inhalation exposures to deodorised kerosene. Prolonged dermal exposure to kerosene (petroleum) reported local irritation in rats and rabbits, and changes in bodyweight and organ weights in rabbits. It is expected that these effects would be similar for deodorised kerosene. Based on the absence of adverse effects observed in repeat dose toxicity studies, for the purposes of quantifying the health risk to the general worker and public, the highest dose tested in the study conducted in rats (1 000 mg/kg bw/day) is used in this risk assessment.</p> <p>The substance is not genotoxic. It is neither a carcinogen nor a reproductive toxicant, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>The most appropriate No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) for risk assessment is 1 000 mg/kg bw/day based on maternal toxicity (decreased bodyweight gain) at the Lowest- Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (LOAEL) of 1 500 mg/kg bw/day from a developmental toxicity study on kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Ecological Toxicity ²	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Lowest acute endpoint for Daphnia = 0.018 mg/L (modelled)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>Based on the lowest acute endpoint for Daphnia (0.018 mg/L), an assessment factor of 100 has been applied, resulting in a PNECaquatic of 1.80E-04 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls ²	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>All of the chemicals are classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrase for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): Xn; R65 (acute toxicity)</p> <p>Mixtures containing the substance are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrase based on the concentration (Conc) of the substance in the mixtures: Conc ≥10%: Xn; R65 (May cause lung damage if swallowed)</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No specific exposure standards are available.</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No specific exposure standards are available for this chemical.</p>
Australian Food Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	<p>Oils and greases (including petrochemicals) for freshwater production: <300⁶ µg/L (ANZECC 2000)</p>
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	<p>No. This chemical is expected to be biodegradable. The ready biodegradability of SHELLSOL NF a solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatics (consists predominantly of C9 aromatics 25% m/m; C10 aromatics 65%, and indanes 10%) was studied in mineral nutrient medium inoculated with activated sludge (mixed liquor suspended solids 100-101 mg/L, pH 6.9) and incubated for 28 days at 20°C. SHELLSOL NF is readily biodegrade after 28 days but not within the 10 day window.</p>
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	<p>Category members have a potential to bioaccumulate, based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight, based on the Arnot and Gobas model, that take into account biotransformation of the chemicals in fish tissue. This chemical also has a log Kow of 6.025.</p>

T criteria fulfilled?	Yes. The lowest acute endpoint is <1 mg/L.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Human Health Risk Assessment

Occupational Exposure

Table 2 presents the calculated internal doses for adult workers associated with drilling chemical exposure/hydraulic fracturing chemical exposure.

Table 2 Calculated Internal Doses for Adult Workers

Occupational Activity	E _{derm} (mg/kg bw/day)	E _{inh} (mg/kg bw/day)	E _{total} (mg/kg bw/day)
Transport and storage	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.06	0.750	0.810
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.012	0.150	0.162
Combined exposure Mixing/blending and cleaning and maintenance			0.972
Transport and storage of drilling muds	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*

E_{derm} - Internal dose from dermal exposure; E_{inh} – Internal dose from inhalation exposure; E_{total} – Total internal dose from all routes.

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Human Health Risk Characterisation

Uncertainty Factors

Using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach, conservative default uncertainty factors for intra- and inter-species variability are assumed to be 10 each. A MOE of less than 100 is considered a concern (NICNAS 2017).

Acute Health Risks

Acute exposure to the chemical is unlikely to result in adverse health effects. In addition, given the low concentration in the drilling fluids, exposure to the chemical via these fluids is of low concern for workers.

Chronic long-term health risks

The critical (most sensitive) adverse health effect is maternal toxicity (decreased bodyweight gain). The NOAEL established for this effect is 1000 mg/kg bw/day from a reproductive toxicity study. There are no adverse effects observed from repeated exposures to the chemical at any dose tested, up to 1000 mg/kg bw/day. This highest no-effect dose is applicable for a general worker. Margins of Exposure (MOE) for adverse health effects from repeated occupational exposures are calculated by comparing the NOAEL with exposures estimated for different occupational activities and combined activities. **Table 3** presents Margin of Exposure calculated for Adult Workers associated with drilling

chemical exposure/hydraulic fracturing chemical exposure. Risk characterisation calculations are presented in **Attachment A**.

Table3 Margins of exposure calculated for adult workers

Adult worker exposure scenario	E _{total} (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / E _{total})	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Occupational Activity					
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810	1000	Maternal toxicity in rats	1235	No
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure Mixing/blending and cleaning and maintenance	0.972			1029	

Based on uncertainty factors derived for this risk characterisation, the MOEs indicate that the chemical is of low concern for workers from repeated exposures during certain operations.

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Toxicity Summary - Methanol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3,4}	
CAS number	67-56-1
Molecular formula	CH4O
Molecular weight	32.04
Solubility in water	1,000 g/L at 20 °C
Melting point	-98 °C
Boiling point	65 °C
Vapour pressure	16.927 kPa at 25 °C
Henry's law constant	0.461 Pa m ³ /mol
Explosive potential	Vapour/air mixtures are explosive
Flammability potential	Highly flammable
Colour/Form	Clear colourless liquid
Overview	Methanol occurs naturally in humans, animals and plants. The general population is exposed to methanol mainly through consumption of food and beverages and through use of consumer products such as paints, sealers and adhesives that contain methanol as a solvent.
Environmental Fate ^{1,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	Air is the main target compartment, based on a fugacity model calculation (Mackay Level III) with about 73 % of environmental methanol distributing to air and 16 % to water. Methanol is degraded in the atmosphere by photochemical, hydroxyl-radical dependent reactions. The estimated elimination half-life is calculated to be about 17-18 days with a rate constant of 0.93 x 10 ⁻² cm ³ /molecule-sec. Methanol is completely miscible in water and has a low octanol/water partition coefficient. These properties are indicative of high mobility in soil.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Considering the no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) available from a 90-day rat study (500 mg/kg bw/day), the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health by repeated oral exposure.</p> <p>In a 20-day inhalation study in monkeys, 3.9 mg/L (3000 mL/m³) was identified as the LOAEL (continuous exposure) where neurotoxic lesions appeared to progress in monkeys (according to NEDO 1987). This exposure concentration correlated with methanol blood levels 80 mg/L and formate levels 30 mg/L. There was no evidence of adverse effects in rats exposed to methanol up to 6.6 mg/L, six hours/day for 28 days, except local nasal irritation and increased relative spleen weights, which were observed only at the middle dose and not considered treatment-related (Andrews et al. 1987). A NOAEL could not be established in this study.</p> <p>In the chronic exposure studies in rats and mice, slight treatment-related decreases in body and organ weights were reported at the highest dose. These are however not considered as 'adverse' effects. In monkeys, slight degeneration of the inside nucleus of the thalamus was observed at 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L after seven months or more (NEDO 1987). One monkey at 0.13 mg/L and two at 1.3 mg/L showed slight but clear changes in peroneal nerves indicating damage to peripheral nerves. Some signs of fibrosis at 1.3 mg/L, which were considered borderline. There were mild but significant effects on heart and kidney at 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L.</p> <p>Histologically, a significant increase of Sudan positive granules was noted in the 1.3 mg group without pathological manifestations (e.g. fibrosis). Although the authors considered the lowest dose (0.013 mg/L) as the LOAEL, it was observed that effects at this dose were very mild and reversible and therefore not considered to be adverse effects. Based on these observations, a NOAEL of 0.013 mg/L was established in this study.</p>

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>The chemical is not likely to be a carcinogen. In a chronic inhalation study, Fisher rats and B6C3F1 mice were exposed to 0.013, 0.13, and 1.3 mg/L methanol for 24 and 18 months, respectively (NEDO 1987). No differences in survival were noted in the treatment groups compared with the control group. There was no evidence of an increase in liver tumours in rats or in the spontaneous liver tumour rate in mice. In the rats, some tumours such as papillary lung adenomas (males only), adrenal phaeochromocytomas (females only) and metastatic (transition) tumours appeared at a somewhat higher incidence in high-dose group rats after week 79 and 104 without clear dose-response relationship. However these tumour incidences were not statistically significantly different from those in the control group. In the mice, there were no appreciable differences from the control in either numbers of animals with tumours or in degree of malignancy observed.</p> <p>Proliferative effects on the astroglia cells were observed in monkeys continuously exposed to 0.013, 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L methanol by the inhalation route (NEDO 1987). These effects however were of a transient nature and disappeared after a six-month recovery period. There were no signs of histological degeneration.</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Methanol has been examined in numerous in vitro and in vivo test systems, including bacterial, mammalian and fungal test systems. Most in vitro studies did not demonstrate mutagenic activity. A small number of studies gave ambiguous results. All other studies produced negative results consistently. The majority of in vivo assays were negative for mutagenicity and clastogenicity (OECD 2004). Methanol was therefore concluded to be not mutagenic.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>No impairment of fertility or reproductive performance was reported in male and female rats exposed to the chemical, except at very high doses. Male mice had morphological anomalies in spermatozoa after repeated oral dosing at 1000 mg/kg bw/day (blood level > 500 to 1000 mg/L in mice) (OECD 2004).</p> <p>Rodent studies indicate that methanol has developmental toxicity effects. The rodent data on developmental toxicity are relevant for humans despite the known differences in methanol metabolism between the two species. However, rodents are considered adequate models for humans only at levels where formate does not accumulate (NTP 2003). Blood methanol levels associated with serious developmental effects in rodents were in the range associated with formate accumulation (1000 to 2000 mg methanol per litre of blood), which is likely to result in metabolic acidosis, and visual and clinical effects in humans (NTP 2003; OECD 2004).</p> <p>The limited data available in humans do not show an association between reproductive and developmental toxicity and methanol (NTP 2003). Following a review of the developmental toxicity studies, the NTP concluded that there is evidence to suggest that females with low folate levels may be more susceptible to the adverse developmental effects of methanol, but more information was necessary to clarify this issue (NTP 2003).</p> <p>Based on the data available, the chemical is not considered to have reproductive or developmental toxicity in humans.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>In rats, mice, rabbits and dogs, the LD50 values after single oral administration range from about 5600 to 14 400 mg/kg bw (EHC 1997). Adverse effects noted in these animals were ataxia, narcosis and coma after high methanol doses. The animals did not exhibit acidosis and ophthalmologic changes typically seen in humans at high lethal and sub-lethal doses. In rhesus monkeys, no deaths were reported at doses of 1000 to 2000 mg/kg bw, while animals receiving 3000 to 8000 mg/kg bw died within two days (OECD 2004). Treated animals showed acidosis, and some exhibited semi-coma and ophthalmologic changes. Human data, however, indicate acute oral toxicity at comparatively lower doses of 300 to 1000 mg/kg bw (EHC 1997). The reported median lethal doses (LD50) for experimental animals are 7300 mg/kg bw (mouse), 5628 mg/kg bw (rat), 14 200 mg/kg bw (rabbit) and 7000 mg/kg bw (monkey). The lowest lethal dose (LDLo) for humans ranges from 143 to 428 mg/kg bw (ChemIDplus 2012).</p> <p>There are limited available dermal toxicity studies in animals. In one dermal exposure study all the rats survived after application of 35 000 mg/kg bw methanol to the skin under occlusive conditions, while deaths were reported at 45 000 mg/kg bw (Eulner and Gedicke 1955). In rabbits, a dermal LD50 of 17 000 mg/kg bw was reported although no details of the study were provided (Carnegie-Mellon 1981). Limited data in monkeys indicate that the chemical is toxic via the dermal route (McCord 1931). Humans have been found to be more susceptible to methanol as compared to monkeys. Therefore, acute dermal toxicity with methanol is expected in humans (OECD 2004). The lowest reported dermal LD50 is 17 000 mg/kg bw, which was recorded in rabbits.</p> <p>Median lethal concentrations (LC50) of 87.5 and 128.2 mg/L were reported in rats following six and four hour inhalation exposures to methanol, respectively (BASF 1980a, 1980b). Clinical signs of toxicity were secretions from eyes and nose, laboured breathing, staggering, apathy and narcosis. A similar LC50 value (79 mg/L) was reported for mice following 2.25 hours exposure (Von Burg 1994). In cats, LC50 values after six-hour exposures ranged from 26 to 48 mg/L. A shorter duration of 4.5 hours led to an LC50 of 85.4 mg/L (Von Burg 1994). Studies in Rhesus monkeys indicated lethal concentrations (percent mortality not reported) at 13 mg/L after 18 hour exposure and 52 mg/L after one to four hour exposure (OECD 2004).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemical is not a skin irritant. The chemical is a slight eye irritant in rabbits.</p> <p>High concentration of methanol vapours may cause irritation of the respiratory tract. In a short-term exposure study (details not available), exposure of rats to an atmosphere saturated with methanol vapours produced severe irritation of mucous membranes and milky corneal opacity (BASF 1975). All animals died after eight hours (BASF 1975).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The chemical is not a skin sensitiser.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Methanol has low acute oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity in experimental animals but moderate to high acute oral and dermal toxicity in humans. A Lowest Lethal Dose (LDLo) of 143 - 428 mg/kg bw (humans) has been reported. It is not a skin or eye irritant but is expected to be a moderate respiratory irritant, based on its effect on the mucous membrane in rats exposed to methanol vapours and on the effects observed in repeat dose inhalation studies. Tests with guinea pigs indicated that methanol is not a skin sensitiser. The critical effects to human health are acute toxicity from inhalation, skin contact and swallowing, and possible irreversible effects from acute oral exposure. No deaths were reported in Rhesus monkeys dosed at 2 000 mg/kg bw, but treated animals showed acidosis, and some exhibited semi-coma and ophthalmic changes. Human data, however, indicate acute oral toxicity and ophthalmic changes at comparatively lower doses of 300 - 1 000 mg/kg bw. Information on repeated dose toxicity by the dermal route is not available. Methanol was not genotoxic or carcinogenic. Reproductive and developmental toxicity studies did not show any significant effects of relevance to humans.</p>

<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>A No-Observed-Adverse-Effect-Concentration (NOAEC) of 0.013 mg/L (13 mg/m³) is used for this risk assessment. This NOAEC is derived from a chronic inhalation study in monkeys, in which degenerative effects in the brain and slight damage to the optic and peripheral nerves were noted at 0.13 mg/L and above. Changes in peroneal nerves were also noted in higher dosed animals, indicating damage to peripheral nerves. An oral No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) of 500 mg/kg bw/day was also established in rats in a 90-day oral study based on increased liver enzymes (enzymes not specified) and decreased absolute brain weights at the highest dose. This value is not used in this risk assessment because acute oral data indicate that humans are more sensitive to methanol toxicity than rodents.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>In several 96-hour studies in fish in which methanol concentrations were measured during the tests, LC50s ranged from 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L. In the chronic toxicity study to invertebrates, the NOEC was 32,000 mg/L.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>A PNECaqua = 3.20E+03 mg/L can be calculated based on the lowest chronic toxicity value for aquatic invertebrates (Daphnia) with the assessment factor of 10.</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls ⁴</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>The chemical is classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): T; R23/24/25 (acute toxicity) T; R39/23/24/25 (irreversible effects from acute exposure)</p> <p>Mixtures containing the chemical are classified as hazardous based on the concentration (Conc) of the chemical in the mixtures. The risk phrases for this chemical are: Conc ≥20%: T; R23/24/25; (Toxic: Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R39/23/24/25; (Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed) 10% ≤Conc <20%: T; R20/21/22; (Toxic: Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R39/23/24/25; (Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed) 3% ≤Conc <10%: Xn; R20/21/22; (Harmful: Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R68/20/21/22; (Harmful: possible risk of irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed).</p>
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 262 mg/m³ (200 ppm) Time Weighted Average (TWA) and 328 mg/m³ (250 ppm) Short-Term Exposure Limits (STEL) (Safe Work Australia).</p>

International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>The following were identified (Galleria Chemica):</p> <p>250-270 mg/m³ (200 ppm) TWA in USA, Canada, Denmark, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, South Africa, Spain, Singapore, Taiwan, Sweden, Malta, Malaysia, Latvia, Japan, Indonesia, India, Iceland, Egypt, Ireland, Mexico, Philippines and Switzerland;</p> <p>250-350 mg/m³ (250-328 ppm) STEL in USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Greece, South Africa, Singapore, Sweden, India, Egypt and Mexico;</p> <p>50 mg/m³ TWA in Bulgaria;</p> <p>100 mg/m³ TWA and 300 mg/m³ STEL in Poland;</p> <p>133 mg/m³ TWA in Netherlands;</p> <p>25 mg/m³ TWA and 50 mg/m³ STEL in China;</p> <p>1300 mg/m³ (1000 ppm) STEL in France; and</p> <p>1040 mg/m³ STEL in Hungary and Switzerland.</p>
Australian Food Standards	No Australian food standards were identified (FSANZ 2013)
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for methanol in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Methanol is expected to be readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. The Log Kow for methanol is -0.82 to -0.64. Thus, methanol does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The EC50s from the acute aquatic toxicity data on methanol are >1 mg/L, hence does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Polyethylene glycol

Chemical and Physical Properties	
CAS number	25322-68-3
Molecular formula	(C ₂ H ₄ O) _n H ₂ O
Molecular weight	UVCB
Solubility in water	40 g/L @ 30 °C
Melting point	-10 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	870 °C at 101.3 kPa
Vapour pressure	0 Pa @ 25 °C
Henrys law constant	
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Odourless, viscous transparent organic liquid
Overview	<p>Polyethylene glycols, also known as PEGs, are clear, colourless, thick liquids to waxy solids, depending on the molecular weight. The molecular weight of PEGs ranges from 200 to over 6000. Some may have a faint odour and bitter taste. PEGs mix easily with water.</p> <p>PEGs are important commercial chemicals. They are used to make other chemicals, paper coatings, solvents, plasticizers and used in many household products, cosmetics and pharmaceuticals. One formulation, PEG 3500, is used as a laxative. PEGs are also used as food and animal feed additives.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Koc value of PEG was estimated as 10 L/kg by means of MCI method. This indicates that PEG will have a negligible tendency of sorption to soil and sediment and therefore have rapid migration potential to groundwater. The estimated half-life of the substance indicates that the substance is rapidly hydrolysable.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>The substance PEG exhibits repeated dose toxicity by oral, dermal and inhalation route.</p> <p>A study was designed to investigate the subacute repeated dose toxicity effects of Polyethylene Glycols (PEG 400) in Wistar rats (male/female) by oral route, in an overall study period of 90 days. Dose group (5 animals per group) was fed a solution of PEG400 equivalent to 0, 2000, 4000, 8000, 16000 or 24000 mg/kg/day in the diet. The control group received no polyethylene glycol. During the study period, body weight as a ratio to the amount of nutrient consumed, body weight, liver weight, kidney weight, micro pathology of liver and kidneys were examined. No effects upon male and female rats were observed when PEG 400 was present in the diet at a level up to 8000 mg/kg/day (8% concentration) for 90 days study period. But at 16000 mg/kg/day it showed effects on organ weight (liver and kidney heavier than that of control rats); and a decrease in weight gain was observed. Thus, from overall conclusion of the study the NOAEL (no observed adverse effect level) for repeated dose oral toxicity was considered to be 8000 mg/kg/day. And the LOAEL (low observed adverse effect level) for subacute repeated dose toxicity was considered to be 16000 mg/kg/day.</p> <p>Rats were exposed to airborne concentrations of 100 mg/m³ and 1000 mg/m³ of PEG-200 for periods up to 13 weeks. Toxicological, physiological, hematological, blood chemical, and pathological effects were evaluated during the course of the exposures. No significant lesions observed in this study occurred exclusively in exposed animals and the severity of lesions which were found was not dose-related. It is our impression that there were no PEG 200 induced lesions in rat tissue at the dosage level and exposure/post exposure periods evaluated in this study. Organ:body weight ratios in rats at all concentrations and for the 6- and 13-week exposure periods and the 30-day post exposure period showed no pattern of significance that could be related to PEG 200. The mice organ:body weights for the 6-week exposure period are unavailable. No pattern of significance could be related to PEG 200 exposure for the 13-week or the 30-day post exposure periods. There were no consistently significant changes in rat blood chemistry at the end of the 6- or 13-week exposures or the 30-day post exposure period. It appears that PEG-200 produced no positive effects in the rodents at the 100 and 1000 mg/m³ PEG 200 concentrations over the 13 weeks of exposure used in this study. Thus it is concluded that the NOAEC value of PEG-200 in rats was observed at dose level of 1000 mg/m³.</p> <p>The NOAEL value of PEG in rabbit was observed at dose level of 760 mg/kg bw/day. The supporting study indicates the TDLo (TDLo - Lowest published toxic dose) of PEG was observed at a dose concentration of 30 mL/kg (30000 mg/kg) in a 30 days study period where the dosage of PEG was intermittently given to rodent-rabbit by the dermal route (full study is not available). Considering the above results it is concluded that PEG is non-toxic by dermal route.</p>
Carcinogenicity	No data available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	PEG was found to be non-genotoxic.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	The one generation reproductive toxicity NOAEL (no observed adverse effect level) of PEG in rat was observed at a dose concentration of 1698.09 mg/kg bw/day. On the basis of this NOAEL value it indicates that PEG does not exhibit toxic effects to rat below the above mention dose.
Acute Toxicity	Acute toxicity of PEG to mouse by the oral route indicates that the substance does not exhibit acute toxicity by the oral route. Similarly the acute values of inhalation also indicate that the substance does not exhibit acute toxicity by the inhalative route. Thus, it can be inferred that the target substance is non-toxic to any of the oral, dermal and inhalation route of exposure.
Irritation	The available studies indicate that the substance PEG is not classified as a skin and eye irritant according to CLP regulation within the dose levels mentioned in the study.
Sensitisation	In the human repeat insult patch test 216 subjects were enrolled and 200 subsequently completed the study. PEG 200 caused some degree of sensitization response in 1 of the 200 subjects. This subject was a 61 year old white woman.

Health Effects Summary	PEG is non acute toxic to oral, dermal and inhalation route, shows no irritation effect to skin and eye, is not genotoxic and is not developmental and reproductive toxic.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>Oral: In chronic repeated dose toxicity study by polyethylene glycols (PEG) 400 showed no effect upon male and female dogs when present in the diet at a level of 500 mg/kg/day (2% concentration) for one year. Thus NOAELs (no observed adverse effect level) for repeated dose oral toxicity was considered to be 500 mg/kg/day.</p> <p>Inhalation: The NOAEC value of PEG-200 in rats was observed at dose level of 1000 mg/m³.</p> <p>Dermal: The NOAEL value of PEG in rabbit was observed at dose level of 760 mg/kg bw/day.</p>
Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	The toxicity values of fish, invertebrates and algae are LC50 = 100 mg/L, LC50 = 1000 mg/L and EC 50 = 15.91 mg/L, respectively.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Acute LC50 values are reported for fish, aquatic invertebrates, and freshwater algae. Since there is valid acute toxicity data for three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1000 is used (in accordance with EU guidance). Based on the EC50 for freshwater algae (the most sensitive species in short term tests), the aquatic PNEC is 15.91 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ¹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. PEG is non persistent in nature and so is considered to have rapid biodegradation in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. The calculated BCF of PEG is 3.2 dimensionless and below the threshold of 2000.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Acute toxicity data >1 mg/L in fish, invertebrates and algae, thus PEG does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium bisulfite

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	7631-90-5
Molecular formula	H2O3S.Na
Molecular weight	104.06
Solubility in water	724 g/L @ 20 °C
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	No data available.
Overview	<p>Sulfites in aqueous solutions involve complex equilibria among the different species of sulfur oxidation state IV. The composition of their mixture in solutions depends on the pH and temperature. Sulfur dioxide may be produced from sulfites at low pH. At a pH closer to 7, the concentration ratio of bisulfite (HSO₃⁻) to sulfur dioxide (SO₂) is very high (Gunnison and Jacobsen, 1987).</p> <p>Sulfites occur naturally in some foods and beverages as a result of fermentation (e.g. in beer and wine). A small percentage of the population (up to 1 %) is sensitive to sulfites (FDA, cited in Grotheer et al., 2005), as sulfur dioxide may be generated from sulfites in the stomach at low pH (Simon, 1986). The sensitivity to sulfur dioxide can cause a wide range of reactions in humans ranging from mild to severe dermatological, pulmonary, gastrointestinal, or cardiovascular symptoms (Grotheer et al., 2005).</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>The substance has a very low vapour pressure, and also does not sublime. Therefore, the substance will not be present as a gas and no radical reactions can be expected. According to its chemical properties, hydrolysis is not expected/probable. Photodegradation in water is not relevant because it dissociates rapidly into ions and decomposes in water, and it not susceptible to visible light.</p> <p>The substance is an inorganic compound which does not undergo biodegradation. The substance readily dissociates in aqueous solution, as with soil moisture. Bioaccumulation is not to be expected. a low log Kow underlines this statement.</p> <p>Due to the ionic salt-character and other physico-chemical properties (negligible vapour pressure, very high water solubility and decomposition in water), the Henry constant is near to zero. Because of its ionic nature, sodium hydrogensulfite as well as its dissociation products are not volatile from aqueous solutions. Relevant adsorption onto soils, sediments or suspended matter is not expected.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Based on the data available for sodium metabisulfite, Sulfites are not considered to cause serious damage to health by repeated oral and inhalation exposure.</p> <p>In an 8-week study, SD rats (normal and sulfite oxidase enzyme—which oxidises sulfite to sulfate—deficient) were exposed to sodium metabisulfite (CAS No. 7681-57-4) or a mixture containing sodium metabisulfite and acetaldehyde hydroxysulfonate, in drinking water at doses of 0, 7, 70 or 175 mg/kg bw/day (as SO₂). A no observed effect level (NOEL) for sodium metabisulfite was established as 70 mg/kg bw/day (as SO₂) for all treated rats (normal and enzyme deficient), based on severe gastric lesions, significant body weight reduction and increased urine excretion with sulfites observed at the highest dose. The NOEL for the mixture was 7 mg/kg bw/day (as SO₂) for enzyme-deficient rats, based on severe gastric and hepatic lesions at higher doses. At necropsy, lung oedema was observed in sodium metabisulfite treated, enzyme-deficient rats (Hui et al., 1989 cited in CIR, 2003).</p> <p>Groups of six rats (Sprague Dawley) were exposed to sodium sulfite (CAS No: 7757-83-7) aerosols with a particle size of approximately 1 µm at concentrations of 0.1, 1, 5 or 15 mg/m³ for three days. Mild pulmonary oedema at 5 mg/m³ and irritation of the tracheal epithelium at 15 mg/m³ were observed (CIR, 2003).</p> <p>In a repeated dose study, eight dogs (beagle) were exposed to 1 mg/m³ of sodium metabisulfite (CAS No: 7681-57-4) aerosols with a mass median aerodynamic diameter (MMAD) of 0.63 µm for 290 days. Severe epithelial changes were observed with hyperplastic foci in the respiratory region of the nasal cavity. An increase in the nonciliated cell numbers in the membranous portion of the trachea of the animals was also observed. No other effects were reported (CIR, 2003).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>Based on a 104-week repeated dose toxicity study in rats, with up to 2 % sodium bisulfite in the diet, sodium bisulfite is not considered carcinogenic to rats (OECD, 2001).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>Based on the data available, Sulfites are not considered to be genotoxic. A mixture of sodium bisulfite (CAS No. 7631-90-5) and sodium sulfite (1:3) was tested at concentrations of 0.05–1 mmol/L in human peripheral lymphocytes. Positive results were obtained for chromosomal aberrations: micronucleus formation, and sister chromatid exchange (WHO, 1999). In an in vitro unscheduled DNA synthesis test with rat hepatocytes (OECD TG 486), and in an in vivo micronucleus test (OECD TG 474), sodium bisulfite (CAS No. 7631-90-5) did not show any evidence of mutagenicity (SCCNFP, 2003). Sodium bisulfite gave both positive and negative results in the mutagenicity testing. The positive results in Salmonella typhimurium strains containing his-G46 and his-D6610 mutations, and in some E.coli strains were suggested to be due to the presence of sulfuric acid under acidic conditions. At a neutral pH and lower concentrations, sodium bisulfite was not mutagenic to these strains. However, sodium bisulfite alone gave negative results in all in vivo studies with mammalian systems (rats and mice) (CIR, 2003).</p>
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>Based on the data available, Sulfites are not considered to cause reproductive or developmental toxicity. Pregnant rats (Wistar) were exposed by gavage to sodium bisulfite (CAS No. 7631-90-5) at 0, 1, 5, 24, or 110 mg/kg bw/day on days 6–15 of gestation. The NOAEL for maternal toxicity or embryo foetotoxicity was 110 mg/kg bw/day. A NOAEL of 123 mg/kg bw/day was established in a study with pregnant rabbits (Dutch belted) exposed to sodium metabisulfite (CAS No. 7681-57-4) at 0, 1.23, 5.71, 26.5 or 123 mg/kg bw/day on days 6–18 of gestation. In both these studies, there were no treatment related effects reported on nidation (nesting behaviour), maternal or foetal survival. The number of abnormalities in soft or skeletal tissues of the treated groups were similar to controls (OECD, 2001).</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Sodium bisulfite has an oral LD50 of 2000 mg/kg bw in rats (ChemIDplus).</p> <p>Based on the limited data available, sulfites are considered to be of low acute dermal toxicity. The LD50 for sodium metabisulfite in rats is >2000 mg/kg bw. Sulfites exhibit low acute toxicity in animal tests (US EPA, 2007).</p> <p>Based on the limited data available, no conclusion can be made on the acute inhalation toxicity of the chemicals in this group. A group of guinea pigs was exposed (whole body) for one hour to 0.204, 0.395 or 1.152 mg/m³ of sodium sulfite (CAS No. 7757-83-7) aerosols with a mass median aerodynamic diameter (MMAD) of 0.36 µm. The chemical caused dose-related changes in the lung capacity parameters (bronchoconstriction) with a lowest observed adverse effect concentration (LOAEC) of 0.204 mg/m³ (Chen et al., 1987 cited in CIR, 2003). Sodium bisulfite are classified as hazardous with the risk phrase 'Contact with acid liberates toxic gas' (Xi; R31) in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>No data are available on respiratory tract irritation from a single exposure. A 3-day repeated dose study indicated irritation of the tracheal epithelium in rats from exposure to sodium sulfite (CAS No. 7757-83-7) aerosols at 15 mg/m³ (CIR, 2003). In acute dermal irritation studies (OECD TG 404) with sodium sulfite, sodium bisulfite and potassium sulfite, no skin irritation was observed in albino rabbits (SCCNFP, 2003).</p> <p>In acute eye irritation studies (OECD TG 405) with sodium sulfite and sodium bisulfite in rabbits, slight to severe effects in the cornea and the iris in most of the exposed animals persisted during the observation periods (eight and 15 days, respectively). Slight to moderate conjunctival effects (erythema and oedema) were also observed up to the end of the observation periods. Due to the persistency of eye effects, especially of increased corneal opacity, both chemicals were considered as severe eye irritants (SCCNFP, 2003).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on the available data, Sulfites are not likely to be skin sensitisers.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Severe eye irritation effects; acute oral toxicity; and the possibility of liberating toxic gas when the chemical is in contact with acids.</p> <p>Sensitivity to sulfites that causes allergic reactions in a small percentage of the population should also be considered.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The main critical effects to human health are severe eye irritation and acute oral toxicity. The chemicals in this group will liberate toxic gas when in contact with acid and therefore may cause effects in individuals with a high acid content in the stomach.</p> <p>A small percentage of the population (up to 1 %) are sensitive to sulfites (FDA, cited in Grotheer et al., 2005). Those who have asthma are most at risk to sulfite sensitivity and other forms of sulfite reactions. This sensitivity can cause a wide range of allergic reactions ranging from mild to severe.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ²</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>Acute and chronic toxicity data were available for the three main aquatic trophic levels that are considered for classification purposes. Classification is based on the lowest acute and chronic value, referred to as the acute and chronic toxicity reference value (TRV).</p> <p>The lowest acute effect concentration was observed for the alga <i>S. subspicatus</i> (72h-EC50), and was 36.8 mg sodium sulfite/L. Translating this value to HNaSO₃ results in an acute TRV of 47.9 mg/L for this substance.</p> <p>For sulfite/disulfite compounds, the lowest chronic value was a NOEC of >8.41 mg sodium sulfite/L for the invertebrate <i>D. magna</i>. Translating this value to HNaSO₃ results in a chronic TRV of 10.9 mg/L for this substance, i.e., > 1 mg/L.</p>

Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>The lowest value for chronic toxicity was an unbounded NOEC of 8.41 mg sodium sulfite/L. Applying the AF of 10 results in a PNECaquatic of 0.84 mg sodium sulfite/L. Translating this value to HNaSO₃ gives a PNECaquatic of 1.09 mg test substance/L.</p> <p>As the lowest NOEC-value is an unbounded value (i.e., no effect was noted at the highest test concentration), this value can be considered as a worst-case estimate. Further refinement of the NOEC-value for daphnids could increase the PNECaquatic up to a maximum value of 2.8 mg sodium sulfite/L (i.e., an assessment factor of 10 on the algal 72h-EC₁₀ value), which is equivalent to 3.64 mg test substance/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>Sodium bisulfite is classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia):</p> <p>Sodium bisulfite (CAS No. 7631-90-5): Xn; R22 (acute toxicity) Xi; R31 (contact with acid liberates toxic gas)</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>Sodium bisulfite has an exposure standard of 5 mg/m³ time weighted average (TWA). The exposure standard for sulfur dioxide of 5.2 mg/m³ (2 ppm) (TWA) is also relevant to uses of these chemicals that may generate sulfur dioxide.</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>An exposure limit (OEL, TWA, STEL, PEL or STV) of 5–10 mg/m³ in different countries such as USA, United Kingdom, Canada, Ireland, Spain, Norway and Switzerland.</p>
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ²	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic substance)
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic substance)
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic substance)
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
Revised	January 2019

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Toxicity Summary - Sodium chloride

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,4}	
CAS number	7647-14-5
Molecular formula	NaCl
Molecular weight	58.44 g/mol
Solubility in water	3.57 x 10 ⁵ g/m ³ at 25oC
pH	In aqueous solution is neutral
Melting point	1 mm Hg at 865oC
Boiling point	1670 °C
Vapour pressure	No data found
Henry's law constant	No data found
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	light brown liquid or colourless crystals
Overview	<p>Sodium, together with potassium is an essential mineral for the regulation of body fluid balance. Sodium is the most abundant cation in the extracellular fluid and sodium salts account for more than 90% of the osmotically active solute in the plasma and interstitial fluid. Consequently, sodium load is the major determinant of extracellular volume. Chloride is also important in maintaining the fluid balance and is an essential component of the gastric and intestinal secretions Sodium chloride occurs naturally as rock salt which comprises 95% to 99% NaCl. It is also widely used in food products. The NHMRC has established dietary guidelines for the intake of sodium per day (adults should consume less than 2300 mg sodium per day).</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Due to its high solubility, sodium chloride is highly mobile in the environment. Once dissociated, chloride ions will migrate readily, however sodium ions will sorb to clay-rich materials limiting mobility. If released into the environment, sodium chloride is not likely to sorb to solid particles in the water column, is readily dissociated to form chloride and sodium ions, is not bioaccumulative in aquatic species or the food chain.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	High sodium chloride intakes increase calcium excretion and may increase the risk of kidney stone formation. There is evidence for a causal relationship between the consumption of sodium (mainly from common salt) and both blood pressure and the age-related rise in blood pressure. Data suggest that 30% of a normotensive population may be salt sensitive. Sodium chloride has been demonstrated to be a gastric tumour promoter in experimental animals and high sodium chloride intakes have been associated with incidence of stomach cancer in human populations with traditional diets of highly concentrated, salted foods.
Carcinogenicity	Not listed with IARC.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No data available.
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.
Acute Toxicity	No data available.
Irritation	Although rare, acute toxicity may be caused by ingestion of 500 – 1000 mg sodium chloride/kg body weight. Symptoms include vomiting, ulceration of the gastrointestinal tract, muscle weakness and renal damage, leading to dehydration, metabolic acidosis and severe peripheral and central neural effects.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	Sodium is an essential mineral for the regulation of body fluid balance. This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian drinking water guideline value for sodium and chloride may apply.
Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3,4}	
Aquatic Toxicity	A large number of studies are available in relation to the aquatic toxicity of sodium chloride with the USEPA ECOTOX database identifying 1712 records. The evaluation of ecological effects of sodium chloride has been evaluated in detail for the assessment of the use of rock salt in the US on roadways during the winter months. The following has been summarised from the US review: The presence of sodium chloride may result in the increased mobilisation of other contaminants (metals, nutrients etc) and a shift in the acid buffering capacity may compromise aquatic ecosystems. Most sensitive species are birds where a safe concentration of 1000 mg/L sodium chloride can be established. Salt tolerance of aquatic species varies significantly with EC50 concentrations ranging from 400 to 30000 mg/L. The measured acute endpoint for Fish was reported at 1290 mg/L. The measured NOEC for Daphnia is 314 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis of the chronic results for Daphnia, an assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 314 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 3.14 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available

Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment ⁴	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Sodium chloride is an organic salt that dissociates completely to sodium and chloride ions in aqueous solutions. Biodegradation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; both sodium and chloride ions are also ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment. The persistent criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Sodium and chloride ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. Thus, sodium chloride is not expected to bioaccumulate.
T criteria fulfilled?	The measured chronic toxicity data for sodium chloride was 314 mg/L for Daphnia. Thus, sodium chloride does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
Revised	April 2018

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Toxicity Summary - Sodium hydroxide

Chemical and Physical Properties	
CAS number	1310-73-2
Molecular formula	Na-O-H
Product name	40 g/mol
Molecular weight	1.11E+06 mg/L at 20C
Solubility in water	13
Melting point	318 °C
Boiling point	1388 °C
Vapour pressure	Negligible at 25 deg C
Henrys law constant	No data found.
Explosive potential	No
Flammability potential	No
Colour/Form	Anhydrous (pure) NaOH is a solid – <i>refer melting point above</i> . However it is a hygroscopic, ionic solid, and will absorb water from air and is highly soluble
Incompatibility	Avoid contact of solid NaOH with water due to strong exothermic reaction, leather, wood, acids, organic halogen compounds or organic nitro compounds. Carbon monoxide gas can form upon contact with reducing sugars, food and beverage products in enclosed spaces. NaOH is neither explosive, flammable, nor oxidising.
Overview	Vegetable oil refining, regenerating iron exchange resins, organic fusions, peeling of fruits and vegetables in the food industry, etching and electroplating.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Sodium hydroxide is highly soluble, not volatile and unlikely to materially adsorb to soil and is therefore predominately found in the aquatic environment if released to the environment. NaOH will readily dissociate to be present in the environment as sodium and hydroxyl ions, both being ubiquitous in the environment. NaOH is a strong alkali, so it's dissolution in water may locally raise the pH of the affected environment. The dissolution reaction is also strongly exothermic.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>No animal data are available on repeated dose toxicity studies by oral or dermal routes for sodium hydroxide. In a repeat dose inhalation study, twenty seven white rats died within a month, mostly from bronchopneumonia, after being exposed twice weekly to an aerosol of unknown airborne concentration of sodium hydroxide, generated from an aqueous 40% sodium hydroxide solution (NIOSH 1975). When exposed to an aerosol generated from a 20% sodium hydroxide solution, the bronchi were dilated, the epithelial cover was thin and frequently desquamated, and the septa were dilated and cracked. A light round cell infiltration of the sub-mucus membrane tissue was also observed. Few changes occurred in a group of rats exposed to aerosols from 10% sodium hydroxide, but rats exposed to an aerosol of 5% sodium hydroxide had dilation of the bronchi and a slight degeneration of the mucus membrane and thickened strata of lymphadenoid tissue surrounding the bronchi. A NOAEL could not be established in this study.</p> <p>Workers exposed to 0.24 to 1.86 mg/m³ sodium hydroxide for 2 to 15 minutes reported throat irritation and watery eyes (NIOSH 1975). Based on the observations of the irritant effects on workers exposed to 1 to 40 mg/m³ sodium hydroxide, it was concluded that 2 mg/m³ represented a concentration that is 'noticeably but not extensively irritant' (NIOSH 1975). Obstructive airway disease has been reported following chronic occupational exposure to sodium hydroxide mist (IPCS 1996). The patient developed cough, dyspnoea and tachypnoea after a 20-year exposure to sodium hydroxide.</p>
Carcinogenicity	IARC Category 3 - not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In vitro and vivo genetic toxicity testing reported no evidence of mutagenic activity.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No valid studies were identified regarding reproduction toxicity after oral, dermal or inhalation exposure to NaOH. Sodium hydroxide is not expected to be systemically available to the body under normal handling and use conditions.
Acute Toxicity	<p>Exposure to the solid or concentrated liquid can cause severe burns to the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract which may cause death. An oral LD50 of a 1-10% solution of NaOH in rabbits was 325 mg/kg bw (as 100% NaOH). An oral LD50 of 140 to 340 mg/kg in rats has also been reported (National Research Council 2011), however details of the study are not available.</p> <p>In an acute dermal study, mice were treated dermally with 50% sodium hydroxide, and the treated area was irrigated with water at various intervals (OECD 2002). The mortality of mice was 20, 40, 80 and 71% when they were irrigated at 30 minutes, one hour, two hours or not at all after the application. All animals developed rapidly progressive burns. No mortality or burns were observed when the treated area was irrigated immediately after the application. A 5% aqueous solution of sodium hydroxide produced severe necrosis when applied to the skin of rabbits for four hours (Clayton and Clayton 1993). A dermal LD50 of 1350 mg/kg has been reported in rabbits (National Research Council 2011), however details of the study are not available.</p> <p>Caustic dusts are irritating to the upper respiratory system. Prolonged exposure to high concentrations may cause discomfort and ulceration of nasal passages. Cases of fatality due to ingestion of liquid sodium hydroxide have been reported in humans.</p>
Irritation	Sodium hydroxide is a corrosive irritant to skin, eyes and mucous membranes. A NaOH solution of 8% can be considered corrosive based on animal data. Human data indicate that concentrations of 0.5 to 4% were irritating.
Sensitisation	Sodium hydroxide has no skin sensitisation potential.

Health Effects Summary	<p>An oral LD50 of 325 mg/kg in rats and a dermal LD50 of 1350 mg/kg in rabbits were reported for sodium hydroxide. Lethality has been reported in animals at oral doses of 240 mg/kg bw. Inhalational LC50 is not available.</p> <p>Sodium hydroxide is corrosive to skin, eyes and gastrointestinal and respiratory tracts. Based on human data, concentrations of 0.5 to 4.0% are irritating to the skin, while a concentration of 8.0% is corrosive. Sodium hydroxide is not a skin sensitiser.</p> <p>No animal data were available on repeated dose toxicity by oral or dermal routes for sodium hydroxide. In the single reported repeat dose inhalation study, a NOAEL could not be established.</p> <p>Both in vitro and in vivo genetic toxicity tests indicated no evidence of a mutagenic activity. Information is not available on reproductive and developmental toxicity and carcinogenicity of sodium hydroxide.</p> <p>Due to dissociation into ions which are subject to homeostatic controls in the human body, systemic effects from repeated exposures to sodium hydroxide are not expected. The critical health effect of sodium hydroxide is its corrosive effect.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No oral TRV apply. Acute toxicity only (irritant and corrosive), not systemically available in body. The Australian drinking water guideline value for pH may apply to sodium hydroxide.
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Measured acute endpoints were available for fish (196 mg/L).</p> <p>Measured chronic endpoint were available for Daphnia (240 mg/L)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	An assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported NOEC of 240 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNECaquatic is 24 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	C: R35 (Corrosive, causes severe burns)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Sodium hydroxide has an exposure standard of 2 mg/m ³ , Time Weighted Average (Safe Work Australia 2013).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) or limit values in working environment of 2 mg/m³</p> <p>[Argentina, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, India, Japan and the US (NIOSH 1975)].</p> <p>Occupational exposure standard: 2 mg/m³ [Korea]</p> <p>Occupational exposure limit values: 0.5 mg/m³ [Latvia]</p> <p>Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL): 2 mg/m³ [UK]</p> <p>US Department of Energy Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs) = 0.5 mg/m³ (TEEL-0 and TEEL-1), 5 mg/m³ (TEEL-2) and 50 mg/m³ (TEEL-3).</p>
Australian Food Standards	Processing aids - Generally permitted - permitted for use as acidity regulator (FSANZ 2013). Sodium hydroxide is allotted an International Numbering System (INS) of food additives number: INS 524 (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found. However, since sodium hydroxide readily dissociates in water into sodium and hydroxyl ions, the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines for sodium state that, based on aesthetic considerations (taste), the concentration of sodium in drinking water should not exceed 180 mg/L (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011). No health-based guideline value is proposed for sodium.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found.
Occupational Exposure Limits	Peak limitation – 2 mg/m ³
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic salt, ionic species ubiquitous in environment)
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; sodium and hydroxide ions are ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment.

T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium hydroxide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT

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Toxicity Summary - Sodium iodide

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	7681-82-5
Molecular formula	INa
Molecular weight	149.92
Solubility in water	165 – 1,800 g/L @ 25 °C
Melting point	651 - 659 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	1,304 °C at 101.3 kPa
Vapour pressure	-1.301 @ 25 °C
Henry's law constant	0.015 Pa.m ³ .mol ⁻¹ @ 25 °C
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Solid, colourless cubic crystals, odourless
Overview	<p>Iodides are used by the thyroid gland in hormone production. Iodides have been utilized to treat iodine disorders, hyperthyroidism, bacterial, fungal or protozoal infections and also were traditionally as expectorants because of their stimulatory effects on bronchial secretions.</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that it was low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ²	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Sodium iodide is very stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage. The phototransformation in air is irrelevant to sodium iodide, because few sodium iodide can be distributed in air for the low vapour pressure and high water solubility.</p> <p>Hydrolysis is not a concern to such inorganic substance which can be completely ionized in water phase. sodium iodide will completely dissociate in water giving sodium ion and iodide anion.</p> <p>The sodium iodide is readily absorbed by organisms as Na⁺ and I⁻, which are both small (an)ions and well known to not likely to be bioaccumulative. Based on the intrinsic prosperities of sodium iodide, the substance can be expected to have a low potential for adsorption (completely ionized to small ions in water phase). The sodium ion and iodide anion are uniformly distributed in water phase. In the air, these two basic (an)ions is negligible, due to high water solubility and low vapour pressure. To sediment and soil phases, these two (an)ions are mostly distributed in the pore water.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>The most likely route for human exposure is via digestion, so the dermal and inhalation route are irrelevant in the repeated toxicity assessment.</p> <p>Boyages et al. (1989) compared thyroid status in groups of children 7–15 years of age who resided in two areas of China where drinking-water iodide concentrations were either 462.5 µg/l (n = 120) or 54 µg/l (n =51). Urinary iodine concentrations were 1236 µg/g creatinine in the high-iodine group and 428 µg/g creatinine in the low-iodine group. Although the subjects were all euthyroid, with normal values for serum thyroid hormones and TSH concentrations, TSH concentrations were significantly higher (P < 0.05) in the high-iodine group. The high-iodine group had a 65% prevalence of goitre and a 15% prevalence of Grade 2 goitre compared with 15% for goitre and 0% for Grade 2 goitre in the low-iodine group. To transform the measured urinary iodine levels into estimates of iodine intakes, steady state baseline dietary intakes of iodide were assumed to be equivalent to the reported 24 h urinary iodine excretion rates.</p> <p>Assuming a body weight of 40 kg and lean body mass of 85% of body weight, the urinary iodine/creatinine ratios reported by Boyages et al. (1989) can be converted to approximate equivalent intake rates of 1150 µg/day (0.029 mg/kg body weight per day) and 400 µg/day (0.01 mg/kg body weight per day) for the high- and low-iodine groups, respectively. Thus, the NOAEL for this study is considered to be 0.01 mg/kg body weight per day.</p> <p>From the Boyages et al. (1989) study, supported by the studies of Gardner et al. (1988), Paul et al. (1988), and others, a TDI of 0.01 mg/kg body weight, based upon reversible subclinical hypothyroidism, can be established by dividing the NOAEL of 0.01 mg/kg body weight per day by an uncertainty factor of 1.</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>A chronic toxicity and carcinogenicity study, in which male and female F344/DuCrj rats were administered iodide (KI) in the drinking water at concentrations of 0, 10, 100 or 1000 ppm for 104 weeks was conducted. In the test, neither focal hyperplasias, adenomas nor carcinomas derived from the follicular epithelium were increased, despite the fact that iodide was administered for 2 yr. It was therefore concluded that long-term treatment of iodide per se does not result in thyroid tumour induction in rats. In contrast, SCCs were observed in the submandibular gland in the 1000 ppm groups of both sexes, along with focal acinar atrophy and/or ductular proliferation, frequently accompanied by squamous metaplasia. Based on the fact that the cell proliferation of these proliferating ductules was higher in cases with metaplasia, and the evidence of a morphological continuum from meta-plasias to squamous cell carcinomas, a histogenetic relationship is suspected, which was also described in previous investigation (Takegawa et al., 1998).</p> <p>Based on these findings, it suggests that excess iodide has a thyroid tumour-promoting effect, but iodide per se does not induce thyroid tumours in rats. In the salivary gland, iodide was suggested to have carcinogenic potential via an epigenetic mechanism, only active at a high dose (1000 ppm in drinking water).</p> <p>The default value of volume of drinking water for rat is well accepted of 10 ml/100g bw·day, and the average body weight for rat is 250g. Based on these the LOAEL for salivary glands for carcinogenicity is proposed to be 100 mg/kg bw·day of iodide by drinking water</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>The mutagenic potential for iodide (in potassium iodide) was studied using the L5178Y mouse (TK+/-) lymphoma assay (Kessler et al., 1980), The established mutagens ethylmethanesulphonate (EMS) and dimethylnitrosamine (DMN) were highly active in this assay, whereas iodide (KI) was inactive. Using the BALB/c 3T3 transformation assay well assessed the transformational capacities of these same agents and the positive mutagen N-ethyl-N-nitro-N-nitrosoguanidine (MNNG). All concentrations of the iodide tested were inactive in this assay it can be concluded that KI did not possess any biologically significant mutagenic cell transforming ability.</p> <p>Another study (J.M. Poul, and P. Sanders, 2004) on genotoxic effects of potassium iodide was conducted in vitro using the alkaline comet assay at concentration of 0.625, 1.25, 2.5, 5 and 10 mM. Additionally in the test cell viability was also measured using the Trypan blue exclusion method and expressed as proportion of total cells. The test results showed that potassium iodide did not induced DNA damage or cytotoxicity in the alkaline comet assay for doses up to 10 mM.</p> <p>In the same study, the chromosome damage effects of potassium iodide were evaluated in vitro using cytokinesis-block micronucleus test at concentration of 0.625, 1.25, 2.5, 5 and 10 mM. Additionally in the test cytotoxicity was also measured by the binucleated (BN) cell ratio between treated and control slides. The test results showed that potassium iodide did not induce chromosome damage or cytotoxicity in the alkaline comet assay for doses up to 10 mM.</p> <p>In an in vivo chromosome aberration test on embryonic hepatocytes, Stable iodine of 10 mg/kg is administered to the rats 7 days after fertilization. Then the embryonic liver was homogenated and the cells in metaphase were stained and checked under metaphase. The chromosome aberration cells were counted respectively for the concentration group and control group. The chromosome aberration rate in the concentration group was compared with that in the control group. The result showed there was no significant difference between iodide dosed group with the control group.</p> <p>Therefore, it can be concluded that the iodide has neither genetic toxicity nor cytotoxicity to mammalian cells.</p>
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<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Iodide (KI) was fed to male and female rats before and during breeding, to females only during gestation and lactation, and to their offspring after weaning (day 21 after birth) through to day 90, at levels of 0, 0.025, 0.05 or 0.1% (w/w) of the diet.</p> <p>There was no evidence suggesting that potassium iodide was embryotoxic. Litter size was significantly reduced, but birth weights and external morphology among those born alive were not significantly altered.</p> <p>No change in thyroid weight was observed indicating that these doses were not overtly thyrotoxic. Thyroid hormones were not assessed, however, and it is possible that thyroid function could have been altered in these animals. Nevertheless, the data are consistent with a picture of impaired thyroid function.</p> <p>Several tests of post-weaning behaviour showed effects at the lowest dose, 0.025 % potassium iodide. M-maze errors were increased at this dose and rotorod performance decreased. However, because these effects were not found at the higher doses it appears unlikely that they were related to potassium iodide. At present, these effects can only be described as 'false positives'.</p> <p>The only effect on post-weaning behaviour that appeared to be consistently related to potassium iodide exposure was the reduction in nocturnal running-wheel activity found among the tested females. It may be that female cyclicality makes them more sensitive to the influence of chronic moderate iodide exposure than males and this could explain the contrast with the results of an acute test of activity and exploration, the open-field test, on which no consistent iodide-related effects were found.</p> <p>According to REACH guidance "R 10.8 of Guidance on information requirements and chemical safety assessment Chapter R.10: Characterisation of dose [concentration]-response for environment" The NOAEL can be calculated with the equation $R\ 10-7: NOAEL(mg/kg\ bw\ day) = NOEC\ (mg/kg\ food)/CONV$</p> <p>Where NOEC (mg/kg food) is 0.1, and CONV for <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (> 6 weeks) is 20, and 10 for <i>Rattus norvegicus</i> (≤6 weeks). Therefore under this study the NOAEL for rats is 50 mg/kg bw day (developmental).</p> <p>In another study, twenty-five thyroiditis-prone BB/W rats were prenatally and postnatally exposed to iodine in drinking-water at dosages equivalent to 0, 0.059, or 59 mg/kg body weight per day for about 12 weeks. An increase in the number of lysosomes and lipid droplets was observed in the treated animals, especially in the higher exposure group. However, the test organism is not healthy, as well as not enough information in the study, the effects cannot be considered to be dose related.</p> <p>Additionally, old studies were conducted with rabbits hamsters, rats and swine (Arrington LR, et al., 1965) to determine the effects of excess iodine intake. Females were bred to normal males, potassium or sodium iodide was added to the diet during the latter portion of gestation and the females were permitted to litter normally. Observations were made for length of gestation, parturition time, lactation and survival of young.</p> <p>250 to 1000 ppm iodide fed for 2 to 5 days caused increasing mortality of new born rabbits. Hamsters were not affected by 2500 ppm iodine except for slightly reduced feed intake and decreased weaning weight of the young. Gestation time for rats and hamsters was not affected by iodine. Female rats and rabbits re-bred after removal from dietary iodine produced and nursed litters normally. Swine were not affected by dietary levels of iodine which were toxic to rabbits and rats.</p> <p>In conclusion, the iodide is not reproductive, embryonic toxicity, but the developmental toxicity was shown under concentration of 0.1% in diet, corresponding NOAEL as 50 mg/kg bw day (developmental).</p>
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Acute Toxicity	<p>The most relevant study on vertebrates by oral route is a company study (A. Hausner, G. Weise, and A. Hofmann, 1980). In the test the effects of iodide were studied in male and female Wistar rats. 10 male and 10 female in each dose and control groups were administrated with potassium iodide for 14 days at dose of 0 (control), 2000, 2500, 2800 3200, 3600, and 4000 mg/kg body weight mg/kg bw respectively. The key value of LD50 was calculated by Probit-analysis (Fink und Hund 1965).</p> <p>It shows the 24 hour and 7-14 days of LD50 to rats (male/female) was respectively 3118 and 2779 mg/kg bw under test conditions.</p> <p>Therefore the key value which is used in the hazard classification and chemical safety assessment is 3118 mg/kg bw.</p>
Irritation	<p>Iodine has been used for dermal application in human as disinfectant (as Iodine and Povidine Iodine) for long time. The mechanism of disinfecting is oxidizing bactericide by iodine; meanwhile the iodine is reduced to iodide. It means after application of iodine on skin, the iodide is left on skin. In addition, based on information from assessment report of WHO, in a human assay, five patients were applied with potassium iodide in concentrations ranging from 5% to 20% in petrolatum, the reactions were negative. With such evidence, it can be concluded that iodide has no effect to the human skin.</p>
Sensitisation	No adverse effect observed (not sensitising) for skin and respiratory sensitisation.
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	TDI of iodide is 0.01 mg/kg body weight.
Ecological Toxicity ²	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96 hours acute toxicity test to Rainbow Trout (Laverock, M.J., M. Stephenson, and C.R. MacDonald, 1995) was conducted according to Protocol to determine the acute lethality of liquid effluents to fish, which was established by Ontario Ministry of the Environment. The results showed that the 96 hour LC50 is over 860 mg/l.</p> <p>The acute toxicity to daphnia of iodide was determined (INERIS Parc Technologique ALATA, 2012) according to OECD test guideline 202 following GLP procedure to give a result of 48hrs-EC50 as 1.27 mg/L (95%CL, 1.19 -1.38 mg/L). There is another data on daphnia acute toxicity (Laboratoire d'Ecotoxicologie Parc technologique ALATA, 1996) of KI according to method of "French standard", which was similar to OECD test guideline 202, which is 48 hrs- EC50 as 7.5 mg/l. As the study for NaI gives lower tolerance value for daphnia and the test itself is more reliable (Klimisch score 1), the 48 hrs- EC50 of 1.27 mg/l is taken as the key value.</p> <p>One study of acute toxicity of iodide to algae was published in well-known journal "water research" (Bringmann, G., and R. Kuhn, 1980). It was not a standard test and without declaration of GLP compliance, and in the test the 7 days cell multiplication inhibition test was applied to the model organism, Scenedesmus quadricauda (green algae) for iodide, but fulfilled basically scientific principles. The results showed the toxicity threshold (≥3% inhibition of the biomass of green algae) of iodide to green algae is 2370 mg/l.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis of the acute results for Daphnia, an assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 1.27 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 1.27 µg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.

International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ²	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic salt, ionic species ubiquitous in environment).
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; sodium and iodide ions are ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Acute toxicity data >0.01 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium iodide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not applicable.
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium Persulfate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	7775-27-1
Molecular formula	Na ₂ O ₈ S ₂
Molecular weight	238
Solubility in water	730 g/l at 25 °C
Melting point	Decomposes at > 180°C
Boiling point	No data available
Vapour pressure	0 Pa at 25 °C (negligible)
Henry's law constant	No data available
Explosive potential	Non-explosive
Flammability potential	Non-flammable
Colour/Form	White crystals or powder
Overview	The persulfates category includes molecules with similar chemical structure and similar physical-chemical properties. Substances of the persulfate category are inorganic salts sharing the persulfate anion moiety. The inorganic substances differ only by the cationic portion of the salt, which is not expected to influence the hazardous properties of the molecule. The anionic part is identical and is expected to display the same environmental, ecotoxicological and toxicological behaviour based on the available data.
Environmental Fate ^{1,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	Substances of the persulfate category are not stable in the environment. Persulfates are not expected to adsorb to soil due to their dissociation properties, instability (hydrolysis) and high water solubility. They should behave as free ions or decompose into sulfate ions. In soils, upon decomposition, the cation could form more stable sulfate or bisulfate salts. Persulfates are not expected to bioaccumulate in the soil or in aqueous solution. They will decompose into inorganic sulfate or bisulfate.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>The persulfates have low repeat dose toxicity. Twenty-eight-day repeated dose oral (dietary) toxicity studies were conducted in rats with three persulfate salts. The oral doses for the three salts were 0, 100, 316, 1000 ppm (equivalent to 0, 12.6, 41.2, 131.5 mg/kg bw/day for the potassium salt). Tests were performed in male rats only. The no observed adverse effect levels (NOAEL) for sodium and potassium salts were 137 and 131.5 mg /kg bw/day, respectively (the highest doses tested), while the NOAEL for ammonium persulfate was 41 mg/kg bw/day, based on decreased relative adrenal weight at the highest dose (FMC, 1979a; FMC, 1979b; FMC 1979c).</p> <p>Another oral (dietary) subchronic toxicity study using sodium persulfate was conducted in rats. Rats (20/sex/group; strain not provided) were fed rodent chow containing 0, 300, 1000 or 3000 ppm sodium persulfate (0, 23, 100 or 225 mg/kg bw/day) for 90 days. On day 48 of the study, the concentration of the group receiving 1000 ppm was increased to 5000 ppm for the remainder of the study. At the two high dose levels body weight was decreased during the last 6 weeks of treatment (FMC 1979e).</p>
Carcinogenicity	Based on the limited data available, there is no evidence of carcinogenicity of any of the persulfate salt. In a non-guideline study, female SENCAR mice were exposed dermally twice weekly to 0.2 mL of a 200 mg/mL solution of ammonium persulfate for 51 weeks. The investigators concluded that ammonium persulfate is neither a tumour promoter nor a complete carcinogen when applied to the skin (Kurokawa et al., 1984).

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on the limited available data, sodium persulfate was not mutagenic. An in vitro unscheduled DNA synthesis test was also negative for sodium persulfate (FMC, 1990d). The ammonium salt was not clastogenic in Chinese hamster fibroblasts in the absence of metabolic activation in a chromosome aberration test (Ishidate et al., 1988).</p> <p>Sodium persulfate was negative in two in vivo genotoxicity studies. Doses of sodium persulfate up to 338 mg/kg injected into mice intraperitoneally did not increase the incidence of micronuclei in bone marrow polychromatic erythrocytes (FMC, 1990c). Sodium persulfate was found to be non-genotoxic when tested up to 820 mg/kg in an in vivo unscheduled DNA synthesis test in rats (FMC, 1991c).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the limited data available for ammonium persulfate, the sodium persulfate is not toxic to reproduction or development.</p> <p>In a well conducted fertility/developmental study (OECD 421), groups of rats (CrI:CD (SD)IGS BR, 12/sex/group) were administered ammonium persulfate in the diet at doses of 0, 40, 100 and 250 mg/kg bw/day (Weaver, 2004). Animals (both sexes) were dosed two weeks prior to and during mating. Females were administered the substance following mating, throughout gestation and until lactation day 4. In the parental generation group, there were no treatment related clinical signs, effects on body and organ weights or gross lesions. There were no significant adverse effects on the gonads and progression of spermatogenesis, although a non-significant decrease in pregnancy rates was reported at = 100 mg /kg bw/day. On this basis, it was concluded that the NOAEL for fertility indices and reproductive performance was the top dose of 250 mg /kg bw/day. There were no treatment-related clinical signs, mortality or necropsy findings among pups (live birth and viability indices were similar across all groups). There was a slight transient depression in mean pup body weight; however it was not considered adverse. The developmental toxicity NOAEL determined was the highest dose of 250 mg /kg bw/day (Weaver, 2004).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Persulfate salts are considered to have moderate acute toxicity by the oral route. The acute oral median lethal dose (LD50) values for sodium persulfate (in rats) was reported as 895-930 mg/kg bw (Degussa AG, 1979). Clinical signs were ocular and oral discharge, irregular breathing and loss of muscle control.</p> <p>Persulfate salts have low acute dermal toxicity. The acute dermal LD50 was greater than 10,000 mg/kg bw (rabbits) for sodium persulfates (FMC, 1979c). Ocular and nasal discharge and slight irritation were reported in animals dermally exposed to high levels of persulfates (FMC, 1979b).</p> <p>Persulfates have low acute inhalation toxicity. Acute inhalation studies with sodium persulfates performed according to OECD guidelines in rats, indicated median lethal concentration (LC50) values of greater than the maximum attainable concentrations, 5.1 mg/L. Following exposure to high concentrations of persulfates, animals exhibited dyspnoea, respiratory distress and increased nasal, ocular and oral secretion (FMC 1987, FMC, 1979b; FMC 1995).</p>

<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemicals are classified as hazardous with the risk phrase 'Irritating to Respiratory system' (Xi; R37) in the HSIS (Safe Work Australia). Groups of male ND4 Swiss Webster mice were exposed, head-only, to sodium persulfate dust for 30 minutes at concentrations of 0.26 to 3.22 mg/L. Mortality was observed in all except the lowest exposure group during the 7-day post-exposure period with clinical signs that included ocular and nasal discharge and decreased respiratory rate. Abnormal gait and whole body tremors were observed in animals exposed to the highest concentration of dust. The concentration of dust which produced a 50 % decrease in respiratory rate (RD50) was 2.25 mg/L, indicating that sodium persulfate was a respiratory system irritant (FMC, 1994).</p> <p>Sodium persulfates were not found to be skin irritants in animal studies. However human observations support the existing classification as skin irritants. Three brief study reports submitted by industry on sodium persulfate showed at most a slight skin irritant potential in rabbits (FMC, 1979d; FMC, 1980).</p> <p>The chemicals are classified as hazardous with the risk phrase 'Irritating to eyes' (Xi; R36) in the HSIS (Safe Work Australia). In a single unpublished study, sodium persulfate was instilled into the eyes of 8 rabbits. Eye irritation was scored by the Draize method at 24, 48 and 72 h. Slight conjunctivitis was noted at 48 h (FMC, 1979c).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>There was evidence of delayed contact hypersensitivity in two maximisation tests (OECD TG 406) using ammonium and sodium persulfate in guinea pigs. All test animals reacted positively following challenge by intradermal injection of 0.1 % ammonium persulfate and 80 % of animals were positive following dermal challenge with 1 % ammonium persulfate 14 days later. The corresponding figures for sodium persulfate were 90 % positive for test animals positive following an (non-standard) intracutaneous challenge and 60 % of the test animals were positive following topical challenge (CIR, 2001; BIBRA International, 1997).</p> <p>Sodium persulfate was not sensitising when applied to the skin of guinea pigs in an unpublished Buehler Test, conducted to guideline standards (FMC, 1990b). In a murine local lymph node assay (LLNA), investigators concluded that both ammonium and sodium persulfate were moderate to strong sensitisers with EC3 values (amount of chemical required to elicit a stimulation index of 3) calculated to be 1.9 % and 0.9 % respectively (Cruz et al., 2009 cited in HSDB).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Although the persulfate salts are harmful by the oral route, potential for acute toxicity was generally not demonstrated via the dermal or inhalation routes. The persulfate salts were irritating to eyes and respiratory system but not skin irritants in animal studies, while studies in humans indicate that persulfates can cause skin irritation.</p> <p>The persulfates are capable of inducing skin and respiratory sensitisation in animals and these are also the major chronic effects observed in humans. Mouse LLNA results for ammonium and sodium persulfate suggest that persulfates are moderate to strong sensitisers.</p> <p>Overall, the main critical effects to human health are skin and respiratory sensitisation and irritation.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	
<p>Ecological Toxicity ²</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>The LC50 values for acute toxicity to fish ranged between 163 to 771 mg/L for sodium persulfate. The acute toxicity EC50 values for invertebrates were between 133 and 519 mg/L for sodium persulfate. In algae, the EC50 for sodium persulfate 116 mg/L.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>A PNECaquatic of 116 µg/L was calculated using the lowest endpoint of EC50 of 116 mg/L for algae. An assessment factor of 1000 was used.</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls</p>	

Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Biodegradation is not applicable to substances of the Persulfate Category, as the substances are inorganic. Upon contact with water or water vapour substances of the persulfate category hydrolyse into cation and persulfate anion. The persulfate anion, independent of the cation, undergoes further decomposition in normal water or acid conditions, readily oxidizing water to oxygen, producing sulphate and hydrogen ions. All final persulfate degradation products are ubiquitous to the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Persulfates are very soluble in water and are not expected to bioaccumulate in soil or aqueous solutions.
T criteria fulfilled?	Based on measured acute toxicity endpoints of greater than 1 mg/L, sodium persulfate does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
Revised	January 2019

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Toxicity Summary - Sodium sulphate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3,4,5}	
CAS number	7757-82-6
Molecular formula	Na ₂ SO ₄
Product name	142.04 g/mol
Molecular weight	161 g/l at 20 °C
Solubility in water	No data found.
Melting point	884 °C
Boiling point	Decomposition occurs above 884°C.
Vapour pressure	Solid
Henry's law constant	Expected to be extremely low
Explosive potential	No data found.
Flammability potential	No data found.
Colour/Form	Not combustible. Gives off irritating or toxic fumes/gases in a fire.
Overview	<p>Sodium sulfate is widely distributed in nature; it occurs as mineral salts (e.g. thenardite, mirabilite), it is present in almost all fresh and salt waters and sulfate as such is normally present in almost all natural foodstuffs. Both sodium and sulfate ions are among the most common ions found in all living organisms. In mammals, sulfate is a normal metabolite of sulfur-containing amino-acids, it is normally incorporated in a variety of body compounds and it plays an important role in detoxification/ excretion processes due to sulfoconjugation</p> <p>Sodium sulfate has been produced for many years in high volumes for use in detergents, glass and paper manufacture and a variety of smaller industrial uses</p> <p>National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS) has performed an IMAP environment Tier 1 summary which concluded that sodium sulphate is an inorganic substance comprising ions of low ecotoxicological concern. This chemical is not expected to pose an unreasonable risk to the environment provided that ANZECC water quality guidelines for physical and chemical stressors are not exceeded.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{1,4,5}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Sodium sulphate is a solid inorganic salt well soluble in water. In water solutions it is fully dissociated to sodium and sulfate ions. In anaerobic environments sulfate is biologically reduced to (hydrogen) sulphide by sulfate reducing bacteria, or incorporated into living organisms as source of sulphur, and thereby included in the sulphur cycle. The BCF of sodium sulfate is very low (0.5) and therefore bioconcentration is not expected. Sodium and sulfate ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. However some plants (e.g. corn and <i>Kochia Scoparia</i>), are capable of accumulating sulfate to concentrations that are potentially toxic to ruminants.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,4,5}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Valid oral repeated dose toxicity studies with 21, 28 and 35 day studies in hens and pigs are available. Toxicity was confined to changes in bodyweight, water and feed intake and diarrhoea. These changes occurred only at very high doses of sodium sulfate. In ruminants, high concentrations of sulfate in food may result in the formation of toxic amounts of sulfites by bacterial reduction in the rumen, leading to poly-encephalomalacia. The available data do not allow the derivation of a NOAEL. Based on available consumer data, a daily dose of around 25 mg/kg/day is well tolerated by humans</p>

Carcinogenicity	There is no valid oral carcinogenicity study. Limited data from experimental studies support the notion that a substance that is abundantly present in and essential to the body is unlikely to be carcinogenic.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Sodium sulfate has been shown to be without effect in the Ames test using various strains of <i>S. typhimurium</i> (TA1535, TA1537, TA100, TA98) both with and without S9 activation in a GLP standardised test Based on the natural intra- and extracellular occurrence of the substance it can be concluded that sodium sulfate is highly unlikely to be mutagenic
Reproductive Toxicity	Limited data of poor validity did not provide an indication of toxicity to reproduction.
Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data were found.
Acute Toxicity	The acute toxicity (LD50) of sodium sulfate has not been reliably established but is probably far in excess of 5000 mg/kg. In an inhalation study with an aerosol, no adverse effects were found at 10 mg/m ³ . Also human data indicate a very low acute toxicity of sodium sulfate. Human clinical experience indicates that very high oral doses of sodium sulfate, 300 mg/kg bw up to 20 grams for an adult, are well tolerated, except from (intentionally) causing severe diarrhoea. WHO/FAO did not set an ADI for sodium sulfate. There is no data on acute dermal toxicity, but this is probably of no concern because of total ionisation in solution.
Irritation	Sodium sulfate is not irritating to the skin and slightly irritating to the eyes. Respiratory irritation has never been reported.
Sensitisation	Sodium sulphate is not a skin or respiratory sensitiser
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian Drinking Water Guidelines for sodium and sulphate may apply to sodium sulphate.
Ecological Toxicity ^{3,4,5}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Algae were shown to be the most sensitive to sodium sulfate; EC50 120h = 1,900 mg/l. For invertebrates (<i>Daphnia magna</i>) the EC50 48h = 4,580 mg/l and fish appeared to be the least sensitive with a LC50 96h = 7,960 mg/l for <i>Pimephales promelas</i> . No data were found for long term toxicity. The acute studies all show a toxicity of sodium sulfate higher than 100 mg/l, no bioaccumulation is expected
Determination of PNEC aquatic	An assessment factor of 1000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 1900 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNEC aquatic is 1.9 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is not listed in the Hazardous Substance Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2013).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
Australian Food Standards	No data found
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	The Australian Drinking Water Guideline for sulphate is 250 mg/L (aesthetic) and sodium is 180 mg/L (aesthetic).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Sodium sulphate is an inorganic salt that dissociates completely to sodium and sulphate ions in aqueous solutions. The persistent criterion is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The BCF of sodium sulfate is very low (0.5) and therefore bioconcentration is not

	expected.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of sodium sulfate is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfill the screening criteria for toxic (T)
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).

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Toxicity Summary - Tributyl tetradecyl (TTPC)

Chemical and Physical Properties ³	
CAS number	81741-28-8
Molecular formula	C ₂₆ -H ₅₆ P.Cl
Product name	BE9
Molecular weight	435.15 g/mol
Solubility in water	miscible
Melting point	45 °C
Boiling point	439 °C (estimated)
Vapour pressure	Solid
Henry's law constant	1.04 x 10 ⁻⁸ kPa at 25 °C (estimated)
Explosive potential	No data found
Flammability potential	No data found
Colour/Form	No data found
Overview	<p>Limited toxicity information was located for TTPC.</p> <p>TTPC is an antimicrobial biocide that is effective at preventing microbial slime from forming in oilfield sites such as fracturing fluids and water flooding operations.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by Health Canada to be of negligible risk to birds and aquatic organisms. At high doses TTPC can be toxic to birds and aquatic organisms but due to its use pattern, the potential exposure of these organisms is expected to be minimal and, consequently, risk to these organisms is not of concern.</p>
Environmental Fate ⁵	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>In the event of a release of produced/flowback water containing TTPC to the aquatic environment, TTPC would be expected to mix readily as it is very highly soluble in water. The primary route of dissipation is expected to be sorption to sediment and organic matter. Once TTPC has adsorbed onto sediments, it will break down into two other chemicals, (tributyl-(5-hydroxy-pentyl) phosphonium chloride and tributyl-(7-hydroxy-heptyl) phosphonium chloride). TTPC is considered to be moderately persistent to persistent in aerobic aquatic systems and non-persistent in aerobic water.</p> <p>TTPC is not expected to undergo photolysis. Based on its negligible vapour pressure, volatilization of TTPC from moist soil or water surfaces is not expected. TTPC and its transformation products are not expected to bioaccumulate.</p> <p>In the event of a release of produced water containing TTPC to the terrestrial environment, the primary route of dissipation for TTPC is expected to be adsorption to soil particles. TTPC has high soil adsorption coefficients, is highly adsorptive to soil and exhibits limited mobility. It could be expected that biodegradation in soil may occur as it was observed to biodegrade in sediment.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data were found.
Carcinogenicity	No data were found.

Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>No data were available for TTPC.</p> <p>A brief report for TBPB noted that the chemical tested negative in an Ames bacterial mutagenicity assay, a Chinese hamster ovary (CHO) chromosome aberration test and a cell transformation test using Hamster Embryo Cells (HEC) although further details were not provided (Dunn et al. 1982). Therefore, TBPB is not mutagenic under the conditions tested and, on the basis of this limited evidence; it is assumed that TTPC is not genotoxic.</p>
Reproductive Toxicity	<p>No data were found.</p>
Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>No data were found.</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>An inhalation study (EPA Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic Substances (OPPTS) 870.1300) in rats exposed nose-only to TTPC (particle size 1.7 to 2.1 µm) reported hypoactivity, gasping, irregular respiration, red nasal discharge, ano-genital staining and abdominal distension at 0.05 mg/L (US EPA 2012b). Six of the 10 animals died within three days of a four-hour exposure. Gross necropsy revealed red coloured lungs, distension of stomach and / or intestines and / or mottled liver. The single exposure acute inhalation LC50 for this study was identified as <0.05 mg/L. This study shows that TTPC is highly toxic by the inhalation route in rats.</p> <p>No oral or dermal information was available for TTPC. However, based on analogue data available for THPB, TBPC and TBPB from animal studies, acute toxicity of TTPC by oral and dermal route is likely to be moderate</p>
Irritation	<p>No information was available for TTPC but data were available for the analogues THPB and TBPC for skin irritation. Overall, the effects observed with the analogues THPB and TBPC, albeit after a 24-hour exposure period compared with the four-hour exposure specified by the equivalent OECD TG, demonstrate the likely corrosive potential of TTPC to the skin.</p> <p>No information was available for TTPC but data were available for the analogues THPB, TBPC and TBPB for eye irritation. The effects observed in all tests with the analogues THPB, TBPC and TBPB demonstrate the likely corrosive potential of TTPC to the eyes.</p> <p>In an inhalation study with TTPC in rats, a red nasal discharge and facial staining was noted (US EPA 2012b). While the information in the study is limited based on the analogues being corrosive to the skin it is likely that the chemicals are also irritant to the respiratory mucosa. TTPC is therefore likely to be a respiratory irritant.</p>
Sensitisation	<p>No data were available for TTPC.</p> <p>TBPC at 0.1% concentration in normal saline solution was determined as not sensitising to the skin following dermal applications (undisclosed induction and one challenge treatment) in guinea pigs (US EPA 1978). TBPC is not a skin sensitiser in guinea pigs and therefore a sensitisation potential for TTPC is not expected.</p> <p>No data were available for respiratory sensitisation.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>TTPC demonstrates high acute toxicity by the inhalation route. Based on read across data available from THPB, TBPC and TBPB, the chemical has moderate acute toxicity by oral and dermal routes and is corrosive to the skin and eye and is a respiratory irritant. Data available for TBPC and TBPB indicate that the chemical is not a skin sensitiser or genotoxic, respectively.</p> <p>No repeat dose, carcinogenicity or reproductive toxicity data were available for the chemical or suitable analogues. Chronic exposure may be considered as inappropriate given the nature of TTPC and analogues as direct acting corrosives mediating severe adverse effects at the site of contact.</p> <p>In conclusion, the critical health effect of TTPC is its acute inhalation toxicity.</p>

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No data are available for determining the critical effect and the LOAEL/NOAEL for an oral reference dose.
Ecological Toxicity ^{3,4}	
Aquatic Toxicity	LC50: (96 hour) 0.46 mg/L (Oncorhynchus mykiss) LC50: (96 hour) 0.06 mg/l (Lepomis macrochirus) LC50: (96 hour) 0.58 mg/l (fish) TLM96: 1.6 mg/l (Crangon crangon) TLM48: 0.025 mg/l (Daphnia magna) The modelled acute endpoint for Daphnia is 16.788 mg/L and Fish is 1059.2530 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis that the modelled data consists of short-term results from two trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 0.025 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNECaquatic is calculated to be 0.000025 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is not listed in the Hazardous Substance Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2013).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
Australian Food Standards	No data found
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment ^{3,4,5}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No information is available on biodegradation, however it has been observed to biodegrade in sediment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not Bioaccumulative (Based on an estimated log Kow value of 6.48)
T criteria fulfilled?	No chronic toxicity data are available for TTPC. The lowest modelled acute endpoint of TTPC is 0.025 mg/L for Daphnia. Since this value is <0.1 mg/L, TTPC does meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Inconclusive.

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Toxicity Summary - 2,2',2"- Nitrilotriethanol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2, 3,6}	
CAS number	102-71-6
Molecular formula	C6H15NO3
Molecular weight	149.19 g/mol
Solubility in water	Miscible with water.
pH	10.5
Melting point	17-21.6 °C
Boiling point	153 °C at 0.1007 kPa 192.87 °C at 0.7996 kPa 236.69 °C at 5.01 kPa 320 °C at 101 kPa
Vapour pressure	3.59x10 ⁻⁶ mm Hg at 25 °C
Henrys law constant	7.05x10 ⁻¹³ atm-cu m/mole at 25 °C
Explosive potential	No data found.
Flammability potential	Combustible, when exposed to heat or flame. Gives off irritating or toxic fumes (or gases) in a fire.
Colour/Form	Pale yellow to colourless viscous liquid with a slight ammonia odour.
Overview	<p>Triethanolamine is a member of the ethanolamines family that combines the properties of amines and alcohols. Triethanolamine is typically supplied as a pale colourless to yellow liquid with an ammonia-like odor. Triethanolamine is primarily used in detergents, personal-care products, and textile finishing. Triethanolamine may also be used as in other applications including adhesives, agricultural products, concrete additives, gas treating processes, rubber, surfactants, photographic chemicals, and urethane foams. Contact with triethanolamine may cause slight to severe eye irritation. Brief contact is essentially nonirritating to the skin, but repeated exposure may cause irritation and burns. Skin contact may cause an allergic skin reaction. At room temperature, exposure to vapour is minimal due to low volatility; single exposure is not likely to be hazardous. This product has very low toxicity if swallowed. Harmful effects are not anticipated from swallowing small amounts, but swallowing larger amounts may cause injury. This product has been toxic to the fetus in laboratory animals at doses toxic to the mother. Findings from a study by the National Toxicology Program suggest an increased incidence of liver tumors in mice, but their relevant to humans is not clear. Triethanolamine is water soluble and biodegradable according to the OECD 301A test for biodegradation. It is not expected to bioaccumulate or persist in the environment. Triethanolamine is practically non-toxic to aquatic organisms on an acute basis. However large releases may increase the pH of aquatic systems to levels that may be toxic to aquatic organisms.</p>

Environmental Fate ^{1,3,4,6}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>If released to soil, triethanolamine is expected to have very high mobility based upon an estimated Koc of 7. However, the pKa of triethanolamine is 7.8, indicating that this compound will primarily exist in cation form; and cations generally adsorb to organic carbon and clay more strongly than their neutral counterparts. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon an estimated Henry's Law constant of 7.1×10^{-13} atm-cu m/mole. If released into water, triethanolamine is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the estimated Koc. Triethanolamine biodegraded in a biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) test at an initial concn 50 ppm. After 10 days, the ThOD (theoretical oxygen demand) was 70% using acclimated water as seed and sewage as inoculum. Volatilization from water surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon this compound's estimated Henry's Law constant. An estimated BCF of 3 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. Hydrolysis is not expected to be an important environmental fate process since this compound lacks functional groups that hydrolyze under environmental conditions</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,4,5,6}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Fischer 344 rats and B6C3F1 mice were administered 0, 500, 1000, 2000, 4000 or 8000 mg/100 mL triethanolamine in drinking water (NTP 1990). Water consumption was reduced at the top two doses. No other details were provided.</p> <p>In a 91-day study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 408, Cox CD rats were administered 88.5% triethanolamine in the diet at doses of 0, 250, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day (REACH 2013). There were no significant dose-dependent changes in bodyweight, organ weight, histopathology, pathology and haematology. No Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) or No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) can be established for this study.</p> <p>In a 90-day study, rats (strain not specified) were administered doses of 5 to 2610 mg/kg bw/day triethanolamine in the diet (Smyth et al. 1951). The study reported microscopic lesions and mortality at doses of 730 mg/kg bw/day and above. The authors indicated the NOAEL as 80 mg/kg bw/day. No other details were provided.</p> <p>In 60- and 120-day studies in rats (strain not specified) given 200 to 1800 mg/kg bw/day triethanolamine, effects observed included liver changes at all treatment doses after 60 and 120 days administration, kidney changes at 400 mg/kg bw/day after 60 and 120 days administration, and kidney damage at >800 mg/kg bw/day after 60 and 120 days administration (Kindsvatter 1940). The specific changes in the liver and kidney were not described. No other details were provided. The LOAEL for this study was 200 mg/kg bw/day.</p> <p>Repeated dermal dose toxicity with triethanolamine application was consistently associated with inflammation at the treatment site. Systemic effects included changes in bodyweight and organ to bodyweight ratios. The critical study for determining the effects of repeated dermal exposures to the chemical is the 90-day study cited in REACH (2013) conducted similarly to OECD TG 411. The NOAELs for this study are 125 mg/kg bw/day for males and 250 mg/kg bw/day for females.</p> <p>In an inhalation study, Fischer 344 rats were exposed to 0, 125, 250, 500, 1000 or 2000 mg/m³ triethanolamine for 16 days (NTP 1985b). The effects observed included decreased bodyweight at 2000 mg/m³ for both sexes, increased liver weight in males at 2000 mg/m³, increased kidney weight in males at concentrations ≥500 mg/m³, and increased kidney weight in females at concentrations ≥250 mg/m³. Minimal to slight acute inflammation of the larynx was reported but the doses for which this effect was seen were not specified. The LOAECs are 500 mg/m³ in males and 250 mg/m³ in females. The NOAECs are 250 and 125 mg/m³ in males and females, respectively.</p> <p>Wistar rats were exposed through the head and nose to 0, 0.02, 0.1 or 0.5 mg/L aerosolised triethanolamine in a 28-day study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 412 (Gamer et al., 2008). There were no treatment-related effects seen on bodyweight, haematology, clinical chemistry and neurobehavioural parameters. Local effects, such as minimal to moderate focal inflammation in the submucosa of the larynx region, were reported at all treatment concentrations. The LOAEC and NOAEC for systemic effects cannot be established. The LOAEC for local effects is 0.02 mg/L.</p> <p>B6C3F1 mice exposed to 0, 125, 250, 500, 1000 or 2000 mg/m³ triethanolamine for 14 days showed minimal acute inflammation of the laryngeal submucosa (NTP 1985a). The doses for which this effect was seen were not specified.</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified the chemical as 'not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans' (Group 3), based on inadequate evidence for carcinogenicity in humans and experimental animals (IARC, 2000). There was no evidence of carcinogenicity by oral (up to 1000 mg/kg/day for 104 weeks, and up to 3334 mg/kg/day for 82 weeks amongst rats and mice respectively) or dermal routes (dose unknown) in studies of 14-18 months duration using rats and mice. No inhalation data were available.</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Triethanolamine was not genotoxic in a number of in vitro studies (bacterial reverse mutation, mammalian cell cytogenetics, and unscheduled DNA synthesis). On the basis of the negative results observed in a range of in vitro studies, in vivo genotoxicity is not anticipated.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Triethanolamine is not considered to be toxic to fertility and not considered to be a developmental toxicant. There were no effects observed in the reproductive organs of the animals treated with the chemical from repeated oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity studies. In a reproduction/developmental toxicity screening test conducted in accordance with OECD TG 421, Wistar rats were administered 0, 100, 300 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day triethanolamine by gavage (REACH 2013). The animals were treated during pre-mating (two weeks for both sexes), mating (maximum of two weeks for both sexes), post-mating (one week in males), and the entire gestation period and four days of lactation in females. There were no parental systemic effects reported in all of the treated animals. Most of the animals treated at the top dose showed transient salivation, which could be attributed to the unpalatability of the chemical or local irritation of the upper digestive tract. There were no effects on fertility observed in any of the treated animals. The parental LOAEL and NOAEL for local effects are 1000 and 300 mg/kg bw/day, respectively. The developmental LOAEL and NOAEL are 1000 and 300 mg/kg bw/day, respectively. The LOAEL and NOAEL for fertility cannot be established. A dye formulation containing 0.15, 1.5 or 2% triethanolamine was applied to the shaved skin of CD-1 rats (Burnett et al. 1976). The application occurred seven times during the gestation period. There were no systemic or local effects observed. No developmental effects were reported.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemical was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in experimental rats studies ranged from is 4190–11300 mg/kg bw triethanolamine. Two studies in mice (strain not specified), two studies in rabbits (strain not specified), and three studies in guinea pigs (strain not specified) reported acute oral LD50s of 5400 to 7800, 2200 to 5200, and 2200 to 8000 mg/kg bw, respectively. Observed sub-lethal effects included agitation, elevated respiration and reduced grooming (NIWL, 2003; CIR, 2011). The chemical was of low acute toxicity in animal tests following dermal exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rabbits is greater than 2000 mg/kg bw. Observed sublethal effects included mild erythema 24 hours after exposure, resolving after 6 –10 days (REACH; CIR, 2011). Due to the low vapour pressure of the chemical, the highest attainable vapour concentration is 1.8 mg/m³. In a study conducted in rats (strain not specified) exposed to the chemical (1.8 mg/m³), no deaths were reported. One out of 12 rats exposed showed signs of chronic bronchitis (REACH).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Based on the available data, the chemical is considered a respiratory and eye irritant. In two studies conducted similarly to OECD TG 405 the average Draize scores for corneal opacity, redness of the conjunctivae and chemosis were 1, 2 and 1.75 respectively (REACH). In one study, the corneal opacity in one animal had not fully resolved by day eight of the observation period. However, based on the results seen in the other animals, it is expected that the corneal opacity would fully resolve had the observation period continued for 21 days. The chemical was not irritating to skin in studies that were performed in accordance with OECD Test Guideline (TG) 404 (REACH). In one study, three Vienna White Rabbits were dermally exposed to the chemical (85 % concentration of triethanolamine and 15 % diethanolamine) through a occlusive patch for four hours. Neither oedema nor erythema was observed throughout the observation period (REACH). In animal studies with repeated exposures, the chemical was applied to rabbit ears over 10 open applications, with 10 unoccluded applications to abdominal intact skin, or with three semi-occluded 24-hour applications to abraded skin. These exposures resulted in slight to moderate irritation (CIR, 2013). In a two-year repeated dose dermal study, the chemical caused lesions consisting of acanthosis (thickened skin), ulceration and chronic active inflammation at the application site. In the repeated dose inhalation studies, minimal to slight acute inflammation of the larynx was observed in rats and mice (NTP 1985a, 1985b). In a more recent 28-day inhalation study, minimal to moderate focal inflammation in the submucosa of the larynx was observed in rats (Gamer et al. 2008).</p>

<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Triethanolamine is not a skin sensitizer in animals. The negative results observed for the chemical in several guinea pig maximisation tests and one local lymph node assay support a conclusion that the chemical is not a skin sensitiser (REACH; CIR, 2013).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Triethanolamine has low acute oral and dermal toxicity but may cause eye and respiratory irritation. Triethanolamine was non-irritating to the skin in rabbit studies, whilst studies in humans indicate that the chemical can cause skin irritation. The chemical is not a skin sensitiser. The chemical is neither genotoxic, carcinogenic nor a reproductive toxicant.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The most appropriate NOAELs for risk assessment, determined from the 90-day repeat dermal dose toxicity study cited in REACH (2013) are 125 (males) and 250 (females) mg/kg bw/day based on systemic effects.</p> <p>Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability); 10 (intraspecies variability); 10 (subchronic to chronic)</p> <p>Oral RfD = 125/1000 = 0.125 mg/kg/day</p> <p>Drinking water guideline value = 0.49 ppm</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,3, 4,6}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Triethanolamine is of low acute toxicity to fish and aquatic invertebrates. The most sensitive fish species tested was the fathead minnow <i>Pimephales promelas</i> for which a 96h-LC50 of 11,800 mg/l was determined. Triethanolamine was slightly more toxic to <i>Daphnia</i> , which had a 24h-EC50 of 1,390 mg/l. In a 21 day reproduction test with <i>Daphnia magna</i> , a NOEC of 16 mg/l and an EC50 of 2,038 mg/l were determined in a semi-static test (concentrations measured twice during the test). Triethanolamine appears to be more toxic to algal species. Toxicity tests have been carried out at both constant pH and allowing the pH to increase with increasing triethanolamine concentration. In two cases triethanolamine appears to be more toxic when the test is carried out allowing the pH to increase. In one case, using the green algae <i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i> , the 7-8 day toxicity threshold (defined as the concentration which just caused an effect of cell multiplication of around 3% compared with controls - can be considered as a NOEC) for triethanolamine was found to be much lower at constant pH (toxicity threshold = 1.8 mg/l) than when the pH was allowed to vary (toxicity threshold = 715 mg/l). The EC50 was reported as 910 mg/l for <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> (algae) for 96 hour exposure under test conditions where the test media was neutralised.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis that the data consists of short-term and long-term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported NOEC of 1.8 mg/L for <i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i> mg/L for invertebrates. The PNECaquatic is 0.18 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ²	
Australian Hazard Classification	Triethanolamine is listed on the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2013) with a recommended Exposure Standard.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Time Weighted Average (TWA) of 5 mg/m ³ (Safe Work Australia 2013).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA: 5 mg/m ³ [Belgium, Finland, Iceland, New Zealand, Peru] 0.5 mg/m ³ [Denmark].
Australian Food Standards	Triethanolamine is listed as a permitted processing aid in bleaching agents, washing and peeling agents, water used as an ingredient in other foods, and miscellaneous functions under the conditions of Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
PBT Assessment ^{1,3,4,6}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	There are conflicting findings from standard ready biodegradability tests regarding the rate of biodegradation of triethanolamine. Some studies indicate relative rapid biodegradation, whereas some closed bottle studies indicate slow biodegradation under the test conditions (OECD 1995). However, the chemical is inherently biodegradable. The results of a test using OECD test guideline 302B showed that 89% of the chemical is degraded after 14 days (OECD 1995). Thus, Triethanolamine is categorised as Persistent.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on the measured log Kow of -1.0 and a measured BCF of <3.9 L/kg in fish, triethanolamine has low bioaccumulation potential and is considered not bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of triethanolamine is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfill the screening criteria for toxic (T)
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data). Further assessment of the environmental risks from the use of this chemical is not required as identified by DoEE.
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Appendix E

Chemical Risk
Assessment Hydraulic
Fracture Stimulation
Fluid – Tracers

Human Health Screening Assessment
Chemical Tracers

Tracer Name	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Ecotoxicity	Toxicity	Persistence	Bioaccumulative	Screening	Discussion
CFT (20 chemicals)	0.75	Algae EC50 = 33.1 mg/L Fish LC50 = 44.6 mg/L Daphnia EC50 > 100 mg/L Algae EC10 = 3.4 mg/L Fish NOEC 28 d = 120 mg/L Daphnia NOEC 21 d = 25 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on calculated log Kow of 1.87	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment would not be required.
GFT (15 chemicals)	1.35	Fish 96h LC50 > 100 mg/L Invertebrates 48h EC50 > 0.1 mg/L Microorganism 3h EC50 > 100 mg/L Fish 96h NOEC = 1000 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	Not readily biodegradable	Yes based on calculated log Kow of > 4.5	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable and is bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.
WFT (1 chemical)	200,000 – 250,000	LC50 fish (96 h) > 120 mg/L EC50 daphnia (48h) > 125 mg/L EC50 plants (48h) > 125 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Not readily biodegradable	No based on log Kow of -10.7	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. The exposure concentration is markedly elevated. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable however, it is not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.
WFT (1 chemical)	200,000 – 250,000	Fish 96 h LC50 = 87 mg/L Daphnia 48 h EC50 = 182 mg/L Algae ErC50 > 100 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	No based on log Kow of 0.07	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. The exposure concentration is markedly elevated. It is expected to be readily biodegradable and is not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.

Appendix F

Hydraulic Fracture
Stimulation Fluid
Tracers Chemical
Toxicological Profiles

Toxicity Summary - Water Soluable Tracers (CFTs) - Benzoic acid used as analogue data

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	20 chemicals (proprietary)
Molecular formula	Proprietary
Molecular weight	Proprietary
Solubility in water	Proprietary
Melting point	Proprietary
Boiling point	Proprietary
Vapour pressure	Proprietary
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Non-flammable
Flammability potential	Non explosive
Colour/Form	A white crystalline powder with a pleasant odour.
Overview	CFTs are organic compounds.
Environmental Fate ^{1,2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>If released to air, the vapor pressure indicates benzoic acid will exist solely as a vapor in the atmosphere. Vapor-phase benzoic acid will be degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 9 days. Benzoic acid absorbs light at wavelengths >290 nm and, therefore, may be susceptible to direct photolysis by sunlight. If released to soil, benzoic acid is expected to have very high mobility based upon an estimated Koc of 15 (log Kow of 1.87). The pKa of benzoic acid is 4.20, indicating that this compound will exist almost entirely in the anion form in the environment and anions generally do not adsorb more strongly to soils containing organic carbon and clay than their neutral counterparts. Volatilization from moist soil is not expected because the compound exists as an anion and anions do not volatilize. Benzoic acid is not expected to volatilize from dry soil surfaces based upon its vapor pressure. If released into water, benzoic acid is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the estimated Koc. Biodegradation half-lives of 0.85 and 3.6 days using inoculum from a polluted river and a reservoir, respectively, suggest that biodegradation may be an important fate process in water.</p> <p>Measured BCF values of <10, 14, and 21 were reported for Golden ide (<i>Leuciscus idus melanotus</i>)(1), trout(2), and mosquito fish (<i>Gambusia affinis</i>)(3), respectively. This BCF range suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Based on the weight of evidence the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health by repeated oral exposure (no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) of 825 mg/kg bw/d). Effects observed at > 1000 mg/kg bw/d included increased mortality, reduced weight gain, and liver and kidney effects (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>Available animal data suggest that the chemical is not likely to cause serious damage to health via repeated dermal exposure. No treatment-related effects in rabbits at doses of up to 2500 mg/kg bw/d applied 5 d/wk for 3 weeks (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>Available animal data suggest that the chemical is not likely to cause serious damage to health via repeated inhalation exposure. The only available rat study for this chemical reported 2/20 mortalities at 1.2 mg/L 6 h/d (5 d/wk over 4 wk). Local reddish discharge around the nostrils and inflammatory cell infiltrates and interstitial fibrosis of the lung secondary to local irritant effects were also observed at ³ 0.25 mg/L. On the basis of systemic effects, the NOAEC is considered to be > 0.25 mg/L 6 h/d (ECHA, 2011).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>Based on the available data, the chemical is not considered carcinogenic.</p> <p>The chemical was not carcinogenic (NOAEL 500 mg/kg bw/d) in a lifetime 3-generation study in rats when given with the diet at doses up to 500 mg/kg bw/d. No increase in the lifetime tumour incidence, clinical abnormalities or histopathological changes were observed (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>A lifelong study using male/female Swiss Albino mice given the chemical (2 %) continuously in drinking water showed no carcinogenic effect (such as effect on survival or incidence of tumours) (CICAD, 2000).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>Based on the weight of the evidence of the in vitro and in vivo genotoxicity data, the chemical is not considered mutagenic or clastogenic.</p> <p>In vitro data using the reverse mutation assays with various strains of Salmonella typhimurium (with and without metabolic activation) and sister chromatid exchange assays (except one equivocal result) were negative. Weak genotoxic effects or equivocal results were observed in most of the chromosome aberration assays in three mammalian cell lines and two of the recombination assays in Bacillus subtilis (no further information available, only summary given) (REACH). No genotoxicity was observed in the in vivo cytogenetic, micronucleus, or other assays at either somatic or germ cell level (OECD, 2004).</p>
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>No evidence of reproductive or developmental toxicity was observed for the chemical.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemical is of low acute toxicity in animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats and mice is greater than 2000 mg/kg bw/d. LD50 in rats ranged from 1700-3040 mg/kg bw/d and in mouse ranged from 1940-2370 mg/kg bw/d. However, the studies that reported the lower LD50s were all pre-guideline studies and no further information was available to critically assess the data. LD50s reported in two reliable studies were 2250 mg/kg bw/d (mice) and 2565 mg/kg bw/d (rats) (OECD, 2004). The chemical is of low acute toxicity in animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats and mice is greater than 2000 mg/kg bw/d.</p> <p>LD50 in rats ranged from 1700-3040 mg/kg bw/d and in mouse ranged from 1940-2370 mg/kg bw/d. However, the studies that reported the lower LD50s were all pre-guideline studies and no further information was available to critically assess the data. LD50s reported in two reliable studies were 2250 mg/kg bw/d (mice) and 2565 mg/kg bw/d (rats) (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>The chemical exhibits low acute toxicity in animal tests as evidenced by reported dermal LD50 (median lethal concentration) in rats of greater than 2000 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>The chemical exhibits low acute toxicity in animal tests following inhalation exposure. No mortalities or toxic effects were observed in rats and mice with the reported median lethal concentration (LC50) > 12.2 mg/L/4-h (ECHA, 2011; OECD, 2004).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Inhalation toxicity of the chemical was evaluated in one rat study (0, 0.025, 0.25 and 1.2 mg/L, 6 h/d 5 d/wk over 4 weeks) using fine benzoic acid dust (see Repeat dose toxicity - Inhalation). A reddish discharge around the nostrils was seen in the mid and high dose groups. An increased incidence and intensity of interstitial inflammatory cell infiltrate and interstitial fibrosis (indicating upper respiratory tract irritation) was noted at all doses. Observed histopathological changes were most likely due to a persistent irritating effect of the test substance on the lung. No changes in gross pathology were noted (REACH).</p> <p>The chemical was irritating (erythema and swelling of the ear lobe) in the guinea pig ear swelling test at ^a 1%, particularly when dissolved in ethanol, although it was not found irritating in the rabbit (OECD, 2004).</p> <p>The chemical was highly irritating in rabbit eyes, causing irreversible corneal opacity and chemosis in 2/3 animals, and increasing conjunctival redness severity with white/grey discoloration after 2-day observation. A Draize score of 35 was given based on the effects (REACH). In another rabbit study an irritation score of 65.0/110 was noted. No further details were available from this study (OECD, 2004).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The negative results seen for the chemical from several skin sensitisation animal studies including guinea pig maximisation test (GPMT), Buehler test and local lymph node assay (LLNA) support a conclusion that the chemical is not a skin sensitiser (REACH).</p> <p>The chemical did not induce sensitisation in healthy volunteers although some allergic reactions were noted in 34/537 patients with suspected contact dermatitis (at 2 %) (SCCP, 2005) and 9/121 patients with dermatoses and 10/57 patients with chronic urticaria (at 5 %) (ECHA, 2011).</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects associated with the chemical (but not the salts) are skin, eye and respiratory tract irritation. However, no systemic effects were seen with benzoic acid. The salts are expected to exist almost entirely as the benzoate ion under normal physiological conditions and will not have the local irritant properties that arise from the acidity of benzoic acid. Therefore, it is unlikely that any systemic effects will be observed with the salts of benzoic acid.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The critical lowest No Observed Adverse Effect (NOAEL) level for the purposes of risk assessment is 825 mg/kg bw/day from the repeated chronic oral toxicity study.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ²	
Aquatic Toxicity	Studies on three trophic levels are available with the lowest EC50 found in algae (33.1 mg/L). In this study the concentrations decreased significantly over the exposure period of 72 hours. The LC50 for fish is 44.6 mg/L and for daphnia an EC50 of > 100 mg/L was derived. The EC10 from the algae study is 3.4 mg/L, which is much lower than the NOEC for fish (120 mg/L in a 28 day study) and daphnia (25 mg/L in 21 day reproduction test).
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Long-term data was available for a fish, invertebrate and algae. An assessment factor of 10 was used on the lowest NOEC of 3.4 mg/L for algae for a resulting PNEC of 0.34 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	The chemical is not listed on the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia).
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica): An exposure limit (TWA) of 5–10 mg/m ³ in different countries such as USA (California, Tennessee), Canada and England.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Benzoic acid is readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on the measured BCF values of <10 to 21 and a log Kow of 1.87 benzoic acid is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.01 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Gas Phase Frac Tracers (GFTs)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	15 chemicals (proprietary).
Molecular formula	Proprietary
Molecular weight	Proprietary
Solubility in water	Proprietary
Melting point	Proprietary
Boiling point	Proprietary
Vapour pressure	Proprietary
Henry's law constant	No data available
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non-flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless, odourless liquid
Overview	GFTs are chemically inactive, nontoxic, and non-flammable compounds that are found in the atmosphere at very low levels. They are chemical inert, have no biological effects and are very safe. GFTs present no known danger to humans if inhaled or ingested.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	GFTs as a class are extremely stable. They are not susceptible to hydrolysis, and not affected by light (including UV).
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Two-week repeat dose preliminary inhalation toxicity (rat at a target concentration of 10,000 ppm (10%)), no treatment-related effects were noted for clinical signs, body weight, food consumption, water consumption, macroscopic pathology or organ weights.</p> <p>90 day inhalation study in rats: no treatment-related effects were observed in this study in which rats were exposed to 5,000 ppm, 15,000 ppm, and 50,000 ppm of the test material for 6 hours per day, 5 days per week for a total of 13 weeks. These results indicate that the toxicity of the test material following repeated inhalation exposure is very low and suggest that the gas can be treated as a simple asphyxiant.</p>
Carcinogenicity	Chromosomal aberration test in cultured mammalian cells: non-clastogenic
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Bacterial mutation assay salmonella typhimurium (strains ta 1535, ta 1537, ta 1538, ta 98 and ta 100): negative.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.

Acute Toxicity	<p>Inhalation 4-hour LC50 : > 800,000 ppm in rats</p> <p>Effects observed in animals by inhalation include decreased growth rate, pulmonary changes, irregular respiration, increased urine volume and creatinine, reversible pathological changes in the kidneys, and increased urinary fluoride concentration. One study showed no arrhythmogenic effects in dogs at a concentration of 20 %, while another study did show some arrhythmogenic effects in both guinea pigs and dogs. Long-term inhalation exposures resulted in an initial decrease in growth rate, but no other adverse changes were noted. No animal test reports are available to define carcinogenic, developmental, or reproductive hazards. The compound does not produce genetic damage in bacterial cell cultures but has not been tested in animals.</p> <p>Acute inhalation toxicity study (rat): the 4-hour LC50 is above 110,000 ppm. These results suggest that on an acute inhalation basis the test material can be considered as a simple asphyxiant.</p>
Irritation	Non-irritating
Sensitisation	Not sensitising
Health Effects Summary	The chemicals have been used in various medical applications, both in trials and in routine use, in human subjects, for some forty years, indicating these materials have zero toxicity to humans.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	
Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Fish 96h LC50 > 100 mg/L</p> <p>Invertebrates 48h EC50 > 0.1 mg/L</p> <p>Microorganism 3h EC50 > 100 mg/L</p> <p>Pimephales promelas (fathead minnow) 96 h NOEC = 1000 mg/L</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNEC _{aquatic} has not been calculated. The substance exhibits no toxicity.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Yes, GFTs are not biodegradable. However, they are volatile and are quickly removed from the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The estimated Log Kow is generally > 4.5 (EPI Suite), thus it is expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Fish 96 h NOEC = 1000 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT

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Toxicity Summary - Water Flow Assurance Tracer (WFT)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	One chemical (proprietary)
Molecular formula	Proprietary
Molecular weight	Proprietary
Solubility in water	Proprietary
Melting point	Proprietary
Boiling point	Proprietary
Vapour pressure	Proprietary
Henry's law constant	Proprietary
Explosive potential	Non-explosive (100%)
Flammability potential	Non-flammable (100%)
Colour/Form	Bright, odourless, orange-yellow powder
Overview	This chemical is used as a food, drug, and cosmetic colorant. It is used to colour confectionary, bakery goods, animal feeds, aqueous drug solutions, toothpastes, bath salts, hair rinses, and printing inks for use in and on foods, drugs, and cosmetics and on food, drug, and cosmetic packaging materials.
Environmental Fate ²	
Soil/Water/Air	This chemical's production as a dye for wool, silks and as a colorant in food, drugs and cosmetics may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams. If released to air, this chemical will exist solely in the particulate phase in the atmosphere since it is a salt and will be non-volatile. Particulate-phase this chemical will be removed from the atmosphere by wet or dry deposition. This chemical may be susceptible to direct photolysis by sunlight; after exposure to sunlight, This chemical in distilled water exhibited a first order rate constant of 2.31×10^{-3} per day, corresponding to a half-life of 300 days. If released to soil, this chemical is expected to be mobile since this compound is expected to exist almost entirely in anion form in the environment and anions generally do not adsorb more strongly to soils containing organic carbon and clay than their neutral counterparts. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process because the compound exists as an anion and anions do not volatilize. If released into water, this chemical is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon this compound's ionic nature in the environment. This chemical passed through pilot scale treatment activated sludge processes relatively unchanged, indicating that biodegradation is not expected to be an important environmental fate process. This chemical will exist almost entirely in the anion form at pH values of 5 to 9 and therefore volatilization from water surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process. Measured BCF values of <0.29 and <3.0 in carp suggests bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. Hydrolysis is not expected to be an important environmental fate process since this compound lacks functional groups that hydrolyse under environmental conditions.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,4}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Two separate but concurrent studies in rats given 0%, 0.1%, 1% or 2% in the diet or 0% or 5% in the diet for between 113 and 125 weeks showed decreases in body weight in females at 1% in the diet and in males (12.2% decrease) and females (16.9% decrease) at 5% in the diet, but there were no effects at 2% in the diet. The FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives concluded that 2% in the diet, equal to 984 mg/kg bw per day, was the NOAEL for this study.</p> <p>During a 2-year study in Fischer 344 rats given This chemical in the drinking water at a concentration of 0%, 1% or 2%, statistically significant increases in mesothelioma in the abdominal cavity in males and endometrial stromal polyps in females in the 1% concentration groups were reported. The incidences of these tumours were not dose dependent, and the authors noted that the incidences were within the historical control range for these tumours in this rat strain.</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>A 104-week carcinogenicity study in mice given 0%, 0.5%, 1.5% or 5% This chemical in the diet showed no effects other than reductions in body weight at various time points in both sexes at 5% in the diet and slight, but statistically significant, increases in feed consumption in males at 5% in the diet. Although the authors considered the NOAEL to be the highest dose tested, the FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives concluded that 1.5% in the diet, equal to 2173 mg/kg bw per day, was the NOAEL for this study, on the basis of a body weight reduction concurrent with an increase in feed consumption at the higher dose in males.</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>The FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives concluded that the overall weight of evidence indicates that this chemical is not genotoxic.</p>
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>Reproductive and developmental parameters were assessed in the rat chronic toxicity studies that included an in utero exposure phase. No significant effects on reproduction or body weights of the offspring were observed. The FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives concluded that 5% in the diet, equal to 2641 mg/kg bw per day, the highest dose tested, was the NOAEL for reproductive end-points in this study. No reproductive effects were observed in two developmental neurotoxicity studies. Also, no effects on reproductive parameters were observed in several other developmental neurotoxicity studies in rats using a mixture of colours, including This chemical, as the test substance. Two developmental toxicity studies were available in rats, one with dietary administration and one with drinking-water administration of This chemical during gestation days 0–19; these showed no adverse effects at doses up to 1000 mg/kg bw per day.</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>In reports submitted to the World Health Organization, the acute oral LD50 in mice was reported to be 12,750 mg/kg bw [National Institute of Hygienic Sciences of Japan, 1964]. In rats, the LD50 by intraperitoneal injection was reported to be 2,000 mg/kg bw and the LD50 by intravenous injection was reported to be 1,000 mg/kg bw [Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, 1957].</p>
Irritation	<p>No irritating effects were observed both for skin and for eye.</p>
Sensitisation	<p>The results of the available tests about the evaluation of dermal effects on human showed no sensitizing effects.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>A number of case reports have been published showing intolerance or hypersensitivity reactions to This chemical. Although some of these reactions have been shown to be quite severe, their prevalence appears to be very low (0.12% in the general population).</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>An average daily intake (ADI) of 0-10 mg/kg bw per day was assigned by JECFA in 2016.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Acute short-term administration on fish: LC50 fish (96 h) > 120 mg/L</p> <p>Acute short-term administration on invertebrates: Both of the acute toxicity to Daphnia magna studies does not show any toxic effects. EC50(48h) > 125 mg/L</p> <p>Acute short-term administration on aquatic plants: Both of the acute toxicity to aquatic plants studies does not show any toxic effects. EC50(48h) > 125 mg/L</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	On the basis of the three acute toxicity data points, an assessment factor of 1000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 120 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 0.12 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ^{3,4}	
Australian Hazard Classification	This chemical is a permitted food colour in both Australia and New Zealand.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	This chemical is a certified colour additive approved by the FDA in the United States to colour food, drugs and cosmetics.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not readily biodegradable. Thus, it is expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	As the estimated Log Pow is -10.7 (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.01 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Water Flow Assurance Tracer (WFT)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{3,4,8,9}	
CAS number	One chemical (proprietary)
Molecular formula	Proprietary
Product name	--
Molecular weight	Proprietary
Solubility in water	Proprietary
pH	6.9
Melting point	Proprietary
Boiling point	Proprietary
Vapour pressure	Odourless white crystals or crystalline powder
Henry's law constant	Proprietary
Explosive potential	Proprietary
Flammability potential	Combustible. Gives off irritating or toxic fumes in a fire.
Colour/Form	No data found
Overview	This WFT is a naturally occurring substance in various plant species. The use in food is the predominant way of human exposure and of exposure of the environment. It is generally recognised as safe (GRAS) as a food additive by the US FDA.
Environmental Fate ^{4,8,9}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>If released to air, a vapor pressure of 9.0×10^{-7} mm Hg at 25 deg C indicates this chemical will exist in both the vapor and particulate phases in the atmosphere. In vapor-phase the chemical will be degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 20 hours. If released to soil, this chemical is expected to have low to no mobility based upon Koc values of 741 and 7762 determined in silt and sandy loam soils. An approximated Koc of 71 suggests high mobility in sand which contains no clay and very low organic carbon content. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon an estimated Henry's Law constant of 1.1×10^{-11} atm-cu m/mole.</p> <p>Various biodegradation studies have found this chemical to be readily biodegradable. If released into water, this chemical is expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the Koc. Volatilization from water surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon this compound's estimated Henry's Law constant. An estimated BCF of 3 (log Kow of -0.07) suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low. The hydrolysis half-life of this chemical in water is reported to be >1 year. Degradation in natural water can occur through photodegradation and biodegradation.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>This chemical was tested for carcinogenicity in five studies in rats by oral administration. In two of these studies, no significant difference in the incidence of tumours at any site was found. The other three studies were found to be inadequate for evaluation. Studies on oral and intraperitoneal administration of this chemical to mice were found to be inadequate for evaluation. In one study, decaffeinated coffee to which this chemical was added was tested by oral administration to rats; overall, no increase in tumours at any site was observed as compared to appropriate controls. Administration of this chemical in combination with known carcinogens resulted in decreased incidences of lung tumours in mice treated with urethane, of mammary tumours in rats treated with diethylstilboestrol and of skin tumours in mice treated with either ultra-violet light or cigarette-smoke condensate. This chemical did not influence the incidence of bladder tumours induced in rats by N-nitroso-N-butyl(4-hydroxybutyl)amine in three experiments or of pancreatic tumours induced in rats by 4-hydroxyaminoquinoline-1-oxide in another study. Nawrot et al. (2003) concluded in their review of the effects of this chemical on human health that “for the healthy adult population, moderate daily this chemical intake at a dose level up to 400 mg/day (equivalent to 6 mg/kg body weight/day in a 65-kg person) is not associated with adverse effects such as general toxicity, cardiovascular effects, effects on bone status and calcium balance (with consumption of adequate calcium), changes in adult behaviour, increased incidence of cancer and effects on male fertility.” It was indicated that habitual daily use of this chemical at greater than 500-600 mg/day (8.3 - 10 mg/kg) could be considered a health risk. For women, this chemical intake greater than 400 mg/day (6.7 mg/kg) “may increase the risk of detrusor instability (unstable bladder) development in women”.</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>IARC evaluates that this chemical is not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans (group 3).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>The potential for this chemical to induce genotoxicity has been evaluated in both in vitro and in vivo studies, with in vitro studies indicating both genotoxic and non-genotoxic results; in vivo studies have shown that, overall, this chemical is not genotoxic .</p>
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>This chemical has been shown to cause adverse reproductive and developmental effects in mice, rats, rabbits and monkeys. Testicular atrophy was observed at high dose levels in rats. Reproductive studies in mice showed no effect on pregnancy but there was a decrease in litter size at birth. Teratogenic effects were usually associated with high, single, daily doses that were also associated with other signs of maternal toxicity. High daily levels given as divided doses were less toxic to the conceptus than when given as a single dose. Reduced fetal body weight was observed in rats. A reversible delay in ossification of the sternum was observed in rats at a relative low dose given by gavage. With administration in drinking-water, similar effects were seen, but at higher doses. One epidemiological study revealed no effect of this chemical on the sex ratio of their children. In lymphocytes of normal, this chemical-exposed people, chromosomal aberrations were not observed. An increased frequency of micronucleated blood cells was observed in otherwise healthy splenectomized people exposed to this chemical. Urine of this chemical-exposed persons was not mutagenic to <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i>.</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>After oral application the LD50 for rats (10 animals/group/sex) was found to be 261-383 mg/kg bw; as clinical symptoms of toxicity, dyspnoea and staggering were seen after oral intake. In further reports the oral LD50 for rats was reported to be 200-400 mg/kg bw and for mice 185 mg/kg bw. The inhalation of the substance by rats as an aerosol for a period of 4 h resulted in an LC50-value of ca. 4.94 mg/l. Irregular and accelerated respiration were noted in this study. The LD50 for dermal application was >2000 mg/kg bw; no clinical symptoms of toxicity were observed. In animals studies this chemical showed moderate toxicity after oral uptake and inhalation and a low acute toxicity after dermal treatment .</p>

Irritation	The undiluted substance was not irritating to the eyes of rabbits. Mean irritation indices were 0.9 (corneal opacity), 0 (iritis), 1.6 (conjunctival erythema) and 0.6 (conjunctival edema). The strongest signs of irritation were observed in 3/3 animals within the first 24h. By day 8 only one animal showed slight corneal opacity and conjunctival redness. The substance in a 50% aqueous dilution was not irritating to the skin of rabbits (Irritation index was 0) (OECD guideline 404 and 405). This chemical is not irritating to skin and eyes.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The American College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (2010) concluded that moderate chemical consumption (<200 mg/day) does not appear to be a major contributing factor in miscarriage or preterm birth. Thus, the acceptable daily intake of this chemical will be set at 200 mg/person/day for the derivation of a drinking water guidance value. Assuming that humans consume 2 litres of water a day, the drinking water guidance value for this chemical is determined to be 100 mg/L.
Ecological Toxicity ^{8,9}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Acute toxicity guideline studies have been conducted in fish, invertebrates and algae (OECD, 2002a,b; ECHA REACH database). A 96-hour LC50 in <i>Leuciscus idus</i> was reported to be 87 mg/L; the 48-hour EC50 in <i>Daphnia magna</i> was reported to be 182 mg/L. and the ErC50 in <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> was reported to be >100 mg/L. .
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Based on the lowest acute toxicity value of 87 mg/L in fish and an assessment factor of 1,000, a PNECaquatic is determined to be 0.087 mg/L
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data found
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
Australian Food Standards	No data found
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
Australian Hazard Classification	No data found
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and thus would not be expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	This chemical is water-soluble and bioaccumulation is not expected according to the log Kow (0.07). Thus, this chemical is not likely to meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	Long term data not available (acute data >0.1 mg/L); potentially not toxic.
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).

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Appendix G

Chemical Risk Assessment - Drilling Fluid

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Planned Drilling Muds**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Smectite	12199-37-0	10	96 hr Oncorhynchus mykiss (Rainbow Trout) LC50 = 19000 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Quartz/Cristobite	14808-60-7	10	acute data >10 g/L	Based on acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Plagioclase Feldspar/Kaolinite	1332-58-7	10	Daphnia pulex (water flea) 24- and 48-h LC50 >1.1 g/L P. trilineatum 12-h LC50 = 170 mg/L O. fasciatus 12-h LC50 = 710 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium hydroxide	1310-73-2	0.3	Measured acute endpoints for fish = 196 mg/L Measured chronic endpoint for Daphnia = 240 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Glutaraldehyde	111-30-8	0.3	96 h acute Bluegill sunfish LC50 = 11.2 mg/L 48 h acute Oyster larvae LC50 = 2.1 mg/L 96 h acute Green crabs LC50 = 465 mg/L 96 h acute Grass shrimp LC50 = 41 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 0.35 mg/L 48 acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 16.3 mg/L 21 d reproduct'n Daphnia magna LOEC = 4.3 mg/L, NOEC = 2.1 mg/L 96 h algal growth inhibition Selenastrum capricornutum ILm = 3.9 mg/L (median inhibitory limit) 96 h algal growth inhibition Scenedesmus subspicatus EC50 = 1.0 mg/L Bacterial inhibition Sewage microbes IC50 = 25-34 mg/L	Based on chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Pow of -0.01	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as moderate based on chronic data. The potential exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable. A Tier 2 assessment would not be required.	NA
Methanol	67-56-1	0.3	Acute LC50s = 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L Invertebrates, chronic NOEC = 32,000 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Kow of -0.74	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Carbonate	497-19-8	0.3	96-hour LC50 Bluegill sunfish (Lepomis macrochirus) = 300 mg/L 96-hour LC50 to mosquitofish (Gambusia affinis) = 740 mg/L 48-hour EC50 to the invertebrate Ceriodaphnia cf. dubia = 200 to 227 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Ethanol, 2,2'-oxybis-, reaction products with ammonia, morpholine derivatives residues	68909-77-3	1	Leuciscus idus, Fish LC50 (96 h) = 681.2 mg/L Daphnia EC50 = 122 mg/L Green alga ErC50 (72h) = 45 mg/L Microorganism > 1000 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Not readily biodegradable.	No based on the Log Pow of 0.565	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable however it is not a bioaccumulative substance. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Nitrioltriacetic acid	5064-31-3	1	Fish 96 h LC50 = 98 - 487 mg/L Fish NOEC = 54 mg/L Invertebrates NOEC = 9.3 mg/L	Based on chronic: Moderate	Readily biodegradable	No based on the Log Pow of -13.2	Tier 1 (conc < ecotox)	The risk was classified as moderate based on chronic data. The potential exposure concentration is below the respective LC50/EC50 values. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Chloride	7647-14-5	60	acute endpoint for Fish = 1290 mg/L NOEC for Daphnia = 314 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Citric Acid, monohydrate	77-92-9	1	96 h LC50 fish = 440 to 1,516 mg/L 24 h EC50 value for invertebrates is 85 mg/L 7 d toxic limit concentration values for algae = 300 to 640 mg/L 8 d freshwater static test for the algae Scenedesmus quadricauda, NOEC = 425 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium Bicarbonate	144-55-8	0.5	21 d Daphnia NOEC = 576 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Xanthan Gum	11138-66-2	1.5	Acute Fish (measured) = 420 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Glyoxal <1%	107-22-2	1.5	96 h-LC50 fish = 215 mg/L Invertebrates EC50 > 100 mg/L NOEC fish = 119 mg/L (a.i.)	Based on chronic: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Poly Anionic Cellulose	9004-32-4	1.5	96 h LC50 for Brachydanio rerio is >2,500 mg/L 48 h LC50 for Daphnia magna is >5,000 mg/L; 96 h EC50 for Selenastrum capricornutum is 500 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Not readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable however it is not expected to be bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Potassium Chloride	7447-40-7	18	96 h LC50 in Pimephales promelas = 880 mg/L 48 h LC50 Lepomis macrochirus, Oncorhynchus mykiss and Ictalurus punctatus = 720 - 2010 mg/L 48 h EC50 Daphnia magna and Ceriodaphnia dubia were 660 and 630 mg/L respectively NOEC for Daphnia is 373 mg/L	Based on chronic: Low	N.A.(Inorganic)	N.A. (Inorganic)	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on chronic data. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Starch	9005-25-8	4	Crassostrea virginica 96 h = 1000 mg/L Orthopristis chrysoptera 96 h = 5000 mg/L Bairdiella chrysoura 96 h = 5000 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Expected to be readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low based on acute data and it is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

**Human Health Screening Assessment
Planned Drilling Muds**

Chemical Name	CAS Number	Concentration in Injected Fluid (mg/L)	Ecotoxicity ¹	Toxicity ²	Biodegradation ^{1,3}	Bioaccumulative ¹	Screening	Discussion	Outcome of Tier 2 Assessment ¹
Tetrahydro-3,5-dimethyl-1,3,5-thiadiazine-2-thione	533-74-4	4	Daphnia magna (Water flea), 48 h, static, EC50 = 0.3 mg/L Salmo gairdneri (Rainbow trout), 96 h, static, LC50 = 0.16 mg/L Ankistrodesmus bribaianus (Green alga), 72 h, static, EC50 = 1.08 mg/L Colinus virginianus (Bobwhite quail), 21 d, LD50 = 415 mg/kg bw Colinus virginianus (Bobwhite quail), 25 weeks, NOEL = 100 mg/kg food	Based on acute: Very high	Expected to be readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as very high and the potential exposure concentration is markedly elevated. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
2-Propenoic acid, sodium salt, polymer with 2-propene	25085-02-3	1.5	There are no aquatic toxicity studies on the polymer. It is expected to have low concern for aquatic toxicity because of its very high molecular weight and poor water solubility. As such, the polymer does not meet the criteria for toxicity.	Assumed to be low	Not readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable however it is not a bioaccumulative substance. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Distillates, hydrotreated light	64742-47-8	1.5	Lowest acute endpoint for Daphnia = 0.018 mg/L (modelled)	Based on acute: Very high	Readily biodegradable	Yes based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight	Tier 2	The risk was classified as high based on chronic data. The substance is expected to be readily biodegradable, but is considered to have a potential to bioaccumulate. A Tier 2 assessment is required.	A Tier 2 assessment was conducted using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach as per DOE and NICNAS 2017 guidance. Based on the calculated MOEs the chemical is of low concern for workers (refer to individual toxicity profile for further detail).
Alcohol, C11-14, ethoxylated	78330-21-9	1.5	96 h LC50, <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> = 5 - 7 mg/L 30 d <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i> , NOEC = 0.11 - 0.33 mg/L. 48 h EC50 <i>Daphnia magna</i> = 2.5 mg/L. 21 d NOEC <i>Daphnia magna</i> = 0.77 - 1.75 mg/L. 96 h EC50 (green algae) = 1.4 mg/L EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms = 140 mg/L	Based on chronic: High	Readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1 with management	The risk was classified as high. This chemical is expected to be readily biodegradable and not bioaccumulative. Management of this chemical in flowback water will be addressed in the Wastewater Management Plan. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA
Sodium erythorbate	6381-77-7	0.2	96 h LC50 Fish > 100 mg/L 48 h EC50 <i>Daphnia magna</i> = 84 - 100 mg/L 72 h NOEC alga = 20 mg/L	Based on acute: Low	Not readily biodegradable	Not bioaccumulative	Tier 1	The risk was classified as low. It is not expected to be readily biodegradable however it is not a bioaccumulative substance. A Tier 2 assessment is not required.	NA

Notes

- 1 - Please refer to the individual toxicity profiles for further detail.
- 2 - Toxicity assessed using Commonwealth of Australia 2013 Ecotoxicity Assessment Guidelines (presented as Table 4 in the Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019))
- 3- Biodegradation assessed as per Northern Territory Government Draft Guideline for the Preparation of an Environment Management Plan under the Petroleum Regulations (2019) and Australian Government Department of Health National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS)
- BCF - Bioconcentration Factor
- NA - Not Applicable
- MOE - Margin of Exposure
- NICNAS 2017 - National Assessment of Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction in Australia
- DOE 2017 - Draft Risk Assessment Guidance Manual: For Chemicals Associated with Coal Seam Gas Extraction, Australian Government, Department of Energy

Attachment A - Risk Characterisation Calculations

64742-47-8 Distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated light

Drilling Muds - Adult worker exposure scenario	Total Internal Dose (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / dosage)	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Haliburton Frac Recipes					
Occupational Activity					
Transport and storage	Negligible*	1000	maternal toxicity in rats		No
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810			1235	
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*				
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure	0.972			1029	

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Worker exposure during mixing/blending of chemicals					
Dermal Exposure					
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$ (source Equation 1 - NICNAS 2017)					
E _{derm}	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.06	mg/kg bw/day		
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%	default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017)	
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm ² /day	0.1	mg/cm ² /day	Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of DEASE, 0.1 mg/cm ² /day is used (NICNAS 2017)	
SA _{derm}	surface area of exposed skin, cm ²	840	cm ²	US EPA 2011, NICNAS 2017	
B _{derm}	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%	NICNAS 2017	
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
Inhalation Exposure					
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Demkg \times V_{air} \times B_{inh} \times t}{BW}$ (source Equation 2 - NICNAS 2017)					
E _{inh}	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.750	mg/kg bw/day		
F _{resp}	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless	assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017)	
C	concentration of the chemical, %	100%	%	default concentration of 1000 g/L (100%) is used as the concentration of chemical when delivered to site. Assumes the chemical is in its pure form and not diluted with other chemicals (NICNAS 2017)	
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m ³	0.6	mg/m ³	NICNAS 2017	
V _{air}	worker ventilation rate, m ³ /day	22	m ³ /day	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
B _{inh}	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%	NICNAS 2017	
t	duration of exposure, h/day	4	h/day	assumed to be four hours, which is an estimate of the duration of manual handling activities that occur during mixing (NICNAS 2017)	
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
t	time	4	hours	NICNAS 2017	
E _{total} =	E _{derm} + E _{inh}				
E_{total} =	0.810		mg/kg bw/day		

Worker exposure during cleaning and maintenance (drilling)					
Dermal Exposure					
$E_{derm} = \frac{C \times Dease \times SA_{derm} \times B_{derm}}{BW}$					
E _{derm}	Internal dermal dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.012	mg/kg bw/day		
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%	an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection	
Dease	external dose estimated by EASE model, mg/cm ² /day	0.1	mg/cm ² /day	Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value of Dease, 0.1 mg/cm ² /day, is used (NICNAS 2017).	
SA _{derm}	surface area of exposed skin, cm ²	840	cm ²	for hands (USEPA 2011, NICNAS 2017)	
B _{derm}	dermal bioavailability, %	10%	%	NICNAS 2017	
BW	body weight, kg bw.	70	kg bw	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
t	time	8	hours	NICNAS 2017	
Inhalation Exposure					
$E_{inh} = \frac{F_{resp} \times C \times Demkg \times V_{air} \times B_{inh} \times t}{BW}$					
E _{inh}	Internal inhalation dose of the chemical, mg/kg bw/day	0.150	mg/kg bw/day		
F _{resp}	respirable/inhalable fraction of the chemical, dimensionless	1	dimensionless	assumed to be 1 (NICNAS 2017)	
C	concentration of the chemical, %	10%	%	an assumed concentration of 100 g/L (10%) is used as the concentration of chemical in the final formulation prior to injection	
Demkg	external dose estimated by EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, mg/m ³	0.6	mg/m ³	Assuming no PPE, the upper limit value is used - EMKG-EXPO-TOOL, NICNAS	
V _{air}	worker ventilation rate, m ³ /day	22	m ³ /day	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
B _{inh}	inhalation bioavailability, %	100%	%	NICNAS 2017	
t	duration of exposure, h/day	8	h/day	assumed to be eight hours which is an estimate of the manual handling activities that occur during cleaning and maintenance (NICNAS 2017)	
BW	body weight, kg bw	70	kg bw	enHealth 2012, NICNAS 2017	
E _{total} =	E _{derm} + E _{inh}				
E_{total} =	0.162		mg/kg bw/day		

Appendix H

Drilling Fluid – Chemical Toxicological Profiles

Toxicity Summary - 2-Propenoic acid, polymer with sodium phosphinate and 2-Propenoic acid, sodium salt, polymer with 2-propenamide

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	129898-01-7 25085-02-3
Molecular formula	(C3H4O2.H3O2P.Na)x.xNa (C3H5NO.C3H4O2.Na)x
Molecular weight	Likely >1000 MW
Solubility in water	No data available.
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	No data available.
Overview	<p>No studies are available. The polymer is not expected to be readily biodegradable. Biodegradation is limited due to the very high molecular weight and the low water solubility of the polymer. Due to its high molecular weight, the polymer is not expected to bioaccumulate.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ²	
Soil/Water/Air	The polymer is not expected to be readily biodegradable. Biodegradation is limited due to the very high molecular weight and the low water solubility of the polymer. Due to its high molecular weight, the polymer is not expected to bioaccumulate.
Human Health Toxicity Summary	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data available.
Carcinogenicity	No data available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No data available.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.
Acute Toxicity	No data available.
Irritation	No data available.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No data available.
Ecological Toxicity²	
Aquatic Toxicity	Limited information is available. The polymer is expected to be a low concern for toxicity to aquatic organisms. Due to its poor solubility and high molecular weight, it is not expected to be bioavailable. It does not contain any reactive functional groups.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	No PNEC values were calculated.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	The polymer is not readily biodegradable, hence it meets the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	The polymer is expected to have a very high molecular weight and poor water solubility. It is not expected to be bioavailable, hence this polymer does not meet the criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	There are no aquatic toxicity studies on the polymer. It is expected to have low concern for aquatic toxicity because of its very high molecular weight and poor water solubility. As such, the polymer does not meet the criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Ethoxylated of aliphatic alcohols (>C6)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	112-59-4, 3055-93-4, 3055-94-5, 3055-95-6, 3055-97-8, 4536-30-5, 5274-68-0, 25190-05-0, 9002-92-0, 9004-95-9, 9004-98-2, 9005-00-9, 9043-30-5, 31726-34-8, 24938-91-8, 26183-52-8, 26468-86-0, 27252-75-1, 27306-79-2, 31943-12-1, 32128-65-7, 37281-47-3, 37702-39-9, 39587-22-9, 52292-17-8, 61723-78-2, 68439-45-2, 68439-46-3, 68439-49-6, 68439-50-9, 68439-54-3, 61791-13-7, 61791-28-4, 61827-42-7, 64425-86-1, 66455-14-9, 66455-15-0, 69227-20-9, 67254-71-1, 68002-97-1, 68131-39-5, 68131-40-8, 68155-01-1, 68213-23-0, 68526-94-3, 68551-12-2, 97953-22-5, 68920-66-1, 68991-48-0
Molecular formula	Unspecified
Molecular weight	Unspecified
Solubility in water	0.1876 - 13.18 mg/L at 25 °C (C12-14 ethoxylated, 1-2.5 EO) (CAS 68131-39-5) 1.69 - 246.7 mg/L at 25 °C (C9-11, ethoxylated (EO < 2.5) (CAS 68439-46-3)
Melting point	7.2 °C at 101.3 kPa (CAS 68131-39-5) -20 °C at 101.3 kPa (CAS 68439-46-3)
Boiling point	271.11 - 516.11 °C (CAS 68131-39-5) 260 °C (CAS 68439-46-3)
Vapour pressure	< 1 Pa at 25 °C (CAS 68131-39-5) 0.004 - 117 Pa at 20 °C (CAS 68439-46-3)
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Non explosives
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Organic liquid, colourless to light yellow
Overview	<p>The chemicals in this group are structurally related alcohol ethoxylates (AEs), ethoxylated ethers of aliphatic alcohols, where the alkyl chain length is six carbons or higher. Ethoxylates of shorter chain alcohols (C<6) do not show the same degree of surfactancy compared to the chemicals in this group. Commercially available AEs generally consist of a mixture of various AE homologues of varying carbon chain lengths and degree of ethoxylation. The chemicals contain a hydrophobic alkyl chain attached via an ether linkage to a hydrophilic ethylene oxide (EO) chain that gives them their characteristic surfactant properties. The hydrophobic alkyl and the hydrophilic EO chains can vary in length depending on method of production and source of the precursor chemicals (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Although most of chemicals of this group are polymers according to the definition in the Industrial Chemicals (Notification and Assessment) Act (1989), the individually named members do not necessarily meet the polymer of low concern (PLC) criteria as the number-average molecular weight (NAMW) >1000 Da. Lower molecular weight forms of these chemicals (MW <500) are expected to be used in commercial, domestic and cosmetic products. The chemicals are used extensively as non-ionic surfactants in a wide range of cosmetic and domestic products.</p> <p>The chemicals in this group are expected to have similar physicochemical and toxicological properties, which depend on the alkyl chain length and the number of EO units.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Alcohol ethoxylates are readily biodegradable under aerobic conditions and also anaerobically biodegradable (HERA, 2009). The main mechanism of primary biodegradation for the linear and essentially linear AE is the central cleavage of the molecule, leading to the formation of long chain alcohol and polyethylene glycol (HERA, 2009; Marcomini et al., 2000a; Marcomini et al., 2000b). Long chain alcohols themselves are readily biodegradable up to C18 (SIDS, 2006).</p> <p>Abiotic degradation in water, soil, sediment and air is not expected to occur because of the chemical structures of AE homologues. Neither hydrolysis under normal</p>

	<p>environmental conditions (pH range from 4 to 9) nor photolysis in the atmosphere, in water, or when absorbed to soil and sediment surfaces, is to be considered (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Experimentally determined BCF-values given for pure homologues and summarized in the publication of Tolls et al. (2000) are used as read-across data for the endpoint bioaccumulation in water. It can be stated that bioaccumulation of alcohol ethoxylates is regarded to be negligible as the surfactants will be rapidly metabolised. For more detail see endpoint summary for bioaccumulation.</p> <p>Concerning transport and distribution of the alcohol ethoxylate mixtures a high adsorption of the substances is determined by using QSAR-models. Adsorption onto surfaces is an intrinsic property of alcohol ethoxylates and thus a high Koc-value is expected.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are not expected to cause serious damage to health fr In several 90-day oral feeding studies in rats (similar to OECD TG 407), the NOAEL was established between 50 and 700 mg/kg bw/day (calculated from dietary levels) for group members (CAS Nos. 68439-50-9 and 68131-39-5, ranging from C12–15 with EO7). Effects observed at higher concentrations included reduction in mean body weights, and increases in relative liver and kidney weights. These changes were considered to be adaptive and related to the poor palatability of the test chemicals. No treatment related histopathological changes were reported (SCCS, 2007; HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>Similar effects were seen in longer-term studies. Alcohols, C12-13, ethoxylated (CAS No. 66455-14-9; EO6.5) and alcohols, C14-15, ethoxylated (CAS No. 68951-67-7, EO7, not listed on AICS) were given to rats in one- and two-year chronic feeding studies at levels between 0.1 and 1 %. The NOAEL was established between 50 and 192 mg/kg bw/day (calculated from dietary level). Effects observed at higher levels included reduction in mean body weights, and increase in relative liver and kidney weights. These changes were considered to be adaptive and may be due to poor palatability of the test chemicals. No treatment related lesions were observed (SCCS, 2007; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).om repeated oral and dermal exposure.</p> <p>In a 90-day study (OECD TG 411), Fischer rats were exposed to the chemical (C9–11 with 6 EO units, CAS No. 68439-46-3) at 1, 10 or 25 % concentration, 3 days/week. The application site was shaved but not covered. There were no significant treatment related effects at any concentration. Dry and flaky skin was observed in the 10 and 25 % dose groups. Increased relative kidney weights were observed in the 25 % dose groups. However, no histological lesions were observed. The NOAEL was established at 10 %, equivalent to 80 mg/kg bw/day (HERA, 2009).</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals in this group are not considered to be carcinogenic.</p> <p>Two chemicals, alcohols, C12-13, ethoxylated (CAS No. 66455-14-9; EO6.5) and alcohols, C14-15, ethoxylated (CAS No. 68951-67-7, EO7, not listed on AICS) were administered at up to 1 % in the diet to rats for one and two years, respectively. No treatment related histopathological effects or increased tumour incidences were observed in either study (HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>The chemicals are synthesised through processes which may result in 1,4-dioxane as an impurity. This impurity is classified as a Carcinogen—Category 3 (R40—Limited evidence of a carcinogenic effect). However, it is reported that cosmetic industry uses additional purification steps to remove the 1,4-dioxane residual in PEG before blending into cosmetic formulations (CIR, 2012).</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals in this group are not considered to be genotoxic.</p> <p>The group members (CAS Nos. 68439-50-9, 68131-39-5 and 64425-86-1) and several analogue chemicals (ranging from C12–18 and EO3–21) produced negative results in several in vitro and in vivo tests for gene mutation and clastogenicity. Negative results were reported in bacterial reverse mutation tests for mutagenicity against <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> (strains TA98, TA100, TA102, TA104, TA1535, TA1537 and TA1538) and <i>Escherichia coli</i> (strains WP2 and WP2uvrA pKM101), with or without metabolic activation.</p> <p>Negative results were also reported in chromosomal aberration tests in Chinese hamster V79, Chinese hamster ovary, mouse lymphoma and rat liver cell lines (SCCP, 2007; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>These chemicals did not induce chromosomal damage in Chinese hamster or Tunstall Wistar rat bone marrow cells after acute oral doses ranged between 250 and 3400 mg/kg bw (HERA, 2009).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the data available, the chemicals of this group are not considered to cause reproductive or developmental toxicity.</p> <p>In a two-generation reproductive and developmental toxicity study, the chemical (C14-15EO7) was administered in the diet of Charles River CD rats (n=25/sex/group, at doses of 0, 25, 50 or 250 mg/kg bw/day). The NOAEL for reproductive toxicity was established as 250 mg/kg bw/day (or 0.5 % of the diet). No treatment related effects were reported with respect to fertility, gestation, or viability indices or other histopathological parameters. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity was established as 50 mg/kg bw/day based on reduced pup body weights in the second generation at 250 mg/kg bw/day (HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a two-generation reproductive and developmental toxicity study, the chemical (C9-11EO6) was applied dermally to Fischer 344 rats (n=30/sex/group, at doses of 0, 10, 100 or 250 mg/kg bw/day, 3 times a week except mating periods). No treatment related effects were reported with respect to mating, fertility, gestation, or viability indices and mean gestational length in both generations. No effects on testicular weights or sperm counts were observed in the male rats. The NOAEL for reproductive toxicity was established as 250 mg/kg bw/day. The NOAEL for developmental toxicity was >250 mg/kg bw/day, based on no effects seen in growth and development in the offspring up to the highest dose tested (HERA 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a two generation study, the chemical (C12EO6) was administered in the diet of female rabbits at doses of 0, 50, 100 or 200 mg/kg bw/day from gestation days 2 to 16. Ataxia and a slight decrease in body weight were observed at 100 and 200 mg/kg bw/day, indicating maternal toxicity. Nine rabbits in the control group and 31 in the treatment groups died during the study (details not available). There were no treatment related effects on implantations, number of live fetuses and spontaneous abortions. The NOAEL for maternal toxicity was reported as >50 mg/kg bw/day (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>Although certain short chain monoethylene glycol ethers such as 2-ethoxyethanol (CAS No. 110-80-5) are known reproductive toxicants, the ability of the glycol ethers to cause testicular toxicity decreases with increasing chain length, with effects not observed with chain lengths greater than C2 (OECD, 2004).</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Based on the available animal (rats, mice and guinea pigs) studies, the chemicals in this group are expected to have low to moderate acute oral toxicity (REACHa-h; OECD, 2005; HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012). The LD50 in rats ranged from 600 mg/kg bw to greater than 20 g/kg bw. Observed sublethal effects for the chemical with the highest toxicity (C15–16 and EO10) included diarrhoea, pilo-erection, ataxia, abnormal posture, difficult laboured breathing, salivation, lacrimation, bloody noses and lethargy. Data from HERA assessment studies show that the chemicals with ethoxylate chains (EO) between 5 and 15 units were more toxic by the oral route than those with less than 4 or greater than 21 units. No relationship between the alcohol chain length and toxicity was observed (HERA, 2009).</p> <p>The chemicals of this group exhibit low acute dermal and inhalation toxicity. The chemicals (C9 to C15 with 3–13 EO units) were of low acute toxicity in rats and rabbits following dermal exposure. The LD50 ranged from 2000 to 5000 mg/kg bw. Sub-clinical effects included wet appearance of the fur, little or no urine, laboured breathing, lethargy, diarrhoea, ataxia, muscle tremours and decreased activity. There was no relationship between the alcohol chain length or number of ethoxylate groups and toxicity. Very high dermal doses of the chemicals (>16000 mg/kg bw) applied dermally for 24 hours in rabbits led to severe skin irritation, ataxia and lung lesions (HERA, 2009; CIR, 2012).</p> <p>In a guideline study (Test Guideline (TG) 403), a single static inhalation exposure to substantially saturated vapour (equivalent to 131.58 ppm - calculated) of C6EO1-2.5 (CAS No. 112-59-4), resulted in no mortality or other signs of inhalation toxicity in Sprague- Dawley (SD) rats (REACHa).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are reported to be moderate to severe skin irritants in animal studies. The degree of irritation was reported to be dependent on the type of patch (occluded vs semi-occluded), exposure time (ranging from 4 hours up to 4 weeks) and the concentration used. Undiluted chemicals were moderately to severely irritating, 1–10 % was mildly irritating and 0.1 % and 0.5 % were non-irritating. There was also a general trend between the severity of irritation and the degree of ethoxylation. Chemicals with three and less ethoxylate units appeared to be more irritating than chemicals with higher degree of ethoxylation. No trend in irritation potential with respect to the length of carbon chain could be established.</p> <p>Available data indicates that undiluted AEs can produce varying degrees of eye irritation ranging from moderate to severe irritancy. The severity of irritation was found to be concentration dependent, with up to 1 % minimally irritating and concentrations in the range of 1 to 10 % slightly to moderately irritating. In most cases, following exposure, the eyes of the treated animals recovered a few days after exposure. Further tests showed that rinsing the eye 30 seconds after application with tap water may reduce the severity of the effects. No clear relationship could be established between the number of EO units or carbon chain length and eye irritation potency.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on available data, the chemicals in this group are not skin sensitisers.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The chemicals in this group are synthesised from linear alcohols (primary or secondary) or branched alcohols. The commercial AEs may also contain un-reacted alcohol as reaction by-products at about 5 % but with variations between different commercial products (HERA, 2009). Available data on linear and branched chain alcohols show that they have low acute and systemic toxicity and exhibit similar patterns of absorption, metabolism, and excretion to alcohol ethoxylates. They are also shown to have no skin sensitisation potential. A potential for skin and eye irritation exists with alcohols >11 carbon chain length (OECD, 2006; OECD, 2006a).</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The critical human health effects for risk characterisation are acute oral toxicity and skin and eye irritation. The irritant effects are similar to those produced by other surfactants, and the severity of irritation appears to increase directly with concentration and generally decrease with an increasing number of ethoxylate units.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96 h LC50 value for Alcohols, C9-11, ethoxylated with <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> was 5 - 7 mg/L based on nominal concentrations.</p> <p>In the long term toxicity test to <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>, the NOEC (30 days) was 0.11 – 0.33 mg/L.</p> <p>In the short-term toxicity test to <i>Daphnia magna</i>, the EC50 (48 h) was 2.5 mg/L.</p> <p>In the long term toxicity test to <i>Daphnia magna</i>, the NOEC (21 days) was 0.77 – 1.75 mg/L.</p> <p>In the short-term toxicity test to <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> (green algae), the EC50 (96 h) was 1.4 mg/L.</p> <p>The EC50 (3 h) for microorganisms was 140 mg/L.</p> <p>In a study conducted with two different fish species (bluegill sunfish and fathead minnow) the effects of C14 -15 alcohol ethoxylates (7EO) were determined (Dorn et al., 1995, Shell). In two experiments fish were exposed for 10 d in a laboratory assay and for 30 d in an outdoor stream mesocosm. Effect parameters determined were survival and growth of juvenile bluegills and survival and reproduction of fathead minnows. In the laboratory experiment the NOEC for survival and swimming performance of bluegills and for survival of fathead minnows was 0.16 mg/L. In the stream mesocosm the NOEC for bluegill survival and growth was >0.33 mg/L and for fathead minnow survival 0.28 mg/L. There was an indication of decreased egg laying by fathead minnow in the streams at concentrations of 0.33 mg/L or greater. On the basis of the reported results a worst-case NOEC of 0.16 mg/L is assumed.</p> <p>One publication is available for an alcohol ethoxylate mixture with a chain length of C12 - C13 and approximately 6.5 ethoxy groups (Gillespie et al. 1999). The 21 days flow-through chronic experiment on daphnids is conducted according to the guidelines USEPA-TSCA (U.S. EPA, 1992) and ASTM (1988) and is well documented in the paper. Nevertheless the degree of ethoxylation of the tested mixture described in the paper (6.5 EO) is higher than the degree of ethoxylation described for CAS 68131-39-5 (2.5 EO). The NOEC of 0.77 mg/L for reproduction can be used for read-across.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	A PNECaquatic of 11 µg/L was calculated using the lowest chronic endpoint of NOEC of 0.11 mg/L for <i>Daphnia magna</i> . An assessment factor of 10 was used.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards are available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	Trigger values for freshwater (95% species) (ANZECC 2000): Alcohol ethoxylated sulfate (AES) = 650 µgL ⁻¹ Alcohol ethoxylated surfactants (AE) = 140 µgL ⁻¹
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. These chemicals were found to be readily biodegradable. Thus, it does not meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Bioaccumulation in organisms is expected to be negligible, due to biotransformation and excretion of alcohol ethoxylates.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The NOECs from the chronic aquatic toxicity data are >0.01 mg/L, hence does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.

Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Cellulose, carboxymethyl ether, sodium salt

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2}	
CAS number	9004-32-4
Molecular formula	No data available.
Molecular weight	No data available.
Solubility in water	No data available.
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	White odourless hygroscopic granules or powder.
Overview	<p>Sodium carboxycellulose is the sodium salt of carboxymethylcellulose. Carboxymethyl cellulose is a cellulose derivative with carboxymethyl groups (-CH₂COOH) bound to some of the hydroxyl groups of the glucopyranose monomers that make up the cellulose backbone.</p> <p>Sodium carboxycellulose is listed as GRAS (Generally Regarded as Safe) by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA GRAS database). It is an approved food additive in the EU (EC, 1995) and may be added to all foodstuffs following quantum satis principle, except in products for the dietary management of metabolic disorders, where the limit of use is 10 g/L or kg (EC, 1999).</p> <p>The Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives has determined an Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) for sodium carboxymethyl cellulose of "Not Specified" (no upper limit) (JECFA, 1989).</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that it was low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Carboxymethyl cellulose (DS 0.7) showed 25% biodegradation after 28 days in a OECD 301A test. Thus, sodium carboxymethyl cellulose is not readily biodegradable. Other studies have also shown partial degradation of carboxymethyl cellulose in ready and inherent biodegradability tests.
Human Health Toxicity Summary	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No data available.
Carcinogenicity	No data available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No data available.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.
Acute Toxicity	No data available.

Irritation	No data available.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	No data available.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No data are available for determining the critical effect and the LOAEL/NOAEL for an oral reference dose.
Ecological Toxicity ¹	
Aquatic Toxicity	Carboxymethyl cellulose has been tested in several acute aquatic toxicity tests. The 96-hour LC50 for <i>Brachydanio rerio</i> is >2,500 mg/L; the 48-hour LC50 for <i>Daphnia magna</i> is >5,000 mg/L; and the 96-hour EC50 for <i>Selenastrum capricornutum</i> is 500 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: Experimental results are available for three trophic levels. Acute E(L)C50 values are available for fish (>2,500 mg/L), <i>Daphnia</i> (>5,000 mg/L), and algae (>500 mg/L). On the basis that the data consists of short-term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 500 mg/L for algae. The PNECaquatic is 0.5 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Sodium carboxymethyl cellulose is a water-soluble semisynthetic polymer and is not readily biodegradable. Thus, it meets the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Sodium carboxymethyl cellulose is a water-soluble semisynthetic polymer and is expected to have a molecular weight of >1,000 which limits its bioavailability to aquatic organisms. Thus, it is not expected to bioaccumulate.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute EC(L)50 of sodium carboxymethylcellulose is >0.1 mg/L in fish, invertebrates and algae. Thus, it does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Citric acid

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{2,3,5}	
CAS number	77-92-9
Molecular formula	C6-H8-O7
Product name	--
Molecular weight	192.124
Solubility in water	1000000 mg/L
pH	2 to 2.2
Melting point	Decomposition > 175 C
Boiling point	152 to 159 C
Vapour pressure	White powder or granules
Henry's law constant	1.7 x 10 ⁻⁸ mm Hg at 25 deg C
Explosive potential	4.39 x 10 ⁻⁰⁹ Pa.m ³ /mol
Flammability potential	Dust explosion possible if powder or granular form, mixed with air
Colour/Form	Melts and decomposes in fire, a non-hazardous reaction.
Overview	<p>Citric acid is a water soluble organic solid. It is a natural substance that appears as an intermediate in the basic physiological citric acid or Krebs cycle in every eukaryote cell. Citric acid has been produced for many years in high volumes. It has wide dispersive use, being added to processed food and beverages, used in pharmaceutical preparations and in household cleaners as well as in special technical applications. Citric acid is recognised by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) and the WHO JECFA as safe as a multipurpose food additive. No upper limit of concentrations has been established in food products.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,5}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Citric acid is highly mobile in the environment and is extremely soluble in water. The pKa of citric acid is 2.79, indicating that this compound will exist almost entirely in the anion form in the environment. The compound does not sorb to soil or particles in the water column and is readily and rapidly degraded in surface waters and in soil. (OECD, hsdB)</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,4,5}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A 2-year chronic oral study in rats being given 5% or 3% citric acid in feed (approx. 2 resp. 1.2 g/kg/d) found slightly decreased growth in the higher dosage group but no tissue abnormalities in the major organs. From the lower dosage a NOAEL of 1200 mg/kg/d results. Similarly, NOAELs of 1500 mg/kg/d (rabbit) and of 1400 mg/kg/d (dog) have been determined.</p> <p>In general, citric acid is a strong chelating agent, the dietary uptake of which may interfere with biological availability, absorption and excretion of metals. Further, loss of superficial enamel and erosion of teeth as well as local irritation result from frequent ingestion of citric acid in beverages including natural fruit juices; citric acid fumes were reported to apparently affect the teeth of exposed workers.</p> <p>The average daily intake of citric acid from natural sources in the diet and food additives was estimated at about 40 mg/kg for women, 130 mg/kg for infants and 400 mg/kg for individuals on slimming diets; maximum daily intake is reported to reach levels of 500 mg/kg. No formal ADI (acceptable daily intake) level has been specified for citric acid and its common salts by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives nor by the EC Scientific Committee for Food.</p>
Carcinogenicity	Citric acid has not been classified by the IARC.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In several in vitro and in vivo tests citric acid was not mutagenic. The substance was not mutagenic either in bacterial tests with <i>Salmonella typhimurium</i> (Ames test, 2 studies) and <i>Escherichia coli</i> , with and without metabolic activation.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	In a two-generation 90 days study with male and female rats fed 1.2 % citric acid no adverse effect on reproductive parameters nor any teratogenicity of dietary citric acid was seen. There were no indications of teratogenic or other adverse effects in three shorter term reproductive studies in rats with dietary dosage of either 5% citric acid (approx. 2.5 g/kg/d) previous, during and after mating (NOEL = 2500 mg/kg/d), or 295 mg/kg/d (route unspecified) during days 6–15 of pregnancy
Acute Toxicity	Citric acid has a low acute toxicity by oral application in both rat (LD50 = 3,000–12,000 mg/kg, 3 different values) and mouse (LD50 = 5,400 mg/kg). General effects comprised physiological disturbances (acidosis and calcium deficiency), while “high” doses caused nervous system effects as well as severe damage to the stomach mucosa.
Irritation	Local effects of citric acid to the skin (rabbit) are reported as slightly irritating in two studies and as not irritating in a third study using a 30% aqueous solution. In an acute eye irritation/corrosion test in rabbits according to OECD 405 citric acid was highly irritating.
Sensitisation	The sensitising potential is low.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	A 2-year chronic oral study in rats being given 5% or 3% citric acid in feed resulted in a NOAEL of 1200 mg/kg/d. Uncertainty factors: 10 (interspecies variability) and 10 (intraspecies variability). Drinking water guideline = 4.7 ppm
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,5}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 96-hour LC50 values for citric acid to fish are from 440 to 1,516 mg/L. The acute toxicity 24 hour EC50 value for invertebrates is 85 mg/L. The 7 day toxic limit concentration (TLC) values for algae range from 300 to 640 mg/L. In an 8 day freshwater static test for the algae <i>Scenedesmus quadricauda</i>, the NOEC is 425 mg/L.</p> <p>In freshwater, citric acid appears to be of low toxicity to aquatic acute test standard organisms, fish, daphnia and algae, with consistent LC50/EC50 values of several hundred milligrams per litre.</p>

Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>PNEC_{aquatic}: Experimental results are available for three trophic levels. Acute E(L)C₅₀ values are available for fish (440 mg/L), Daphnia (85 mg/L). A TLC value of 300 mg/L was obtained for algae from which no dependable EC₅₀ can be derived. Even though a NOEC was obtained from the algae study, there were no chronic studies conducted on fish or Daphnia.</p> <p>On the basis that the data consists of short-term results from three trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 85 mg/L for Daphnia Magna. The PNEC_{aquatic} was calculated to be 0.085 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data found
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data found
Australian Food Standards	No data found
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found
Australian Hazard Classification	No data found
PBT Assessment¹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Citric acid is expected to be readily biodegradable and does not persist in the environment
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Based on the low Log Kow and widespread natural occurrence, citric acid is not expected to have potential for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	Long term data not available (acute data >0.1 mg/L); potentially not toxic.
Overall conclusion	Not a PBT substance (based on screening data).

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Toxicity Summary - Crystalline silica-cristobalite, crystalline silica-quartz, tridymite

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3}	
CAS number	Crystalline Silica (Cristobalite) : 14464-46-1 Crystalline Silica (Quartz): 14808-60-7 Diatomaceous Earth (Calcined silica): 91053-39-3 Tridymite: 15468-32-3
Molecular formula	Crystalline Silica (Cristobalite): SiO ₂ Crystalline Silica (Quartz): SiO ₂ Diatomaceous Earth (Calcined silica): SiO ₂
Molecular weight	60.09 g/mol
Solubility in water	Insoluble/negligible
pH	-
Melting point	1713°C (Cristobalite) 1610°C (Quartz)
Boiling point	2230 °C
Vapour pressure	NA
Henry's law constant	NA
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	Transparent crystals
Overview	Silica is an off-white granule that occurs naturally in various crystalline and amorphous or other non-crystalline forms. Crystalline silica is characterized by silicon dioxide (SiO ₂) molecules oriented in fixed, periodic patterns to form stable crystals. The primary crystalline form of silica is quartz. Other crystalline forms of silica include cristobalite, tripoli and tridymite. Particle size is a key determinant of silica toxicity, since toxicity is restricted to particles that are small enough to be deposited into the target regions of the respiratory tract. Uncalcined diatomaceous earth typically contains around 1% crystalline silica. When diatomaceous earth is subjected to pressure or is processed ("calcined") at temperatures above 1000°C some of the amorphous silica is converted to crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite. Calcined diatomaceous earth can contain anywhere from 1% to 75% cristobalite.
Environmental Fate ^{1,2}	
Soil/Water/Air	Crystalline Silica consists of diatomaceous earth, a naturally occurring material. Its primary component, silica, is found in common materials like quartz, sand and agate. The materials are ubiquitous and unlikely to react chemically with any other substance in the environment.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A number of animal studies have found that cristobalite is more toxic to the lung than quartz, and more tumorigenic (e.g., King et al. 1953; Wagner et al. 1980). However, several other authors concluded that this is not the case (Bolsaitis and Wallace 1996; Guthrie and Heaney 1995). OSHA (2013) has examined evidence on the comparative toxicity of the silica polymorphs (quartz, cristobalite, and tridymite) and found no difference in toxicity effects between cristobalite and quartz. Furthermore, no difference in toxicity between cristobalite and quartz has been observed in epidemiologic studies (NIOSH 2002).</p> <p>There is no information on the repeat dose oral, inhalation or dermal effect of calcined silica. However, since calcined diatomaceous earth contains varying amounts of crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite, and may also contain small amounts of quartz and tridymite, it is expected that any long-term health hazards associated with diatomaceous earth would mainly be due to the effects of crystalline silica.</p> <p>In humans, the most prevalent effect identified from long term exposure in occupational settings is silicosis, a diffused nodular pulmonary fibrosis (US EPA 1996).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>IARC (2012) concluded that there is sufficient evidence in humans for the carcinogenicity of inhaled crystalline silica in the form of quartz or cristobalite from occupational sources. There is sufficient evidence in experimental animals for the carcinogenicity of quartz and cristobalite.</p> <p>The IARC has also concluded that inhaled crystalline silica in the form of cristobalite or quartz from occupational sources is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1) (IARC 2012).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>Conflicting results have been reported in genotoxicity studies with crystalline quartz or cristobalite, and a direct genotoxic effect for crystalline silica has not been confirmed or ruled out. Studies on genotoxicity of calcined diatomaceous silica are not available.</p>
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>No data available.</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>No data available.</p>
Irritation	<p>No data available. Most acute toxicity studies for quartz or cristobalite were conducted using intratracheal instillation. Single intratracheal instillation of quartz caused inflammatory effects and formation of discrete silicotic nodules in rats, mice and hamsters (IARC 2012; WHO 2000). Other effects like oxidative stress, cellular proliferation and increases in water, protein, and phospholipid content of rat lungs, apoptosis (programmed cell death) and lung cancer were also noted. In general, exposure to high concentrations of dust may cause coughing and mild, temporary irritation (CCOHS 2001).</p>
Sensitisation	<p>No data available. However, based on the structure and physico-chemical properties, the three forms of crystalline silica or the calcined diatomaceous silica are not expected to cause skin sensitisation.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>The substances are not skin or eye irritants but acute inhalation of dust may cause discomfort and stress as well as signs of local irritation to nasal, bronchiolar and ocular mucous membranes. Based on the evaluation of the epidemiological data it is concluded that inhalation exposure to crystalline silica results in lung cancer. This conclusion is also supported by animal studies in which inhalation and intratracheal exposure to crystalline silica resulted in lung tumours. The most common types of lung tumour observed in rats were lung adenocarcinomas.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>Not applicable.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Aquatic toxicity studies performed at saturation concentrations of synthetic amorphous silica showed no acute toxicity to fish, Daphnia, or algae, though some physical effects were observed with loading rates of greater than or equal to 10 g/L (OECD 2004). Any harmful effects to aquatic ecosystems are therefore not ecotoxicological in nature. No chronic toxicity data were identified.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Not applicable.
Current Regulatory Controls ³	
Australian Hazard Classification	Quartz and cristobalite are listed in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia 2014a) as hazardous substances. Calcined silica is not listed in the HSIS.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Time Weighted Average (TWA) occupational exposure standard of 0.1 mg/m ³ for quartz and cristobalite are recommended in Australia (Safework Australia 2013). A Short-Term Exposure Limit (STEL) is not recommended for any of the compounds.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA for quartz, cristobalite: Canada: 0.025 mg/m ³ France: 0.05 mg/m ³ Japan: 0.03 mg/m ³ Sweden: 0.05 mg/m ³ US (ACGIH): 0.025 mg/m ³ US (NIOSH): 0.05 mg/m ³ US (OSHA): 0.1 mg/m ³ US: 0.3, 0.9, 1.5, 500 mg/m ³ Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEEL) (Diatomaceous silica, calcined)
Australian Food Standards	No data found.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	The Australian Drinking Water Guidelines state: 'To minimise an undesirable scale build up on surfaces, silica (SiO ₂) within drinking water should not exceed 80 mg/L' (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2001).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found.
PBT Assessment ³	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Not applicable, inorganic substance, ubiquitous in environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. Not applicable, inorganic substance, ubiquitous in environment.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Long term data not available (acute data >0.1 mg/L).
Overall conclusion	It is not currently possible to categorise the environmental hazards of metals and other inorganic chemicals according to standard persistence, bioaccumulation and toxicity (PBT) hazard criteria. These criteria were developed for organic chemicals and do not take into account the unique properties of inorganic substances and their behaviour in the environment (UNECE 2007; US EPA 2007). Further assessment of the environmental risks from the use of this chemical is not required as identified by DoEE
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Toxicity Summary - Distillates, Hydrotreated Light

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4}	
CAS number	64742-47-8
Molecular formula	C48H94
Molecular weight	Not applicable - unknown or variable composition, complex reaction products or biological materials (UVCB)
Solubility in water	0.009 to 6.45 mg/L (at 25°C)
Melting point	-49 °C
Boiling point	146 to 299 °C
Vapour pressure	1 to 3.7 kPa at 37.8 °C
Henry's law constant	No data found.
Explosive potential	Above 66°C explosive vapour/air mixtures may be formed
Flammability potential	Combustible
Colour/Form	Liquid at room temperature
Overview	<p>Distillates, hydrotreated light (also called deodorised kerosene) is a petroleum substance. The C₉-C₁₄ Aliphatic [$< 2\%$ Aromatic] Hydrocarbon Solvents Category is comprised of complex aliphatic hydrocarbon solvents that contain $>98\%$ aliphatic constituents with carbon numbers in the range of C₉-C₁₄ and less than 2% aromatic constituents.</p> <p>The chemical is used as a component of a drilling fluid formulation for coal seam gas extraction.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Members of the C₉-C₁₄ Aliphatic [$\leq 2\%$ aromatics] Hydrocarbon Solvents Category have the potential to volatilize from surface waters, based on Henry's Law constants (HLC) representing volatility for category members that range from 4.76×10^4 to 1.67×10^6 Pa-m³/mole (at 25°C). In the air, category members have the potential to rapidly degrade through indirect photolytic processes mediated primarily by hydroxyl radicals ($\bullet\text{OH}$) with calculated degradation half-lives ranging from 0.42 to 1.10 days or 10.8 to 26.4 hours based on a 12-hr day and an $\bullet\text{OH}$ concentration of 1.5×10^6 $\bullet\text{OH}/\text{cm}^3$. These chemicals are unlikely to degrade by hydrolysis as they lack a functional group that is hydrolytically reactive.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>In a 90-day study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 408, Sprague-Dawley rats were administered deodorized kerosene by gavage at doses of 0, 100, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day (REACH 2013). Microscopic changes, such as incidence of α2μ-globulin, were seen in male kidneys. These effects are not considered relevant to humans. No other treatment-related effects were observed. No Lowest Observed Adverse Effect Level (LOAEL) or No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) could be established in this study.</p> <p>Repeated dermal exposures to members of the kerosene/jet fuel category showed minimal systemic effects (API 2010). Animal data on repeat dermal toxicity of kerosene (petroleum) are summarised from REACH (2013) and presented in Table A29.2. The LOAELs and NOAELs are indicated for each study. Prolonged skin exposure to kerosene (petroleum) in rats and rabbits were consistently associated with local irritation. In rabbits only, systemic effects included changes in bodyweight and organ weights. It is expected that deodorized kerosene would have similar effects in the animals.</p> <p>In a 13-week study, rats (strain not specified) were exposed to deodorized kerosene vapour at concentrations of 0, 0.02, 0.048 or 0.10 mg/L for six hours/day, five days/week. No treatment-related effects were reported (REACH 2013).</p>
Carcinogenicity	<p>A study for deodorized kerosene is available in the REACH Dossier (REACH 2013) but was not reported in enough detail to be able to determine the carcinogenicity of the substance.</p> <p>In a study conducted similarly to OECD TG 451, B6C3F1 mice were applied 0, 250 or 500 mg/kg bw/day kerosene (petroleum) in the interscapular region (type of wrapping not specified) for 103 weeks (REACH 2013). At the end of the study, less than 10% decrease in bodyweight gain was observed at the top dose in both sexes. Mortality in females was significantly higher at the two doses compared to controls. Increased incidence and severity of chronic dermatitis was seen in all treatment groups. At the top dose, increased incidence of the following non-neoplastic lesions was reported: amyloid in the liver, kidney, adrenal cortex (males only), spleen; granulocytic hyperplasia in the bone marrow; and hyperplasia of the axillary lymph nodes (females only). The only indication of neoplastic lesions was an increased incidence of malignant lymphomas observed in treated female animals but the values were within the range of historical controls. Under the conditions of the test, kerosene (petroleum) was not carcinogenic. The LOAEL for systemic effects is 250 mg/kg bw/day.</p> <p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded that there is inadequate evidence for the carcinogenicity of kerosene (petroleum) in experimental animals and humans, placing the chemical in Group 3 (Not classifiable as to its carcinogenicity to humans) (IARC 1989). Deodorized kerosene is not carcinogenic, based on reading across the information available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<p>In vitro tests reported deodorized kerosene as negative both with and without metabolic activation in Ames tests conducted in accordance with OECD TG 471 (REACH 2013; OECD 2011) and in chromosomal aberration tests conducted in accordance with OECD TG 473 (OECD 2011, 2012). In an in vivo study, deodorized kerosene was negative in a dominant lethal assay, conducted in accordance with OECD TG 478, in male Swiss mice and Long Evans rats administered 10% deodorized kerosene intraperitoneally (REACH 2013).</p> <p>These studies demonstrate that deodorized kerosene is not genotoxic.</p>

<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents and C14-C20 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents are not toxic to fertility (OECD 2011, 2012). Members of the kerosene/jet fuel category are not toxic to fertility (API 2010).</p> <p>Sprague-Dawley rats were administered undiluted kerosene (petroleum) by gavage at doses of 0, 750, 1500 or 3000 mg/kg bw/day in males treated for 70-90 days and 0, 325, 750 or 1500 mg/kg bw/day in females treated for 21 weeks. At 750 and 1500 mg/kg bw/day, increased absolute liver weight was observed in females but with no corresponding changes in clinical chemistry or histopathology. In females only, other effects included perianal dermatitis at 1500 mg/kg bw/day and stomach hyperplasia at 750 and 1500 mg/kg bw/day. These parameters were not measured in males. In males, the study indicated dose dependent decrease in male bodyweight that was linked to nephropathy specific to male rats. Data for this effect were not provided in the study description. There were no treatment related effects on fertility in both sexes (REACH 2013). The NOAEL for systemic effects in females only was 325 mg/kg bw/day. No NOAEL can be established for fertility effects.</p> <p>C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents and C14-C20 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatic) hydrocarbon solvents are not developmental toxicants (OECD 2011, 2012). Members of the kerosene/jet fuel category are not developmental toxicants (API 2010).</p> <p>In a study conducted in accordance with OECD TG 414, Sprague-Dawley rats were administered kerosene (petroleum) by gavage on gestation days (GD) 6 to 15 at doses of 0, 500, 1000, 1500 or 2000 mg/kg bw/day (REACH 2013). Bodyweight gain was decreased at 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw/day. Foetal weight was decreased at 1500 and 2000 mg/kg bw/day which may be attributed to decreased maternal bodyweight gain. No malformations were reported. The maternal NOAEL is 1000 mg/kg bw/day.</p> <p>In another study, Sprague-Dawley rats were exposed (whole body) to kerosene (petroleum) in air at concentrations of 0, 106 or 364 ppm on GD 6-15. There were no treatment-related effects observed in the dams and offspring (REACH 2013).</p> <p>Deodorized kerosene is not considered a developmental toxicant, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) in rats is >2000 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2011; US EPA, 2011; OECD, 2012a; OECD, 2012b; OECD, 2012c).</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following dermal exposure. The LD50 in rats and rabbits is >2000 mg/kg bw (OECD, 2011; US EPA, 2011; OECD, 2012a; OECD, 2012b; OECD, 2012c).</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following inhalation exposure.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Semi-occlusive applications of commercial grade deodorized kerosene produced slight irritation in New Zealand White and SPF rabbits in dermal irritation studies conducted in accordance with OECD TG 404. The studies reported the range of erythema and oedema scores to be 0.3-0.9 and 0.2-1.0, respectively, based on Draize scoring at 24, 48 and 72 hours. Deodorized kerosene is slightly irritating to rabbit skin.</p> <p>Several studies conducted similarly to OECD TG 405 showed minimal effects to the eye with the reported range of conjunctival redness score to be 0-0.2 from instillation of undiluted deodorized kerosene in the eyes of New Zealand White and SPF rabbits (OECD 2011). Deodorized kerosene is slightly irritating to rabbit eye.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The C9-C14 aliphatic ($\leq 2\%$ aromatics) Category members do not cause skin sensitization.</p>

Health Effects Summary	<p>Deodorised kerosene is an aspiration hazard since it has low viscosity and is composed of aliphatic and aromatic hydrocarbons up to 10%. Deodorised kerosene has low acute oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity, and is slightly irritating to the skin and eyes. The substance is not a skin sensitiser, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p> <p>No treatment-related effects were reported in repeated oral and inhalation exposures to deodorised kerosene. Prolonged dermal exposure to kerosene (petroleum) reported local irritation in rats and rabbits, and changes in bodyweight and organ weights in rabbits. It is expected that these effects would be similar for deodorised kerosene. Based on the absence of adverse effects observed in repeat dose toxicity studies, for the purposes of quantifying the health risk to the general worker and public, the highest dose tested in the study conducted in rats (1 000 mg/kg bw/day) is used in this risk assessment.</p> <p>The substance is not genotoxic. It is neither a carcinogen nor a reproductive toxicant, based on reading across data available for kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>The most appropriate No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) for risk assessment is 1 000 mg/kg bw/day based on maternal toxicity (decreased bodyweight gain) at the Lowest- Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (LOAEL) of 1 500 mg/kg bw/day from a developmental toxicity study on kerosene (petroleum).</p>
Ecological Toxicity ²	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Lowest acute endpoint for Daphnia = 0.018 mg/L (modelled)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>Based on the lowest acute endpoint for Daphnia (0.018 mg/L), an assessment factor of 100 has been applied, resulting in a PNECaquatic of 1.80E-04 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls ²	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>All of the chemicals are classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrase for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): Xn; R65 (acute toxicity)</p> <p>Mixtures containing the substance are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrase based on the concentration (Conc) of the substance in the mixtures: Conc ≥10%: Xn; R65 (May cause lung damage if swallowed)</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No specific exposure standards are available.</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No specific exposure standards are available for this chemical.</p>
Australian Food Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	<p>Oils and greases (including petrochemicals) for freshwater production: <300⁶ µg/L (ANZECC 2000)</p>
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	<p>No. This chemical is expected to be biodegradable. The ready biodegradability of SHELLSOL NF a solvent naphtha (petroleum), heavy aromatics (consists predominantly of C9 aromatics 25% m/m; C10 aromatics 65%, and indanes 10%) was studied in mineral nutrient medium inoculated with activated sludge (mixed liquor suspended solids 100-101 mg/L, pH 6.9) and incubated for 28 days at 20°C. SHELLSOL NF is readily biodegrade after 28 days but not within the 10 day window.</p>
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	<p>Category members have a potential to bioaccumulate, based on calculated log BCF values for constituents that range from 2.78 to 4.06, and calculated BCF values of 598 to 11,430 L/kg wet-weight, based on the Arnot and Gobas model, that take into account biotransformation of the chemicals in fish tissue. This chemical also has a log Kow of 6.025.</p>

T criteria fulfilled?	Yes. The lowest acute endpoint is <1 mg/L.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Human Health Risk Assessment

Occupational Exposure

Table 2 presents the calculated internal doses for adult workers associated with drilling chemical exposure/hydraulic fracturing chemical exposure.

Table 2 Calculated Internal Doses for Adult Workers

Occupational Activity	E _{derm} (mg/kg bw/day)	E _{inh} (mg/kg bw/day)	E _{total} (mg/kg bw/day)
Transport and storage	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.06	0.750	0.810
Injection of drilling chemicals	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.012	0.150	0.162
Combined exposure Mixing/blending and cleaning and maintenance			0.972
Transport and storage of drilling muds	Negligible*	Negligible*	Negligible*

E_{derm} - Internal dose from dermal exposure; E_{inh} – Internal dose from inhalation exposure; E_{total} – Total internal dose from all routes.

* In the absence of accidents/incidents, repeated occupational exposures during transport and storage, or during injection of mixed/blended chemicals, are negligible. Similarly, repeated occupational exposures to the chemical via the transport and storage of drilling muds are negligible (NICNAS 2017).

Human Health Risk Characterisation

Uncertainty Factors

Using the Margin of Exposure (MOE) approach, conservative default uncertainty factors for intra- and inter-species variability are assumed to be 10 each. A MOE of less than 100 is considered a concern (NICNAS 2017).

Acute Health Risks

Acute exposure to the chemical is unlikely to result in adverse health effects. In addition, given the low concentration in the drilling fluids, exposure to the chemical via these fluids is of low concern for workers.

Chronic long-term health risks

The critical (most sensitive) adverse health effect is maternal toxicity (decreased bodyweight gain). The NOAEL established for this effect is 1000 mg/kg bw/day from a reproductive toxicity study. There are no adverse effects observed from repeated exposures to the chemical at any dose tested, up to 1000 mg/kg bw/day. This highest no-effect dose is applicable for a general worker. Margins of Exposure (MOE) for adverse health effects from repeated occupational exposures are calculated by comparing the NOAEL with exposures estimated for different occupational activities and combined activities. **Table 3** presents Margin of Exposure calculated for Adult Workers associated with drilling

chemical exposure/hydraulic fracturing chemical exposure. Risk characterisation calculations are presented in **Attachment A**.

Table3 Margins of exposure calculated for adult workers

Adult worker exposure scenario	E _{total} (mg/kg bw/day)	NOAEL (mg/kg bw/day)	Critical effect	MOE (NOAEL / E _{total})	Chemical is of concern? (MOE < 100)
Occupational Activity					
Mixing/blending drilling of hydraulic fracturing chemicals	0.810	1000	Maternal toxicity in rats	1235	No
Cleaning and maintenance (hydraulic fracturing)	0.162			6173	
Combined exposure Mixing/blending and cleaning and maintenance	0.972			1029	

Based on uncertainty factors derived for this risk characterisation, the MOEs indicate that the chemical is of low concern for workers from repeated exposures during certain operations.

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Toxicity Summary - Ethanol, 2,2'-oxybis-, reaction products with ammonia, morpholine derivatives residues

Chemical and Physical Properties ¹	
CAS number	68909-77-3
Molecular formula	C36H78N6O14
Molecular weight	UVCB
Solubility in water	100 g/L at 20 °C
Melting point	-20 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	223 °C at 101.3 kPa
Vapour pressure	0.55 - 20 Pa at 20 - 25 °C
Henry's law constant	No data available
Explosive potential	Non-explosive (100%)
Flammability potential	Not classified (50%), Non-flammable (50%)
Colour/Form	Liquid
Overview	The residuum from the reaction of diethylene glycol and ammonia. It consists predominantly of morpholine-based derivatives such as [(aminoethoxy)ethyl]morpholine, [(hydroxyethoxy)ethyl]morpholine, 3-morpholinone, and 4,4'-(oxydi-2,1-ethanediyl)bis[morpholine].
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	The substance is hydrolytically stable at pH 4, 7 and 9 at 25°C. Adsorption to solid soil phase is not to be expected. Based on the assessment of the components, it can be concluded that the mixture will not evaporate into the atmosphere. The substance is not readily biodegradable. Based on the low log Kow, the substance will have a low potential for bioaccumulation. Over time, the mixture will preferentially distribute into the compartment water.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No adverse effects were observed in male and female rats in a 28 days and a 90 days repeated dose toxicity test conducted according to OECD 407 and OECD 408 respectively (Calvert Laboratories, Inc., 2011 and Envigo Research Limited, 2018) in which animals were exposed orally (gavage) to 0, 100, 500 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d (28 days study) and to 0, 10, 100 or 1000 mg/kg bw/d (90 days study). In both studies, an NOAEL of 1000 mg/kg bw was determined.
Carcinogenicity	No data available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In an in vivo micronucleus test on mouse bone marrow erythrocytes (BioReliance, 2010), performed according to OECD guideline 474, the animals were exposed orally (via gavage) with 500, 1000, 2000 mg/kg. This did not induce a statistically positive increase in micronuclei in the hemopoietic cells of the mouse bone marrow at the time intervals evaluated under the experimental condition of this assay. No toxicity was observed. Vehicle and positive controls were valid.

<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>A Reproductive / Development Toxicity Screening Testing in Rats was performed according to OECD guideline 421 (Calvert Laboratories, Inc., 2011, Klimisch 1). In this GLP-compliant study, male and female Sprague-Dawley rats (10 animals/sex/dose) were exposed to 1000 mg/kg bw/day. Control animals received concurrent vehicle (water). The rats were exposed on a daily basis, starting two weeks prior to cohabitation until the day before the scheduled euthanasia (minimum of 4 weeks) for males and starting for a minimum of 15 days prior to cohabitation, during cohabitation and from presumed gestation days 0 through day 19 of gestation for females. One female animal was found dead on lactation day 2. All other females survived until scheduled sacrifice. No treatment-related effects were observed in clinical signs, mortality, body weight (gain), food consumption, gross pathology, organ weights or histopathology in the parental animals. There was no treatment-related effect on reproductive performance or in reproductive parameters like for instance number of gravid animals, corpora lutea per dam, total implantations, litter viability or foetal sex ratios. The incidence of neonates born alive/found dead, stillborn or missing between lactation days 0 -4 was comparable among study groups. No treatment-related malformations were observed for neonates. The body weight of neonates was statistically significantly increased with an unknown biological significance for this finding. A NOAEL of 1000 mg/kg bw/day was established.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>The oral LD50 in male and female Sprague-Dawley rats was determined to be 5000 mg/kg bw in a reliable, key study conducted similarly to OECD guideline 420 (Calvert Laboratories, Inc., 2010).</p> <p>Calvert Laboratories Inc (2010) determined acute dermal toxicity in 10 male / female rats following a GLP-compliant study performed equivalent to OECD guideline 402 (key study, Klimisch 1). Only one dose was tested (2000 mg/kg bw). No mortality was observed. Shortly after exposure, local erythema and oedema effects were observed in both males and females. The effects seemed to be reversible in males and 1 female. In the 4 other females, necrosis and slouching appeared.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The skin irritation potential of the test substance is investigated in a key, reliable study performed according to OECD guideline 404 (Allen, 1994; Klimisch 2) in 3 rabbits. Semi-occlusive patches were removed from shaved test sites after exposure periods of 3 min, 1h, and 4h to 0.5mL of the test substance. The Draize scoring system was used to evaluate the results. No erythema/eschar formation and no oedema formation is observed after 3 min and 1 hour exposure. After 4 hours of exposure, very slight erythema in all 3 animals and very slight oedema in 2 animals was observed, but this was fully reversible within 24 - 48 hrs.</p> <p>Calvert Laboratories, Inc. (2010) investigated the eye irritation potential of the test substance in a key, reliable study performed according to EU method B.5 (Klimisch 1) in 3 rabbits. The treated eyes (with 0.1mL test substance) will remain unrinsed for at least 24 hours after instillation. The 24-, 48- and 72-hours scores will be added separately for each animal and each total divided by 3 to yield the individual mean scores for each animal. Based on the data and according to the criterial of the CLP regulation, the test substance is classified as irritant to the eyes (category 2).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on a guinea pig maximization study, performed according to the OECD guideline 406 (Allen, 1996; Klimisch 2), the test substance is considered not sensitising to the skin.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>This chemical may cause skin and eye irritation.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The critical lowest No Observed Adverse Effect (NOAEL) level for the purposes of risk assessment is 1000 mg/kg bw/day from the 90 day repeated oral toxicity study.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ¹</p>	

Aquatic Toxicity	<p>In a static test following the procedures of the German national standard DIN 38412 using <i>Leuciscus idus</i> as test species a LC50 (96 h) of 681.2 mg/L (nominal) was determined [BASF AG, 1988; Study No. 10F0118/885140]. In conclusion, the substance is with high probability not acutely harmful to fish.</p> <p>The EC50 of the test item on daphnids was found to be greater than 122 mg/L (measured value) in a GLP guideline study according to OECD 202 [BASF SE, 2010; Study No. 50E0396/09E012]. Therefore, the test substance is with high probability acutely not harmful to aquatic invertebrates.</p> <p>A study was performed to assess the effect of the test item on the growth of the green alga <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i>. The method followed that described in the OECD Guidelines for Testing of Chemicals (2006) No 201, "Freshwater Alga and Cyanobacteria, Growth Inhibition Test" referenced as Method C.3 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 440/2008. The effect of the test item on the growth of <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> has been investigated over a 72-Hour period. The ErC50(72h) of the test item is 45 mg/L for <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i>.</p> <p>The toxicity to microorganisms was determined in a GLP short-term respiration test according to OECD guideline 209 using activated sludge from a municipal sewage treatment plant. After 180 minutes no inhibition effect on the respiration rate at the highest test concentration (1000 mg/L) was observed [BASF 2010; Study No. 08G0396/09G004]. Therefore, it can be concluded that inhibition of the degradation activity of activated sludge is not anticipated when introduced in appropriately low concentrations.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	The available short-term aquatic tests covering the three trophic levels (fish, daphnids, algae) showed the lowest L(E)C50 to be 45 mg/L in algae. An assessment factor of 1000 was used for a resulting PNEC for of 0.045 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment¹	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not readily biodegradable. Thus, it is expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	As the Log Pow is 0.565 at 20 °C (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.1 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Glutaraldehyde

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	111-30-8
Molecular formula	C5H8O2
Molecular weight	100.11
Solubility in water	Soluble in all proportions in water and ethanol; soluble in benzene and ether.
Melting point	-14°C
Boiling point	188°C
Vapour pressure	2.03 x 10 ⁻³ kPa at 25 °C (50% solution)
Henry's law constant	0.011 Pa m ³ /mol @ 25 °C
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Non flammable
Colour/Form	Colourless oily liquid. In the vapour state, glutaraldehyde has a pungent odour, with an odour threshold of 0.04 ppm.
Overview	<p>Glutaraldehyde is manufactured in Germany by BASF and in the USA by Union Carbide Corporation. It is usually sold commercially as a 45% or 50% aqueous solution. Glutaraldehyde has a wide variety of uses throughout the world with its use spread over a number of different industries. It is used primarily as a biocide but it also has wide use as a fixative, and some use as a therapeutic agent.</p> <p>The principal health effects of glutaraldehyde are irritation of the skin, eye and respiratory tract, skin sensitisation and occupational asthma. Exposure data indicated that, in some situations, particularly the health care industry (disinfection), x-ray film processing and the animal health industry (spray use), health concerns may arise where available control measures such as ventilation have not been implemented to minimise exposure. Due to low and intermittent exposure, the public health risk from the industrial use of glutaraldehyde is minimal. For the use of glutaraldehyde in cosmetics, a safety margin of >400 for extensive use indicated low concern.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Glutaraldehyde is a hydrophilic substance that will be mainly associated with the aquatic compartment, with minor amounts partitioning to the atmosphere, following release to the environment. Hydrolysis is slow, but glutaraldehyde, like other aldehydes, undergoes aerial oxidation in solution. It biodegrades rapidly in aerobic and anaerobic aquatic environments at subcidal concentrations (below 10 mg/L) and will not bioaccumulate. Tropospheric degradation is also rapid.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	

<p>Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity</p>	<p>A two-year chronic study was conducted in male and female Fischer 344 rats (NICNAS 1994). Groups of 100 male and 100 female rats were administered 0, 50, 250, or 1000 ppm w/v glutaraldehyde in drinking water (4, 17 and 64 mg/kg bw/day for the males and 6, 25 and 86 mg/kg/day for the females). The mortality rate over the treatment period was 25 to 30% for males and 19 to 23% for females with no dose-related increase. The major cause of death in all rats (control and dose groups) was large granular cell lymphatic leukaemia (LGLL).</p> <p>Small dose-related decreases in absolute body weight and body weight gain occurred at 250 and 1000 ppm in males and at 1000 ppm in females. Dose-related decrease in urine volumes and associated increase in osmolality were observed in higher dose animals. At necropsy at 52, 78 and 104 weeks, the only statistically significant changes in organ weights were for the kidney. Relative kidney weights were increased for males and females at 52 and 78 weeks. A significant dose-related increase in kidney weight relative to final body weight occurred for males and females in the 250 and 1000 ppm groups, including an increase in absolute kidney weight for the female rats. Changes in final body weights and the weights of other organs were minor and / or sporadic and were unlikely to be related to glutaraldehyde exposure.</p> <p>The total leucocyte count was significantly increased at week 104 in males at 250 and 1000 ppm, and in females at 250 ppm only. The variation in counts was large, possibly due to the large monocyte count at 250 and 1000 ppm. Changes in clinical chemistry parameters included decreases in the activities of some enzymes at 250 and 1000 ppm and occasional decreases in total protein, globulin and phosphorous; these were probably due to reduced food consumption and body weight.</p> <p>Gross pathology showed evidence of gastric inflammation, particularly in rats sacrificed at the end of the study, with irritation observed as ulceration, a multifocal colour change and thickening of the mucosa (dose groups not specified). Histologic examination of the tissues revealed squamous epithelial hyperplasia and keratinised cysts and oedema.</p> <p>Based on the observations, a NOAEL of 4 mg/kg bw/day for males and 6 mg/kg bw/day for females was established in this study. For the purpose of human health risk assessment, the lowest NOAEL (4 mg/kg bw/day) established in the two-year chronic study in rats will be used.</p>
<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>In a two-year chronic/carcinogenicity study by Van Miller et al. (2002), groups of 100 male and 100 female Fischer 344 rats were treated with 0, 50, 250, or 1000 ppm w/v glutaraldehyde in drinking water. The mean glutaraldehyde consumption for each of the three groups was 4, 17 and 64 mg/kg bw/day for the males and 6, 25 and 86 mg/kg bw/day for the females.</p> <p>The mortality rate during the study period was 25 to 30% for males and 19 to 23% for females and was not dose-related. Gross pathology showed evidence of gastric inflammation.</p> <p>The main finding of the study was an increased incidence of large granular lymphocytic leukaemia (LGLL) in the spleen and liver of male and female rats in all groups, including the control group. Treated females showed a significantly increased incidence of LGLL and analysis for dose-response trend for the severity of LLGL revealed an increased severity in females at the higher dosages (53% in spleen and 54% in liver versus respectively 20% and 23% in untreated females) while no such observation were made for the males. No other significant oncogenic effects were observed during the study.</p> <p>Occurrence of LGLL was seen in all groups including controls; the incidence of LGLL in the 1000 ppm group was high compared to controls but no clear dose-response relationship was evident, and LGLL mainly affected treated females whereas the incidence in treated males was within the control range (REACH 2013). Historical control data for untreated Fischer 344 rats in NTP studies also indicates that the ranges for this tumour are 10 to 72% in males and 6 to 31% in females (REACH 2013). The control data in the Van Miller et al. study fitted in with the historical control data reported from NTP studies. The variability in control data for LGLL and the wide variation reported in the literature makes a definitive conclusion difficult.</p> <p>Base on this study, glutaraldehyde was considered not to be carcinogenic.</p>

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde has been extensively tested for genetic activity in vitro and in vivo, however there is disagreement in the literature regarding glutaraldehyde's genetic activity (Zeiger et al. 2005). While all in vivo genotoxicity tests with glutaraldehyde gave negative results, mixed results were reported for in vitro mutagenicity tests. Early in vitro tests were negative (Watts 1984), but some recent bacterial assays and tests in mammalian cells indicated that glutaraldehyde could be mutagenic in vitro.</p> <p>A series of reverse mutation assays was carried out with various Salmonella typhimurium strains, with and without metabolic activation (REACH 2013). All assays with TA 100, 1535, 1537 and 98 were negative. Some assays with TA 102 and 104 gave positive results. Tests with Escherichia coli also yielded both positive as well as negative results.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde induced sister chromatid exchanges in CHO cells with and without S9 metabolic activation in one laboratory, but was negative without S9 and only weakly positive with S9 in the second laboratory (NICNAS 1994). The difference in the results was attributed to slight differences between the data evaluation systems used in the two laboratories.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde was not mutagenic in any of the in vivo assays such as peripheral blood micronucleus test, rat bone marrow chromosomal aberration assay and the Drosophila melanogaster sex-linked recessive lethal test (NICNAS 1994; REACH 2013). Chromosome aberrations in bone marrow cells were reported in only one out of eight studies using rats and mice, micronuclei were not induced in bone marrow cells of mice, and dominant lethal mutations were not induced in mice.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde did not induce cell transformation in Syrian hamster embryo cells in vitro (Zeiger et al. 2005). In vivo, inhalation of glutaraldehyde induced cell proliferation in nasal tissue in rats and mice, but did not induce DNA damage at these sites.</p> <p>Based on these observations, it is concluded that glutaraldehyde is not a genotoxin.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Studies on the incidence of miscarriage in pregnant women have shown no difference between those exposed to glutaraldehyde and those not exposed to the chemical. Studies in female rats and mice have resulted in embryotoxicity/foetotoxicity for glutaraldehyde, but only at doses which are maternally toxic. A number of studies have found no evidence of teratogenicity.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Several acute oral toxicity studies with glutaraldehyde have been reported in rats and other species. In one reliable study, administration of 0.2, 0.3, 0.5, 1.0, 1.7 mL/kg bw glutaraldehyde (corresponding to 226, 339, 565, 1130 and 1921 mg/kg bw, respectively) to male/female Wistar rats by gavage gave a median lethal dose (LD50) of 226 mg/kg bw (REACH 2013). Necropsy of animals that died during the observation period revealed congestion of the lungs and the abdominal viscera. In another study in Sprague-Dawley rats, the oral LD50 was 316 mg/kg bw for males and 285 mg/kg bw for females, when 10 mL of 2.15, 3.16, 4.64, 14.7% glutaraldehyde (corresponding to 215, 316, 464 and 1470 mg/kg bw) was administered by oral gavage (REACH 2013).</p> <p>In a separate study using different strengths of glutaraldehyde, Ballantyne (1986) showed that the oral LD50 for glutaraldehyde in rats varied with the concentration of the glutaraldehyde used. By using different concentrations of glutaraldehyde solutions (1% to 50%) and varying the administration volume to maintain a constant dose, oral LD50 in the range 66 to 733 mg/kg bw were obtained. These studies indicate that glutaraldehyde has high acute oral toxicity.</p> <p>Of the 18 acute dermal toxicity studies reported in REACH (2013) dossiers, results from 14 studies indicated LD50 higher than 2000 mg/kg bw. In four other studies, LD50 ranged between 250 and 1432 mg/kg bw. These studies however did not follow international guidelines and have low reliability. Based on these studies, glutaraldehyde is considered to have low acute dermal toxicity.</p> <p>In a well-defined study, 10 male and 10 female Sprague-Dawley rats per dose group were exposed to glutaraldehyde as liquid aerosol at 0.22, 0.31 and 0.63 mg/L for 4 hours (REACH 2013). Exposure was followed by an observation period of 14 days. During the exposure period slight nasal discharge, snout wiping, flank respiration and irregular to intermittent respiration were reported in rats. During the post-exposure period, bloody nasal discharge, red crusts surrounding the nose, whooping or gasping respiration with rasping sounds and a tremulous gait were observed. These symptoms disappeared in the surviving animals within 5 to 9 days post-exposure. Mortalities were noted in all treated groups. The determination of the LC50 values was based on the Probit Analysis. An LC50 of 0.48 mg/L was calculated for both male and female rats.</p> <p>In another acute inhalation study conducted in a similar manner to the above study, Sprague-Dawley rats, 10 rats per sex per dose group, were exposed to 0.1, 0.18, 0.28, 0.39 and 0.44 mg/L glutaraldehyde as liquid aerosol for 4 hours (REACH 2013). During and after exposure, mortality and clinical signs of toxicity were recorded at regular time intervals. The LC50 in this study was established as 0.28 mg/L for females and 0.39 mg/L for males. Based on the above studies, glutaraldehyde is considered to have high acute inhalation toxicity.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde is corrosive to the skin and eyes of rabbits at high concentrations, with signs of skin irritation evident at 2%, and eye irritation at 0.2%. Exposure to glutaraldehyde vapours in acute inhalational studies resulted in nasal irritation and respiratory difficulties. Joint irritation was seen in rabbits after intra-articular administration.</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The skin sensitisation effect of glutaraldehyde was demonstrated in tests with guinea pigs.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde has high acute oral and inhalation toxicity and low to moderate acute dermal toxicity. Based on human and animal data, it is corrosive, the vapours are irritating to the respiratory tract, and it has skin and respiratory sensitisation potential. Glutaraldehyde has high repeat dose oral and inhalation toxicity, with an oral No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) of 4 mg/kg bw/day based on changes in liver and kidney weights and clinical chemistry parameters.</p> <p>Glutaraldehyde is not genotoxic or carcinogenic. It did not have any adverse effects on the reproductive system of adult rats or on the development of foetuses. The critical adverse health effects of glutaraldehyde are corrosivity, skin and respiratory tract sensitisation and acute and repeat dose oral and inhalation toxicity.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>From the hazard characterisation, the critical (most sensitive) adverse health effects for repeated exposures to the chemical are changes in clinical chemistry parameters and relative organ (liver and kidney) weights. Glutaraldehyde has high repeat dose oral toxicity with an oral NOAEL of 4 mg/kg bw/day. This NOAEL is used in this human health risk assessment.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3,4}</p>	

<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>96 h acute Bluegill sunfish LC50 = 11.2 mg/L 48 h acute Oyster larvae LC50 = 2.1 mg/L 96 h acute Green crabs LC50 = 465 mg/L 96 h acute Grass shrimp LC50 = 41 mg/L 48 h acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 0.35 mg/L 48 h acute Daphnia magna LC50 = 16.3 mg/L 21 d reproduction Daphnia magna LOEC = 4.3 mg/L, NOEC = 2.1 mg/L 96 h algal growth inhibition Selenastrum capricornutum ILM = 3.9 mg/L (median inhibitory limit) 96 h algal growth inhibition Scenedesmus subspicatus EC50 = 1.0 mg/L Bacterial inhibition Sewage microbes IC50 = 25-34 mg/L</p> <p>In summary, the test results indicate that glutaraldehyde is slightly to moderately toxic to aquatic fauna and moderately to highly toxic to algae. In some instances, glutaraldehyde appeared to be rapidly lost from test waters in the laboratory. Such behaviour in aquatic toxicity tests generally means that their results will underestimate the inherent toxicity of a substance. However, the toxicity that will prevail under environmental conditions is likely to be lower than that recorded in the laboratory in view of the rapid degradation that would be expected to occur in natural surface waters.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>As a wide selection of species is available, applying a safety factor of 10 to the NOEC (2.1 mg/L) derived from Daphnia seems most appropriate, giving a PNEC of $2100/10 = 0.21$ mg/L for faunal species</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls ^{1,2,4}</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>Glutaraldehyde is classified as hazardous in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) with the following risk phrase (Safe Work Australia 2013):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · T (Toxic); R23/25 (Toxic by inhalation and if swallowed) · C (Corrosive ; R34 (causes burns) · R42/43 (May cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact). <p>Mixtures containing the chemical are classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases based on the concentration (Conc) of the chemical in the mixtures. The risk phrases for this chemical are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Conc ≥50%: T; R23/25; R34; R42/43 (Toxic; toxic by inhalation and if swallowed; causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥25% Conc <50%: T; R23; R22; R34; R42/43 (Toxic; toxic by inhalation, harmful if swallowed, causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥10% Conc <25%: C; R20/22; R34; R42/43 (Corrosive; harmful by inhalation and if swallowed; causes burns; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥2% Conc <10%: Xn; R20/22; R37/38; R41; R42/43 (Harmful; harmful by inhalation and if swallowed; irritating to respiratory system and skin; risk of serious eye damage; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥1% Conc <2%: Xn; R36/37/38 R42/43 (Harmful; Irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin; may cause sensitisation by inhalation and skin contact) · ≥0.5% Conc <1%: Xi; R36/37/38; R43 (Irritating; irritating to eyes, respiratory system and skin; may cause sensitisation by skin contact)
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 0.41 mg/m³, 0.1 ppm; Time Weighted Average (TWA).</p>
<p>International Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The following exposure standards are identified in Galleria Chemica (2013):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Occupational Exposure limit (TWA) of 0.2 mg/m³ [Canada, China, Denmark, Japan, Korea, UK] · 0.4 mg/m³ TWA [Sweden] · 0.8 mg/m³ TWA [US (NIOSH), Greece]
<p>Australian Food Standards</p>	<p>No Australian food standards relating to the chemical have been identified (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).</p>
<p>Australian Drinking Water Guidelines</p>	<p>No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for this chemical in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines. (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).</p>

Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. As the Log Pow is -0.01 (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus glutaraldehyde does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Glyoxal (Ethanedial)

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	107-22-2
Molecular formula	C2H2O2
Molecular weight	58.04
Solubility in water	600 g/L at 25 °C
Melting point	15 °C
Boiling point	50.4 °C
Vapour pressure	29.33 kPa at 20 °C
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Non explosive
Flammability potential	Not classified
Colour/Form	Light yellow liquid with a mild odour at ambient temperatures; yellow crystals at 15 °C.
Overview	Glyoxal is generally available as an aqueous solution, typically containing 30-50% glyoxal in which hydrated oligomers are present. This chemical is used as a chemical intermediate in the production of pharmaceuticals and dyestuffs, as a cross-linking agent in the production of polymers, as a biocide, and as a disinfecting agent. Due to microbial activity as well as non-enzymatic autoxidation of oil or browning reactions of saccharides, glyoxal is frequently detected in fermented food and beverages. It is found in beer, wine and tea.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Glyoxal's production and use as a crosslinking agent in permanent-press fabrics, textiles, organic synthesis, glues, and biocides may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams. Glyoxal is also released to the environment from the combustion of wood, automobile exhaust, and the atmospheric degradation of aromatic and olefinic hydrocarbons. It may also be produced as a disinfection byproduct during the treatment of drinking water. Glyoxal is also endogenously produced by a variety of enzyme-independent pathways. If released to air, an extrapolated vapor pressure of 255 mm Hg at 25 deg C indicates glyoxal will exist solely in the vapor-phase. Vapor-phase glyoxal is degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 34 hours. Glyoxal also undergoes direct photolysis, with an estimated atmospheric lifetime of 5 hours. If released to soil, glyoxal is expected to have very high mobility based upon an estimated Koc of 1. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon a Henry's Law constant of 3.33X10 ⁻⁹ atm-cu m/mole. The potential for volatilization of glyoxal from dry soil surfaces may exist based upon the extrapolated vapor pressure of this compound. Screening studies using sewage seed have indicated that glyoxal is readily biodegradable. If released into water, glyoxal is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the estimated Koc. Volatilization from water surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon this compound's Henry's Law constant. Photolysis in sunlit surface waters is expected to be an important fate process because glyoxal absorbs light greater than 290 nm and undergoes direct photolysis in the atmosphere. Glyoxal is not expected to undergo hydrolysis in the environment due to the lack of hydrolyzable functional groups. An estimated BCF of 3 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	From an oral 28 day repeat dose toxicity test conducted in accordance with OECD TG 407 a NOAEL was established at 40 mg/kg bw/day (active substance), based on dose-related changes in body weight gain at higher doses. A single inhalation toxicity study in rats revealed no systemic toxicity even at the highest dose of 0.4 mg/m ³ .
Carcinogenicity	Results from several carcinogenicity studies, tumour initiation/promotion studies and in vitro cell transformation assays show that ethanedial is not carcinogenic.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Ethanedial was shown to be mutagenic in both bacterial and mammalian cells in vitro. Unscheduled DNA synthesis was reported in one study in mice in vivo, but only within the pyloric sphincter and liver and not in more remote organs.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Available data on ethanedial and an analogue of ethanedial present in aqueous solutions suggest no effects on fertility or developmental toxicity in the absence of material toxicity.
Acute Toxicity	Ethanedial is moderately toxic via the oral and inhalation routes. In a guideline study in rats, an oral LD50 for a 40% ethanedial aqueous solution was reported at 3300 mg/kg bw. This corresponds to 1320 mg/kg bw/day for the active ingredient. An LC50 for inhalation toxicity was established at 2.44 g/L (active ingredient). Ethanedial is therefore considered to be of low dermal toxicity.
Irritation	Animal studies indicate that ethanedial is a skin and eye irritant
Sensitisation	Based on both animal and human studies, ethanedial is also considered a skin sensitiser.
Health Effects Summary	Ethanedial is moderately toxic via the oral and inhalation routes. In a guideline study in rats, an acute oral median lethal dose (LD50) for a 40% ethanedial aqueous solution was reported at 3 300 mg/kg bw. This corresponds to 1 320 mg/kg bw day for the active ingredient. A median lethal concentration (LC50) for inhalation toxicity was established at 2.44 g/L (active ingredient). Ethanedial is of low dermal toxicity. Animal studies indicate that ethanedial is a skin and eye irritant. From both animal and human studies, ethanedial is also a skin sensitiser.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	A single repeat dose inhalation toxicity study in rats revealed no systemic toxicity even at the highest dose of 10 mg/m ³ . From an oral 28-day repeat dose toxicity test conducted in accordance with OECD TG 407, a No-Observed-Adverse-Effect Level (NOAEL) was established at 40 mg/kg bw/day (active substance), based on dose related changes in body weight gain at higher doses. An adjustment factor of three is applied for inadequate duration of this study, as the no-effect dose was derived from a 28 day study. Consequently, for the purposes of quantifying the health risk of the chemical, an adjusted NOAEL of 13.3 mg/kg bw/day is used in this risk assessment.
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	215 mg/L 96 h-LC50 fish. The result of the key study on freshwater invertebrates (BASF, 1988) indicates no acute toxicity of glyoxal (40% in aqueous solution) to Daphnia magna. The EC50 value is above 100 mg/L even when it is considered that no analytical monitoring was performed since glyoxal was shown to be stable at least for this 48-h period. In a GLP guideline study following OECD 210, the chronic treatment of early-life-stages of fish with the test item (Glyoxal 40%) under flow-through conditions resulted in no substance-related effects. Referring to the nominal concentrations of the active substance glyoxal, the NOEC was 119 mg a.i./L (BASF, 2009).
Determination of PNEC aquatic	An assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the reported LC50 of 215 mg/L for fish. The PNECaquatic is 2.15 mg/L.

Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	Ethanedial is classified as hazardous for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) with the following risk phrases (Safe Work Australia 2013): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Muta. Cat. 3 (Mutagenic Substances, Category 3) • R68 (Possible risk of irreversible effects) • Xn; R20 (Harmful by inhalation) • Xi; R36/38 (Irritating to eyes and skin) • R43 (May cause sensitisation by skin contact)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No specific exposure standards were available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica 2013). Time Weighted Average (TWA): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.1 mg/m³ [Belgium, Columbia, Canada (Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan), • Italy, Nicaragua, Portugal, Spain, United States of America] • 0.5 mg/m³ (0.2 ppm) [Denmark]. • Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL): • 0.3 mg/m³ [Canada (Saskatchewan)].
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for this chemical in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ^{1,2}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Expected to be readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	As the Log Pow is 0.85 (Log Pow < 4.5), it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.01 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Kaolin

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,4,5}	
CAS number	1332-58-7
Molecular formula	H ₂ Al ₂ Si ₂ O ₈ H ₂ O
Molecular weight	258 (approx)
Solubility in water	Insoluble
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	Not combustible
Colour/Form	White, greyish-white, or slightly coloured
Overview	<p>Kaolin is a mixture of different minerals. Its main component is kaolinite and it frequently contains quartz, mica, feldspar, illite and montmorillonite. Kaolinite composition is tiny sheets of triclinic crystals with pseudo-hexagonal morphology. It is formed by rock weathering. Kaolin is used in paper production, in paints, rubber, plastic, ceramic, chemical, pharmaceutical and cosmetic industries. It has a high fusion point and is the most refractory of all clays.</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that it was low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ⁴	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Kaolin is a natural component of the soil and occurs widely in ambient air. It has a density of 2.1–2.6 g/cm³. The cation exchange capacity of kaolinite is considerably less than that of montmorillonite, in the order of 2–10 meq/100 g, depending on the particle size, but the rate of the exchange reaction is rapid, almost instantaneous (Grim, 1968). Kaolinite adsorbs small molecular substances such as lecithin, quinoline, paraquat, and diquat, but also proteins, polyacrylonitrile, bacteria, and viruses (McLaren et al., 1958; Mortensen, 1961; Weber et al., 1965; Steel & Anderson, 1972; Wallace et al., 1975; Adamis & Timár, 1980; Schiffenbauer & Stotzky, 1982; Lipson & Stotzky, 1983). The adsorbed material can be easily removed from the particles because adsorption is limited to the surface of the particles (planes, edges), unlike the case with montmorillonite, where the adsorbed molecules are also bound between the layers (Weber et al., 1965).</p> <p>Upon heating, kaolinite starts to lose water at approximately 400 °C, and the dehydration approaches completeness at approximately 525 °C (Grim, 1968). The dehydration depends on the particle size and crystallinity.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,4}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Long-term exposure to kaolin may lead to a relatively benign pneumoconiosis, known as kaolinosis. Deterioration of lung function has been observed only in cases with prominent radiological alterations. Based on data from China clay workers in the United Kingdom, it can be very roughly estimated that kaolin is at least an order of magnitude less potent than quartz.
Carcinogenicity	A4; Not classifiable as a human carcinogen

<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Recently, manufactured nano/microparticles such as fullerenes (C60), carbon black (CB) and ceramic fiber are being widely used because of their desirable properties in industrial, medical and cosmetic fields. However, there are few data on these particles in mammalian mutagenesis and carcinogenesis. To examine genotoxic effects by C60, CB and kaolin, an in vitro micronuclei (MN) test was conducted with human lung cancer cell line, A549 cells. In addition, DNA damage and mutations were analyzed by in vivo assay systems using male C57BL/6J or gpt delta transgenic mice which were intratracheally instilled with single or multiple doses of 0.2 mg per animal of particles. In in vitro genotoxic analysis, increased MN frequencies were observed in A549 cells treated with C60, CB and kaolin in a dose-dependent manner. These three nano/microparticles also induced DNA damage in the lungs of C57BL/6J mice measured by comet assay. Moreover, single or multiple instillations of C60 and kaolin, increased either or both of gpt and Spi- mutant frequencies in the lungs of gpt delta transgenic mice. Mutation spectra analysis showed transversions were predominant, and more than 60% of the base substitutions occurred at G:C base pairs in the gpt genes. The G:C to C:G transversion was commonly increased by these particle instillations. Manufactured nano/microparticles, CB, C60 and kaolin, were shown to be genotoxic in in vitro and in vivo assay systems.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>No data available.</p>
<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Occupationally inhaled kaolin produced chronic pulmonary fibrosis.</p> <p>In an acute oral study in which 120 rats were fed doses of Kaolin ranging from 100 to 210 g/kg. Fourteen rats were controls. Kaolin was inert and nonstatic except for the danger of bowel obstruction resulting in perforation. The clinical signs were listlessness, anorexia, oliguria, hypothermia, and dyspnea. These were a pathological reaction from over distension of the alimentary canal by an inert solid. The number of fatalities and the incidence and advance of bowel obstruction along the small intestine were dose related. The dose that killed 50% of the rats by bowel obstruction was 149 g/kg.</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Causes moderate eye irritation. May cause irritation of the respiratory system</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>No data available.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Kaolin is toxic to a variety of mammalian cells in vitro, and it produces transient inflammation in the lungs of experimental animals after intratracheal instillation.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>No data available.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ⁴	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The 24- and 48-h LC50 values for kaolinite toxicity to the water flea (<i>Daphnia pulex</i>) were >1.1 g/litre (Lee, 1976).</p> <p>Georgia kaolin caused <10% mortality of sea urchin (<i>Strongylocentrosus purpuratus</i>), Japanese clam (<i>Tapes japonica</i>), hermit crab (<i>Pagurus hirsutiusculus</i>), isopod (<i>Sphaeroma pentodon</i>), mud snail (<i>Nassarius obsoletus</i>), blue mussel (<i>Mytilus edulis</i>), and tunicates (<i>Molgula manhattensis</i> and <i>Styela montereyensis</i>) within 5–12 days. The 200-h LC10 values for coast mussel (<i>Mytilus californianus</i>), black-spotted bay shrimp (<i>Crangon nigromaculata</i>), migrant prawn (<i>Palaemon macrodactylus</i>), dungeness crab (<i>Cancer magister</i>), and the polychaete <i>Neanthes succinea</i> were 26, 16, 24, 10, and 9 g/litre, respectively. The 100-h LC10 values for the tunicate <i>Ascidia ceratodes</i>, amphipod <i>Anisogammarus confervicolus</i>, and shiner perch (<i>Cymatogaster aggregata</i>) were 7, 38, and 1 g/litre, respectively (McFarland & Peddicord, 1980).</p> <p>No effect on the hatching success or egg development rate of four marine fish species — red seabream (<i>Pagrus major</i>), black porgy (<i>Acanthopagrus schlegeli</i>), striped knifefish (<i>Oplegnathus fasciatus</i>), and threeline grunt (<i>Parapristipoma trilineatum</i>) — was observed at kaolinite concentrations up to 10 g/litre for 24 h. Larvae were more sensitive to kaolinite: the 12-h LC50 values were 170 and 710 mg/litre for <i>P. trilineatum</i> and <i>O. fasciatus</i>, respectively; mortality was also observed for <i>P. major</i> at concentrations of 1000 mg/litre and above (Isono et al., 1998).</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Kaolin has low toxicity to aquatic species, a large number of which have been tested. As such, PNEC _{aquatic} has not been determined.
Current Regulatory Controls ^{2,3}	
Australian Hazard Classification	No hazard classification according to GHS criteria
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA: 10 mg/m ³
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TLV: (respirable fraction): 2 mg/m ³ , as TWA
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic salt, ionic species ubiquitous in environment)
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Acute toxicity data >1 mg/L in water flea, thus Kaolin does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Methanol

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3,4}	
CAS number	67-56-1
Molecular formula	CH ₄ O
Molecular weight	32.04
Solubility in water	1,000 g/L at 20 °C
Melting point	-98 °C
Boiling point	65 °C
Vapour pressure	16.927 kPa at 25 °C
Henry's law constant	0.461 Pa m ³ /mol
Explosive potential	Vapour/air mixtures are explosive
Flammability potential	Highly flammable
Colour/Form	Clear colourless liquid
Overview	Methanol occurs naturally in humans, animals and plants. The general population is exposed to methanol mainly through consumption of food and beverages and through use of consumer products such as paints, sealers and adhesives that contain methanol as a solvent.
Environmental Fate ^{1,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	Air is the main target compartment, based on a fugacity model calculation (Mackay Level III) with about 73 % of environmental methanol distributing to air and 16 % to water. Methanol is degraded in the atmosphere by photochemical, hydroxyl-radical dependent reactions. The estimated elimination half-life is calculated to be about 17-18 days with a rate constant of 0.93 x 10 ⁻² cm ³ /molecule-sec. Methanol is completely miscible in water and has a low octanol/water partition coefficient. These properties are indicative of high mobility in soil.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Considering the no observed adverse effect level (NOAEL) available from a 90-day rat study (500 mg/kg bw/day), the chemical is not considered to cause serious damage to health by repeated oral exposure.</p> <p>In a 20-day inhalation study in monkeys, 3.9 mg/L (3000 mL/m³) was identified as the LOAEL (continuous exposure) where neurotoxic lesions appeared to progress in monkeys (according to NEDO 1987). This exposure concentration correlated with methanol blood levels 80 mg/L and formate levels 30 mg/L. There was no evidence of adverse effects in rats exposed to methanol up to 6.6 mg/L, six hours/day for 28 days, except local nasal irritation and increased relative spleen weights, which were observed only at the middle dose and not considered treatment-related (Andrews et al. 1987). A NOAEL could not be established in this study.</p> <p>In the chronic exposure studies in rats and mice, slight treatment-related decreases in body and organ weights were reported at the highest dose. These are however not considered as 'adverse' effects. In monkeys, slight degeneration of the inside nucleus of the thalamus was observed at 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L after seven months or more (NEDO 1987). One monkey at 0.13 mg/L and two at 1.3 mg/L showed slight but clear changes in peroneal nerves indicating damage to peripheral nerves. Some signs of fibrosis at 1.3 mg/L, which were considered borderline. There were mild but significant effects on heart and kidney at 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L.</p> <p>Histologically, a significant increase of Sudan positive granules was noted in the 1.3 mg group without pathological manifestations (e.g. fibrosis). Although the authors considered the lowest dose (0.013 mg/L) as the LOAEL, it was observed that effects at this dose were very mild and reversible and therefore not considered to be adverse effects. Based on these observations, a NOAEL of 0.013 mg/L was established in this study.</p>

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>The chemical is not likely to be a carcinogen. In a chronic inhalation study, Fisher rats and B6C3F1 mice were exposed to 0.013, 0.13, and 1.3 mg/L methanol for 24 and 18 months, respectively (NEDO 1987). No differences in survival were noted in the treatment groups compared with the control group. There was no evidence of an increase in liver tumours in rats or in the spontaneous liver tumour rate in mice. In the rats, some tumours such as papillary lung adenomas (males only), adrenal phaeochromocytomas (females only) and metastatic (transition) tumours appeared at a somewhat higher incidence in high-dose group rats after week 79 and 104 without clear dose-response relationship. However these tumour incidences were not statistically significantly different from those in the control group. In the mice, there were no appreciable differences from the control in either numbers of animals with tumours or in degree of malignancy observed.</p> <p>Proliferative effects on the astroglia cells were observed in monkeys continuously exposed to 0.013, 0.13 and 1.3 mg/L methanol by the inhalation route (NEDO 1987). These effects however were of a transient nature and disappeared after a six-month recovery period. There were no signs of histological degeneration.</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Methanol has been examined in numerous in vitro and in vivo test systems, including bacterial, mammalian and fungal test systems. Most in vitro studies did not demonstrate mutagenic activity. A small number of studies gave ambiguous results. All other studies produced negative results consistently. The majority of in vivo assays were negative for mutagenicity and clastogenicity (OECD 2004).</p> <p>Methanol was therefore concluded to be not mutagenic.</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>No impairment of fertility or reproductive performance was reported in male and female rats exposed to the chemical, except at very high doses. Male mice had morphological anomalies in spermatozoa after repeated oral dosing at 1000 mg/kg bw/day (blood level > 500 to 1000 mg/L in mice) (OECD 2004).</p> <p>Rodent studies indicate that methanol has developmental toxicity effects. The rodent data on developmental toxicity are relevant for humans despite the known differences in methanol metabolism between the two species. However, rodents are considered adequate models for humans only at levels where formate does not accumulate (NTP 2003). Blood methanol levels associated with serious developmental effects in rodents were in the range associated with formate accumulation (1000 to 2000 mg methanol per litre of blood), which is likely to result in metabolic acidosis, and visual and clinical effects in humans (NTP 2003; OECD 2004).</p> <p>The limited data available in humans do not show an association between reproductive and developmental toxicity and methanol (NTP 2003). Following a review of the developmental toxicity studies, the NTP concluded that there is evidence to suggest that females with low folate levels may be more susceptible to the adverse developmental effects of methanol, but more information was necessary to clarify this issue (NTP 2003).</p> <p>Based on the data available, the chemical is not considered to have reproductive or developmental toxicity in humans.</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>In rats, mice, rabbits and dogs, the LD50 values after single oral administration range from about 5600 to 14 400 mg/kg bw (EHC 1997). Adverse effects noted in these animals were ataxia, narcosis and coma after high methanol doses. The animals did not exhibit acidosis and ophthalmologic changes typically seen in humans at high lethal and sub-lethal doses. In rhesus monkeys, no deaths were reported at doses of 1000 to 2000 mg/kg bw, while animals receiving 3000 to 8000 mg/kg bw died within two days (OECD 2004). Treated animals showed acidosis, and some exhibited semi-coma and ophthalmologic changes. Human data, however, indicate acute oral toxicity at comparatively lower doses of 300 to 1000 mg/kg bw (EHC 1997). The reported median lethal doses (LD50) for experimental animals are 7300 mg/kg bw (mouse), 5628 mg/kg bw (rat), 14 200 mg/kg bw (rabbit) and 7000 mg/kg bw (monkey). The lowest lethal dose (LDLo) for humans ranges from 143 to 428 mg/kg bw (ChemIDplus 2012).</p> <p>There are limited available dermal toxicity studies in animals. In one dermal exposure study all the rats survived after application of 35 000 mg/kg bw methanol to the skin under occlusive conditions, while deaths were reported at 45 000 mg/kg bw (Eulner and Gedicke 1955). In rabbits, a dermal LD50 of 17 000 mg/kg bw was reported although no details of the study were provided (Carnegie-Mellon 1981). Limited data in monkeys indicate that the chemical is toxic via the dermal route (McCord 1931). Humans have been found to be more susceptible to methanol as compared to monkeys. Therefore, acute dermal toxicity with methanol is expected in humans (OECD 2004). The lowest reported dermal LD50 is 17 000 mg/kg bw, which was recorded in rabbits.</p> <p>Median lethal concentrations (LC50) of 87.5 and 128.2 mg/L were reported in rats following six and four hour inhalation exposures to methanol, respectively (BASF 1980a, 1980b). Clinical signs of toxicity were secretions from eyes and nose, laboured breathing, staggering, apathy and narcosis. A similar LC50 value (79 mg/L) was reported for mice following 2.25 hours exposure (Von Burg 1994). In cats, LC50 values after six-hour exposures ranged from 26 to 48 mg/L. A shorter duration of 4.5 hours led to an LC50 of 85.4 mg/L (Von Burg 1994). Studies in Rhesus monkeys indicated lethal concentrations (percent mortality not reported) at 13 mg/L after 18 hour exposure and 52 mg/L after one to four hour exposure (OECD 2004).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>The chemical is not a skin irritant. The chemical is a slight eye irritant in rabbits.</p> <p>High concentration of methanol vapours may cause irritation of the respiratory tract. In a short-term exposure study (details not available), exposure of rats to an atmosphere saturated with methanol vapours produced severe irritation of mucous membranes and milky corneal opacity (BASF 1975). All animals died after eight hours (BASF 1975).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>The chemical is not a skin sensitiser.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>Methanol has low acute oral, dermal and inhalation toxicity in experimental animals but moderate to high acute oral and dermal toxicity in humans. A Lowest Lethal Dose (LDLo) of 143 - 428 mg/kg bw (humans) has been reported. It is not a skin or eye irritant but is expected to be a moderate respiratory irritant, based on its effect on the mucous membrane in rats exposed to methanol vapours and on the effects observed in repeat dose inhalation studies. Tests with guinea pigs indicated that methanol is not a skin sensitiser. The critical effects to human health are acute toxicity from inhalation, skin contact and swallowing, and possible irreversible effects from acute oral exposure. No deaths were reported in Rhesus monkeys dosed at 2 000 mg/kg bw, but treated animals showed acidosis, and some exhibited semi-coma and ophthalmic changes. Human data, however, indicate acute oral toxicity and ophthalmic changes at comparatively lower doses of 300 - 1 000 mg/kg bw. Information on repeated dose toxicity by the dermal route is not available. Methanol was not genotoxic or carcinogenic. Reproductive and developmental toxicity studies did not show any significant effects of relevance to humans.</p>

<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>A No-Observed-Adverse-Effect-Concentration (NOAEC) of 0.013 mg/L (13 mg/m³) is used for this risk assessment. This NOAEC is derived from a chronic inhalation study in monkeys, in which degenerative effects in the brain and slight damage to the optic and peripheral nerves were noted at 0.13 mg/L and above. Changes in peroneal nerves were also noted in higher dosed animals, indicating damage to peripheral nerves. An oral No Observed Adverse Effect Level (NOAEL) of 500 mg/kg bw/day was also established in rats in a 90-day oral study based on increased liver enzymes (enzymes not specified) and decreased absolute brain weights at the highest dose. This value is not used in this risk assessment because acute oral data indicate that humans are more sensitive to methanol toxicity than rodents.</p>
<p>Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3}</p>	
<p>Aquatic Toxicity</p>	<p>In several 96-hour studies in fish in which methanol concentrations were measured during the tests, LC50s ranged from 15,400 to 29,400 mg/L. In the chronic toxicity study to invertebrates, the NOEC was 32,000 mg/L.</p>
<p>Determination of PNEC aquatic</p>	<p>A PNECaqua = 3.20E+03 mg/L can be calculated based on the lowest chronic toxicity value for aquatic invertebrates (Daphnia) with the assessment factor of 10.</p>
<p>Current Regulatory Controls⁴</p>	
<p>Australian Hazard Classification</p>	<p>The chemical is classified as hazardous with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): T; R23/24/25 (acute toxicity) T; R39/23/24/25 (irreversible effects from acute exposure)</p> <p>Mixtures containing the chemical are classified as hazardous based on the concentration (Conc) of the chemical in the mixtures. The risk phrases for this chemical are: Conc ≥20%: T; R23/24/25; (Toxic: Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R39/23/24/25; (Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed) 10% ≤Conc <20%: T; R20/21/22; (Toxic: Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R39/23/24/25; (Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed) 3% ≤Conc <10%: Xn; R20/21/22; (Harmful: Harmful by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed); R68/20/21/22; (Harmful: possible risk of irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed).</p>
<p>Australian Occupational Exposure Standards</p>	<p>The chemical has an exposure standard of 262 mg/m³ (200 ppm) Time Weighted Average (TWA) and 328 mg/m³ (250 ppm) Short-Term Exposure Limits (STEL) (Safe Work Australia).</p>

International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>The following were identified (Galleria Chemica):</p> <p>250-270 mg/m³ (200 ppm) TWA in USA, Canada, Denmark, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, South Africa, Spain, Singapore, Taiwan, Sweden, Malta, Malaysia, Latvia, Japan, Indonesia, India, Iceland, Egypt, Ireland, Mexico, Philippines and Switzerland;</p> <p>250-350 mg/m³ (250-328 ppm) STEL in USA, Canada, United Kingdom, Greece, South Africa, Singapore, Sweden, India, Egypt and Mexico;</p> <p>50 mg/m³ TWA in Bulgaria;</p> <p>100 mg/m³ TWA and 300 mg/m³ STEL in Poland;</p> <p>133 mg/m³ TWA in Netherlands;</p> <p>25 mg/m³ TWA and 50 mg/m³ STEL in China;</p> <p>1300 mg/m³ (1000 ppm) STEL in France; and</p> <p>1040 mg/m³ STEL in Hungary and Switzerland.</p>
Australian Food Standards	No Australian food standards were identified (FSANZ 2013)
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No aesthetic or health-related guidance values were identified for methanol in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. Methanol is expected to be readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. The Log Kow for methanol is -0.82 to -0.64. Thus, methanol does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. The EC50s from the acute aquatic toxicity data on methanol are >1 mg/L, hence does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Potassium chloride

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,8,9,10}	
CAS number	7447-40-7
Molecular formula	KCl
Molecular weight	74.55 g/mol
Solubility in water	34.20 at 20 °C
pH	7
Melting point	771.00 °C
Boiling point	1500 °C
Vapour pressure	No data found
Henrys law constant	No data found
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	White crystals or crystalline powder
Overview	<p>Potassium is an essential element in the body. It is the main intracellular cation with 98% of total body potassium located within the cells. It is mainly used in fertilisers, medicine, lethal injections, scientific applications, feedstock, food processing and as a sodium substitute in table salt. Potassium chloride is an essential element with homeostatic physiological processes regulating levels in the body. In cases of increased exposure to high levels of potassium significant health effects in people with kidney disease or other conditions, such as heart disease may result.</p> <p>Potassium chloride as an inorganic salt is not subjected to further degradation processes in the environment once it dissociates into its respective ions. In water, potassium chloride is highly water soluble, and readily undergoes dissociation. In soil, transport and leaching of potassium and chloride ions is affected by the clay minerals (type and content), pH, and organic matter.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{1,3,8,9}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>KCl is a solid inorganic salt that is highly soluble in water (342 g/L at 20° C). Potassium chloride fully dissociates in aqueous solutions to K⁺ and Cl⁻ ions. Cl⁻, either as an inorganic salt or as K⁺ and Cl⁻ ions, is ubiquitous in the environment. There is no potential for bioaccumulation or bioconcentration. Potassium and chloride ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,3,8,9}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Fourteen female rats were given KCl in their drinking water (approximately 5,250 mg/kg/day) for 105 days. Ten rats were sacrificed after 105 days of exposure for examination of the heart, kidneys and the adrenals; four rats (recovery group) were kept for an additional month. KCl exposure resulted in decreased heart weight, increased kidney weight, and enlargement of part of the adrenals. All changes were reversible within one month of exposure (Bacchus, 1951). F344/Sic male rats were given 0, 110, 450 or 1,820 mg/kg/day KCl in feed for two years. At the end of the study, survival rates were 48%, 64%, 58% and 84% in the controls, 110, 45 and 1,820 mg/kg/day groups. Nephritis was reported to be predominant in all groups, including the controls. The only treatment-related effect observed was gastritis (inflammation of the stomach lining). The incidence of gastritis and ulcers were 6%, 18%, 18% and 30% in the controls, 110, 450 and 1,820 mg/kg/day groups (Imai <i>et al.</i> , 1968). Male and female Wistar rats were fed diets containing 0 or 3% KCl over a total period of 30 months: Examination after 13 weeks (10 rats/sex/group), after 18 months (15 rats/sex/group) and after 30 months (50 rats/sex /group). Due to the reduction of feed intake the mean test substance intake and mean body weight decreased in time. After 30 months of treatment, there was hypertrophy of the zona glomerulosa in the adrenals (24/50 treated rats versus 4/50 in controls); and cystitis in the urinary bladder (males: 3/59; females 3/50) and single epithelial hyperplasia of the bladder (males 3/50; females 2/50) (Lina <i>et al.</i> , 1994; Lina and Kuijpers, 2004).
Carcinogenicity	Potassium chloride has not been evaluated and is not listed by the IARC as a carcinogen. In a long-term study, male rats (50 per group) were fed potassium chloride in the diet at levels of 110, 450 or 1820 mg/kg bw/day for 2 years. No carcinogenic effects were observed in male rats.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No gene mutations were reported in bacterial tests, with and without metabolic activation. However, high concentrations of potassium chloride showed positive results in a range of genotoxic screening assays using mammalian cells in culture. The action of potassium chloride in culture seems to be an indirect effect therefore further <i>in vivo</i> studies were not considered necessary.
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	A developmental study revealed no foetotoxic or teratogenic effects of potassium chloride in doses up to 235 mg/kg/day (mice) and 310 mg/kg/day (rats). No fertility study has been located. Further human and ecological assessment was not recommended by the OECD SIDS.
Acute Toxicity	Potassium chloride is an essential element with homeostatic physiological processes regulating levels in the body. In cases of increased exposure to high levels of potassium significant health effects in people with kidney disease or other conditions, such as heart disease may result. Adverse health effects due to consumption of potassium from drinking water are unlikely to occur in healthy individuals. Acute effects are rare in humans although under particular circumstances severe effects may occur. Lethal effects were observed in a 2 month old baby fed 15,000 mg potassium chloride for 2 days and in another case report where an adult woman had ingested slow released potassium chloride tablets (35,000 mg). The most common form of ingestion is through drinking water. It is not considered necessary to establish a health-based guideline value for potassium in drinking water due to its lack of toxicity.
Irritation	Slight skin and eye irritant. A threshold concentration for skin irritancy of 60% was seen when potassium chloride in aqueous solution was in contact with skin of human volunteers. The threshold concentration when applied to broken skin was 5%.
Sensitisation	No data found.
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health and it is listed by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a Generally Recognised as Safe (GRAS) substance.

Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	In a two-year rat feeding study, there was an increased incidence of gastritis and ulcers at dose levels of >110 mg/kg/day (Imai <i>et al.</i> , 1968). There was no NOAEL. Thus, the LOAEL for this study is 110 mg/kg/day. Since the gastritis and ulcers are the result of a localized irritation effect of the test substance (site of contact) in the gastrointestinal tract, an uncertainty factor for interspecies variability is deemed unnecessary. For systemic effects, the NOAEL for the two-year rat feeding study is considered to be 1,820 mg/kg/day, the highest dose tested. Uncertainty factors: 10 (intraspecies variability); 10 (interspecies variability); 1 (intraspecies variability) Oral Reference Dose = 1,820/100 = 18.2 mg/kg/day Drinking water guideline: 71 ppm
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,3,8,9,10}	
Aquatic Toxicity	In a guideline study, the 96-hour LC50 in <i>Pimephales promelas</i> was reported to be 880 mg/L (Mount <i>et al.</i> , 1997). The 48-hour LC50 values from two studies on <i>Lepomis macrochirus</i> (Patrick <i>et al.</i> , 1968; Trama, 1954), and one study each on <i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i> and <i>Ictalurus punctatus</i> (Waller <i>et al.</i> , 1993) ranged from 720 to 2,010 mg/L. In a guideline study, the 48-hour EC50s in <i>Daphnia magna</i> and <i>Ceriodaphnia dubia</i> were 660 and 630 mg/L, respectively (Mount <i>et al.</i> , 1997; ECHA REACH database). The 48-hour EC50 in <i>Daphnia magna</i> in another study was also reported to be 177 mg/L (Biesinger and Christensen, 1972). The toxicity of KCl has been investigated in one algae species (<i>Nitzschia linearis</i>), showing 120 hour-EC50 (growth rate) of 1,337 mg/L (Patrick <i>et al.</i> , 1968). The 72-hour EC50 to <i>Scenedesmus subspicatus</i> is >100 mg/L (growth rate), with a NOEC of >100 mg/L (ECHA REACH database). In a fish early-life-stage test with the fathead minnow (<i>Pimephales promelas</i>), the 7-day NOEC is 500 mg/L (ECHA REACH database). A long term (21-day) study has been performed on <i>Daphnia magna</i> where effects on reproduction were investigated for several metals. A 16% impairment of reproduction (LOEC) was observed at a concentration of 53 mg/L of K ⁺ , equal to KCl concentration of 101 mg/L (Biesinger and Christensen, 1972). The measured NOEC for <i>Daphnia</i> is 373 mg/L
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis of the chronic results for <i>Daphnia</i> , an assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 373 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 3.73 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment ^{1,8,9,10}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Potassium chloride is an organic salt that dissociates completely to potassium and chloride ions in aqueous solutions. Biodegradation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; both potassium and chloride ions are also ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment. For the purposes of this PBT assessment, the persistent criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Potassium and chloride ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. Thus, potassium chloride is not expected to bioaccumulate.

T criteria fulfilled?	The measured chronic toxicity data for potassium chloride was 373 mg/L for Daphnia. Thus, potassium chloride does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Smectite

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	12199-37-0
Molecular formula	No data available.
Molecular weight	No data available.
Solubility in water	No data available.
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Off-white to tan fine flakes or powder
Overview	<p>Smectites commonly result from the weathering of basic rocks. Smectite formation is favoured by level to gently sloping terranes that are poorly drained, mildly alkaline (such as in marine environments), and have the high Si and Mg potentials (Borchardt, 1977). Other factors that favour the formation of smectites include the availability of Ca and the paucity of K (Deer and others, 1975). Poor drainage is necessary because otherwise water can leach away ions (e.g. Mg) freed in the alteration reactions. Smectites are used in the industry as fillers, carriers, absorbents and a component in drilling fluids (Grim, 1962).</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that it was low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{4*}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Limited data is available for smectite, read across data has been obtained from bentonite. Bentonite is a rock formed of highly colloidal and plastic clays composed mainly of montmorillonite, a clay mineral of the smectite group, and is produced by in situ devitrification of volcanic ash.</p> <p>Bentonite's production and use in domestic products, cat litter, construction materials, ceramics, pharmaceuticals, beer and wine production and cosmetics may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams. Its use in drilling muds, in agricultural practice as a carrier and an animal feed binder will result in its direct release to the environment. Bentonite is a colloidal native hydrated aluminum silicate (clay) found in midwest of USA and in Canada. Occupational exposure to bentonite may occur through inhalation of dust and dermal contact with this compound at workplaces where bentonite is produced or used. Use data indicate that the general population may be exposed to bentonite via ingestion of and dermal contact with consumer products containing bentonite.</p>
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{4*}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Mice maintained on diets containing bentonite displayed slightly reduced growth rates. Mice treated with higher doses showed minimal growth and fatty livers and fibrosis of the liver and benign hepatomas. Bentonite increased the susceptibility of mice to pulmonary infection.
Carcinogenicity	No adequate studies are available on the carcinogenicity of bentonite.

Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	The genotoxic potential of bentonite particles (diameter < 10 µm) with an a-quartz content of up to 6% and different chemical modifications (alkaline, acidic, organic) was investigated. Human lung fibroblasts (IMR90) were incubated for 36 hr, 48 hr, or 72 hr with bentonite particles in concentrations ranging from 1 to 15 µg/sq cm. Genotoxicity was assessed using the micronucleus (MN) assay and kinetochore analysis. The generation of reactive oxygen species (ROS) caused by bentonite particles via Fenton-like mechanisms was measured acellularly using electron spin resonance (ESR) technique and intracellularly by applying an iron chelator. The results show that bentonite-induced genotoxic effects in human lung fibroblasts are weak. The formation of micronuclei was only slightly increased after exposure of IMR90 cells to an acidic sample of bentonite dust with a quartz content of 4-5% for 36 hr (15 µg/sq cm), 48 hr (5 µg/sq cm), and 72 hr (1 µg/sq cm), to an alkaline sample with a quartz content of 5% for 48 hr and 72 hr (15 µg/sq cm), and to an acidic bentonite sample with 1% quartz for 72 hr (1 µg/sq cm). Native (untreated) and organic activated bentonite particles did not show genotoxic effects in most of the experiments. Also, bentonite particles with a quartz content < 1% were negative in the micronucleus assay. Generation of ROS measured by ESR was dependent on the content of transition metals in the sample but not on the quartz content or the chemical modification. Reduction of MN after addition of the iron chelator 2,2'-dipyridyl showed that ROS formation also occurs intracellularly. It was concluded that the genotoxic potential of bentonite particles is generally low but can be altered by the content of quartz and available transition metals.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Limited studies did not demonstrate developmental toxicity in rats after oral exposure to bentonite.
Acute Toxicity	Single intratracheal injection into rodents of bentonite and montmorillonite with low quartz content caused dose and particle size dependent effects, as well as transient local inflammation, which included oedema and increased lung weight. Single intratracheal exposures of rats to bentonite caused storage foci in the lungs. After intratracheal exposure of rats to this material with high quartz content, fibrosis is noted.
Irritation	The powder may contain large amounts of free silica which can produce pneumoconiosis with chronic inhalation.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	The substance can be absorbed into the body by inhalation. The substance is mildly irritating to the eyes and skin. The substance may have effects on the lungs. This may result in fibrosis.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No study available.
Ecological Toxicity ^{4*}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The 96-h LC50 for rainbow trout (<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>) of Wyoming bentonite, used as a viscosifier in drilling fluids, was 19 g/litre (Sprague & Logan, 1979).
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNEC has not been calculated.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.

Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment⁴	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No data available for Smectite. Information on bentonite reported that Biodegradation of bentonite appears to be minimal.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No, bioaccumulation appear minimal for montmorillonite compounds
T criteria fulfilled?	No, read across data from bentonite reported 96h LC50 for fish was > 1 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the toxicity criteria.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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* No data available for Smectite. Toxicity data for Bentonite is presented as a surrogate.

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Toxicity Summary - Sodium bicarbonate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,4,5,6}	
CAS number	144-55-8
Molecular formula	NaHCO ₃
Molecular weight	84.01
Solubility in water	96 g/L (at 20 °C)
Melting point	Decomposes when heated over 50 °C
Boiling point	Decomposes
Vapour pressure	Negligible, ionizable inorganic compound
Henry's law constant	No data available
Explosive potential	No data available
Flammability potential	No data available
Colour/Form	white, odourless, crystalline powder
Overview	<p>Sodium bicarbonate is classified by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as a 'Generally Recognised as Safe' (GRAS) ingredient in food with no other limitation than current good manufacturing practice (FDA, 1978; FDA, 1983). In the EU it is approved as a food additive (EU, 2000) and a feed ingredient (EU, 1998). In Australia it is recognised by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ) as a food additive. Sodium bicarbonate is used as animal feed additive, human food additive and it is used in pharmaceuticals. It is also used for the production of other chemicals and used in cosmetics and detergents and other household cleaning products.</p> <p>A Tier 1 Human Health Assessment for this chemical has been conducted by NICNAS which concluded that it was low concern to human health.</p>
Environmental Fate ³	
Soil/Water/Air	The high water solubility and low vapour pressure indicate that sodium bicarbonate will be found predominantly in the aquatic environment. Sodium bicarbonate is present in the environment as sodium and bicarbonate ions, which implies that it will not adsorb on particulate matter or surfaces and will not accumulate in living tissues.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	There are no directly relevant studies on repeated dose exposure, however, knowledge of prior use and available literature does not indicate any adverse effects of long-term use of exposure via any route. In humans there is a long history of sodium bicarbonate used as an antacid in doses up to 4 g without adverse effects of long-term use, although it is recommended not to use high doses of pure sodium bicarbonate instead of antacids. In addition, sodium bicarbonate is an important extracellular buffer in vertebrates and is therefore readily regulated in the body.
Carcinogenicity	As with other sodium salts, high doses of sodium bicarbonate promote carcinoma formation in rat urinary bladder after pre-exposure to initiator or BBN. However, when rats were only exposed to sodium bicarbonate no carcinogenic effect on the urinary bladder was found. Based on the available information there are no indications that sodium bicarbonate has carcinogenic effects.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	<i>In vitro</i> bacterial and mammalian cell tests showed no evidence of genotoxic activity.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Sodium bicarbonate did not induce developmental effects when administered orally at the following doses: 580 mg/kg bw (mice), 340 mg/kg bw (rats) and 330 mg/kg bw (rabbits). Furthermore the substance will usually not reach the foetus when the exposure to sodium bicarbonate is sufficiently low, as it does not become systemically available.

Acute Toxicity	Acute oral ingestion by the patients may result in a ruptured stomach due to excessive gas development. Acute or chronic excessive oral ingestion may cause metabolic alkalosis, cyanosis and hypernatraemia. These conditions are usually reversible, and will not cause adverse effects.
Irritation	Sodium bicarbonate is a minimal or mild ocular and skin irritant
Sensitisation	No data available
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian drinking water screening value for sodium (180 ppm, aesthetic) and pH may apply to sodium bicarbonate.
Ecological Toxicity ³	
Aquatic Toxicity	In a 96-hr acute flow-through test with rainbow trout (<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>) a NOEC of 2,300 mg/l and a LC50 of 7,700 mg/l were determined. The test was conducted under GLP conditions and according to FIFRA Guideline Reference number 72-1. In a 96-hr acute flow-through test with bluegill sunfish (<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>) a NOEC of 5,200 mg/l and a LC50 of 7,100 mg/l were determined. The test was conducted under GLP conditions and according to FIFRA Guideline Reference number 72-1. In a 48-hr acute flow-through test with <i>Daphnia magna</i> a NOEC of 3,100 mg/l and a LC50 of 4,100 mg/l were determined. The test was conducted under GLP conditions and according to FIFRA Guideline Reference number 72-2. A (chronic) reproduction test with <i>Daphnia magna</i> was carried out. Test solutions were prepared to contain the appropriate concentrations of salts to yield a total hardness of 170 mg/l CaCO ₃ . At the tested concentration NaHCO ₃ of 576 mg/l the survival was 100% and the cumulative number of offspring per female did not significantly differ from the control. This demonstrates that the 21-day <i>Daphnia magna</i> NOEC is higher than 576 mg/l. Standard toxicity tests with algae or aquatic plants have not been found, but test medium for acute algae tests contain 50 mg/l sodium bicarbonate. Glass slides were exposed to a portion of a small stream with an addition of sodium bicarbonate to a concentration of 45 mg/l for a period of 63 days. An increasing algal standing crop compared to the controls was found. Except for a small increase of Cyanophyceae species, no shift in species was determined.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	It is not considered useful to calculate a PNEC for sodium bicarbonate because factors such as the buffer capacity, the natural pH, and the fluctuation of the pH are very specific for a certain ecosystem. Based on the information above, a PNECaquatic was not derived for sodium bicarbonate.
Current Regulatory Controls⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Sodium bicarbonate is an inorganic salt that is present in the environment as sodium and bicarbonate ions. Biodegradation is not applicable to these inorganic ions. Thus, the persistent criterion is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Sodium and bicarbonate ions are essential to all living organisms and its

	extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. Thus, sodium bicarbonate is not expected to bioaccumulate.
T criteria fulfilled?	The 21 d chronic NOEC is 576 mg/L for Daphnia. Thus, sodium bicarbonate does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium carbonate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,4,6}	
CAS number	497-19-8
Molecular formula	Na ₂ CO ₃
Molecular weight	105.99 g/mol
Solubility in water	215 g/l at 20 °C
Melting point	851 °C
Boiling point	Decomposition
Vapour pressure	No data found
Henry's law constant	No data found
Explosive potential	It reacts violently with acids and reacts with magnesium, phosphorous pentoxide causing explosion hazard
Flammability potential	Reacts with fluorine causing fire hazard
Colour/Form	White powder
Overview	Sodium carbonate has been reviewed in the OECD-SIDS program (OECD, 2002a,b). Sodium carbonate is a strong alkaline compound with a pH of 11.6 for a 0.1M aqueous solution. The pKa of carbonate (CO ₃ ²⁻) is 10.33, which means that at a pH of 10.33 both carbonate and bicarbonate are present in equal amounts. In water, sodium carbonate dissociates into sodium ion (Na ⁺) and carbonate (CO ₃ ²⁻). The carbonate ions will react with water, resulting in the formation of bicarbonate and hydroxide, until equilibrium is established. Sodium carbonate is used in many countries (e.g. U.S. and EU) as a food additive. It is regarded as a 'Generally Recognised as Safe' (GRAS) substance in food with no limitation other than current good manufacturing practice. Sodium carbonate is extensively used across a range of industries and processes such as in the manufacturing of sodium salts, glass, soap/detergents and aluminium
Environmental Fate ^{1,2,3,4}	
Soil/Water/Air	The high water solubility and low vapor pressure indicate that sodium carbonate will be found predominantly in the aquatic environment. In water, sodium carbonate dissociates into sodium (Na ⁺) and carbonate (CO ₃ ²⁻) and both ions will not adsorb on particulate matter or surfaces and will not accumulate in living tissues.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	No chronic oral and dermal data are available. Due to the biological importance of the products formed by the stomach acid (bicarbonate and carbon dioxide), systemic toxicity is not expected. In rats, histopathological changes of the respiratory tract and the lungs were seen following repeated inhalation exposure to sodium carbonate (70 mg/m ³ aqueous sodium carbonate at pH 11.6 for 3.5 months) and potassium carbonate (0.4 mg/L potassium carbonate at pH 9.9 for 21 days). These effects were considered local responses to the high alkalinity of this group of chemicals (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb).
Carcinogenicity	No data are available. Based on the available data from carcinogenicity studies with related substances (sodium bicarbonate and potassium bicarbonate), the chemicals in this group are not considered carcinogenic (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). Carbonate ions are neutralised under physiological conditions to form bicarbonate ions and/or carbon dioxide, which are major products of all human metabolic activities; therefore, systemic toxicity is not expected.

Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Based on the available data, this chemical is not considered to be genotoxic (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). Carbonate ions are neutralised under physiological conditions to form bicarbonate ions and/or carbon dioxide, which are major products of all human metabolic activities; therefore, systemic toxicity is not expected.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Based on the limited information available, this chemical does not show specific reproductive or developmental toxicity (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). Carbonate ions are neutralised under physiological conditions to form bicarbonate ions and/or carbon dioxide, which are major products of all human metabolic activities; therefore, systemic toxicity is not expected.
Acute Toxicity	<p>In animal tests, this chemical was of low acute toxicity following oral exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) was >2000 mg/kg bw in rats (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). The majority of the animals that died following acute oral exposure to sodium carbonate at concentrations up to 2600 mg/kg/bw showed oral or nasal discharge, lesions in the liver, mottled lungs, mottled or pale kidneys and a red or partly gas-filled gastro-intestinal tract.</p> <p>In animal tests, this chemical was of low acute toxicity following dermal exposure. The median lethal dose (LD50) was >2000 mg/kg bw in rats (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). No systemic effects were observed following dermal exposure to sodium carbonate. Local severe skin irritation (severe erythema and oedema) was seen at the application site (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb).</p> <p>In animal tests, this chemical was of low acute toxicity following inhalation exposure. The median lethal dose (LC50) was >2000 mg/m³ in rats (OECD, 2002; REACH, a & b).</p> <p>Signs of respiratory impairment including dyspnoea, wheezing, excessive salivation and a distended abdomen were observed immediately after inhalation exposure to sodium carbonate of up to 2300 mg/m³. Excessive salivation, repeated swallowing and a lack of appetite were observed 2–5 hours after exposure. Animals that died had lesions in the anterior trachea, posterior pharynx and larynx, along with an accumulation of mucus, vesiculation and mucosal oedema (REACHa).</p>
Irritation	Sodium carbonate is classified as hazardous with the risk phrase 'Irritating to eyes' (Xi; R36) in HSIS (Safe Work Australia). However, in several eye irritation studies in rabbits, sodium carbonate was found to be severely irritating to the eyes, with effects including conjunctivitis, marked corneal opacity and iritis, which persisted for seven days (REACHa; REACHb). The available data support an amendment to the current HSIS eye irritation classification for sodium carbonate.
Sensitisation	Based on the limited data available, sodium carbonate is not considered to be skin sensitisers (OECD, 2002; REACHa; REACHb). No structural flags for sensitisation are present.
Health Effects Summary	The critical health effects for risk characterisation include serious eye damage and respiratory irritation because of the high basicity of the chemicals in this group. Skin irritation and corrosion of eyes and mucous membranes are also of concern where long-term exposure to the solid or concentrated solutions may occur. These effects are particularly relevant to domestic use of the chemicals.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian drinking water screening value for sodium (180 ppm, aesthetic) and pH may apply to sodium carbonate.
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3,4}	
Aquatic Toxicity	The acute 96-hour LC50 to three sizes of Bluegill sunfish (<i>Lepomis macrochirus</i>) exposed to sodium carbonate is 300 mg/L for all sizes. The acute 96-hour LC50 to mosquitofish (<i>Gambusia affinis</i>) is 740 mg/L. The acute 48-hour EC50 value to the invertebrate <i>Ceriodaphnia cf. dubia</i> is from 200 to 227 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: Experimental results are available for two trophic levels. Acute E(L)C50 values are available for fish (300 mg/L) and <i>Ceriodaphnia</i> (200 mg/L). On the basis that the data consists of short-term results from two trophic levels, an assessment factor of 1,000 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 200 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNECaquatic is 0.2 mg/L.

Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	Sodium carbonate is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Substances Information System (HSIS) (Safe Work Australia): 'Xi; R36 (Irritating to eyes)'.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Sodium carbonate has an exposure standard of 7.5 mg/m ³ (5 ppm) time weighted average (TWA) and 15 mg/m ³ (10 ppm) short-term exposure limit (STEL) (Safework Australia).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	Occupational exposure standard limits for sodium and potassium carbonate recommended by other countries are provided below (Galleria Chemica, 2013): US Dept of Energy (DOE) Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs): Sodium carbonate: TEEL-0 = 10 mg/m ³ , TEEL-1 = 30 mg/m ³ , TEEL-2 = 50 mg/m ³ , TEEL-3 = 500 mg/m ³ No other country has an occupational exposure limit specifically for sodium and potassium carbonate, although many countries have assigned a generic TWA exposure limits of 10 mg/m ³ (inhalable dust), and 3 mg/m ³ (respirable dust) for particles not otherwise classified (PNOC).
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment ^{4,6}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable, inorganic substance, ubiquitous in environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions.
T criteria fulfilled?	No chronic toxicity data exist; however, the acute EC(L)50s are >0.1 mg/L. Thus, does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium chloride

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,4}	
CAS number	7647-14-5
Molecular formula	NaCl
Molecular weight	58.44 g/mol
Solubility in water	3.57 x 10 ⁵ g/m ³ at 25oC
pH	In aqueous solution is neutral
Melting point	1 mm Hg at 865oC
Boiling point	1670 °C
Vapour pressure	No data found
Henrys law constant	No data found
Explosive potential	Not explosive
Flammability potential	Not flammable
Colour/Form	light brown liquid or colourless crystals
Overview	<p>Sodium, together with potassium is an essential mineral for the regulation of body fluid balance. Sodium is the most abundant cation in the extracellular fluid and sodium salts account for more than 90% of the osmotically active solute in the plasma and interstitial fluid. Consequently, sodium load is the major determinant of extracellular volume. Chloride is also important in maintaining the fluid balance and is an essential component of the gastric and intestinal secretions Sodium chloride occurs naturally as rock salt which comprises 95% to 99% NaCl. It is also widely used in food products. The NHMRC has established dietary guidelines for the intake of sodium per day (adults should consume less than 2300 mg sodium per day).</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ^{2,3}	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Due to its high solubility, sodium chloride is highly mobile in the environment. Once dissociated, chloride ions will migrate readily, however sodium ions will sorb to clay-rich materials limiting mobility. If released into the environment, sodium chloride is not likely to sorb to solid particles in the water column, is readily dissociated to form chloride and sodium ions, is not bioaccumulative in aquatic species or the food chain.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	High sodium chloride intakes increase calcium excretion and may increase the risk of kidney stone formation. There is evidence for a causal relationship between the consumption of sodium (mainly from common salt) and both blood pressure and the age-related rise in blood pressure. Data suggest that 30% of a normotensive population may be salt sensitive. Sodium chloride has been demonstrated to be a gastric tumour promoter in experimental animals and high sodium chloride intakes have been associated with incidence of stomach cancer in human populations with traditional diets of highly concentrated, salted foods.
Carcinogenicity	Not listed with IARC.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No data available.
Reproductive Toxicity Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No data available.
Acute Toxicity	No data available.
Irritation	Although rare, acute toxicity may be caused by ingestion of 500 – 1000 mg sodium chloride/kg body weight. Symptoms include vomiting, ulceration of the gastrointestinal tract, muscle weakness and renal damage, leading to dehydration, metabolic acidosis and severe peripheral and central neural effects.
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	Sodium is an essential mineral for the regulation of body fluid balance. This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian drinking water guideline value for sodium and chloride may apply.
Ecological Toxicity ^{2,3,4}	
Aquatic Toxicity	A large number of studies are available in relation to the aquatic toxicity of sodium chloride with the USEPA ECOTOX database identifying 1712 records. The evaluation of ecological effects of sodium chloride has been evaluated in detail for the assessment of the use of rock salt in the US on roadways during the winter months. The following has been summarised from the US review: The presence of sodium chloride may result in the increased mobilisation of other contaminants (metals, nutrients etc) and a shift in the acid buffering capacity may compromise aquatic ecosystems. Most sensitive species are birds where a safe concentration of 1000 mg/L sodium chloride can be established. Salt tolerance of aquatic species varies significantly with EC50 concentrations ranging from 400 to 30000 mg/L. The measured acute endpoint for Fish was reported at 1290 mg/L. The measured NOEC for Daphnia is 314 mg/L.
Determination of PNEC aquatic	PNECaquatic: On the basis of the chronic results for Daphnia, an assessment factor of 100 has been applied to the lowest reported effect concentration of 314 mg/L. The PNECaquatic is determined to be 3.14 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available
Australian Food Standards	No data available

Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available
PBT Assessment ⁴	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Sodium chloride is an organic salt that dissociates completely to sodium and chloride ions in aqueous solutions. Biodegradation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; both sodium and chloride ions are also ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment. The persistent criteria is not considered applicable to this inorganic salt.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Sodium and chloride ions are essential to all living organisms and their intracellular and extracellular concentrations are actively regulated. Thus, sodium chloride is not expected to bioaccumulate.
T criteria fulfilled?	The measured chronic toxicity data for sodium chloride was 314 mg/L for Daphnia. Thus, sodium chloride does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium Erythorbate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2}	
CAS number	6381-77-7
Molecular formula	C6H7NaO6
Molecular weight	199.13
Solubility in water	Soluble; 146 g/L at 20 °C and pH 6
Melting point	160 °C at 101.3 kPa
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	Non-flammable (100%)
Colour/Form	White, free-flowing crystals
Overview	<p>Sodium erythorbate is a synthetic antioxidant used in food and cosmetic formulations. Foliar application of sodium erythorbate sprays and dusts are used to control young tree decline in citrus trees and to reduce ozone damage to Thompson seedless grapes. It is also used in hydraulic fracturing mixtures to prevent precipitation of metal oxides (iron control).</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	The chemical is not expected to be readily biodegradable. The chemical achieved 56% degradation in 28 days according to test guidelines OECD 301E. However, the degradation after 28 d was not yet finished as a plateau is not yet visible in the degradation curve; thus, a further degradation of the product seems to be possible.
Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	Male 6-week-old F344 rats were given doses of 5% Sodium Erythorbate in feed for 168 days. Parameters of urinary excretion were investigated and the urinary bladder epithelium was examined using light and scanning electron microscopy at weeks 8, 16, and 24. The urine of rats fed Sodium Erythorbate had increased pH, elevated content of crystals and sodium, and decreased osmolality; however, no morphological alterations such as hyperplasia were detected in the mucosa. The urine values and urinary bladder mucosa were similar to controls at doses below 5 g/kg/day.

Carcinogenicity	F344/DuCrj rats of both sexes (6-week-old) were given 1.25% or 2.5% Sodium Erythorbate in drinking water for 104 weeks and untreated water for 8 additional weeks. Rats of the control group were given untreated water only. Each group consisted of 52 male and 50 female rats. Cumulative consumption of Sodium Erythorbate by male rats was 217 g/rat (1.25%) and 430 g/rat (2.5%). Consumption by females was 206 g/rat (1.25%) and 583 g/rat (2.5%). Body weight of rats given 2.5% Sodium Erythorbate was reduced by 8.5% for males and 15.5% for females at weeks 88 and 85, respectively, compared to controls. Body weight gain was normal in rats of the low dose group. All male treated and control rats (except two of the high-dose group) had testicular interstitial cell tumours. Various tumours occurred in 80% of control males, 69% of males given the low dose, and 78% of males given the high dose. A 6-18% incidence of leukaemia, pheochromocytoma, mammary fibroadenoma, and mesothelioma was observed. Of the females of the control, 1.25%, and 2.5% dose groups, 94%, 88%, and 78% had tumours, respectively. Twenty to 43% of females (all groups) had leukaemia, mammary fibroadenoma, endometrial stromal polyp and/or pituitary adenoma. Females given 2.5% Sodium Erythorbate had significantly fewer tumours than control females. The pattern of occurrence of the various types of tumours was similar among the groups. Sodium Erythorbate did not enhance the development of rare spontaneous tumours or transform benign tumours (e.g., solid adenoma of the thyroid) to carcinomas. The investigators concluded that Sodium Erythorbate was not carcinogenic in F344 rats.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	Sodium Erythorbate (99.8% pure; 5.0 mg/plate) was non-mutagenic in <i>S. typhimurium</i> strains TA92, TA94, TA98, TA100, TA1535, and TA1537 with and without S9 activation. Sodium Erythorbate (0.25 mg/mL plate) was also negative in the chromosomal aberration assay using Chinese hamster fibroblasts; Sodium Erythorbate did not induce the formation of polyploid cells after 48 hours, and caused 1 % chromosomal breaks after 24 hours.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	Sodium erythorbate did not cause maternal or fetal toxicity when administered to female rats and mice during gestation by oral intubation at dosages up to 1,030 mg/kg/day. Developmental toxicity did not occur after pregnant rats were given up to 5% sodium erythorbate in feed during a 13-week teratogenesis study. It produced negative results in the Ames test, the host-mediated assay using <i>S. typhimurium</i> , chromosomal aberration tests using Chinese hamster ovary fibroblasts, the dominant lethal test using rats, and the <i>B. subtilis</i> rec assay.
Acute Toxicity	Sodium erythorbate powder was applied to the intact and abraded skin of six rabbits as a single 2 g/kg dose. A substantial amount of residual compound was observed 24 hours after dosing. No erythema, edema, or other signs of dermal irritation were observed at five of six test sites. One rabbit (abraded skin) had slight (1+) erythema at 24 hours that cleared by 48 hours.
Irritation	Sodium erythorbate powder did not cause signs of dermal irritation when applied to the intact and abraded skin of rabbits. Instillation of sodium erythorbate powder to the conjunctival sac of rabbits caused slight and transient reddening of the conjunctiva that cleared within 24 hours.
Sensitisation	In a dermal sensitization study (according to OECD 429) with Sodium erythorbate (5, 10, 25% w/w in propylene glycol), young adult female CBA/Ca (CBA/CaOlaHsd) mice (4/group) were tested using the local lymph node assay (LLNA). In this study, Sodium erythorbate was not considered a potential skin sensitizer.
Health Effects Summary	Sodium erythorbate did not show signs of toxicity, carcinogenicity, mutagenicity, irritation and sensitisation in the studies reported. This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Australian drinking water guideline value for sodium may apply.

Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>The acute toxicity of the sodium erythorbate to the freshwater fish rainbow trout (<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>) has been investigated and gave a 96-Hour LC50 of greater than 100 mg/L (semi-static).</p> <p>The acute toxicity of sodium erythorbate to <i>Daphnia magna</i> gave an EC50 (48 h) of 84 - 100 mg/L.</p> <p>The effect of the test item on the growth of <i>Pseudokirchneriella subcapitata</i> has been investigated over a 72-Hour period. The EC50 (72 h) was 160 mg/L while the NOEC (72 h) was 20 mg/L.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	A PNECaquatic of 84 µg/L was calculated using the lowest endpoint of EC50 of 84 mg/L for <i>Daphnia magna</i> . An assessment factor of 1000 was used.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Could potentially be persistent as it is not readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. The Log Pow is -3.29 (Log Pow < 4.5) which does not meet the screening criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	No. Based on measured acute toxicity endpoints of greater than 1 mg/L Sodium erythorbate does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Sodium hydroxide

Chemical and Physical Properties	
CAS number	1310-73-2
Molecular formula	Na-O-H
Product name	40 g/mol
Molecular weight	1.11E+06 mg/L at 20C
Solubility in water	13
Melting point	318 °C
Boiling point	1388 °C
Vapour pressure	Negligible at 25 deg C
Henry's law constant	No data found.
Explosive potential	No
Flammability potential	No
Colour/Form	Anhydrous (pure) NaOH is a solid – <i>refer melting point above</i> . However it is a hygroscopic, ionic solid, and will absorb water from air and is highly soluble
Incompatibility	Avoid contact of solid NaOH with water due to strong exothermic reaction, leather, wood, acids, organic halogen compounds or organic nitro compounds. Carbon monoxide gas can form upon contact with reducing sugars, food and beverage products in enclosed spaces. NaOH is neither explosive, flammable, nor oxidising.
Overview	Vegetable oil refining, regenerating iron exchange resins, organic fusions, peeling of fruits and vegetables in the food industry, etching and electroplating.
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Sodium hydroxide is highly soluble, not volatile and unlikely to materially adsorb to soil and is therefore predominately found in the aquatic environment if released to the environment. NaOH will readily dissociate to be present in the environment as sodium and hydroxyl ions, both being ubiquitous in the environment. NaOH is a strong alkali, so its dissolution in water may locally raise the pH of the affected environment. The dissolution reaction is also strongly exothermic.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{1,2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>No animal data are available on repeated dose toxicity studies by oral or dermal routes for sodium hydroxide. In a repeat dose inhalation study, twenty seven white rats died within a month, mostly from bronchopneumonia, after being exposed twice weekly to an aerosol of unknown airborne concentration of sodium hydroxide, generated from an aqueous 40% sodium hydroxide solution (NIOSH 1975). When exposed to an aerosol generated from a 20% sodium hydroxide solution, the bronchi were dilated, the epithelial cover was thin and frequently desquamated, and the septa were dilated and cracked. A light round cell infiltration of the sub-mucus membrane tissue was also observed. Few changes occurred in a group of rats exposed to aerosols from 10% sodium hydroxide, but rats exposed to an aerosol of 5% sodium hydroxide had dilation of the bronchi and a slight degeneration of the mucus membrane and thickened strata of lymphadenoid tissue surrounding the bronchi. A NOAEL could not be established in this study.</p> <p>Workers exposed to 0.24 to 1.86 mg/m³ sodium hydroxide for 2 to 15 minutes reported throat irritation and watery eyes (NIOSH 1975). Based on the observations of the irritant effects on workers exposed to 1 to 40 mg/m³ sodium hydroxide, it was concluded that 2 mg/m³ represented a concentration that is 'noticeably but not extensively irritant' (NIOSH 1975). Obstructive airway disease has been reported following chronic occupational exposure to sodium hydroxide mist (IPCS 1996). The patient developed cough, dyspnoea and tachypnoea after a 20-year exposure to sodium hydroxide.</p>
Carcinogenicity	IARC Category 3 - not classifiable as to human carcinogenicity
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	In vitro and vivo genetic toxicity testing reported no evidence of mutagenic activity.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	No valid studies were identified regarding reproduction toxicity after oral, dermal or inhalation exposure to NaOH. Sodium hydroxide is not expected to be systemically available to the body under normal handling and use conditions.
Acute Toxicity	<p>Exposure to the solid or concentrated liquid can cause severe burns to the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract which may cause death. An oral LD50 of a 1-10% solution of NaOH in rabbits was 325 mg/kg bw (as 100% NaOH). An oral LD50 of 140 to 340 mg/kg in rats has also been reported (National Research Council 2011), however details of the study are not available.</p> <p>In an acute dermal study, mice were treated dermally with 50% sodium hydroxide, and the treated area was irrigated with water at various intervals (OECD 2002). The mortality of mice was 20, 40, 80 and 71% when they were irrigated at 30 minutes, one hour, two hours or not at all after the application. All animals developed rapidly progressive burns. No mortality or burns were observed when the treated area was irrigated immediately after the application. A 5% aqueous solution of sodium hydroxide produced severe necrosis when applied to the skin of rabbits for four hours (Clayton and Clayton 1993). A dermal LD50 of 1350 mg/kg has been reported in rabbits (National Research Council 2011), however details of the study are not available.</p> <p>Caustic dusts are irritating to the upper respiratory system. Prolonged exposure to high concentrations may cause discomfort and ulceration of nasal passages. Cases of fatality due to ingestion of liquid sodium hydroxide have been reported in humans.</p>
Irritation	Sodium hydroxide is a corrosive irritant to skin, eyes and mucous membranes. A NaOH solution of 8% can be considered corrosive based on animal data. Human data indicate that concentrations of 0.5 to 4% were irritating.
Sensitisation	Sodium hydroxide has no skin sensitisation potential.

Health Effects Summary	<p>An oral LD50 of 325 mg/kg in rats and a dermal LD50 of 1350 mg/kg in rabbits were reported for sodium hydroxide. Lethality has been reported in animals at oral doses of 240 mg/kg bw. Inhalational LC50 is not available.</p> <p>Sodium hydroxide is corrosive to skin, eyes and gastrointestinal and respiratory tracts. Based on human data, concentrations of 0.5 to 4.0% are irritating to the skin, while a concentration of 8.0% is corrosive. Sodium hydroxide is not a skin sensitiser.</p> <p>No animal data were available on repeated dose toxicity by oral or dermal routes for sodium hydroxide. In the single reported repeat dose inhalation study, a NOAEL could not be established.</p> <p>Both in vitro and in vivo genetic toxicity tests indicated no evidence of a mutagenic activity. Information is not available on reproductive and developmental toxicity and carcinogenicity of sodium hydroxide.</p> <p>Due to dissociation into ions which are subject to homeostatic controls in the human body, systemic effects from repeated exposures to sodium hydroxide are not expected. The critical health effect of sodium hydroxide is its corrosive effect.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	No oral TRV apply. Acute toxicity only (irritant and corrosive), not systemically available in body. The Australian drinking water guideline value for pH may apply to sodium hydroxide.
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Measured acute endpoints were available for fish (196 mg/L).</p> <p>Measured chronic endpoint were available for Daphnia (240 mg/L)</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	An assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported NOEC of 240 mg/L for Daphnia. The PNECaquatic is 24 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	C: R35 (Corrosive, causes severe burns)
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	Sodium hydroxide has an exposure standard of 2 mg/m ³ , Time Weighted Average (Safe Work Australia 2013).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>Occupational Exposure Limit (OEL) or limit values in working environment of 2 mg/m³ [Argentina, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, China, India, Japan and the US (NIOSH 1975)].</p> <p>Occupational exposure standard: 2 mg/m³ [Korea]</p> <p>Occupational exposure limit values: 0.5 mg/m³ [Latvia]</p> <p>Short Term Exposure Limit (STEL): 2 mg/m³ [UK]</p> <p>US Department of Energy Temporary Emergency Exposure Limits (TEELs) = 0.5 mg/m³ (TEEL-0 and TEEL-1), 5 mg/m³ (TEEL-2) and 50 mg/m³ (TEEL-3).</p>
Australian Food Standards	Processing aids - Generally permitted - permitted for use as acidity regulator (FSANZ 2013). Sodium hydroxide is allotted an International Numbering System (INS) of food additives number: INS 524 (Food Standards Australia New Zealand 2013).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data found. However, since sodium hydroxide readily dissociates in water into sodium and hydroxyl ions, the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines for sodium state that, based on aesthetic considerations (taste), the concentration of sodium in drinking water should not exceed 180 mg/L (National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) 2011). No health-based guideline value is proposed for sodium.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data found.
Occupational Exposure Limits	Peak limitation – 2 mg/m ³
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable (inorganic salt, ionic species ubiquitous in environment)
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Bioaccumulation is not applicable to these inorganic ions; sodium and hydroxide ions are ubiquitous and are present in most water, soil and sediment.

T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Chronic toxicity data >1 mg/L in invertebrates, thus sodium hydroxide does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT

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Toxicity Summary - Starch

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,4,6}	
CAS number	9005-25-8
Molecular formula	(C ₆ H ₁₀ O ₅) _n
Molecular weight	UVCB
Solubility in water	In cold water, starch absorbs water reversibly and swells slightly. In hot water, irreversible swelling occurs, producing gelatinisation.
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	Combustible
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	White powder, tasteless and has no smell
Overview	<p>Starch is a high –polymeric carbohydrate material primarily composed of amylopectin and amylose. It is usually derived from cereal grains such as corn, wheat and sorghum and from roots and tubers such as potatoes and tapioca. It includes starch which has been pregelatinized by heating in the presence of water.</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ⁷	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Based on information from NICNAS (2006):</p> <p>In a ready biodegradation test, the notified polymer (Potato Starch Modified) showed an 86.87% degradation during a Modified Sturm Test (OECD Test Guideline 301B) indicating that it was readily biodegradable. The test was verified using a sodium benzoate standard which showed 93.77% degradation at the end of the study. In addition a toxicity control consisting of a mixture of the test substance and sodium benzoate showed 83.49% degradation at the end of the study period, indicating that the test material did not inhibit the microbial activity.</p> <p>The notified polymer does potentially contain cationic and anionic functional groups, however based on the typical dissociation constants for the functionalities and their ratio within the polymer it is expected to have a net anionic charge throughout most of the environmental pH range, becoming slightly cationic only at the low end of the range.</p> <p>In landfill and the sewer, the notified chemical is expected to be relatively readily degraded by biotic and abiotic pathways to ultimately yield water and oxides of carbon and nitrogen and salts of chlorine and sodium. Any incineration of the notified polymer would result in its destruction and the formation of carbon dioxide and water and ash containing salts of chlorine and sodium.</p> <p>The notified polymer has a high molecular weight not expected to bioaccumulate.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ^{2,3}	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>A long-term study was carried out on the effects of inoculating 1.5 g of starch powder into the peritoneal cavity of rats. After an initial considerable inflammatory reaction, the intense vascular reaction subsided, leaving firm adhesions that were still present in animals sacrificed at 18 months (EII90).</p> <p>Feeding of unmodified cornstarch and potato starch to groups of rats at dietary levels up to 30% (equivalent to 27.4-33.6 g/kg bw/d) in a 2-year test and 10% (food intake not indicated) in a 3-generation test did not result in distinct toxicologically significant effects (Gro74). Rats fed a cooked diet containing 62% unmodified maize starch (equivalent to 51.1 g/kg bw/d*) for 2 years also did not show significant toxicological effects, including reproductive effects over 3 generations (Tru79). Slight growth retardation was seen in rats exposed for 4 weeks to raw potato starch at a dietary level of 40% (equivalent to 46.0-52.8 g/kg bw/d) (Fer73).</p>
Carcinogenicity	Not classifiable as a human carcinogen (A4)
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	There were no indications for significant toxicity, carcinogenicity or reproduction toxicity of starch in rats fed 27.4-52.8 g/kg bw/day.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	There were no indications for significant toxicity, carcinogenicity or reproduction toxicity of starch in rats fed 27.4-52.8 g/kg bw/day.
Acute Toxicity	<p>Toxicity of starch given orally to albino rats were studied. Experiments were performed upon CBL albino rats weighing 140 ± 15 (mean ± S.D.). Starch was given daily for 14 consecutive days in total daily oral doses of 36, 72, 120 and 168 g/kg and in animals which did not succumb to gastric rupture in doses gradually increasing to 204, 240 and 288 g/kg. Gastric rupture appeared in 50 – 75% of rats given starch in amounts of 168 g/kg and over. Of the survivors of gastric rupture, 5% died of pneumonia and 20% from bowel obstruction during the 14 days of starch administration. Doses of one tenth body weight and above produced some inhibition of growth, doses of one fifth body weight and above increased the susceptibility to pneumonia and bowel obstruction owing to the inability of the animal to evacuate the starch calculi. It was noted that doses of this order could not readily be taken by humans and smaller doses had insignificant toxicity.</p> <p>Acute respiratory effects after exposure to dust from the refining process of potato starch have been described (personal sampling: 3.9-56.0 mg/m³, total dust). The responsible agent could not be identified although the authors suspected endotoxin to be the causative agent (Hol94). Millers and bakers occupationally exposed to grain and flour dusts (personal sampling: 1.1-14.3 mg/m³, total dust) showed significantly higher incidences of coughing and chronic bronchitis compared to a non-exposed reference group (Mas95, Mas96). A dose-response relationship was observed between dust exposure levels and chronic respiratory symptoms (Mas95). Although flour is a complex product that is mainly made up of starch (70%) and gluten (12%), it may also contain mite dust and endotoxins. The causative role of starch in the observed respiratory symptoms is therefore not clear.</p> <p>The intraperitoneal LD50 of starch in mice is 6600 mg/kg (ACG99).</p>
Irritation	Skin contact with a total dose of 300 µg of starch, intermittently applied over a 3-day period, resulted in a mild erythema and slight oedema of the skin in humans (ACG99).
Sensitisation	No data available.
Health Effects Summary	This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health.
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The intraperitoneal LD50 of starch in mice is 6600 mg/kg (ACG99).

Ecological Toxicity ⁷	
Aquatic Toxicity	Based on QSAR modelling: Crassostrea virginica 96 h = 1000 mg/L Orthopristis chrysoptera 96 h = 5000 mg/L Bairdiella chrysoura 96 h = 5000 mg/L
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Based on the lack of ecotoxicity data, PNECaquatic was not determined.
Current Regulatory Controls ^{2,4}	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	TWA = 10 mg/m ³
International Occupational Exposure Standards	TLV: 10 mg/m ³ , as TWA The current administrative occupational exposure limit (MAC) for starch in the Netherlands is 10 mg/m ³ , 8-hour TWA, equal to the occupational exposure limit for nuisance dust.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No. This substance is expected to be readily biodegradable.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	No. This substance is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	Based on QSAR modelling, this substance is not expected to meet the toxicity criteria.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Tetrahydro-3,5-dimethyl-1,3,5-thiadiazine-2-thione

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3,5}	
CAS number	533-74-4
Molecular formula	C ₅ H ₁₀ N ₂ S ₂
Molecular weight	162.28
Solubility in water	3.5 g/l at 20 °C at pH 5, pH 7 and pH 9
Melting point	103.2 – 105.2 °C
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	5.8 x 10 ⁻⁶ Pa at 20 °C (extrapolated)
Henry's law constant	2.66X10 ⁻¹⁰ atm-cu m/mole
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	Off-white to yellowish solid of sulphurous odour
Overview	Dazomet (Tetrahydro-3,5-dimethyl-1,3,5-thiadiazine-2-thione) is a soil fumigant effective for the control of nematodes, insects, germinating weeds and soil fungi. Dazomet is strongly phytotoxic, acting by virtue of the chemical release of methylisothiocyanate (MITC).
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	Dazomet's production may result in its release to the environment through various waste streams; its use as a soil sterilant, nematicide, fungicide, slimicide in pulp and paper manufacture, and as a preservative in adhesives and glues will result in its direct release to the environment. If released to air, a vapour pressure of 2.80X10 ⁻⁶ mm Hg at 20 deg C indicates dazomet will exist in both the vapour and particulate phases in the atmosphere. Vapour-phase dazomet will be degraded in the atmosphere by reaction with photochemically-produced hydroxyl radicals; the half-life for this reaction in air is estimated to be 1.4 hours. Particulate-phase dazomet will be removed from the atmosphere by wet or dry deposition; hydrolysis of this compound during rain events or in clouds may occur. It has been suggested that dazomet may also undergo direct photolytic degradation and this process may contribute to atmospheric removal. If released to soil, dazomet is expected to have high mobility based upon an estimated Koc of 52; however it is expected to hydrolyse before extensive leaching occurs. Volatilization from moist soil surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon a Henry's Law constant of 2.66X10 ⁻¹⁰ atm-cu m/mole. When dazomet is applied to soil, either to the surface or incorporated, it quickly hydrolyzes in the presence of moisture. The major degradate is methyl isothiocyanate, but formaldehyde, monomethylamine, hydrogen sulfide and (in acid soils) carbon disulfide, are also formed. The half-life of dazomet in soil has been reported as less than 1 day (pH >5). The rate of disappearance was found to be the same in both unamended and sterilized soils and in different soil types, indicating that chemical hydrolysis and not biodegradation is the primary removal process. Dazomet is not expected to volatilize from dry soil surfaces based upon its vapour pressure. If released into water, dazomet is not expected to adsorb to suspended solids and sediment based upon the estimated Koc. Volatilization from water surfaces is not expected to be an important fate process based upon this compound's Henry's Law constant. In water, dazomet is expected to undergo hydrolysis rapidly, forming methyl isothiocyanate and formaldehyde. Half-lives of 3.6, 2.4, 2.8, and 4.0 hours have been reported at pH values of 4.4, 5.7, 7.0, and 8.0, respectively. In salt water (0.15 M), a half-life of 6.1 hours was reported. An estimated BCF of 2.4 suggests the potential for bioconcentration in aquatic organisms is low.

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	In a 78 week study, mice were given dazomet in the diet at 0, 20, 80 and 320 ppm. Compound intakes were estimated as follows: males - 0, 4, 16 and 68 mg/kg/d; females - 0, 6, 22 and 93 mg/kg/d. Survival was not affected and there were no noteworthy clinical signs, or bodyweight or food consumption changes. There was a significant elevation of liver weight at the high dose and an increased number of mid-dose and high dose animals with liver discolouration, liver masses and centrilobular lipid deposition. At the high dose, females showed a slightly increased incidence of hepatocellular adenomas (3, 0, 1 and 7 females, out of 50, in the control, low dose, mid dose and high dose groups, respectively) and a significantly increased incidence of basophilic foci. Increased splenic haemosiderin deposition and extramedullary haematopoiesis were noted at the mid dose (males) and high dose. Three/60 females from each dose group had malignant lymphoma at one or more sites; because of the low incidence, lack of a dose-response, and lack of any effect in males, it was not considered to be directly compound-related. The NOEL was 20 ppm (about 4 mg/kg/d in males, 6 mg/kg/d in females).
Carcinogenicity	Rat studies showed no clear evidence of any carcinogenic effect of dazomet. In mice, there was a slight increase in hepatocellular adenomas (not carcinomas) following 78 weeks of treatment at the high dose (320 ppm). There was also an increase in malignant lymphoma in females, but because of the low incidence, the lack of effect in males and the lack of any dose-response, it was not considered to be directly compound-related. The lack of a carcinogenic effect of dazomet is consistent with the data for MITC.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	An acceptable package of mutagenicity tests has been conducted covering all three end points. The results are the genotoxicity tests are not clear cut. While the majority of tests gave negative results, there were sufficient positive results to indicate some genotoxic potential of dazomet. In summary, there were positive results in one gene mutation assay (HGPRT locus in Chinese hamster ovary cells), equivocal results in another gene mutation assay (TK locus in mouse lymphoma L5178Y cells), and positive results in two chromosome aberration assays (both in vitro assays in mouse lymphoma L5178Y cells), in one in vitro assay for of unscheduled DNA synthesis in primary rat hepatocytes and in one in vitro assay of sister chromatid exchange. In all cases, the positive findings were relatively weak. There were no positive in vivo studies and there was a trend for results to only be positive (or to be stronger) in the absence of metabolic activation than in its presence. This suggests that unchanged dazomet has greater genotoxic potential than the metabolites of dazomet. The unscheduled DNA synthesis assay was the only assay which gave results suggesting that the metabolites of dazomet may have some genotoxic potential, even if only weak.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>Dazomet was fed to rats at 0, 5, 30 and 180 ppm for at least 70 days prior to mating, throughout mating and lactation, during production of F_{1a} and F_{1b} litters. Selected F_{1a} pups were maintained on compound-containing diets post-weaning to produce F₂ litters. Hepatotoxicity was observed in both generations, mainly at the high dose, but to some extent at the mid dose. Liver weights were increased and there was an increased severity of liver fatty change. Some serum enzyme and serum protein changes also indicated effects on the liver. There was no impairment of mating or reproductive performance and no adverse effect on reproductive organs or pup development. The NOEL with respect to reproductive function in rats was 180 ppm (about 18 mg/kg/d), while that for systemic toxicity was 5 ppm (about 0.5 mg/kg/d).</p> <p>An oral (gavage) developmental study was conducted in rats at dazomet doses of 0, 3, 10 and 30 mg/kg/d. Food intake and body weight and also uterine weights were reduced at the high dose and to a lesser extent at the mid dose. There was a higher incidence of runts at 10 mg/kg and above, however, without a clear dose-response relationship. There was no evidence of teratogenic effects. The NOEL for maternal and foetal effects was 3 mg/kg/d.</p>
Acute Toxicity	Dazomet is of moderate acute oral toxicity. The oral LD ₅₀ values for dazomet from two different studies in rats were about 600 - 900 mg/kg for males and 400 - 550 mg/kg for females. The LD ₅₀ of dazomet, given subcutaneously to mice, was 248 mg/kg. The LD ₅₀ of dazomet, given subcutaneously to rats, was 470 and 550 mg/kg in males and females, respectively. The dermal LD ₅₀ of dazomet in rats was greater than 2000 mg/kg. Symptoms associated with acute dazomet toxicity were shaking, salivation, tonic convulsions, trembling, dyspnoea and lassitude.

Irritation	<p>In two studies, the introduction of 39 or 50 mg dazomet into the eye of rabbits caused slight irritation (moderate conjunctival erythema and slight oedema).</p> <p>Results of two acute dermal irritation studies employing 50% aqueous preparations of dazomet in rabbits were reported. No irritation was observed in the study employing a 4 h exposure period. After a 20 h exposure period, moderate erythema and oedema were observed. Application of the EUP, Basamid Granular (2 g coated on a cottonwool carrier), to the rabbit ear for 20 h caused slight inflammation.</p>
Sensitisation	<p>Skin sensitisation was not observed in two studies following the application of dazomet or Basamid Granular to the guinea pig. No justification was given for the doses / concentrations used in one of these studies and positive control compounds were not tested in these studies.</p>
Health Effects Summary	<p>Dazomet has moderate to low acute oral, dermal and inhalational toxicity. It appears that the toxicity of dazomet is somewhat greater by the oral route than by the dermal and inhalational routes. Dazomet is only a slight dermal and ocular irritant.</p>
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	<p>An ADI of 0.005 mg/kg/d is calculated based on a NOEL of 0.5 mg/kg (established in a 1-year dietary dog study and a 2-year dietary rat reproductive study) and a safety factor of 100.</p>
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Daphnia magna (Water flea), 48 h, static, EC50 = 0.3 mg/L Salmo gairdneri (Rainbow trout), 96 h, static, LC50 = 0.16 mg/L Ankistrodesmus bribaiianus (Green alga), 72 h, static, EC50 = 1.08 mg/L Colinus virginianus (Bobwhite quail), 21 d, LD50 = 415 mg/kg bw Colinus virginianus (Bobwhite quail), 25 weeks, NOEL = 100 mg/kg food</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	<p>An assessment factor of 10 has been applied to the lowest reported LC50 of 0.16 mg/L for Rainbow trout. The PNECaquatic is 0.016 mg/L.</p>
Current Regulatory Controls ⁴	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>Acute toxicity – category 4 Eye irritation – category 2 Hazardous to the aquatic environment (acute) – category 1 Hazardous to the aquatic environment (chronic) – category 1</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Food Standards	<p>No data available.</p>
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	<p>No data available.</p>
PBT Assessment ^{1,3,5}	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	<p>The half-life of dazomet in soil has been reported as less than 1 day (half-life in soil < 6 months). Thus, it is not expected to be persistent.</p>
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	<p>As the Log Pow is 0.63 at 20 °C (Log Pow < 4.5) and estimated BCF is 2.4, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.</p>
T criteria fulfilled?	<p>The acute aquatic toxicity of this chemical is >0.01 mg/L. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for toxicity.</p>
Overall conclusion	<p>Not PBT</p>
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Toxicity Summary - Trisodium Nitrilotriacetate

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,2,3}	
CAS number	5064-31-3
Molecular formula	C ₆ H ₉ NO ₆ .3Na
Molecular weight	257.0
Solubility in water	640 g/l at 20 °C
Melting point	410 °C with decomposition above 200 °C
Boiling point	No data available
Vapour pressure	No data available
Henry's law constant	No data available
Explosive potential	Non-explosive (100%)
Flammability potential	Non-flammable (100%)
Colour/Form	colourless crystalline powder
Overview	<p>The chemicals in this group are known as nitrilotriacetic acid (NTA) and its trisodium and tripotassium salts, trisodium nitrilotriacetate (trisodium NTA) and tripotassium nitrilotriacetate (tripotassium NTA). The trisodium salt also occurs as its monohydrate form (trisodium nitrilotriacetate monohydrate; CAS No. 18662-53-8). The chemical NTA is an aminocarboxylic acid with three functional carboxylate groups. The chemical forms water-soluble complexes with multivalent metal ions. The chemical NTA and trisodium NTA dissociate to form a common moiety, nitrilotriacetate ion. Thus the systemic toxicity of these chemicals is similar (Health Canada, 2010; SCCS 2010). Tripotassium NTA is considered to be functionally similar to trisodium NTA.</p> <p>The chemicals, NTA and trisodium NTA are used to soften water and to remove traces of heavy metals. These chemicals are commonly used as chelating and sequestering agents, and as builders in detergent and cleaning formulations for domestic and commercial use (EU RAR, 2008; SCCS, 2010).</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Trisodium NTA was tested for ready biodegradability according to OECD 301 E (BASF, 1983b,c), OECD 301 F (in addition to a combined CO₂/DOC test, see Strotmann et al., 1995), and Sturm Test (BASF, 1983d), and in a die away test (Takahashi et al, 1997) as well as for inherent biodegradability according to OECD 302 B (BASF, 1983a). These tests resulted in 75 -100 % degradation after 7 to 28 days with lag phases ranging between 1 and 16 days. According to results from ready biodegradation tests, trisodium NTA can be regarded as readily biodegradable. In accordance with column 2 of REACH Annex IX, trisodium NTA has a log octanol-water partition coefficient of -13.2 at pH 7, is highly water-soluble, and is unlikely, due to its polar nature, to be taken up by fish gills or across other biological membranes. Due to the ionic structure of the substance a relevant adsorption of trisodium NTA onto the organic fraction of soils, sediments or suspended solids is not expected. However, interaction with the mineral phase may be possible. This assumption is in line with available study results (Dunlap et al., 1971; Bolton et al., 1993) which demonstrate that trisodium NTA is neither strongly sorbed by loam, clay-loam and sandy soils or marine surface sediments (K_p sediment-water = 1.6 l/kg).</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary ¹	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>The available data suggest that the chemicals have harmful effects following repeated oral dosing, based on results from animal tests. However, the effects were not sufficient to warrant hazard classification. In a 4-week study, Charles River and Fischer 344 (F344/N) (five or ten animals/group) rats were fed either 0 % or 1.5 % NTA in the diet. Effects observed included reduced growth, increased relative kidney weight, urinary calcium, haematuria and hydronephrosis. A lowest observed adverse effect level (LOAEL) of 1.5 % NTA (equivalent to 750 mg/kg bw/day) was reported (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010).</p> <p>In a 10-week study in male Sprague Dawley (SD) rats, trisodium NTA was administered to the rats in drinking water at 0 %, 0.01 %, 0.1 % or 1 % (equivalent to 0, 10, 100 or 1000 mg/kg bw/day). Increased kidney weights were observed in the rats treated at 0.1 % (100 mg/kg bw/day) and marked vacuolisation of the renal tubules was observed at 1 % trisodium NTA (1000 mg/kg bw/day dose) group. A LOAEL of 100 mg/kg bw/day (0.1 % trisodium NTA) was reported (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010).</p> <p>Trisodium NTA was administered to male SD rats by gavage at 0, 0.73 or 7.3 mmol/day (equivalent to 0, 187 or 1876 mg/kg bw/day) for 30 days. Cytoplasmic vacuolisation, focal haemorrhage, necrosis, erosion and hyperplasia of the epithelium of the proximal convoluted tubules were observed in all treated animals. An oral LOAEL of 0.73 mmol/day (187 mg/kg bw/day) was reported (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHb).</p> <p>In a 90-day study in rats (strain not reported), NTA was administered to male rats at 0, 100, 1000 or 5000 mg/L in drinking water. All treated animals showed reduced serum potassium levels (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010).</p> <p>In two different studies (28-days and 91-days), New Zealand White (NZW) rabbits (six/group) were treated with either 0 or 2.5 % trisodium NTA on intact or abraded skin. No treatment-related effects were observed with or without abrasion (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHa & b).</p> <p>In a 4-week repeated dose inhalation toxicity study, NTA was administered in SD rats, trueblood albino guinea pigs and cynomolgus monkeys at 0, 10, 213 or 343 mg/m³ concentrations for 6 hours/day by whole body exposure. No respiratory irritation or discomfort was observed at the highest tested concentration. The only treatment-related effects included diarrhoea in monkeys and dyspnoea in rats and guinea pigs. The no observed adverse effect concentration (NOAEC) of 213 mg/m³ and the lowest observed adverse effect concentration (LOAEC) of 343 mg/m³ were reported (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; REACHa & b).</p> <p>In another study, male albino rats were treated with NTA at 0, 2, 20, 200 or 2000 mg/m³ concentrations for 6 hours/day for four consecutive days by inhalation exposure. All animals in the 2000 mg/m³ showed signs of nasal, respiratory and eye irritation, which were fully reversed on day 14 (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010).</p>

<p>Carcinogenicity</p>	<p>Trisodium NTA is classified as hazardous with hazard category 'Carcinogenicity – Category 2' and hazard statement 'Suspected of causing cancer' (H351) in the HCIS (Safe Work Australia). The available data support the classification for trisodium NTA. Additionally, the classification for carcinogenicity is considered appropriate for NTA.</p> <p>The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) has classified NTA and its salts as 'Possibly carcinogenic to humans' (Group 2B), based on inadequate evidence for carcinogenicity in humans, but sufficient evidence for carcinogenicity in animal tests (IARC, 1990; IARC, 1995).</p> <p>In two-year carcinogenicity studies in Charles River (CD) rats and B6C3F1 mice, oral administration of Na₃NTA induced benign and malignant tumours of the urinary system in both male and female rats at 80–100 mg/kg bw/day and haematopoietic tumours in male mice at 500–600 mg/kg bw. Trisodium NTA was reported to induce renal tubular adenomas and adenocarcinomas in male rats when administered orally (IARC, 1990; IARC, 1995; EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHa & b).</p>
<p>Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity</p>	<p>Based on the weight of evidence from the available in vitro and in vivo genotoxicity studies, the chemicals are not considered to be genotoxic. Several in vitro and in vivo micronucleus tests for gene mutation and clastogenicity were negative, although several positive results were reported (IARC, 1990; IARC, 1995; EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHa & b).</p>
<p>Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity</p>	<p>Based on the available information, the chemicals do not cause specific reproductive or developmental toxicity.</p> <p>In different two-generation reproductive and developmental toxicity studies, oral administration of up to 0.5 % trisodium NTA (equivalent to 450 mg/kg bw/day) in the diet of Charles River rats, up to 250 mg/kg bw/day trisodium NTA by gavage in pregnant NZW rabbits, and up to 0.2 % NTA (equivalent to 570 mg/kg bw/day) in drinking water in Naval Medical Research Institute (NMRI) mice, caused no significant maternal, embryonic or foetal effects. No effect on neonatal development was seen in any of the above studies (NTP, 1977; IARC, 1995; EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; HSDB; REACHa & b).</p> <p>In a developmental study, female NZW rabbits (groups of 20) were treated by gavage with trisodium NTA in drinking water at 0, 2.5, 25, 100 or 250 mg/kg bw/day during gestation days 7–16. All animals were sacrificed on day 28 of gestation. No treatment-related effects were observed (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHa & b).</p> <p>A study was conducted in pregnant NMRI albino mice (10 animals/group) treated with 0 or 0.2 % trisodium NTA (equivalent to 0 or 570 mg/kg bw/day) in drinking water on 6–18 days of gestation. No significant differences in maternal weight gains and no developmental effects were observed (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHa & b).</p>

<p>Acute Toxicity</p>	<p>Trisodium NTA is classified as hazardous with hazard category 'Acute Toxicity – category 4' and hazard statement 'Harmful if swallowed' (H302) in the HCIS (Safe Work Australia). The available data (median lethal dose—LD50 of 1470 mg/kg bw in female rats and 750 mg/kg bw in monkeys) support this classification. Reported signs of toxicity include ataxia, tremors, hypopnoea, hypothermia, hypoactivity, prostration, staggering, twitching, opisthotonus, tonic convulsion, apathy, salivation and dyspnoea. Available data for NTA indicate an LD50 >6400 mg/kg in rats.</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from an animal test in rabbits following dermal exposure. In an acute dermal toxicity study, a 25 % aqueous solution of trisodium NTA monohydrate was applied occlusively to intact skin of rabbits (one animal/sex/dose) at 1000, 1580, 2510, 3980, 6310 or 10000 mg/kg bw. Mild muscle weakness and reduction in activity and appetite were seen in the higher dose groups. No local symptoms or muscular uncoordination were reported. An LD50 of >10,000 mg/kg bw was reported (EU RAR, 2008; REACHa & b).</p> <p>The chemicals have low acute toxicity based on results from animal tests following inhalation exposure. A median lethal concentration (LC50) in rats of >5.0 mg/L was reported for NTA (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010).</p>
<p>Irritation</p>	<p>Trisodium NTA is slightly irritating to the animal skin. The effects were not sufficient to warrant a hazard classification.</p> <p>Trisodium NTA is classified as hazardous with hazard category 'Eye Irritation – category 2A' and hazard statement 'Causes serious eye irritation' (H319) in HCIS (Safe Work Australia). The available data support this classification.</p> <p>In an eye irritation study in rabbits, trisodium NTA was found to be irritating. Conjunctivitis and marked corneal effects were observed at 24, 48 and 72 hours after application (ECHA, 2006). Effects were not reversible within the 7-day period.</p> <p>In a study, albino rabbits had considerable discomfort immediately after application of 100 mg of trisodium NTA monohydrate. Effects observed one hour after application included copious discharge, oedema with partial eversion of the lids, moderate redness and congestion with obscure iris. Discharge and oedema reduced on washing the eyes with saline solution after 24 hours. Complete reversal oedema occurred but mild redness and slight corneal dullness were observed on days 5 to 7 (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHb).</p> <p>In another study conducted according to OECD Test Guideline (TG) 405, trisodium NTA (0.1 mL of 38 % solution) applied to the conjunctival sac of three albino rabbits caused slight eye irritation. The average scores for conjunctival redness and chemosis after 24 hours were 2.0 and 0.7, respectively. The conjunctival redness score was 0.1 after 48 hours and no chemosis was present. The conjunctival redness was reversible within 8 days after application. No effects on the cornea and iris were reported (EU RAR, 2008; Health Canada, 2010; SCCS, 2010; REACHb).</p>
<p>Sensitisation</p>	<p>Based on the available data, the chemicals are not considered to be skin sensitisers.</p>
<p>Health Effects Summary</p>	<p>The critical health effects for risk characterisation include systemic long-term effects (carcinogenicity) for all three chemicals, and systemic acute effects (acute toxicity from oral exposure) and local effects (eye irritation) for trisodium NTA and tripotassium NTA only.</p>
<p>Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria</p>	<p>The Australian Drinking Water Guideline for NTA is 0.2 mg/L.</p>

Ecological Toxicity ⁴	
Aquatic Toxicity	<p>Tests on acute toxicity to fish resulted in 96-hour LC50 values in the range of 98 – 487 mg/l. In a generation-cycle test over 224 days on Pimephales promelas (Arthur et al., 1974), there were no observable differences in survival, spawning activity, and egg hatchability at the highest tested concentration of 54 mg/l trisodium NTA (the active test substance was Ca- or Mg-NTA). Based in this study, the NOEC for fish is determined to 54 mg/L.</p> <p>All tests on acute toxicity to invertebrates showed effects only when the trisodium NTA concentration exceeded the stoichiometric metal levels of the medium. It is expected that effects are caused by the uncomplexed agent. This is supported by the increased effect values in hard water. In long-term tests, the most sensitive organism was the amphipod Gammarus pseudo limnaeus. In a generation-cycle test over 21 weeks exposure, the lowest tested concentration without significant effects was 9.3 mg/l trisodium NTA. Based in this study, the NOEC for invertebrates is determined to 9.3 mg/l. At this concentration, NTA is mainly complexed with Ca and Mg.</p>
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Reliable long-term data was available for a fish, invertebrate and algae. The lowest NOEC of 9.3 mg/L was a result for testing with Gammarus pseudolimnaeus (Arthur et al. 1974). An assessment factor of 10 was used for a resulting PNEC for intermittent releases of 0.93 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls ¹	
Australian Hazard Classification	<p>Trisodium NTA is classified as hazardous, with the following risk phrases for human health in the Hazardous Chemicals Information System (HCIS) (Safe Work Australia):</p> <p>Acute toxicity – category 4; H302 (Harmful if swallowed)</p> <p>Eye irritation – category 2; H319 (Causes serious eye irritation)</p> <p>Carcinogenicity – category 2; H351 (Suspected of causing cancer).</p>
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	The chemical NTA has an Australian drinking water guideline value of 0.2 mg/L (NHMRC, 2011; FSANZ).
International Occupational Exposure Standards	<p>The following exposure standards are identified (Galleria Chemica; Protective Action Criteria (PAC)):</p> <p>Temporary Emergency exposure limits (TEELs) defined by the US Department of Energy (DOE):</p> <p>TEEL-1= 3.7 - 9.2 mg/m³;</p> <p>TEEL-2= 40 - 100 mg/m³;</p> <p>TEEL-3= 220 - 110 mg/m³.</p>
Australian Food Standards	The chemical NTA has an Australian drinking water guideline value of 0.2 mg/L (NHMRC, 2011; FSANZ).
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	The chemical NTA has an Australian drinking water guideline value of 0.2 mg/L (NHMRC, 2011; FSANZ).
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	NTA is readily biodegradable and as such not persistent in the environment.
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Trisodium NTA has a log octanol-water partition coefficient of -13.2 at pH 7, is highly water-soluble. Thus, it is not expected to be bioaccumulative.
T criteria fulfilled?	The acute aquatic toxicity of NTA is > 0.01 mg/L. Hence the substance does not fulfil the screening criteria for toxic (T)

Overall conclusion	Not PBT
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Toxicity Summary - Xanthan Gum

Chemical and Physical Properties ^{1,3}	
CAS number	11138-66-2
Molecular formula	Unspecified
Molecular weight	high-molecular weight (of the order of 1000 kDa)
Solubility in water	Water-soluble
Melting point	No data available.
Boiling point	No data available.
Vapour pressure	No data available.
Henry's law constant	No data available.
Explosive potential	No data available.
Flammability potential	No data available.
Colour/Form	No data available.
Overview	<p>Xanthan gum is a high molecular weight anionic polysaccharide secreted by the bacteria <i>Xanthomonas campestris</i>. It is used as a stabilizer and thickener for foods, pharmaceuticals, and cosmetics, for rheology control in water-based systems, and in oil and gas drilling. Xanthan gum is used for controlling the viscosity of drilling muds (DoE 2014).</p> <p>This chemical has been identified by NICNAS to be of low concern to human health based on an initial screening approach and thus required no further assessment.</p>
Environmental Fate ¹	
Soil/Water/Air	<p>Xanthan gum is expected to exhibit similar behaviour to that of guar gum because the two compounds are chemically similar. Thus, it is expected to adsorb strongly to soil and sediment and there is limited potential for it to reach surface waters via dissolved runoff and / or to leach into ground water. Volatilisation from soils and water is not considered to be a likely transport process in the environment (US EPA 2005). Xanthan gum is expected to readily undergo microbial biodegradation in the environment (on the bases that it is polysaccharide and expected to be readily biodegradable), and the potential to bioaccumulate in organisms is considered to be low.</p>

Human Health Toxicity Summary²	
Chronic Repeated Dose Toxicity	<p>Groups of 30 male and 30 female Charles River CD strain rats were fed diets for 104 weeks supplying 0, 0.25, 0.5, or 1.0 g/kg b.w./day xanthan gum. No abnormalities which could be attributed to ingestion of these experimental diets were found with regard to survival, body-weight gain, food consumption, behaviour, or appearance. Ophthalmic and haematologic examination yielded normal results. Analysis of blood for glucose, SGOT, and prothrombin time showed no abnormalities in test groups. Organ weights were within normal limits and no lesions attributable to xanthan gum were found on gross and histopathological examination (Woodard et al., 1973).</p> <p>Xanthan gum was administered in the diet at levels supplying 0, 0.25, 0.37, or 1.0 g/kg b.w./day to groups of 4 male and 4 female beagle dogs for 107 weeks. No effects attributable to administration of the gum were seen in the treated animals with regard to survival, food intake, body-weight gain, electrocardiograms, blood pressure, heart rate, body temperature, or ophthalmic and neurological examinations. Haemoglobin, total and differential white cell counts, coagulation and prothrombin times, thrombocyte counts, serum alkaline phosphatase, blood urea nitrogen, blood glucose, SGOT, and SPGT were the same in control and treated animals. Urine pH, glucose concentrations, and sediment contents were comparable between test and control groups, but there was a dose-related increase in urine SG and a more frequent appearance of urinary albumin in dogs consuming 1.0 g/kg b.w./day of gum than in the other groups. Stool consistency was normal at the 0.37 g/kg level, but stools were loose at the top-dose level. The weight of the faeces showed a dose-related increase, as would be expected from feeding a non-absorbed hydrophilic gum at high-dose levels. The increased urinary SG is consistent with physiological adjustment for the extra water excreted in the faeces. Examination of the appearance and weights of organs and histopathological examinations failed to detect any adverse effects of treatment with xanthan gum at any dose level (Woodward et al., 1973).</p>
Carcinogenicity	No data available.
Mutagenicity/ Genotoxicity	No data available.
Reproductive Toxicity / Developmental Toxicity/Teratogenicity	<p>A three-generation reproduction study was carried out using groups of 10 male and 20 female rats in the first generation and 20 male and 20 female rats in subsequent generations. Dosage levels of 0, 0.25, and 0.5 g/kg/day were administered in the diet. Criteria evaluated were survival, body weight, general appearance, behaviour, the number of litters produced, number of live births and still births, physical condition of the young, weight at birth and weaning, and survival of the young. Females that had fewer than two litters were examined to determine whether there was foetal resorption. Malformations in offspring were recorded and gross and micropathological examinations were made on the offspring of the second and third generations. No adverse effects attributable to xanthan gum were found in this study (Woodard et al., 1973).</p>
Acute Toxicity	<p>A study was carried out on an unspecified number of rats fed diets containing 7.5 or 10% xanthan gum for 99-110 days. No adverse effects were observed in extensive investigations on these animals (Booth et al., 1963).</p> <p>In a 91-day feeding study, a reduced rate of weight gain was found in groups of rats receiving 7.5 or 15% xanthan gum in the diet. Diets containing 3 or 6% gum did not reduce weight gain. No significant alterations in haemoglobin, red or white cell counts, or organ weights were observed in these rats. Histological examination of tissues from rats at the 15% level showed no pathological effects. At the highest-dose level the animals produced abnormally large faecal pellets, but diarrhoea did not occur. A paired-feeding test was used to compare the growth of rats ingesting a diet containing 7.5% xanthan gum and comparable rats restricted to the same intake of control diet. No differences in weight gain were found at the end of 18 days, indicating the absence of a growth-inhibiting factor (Booth et al., 1963).</p> <p>Groups of 3 male and 3 female beagle dogs were fed diets supplying 0, 0.25, or 0.5 g/kg b.w./day xanthan gum for 12 weeks. Animals in the high-dose group had softer stools than normal, but no diarrhoea. Growth was slightly retarded in the males and the serum cholesterol level was lowered in both sexes of the high-dose group. No other adverse effects were seen. The no-adverse-effect-level in this test was considered to be 0.25 g/kg b.w./day (USDA, 1964).</p>

Irritation	Daily application of a 1% solution for 15 days to rat skin produced no signs of irritation. Daily application of a 1% solution for five days to rabbit conjunctiva produced no signs of irritation.
Sensitisation	Intradermal challenge tests in guinea-pigs did not produce evidence of sensitization (Hendrickson & Booth, sine data).
Health Effects Summary	A mild skin and eye irritant
Key Study/Critical Effect for Screening Criteria	The Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives allocated an Acceptable Daily Intake (ADI) of "not specified".
Ecological Toxicity ^{1,2,3}	
Aquatic Toxicity	Acute Fish (measured) = 420 mg/L
Determination of PNEC aquatic	Based on acute fish toxicity of 420 mg/L, an assessment factor of 1000 was used for a resulting PNEC of 0.42 mg/L.
Current Regulatory Controls	
Australian Hazard Classification	No data available.
Australian Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
International Occupational Exposure Standards	No data available.
Australian Food Standards	No data available.
Australian Drinking Water Guidelines	No data available.
Aquatic Toxicity Guidelines	No data available.
PBT Assessment	
P/vP Criteria fulfilled?	No biodegradation information was found on xanthan gum. However, xanthan gum is a naturally occurring polysaccharide which would be expected to readily biodegrade. Thus, it is not expected to meet the screening criteria for persistence
B/vB criteria fulfilled?	Xanthan gum is not expected to meet the criteria for bioaccumulation.
T criteria fulfilled?	Not applicable. Acute toxicity data >1 mg/L in fish, thus xanthan gum does not meet the screening criteria for toxicity.
Overall conclusion	Not PBT
Revised	March 2019

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Appendix D: Spill Management Plan



BEETALOO EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Spill Management Plan

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1. Purpose

This spill Management Plan (SPMP) is designed to outline the measures as to how the risks of spills associated with Origin Energy's Beetaloo Basin exploration activities will be managed. The exploration activities covered under this SPMP include:

- The Kyalla 117 N2 exploration well
- The Velkerri 76 S2 exploration well.

This Plan has been developed in accordance with the Code of Practice: Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory (referred to herein as the Code of Practice).

2. Key Legislation

Key legislation and documents consulted in the development of this plan are provided below. A full list of applicable legislation is provided in the corresponding management plans.

- **Code of Practice: Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory:** Mandatory code of practice legislating the management of chemicals and wastewater onsite, including the use of secondary containment, lined tanks and spill management plan,
- **Transport of Dangerous Goods by road and Rail (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2010:** covers the transportation of goods by road in the NT. This also covers licences for vehicles and drivers carrying dangerous goods.
- **Workplace Health and safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011;** covers the storage and handling of chemicals on site.
- **Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998:** Covers the requirements for the transportation and disposal of waste within the NT. This includes the requirements for contractors, vehicles and facilities managing listed wastes to be licenced.

3. Chemicals and Wastewater Description

Chemicals and Wastewater stored onsite includes:

- Chemicals used for drilling
- Waste drilling fluids
- Chemicals used for stimulation
- Flowback Wastewater
- Completions and well suspension fluids
- Condensate and oil
- Diesel and fuels
- General equipment maintenance chemicals (hydraulic oils, degreasers etc.)

The full list of chemicals and wastewater stored onsite, including their volume and location are provided in appendix A.

4. Spill Failure Scenarios

Potential spill scenarios associated with exploration activities are summarised in Table 3. These scenarios include:

- Spills from chemical and wastewater handling and storage activities onsite
- Spills from chemical and wastewater during transportation (offsite)
- Tank, drilling sump and containment vessel overflows and structural failures

The loss of containment due to the failure of well barriers is covered under the Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP).

Table 1 Spill Scenario summary table

Spill Scenario	Activity duration	Mechanisms	Location	Quality	Quantity	Key management controls	Monitoring	Receptors
Spills from chemical and wastewater handling and storage activities onsite	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Drilling – 45 days •Stimulation- 30 days •Well testing- 12 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Container rupture •Spill during chemical handling and mixing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Chemicals storage area • Drilling rig •Stimulation spread •Drilling sumps •Flowback storage tanks •well testing equipment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Saline drilling fluids Saline flowback •Chemicals listed in appendix A 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <1000L <1000L <100L 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Designated storage areas with appropriate segregation of incompatible chemicals •Secondary containment to be deployed under high risk spill/ leak storage and handling areas •Spill kits available •Routine inspection of chemical stores •Sites are manned during operations •wastewater management plan 	Routine inspection of chemical stores, sumps and tanks during operations Tank leak detection	Retained onsite.
Loss of containment during transfer onsite (leakage from pipes, hoses, fittings etc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Drilling 45 days •Stimulation 30 days •Well testing 12 months 	Coupling, valve, hosing and equipment failure,	Chemical mixing and transfer areas on the drill rig, mixing hoppers and wastewater storages.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Saline drilling fluids and wastewater. •Chemicals listed in Appendix A. 	<5000L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Secondary containment to be deployed under high risk spill/ leak storage and handling areas •Spill kits available •Routine inspection of chemical stores •Sites are manned during operations •Wastewater management plan 	Routine inspection of all chemical handling areas, including wastewater transfer points and chemical mixing areas.	Retained onsite.
Spills from chemical and wastewater during transportation (offsite)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Drilling chemical transfer- 1-5 days of bulk chemical transfer generally pre-drilling. •Stimulation chemical transfer 2-3 truckloads of chemicals per week for ~6 weeks •Wastewater disposal over 3 weeks- up to 100 truck movements total over the duration. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Transport spill •Traffic accident (total or partial release) 	Offsite along highway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Various chemicals as listed in Appendix A •Saline wastewater. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <1000L for transport spill <50,000L for total loss of B-triple carrying flowback. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •All transport companies to be appropriately licenced to transport chemicals and waste (Dangerous goods and Waste Management and Pollution control Act) including the requirement to detect and respond to spills. •Wastewater management plan 	Performance of contractors to be monitored as a part of transportation contractors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Chemical transport between Darwin/ south Australia and Queensland/ and Daly Waters. •Wastewater transportation between Daly Waters and Queensland Via Tennant Creek.
Tank, drilling sump and containment vessel overflows and structural failures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Duration of all activities plus ongoing wastewater storage which may be extended beyond 12 months to allow for ongoing evaporation of fluids. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overfilling of a sump and Flowback tank Structural failure of embankment or tank wall 	Sumps and Tanks on lease	Saline wastewater with TDS >50,000mg/l	>10,000L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Lease pads banded during the storage of flowback •Enclosed tanks used during wet seasons operations Open tanks with 1:1000ARI freeboard •Tanks constructed to Australian Standards Routine tank and sump inspections 	Routine tank and sump level and structural integrity (visual) inspections.	Retained on lease pad within bund.

5. Potential Receptors

A description of the environment, including environmental and cultural sensitivities, with the potential to be impacted by a spill is provided in each of the EMP's. The location of activities is remote Figure 1 illustrates the separation distance from sensitive receptors such as:

- Watercourses
- Communities
- Homesteads
- Heritage places
- Vegetation communities; and
- Protected areas

Maps regarding sacred sites and restricted work areas are also applicable and will be provided to work crews to ensure awareness of these features.

6. Risk Assessment

The risk of spills associated with all drilling, stimulation and well testing activities is covered under following EMP's

- Kyalla 117 N2 Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing EMP NT-2050-MP-15- 023
- Velkerri 76 S2 Drilling Stimulation and Well Testing EMP NT-2050-MP-15-032

7. Control Measures

Controls measures to manage spills associated with exploration activities are provided in the Environmental Management Plans and summarised in Table 3. The key management controls include:

- Contractors are required to develop spill management plans to comply with the requirements of this plan.
- A Wastewater Management Plan (WWMP) has been developed and implemented governing how wastewater will be managed onsite.
- All flowback, completion fluids, chemicals, oil and fuel storage will be equipped with secondary containment (or dual liners), as per the codes of practice
- Drilling and flare pits will be lined, with enough freeboard to manage a 1:1000ARI wet season
- Tanks will be designed, installed and operated as per the WWMP.
- Where flowback is being stored on a lease pad, the lease pad shall be earthen bunded to prevent release to surrounding areas in the case of a catastrophic failure.
- Well sites are be designed and constructed to prevent spills of hazardous chemicals; this includes
 - compacting the lease pad surface to prevent infiltration
 - provision of chemical segregation areas
- Monitoring to detect spills will be undertaken in accordance with section 9
- Procedures will be developed by contractors designed to detect, remediate and report any spills. This includes:
 - Chemical handling procedures
 - Chemical storage and handling Inspection procedures
 - Spill prevention, detection and response procedures
- the transport of hydraulic fracturing chemicals and wastewater during the wet season will be avoided, unless a site specific risk assessment indicates the risk is equal to or below a moderate.
- effective spill clean-up material readily available at each work site and on all mobile service trucks or vehicles, where hydrocarbons and chemicals are stored and / or used
- Inspection reports and maintenance records of secondary containment shall be kept and available for review upon request.

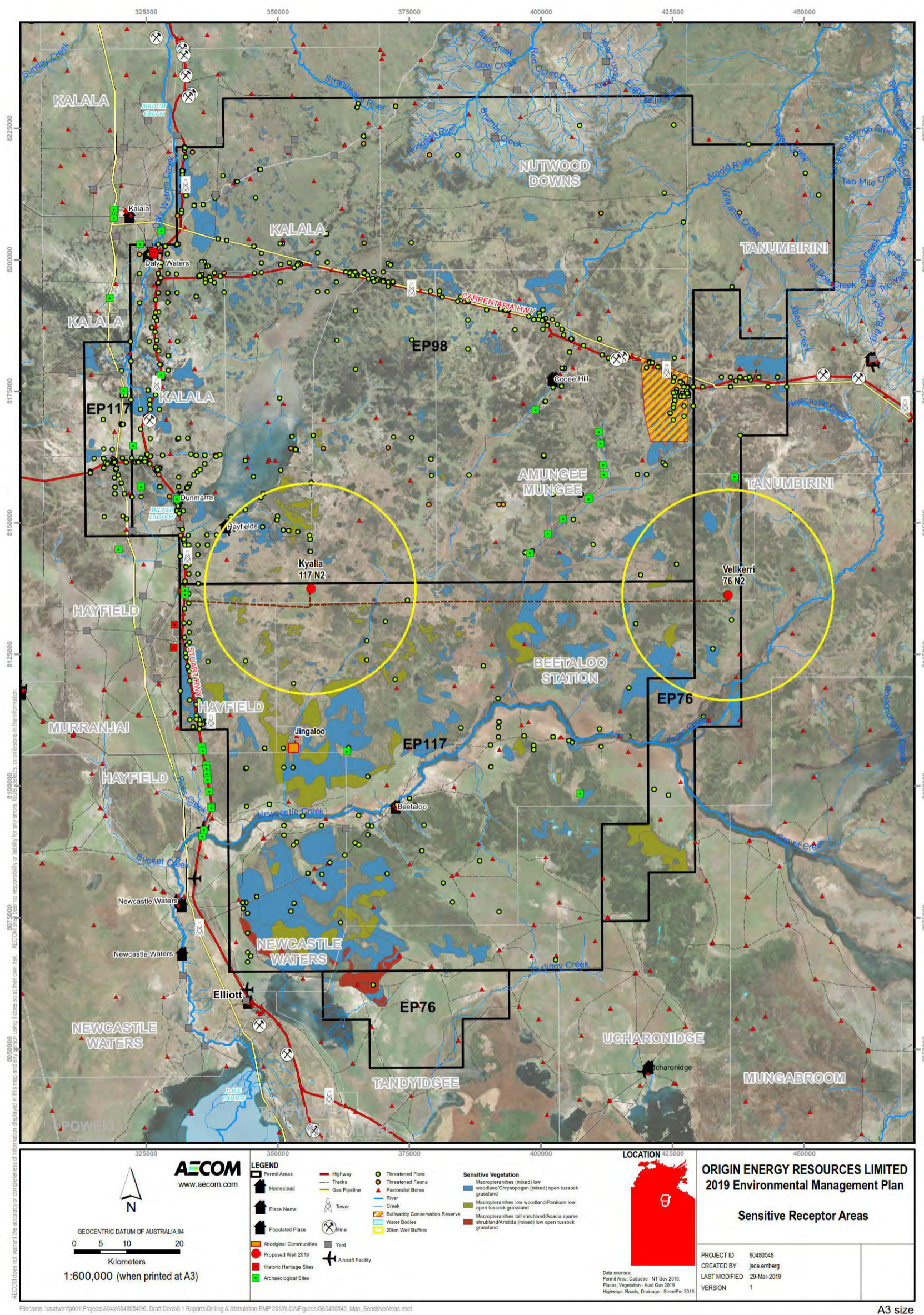


Figure 1 Location of activities and potential receptors

8. Spill Response and management

The following section provides an overview of the response to spills during drilling, stimulation and well testing activities. Where the spill is the result of an emergency situation that is still active, the Beetaloo Exploration Emergency Response Plan (NT-2050-15-MP-024) will take precedence over this plan

8.1 Rapid spill Assessment

When a spill occurs, the on-site Supervisor will carry out a rapid assessment to determine the potential hazards and the type and location of emergency assistance required. This assessment shall include the following:

- Determine the physical (volume and state) and location of the spill
- Determine the appropriate spill category and type of response as per section 12.1.
- Assess the hazard of the material spilled, including any potential hazards associated with chemical mixing (such as oxidising and reducing agents);
- Determine the safety hazard to immediate response personnel and whether additional resources (such as emergency services or specialised equipment or advice) are required to managed the spill safely;
- Determine spill movement, factors affecting the movement (i.e. impending weather, topography, drainage lines etc.) and spill response priorities as per Table 2 (people, communities, environmental and cultural heritage).

Table 2 Spill response priorities

Spill PRIORITY	RESPONSE CONSIDERATIONS
People and communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evacuate and muster (if deemed necessary). • Account for all people and determine missing persons. • Stop unauthorised access. • Provide a technical resource to the Emergency Services (if required). • Protect community and pastoralists
Environment and sacred sites	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For emergencies that are safe to manage, onsite personnel will respond with available resources to limit the extent of the impact to the environment or a protected site. • For larger incidents, or where it is unsafe for onsite personnel to respond, trained people will be mobilised to control and contain the emergency to minimise the impact to the environment or protected site.
Regulators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify Regulators as per incident reporting requirements
Assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor automatic shutdown of the equipment or part thereof, or initiate manual shutdowns where it is safe to do so. • Mobilise Emergency Services to intervene.
Reputation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notify neighbours (if required).

8.2 Spill containment and clean up procedures

Generic spill containment clean-up procedures must be developed and implemented by each drilling, stimulation and well testing contractor aligning with the requirements of this plan. These procedures shall be adapted (where appropriate) to consider the site and chemical specific hazards associated with each spill event.

The procedures shall consider the following generic spill containment and response procedure:

- Move all people out of harm's way.
- Alert others near-by
- Assess the situation – determine what substances are involved, the potential receptors (people and the environment) and if additional support is required. The substance must be known prior to taking any action (refer to MSDS).
- If applicable; remove any possible risk escalating factors (e.g. ignition hazards in case of flammable/combustible spills); approach from up-wind to reduce fume risks, isolate the spill source (close containment valve, similar). Ensure appropriate controls requirements are met –e.g. PPE, first aid support, etc. - prior to conducting spill clean-up.

- If it is safe to do so; stop the source of the leak (if possible) and contain the spill using onsite equipment to prevent from leaving site or entering a waterway or sensitive feature
- Recover free liquid and contaminated material as soon as practicable to mitigate infiltration. Material recovery should consider the benefit of recovery versus the additional impact that recovery of all contaminated material could cause as per the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure
- Prevent people, livestock and wildlife access to hazardous material through fencing or other barriers.
- Store contaminated material in a manner to minimise the risk of additional contamination.
- For level 2 spills and higher, the Project Manager shall be notified as soon as it is safe to do so, but within 24 hours.
- Project Manager to ensure appropriate external (DPIR/DENR) incident reporting requirements are actioned in accordance with the impact of the spill.
- For level 2 spills and higher, Origin Project Manager to seek expertise as to whether additional testing and remediation is required upon completion of the initial containment and clean up. This consideration will be undertaken in accordance with the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure
- Upon rectification of a reportable spill, an incident investigation shall be completed as per the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations. This shall include the root cause of the incident, actions taken to mitigate the impact and ongoing monitoring and maintenance required to ensure the site is stable and non-polluting.

8.3 Contaminated Material Disposal

- During a spill clean-up, the storage of contaminated material must be undertaken in a manner that minimises additional contamination
- Offsite disposal must be undertaken in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.
- All listed waste transportation shall be undertaken by licenced contractors, be tracked and disposed of at approved waste management facilities.

9. Monitoring and inspections

The monitoring and inspection programs to identify spills is summarised in Table 3.

Table 3 Spill monitoring and inspections

Monitoring Program	Frequency	Methodology	Purpose	Minimum volume of leak
Tank and sump level monitoring (when wastewater is stored onsite)	During operations: Daily All other times: Weekly during Dry season Daily during the wet season	Level dip/ visual assessment	Prevent the overtopping of tanks	10's of litres.
Tank leak detection (when wastewater is stored onsite)	Continuous	Instrument	Detect the migration of fluid through primary containment	10's of Litres
Chemical storage areas (when chemical stored onsite)	Daily during operations Weekly all other times	Visual	Detection of leaks	Litres
Tank structural integrity (when wastewater is stored onsite)	Weekly	Visual inspection	Detect potential structural weakness	N/A

10. Roles and Responsibilities

The critical roles and responsibilities set out in Table 4 are for the main members of the Spill Response Group. This team represents the core group of resources that will lead a spill response with the support of the broader Origin Energy Team.

Table 4 Roles and responsibilities

Position	Role & Responsibility
Project Manager	Ultimately accountable for the implementation of the spill management Plan. Role, or delegate, will liaise with Origin Environment Specialists to determine remediation requirements and external reporting obligations.
On-Site Supervisor	Responsible for the initial response to a spill. This role will be delegated to the well site representative or nominated contractor in charge of a work program. Role will undertake the initial spill assessment, engage emergency services (if required) and co-ordinate immediate spill clean-up operations associations to minimise the potential impacts to people, places and the environment.
Environment/ HSE Lead	Report Spill to Regulatory Authorities. Provide expertise on clean up requirements and ongoing monitoring and management requirements. Interface with government and regulatory bodies for communication and consents
Emergency Response Lead	Provide specialist technical advice (Emergency Response) to support spill management activities

11. Implementation

All contractors engaged to perform drilling, stimulation and well testing will be required to comply with this plan. A bridging SPMP will be developed by each contractor summarising the activities to be undertaken to comply with this plan and the NT Code of Practice.

12. Spill Reporting

12.1 Spill Rating

Table 5 provides a summary of the spill classification based upon the volume and location of spill. The hazards of the potential spill to people and the environment should be assessed independently, to ensure incident specific hazards are considered in the spill response. This table provides guidance as to the likely spill scenarios that may trigger the different incident reporting requirements. The spill tiers include:

- **Level 1:** Spills that can be contained within the well site and can be cleaned up by the operator without involvement of external organisations. Most Tier 1 spills are likely to be less than 200L and would include diesel spills during fuel transfer, oil spillage during routine maintenance or small wastewater spills during well testing. Clean up time is generally less than 1 day. These spills will most likely be classified as recordable incidents as per section 12. Spill Reporting
- **Level 2:** Spills that have not been completely contained within the site boundary and/or may require additional resources to clean-up. Clean up time is generally less than a week. Level 2 spills are typically reportable incidents as defined in section 12 and may also require notification under the WMPCA.
- **Level 3 :** Severe spills that cannot be contained by the operator and requires substantial additional resources to manage the spill. Clean up time is generally greater than a week. Level 3 spills are reportable incidents.

Table 5 Spill Tier Levels

		Spill (L)		
		20-200L	200-2,500 L	>2,500 L
Receiving environment	Bund or contained impervious area	Not reportable*	Not reportable*	Not reportable*
	Onsite (<i>lease pad, camp pad, hardstand, road or work area</i>) compacted or sealed surface**	Not reportable*	Level 1	Level 2
	Offsite permeable surfaces- areas adjacent to lease pads, camp pads, roads where spills have moved beyond the approved activity area. **	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
	Sensitive environmental or cultural feature (such as a waterway, drainage lines, wetland, high valued habitat and sacred site) or where the spill has, or has the potential to, cause material or serious environmental harm **	Level 2	Level 2	Level 3

Notes:

* *Non-reportable spills must be recorded in Origin's OCIS (and made available for review by Contractor), with monthly reviews.*

** *spills of Dangerous goods or wastes offsite may need to be reported under NT Dangerous Goods Act or Waste Management and Pollution control Act 1998.*

12.2 Incident Reporting

12.2.1 Reportable Environmental Incident Reporting

The Petroleum (Environment) Regulations define a reportable incident as an incident arising from a regulated activity that has caused, or has the potential to cause, material environmental harm or serious environmental harm as defined under the Petroleum Act. This is applicable to a spill that has occurred during the conduct of activities covered under this plan that is typically a potential level 2 or 3 type spill as defined in Table 5.

An interest holder must notify (this may be oral or in writing) DPIR of a reportable incident as soon as practicable but no later than two-hours after the first occurrence of the incident or after the time the interest holder becomes aware of the incident.

DPIR can be notified through the DPIR Operations Term Emergency number 1300 935 250.

Any verbal report to DPIR must be followed up by a written report from the Project Manager within three days in accordance with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations.

12.2.2 Recordable incidents

The Petroleum (Environment) Regulations define a recordable incident as an incident arising from a regulated activity that:

- I. Has resulted in an environmental impact or environmental risk not specified in the current plan for the activity; or
- II. Has resulted in a contravention of an environmental performance standard specified in the current plan for the activity; or
- III. Is inconsistent with an environmental outcome specified in the current plan for the activity; and
- IV. Is not a reportable incident.

These types of spills are typically a level 1 type spill as defined in Table 5.

An interest holder must notify (this may be oral or in writing) DPIR of a recordable incident as soon as practicable but no later than 15-days after the reporting period (agreed period or each 90-day period after the day on which the EMP is approved).

12.2.3 Waste Management and Pollution Control Act incident reporting

In accordance with the NT Waste management and Pollution Control Act 1998 (WMPC Act), the operator has a duty to notify of pollution incidents causing or threatening to cause pollutions as soon as practicable, but no less than 24 hours after becoming aware of the incident.

A notifiable incident is defined as an incident that causes, or is threatening or may threaten to cause, pollution resulting in material environmental harm or serious environmental harm.

A notification must include:

- (a) the incident causing or threatening to cause pollution;
- (b) the place where the incident occurred;
- (c) the date and time of the incident;
- (d) how the pollution has occurred, is occurring or may occur;
- (e) the attempts made to prevent, reduce, control, rectify or clean up the pollution or resultant environmental harm caused or threatening to be caused by the incident; and
- (f) the identity of the person notifying

The notification shall be made to the NT EPA Pollution Hotline 1800 064 567.

Appendix A Chemical volumes and storage areas

Material Name	Volume	Unit	Storage Area
Acetic Acid - 60%	3,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
BE-9 Biocide	17,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
Caustic Soda Liquid	15,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-11001 Breaker Activator	5,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-13002 Breaker	300	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-13003 Breaker	10,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-16001 Clay Stabiliser	42,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-17001 Corrosion Inhibitor	1000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-19001 Crosslinker	600	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-19002 Crosslinker	10,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-23001 Friction Reducer	5,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-23003 Friction Reducer	18,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-25005 Gelling Agent	35,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-30001 Scale Inhibitor	15,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-32002 Surfactant	15,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
DCA-32014 Surfactant	200	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
FE-2 Buffer	200	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
Hydrochloric Acid - 32%	50,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area
100 Mesh Sand	91,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
40/70 Sand	1,650,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
30/50 Sand	610,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area
Sodium Chloride	15,000	kg	Completion chemical storage area
ALDACIDE G	500	L	Completion chemical storage area
OXYGON	100	kg	Completion chemical storage area
BARACOR 100	2,000	L	Completion chemical storage area
CON-DET	50	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
SAPP	50	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Bentonite	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Caustic Soda	1,400	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
EZ MUD DP or EZ MUD Liquid	,2000	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
ALDACIDE G	336	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
STOPPIT	1,000	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Soda Ash	350	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BARACOR 100	250	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Sodium Chloride (Flossy Salt)	96,000	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Barite	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BARACARB	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Citric Acid	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BARADEFOAM HP	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Sodium Bicarbonate	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
PERFORMATROL	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
SOURSCAV	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage

Material Name	Volume	Unit	Storage Area
DRIL-N-SLIDE	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
STEELSEAL	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BARAZAN D or BARAZAN D PLUS	4,150	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
PAC L	2,300	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Potassium Chloride	22,500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
GEM CP/GP	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
QUIK-FREE	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BAROFIBRE, BAROFIBRE Superfine and BAROFIBRE COARSE	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BaraBlend-657	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
N-DRIL HT PLUS	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
DEXTRID LTE	4,600	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BARABUF	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BORE-HIB	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BDF 933 or BaraLube W-933	864	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BAROLIFT	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
OXYGON	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
ENVIRO-THIN	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Lime	500	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BDF 677	4,770	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
BDF 988	3,390	kg	Drilling chemical Storage
Waste Drilling Fluids	2,500	m3	Drilling mud sump
Completion fluids	1.4	ML	Drilling sump/ onsite tank
Condensate	160	KL	Condensate storage area
Diesel	100	KL	Diesel storage tanks
Hydraulic oil	1000	L	Workshop
Engine oil	1000	L	Workshop
Degreasers	100	L	Workshop
Flowback	2-5	ML	Flowback tanks

Appendix E: Wastewater Management Plan



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THE BEETALOO EXPLORATION PROJECT Wastewater Management Plan

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1. Introduction

This Wastewater Management Plan (WWMP) has been prepared to support Origin's Beetaloo exploration program. The WWMP is a mandatory requirement prepared in accordance with the Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the northern Territory (referred to herein as "the CoP").

This plan is designed to provide the management strategy for how wastewater will be managed across Origin's Beetaloo exploration project.

The plan will reference the related sections within each various EMP to avoid duplication. The current Environmental Management Plan's (EMP's) covered by this plan are:

- NT-2050-15-MP-025 Origin Energy Beetaloo Kyalla 117 N2 Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Environmental Management Plan
- NT-2050-15-MP-032 Origin Energy Beetaloo Velkerri 76 S2 Drilling, stimulation and Well Testing Environmental Management plan

2. Description of activity.

Wastewater, as defined in the CoP, includes the following:

- Drilling fluid, drill cuttings and cement returns
- Flowback fluid: Generated during the well testing phase.
- Completion fluids, kill fluids and well suspension fluids

Wastewater is produced through the following activities:

- **Drilling:** waste drilling fluids are generated as a result of drilling activities. Drilling fluids primary objective is to provide primary well barrier during well construction (unless underbalance drilling is preferred drilling technique) where bottom hole hydrostatic pressure exerted by drilling fluids is used to overbalance formation pore pressure. Drilling fluids are also used to cool the bit and assist in transporting formation cuttings to surface (rock such as shale, mudstone, siltstone etc.). Excess cement when cementing a casing string and waste drill fluids and cuttings are stored in a lined mud sump, tested and either disposed of onsite or disposed of offsite at a licensed waste facility.
- **Stimulation and well testing:** After the completion of hydraulic fracture stimulation, the exploration well is "flowed back" to remove all recoverable injected fluid from the formation. Flowback wastewater is stored in onsite tanks, evaporated and then disposed of offsite at a licenced facility.
- **Completion activities:** Completion fluids, such as kill fluids or well suspension fluids, are used to suppress the formation pressure within the reservoir. The use of these fluids is a form of well control and may need to be removed from the well and disposed of where well interventions are required (i.e. the well may be suspended with fluid post drilling, with the fluid removed prior to completion and stimulation activities

3. Waste Management Framework

Wastewater will be managed with the objective of achieving optimal environmental outcomes and in accordance with the following hierarchy principals:

1. **Avoid:** eliminate the generation of waste through design modification
2. **Reduce:** reduce unnecessary resource use or substitute a less resource intensive product or service.
3. **Re-use:** reuse a waste without further processing
4. **Recycle:** recover resources from a waste
5. **Treatment:** treat the waste to reduce the hazard of the waste prior to disposal
6. **Disposal:** disposal of waste if there is no viable alternative.

It is recognised that the options for avoiding, reducing or re-using wastewater generated during exploration are limited. This is largely restricted to:

- Maximising the re-use and recycling of drilling fluids during operations; and

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- minimising the use of suspension fluids by minimising re-entry activities (i.e. multiple entries into a well requiring fluid to be unloaded).

The amount of cuttings produced during the drilling activity is dictated by the regional stratigraphy (target zone depth) and lateral length of the horizontal well, whereas the volume of the flowback is a function of stimulation design and number of stages completed during stimulation. There is however an ability to minimise the volume of waste disposed of offsite, through careful waste management and treatment.

4. Wastewater Risk Assessment

The risks associated with wastewater are covered in the risk assessments within each of the Environmental Management Plans.

Detailed assessments of the site-specific risk associated with the disposal of drilling fluids and muds as per condition C.4.1.2 of the Codes of Practice, will be undertaken upon completion of drilling activities.

5. Wastewater management overview

A summary of how each wastewater stream is managed to optimise the environmental outcomes is provided in Table 1. An individual description of each wastewater stream is provided in the following section.

5.1 Drilling Fluid and Cuttings

Approximately 2400 m3 of drilling fluids, muds and cuttings will be generated as a result of drilling of each exploration well. Drilling fluids and wastes are saline, polymer/bentonite based which are stored in line sumps onsite. The primary contaminants associated with drilling fluids and wastes are likely to be from chlorides. All drilling fluids are water based muds (WBM) without metal or hydrocarbon presence contained.

Drilling fluids and muds will be managed in accordance with the following:

- All fluids, muds and cuttings stored in engineered lined Coletanche sumps.
- Sumps will be designed with a 1:1000 ARI freeboard calculated in accordance with the methodology outlined in Appendix C
- The Maximum Water Level will be clearly marked on the side of the sump.
- All lease pads will be fenced to prevent livestock and fauna ingress into open sumps.
- Liquids will be transferred to lined wastewater storage tanks from the sump upon completion of activity to allow the muds and cuttings contained in lined sump to dry out with liquids evaporated in lined wastewater storage tanks.
- Liquids will be evaporated and any residual liquids will be transported to a licenced interstate disposal facility (Westrex, Jackson Queensland) with the appropriate interstate waste transport consignment authority as per the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories) Measure 1998 (NEPM) as implemented under the NT Waste management and Pollution Control Act and Queensland environmental Protection Act 1994..
- Leachability testing of drill cuttings and muds will be undertaken in accordance with Table 10 of the Code of Practice.
- A disposal option assessment will be completed by a suitably qualified person (as outlined in section C.4.1.2), with onsite disposal to land only undertaken where environmental harm will not result from the disposal activities.

5.2 Produced water and Flowback Management

All produce water and flowback fluids will be stored in accordance with the NT Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities.

The volume of flowback generated from the activity is dependent on the number of stages of stimulated, with approximately 20% to 80% fluid recovery expected (based on US ranges). For Origin stage 2 activities, it is anticipated that approximately 7.5ML of flowback from the stimulation will be generated from each exploration

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well, with a final offsite disposal figure of 3.6ML. Flowback is anticipated to be saline, with a summary of the anticipated quality provided in Appendix A- Table 5.

Management controls for flowback implemented during the program include:

- No disposal of flowback wastewater to surface water
- Wastewater stored in above ground tanks
- Tanks to be double lined with built in leak detection.
- All wastewater to be stored in enclosed tanks
- The site will have enough enclosed storage to deal with the total volume of wastewater stored at any time.
- Appropriate venting of enclosed tanks to prevent the build-up of explosive gasses
- Tank designs and placement will consider environmental factors, such as wind loading, temperature bushfires and structural integrity.
- All working evaporation tanks operated in the wet season will have a minimum freeboard to allow for a 1 in 1000 year average recurrence intensity wet season as calculated in Appendix C;
- When wastewater storage volumes have been reduced onsite and enclosed tank availability permits, enclosed tanks may be converted to open evaporation treatment tanks (noting the requirement to have enough enclosed storage to manage all wastewater onsite at any time)
- The freeboard requirements will be clearly marked on each of the tanks as the Maximum Water Level (MWL).
- All wastewater on location over the wet season, must be able to be transferred into enclosed tanks within 72 hours of becoming aware of a significant rainfall event. This transfer must be completed at least 8 hours prior to the predicted commencement of the significant rainfall event. The determination of a significant rainfall event is provided in section 7
- Storage tanks that are connected will be designed to prevent uncontrolled release from multiple tanks.
- Tanks are to be designed and constructed to the relevant Australian Standard (including AS1554.1 and AS3990) with a quality assurance and quality control (QA/QC) plan and installation procedures implemented by the contractor.
- Tanks will be designed to prevent the ingress of stock and fauna, with each exploration site fenced to prevent stock, fauna and public access.
- Where drilling sumps are left open with drilling waste and are unattended, fencing and fauna ladders
- Mechanical evaporators to be used to reduce the volume of flowback. Evaporators will be positioned in a manner to avoid offsite drift and have automated wind direction and speed cut-offs.
- Monitoring of pond levels will be undertaken daily, with management response criteria implemented to prevent tank overtopping. This includes shutting in operations where freeboard requirements cannot be met.
- Flowback fluid will be evaporated down to as small a volume as physically possible. Residual flowback liquids will be evaporated and transported to an licenced interstate disposal facility (such as, Westrex, Jackson Queensland) with the appropriate interstate waste transport consignment authority as per the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories) Measure 1998 (NEPM) as implemented under the NT Waste management and Pollution Control Act and Queensland environmental Protection Act 1994.
- When the tanks are decommissioned the associated residual solids, brines and liners are removed and disposed of at an appropriately licensed waste disposal facility by a licenced contractor as per NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act.

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- Daily inspections of all wastewater storages will be implemented during operations.

5.3 Completion fluids (suspension and kill fluids)

Weighted completion fluids (suspension and kill fluids) may be used to maintain well control/ suppress formation pressure. Completion fluids are likely to have an elevated salinity, with sodium and potassium-based salts being the main compounds.

It is anticipated that up to 0.5-1ML of completion fluids could be produced, with fluids stored in the drill sump or tanks (depending on whether tanks have been installed on site at the stage). The fluids will be evaporated and any residual transported offsite for final disposal at a licenced facility.

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Table 1: Wastewater management summary

Wastewater	Quantity Produced	Properties	Hazards	Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine Inspections	Monitoring	Final Management	Final disposal volume	Alternative Management Options considered
Flowback	7.5 ML	Saline (Electrical Conductivity >50,000us/cm) with elevated, sodium, chloride, boron, barium and hydrocarbons as per Appendix A.	High salinity wastewater representing a hazard to groundwater, surface water and soils from Chloride dominated salts if released into the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Stored onsite in double lined above ground enclosed tanks and double lined working evaporation Tanks with leak detection. •All tanks have been sized with regards to the 1:1000 average recurrence interval rainfall event as per Appendix C. maximum water levels (MWL) to be clearly marked on each tank 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Transferred to storage facilities from onsite separators or directly from the well as required under B.4.13.2 (k) of the CoP. •Secondary containment used under all pumps and connections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Storage volumes of ponds to be monitored daily during operations • Evaporators to be strategically located on or within the boundaries of the pond with drift prevention controls (automated wind direction and speed cut offs) •All wastewater to be transferred into enclosed storage when a significant rainfall event is predicted as per section 7). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Storage facilities and handling areas inspected Daily during operations •Visual inspections of tanks completed weekly 	As per section 8.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaporated onsite using fractionating evaporators to reduce final volumes. Trucked offsite to a licenced waste disposal facility (Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act waste consignment authority approval. 	3.6ML	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Due to the saline nature of the material, limited re-use or recycling options exist during exploration. •Treatment using Reverse Osmosis or other mechanical filtration has been considered; salinity and scaling constraint posed by wastewater restricted the use of conventional water treatment •request for proposal (RFP) has been released to identify additional technologies for a potential future trial
Drilling Fluids	2400m ³	Saline (KCL and NaCl) polymer/bentonite based drilling fluids with formation cuttings.	KCL and NaCL may represent a hazard in residual drilling muds and cuttings if not segregated prior to disposal. Formation cuttings may contain low level of hydrocarbons, which are likely to be degraded quickly in the open sump.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Stored onsite in lined drilling sumps with sufficient freeboard to accommodate a 1:1000 average recurrence interval rainfall event as per Appendix C. •maximum water levels (MWL) to be clearly marked on each tank and sump 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Transferred directly from rig via the shakers into the sump. • Fluid stored in lined tanks as per CoP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Storage volumes of sumps to be monitored daily • material to be dried out after completion of activity, with fluids evaporated in a separate tank. • Material to be tested prior to determining final disposal requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sump level to be monitored daily during operations •Sump liner and embankments to be inspected weekly during operations 	As per section 8.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Fluids will be segregated from muds upon completion of activity and evaporated. •Fluids to be transported to a licenced waste disposal facility (Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act and related interstate waste consignment authority approval. •Final disposal solution of muds and cuttings to be determine through onsite characterisation and risk assessment by third party. •For onsite disposal, Muds and cuttings to be mixed, buried and covered onsite. •For offsite disposal, material will be transported to a licenced waste disposal facility (Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act and related interstate waste consignment authority approval. 	750m ³	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are no other viable options currently available in addition to what has currently been considered (offsite and onsite disposal).

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Wastewater	Quantity Produced	Properties	Hazards	Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine Inspections	Monitoring	Final Management	Final disposal volume	Alternative Management Options considered
Completion, suspension and kill fluids	0.5-1ML	KCL or NaCl based fluids with a TDS >50,000us/cm	High salinity wastewater representing a hazard to groundwater, surface water and soils from chloride dominated salts if released into the environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stored onsite in double lined above ground enclosed tanks and Evaporation Tanks with leak detection. All tanks have been sized with regards to the 1:1000 average recurrence interval rainfall event as per Appendix C. maximum water levels (MWL) to be clearly marked on each tank and sump 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transferred to flowback storage facilities directly from well Secondary containment used under all pumps and connections 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storage volumes of ponds to be monitored daily during operations Evaporators to be strategically located on or within the boundaries of the pond with drift prevention controls (automated wind direction and speed cut offs) All wastewater to be transferred into enclosed storage when a significant rainfall event is predicted as per section7).. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Storage facilities and handling areas inspected Daily during operations Visual inspections of tanks completed weekly 	As per section 8.	Stored in flowback tanks. Evaporated onsite using fractionating evaporators to reduce final volumes. Trucked offsite to a licenced waste disposal facility (Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act waste consignment authority approval.	0.5ML	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to the saline nature of the material, limited re-use or recycling options exist during exploration. Treatment using reverse osmosis or other mechanical filtration has been considered; salinity and scaling constrain the use of conventional water treatment request for proposal (RFP) has been released to identify additional technologies for a potential future trial

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6. Waste Transportation and Disposal

All wastewater transport providers will be licenced under the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act.

All wastewater will be transported interstate to a licenced waste storage and treatment facility. Westrex at Jackson Queensland is the current default option for wastewater disposal, with other interstate disposal locations available. The transportation of wastewater between states/territories, will require an Interstate waste transport consignment authority as per the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste Between States and Territories) Measure 1998 (NEPM) as implemented under the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act and relevant accepting state/territory (such as the Queensland Environmental Protection Act 1994).

All wastewater storage and treatment facilities will be licenced as per the relevant accepting state/territory (such as the Queensland Environmental Protection Act 1994).

7. Significant rainfall events

The 7 day Bureau of Meteorology 4 day total rain forecast (<http://www.bom.gov.au/jsp/watl/rainfall/pme.jsp>) shall be reviewed daily to identify periods of significant rainfall. Significant rainfall is defined in this WWMP is for an event where greater than 300mm of total rainfall is predicted over a 4 day period. This type of rainfall level is consistent with that from a significant rainfall event; such as a monsoonal trough, tropical low or a cyclone.

Commencement time to transfer the flowback fluid will be selected to ensure that it is completed at least 8 hours prior to the predicted commencement of the significant rainfall event.

8. Fauna interactions

The risk of interactions of fauna, including birds, with wastewater storages is anticipated to be low based on the following:

- All wastewater is saline, reducing the palatability of wastewater. Literature confirms fauna are unwilling to drink high saline water, reducing the potential exposure to wastewater.
- Noise from flaring and equipment likely to deter bird and bat activity during well testing activities (the main period water is stored onsite)
- Site is fenced to prevent livestock and fauna access to site- mud sump to have cattle panels with mesh installed when not operational
- Wastewater tanks have vertical walls with no clear access points for fauna
- Wastewater tanks do not contain tailings beaches or perches, reducing the ability for most birds to land and drink from tanks
- Site will be manned during well testing operations

Specific monitoring of fauna interactions with wastewater storages will be undertaken in accordance with Table 2. Where ongoing fauna mortalities are clearly associated with wastewater storage activities, fauna deterrents shall be utilised to prevent future exposure (such as bird deterrents, netting, increased fencing). Ongoing bird or fauna mortality is defined as >7 carcasses per week for 2 consecutive weeks or >1 endangered fauna species.

9. Wastewater Monitoring Program

A wastewater sampling program will be implemented to characterise the quality of the wastewater during flowback activities. The monitoring program is summarised in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Minimum Monitoring Requirements

Monitoring Program	Location	Monitoring Requirements	Frequency
Flowback characterisation	Post separator- prior to entering storage tanks	Electrical Conductivity, pH, temperature and volume of Flowback	Daily for the first 30 days, and weekly thereafter
		Testing samples of Flowback for Analytes listed in Appendix 1	Weekly until the EC level stabilises (<10% change over 4

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Monitoring Program	Location	Monitoring Requirements	Frequency
			weeks) and then monthly until practical completion of flowback activities
Stimulation fluid- pre-injection	Post blender, prior to injection	Testing sample of Stimulation Fluid for Analytes listed in Appendix 1	1 sample Pre-injection for each stimulation fluid utilised
Flowback Storage Tanks	Each storage tank	Testing samples of Flowback for Analytes listed in Appendix 1	6 monthly
	Each Storage	Level, estimated evaporation rates	Daily
Drilling Material	Determined by suitably qualified person	Testing samples of drilling cuttings for analytes listed in Table 10 of the Codes of Practice, Naturally Occurring Radiation Material (NORMs) and volume	Prior to disposal
Fauna interactions	Wastewater tanks and surrounding lease area	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ad hoc Bird and fauna observations and photos to be taken around wastewater tanks Wastewater tank inspection for bird carcasses Inspections around area adjacent to lease (within 50m of boundary) Carcasses present during tank emptying 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous Daily Weekly During final decommissioning

9.1 Sampling Methodology

- Water samples will be collected in accordance with the methodology outlined in Table 3.
- All samples will be collected by appropriately qualified personnel, with all meters calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- Samples will be collected in laboratory supplied sampling containers and placed in chilled eskies and transported under chain of custody (COC) procedures.
- Analysis will be performed by laboratories with National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) accredited analysis methodology.
- Each sample will have a unique identifier that would be cross referenced to the monitoring location and time of sampling. Due to the remote location, samples will be couriered to the laboratory to minimise sample holding time violations.

Table 3 Monitoring program methodologies

Program	Sampling Methodology
Drilling sump characterisation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure • AS4482.1- 2005 guide to the investigation and sampling of sites with potentially contaminated soil

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Flow back and drilling fluid monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality 2000 (ANZECC Guidelines).</i> • <i>AS/NZ5667.1: 1998. Water Quality Sampling Part 1: Guidance on the design of sampling programs, sampling techniques and the preservation and handling of samples</i>
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10. Wastewater storage management response criteria

To minimise the risk of overtopping a tank or sump, the criteria outlined in Table 4 will be implemented when hydraulic fracturing wastewater is stored onsite.

Table 4 Wastewater storage management response criteria

Monitoring program	Criteria Description	Criteria	Criteria Response
Wastewater tank level monitoring	Enclosed storage level exceedance	The total volume of hydraulic fracturing wastewater stored onsite exceeds the available closed/covered tank storage capacity	Flowback activities to cease, unless authorised by DENR to continue operations. Origin to provide written notification to DENR within 48 hours of of exceedance, along with the proposed plan to return back into
Drilling sump level monitoring	Drilling sump storage level exceedance	The total volume of drilling wastewater exceeds the freeboard capacity of the drilling sump, with no additional storage available within other onsite tanks.	Drilling wastewater disposal activities to cease, unless authorised by DENR to continue operations. Origin to provide written notification to DENR within 48 hours of exceedance, along with the proposed plan to return back into compliance

11. Determine significant rainfall event

The 7-day Bureau of Meteorology 4-day total rain forecast (<http://www.bom.gov.au/jsp/watl/rainfall/pme.jsp>) shall be reviewed daily to identify periods of significant rainfall. Significant rainfall is defined in this WWMP is for an event where greater than 300mm of total rainfall is predicted over a 4-day period. This type of rainfall level is consistent with that from a significant rainfall event; such as a monsoonal trough, tropical low or a cyclone.

Commencement time to transfer the flowback fluid will be selected to ensure that it is completed at least 8 hours prior to the predicted commencement of the significant rainfall event.

12. Waste transportation and disposal

All wastewater transport providers will be licenced under the NT *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*.

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available. The transportation of wastewater between states/territories, will require an Interstate waste transport consignment authority as per the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste Between States and Territories) Measure 1998 (NEPM) as implemented under the *NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act* and relevant accepting state/territory (such as the Queensland *Environmental Protection Act 1994*).

All wastewater storage and treatment facilities will be licenced as per the relevant accepting state/territory (such as the Queensland *Environmental Protection Act 1994*).

13. Waste Tracking and Reporting

The movement of wastewater will be tracked in accordance with the following:

- i. Volumes of wastewater produced from the well;
 - ii. Volumes of wastewater transferred into each tank;
 - iii. Estimates for evaporation rates from each tank updated weekly;
 - iv. Volumes of wastewater reused: and
 - vi. Volumes of water removed from site (whether by vehicle or pipeline).
- Wastewater tracking will be documented and available upon request
 - Offsite wastewater tracking must be in accordance with tracking requirements of listed wastes as per the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*, the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste Between States and Territories) Measure 1998 (NEPM) and (where relevant) the *Radiation Protection Act*.
 - Wastewater tracking documentation must be reported to the Minister at least annually in the annual environmental report for the relevant EMP.

14. Performance Criteria

The following measurement criteria have been developed to demonstrate the risks associated with wastewater storage are reduced as low as reasonably practicable.:

- Zero wastewater tank overtopping events
- Zero offsite releases of wastewater
- Zero onsite spills of wastewater >5,000L
- Zero wastewater transport spills

15. Incident Reporting

The reporting of incidents shall comply with the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations* and *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act* and *Waste Management and Pollution Act 1998*.

15.1 Reportable Environmental Incident Reporting

The *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations* define a reportable incident as an incident arising from a regulated activity that has caused, or has the potential to cause, material environmental harm or serious environmental harm as defined under the *Petroleum Act*.

An interest holder must notify (this may be oral or in writing) DPIR of a reportable incident as soon as practicable but no later than two-hours after the first occurrence of the incident or after the time the interest holder becomes aware of the incident.

DPIR can be notified through the DPIR Operations Term Emergency number 1300 935 250.

Any verbal report to DPIR must be followed up by a written report from the Project Manager within three days in accordance with the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations*.

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15.2 Recordable incidents

The Petroleum (Environment) Regulations define a recordable incident as an incident arising from a regulated activity that:

- I. Has resulted in an environmental impact or environmental risk not specified in the current plan for the activity; or
- II. Has resulted in a contravention of an environmental performance standard specified in the current plan for the activity; or
- III. Is inconsistent with an environmental outcome specified in the current plan for the activity; and
- IV. Is not a reportable incident.

An interest holder must notify (this may be oral or in writing) DPIR of a recordable incident as soon as practicable but no later than 15-days after the reporting period (agreed period or each 90-day period after the day on which the EMP is approved).

15.3 Waste Management and Pollution Control Act incident reporting

Where an incident occurs while carrying out an activity outside of petroleum tenure (such as a spill of chemical or wastewater) the incident reporting requirements of the NT Waste management and Pollution Control Act 1998 apply.

In accordance with the WMPC Act, the operator has a duty to notify of incidents causing or threatening to cause pollutions as soon as practicable, but no less than 24 hours after becoming aware of the incident.

A notifiable incident is defined as an incident that causes, or is threatening or may threaten to cause, pollution resulting in material environmental harm or serious environmental harm.

A notification must include:

- (a) the incident causing or threatening to cause pollution;
- (b) the place where the incident occurred;
- (c) the date and time of the incident;
- (d) how the pollution has occurred, is occurring or may occur;
- (e) the attempts made to prevent, reduce, control, rectify or clean up the pollution or resultant environmental harm caused or threatening to be caused by the incident; and
- (f) the identity of the person notifying

The notification shall be made to the NT EPA Pollution Hotline 1800 064 567.

16. Emergency Response

An Emergency Response Plan (NT-2050-15-MP019) has been developed covering the proposed activities within the EMP. The ERP provides a broad framework for managing potential emergency incidents to minimise the potential risk to human safety and the environment. The ERP should be referenced for any emergency response activities.

Spills must be reported to the Minister in accordance with the requirements of spill management plan (NT-2050-15-MP-027 and Reportable and Recordable incidents of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations.

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Appendix A Amungee Nw-1 flowback characteristic summary

Table 5 Anticipated flowback quality based on Amungee NW 1 flowback results.

Parameter	Flow back levels
BTEX compounds	BTEX levels are anticipated to be low ranging between 2 and 15 µg/L.
Total nitrogen (as N)	Maximum value of 62.1mg/l observed within flow back.
Salinity (TDS)	Saline with total dissolved solids level exceeding 49,000mg/L
pH	Slightly acidic with a median value of 6.74
Major ions	Predominantly Na and Cl dominated. Bicarbonate present at levels consistent with stimulation fluid.
Dissolved metals	Barium and Boron are the main metal elements anticipated to be present at elevated levels. Maximum levels of 80.1 mg/L for Barium and 54.5mg/l for Boron were recorded during the Amungee NW 1 flowback . Lower level of other metals such as Arsenic and Manganese were observed, with maximum concentration of 0.084mg/l and 3.09 mg/L respectively .
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons	Expected to be below detection level
Petroleum Hydrocarbons	All fractions of TPH are anticipated to be elevated.
Phenolic Compounds	Low level of phenolic compounds expected, with only Phenol (max 4µg/L) and 3- & 4- methylphenol (max 11.3ug/L)
Radionuclides	Maximum Gross Alpha Activity and Gross Beta Activity of 12.4Bq/L and 18.3Bq/L were recorded in the Flowback of offset wells. The primary component being Radium-226.

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Appendix B Wastewater monitoring analyte list

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Physical Parameters			
Electrical Conductivity (EC)	us/cm	1	Field
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	10	APHA 2540C
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	5	APHA 2540C
pH		0.1	Field
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	ratio	0.01	APHA 4500 Ca, Mg, Ca, NA
Temperature	°C	0.1	Field
Nutrients			
Nitrate	mg/L	0.01	APHA VC13
Nitrite	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500 NO2
Total Nitrogen	mg/L	0.1	APHA 4500 NORG
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.1	APHA NORG/TKN
Ammonia	mg/L	0.01	APHA NH4
Reactive Phosphorous	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500P
Total Phosphorous	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500P
Anions			
Sulfate	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-SO4-C
Chloride	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-Cl-C
Carbonate	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B
Bicarbonate (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2310 B
Bicarbonate Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B
Hydroxide Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	0.01	APHA 2320 B
Total Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	0.01	APHA 2320 B
Fluoride	mg/L	0.1	APHA 4500 F-C
Bromide	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4110B
Major Cations			
Sodium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Na
Magnesium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Mg
Potassium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 K
Calcium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Ca

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Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Metals and Metalloids (total and dissolved)			
Aluminium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Antimony	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Barium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Beryllium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Boron	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Bromide	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Cadmium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Chromium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
copper	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
iron	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Lead	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Manganese	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Molybdenum	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
nickel	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Selenium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Silica	mg/L	0.1	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Silver	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Strontium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Thorium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Tin	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Uranium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Vanadium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Zinc	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Naturally Occuring Radioactive Material.			
alpha radiation	Bq/L	0.05	ASTM D7283-06
beta radiation	Bq/L	0.05	ASTM D7283-06
BTEX			
Benzene	µg/L	1	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Toluene	µg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Ethylbenzene	µg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
M and P Xylene	µg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS

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Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
O Xylene	µg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Total Xylene	µg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Hydrocarbons			
TRH C6 - C10	µg/L	20	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH C6 - C10 less BTEX	µg/L	20	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C10 - C16	µg/L	100	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C10 - C16 less Napthalene	µg/L	100	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C16 - C34	µg/L	100	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C34 - C40	µg/L	100	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Total TRH C6 - C40	µg/L	100	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons			
3-Methylcholanthrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
7, 12-Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (a) pyrene	mg/L	0.0005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (b) fluoranthene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (ghi) perylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (k) fluoranthene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (a) anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Chrysene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Dibenz (ah) anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Fluoranthene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Fluorene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Indeno (1,2,3-cd) pyrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Napthalene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Phenanthrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Pyrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS

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Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Carcinogenic PAHs (benzo[a]pyrene equivalents)	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Total PAH	mg/L	0.0005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Volatile Organic Compounds			
2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4-Dichlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4-Dimethylphenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4-Dinitrophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,6-Dichlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2-Chlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2-Methyl-4,6-dinitrophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2-Nitrophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
4-Chloro-3-methylphenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
4-Nitrophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Dinoseb	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Formaldehyde	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Hexachlorophene	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
m- and p-Cresol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Pentachlorophenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Phenol	µg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Organic Carbon			
Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	1	APHA 5310 B
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	1	APHA 5310 B

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Appendix C 1:1000 ARI Calculation

Monthly rainfall totals were analysed from the Scientific Information for Land Owners (SILO) data for to interpolate rainfall data from 1900 to the present day (Figure 1). Consistent with industry accepted methodology associated with practices (such as dam risk assessments which calculates the wet season based on your geographical location) a 3 month time period was determined applicable.

The highest 3 month rainfall period was predicted for every year from 1900 till 2018. These values were then used to fit a Log Pearson III distribution to the data to allow us to extrapolate to the 1000 year, 3 month duration wet season (Figure 2). This method is consistent with the *Australian Rainfall & Runoff* methodologies. The median 1 in 1000 year 3 month wet season is 1289mm, however confidence bounds show that this could be between 1054mm to 1675mm. The graph also suggests the trend for the larger events is toward the lower values. This figure does not include any evaporation.

Based on the assessment, a 1300mm freeboard will be applied to all open sumps and tanks.

Figure 1 monthly rainfall total for the Beetaloo (SILO)

Figure 2 Log Pearson determination of 1:1000 ARI.

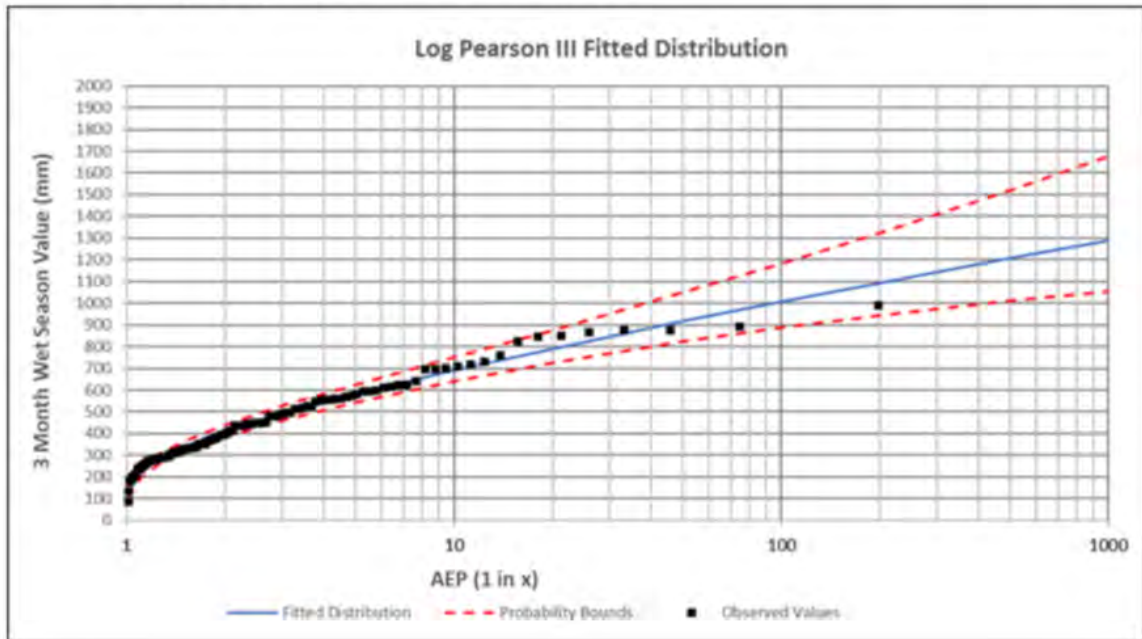


Figure 2 Log Pearson determination of 1:1000 ARI.

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BEETALOO BASIN EXPLORATION PROJECT

Primary Erosion and Sediment Control Plan

EP76, EP98 and EP117

This document outlines the basic principles for Contractors to develop site specific erosion and sediment control plans for Beetaloo Basin Exploration Program.

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1. Introduction

This Primary Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) has been developed to ensure best practice erosion and sediment controls are implemented during Origin Exploration activities within permit EP76, EP98 and EP117 to prevent erosion and offsite impacts such as sedimentation of waterways.

This ESCP has been developed to provide directions for Origin and contractors to implement erosion and sediment control (ESC) during construction of the lease pads and associated infrastructure, worker camps and access tracks as well as during ongoing maintenance and monitoring once sites are established.

The design of the lease pads and access tracks will comply with Northern Territory and local government statutory laws and regulations and are to be designed to meet all relevant and applicable codes and standards. This ESCP has been developed in accordance with the following guidelines:

- *Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory* (DENR, 2019)
- *Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control* (IECA, 2008)
- *Land Clearing Guidelines* (DENR, 2019)
- *Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for Rural Development Environment Fact Sheet* (DLRM, 2018).

The location of the proposed exploration activities are shown on **Figure 1**.

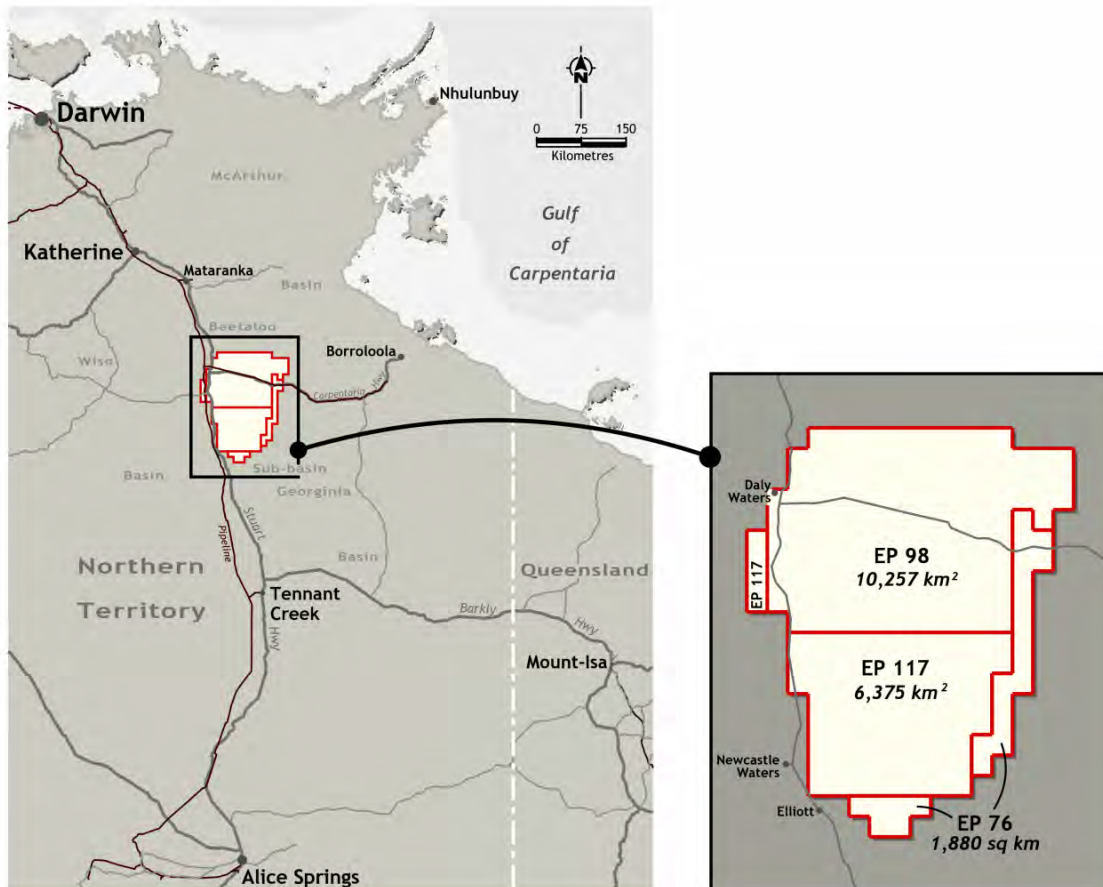


Figure 1 Location of Origin Permit Area

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2. Project Context

This plan covers all civil, drilling, stimulating, rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities undertaken by Origin and their contractors within permit EP76, EP98 and EP117 as detailed in Table 1 and shown in Figure 2. The proposed activities for the 2019/2020 program are highlighted within the table.

Table 1 Coordinates of centroid of proposed exploration lease areas

Exploration Permit	Lease Name	Zone*	Easting	Northing
EP98	Velkerri 98 E1-	53	415515	8180683
EP98	Velkerri 98 N1	53	392292	8189891
EP98	Kyalla 98 W1	53	364955	8177458
EP76	Velkerri 76 S1	53	424362	8113273
EP76	Velkerri 76 S2	53	435488	8136321
EP117	Kyalla 117 N2	53	356175	8137500
EP117	Stuart Highway Intersection	53	332371	8135170
EP117	Velkerri 117 E1	53	428861	8120782
EP117	Kyalla 117 W1	53	368079	8106696

Grey shading are planned for 2019/2020

* Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) geographic coordinate system is Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA) 94.

The primary activities subject to this ESCP are:

- Construction of a 5.5-ha lease pad at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construction of a 1.2-ha camp pad at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construction of a 0.2-ha stockpile area at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construction of a 0.25-ha helipad and 1-ha wet weather storage area at the Velkerri 76 S2.
- Construct a 650 m long x 8 m wide (0.52-ha) lease pad turn in to Kyalla 117 N2 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.
- Construct a 1,100 m long x 8 m wide (0.88-ha) lease pad turn in to Velkerri 76 S2 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.
- Minor intersection upgrade works at the intersection with the Stuart Highway of approximately 0.5-ha in accordance with approved Road Agency approval (2018-0186-D2) and Permit to Work within NT Government Road Reserve.
- Utilise approximately 107 km of existing access track.
- Obtain gravels, as required, for construction of drill pads and sections of the access track at up to seven proposed borrow pits (7 gravel pits up to 1 to 2.1 ha).
- All other activities ancillary to the drilling, stimulation and well testing of an exploration well.

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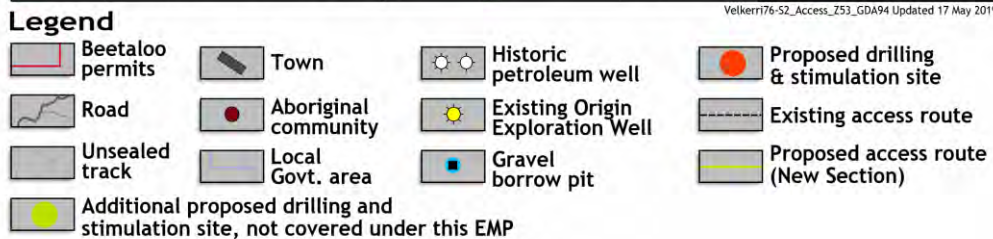
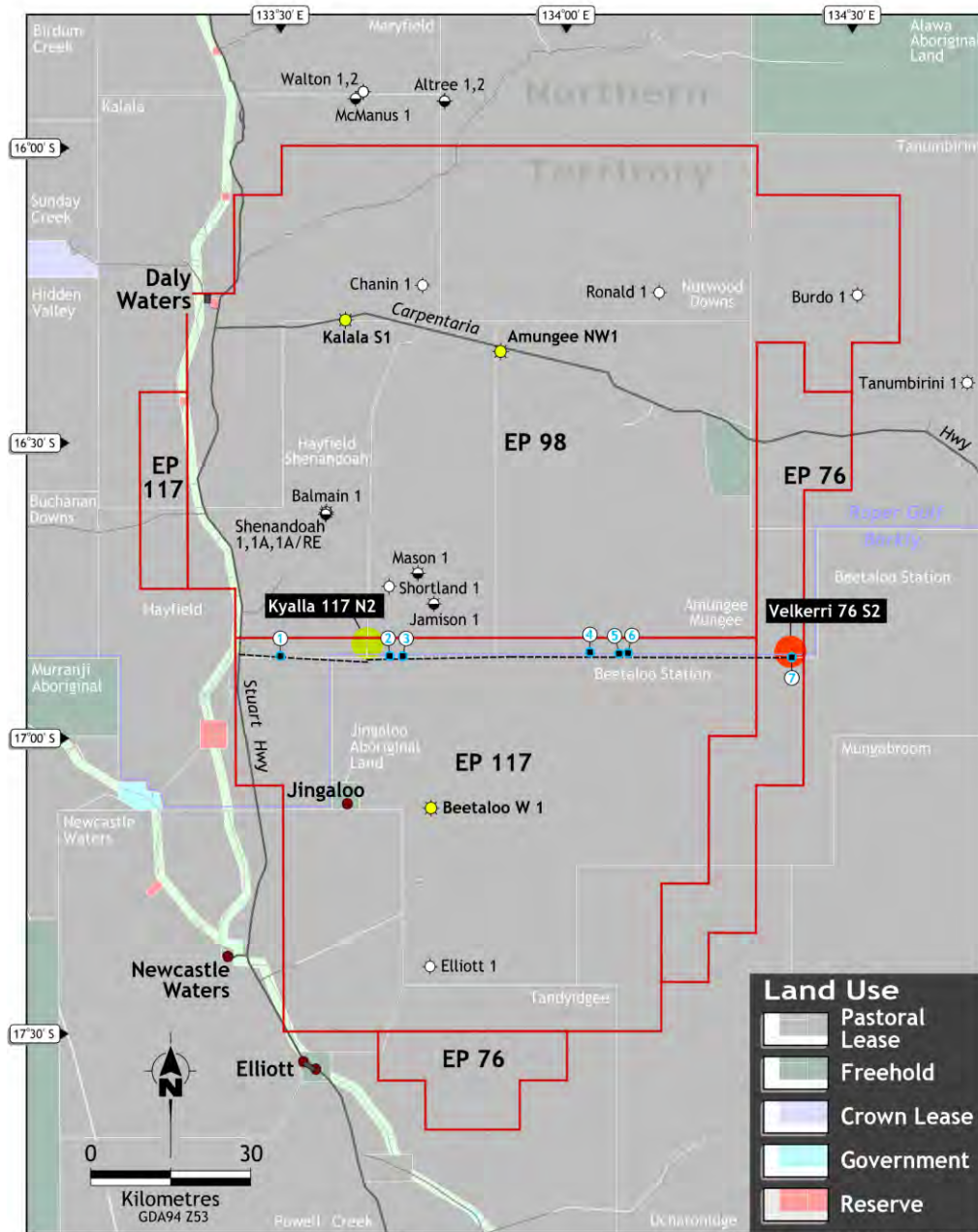


Figure 2 Location of 2019 Exploration Lease Areas

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3. Disturbance Area

The proposed locations of the infrastructure are within the Northern Land Council (NLC) and Aboriginal Area Protection Authority (AAPA) cleared subject land area. It is noted that the nominated areas for infrastructure may be changed slightly to minimise environmental and heritage impacts (e.g. significant tree or habitat avoidance, or any chance-finds with archaeological artefacts). Such modification will be made within the existing surveyed areas and under the supervision of Origin representative.

Table 2 Proposed 2019/2020 infrastructure location and disturbance area

Exploratio n Permit	Infrastructure Name	Station	Zone*	Approx. Easting	Approx. Northing	Disturbance Area (ha)
Kyalla 117 N2 Disturbance Areas						
EP117	Kyalla 117 N2 well Pad	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	356175	8137500	5.5
EP117	Camp lease pad	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	356400	8137820	1.2
EP117	Stockpile laydown	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	356394	8137628	0.2
EP117	Gravel Pit 1	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	339883	8135006	1.5
EP117	Gravel Pit 2	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	360367	8135138	1.0
EP117	Gravel Pit 3	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	362842	8135102	1.0
EP117	Access tracks	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	356192	8138070	1.0
Total Kyalla 117 N2 Disturbance Area (Ha)						11.4
Velkerri 76 S2 Disturbance Areas						
EP76	Velkerri 76 S2 well Pad	Amungee Mungee	53	435557	8137497	5.5
EP76	Camp lease pad	Amungee Mungee	53	435882	8136267	1.2
EP76	Stockpile laydown	Amungee Mungee	53	435632	8136163	0.2
E76	Helipad	Amungee Mungee	53	435632	8136246	0.5
EP117	Gravel Pit 4	Amungee Mungee	53	397906	8136039	1.5
EP117	Gravel Pit 5	Amungee Mungee	53	403386	8135809	1.0
EP117	Access tracks	Amungee Mungee	53	-	-	2.4
EP117	Gravel Pit 6	Amungee Mungee	53	405049	8135927	1.0
EP 117	Gravel Pit 7	Amungee Mungee	53	435749	8135306	0.5
Total Velkerri 76 S2 Disturbance Area (Ha)						13.8
Stuart Highway Disturbance Area						
EP117	Stuart Highway	Hayfield/Shenandoah	53	332371	8135170	0.5
Total Stuart Highway Disturbance Area (Ha)						0.5
Total Disturbance Area (Ha)						25.7

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4. Aim and Objective

The Primary ESCP aims to:

- Address key soil and water management issues, including legislative and client requirements.
- Determine the “Type” of ESC to be implemented during construction, post construction and until exploration activities are completed.
- Where practical identify, eliminate and reduce hazards and associated risks inherent in specific work activities, which if untreated could lead to a diminished product or create the potential for an accident, dangerous occurrence or environmental incident.

The objective of this Primary ESCP is to manage Origin’s activities within the Permit Area in a manner that minimises the impacts upon soil, vegetation and surface water which may result from soil disturbance activities including land clearing and lease pad establishment. Where additional ESCP is considered required, or controls to be initiated, a Secondary ESCP, as described in the *Code of Practice: Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory* (DENR 2019), will be prepared by suitably qualified person in relation to the matters identified in the Primary ESCP.

This ESCP may be amended as required, in response to the Monitoring and Maintenance Programs described herein to avoid significant and/or sustained deterioration in downstream water quality. Standard drawings are provided as a guide, with the Construction Supervisor and Origin Engineers making final determination on site.

Strategies shall be developed, implemented and reviewed on a regular basis, so that risks are identified, measured and recorded throughout the course of the project.

Any changes to the ESCP or the preparation of Secondary ESCP will be subject to review and approval by the DENR Land Management Team.

4.1 Compliance with IECA Guideline

The Primary ESCP has been prepared by suitably qualified and experienced personnel that understand the intent and minimum standards of IECA. The team that prepared the plan consist of the following:

- Alana Court – BEnvSci, PGDipEnvMgt. Principal Environmental Scientist with over 18 years’ experience and completed the IECA erosion and sediment control training (2013). Over 10 years’ experience providing advice to managing environmental requirements in the Beetaloo Basin including erosion and sediment control.
- James Jentz – BEng, RPEQ, CPEng. Civil Engineer with over 30 years’ experience in the design and documentation of civil engineering projects. James has signed off all civil drawing under his qualification.

5. Civil Construction Schedule

The current proposed Civil Construction schedule for Origin’s activities for the 2019/2020 exploration program at for Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2 is detailed in the Gannt Chart below (Figure 3). The civil construction activities are planned to occur during the dry season between July 2019 to September 2019 while rainfall risk rating is considered very low (0 to 30 mm).

Implementation of the ESCP will commence as soon as access is granted and continued throughout the construction activities until such time that the site is stabilised.

In the event that civil construction activities continue through to the wet season, the ESCP will undergo a review and a Secondary ESCP specific to wet season conditions will be prepared. This revision will occur during October for approval by DENR Land Management Team and will be implemented between 1 November to the 31st March, based on the rainfall conditions in that permit area.

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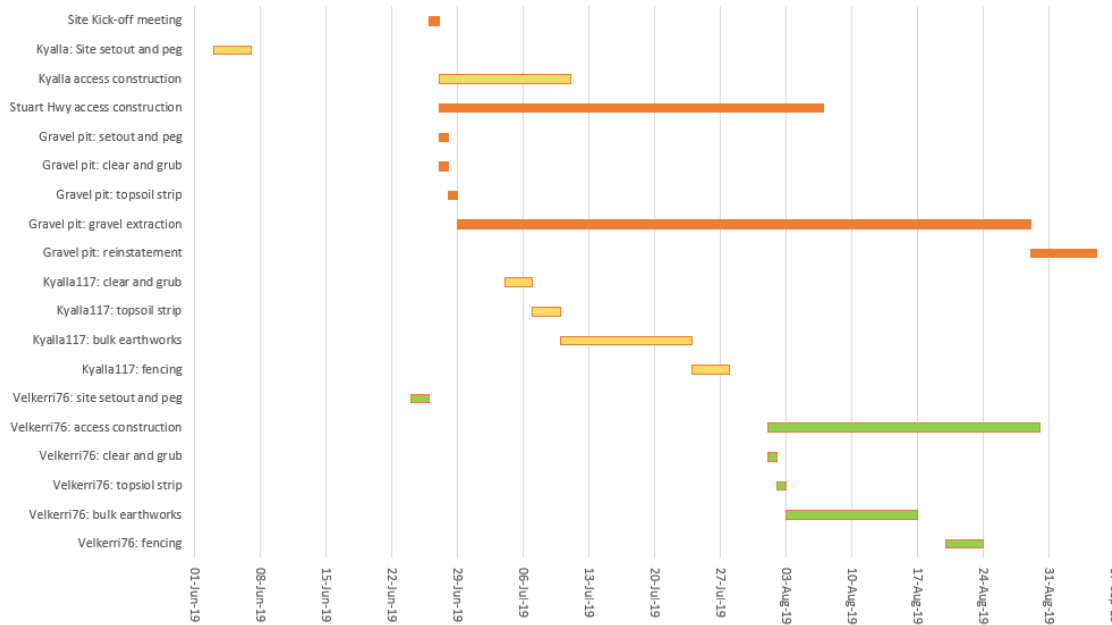


Figure 3 Proposed Civil Construction Schedule

6. Permit Area Erosion Susceptibility

Erosion susceptibility varies throughout the Origin permit area, dependent upon the soil types, slope and extent of ground disturbance. Apart from the erosive impact of climatic conditions, soil erosion is influenced mainly by the inherent properties of the soils and the processes which occurred during the formation of the landscapes.

Erosion will occur in the permit area if the land is used beyond its capacity, as is seen if land is overstocked or vehicle movements not controlled, for example. The locations of the proposed lease areas for 2019/2020 program have been examined in the field to determine the risk of erosion occurring from Origin activities.

Factors considered include the following:

- Soil type – soils with higher clay content are prone to generation of bulldust and are easily eroded by wind and water. Gravelly soils tend to be more robust to disturbance on the scale expected for Origin exploration activities. The primary soil type encountered during the geotechnical investigations for the 2019/2010 lease areas (Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2) can be described as silty SAND, SM with some gravel. These soils are considered to have a low to medium erodibility potential when the soils are disturbed.
- Slope – the slope of the site is one of the characteristics that will help to determine the risk of erosion during rainfall events, with steeply inclined areas a higher risk than small undulations in the landform. The proposed drilling locations were flat with a slope of <1%.
- Aspect – the position of the access track and pads in relation to the direction of the contour should be considered and creation of tracks and the lease pads across (as opposed to parallel with) the contour should be avoided.
- Rainfall – Table 3 and Table 4 present the erosion risk rating based on average monthly rainfall using the rating system provided in the IECA (2008) Table 4.4.2 for Daly Waters (northern sites) and Newcastle Waters (southern sites). The construction activities for the exploration program are proposed to be completed during the 2019 dry season.

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Table 3 Erosion Risk Rating based on average monthly rainfall at Daly Waters

-Item	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Rainfall (mm)	165.4	165.4	120.1	23.6	5.0	5.6	1.5	1.7	4.9	22.5	59.4	110
Erosion Risk*	H	H	H	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	M	H

* **E** = Extreme (>225 mm); **H** = High (100+ to 225 mm); **M** = Moderate (45+ to 100 mm); **L** = Low (30+ to 45 mm); **VL** = Very Low (0 to 30 mm)

Table 4 Erosion Risk Rating based on average monthly rainfall at Newcastle Waters

Item	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Rainfall (mm)	125.5	130.9	93.7	24.6	9.3	5.3	3.4	1.0	5.4	20.9	35.7	77.3
Erosion Risk*	H	H	M	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	L	M

* **E** = Extreme (>225 mm); **H** = High (100+ to 225 mm); **M** = Moderate (45+ to 100 mm); **L** = Low (30+ to 45 mm); **VL** = Very Low (0 to 30 mm)

6.1 Erosion Hazard Assessment for Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2

An Erosion Hazard Assessment for Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2 lease area, and the Stuart Highway turning has been conducted to inform the specific issues and actions that will be required for conducting activities within the permit area. Table 5 presents the results of the assessment. The IECA (2008) Explanatory Notes for the assessment are presented **Appendix A**.

Table 5 Erosion Hazard Assessment for Kyalla 117 N2, Velkerri 76 S2 and Stuart Highway Access

Condition (as described by IECA, 2008)	Points	Score			Trigger value
		Kyalla 117 N2	Velkerri 76 S2	Stuart Highway Access	
AVERAGE SLOPE OF DISTURBANCE AREA [1]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> not more than 3% [3% \approx 33H:1V] 	0	0	0	0	4
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 3% but not more than 5% [5% = 20H:1V] 	1	Comment - Topographical survey of lease areas indicated (low relief) with a slope <1% (refer Appendix B)			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 5% but not more than 10% [10% = 10H:1V] 	2				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 10% but not more than 15% [15% \approx 6.7H:1V] 	4				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 15% 	6				
SOIL CLASSIFICATION GROUP (AS1726) [2]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GW, GP, GM, GC 	0	2	2	2	-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SW, SP, OL, OH 	1	Comment – Geotechnical testing indicated SM - Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures (refer Appendix C).			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SM, SC, MH, CH 	2				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ML, CL, or if imported fill is used, or if soils are untested 	3				
EMERSON (DISPERSION) CLASS NUMBER [3]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 4, 6, 7, or 8 	0	0	0	0	6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 5 	2	Comment – Class 4 – Sand Material, therefore Emerson test not applicable.			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 3, (default value if soils are untested) 	4				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class 1 or 2 	6				
DURATION OF SOIL DISTURBANCE [4]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> not more than 1 month 	0	2	2	0	6

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Condition (as described by IECA, 2008)	Points	Score			Trigger value
		Kyalla 117 N2	Velkerri 76 S2	Stuart Highway Access	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than 1 month but not more than 4 months more than 4 months but not more than 6 months more than 6 months 	2	Comment – Clearing and earthworks are expected to be between 1 and 4 months.			
	4				
	6				
AREA OF DISTURBANCE [5]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> not more than 1000 m2 more than 1000 m2 but not more than 5000 m2 more than 5000 m2 but not more than 1 ha more than 1 ha but not more than 4 ha more than 4 ha 	0	6	6	1	6
	1	7.9 ha	9.7 ha	0.5 ha	
	2				
	4				
	6				
WATERWAY DISTURBANCE [6]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No disturbance to a watercourse, open drain or channel Involves disturbance to a constructed open drain or channel Involves disturbance to a natural watercourse 	0	0	0	1	2
	1	Comment – Not in close proximity to natural water courses (refer Appendix D).		Comment - Near DIPL road side drain	
	2				
REHABILITATION METHOD [7] Percentage of area (relative to total disturbance) revegetated by seeding without light mulching (i.e. worst-case revegetation method).					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> not more than 1% more than 1% but not more than 5% more than 5% but not more than 10% more than 10% 	1	1	1	1	-
	2	Comment – Top soil replaced along batters to commence assisted natural regeneration.			
	3				
	4				
RECEIVING WATERS [8]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saline waters only Freshwater body (e.g. creek or freshwater lake or river) 	0	2	2	2	-
	2	Comment – not located within the major flow pathway of Newcastle Creek and the small intermittent streams (distance of 3-20 Km away) (refer Appendix D).			
SUBSOIL EXPOSURE [9]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No subsoil exposure except of service trenches Subsoils are likely to be exposed 	0	0	0	0	-
	2				
EXTERNAL CATCHMENTS [10]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No external catchment External catchment diverted around the soil disturbance External catchment not diverted around the soil disturbance 	0	1	1	1	-
	1	Comment – refer to Civil Design Drawings (Appendix E to Appendix H)			
	2				
ROAD CONSTRUCTION [11]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No road construction Involves road construction works 	0	2	2	2	-
	2				
pH OF SOILS TO BE REVEGETATED [12]					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> more than pH 5.5 but less than pH 8 other pH values, or if soils are untested 	0	1	1	1	-
	1	Comment – Soil pH 5.0 to 5.1			
Total Score [13]		17	17	13	

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The Erosion Hazard Assessment for the Origin permit area proposed for the 2019/2020 program all report either equal to or below point score of 17, ranging from 13 points at the Stuart Highway turn-in and 17 at both lease pads. Based on the trigger value being met at the two lease pads an ESCP is required.

6.2 Soil Loss Estimate

IECA (2008) soil loss estimation has been used to determine the type of controls the project should adopt to limit soil loss during construction when soils are exposed to rainfall. Long term average soil loss resulting from sheet and rill flow can be predicted using the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE).

Soil loss calculated using RUSLE for the project area was calculated as follows:

$$A = R \cdot K \cdot LS \cdot C \cdot P$$

Where A = annual soil loss due to erosion [tonnes/hectare/year (t/ha/yr)]

R = rainfall erosivity factor based on = **6297**)

K = soil erodibility factor of **0.055** for silty sand)

LS = topographic factor derived from slope length and slope gradient (**0.24**)

C = cover and management factor (**1**)

P = erosion control practice factor (**1.3**)

It is noted that the **annual R-factor of 6297** for the Katherine Region has been adopted as per comment received by DENR Land Management team. Since preparation of the initial ESCP, additional geotechnical information has been obtained which provides a larger sample size of the proposed permit areas. The geotechnical sampling completed on the sites has shown that the top 0.3 m of the site is "Silty Sand". As such, the K-factor has been revised to 0.055 for "Silty Loam" from Table E4 of the IECA Guidelines.

Revision of the LS-factor on more detailed design drawings shows a total slope length of approx. 200 m at a gradient of 0.00120 m/m (0.12%), indicative of the gradients across both sites. A LS factor of 0.24 was adopted, indicating a 200 m slope at 0.01 m/m (1%).

Based on the reviewed RUSLE soil loss methodology, **the Annual Soil Loss estimate using these values is 108 t/ha/yr**. Type 3 sediment controls are adequate with the revision to the RUSLE equation. In addition, Type 2 controls have been allowed for in design including settlement pond on the drill pads and rock filter dams at the Stuart Highway Intersection.

All the proposed civil construction activities for the exploration program are proposed to be completed during the 2019 dry season (July to October) when the erosion risk rating for rainfall is very low (refer to Table 3 and Table 4).

6.3 Erosion Risk and Determination of ESC

Erosion risk ratings for the Project area have been determined based on the average monthly erosivity (R-factor of 6297), average monthly rainfall depth (mm) (refer Table 3 and Table 4 above) and soil loss (estimated at 108t/ha/yr). As indicated in Table 6, the Project has an erosion risk rating of "very low" to "extreme".

Table 6 Erosion Risk Rating (adapted from IECA, 2008, Tables 4.4.1, 4.4.2 and 4.4.3)

Erosion Risk Rating	Average Monthly Erosivity (R-Factor)	Average Monthly Rainfall Depth (mm)	Soil Loss (t/ha/yr)
Very Low	0 to 60	0 to 30*	0 to 150
Low	60+ to 100	30+ to 45	150+ to 225
Moderate	100+ to 285	45+ to 100	225+ to 500
High	285+ to 1,500	100+ to 225	500+ to 1,500
Extreme	>1,500*	>225	>1,500

* It is noted that the monthly erosivity factor would only be triggered during rainfall events. The construction period is proposed to occur from July to October and based on assessment of the average monthly rainfall for the

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region (refer Table 3 and Table 4), the erosion risk rating is considered very low (0 to 30mm during this time). It is anticipated that at completion of construction the site would be stabilised for normal operation.

Table 7, provides an indication of the "Type" of erosion and sediment controls that should be deployed during construction depending on annual soil loss. Based on the proposed construction schedule during the dry season, the Project is determined to trigger the use of Type 3 erosion and sediment controls, with some Type 2 controls allowed for in design including settlement pond on the drill pads and rock filter dams at the Stuart Highway Intersection.

Table 7 Sediment Control Standard (adapted from IECA, 2008, Table 4.5.1)

Catchment Area (m ²)	Soil Loss Rate Limit (t/ha/yr)		
	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
250	N/A	N/A	All Cases
1000	N/A	N/A	All Cases
2500	N/A	>75	75
>2500	>150	150	75

Table 8 provides a range of erosion and sediment controls that can be deployed on the Project for each 'Erosion and Sediment Control Type'.

Table 8 Classifications of Sediment Controls

Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
Sheet Flow		
Buffer Zone capable of infiltrating 100% of stormwater runoff or processed water Infiltration basin or sand filter bed capable of infiltration of 100% of flow	Buffer Zone capable of infiltrating 100% of stormwater runoff Compost/Mulch Berm	Buffer Zone capable of infiltrating 100% of stormwater runoff Filter Fence Modular Sediment Trap Sediment Fence
Concentrated Flow		
Sediment basin (sized in accordance with design standard)	Block and Aggregate Drop Inlet Protection Excavated Sediment Trap with Type 2 outlet Filter Sock Filter Tube Dam Mesh and Aggregate Drop Inlet Protection Rock and Aggregate Drop Inlet Protection Rock Filter Dam Sediment Trench Sediment Weir	Coarse Sediment Trap Excavated Drop Inlet Protection Excavated Sediment Trap with Type 3 Outlet Fabric Drop Inlet Protection Fabric Wrap Field Inlet Sediment Trap Modular Sediment Trap Straw Bale Barrier (not desirable) U-shaped Sediment Trap
Dewatering Sediment Control		
Type F/D Sediment Basin Stilling Pond	Filter Bag or Filter Tube Filter Pond Filter Tube Dam Portable Sediment Tank Settling Pond Sump Pit	Compost Berm Filter Fence Grass Filter Bed Hydrocyclone Portable Sediment Tank Sediment Fence

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Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
In-stream sediment control		
Pump sediment laden water to an off-stream Type F/D Sediment Basin or high filtration system	Filter Tube Barrier Modular Sediment Barrier Rock Filter Dam Sediment Weir	Modular Sediment Barrier Sediment Filter Cage

Standard drawings for erosion and sediment controls are available at:

<http://www.austieca.com.au/publications/book-6-standard-drawings>.

The proposed ESCP for Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2 lease area, the Stuart Highway turn-in and typical cross section for water crossings are provided in **Appendix E**, **Appendix F**, **Appendix G** and **Appendix H**, respectively.

Standard drawings that may be applicable for the Project, including controls for access tracks and stream crossings are provided in **Appendix I**. The final design of the ESC controls will be dependent on decisions made in the field by the Supervising Engineer and site conditions. Any significant changes to those identified in this ESCP will be reported through to DENR Land Management Team for review and approval. Origin and its civil contractors will be responsible for notifying of any changes.

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7. Erosion and Sediment Controls

Based on the erosion susceptibility of the exploration area, the ESCP measures to be adopted for the 2019/2020 program are summarised in Table 9 below. These ESCP measures have been considered during the design and will be implemented by the Civil Contractors during the construction activities.

Table 9 Measures to be implemented for Erosion and Sediment Control

Activity	Management Controls
<p>Land Clearing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Undertake selective clearing (only clearing areas that are necessary for construction and ESC activities), using lighter machinery such as graders or smaller bulldozers, taking care not to overwork the site. Overworking the site can lead to the loss of topsoil, compaction, formation of windrows and wheel rutting. - Minimise tree clearing activities only during the dry season (April to October) to allow the ground surface to stabilise before the onset of the wet season (November to March). - Retain vegetation buffers surrounding streams and creeks, as outlined in the <i>NTG Land Clearing Guidelines 2010</i>. - Undertake clearing for each stage in small units over time, keeping the disturbed areas small and time of exposure short, in conjunction with progressive re-vegetation (assisted natural regeneration using available topsoil). - Take all reasonable and practicable measures to minimise the removal of, or disturbance to, trees, shrubs and ground covers (organic or inorganic) that are to be retained. - If bulk tree clearing is required, it must occur in a manner that minimises disturbance to existing ground cover (organic or inorganic). - Bulk tree clearing and grubbing of the site must be immediately followed by specified temporary stabilisation measures (e.g. gravel, soil berm) prior to commencement of each stage of construction works. - Land clearing should not occur unless preceded by the installation of appropriate drainage and sediment control measures. The exception would be any land clearing necessary to allow installation of these control measures. Prior to land clearing, establish tree protection zones around vegetation to be retained e.g. identify with high-visibility tape, or light fencing. - All land clearing must be in accordance with the Federal, Territory and local government vegetation clearing requirements and IECA Table 4.4.7 Best practice land clearing and rehabilitation requirements. - All reasonable and practicable steps to be taken to apply best practice Erosion control measures following earthworks and site stabilised prior to anticipated rainfall. Disturbed areas will be stabilised with a minimum 60% cover within 30 days of completion if rainfall is reasonably possible.

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Activity	Management Controls
<p>Access Track and Stuart Highway Turn-in Construction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where possible, use existing roads and tracks to access the lease areas, and where new tracks are required, they should be located along the most direct and practicable route to the lease area (noting Velkerri 76 S1 access track has been diverted around the sensitive Bullwaddy/Lancewood vegetation type). - Trucks entering and exiting the site will be constrained in such a manner to prevent dropping or tracking material on the Highway in accordance with the Road Agency Approval (ref 2018-0186-D2). - Monitor Stuart Highway during construction and operation. Where tracked material on the road pavement becomes a potential safety issue, Origin and its contractors will sweep and clean material off the road. If Stuart Highway Turn-in results in dust, dirt creating hazard to road users, additional ESC will be considered including installation of shaker grid or rock pad. - Minimise track width and surface disturbance (e.g. topsoil, seed and root stock) as far as practicable to allow safe passage of required equipment. Disturbed areas will be stabilised with a minimum 60% cover 30 days of completion if rainfall possible. - Where gravelling is warranted (Stuart Highway Turn-in), the formation process can remove undesirable material and/or box the imported material where it is required. Track formation will be required for the following reasons: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drainage control, especially in areas where erosion or sediment influences are evident, any vegetation, topography, wheel rutting or compaction is likely to intercept, concentrate and channel water. • Where the topography of the track location or the drainage characteristics of the soil are likely to hinder access for a protracted time period following rain (e.g. 1 to 2 weeks). • Where natural side-slope poses a safety hazard to potential users of the track (e.g. Contractors, Land Owners). - Place scrub and vegetation cleared from the route adjacent to the route where practical to facilitate its return to the disturbed area. Where this occurs, spread the material out rather than form windrows. Allow disturbed areas to be stabilised and natural regeneration of the native grasses to occur. - Construct access tracks with table drains that are free draining. - Avoid road crowning to allow water to naturally cross the road. - Form tracks to allow off-road drainage. Where track intercepts the direction of overland flow and re-directs this flow to a non-natural drainage line, install erosion control works to minimise potential erosion. - The design and position of erosion control measures to be determined in the field by experienced operator and site engineer, based on the site characteristics of the access track location. - Where construction of table drains are deemed necessary, they should have a broad flat base at least 1 m wide and should not be graded to produce a 'V' shape. To minimise erosion, the slope should be no greater than 0.5% on erodible soils or 1% on stable soils. - Where encounter dispersive / erosive soils they should be stabilised with gypsum or other stabiliser, as determined by laboratory analysis of soils.

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Activity	Management Controls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where cut-out drains are required, they should be spaced based on the slope of the area i.e. 0.5% slope, allow for cut-out draining every 170-180 m or 1 % slope, allow for cut-out drainage every 120-130 m etc. (refer to NT Road Drainage Fact Sheet). It is noted that the recommended distance between turn-out drains is a guide and may not apply to all locations along the access track. - Monitor road conditions to ensure deterioration does not occur. Assist in the maintenance and repair work on roads and tracks used. - Following completion of activities and within 2 years after the surrender of a lease, the land surrounding or affected by the installation of access tracks shall be restored in accordance with the site-specific rehabilitation plan and final determination of asset (i.e. if transferring asset ownership to landholder).
Pad construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pad construction to be in accordance with the typical ESCP (refer Appendix E). The topsoil berm dimension to be in accordance with the IECA Figure 1 Standard Drawing MB-01 presented in Appendix F. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use topsoil berms to divert upstream runoff from undisturbed areas ('clean' water) around and away from disturbed areas, and back to the environment. • Use topsoil berms to contain / manage runoff from disturbed construction areas ('dirty' water) and prevent release to environment without treatment. • Treat runoff from construction areas through suitable sediment controls (e.g. sediment traps). • Configure berms so that upstream runoff does not mix with construction area runoff prior to treatment of construction area runoff. - Where topsoil stripping is required, the stripping depth would be in accordance with Technical Instruction (NT-2050-15-TI-0001) and amelioration rates agreed with the Construction Supervisor, Origin engineers and by a suitably qualified ESC practitioner. It is noted that the expected nominal depth of topsoil across the lease pads at both locations range from <100 mm to 150 mm. Final strip depth will be confirmed in the field. Any changes to the adopted ESCs will be reflected in the ESCP and to satisfaction of DENR. - Stockpiled felled trees nearby for future use in rehabilitation. - Inspect on a regular basis in accordance with Section 5 Maintenance. - Damage or maintenance is undertaken by an appropriately qualified person i.e. contractor / Origin. - Following completion of activities and within 2 years after the surrender of a lease, the land surrounding or affected by the exploration wells shall be restored in accordance with the site-specific rehabilitation plan and final determination of asset (i.e. if transferring asset ownership to landholder).
Stream and Creek Crossings	<p>Where a crossing is required to be upgraded, a bed level crossing as detailed in Appendix B, will be installed in accordance with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crossings will be aligned perpendicular to the water flow. - Crossing will be constructed from clean rocks (minimal fine material) that are an equivalent or larger size than the natural bed material at the crossing. - The surface is to be left rough and not to be over compacted (e.g. track-rolled finish or rougher).

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Activity	Management Controls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The lowest point of the bed level crossing will be installed at the level of the lowest point of the natural stream bed (preconstruction), within the footprint of the proposed crossing. - There must be a height difference of at least 100 mm up to ≤ 300mm from the lowest point of the crossing to the edges of the low flow section of the crossing. <p>Where scour protection is required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scour protection must abut the surface edge of the crossing at the same level (this is to ensure that there is no drop in elevation at the join). - If the crossing is set below bed level then the surface of the scour protection must also be below bed level. - The stream bed must abut the scour protection at the same level (this is to ensure that there is no drop in elevation at the join). - The scour protection is installed at a gradient no steeper than 1 in 20 or the natural channel gradient, whichever is steeper. - Scour protection must incorporate a low flow channel. Use clean rocks (minimal fine material), at least 100 mm diameter. - Ensure the rock armouring is not over compacted but left at the same level and uneven (track-rolled finish or rougher). - Use clean rocks (minimal fine material), at least 100 mm diameter. - The retention of vegetation buffers, as outlined in the NTG Land Clearing Guidelines 2019, as they relate to stream order has been considered for the siting of proposed access tracks and pads. - Site specific progressive ECP's should be approved by DENR prior to any disturbance. - Should activities pushout to the wetseason, the ESCP to be reviewed and updated for Wet Season conditions. The revision to be reviewed and approved by DENR during October to allow implementation of the plan prior to the onset of the wet season. Wet season ESCP to be implemented between 1 November to 31 March.
Soil and Stockpile Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stockpile existing topsoil, where available, so that it can be reused on the site for ESC and future rehabilitation at completion of project. - Stockpiles of erodible material that has the potential to cause environmental harm if displaced, must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Appropriately protected from wind, rain, concentrated surface flow and excessive up-slope stormwater surface flows. (ii) Located at least 2m from any hazardous area or retained vegetation. (iii) Located up-slope of an appropriate sediment control system. (iv) Provided with an appropriate protective cover (synthetic or vegetative) if the materials are likely to be stockpiled for more than 28 days. (v) Provided with an appropriate protective cover (synthetic or vegetative) if the materials are likely to be stockpiled for more than 10 days during those months that have an erosion risk rating higher than medium. - A suitable flow diversion system must be established immediately up-slope of a stockpile of erodible material that has the potential to cause environmental harm if displaced, if the up-slope catchment area draining to the stockpile exceeds 1,500m².

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Activity	Management Controls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid creating windrows. Do not create windrows across creeks, use rollers when putting in tracks in preference to dozers, or walk the dozer with the blade raised off the ground.
Site Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All disturbed areas identified as very low, low, medium or high erosion risk must be suitably stabilised prior to anticipated rainfall, from the day that soil disturbances on the area have been finalised- IECA Table 4.4.7. - Tracks to be regularly inspected for early signs of compaction, erosion and soil degradation (generation of bulldust). Ongoing maintenance and repair work should be implemented as required on tracks. - No off-lease or off-road driving. - The construction schedule must aim to minimise the duration that any and all areas of soil are exposed to the erosive effects of wind, rain and surface water flow. - Land-disturbing activities must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) allow stormwater to pass through the site in a controlled manner and at non-erosive flow velocities. (ii) minimise soil erosion resulting from rain, water flow and/or wind. (iii) minimise adverse effects of sediment runoff, including safety issues. (iv) prevent, or at least minimise, environmental harm resulting from work-related soil erosion and sediment runoff. (v) ensure that the value and use of land/properties adjacent to the site (including access roads) are not diminished as a result of the adopted ESC measures. - Additional and/or alternative ESC measures must be implemented in the event that unacceptable off-site sedimentation is occurring as a result of the work activities. - Sediment deposited off the site as a direct result of an on-site activity, must be collected and the area appropriately rehabilitated as soon as reasonable and practicable, and in a manner that gives appropriate consideration to the safety and environmental risks associated with the sediment deposition.
Drainage Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where reasonable and practicable, stormwater runoff entering the site, must be diverted around or through the area in a manner that minimises soil erosion and the contamination of water for all discharges. - All reasonable and practicable measures must be implemented to control flow velocities a manner that prevents soil erosion along drainage paths and at the entrance and exit of all drains and drainage pipes during storms up to the relevant design storm discharge. - Where reasonable and practicable, all waters discharged during construction must discharge onto stable land, in a non-erosive manner.
Erosion Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If synthetic reinforced erosion control mats or blankets are required, they must not be placed in, or adjacent to, riparian zones and watercourses if such materials are likely to cause environmental harm to wildlife or wildlife habitats.

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Activity	Management Controls
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum 60% ground cover must be achieved on all non-completed earthworks exposed to accelerated soil erosion. If further construction activities or soil disturbances are likely to be suspended for more than 30 days during months when the expected rainfall erosivity is less than 60; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • minimum 70% cover within 30 days if between 60 and 100; • minimum 70% cover within 20 days if between 100 and 285; • minimum 80% cover within 10 days if between 285 and 1,500; and • minimum 95% cover within 5 days if greater than 1,500.
Sediment Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Optimum benefit must be made of every opportunity to trap sediment within the work site, and as close as practicable to its source. - Sediment pond to be installed and operated to both collect and retain sediment (refer to Drawing NT-2050-15-MP-0021 and NT-2050-15-MP-022 in Appendix E). Design details of the sediment pond is provided in NT-2050-20-DD-0023. - All reasonable and practicable measures must be taken to prevent, or at least minimise, the release of sediment from the site. - Sediment control devices must be de-silted and made fully operational as soon as reasonable and practicable after a sediment-producing event, if the device's sediment retention capacity falls below 75% of its design retention capacity. - Materials removed from sediment control devices must be disposed of in a manner that does not cause ongoing soil erosion or environmental harm.
Site Rehabilitation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Following completion of works, disturbed areas are to be restored and/or rehabilitated. - Gravel pits to have topsoil returned and re-profiled. - All compacted areas will be ripped and scarified to promote regeneration of vegetation, this may require assistance through spread of native seed stock. - All disturbed areas will be allowed to naturally regenerate or be revegetated on completion of use. - Compacted areas will be contour ripped to 0.5m depth where practicable. - At completion of activities, establish vegetation similar to adjacent vegetation, unless agreement with landowner for alternative use. - All disturbed areas identified as very low, low, medium or high erosion risk must be suitably stabilised prior to anticipated rainfall, from the day that soil disturbances on the area have been finalised- IECA Table 4.4.7. - Stabilise disturbed areas quickly to reduce the potential for erosion. Methods of stabilisation will be site specific and based, in part, on laboratory analysis of soils for erosive and dispersive characteristics. - Previously removed vegetation and topsoil will be uniformly re-spread over disturbed area to assist with rehabilitation process through agencies of increased infiltration and return of seed-bearing topsoil. If required, additional native seed mix from the area could be respread to speed up rehabilitation process - Windrows of debris that cannot be removed should be aligned down the contour or in a manner appropriate to avoid channelling and concentrating runoff. All other windrows are to be removed as soon as practicable.

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Activity	Management Controls
	- The type of ground cover applied to completed earthworks is compatible with the anticipated long-term land use, environmental risk, and site rehabilitation measures.

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8. Monitoring

8.1 Construction

Monitoring for soil erosion and related issues is best undertaken at critical stages, such as:

- During siting of access tracks and exploration areas, this is when there is the greatest opportunity to avoid erosion problems.
- After completion of a specific phase of activity, all disturbed areas will be monitored before and after the wet season.
- When accessing the site after the wet season, all disturbed areas should be inspected for signs of erosion. If significant impacts are identified remediation works may need to be conducted prior to continued vehicular access.
- In the unlikely event that water is required to be released from the sediment pond, the stored water will be visually assessed (no sheen, or turbidity) and physical parameters (pH, EC) taken to ensure release water will not impact on any downgradient sensitive receiving environments. It is noted that at both lease area there is no sensitive receiving water bodies located within 10-15 km from the sites.

8.2 Operations

Inspections of all disturbed areas is required before and after the wet season to identify the occurrence of erosion and sedimentation. Where erosion is observed, maintenance activities shall be undertaken. Ongoing Monitoring and maintenance shall occur throughout the life of the infrastructure until the land is handed back.

8.3 Rehabilitation

Where rehabilitation of a site is required, rehabilitation monitoring will be undertaken annually to assess the rehabilitation success and determine whether additional remedial works are required. Success criteria are defined in the relevant EMP and include:

- Safe for humans and wildlife
- Non-polluting
- Stable, with appropriate vegetation cover
- Land condition suitable for existing pastoral land use.

8.4 Incident Reporting

The Constructor must follow incident reporting requirements covered in the Origin Incident Management Directive.

Sediment release and turbidity increase incidents can require some assessment to determine if they are reportable, as controls are only designed to cope with certain rain events (refer to IECA, 2008).

The Constructor must:

- Report sediment release and turbidity increase incidents.
- Include justification in each case of why the incident is, or is not, reportable to the regulator based on:
 - The state of the controls prior to the rainfall
 - The design standard applied (IECA, 2008)

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- The actual rainfall received, based on the nearest data source available
- Whether the design storm event was exceeded or not; and
- Whether environmental harm was caused or not.

8.5 Records

Records shall be retained demonstrating area have been inspected. Photographic records will be maintained over the duration of the activities for documenting soil disturbance.

All environmentally relevant incidents are to be recorded in a field log that must remain accessible to all relevant regulatory authorities.

8.6 ESCP Revisions

Where major changes are required to the proposed controls in the ESCP, DENR would be advised and revised Secondary ESCP provided for review and approval. In particular, should construction activities progress into the Wet Season, the ESCP will be updated during October and implemented between 1st November and maintained in place until 31st March.

Refer to the ESCP checklist (**Appendix J**) to determine where additional ESC requirements may be required.

8.7 Maintenance

All temporary erosion and sediment control measures, including drainage control measures, must be fully operational and maintained in proper working order at all times during the project.

When undertaking construction work, erosion and sediment control measures must be inspected:

- at least daily (when work is occurring on-site)
- within 24 hours of expected rainfall
- within 18 hours of a rainfall event of sufficient intensity and duration to cause runoff on-site or greater than 20mm in 24 hours.

Once operational, inspections of the site will continue daily while onsite, and before and after the wetseason. Where erosion is observed, maintenance activities shall be undertaken.

Sediment removed from sediment traps and places of sediment deposition must be disposed of in a lawful manner that does not cause ongoing soil erosion or environmental harm.

Prior to the completion of activities on the ground, the construction areas will be stabilised to the satisfaction of the Construction Supervisor.

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Appendix A Erosion Hazard Assessment Explanatory Notes

reference: IECA, 2008, *Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control Hazard Assessment Form*)

Requirements: Specific issues or actions required by the proponent.

Warnings: Issues that should be considered by the proponent.

Comments: General information relating to the topic.

[1] REQUIREMENTS:

For sites with an average slope of proposed land disturbance greater than 10%, a preliminary ESCP must be submitted to the regulatory authority for approval during planning negotiations.

Proponents must demonstrate that adequate erosion and sediment control measures can be implemented on-site to effectively protect downstream environmental values.

If site or financial constraints suggest that it is not reasonable or practicable for the prescribed water quality objectives to be achieved for the proposal, then the proponent must demonstrate that alternative designs or construction techniques (e.g. pole homes, suspended slab) cannot reasonably be implemented on the site.

WARNINGS:

Steep sites usually require more stringent drainage and erosion controls than flatter grade sites.

COMMENTS:

The steeper the land, the greater the need for adequate drainage controls to prevent soil and mulch from being washed from the site.

[2] REQUIREMENTS:

If the actual soil K-factor is known from soil testing, then the Score shall be determined from Table 1.

If a preliminary ESCP is required during planning negotiations, then it must be demonstrated that adequate space is available for the construction and operation of any major sediment traps, including the provision for any sediment basins and their associated embankments and spillways. It must also be demonstrated that all reasonable and practicable measures can be taken to divert the maximum quantity of sediment-laden runoff (up to the specified design storm) to these sediment traps throughout the construction phase and until the contributing catchment is adequately stabilised against erosion.

WARNINGS:-

The higher the point score, the greater the need to protect the soil from raindrop impact and thus the greater the need for effective erosion control measures. A point score of 2 or greater will require a greater emphasis to be placed on revegetation techniques that do not expose the soil to direct rainfall contact during vegetation establishment, e.g. turfing and *Hydromulching*.

COMMENTS:

Table 2 provides an *indication* of soil conditions likely to be associated with a particular Soil group based on a statistical analysis of soil testing across NSW. This table provides only an initial estimate of the likely soil conditions.

The left-hand-side of the table provides an indication of the type of sediment basin that will be required (Type C, F or D). The right-hand-side of the table provides an indication of the likely erodibility of the soil based on the Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE) K-factor.

Table 3 provides some general comments on the erosion potential of the various soil groups.

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Table 1 – Score if soil K-factor is known

Score	RUSLE soil erodibility K-factor			
	K < 0.02	0.02<K<0.04	0.04<K<0.06	K > 0.06
	0	1	2	3

Table 2 – Statistical analysis of NSW soil data [1]

Unified Soil Class System	Likely sediment basin classification (%)			Probable soil erodibility K-factor (%) [2]			
	Dry	Wet		Low	Moderate	High	Very High
	Type C	Type F	Type D	K < 0.02	0.02<K<0.04	0.04<K<0.06	K > 0.06
GM	30	58	12	12	51	26	12
GC	42	33	25	13	71	17	0
SW	40	48	12	49	39	12	0
SP	53	32	15	76	18	5	1
SM	21	67	12	26	48	25	1
SC	26	50	24	16	64	18	2
ML	5	63	32	4	35	45	16
CL	9	51	39	12	56	19	13
OL	2	80	18	34	61	5	1
MH	12	41	48	15	19	41	25
CH	5	44	51	39	43	11	7

Notes: [1] Analysis of soil data presented in Landcom (2004).

[2] Soil erodibility based on Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation (RUSLE) K-factor.

Unified Soil Classification System (USCS)

GW Well graded gravels, gravel-sand mixtures, little or no fines

GP Poorly graded gravels, gravel-sand mixture, little or no fines

GM Silty gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-silt mixtures

GC Clayey gravels, poorly graded gravel-sand-clay mixtures

SW Well graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines

SP Poorly graded sands, gravelly sands, little or no fines

SM Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures

SC Clayey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures

ML Inorganic silts & very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands with slight plasticity

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- CL Inorganic clays, low–medium plasticity, gravelly clays, sandy clays, silty clays, lean clays
- OL Organic silts and organic silt-clays of low plasticity
- MH Inorganic silts, micaceous or diatomaceous fine sandy or silty soils, elastic silts
- CH Inorganic clays of high plasticity, fat clays
- OH Organic clays of medium to high plasticity

Table 3 – Typical properties of various soil groups ^[1]

Soil Groups	Typical properties ^[2]
GW, GP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low erodibility potential.
GM, GC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low to medium erodibility potential. • May create turbid runoff if disturbed as a result of the release of silt and clay particles.
SW, SP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low to medium erodibility potential.
SM, SC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medium erodibility potential. • May create turbid runoff if disturbed as a result of the release of silt and clay particles.
MH, CH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highly variable (low to high) erodibility potential. • Will generally create turbid runoff if disturbed.
ML, CL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High erodibility potential. • Tendency to be dispersive. • May create some turbidity in runoff if disturbed.

Note: [1] After Soil Services & NSW DLWC (1998).

[2] Any soil can represent a high erosion risk if the binding clays or silts are unstable.

Table 4 provides **general** guidelines on the suitability of various soil groups to various engineering applications.

Table 4 – Engineering suitability based on Unified Soil Classification ^[1]

Unified Soil Class	USC Group	Embankments		Fill	Slope stability	Untreated roads
		Water retaining	Non-water retaining			
Well graded gravels	GW	Unsuitable	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Average
Poorly graded gravel	GP	Unsuitable	Average	Excellent	Average	Unsuitable
Silty gravels	GM	Unsuitable	Average	Good	Average	Average
Clayey gravels	GC	Suitable	Average	Good	Average	Excellent
Well graded sands	SW	Unsuitable	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Average
Poorly graded sands	SP	Unsuitable	Average	Good	Average	Unsuitable
Silty sands	SM	Suitable ^[2]	Average	Average	Average	Poor
Clayey sands	SC	Suitable	Average	Average	Average	Good
Inorganic silts	ML	Unsuitable	Poor	Average	Poor	Unsuitable
Inorganic clays	CL	Suitable ^[2]	Good	Average	Good	Poor

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Organic silts	OL	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Poor	Unsuitable	Unsuitable
Inorganic silts	MH	Unsuitable	Poor	Poor	Poor	Unsuitable
Inorganic clays	CH	Suitable ^[2]	Average	Unsuitable	Average	Unsuitable
Organic clays	OH	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable
Highly organic soils	Pt	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable

Notes: [1] Modified from Hazelton & Murphy (1992)

[2] Suitable only after modifications to soil such as compaction and/or erosion protection

[3] If the soils have not been tested for Emerson Class, then adopt a score of 4.

REQUIREMENTS:

Works proposed on sites containing Emerson Class 1 or 2 soils have a very high pollution potential and must submit a conceptual ESCP to the regulatory authority for review and/or approval (as required by the authority) during planning negotiations.

WARNINGS:

Class 3 and 5 soils disturbed by cut and fill operations or construction traffic are highly likely to discolour stormwater (i.e. cause turbid runoff). Chemical stabilisation will likely be required if these soils are placed immediately adjacent to a retaining wall. Any disturbed Class 1, 2, 3 and 5 soils that are to be revegetated must be covered with a non-dispersive topsoil as soon as possible (unless otherwise agreed by the regulatory authority).

Class 1 and 2 soils are highly likely to discolour (pollute) stormwater if exposed to rainfall or flowing water. Treatment of these soils with gypsum (or other suitable substance) will most likely be required. These soils should not be placed directly behind a retaining wall unless it has been adequately treated (stabilised) or covered with a non-dispersible soil.

[4] The duration of disturbance refers to the total duration of soil exposure to rainfall up until a time when there is at least 70% coverage of all areas of soil.

REQUIREMENTS:

All land developments with an expected soil disturbance period greater than 6 months must submit a conceptual ESCP to the regulatory authority for review and/or approval (as required by the authority) during planning negotiations.

COMMENTS:

Construction periods greater than 3 months will generally experience at least some significant storm events, independent of the time of year that the construction (soil disturbance) occurs.

[5] **REQUIREMENTS:**

Development proposals with an expected soil disturbance in excess of 1ha must submit a conceptual ESCP to the regulatory authority for review and/or approval (as required by the regulatory authority) during planning negotiations.

The area of disturbance refers to the total area of soil exposed to rainfall or dust-producing winds either as a result of:

- the removal of ground cover vegetation, mulch or sealed surfaces;
- past land management practices;
- natural conditions.

WARNINGS:

A *Sediment Basin* will usually be required if the disturbed area exceeds 0.25ha (2500m²) within any sub-catchment (i.e. land flowing to one outlet point).

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COMMENTS:

For soil disturbances greater than 0.25ha, the revegetation phase should be staged to minimise the duration for which soils are exposed to wind, rain and concentrated runoff.

[6] REQUIREMENTS:

All developments that involve earthworks or construction within a natural watercourse (whether that watercourse is in a natural or modified condition) must submit a conceptual ESCP to the regulatory authority for review and/or approval (as required by the regulatory authority) during planning negotiations.

Permits and/or licences may be required from the State Government, including possible submission of the ESCP to the relevant Government department.

[7] REQUIREMENTS:

No areas of soil disturbance shall be left exposed to rainfall or dust-producing winds at the end of a development without an adequate degree of protection and/or an appropriate action plan for the establishment of at least 70% cover.

COMMENTS:

Grass seeding without the application of a light mulch cover is considered the least favourable revegetation technique. A light mulch cover is required to protect the soil from raindrop impact, excessive temperature fluctuations, and the loss of essential soil moisture.

[8] COMMENTS:

All receiving waters can be adversely affected by unnatural quantities of sediment-laden runoff. Freshwater ecosystems are generally more susceptible to ecological harm resulting from the inflow of fine or dispersible clays than saline water bodies. The further inland a land disturbance is, the greater the potential for the released sediment to cause environmental harm as this sediment travels towards the coast.

For the purpose of this clause it is assumed that all sediment-laden runoff will eventually flow into saline waters. Thus, sediment-laden discharges that flow first into freshwater are likely to adversely affect both fresh and saline water bodies and are therefore considered potentially more damaging to the environment.

This clause does **not** imply that sediment-laden runoff will not cause harm to saline waters.

[9] COMMENTS:

This clause refers to subsoils exposed during the construction phase either as a result of past land practices or proposed construction activities. The exposure of subsoils resulting from the excavation of minor service trenches should not be considered.

[10] WARNINGS:

The greater the extent of external catchment, the greater the need to divert up-slope stormwater runoff around any soil disturbance.

COMMENTS:

The ability to separate "clean" (i.e. external catchment) stormwater runoff from "dirty" site runoff can have a significant effect on the size, efficiency and cost of the temporary drainage, erosion, and sediment control measures.

[11] REQUIREMENTS:

Permission must be obtained from the owner of a road reserve before placing any erosion and sediment control measures within the road reserve.

WARNINGS:

Few sediment control techniques work efficiently when placed on a road and/or around roadside stormwater inlets. Great care must be taken if sediment control measures are located on a public roadway, specifically:

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- safety issues relating to road users;
- the risk of causing flooding on the road or within private property.

The construction of roads (whether temporary or permanent) will usually modify the flow path of stormwater runoff. This can affect how “dirty” site runoff is directed to the sediment control measures.

COMMENTS:

“On-road” sediment control devices are at best viewed as secondary or supplementary sediment control measures. Only in special cases and/or on very small projects (e.g. kerb and channel replacement) might these controls be considered as the “primary” sediment control measure.

[12] WARNINGS:

Soils with a pH less than 5.5 or greater than 8 will usually require treatment in order to achieve satisfactory revegetation. Soils with a pH of less than 5 (whether naturally acidic or in acid sulfate soil areas) may also limit the choice of chemical flocculants (e.g. Alum) for use in the flocculation of *Sediment Basins*.

[13] REQUIREMENTS:

A preliminary ESCP must be submitted to the local government for approval during the planning phase for any development that obtains a total point score of 17 or greater or when any trigger value is scored or exceeded.

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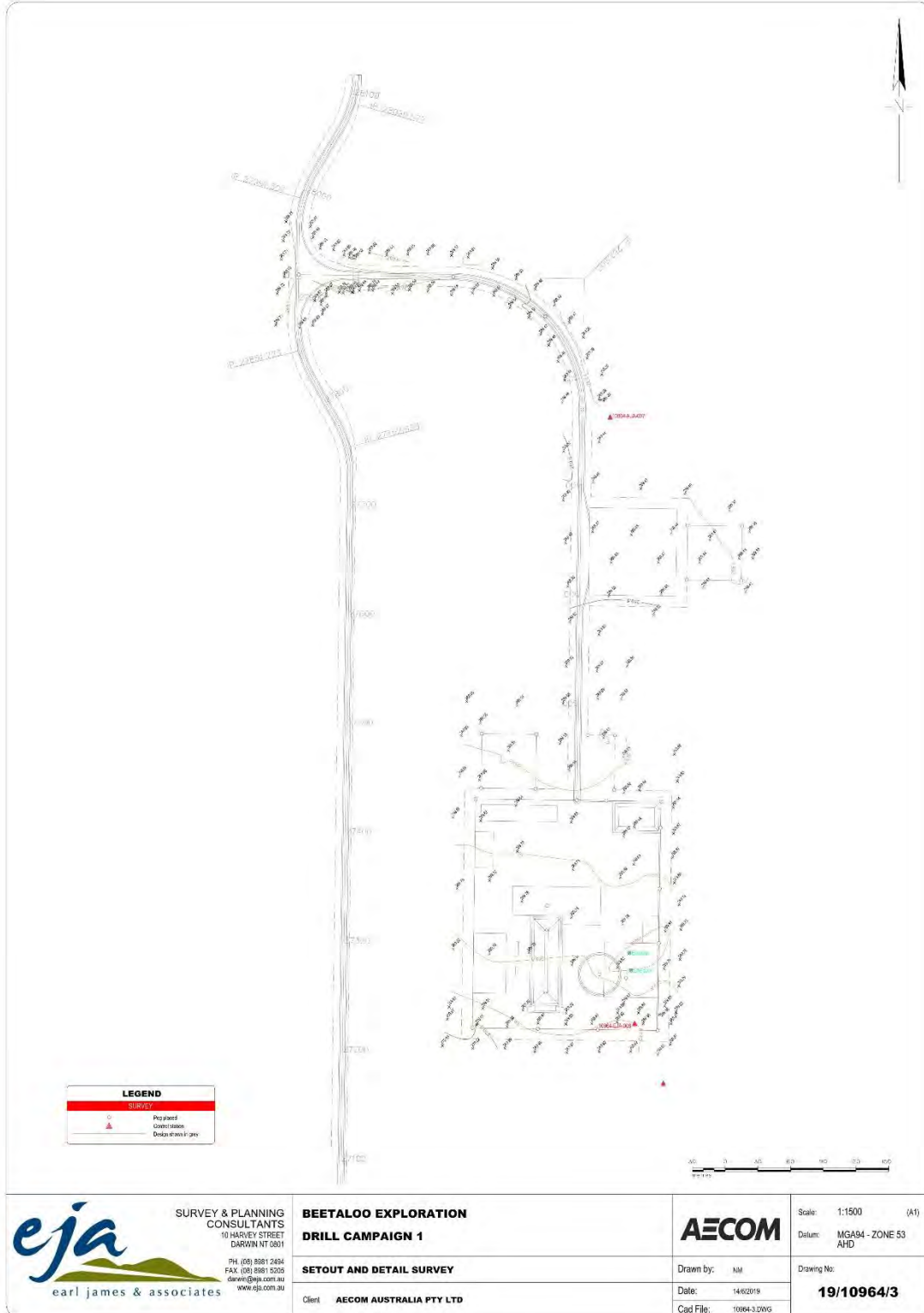
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Appendix B Lease Pad and Stuart Highway Topographical Survey



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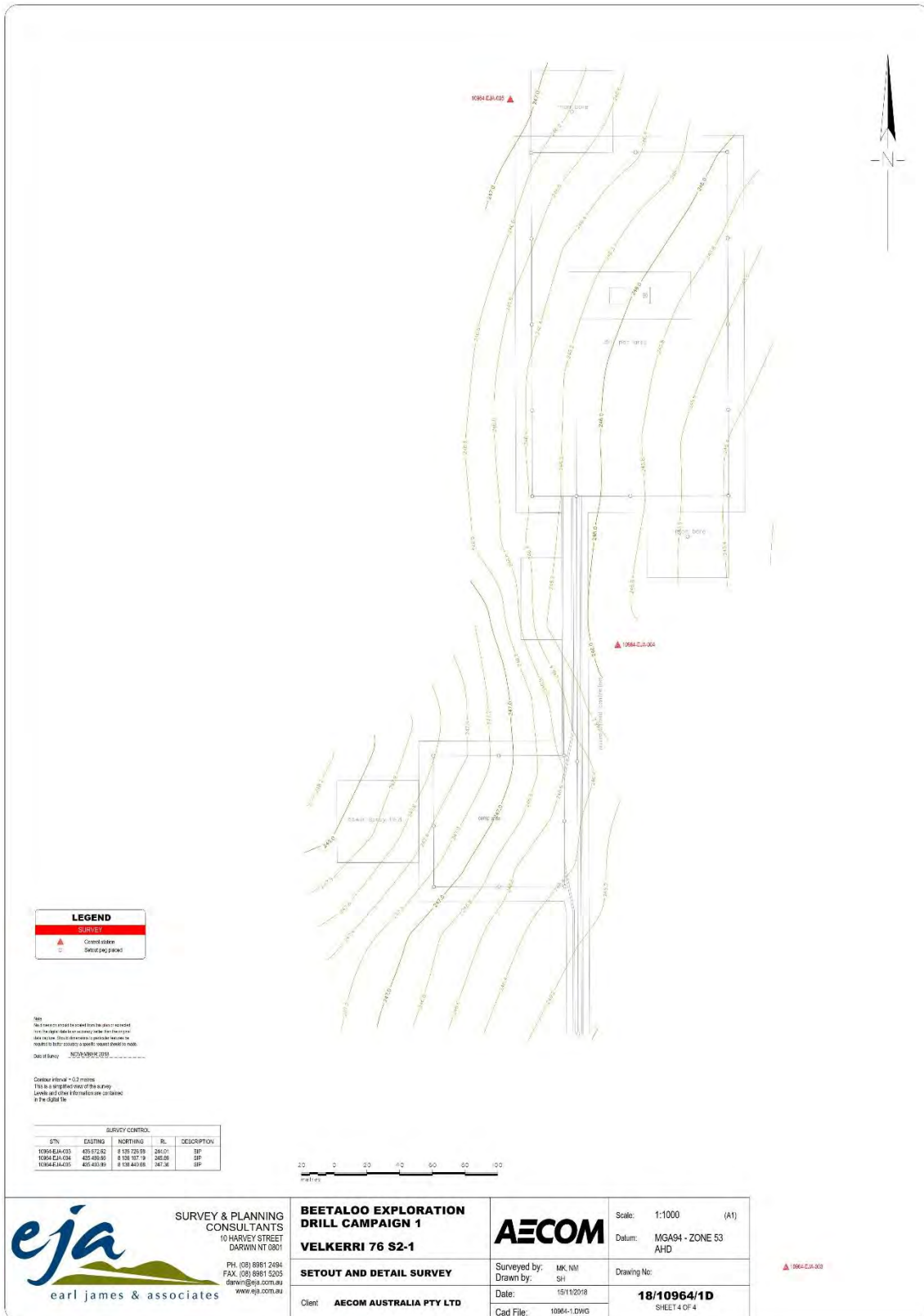
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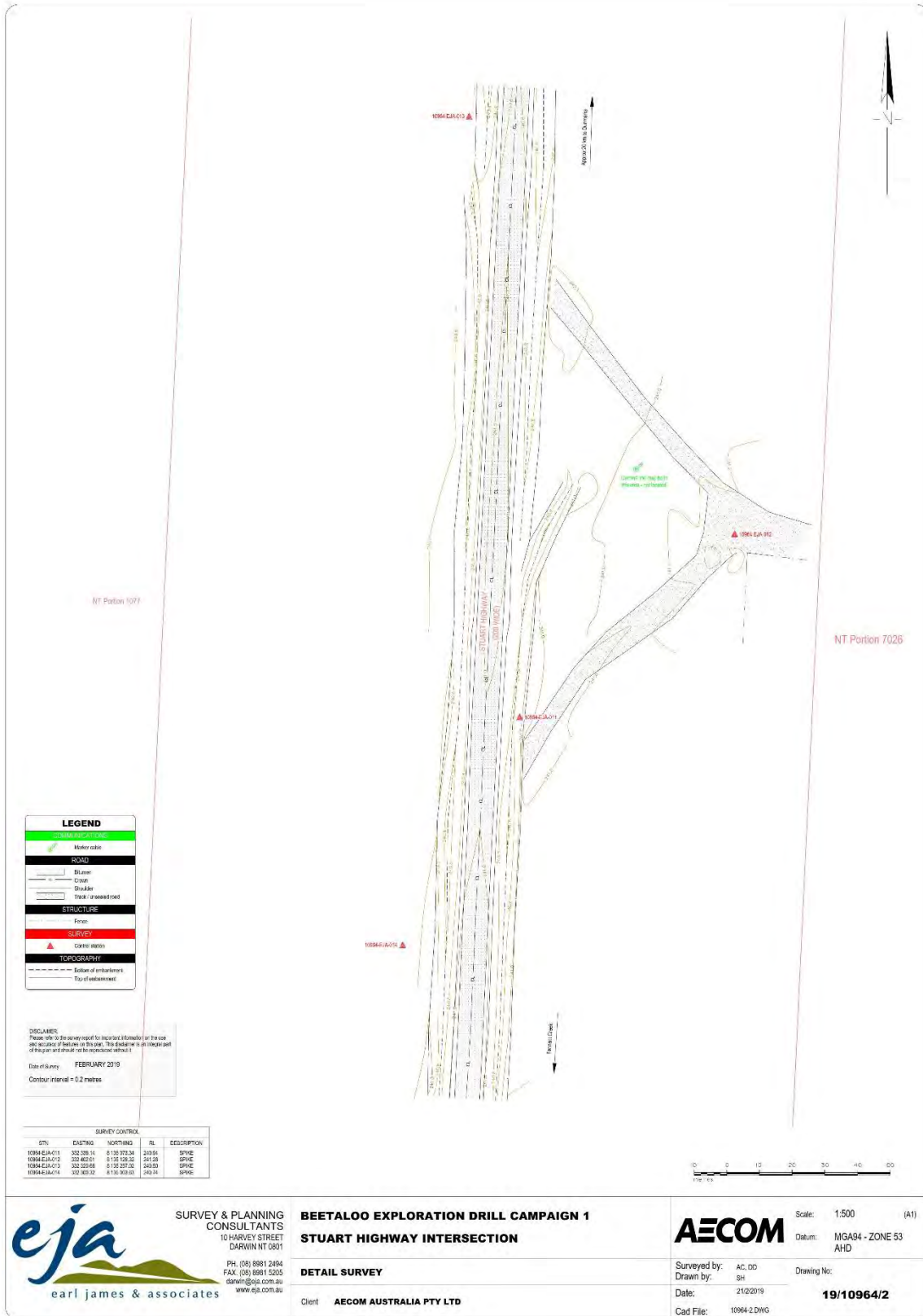
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Appendix C Geotechnical Laboratory Results

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Project Name: 60480548 - Beetaloo soil samples
Project Location: Beetaloo, NT
Work Request: 1466
Sample Number: 19-1466F
Date Sampled: 13/12/2018
Sampling Method: AS1289 1.2.1.6.4 - Sampling from layers in earthworks or pavement - uncompacted/compacted
Sample Location: KYALLA01 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: SAND, with silt

Sieve	Passed %	Passing Limits
19 mm	100	
13.2 mm	100	
9.5 mm	100	
5.7 mm	100	
4.75 mm	100	
2.36 mm	100	
1.18 mm	99	
0.6 mm	93	
0.425 mm	76	
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0.15 mm	24	
0.075 mm	16	

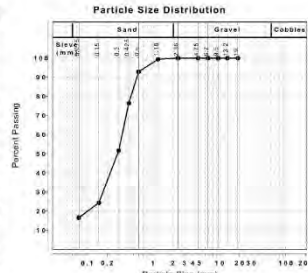
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Sample History	Air Dried	
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve	
Liquid Limit (%)	Not Obtainable	
Plastic Limit (%)	Not Obtainable	
Plasticity Index (%)	Non Plastic	

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)	Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	0.0	
Cracking Crumbling Curling	None	

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)	Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)		1.9

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Sample Number: 19-1466G
Date Sampled: 13/12/2018
Sampling Method: AS1289 1.2.1.6.4 - Sampling from layers in earthworks or pavement - uncompacted/compacted
Sample Location: KYALLA02 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND

Sieve	Passed %	Passing Limits
19 mm	100	
13.2 mm	100	
9.5 mm	100	
6.7 mm	100	
4.75 mm	100	
2.36 mm	100	
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0.6 mm	96	
0.425 mm	89	
0.3 mm	71	
0.15 mm	33	
0.075 mm	19	

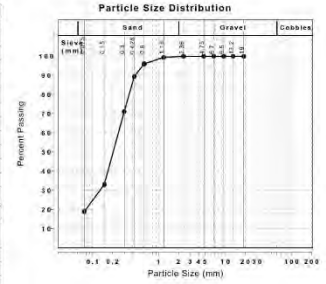
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Sample History	Air Dried	
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve	
Liquid Limit (%)	14	
Plastic Limit (%)	13	
Plasticity Index (%)	1	

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)	Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	0.0	
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking	

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)	Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)		2.3

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Sample Number: 19-1466H
Date Sampled: 13/12/2018
Sampling Method: AS1289 1.2.1.6.4 - Sampling from layers in earthworks or pavement - uncompacted/compacted
Sample Location: KYALLA03 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND

Sieve	Passed %	Passing Limits
19 mm	100	
13.2 mm	100	
9.5 mm	100	
6.7 mm	100	
4.75 mm	100	
2.36 mm	100	
1.18 mm	99	
0.6 mm	93	
0.425 mm	81	
0.3 mm	60	
0.15 mm	32	
0.075 mm	22	

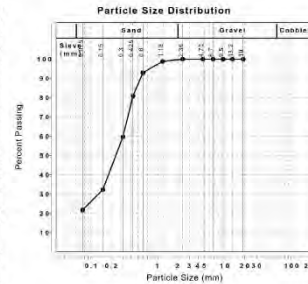
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Sample History	Air Dried	
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve	
Liquid Limit (%)	15	
Plastic Limit (%)	13	
Plasticity Index (%)	2	

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)	Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	1.0	
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking	

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)	Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)		3.1

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Sample Location: KYALLA04 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND

Sieve	Passed %	Passing Limits
19 mm	100	
13.2 mm	100	
9.5 mm	100	
6.7 mm	100	
4.75 mm	100	
2.36 mm	100	
1.18 mm	99	
0.6 mm	91	
0.425 mm	77	
0.3 mm	55	
0.15 mm	27	
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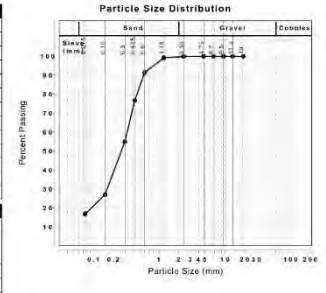
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Preparation Method	Wet Sieve / Dry Sieve / Both Sieves	
Liquid Limit (%)	15	
Plastic Limit (%)	13	
Plasticity Index (%)	2	

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)	Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	0.5	
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking	

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)	Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)		2.0

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Date Sampled: 13/12/2018
Sampling Method: AS1289 1.2.1 6.4 - Sampling from layers in earthworks or pavement - uncompacted/compacted
Sample Location: VELKERR01 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND, trace gravel



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Work Request: 1466
Sample Number: 19-1466B
Date Sampled: 13/12/2018
Sampling Method: AS1289 1.2.1 6.4 - Sampling from layers in earthworks or pavement - uncompacted/compacted
Sample Location: VELKERR02 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND



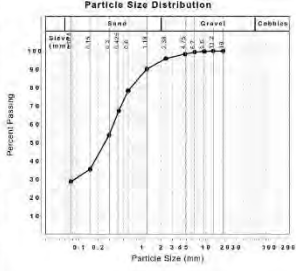
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Particle Distribution (AS1289 3.6.1)		
Sieve	Passed %	Passing Limits
19 mm	100	
13.2 mm	100	
9.5 mm	100	
6.7 mm	99	
4.75 mm	98	
2.36 mm	96	
1.18 mm	90	
0.8 mm	78	
0.425 mm	67	
0.3 mm	54	
0.15 mm	35	
0.075 mm	29	

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Air Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	25		
Plastic Limit (%)	15		
Plasticity Index (%)	10		

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)		Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	4.5		
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking		

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	8.8		

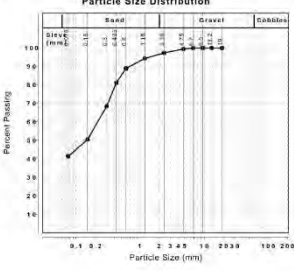


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1.18 mm	94	
0.6 mm	89	
0.425 mm	81	
0.3 mm	58	
0.15 mm	50	
0.075 mm	41	

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Air Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	18		
Plastic Limit (%)	13		
Plasticity Index (%)	5		

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)		Min	Max
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Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	5.6		



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Sample Location: VELKERR03 (0.0 - 0.4m)
Material: Silty SAND



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Material: Silty SAND



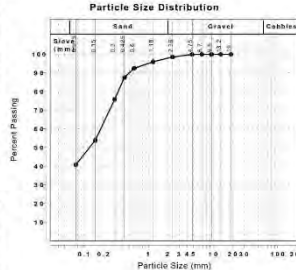
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0.425 mm	88	
0.3 mm	76	
0.15 mm	54	
0.075 mm	41	

Atterberg Limit (AS1289 3.1.2 & 3.2.1 & 3.3.1)		Min	Max
Sample History	Air Dried		
Preparation Method	Dry Sieve		
Liquid Limit (%)	19		
Plastic Limit (%)	12		
Plasticity Index (%)	7		

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)		Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	3.5		
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking		

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	4.9		

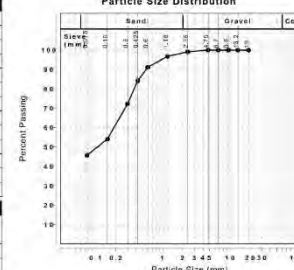


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Liquid Limit (%)	24		
Plastic Limit (%)	13		
Plasticity Index (%)	11		

Linear Shrinkage (AS1289 3.4.1)		Min	Max
Linear Shrinkage (%)	4.5		
Cracking Crumbling Curling	Cracking		

Moisture Content (AS 1289 2.1.1)		Min	Max
Moisture Content (%)	5.2		



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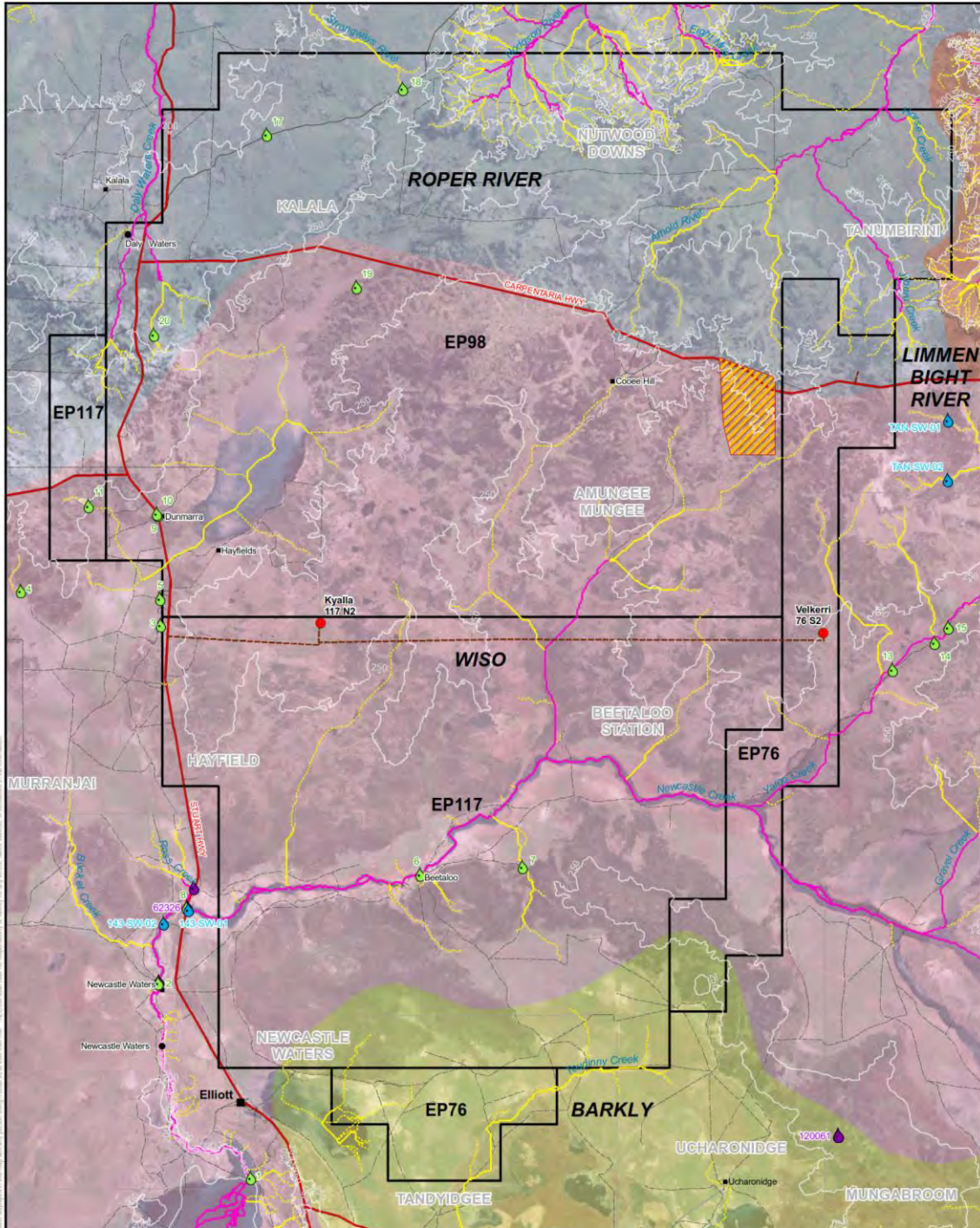
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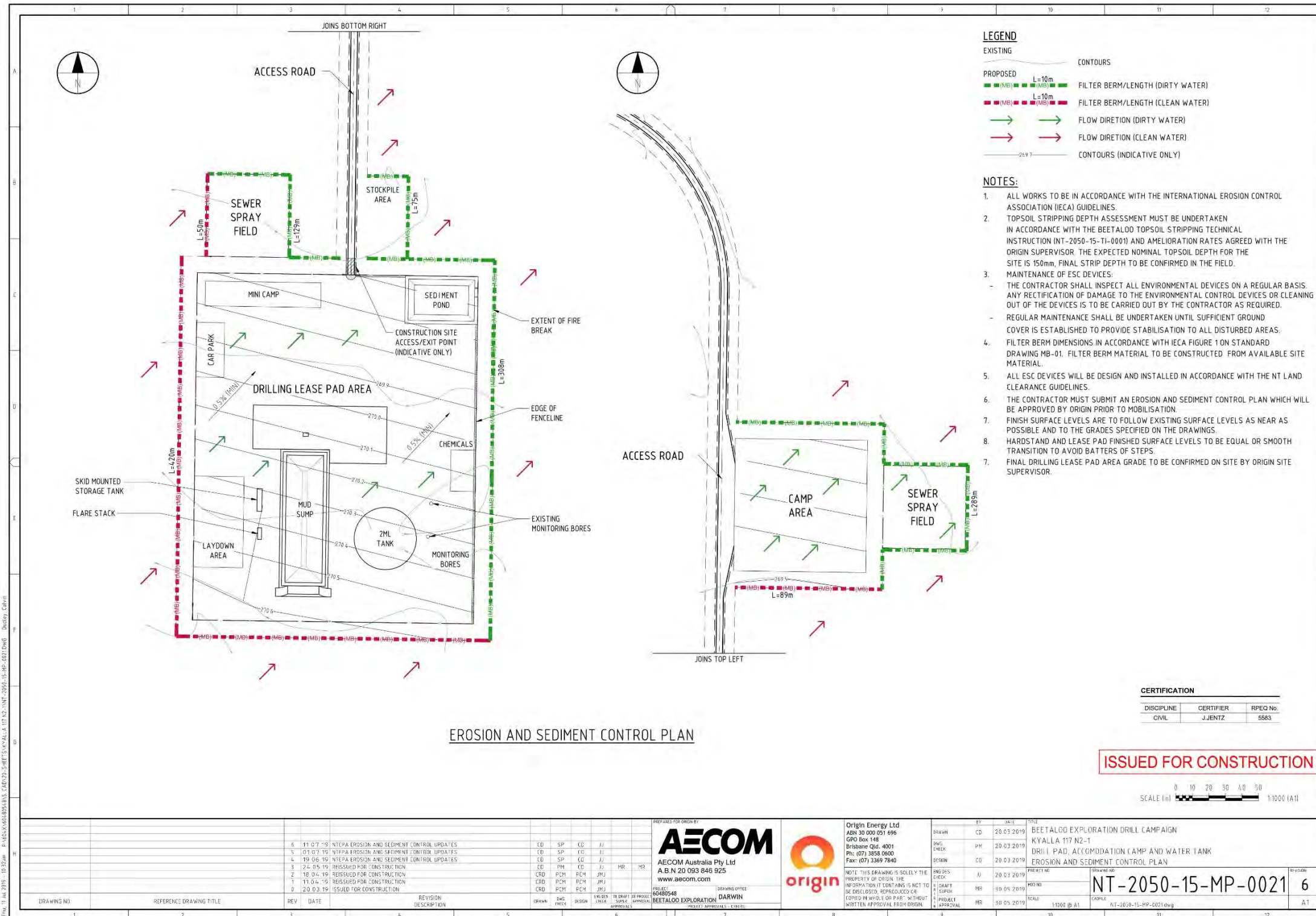
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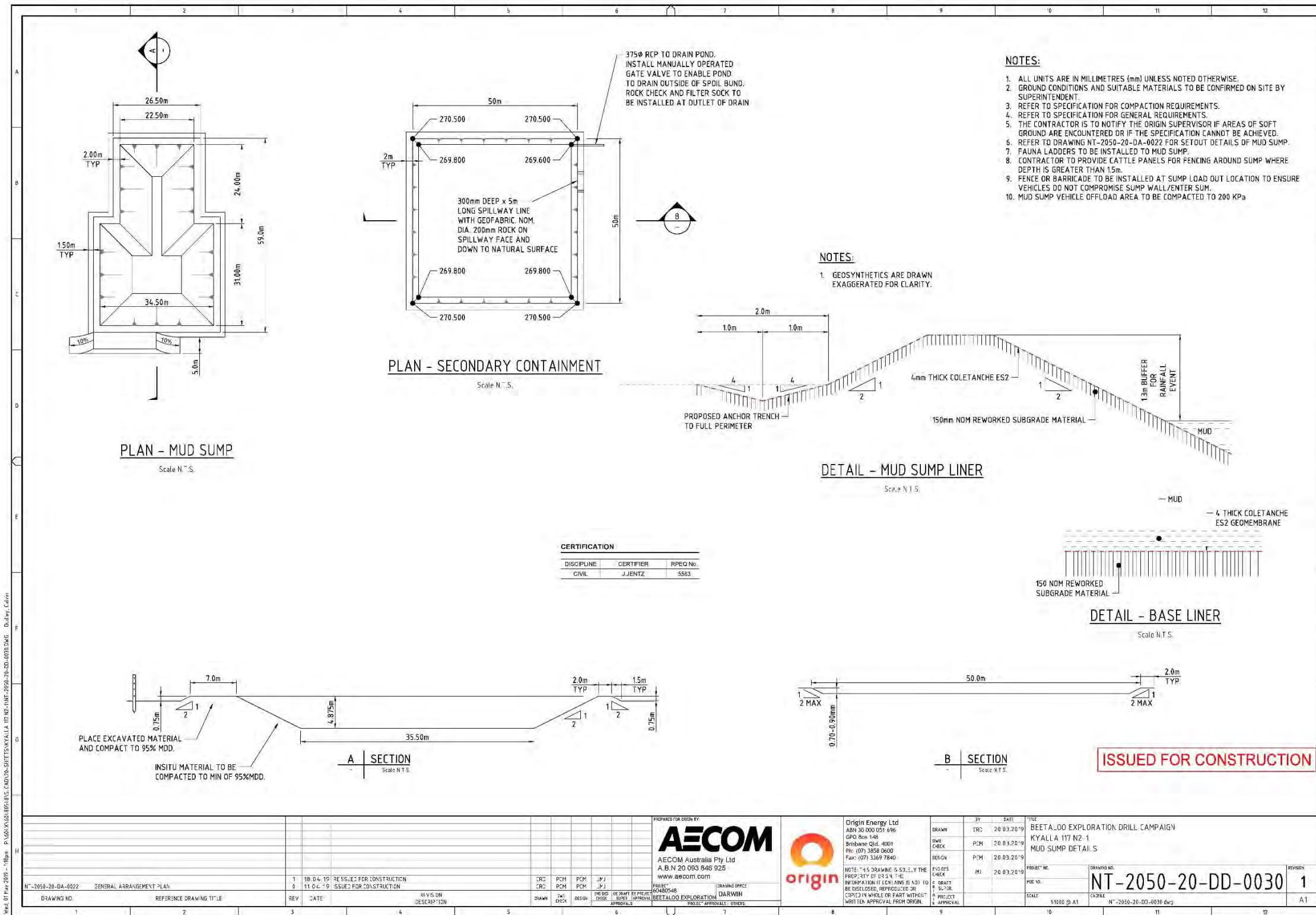
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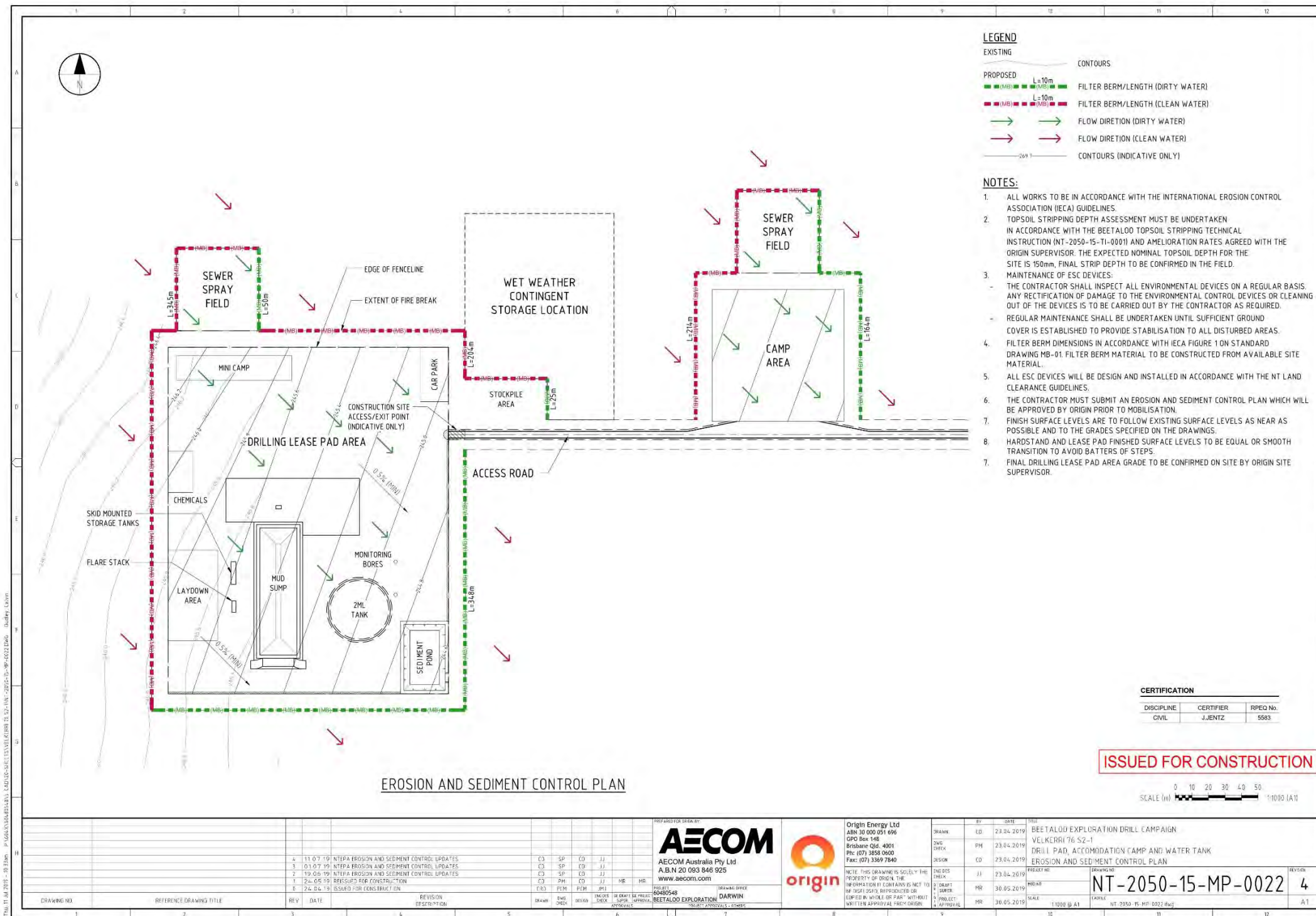


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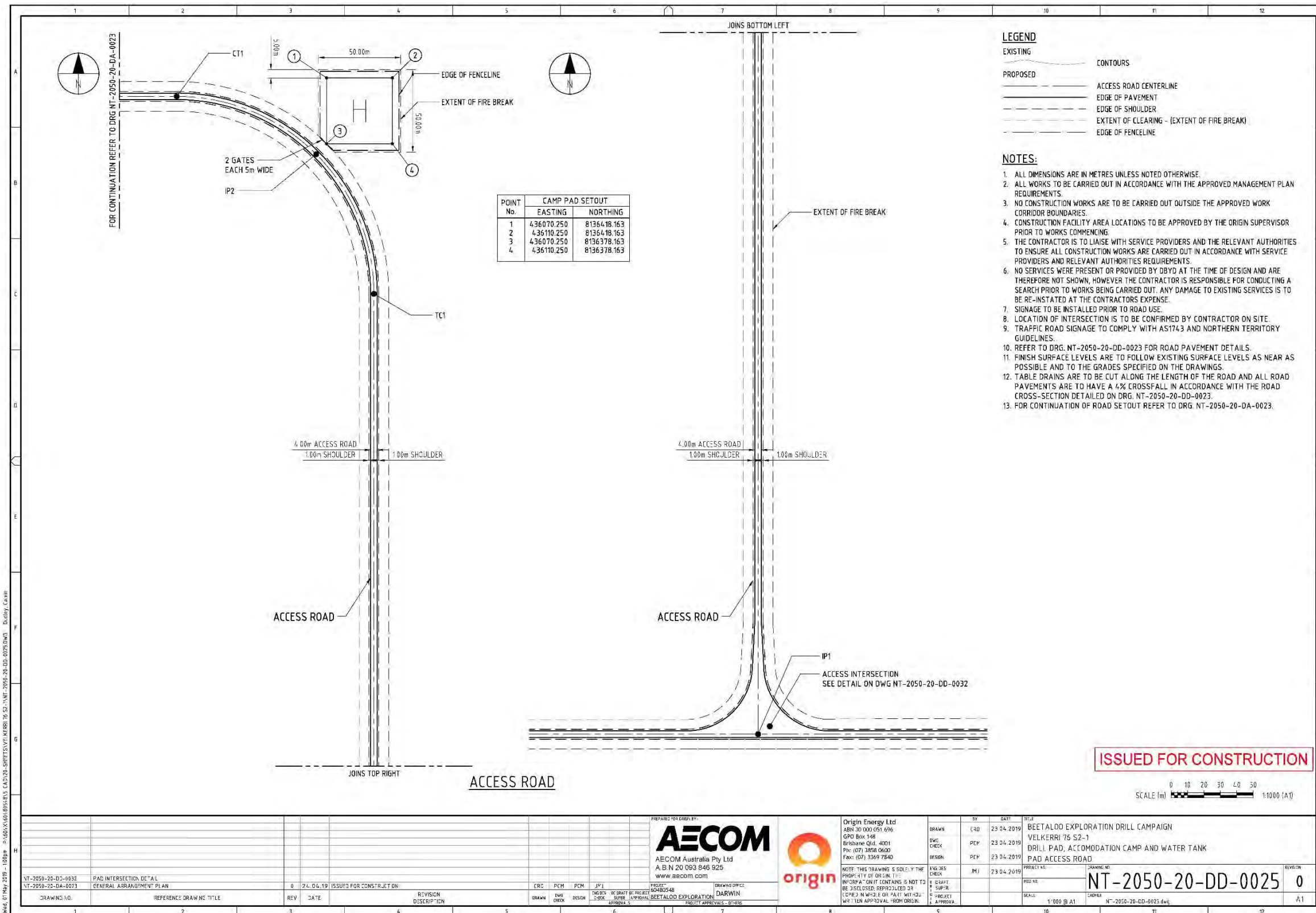
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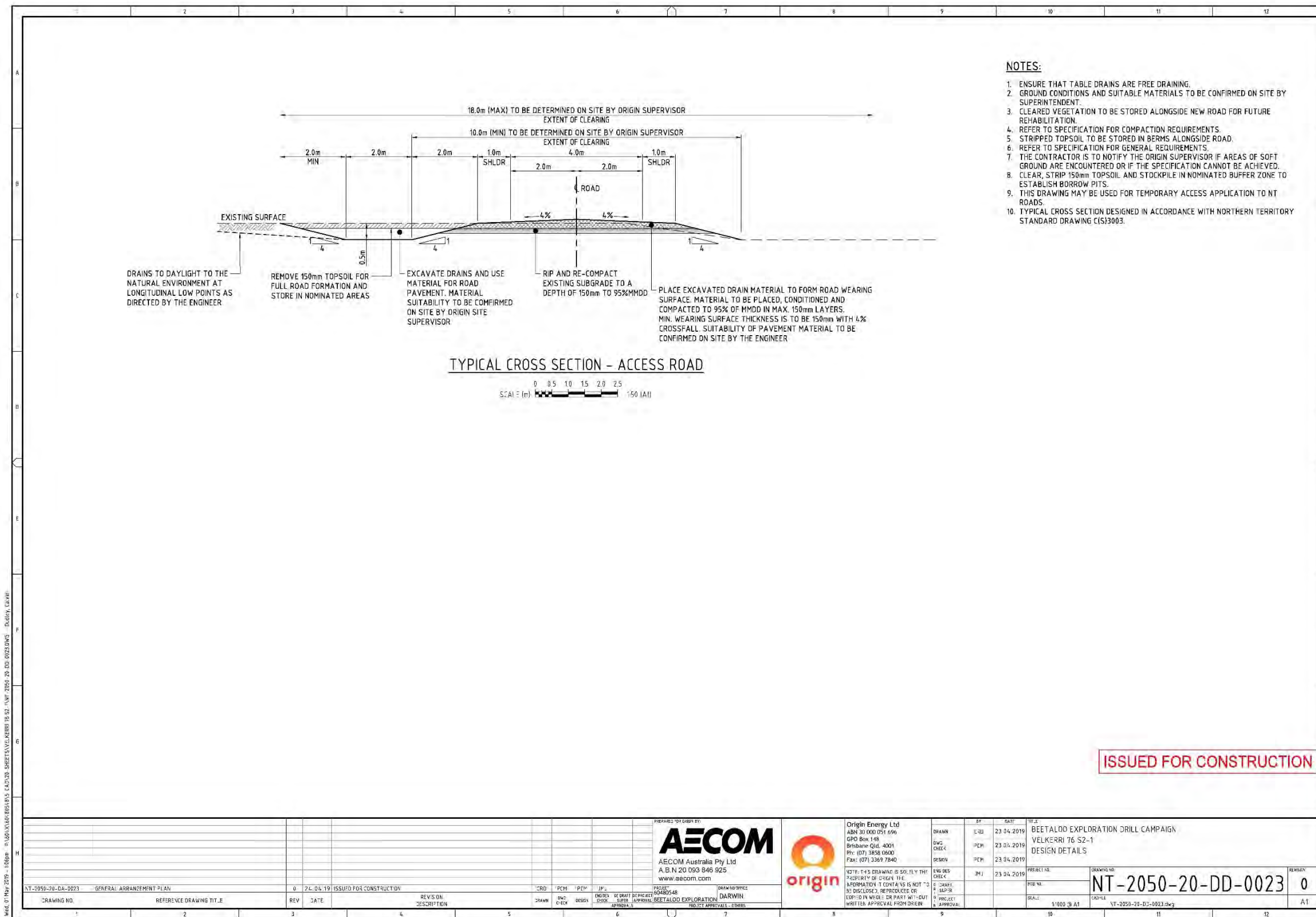
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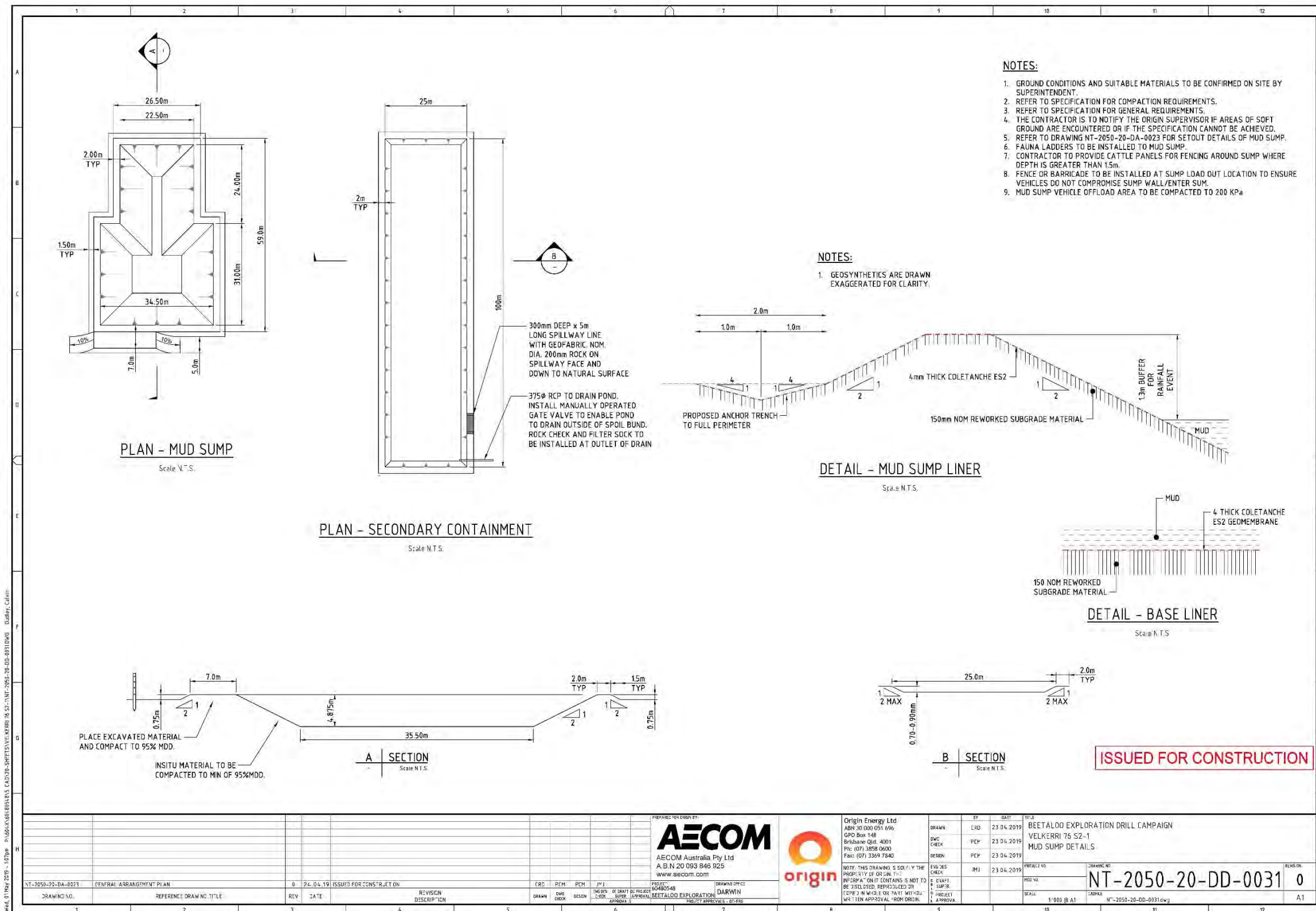
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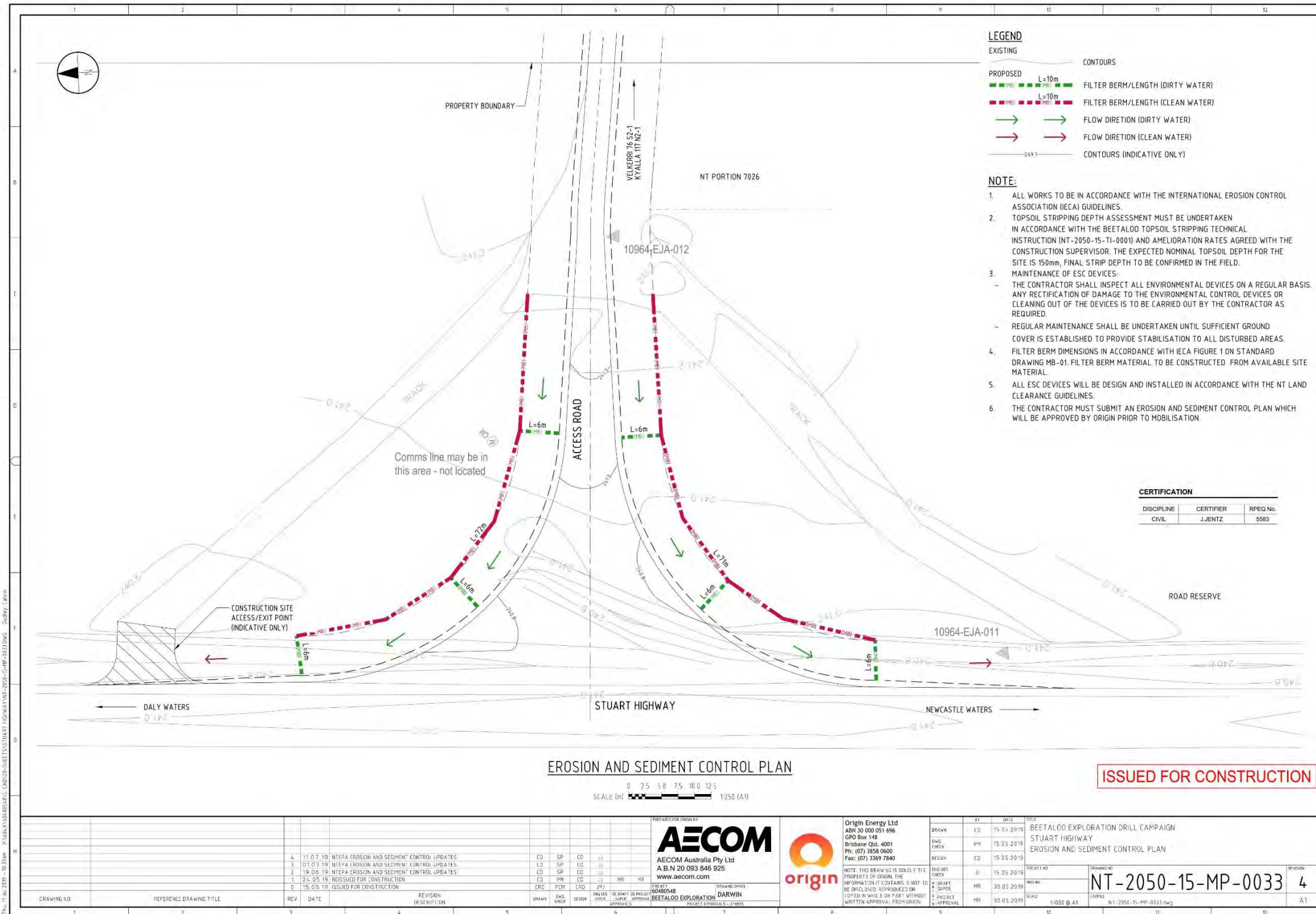


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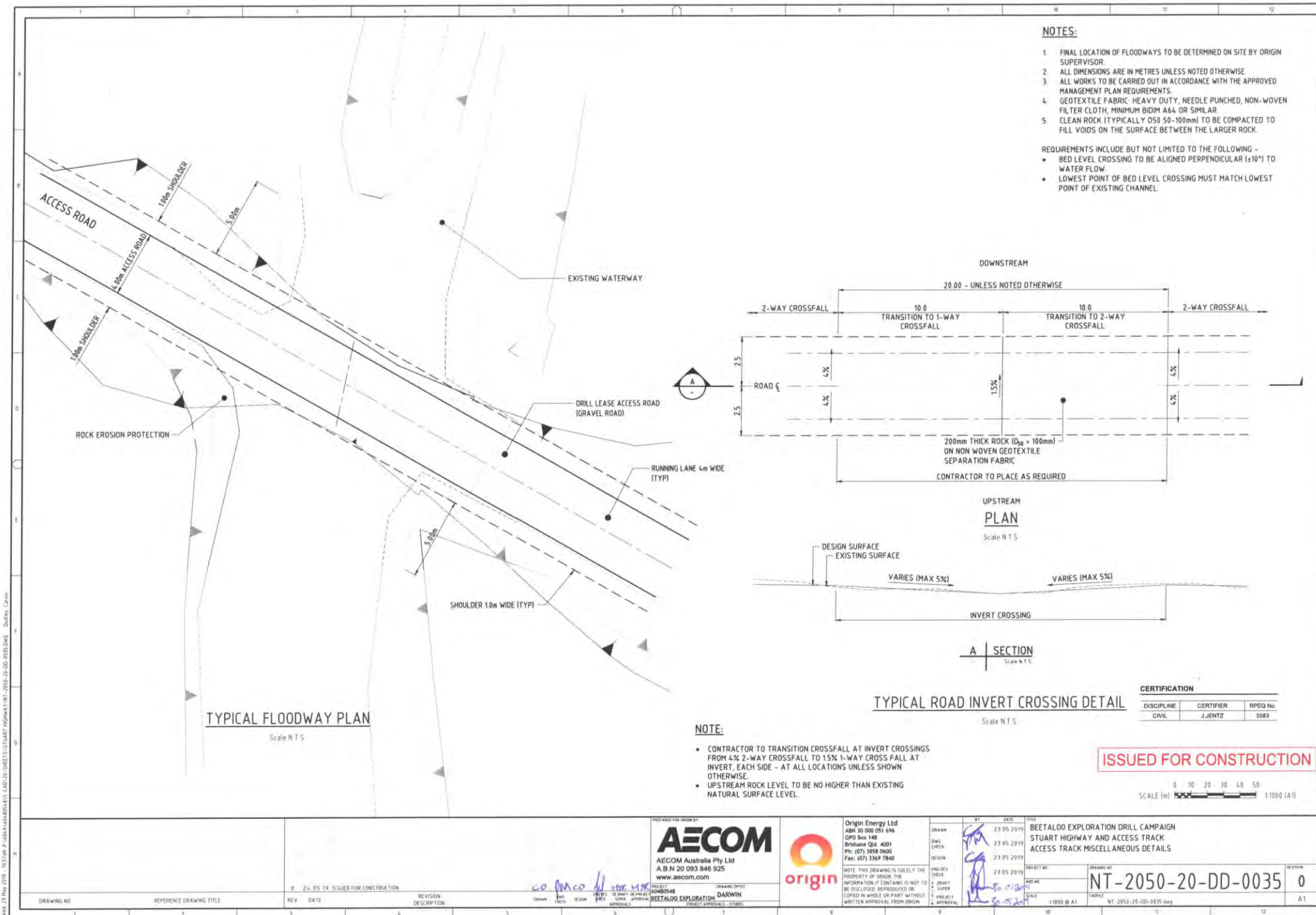


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Appendix H Erosion and Sediment Control Plan for Typical Road Invert Crossing



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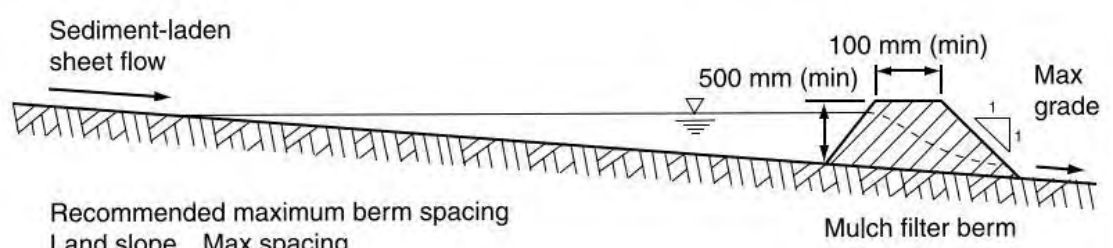
<p>MATERIALS</p> <p>(i) MULCH MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS4454.</p> <p>(ii) MAXIMUM SOLUBLE SALT CONCENTRATION OF 5dS/m.</p> <p>(iii) MOISTURE CONTENT OF 30 TO 50% PRIOR TO APPLICATION.</p> <p>INSTALLATION</p> <p>1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION AND EXTENT. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, EXTENT, MATERIAL TYPE, OR METHOD OF INSTALLATION CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>2. WHEN SELECTING THE LOCATION OF A MULCH FILTER BERM, TO THE MAXIMUM DEGREE PRACTICAL, ENSURE THE BERM IS LOCATED:</p> <p>(i) TOTALLY WITHIN THE PROPERTY BOUNDARIES;</p> <p>(ii) ALONG A LINE OF CONSTANT ELEVATION (PREFERRED, BUT NOT ALWAYS PRACTICAL);</p> <p>(iii) AT LEAST 1m, IDEALLY 3m, FROM THE TOE OF A FILL EMBANKMENT;</p> <p>(iv) AWAY FROM AREAS OF CONCENTRATED FLOW.</p> <p>3. ENSURE THE BERM IS INSTALLED IN A MANNER THAT AVOIDS THE CONCENTRATION OF FLOW ALONG THE BERM, OR THE UNDESIRABLE DISCHARGE OF WATER AROUND THE END OF THE BERM.</p> <p>4. ENSURE THE BERM HAS BEEN PLACED SUCH THAT PONDING UP-SLOPE OF THE BERM IS MAXIMISED.</p>	<p>5. ENSURE BOTH ENDS OF THE BERM ARE ADEQUATELY TURNED UP THE SLOPE TO PREVENT FLOW BYPASSING PRIOR TO WATER PASSING OVER THE BERM.</p> <p>6. ENSURE 100% CONTACT WITH THE SOIL SURFACE.</p> <p>7. WHERE SPECIFIED, TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO VEGETATE THE BERM.</p> <p>MAINTENANCE</p> <p>1. DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, INSPECT ALL BERMS AT LEAST WEEKLY AND AFTER ANY SIGNIFICANT RAIN. MAKE NECESSARY REPAIRS IMMEDIATELY.</p> <p>2. REPAIR OR REPLACE ANY DAMAGED SECTIONS.</p> <p>3. WHEN MAKING REPAIRS, ALWAYS RESTORE THE SYSTEM TO ITS ORIGINAL CONFIGURATION UNLESS AN AMENDED LAYOUT IS REQUIRED OR SPECIFIED.</p> <p>4. REMOVE ACCUMULATED SEDIMENT IF THE SEDIMENT DEPOSIT EXCEEDS A DEPTH OF 100mm OR 1/3 THE HEIGHT OF THE BERM.</p> <p>5. DISPOSE OF SEDIMENT IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.</p>	<p>REMOVAL (IF REQUIRED)</p> <p>1. WHEN DISTURBED AREAS UP-SLOPE OF THE BERM ARE SUFFICIENTLY STABILISED TO RESTRAIN EROSION, THE BERM MAYBE REMOVED.</p> <p>2. REMOVE ANY COLLECTED SEDIMENT AND DISPOSE OF IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.</p> <p>3. REHABILITATE/REVEGETATE THE DISTURBED GROUND AS NECESSARY TO MINIMISE THE EROSION HAZARD.</p>	 <p style="text-align: center;">Recommended maximum berm spacing</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Land slope</th> <th>Max spacing</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>< 2%</td> <td>30 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5%</td> <td>25 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10%</td> <td>15 m</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20%</td> <td>8 m</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Land slope	Max spacing	< 2%	30 m	5%	25 m	10%	15 m	20%	8 m
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Figure 1 - Typical placement of mulch filter berm

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MATERIAL

ROCK MULCH: 25–75mm DURABLE, WEATHER RESISTANT AND EVENLY GRADED WITH 50% BY WEIGHT LARGER THAN THE SPECIFIED NOMINAL ROCK SIZE (IF SPECIFIED).

INSTALLATION

1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION, EXTENT, AND APPLICATION DETAILS. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, EXTENT, OR METHOD OF APPLICATION CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.

2. SPREAD ENOUGH ROCK TO COMPLETELY COVER THE SURFACE OF THE SOIL AT THE DENSITY OR THICKNESS SPECIFIED IN THE APPROVED PLANS. IF THE APPLICATION DENSITY IS NOT SUPPLIED, THEN APPLY AT A THICKNESS OF AT LEAST 50mm OR TWICE THE NOMINAL ROCK SIZE (WHICHEVER IS GREATER).

3. IF THE EXPOSED SOILS ARE DISPERSIVE, THEN ENSURE THESE SOILS ARE COVERED WITH A LAYER OF NON-DISPERSIVE SOIL (MINIMUM 200mm) BEFORE PLACEMENT OF ROCK.

4. MAKE ALL NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS TO ENSURE ANY SURFACE FLOW IS ALLOWED TO PASS FREELY ACROSS THE TREATED AREA FOLLOWING ITS NATURAL DRAINAGE PATH.

MAINTENANCE

1. INSPECT ALL TREATED SURFACES FORTNIGHTLY AND AFTER RUNOFF-PRODUCING RAINFALL.

2. CHECK FOR RILL EROSION, OR DISLODGMET OF THE ROCKS.

3. REPLACE ANY DISPLACED ROCKS TO MAINTAIN THE REQUIRED COVERAGE.

4. IF WASH-OUTS OCCUR, REPAIR THE SLOPE AND REINSTALL ROCK COVER.

5. IF THE ROCK MULCHING IS NOT EFFECTIVE IN CONTAINING THE SOIL EROSION IT SHOULD BE REPLACED, OR AN ALTERNATIVE EROSION CONTROL PROCEDURE ADOPTED.

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PREPARATION

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2. TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO ENSURE DISTURBANCE TO THE BUFFER ZONE IS MINIMISED THROUGHOUT THE TIME IT IS USED AS A SEDIMENT TRAP.
3. TO THE MAXIMUM DEGREE PRACTICABLE, ENSURE FLOW PASSING THROUGH THE BUFFER ZONE IS NOT ALLOWED TO CONCENTRATE WITHIN DRAINAGE DEPRESSIONS, SWALES, RILLS OR WHEEL TRACKS.
4. WHERE NECESSARY, INSTALL APPROPRIATE DRAINAGE CONTROLS UP-SLOPE OF THE BUFFER ZONE TO DISTRIBUTE THE INFLOW ALONG THE FULLY LENGTH OF THE BUFFER ZONE AS 'SHEET FLOW'.
5. WHERE NECESSARY, INSTALL A COARSE SEDIMENT TRAP, SUCH AS A SEDIMENT FENCE, UP-SLOPE OF THE BUFFER ZONE TO REDUCE THE QUANTITY OF SEDIMENT PASSING ONTO THE GRASS. GENERALLY THIS IS REQUIRED IF LARGE QUANTITIES OF COARSE SEDIMENT ARE EXPECTED.

6. IF REQUIRED, INSTALL A LIGHT BARRIER FENCE TO CLEARLY IDENTIFY THE BUFFER ZONE AND HELP EXCLUDE CONSTRUCTION TRAFFIC.

MAINTENANCE

1. INSPECT THE BUFFER ZONE ON A REGULAR BASIS AND AFTER RUNOFF-PRODUCING RAINFALL.
2. ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO SOIL EROSION AND THAT SEDIMENT DEPOSITION IS NOT CAUSING THE CONCENTRATION OF FLOW THROUGH THE BUFFER ZONE, OR FLOW BYPASSING.
3. IF THE BUFFER ZONE HAS BEEN DISTURBED, TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO RE-ESTABLISH SUITABLE SHEET FLOW CONDITIONS.
4. REMOVE EXCESSIVE ACCUMULATIONS OF SEDIMENT THAT MAY CAUSE THE CONCENTRATION OF FLOW. EXCESSIVE SEDIMENT SHOULD BE REMOVED AFTER EACH RUNOFF-PRODUCING RAINFALL EVENT, OR WHERE APPROPRIATE, EVENLY RAKED INTO THE SOIL. SEDIMENT SHOULD BE REMOVED IN A MANNER THAT AVOIDS DAMAGE TO THE BUFFER ZONE OR THE CREATION OF WHEEL TRACKS DOWN THE SLOPE.

5. EXCESSIVE SEDIMENT MAY BE DEFINED AS:
 - (i) ANY SEDIMENT THAT COVERS A PORTION OF THE GRASSED SURFACE; OR
 - (ii) SEDIMENT DEPOSITION SUCH THAT THE GRASS STRAND HEIGHT ABOVE THE SEDIMENT IS LESS THAN 50mm; OR
 - (iii) A DEPOSITION OF SEDIMENT IN EXCESS OF 750g/m² (APPROXIMATELY THE EQUIVALENT OF THREE 70mm DIAMETER BALLS OF DRY SOIL).

6. THE SOURCE OF ANY EXCESSIVE SEDIMENT SHOULD BE INVESTIGATED AND CONTROLLED WHERE PRACTICAL.

7. TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO MAINTAIN AT LEAST 75% GRASS COVER OVER THE BUFFER ZONE.

8. WHERE PRACTICAL, MAINTAIN ANY GROUND COVER VEGETATION AT A HEIGHT GREATER THAN THE EXPECTED DEPTH OF WATER FLOW AND AT LEAST 50mm.

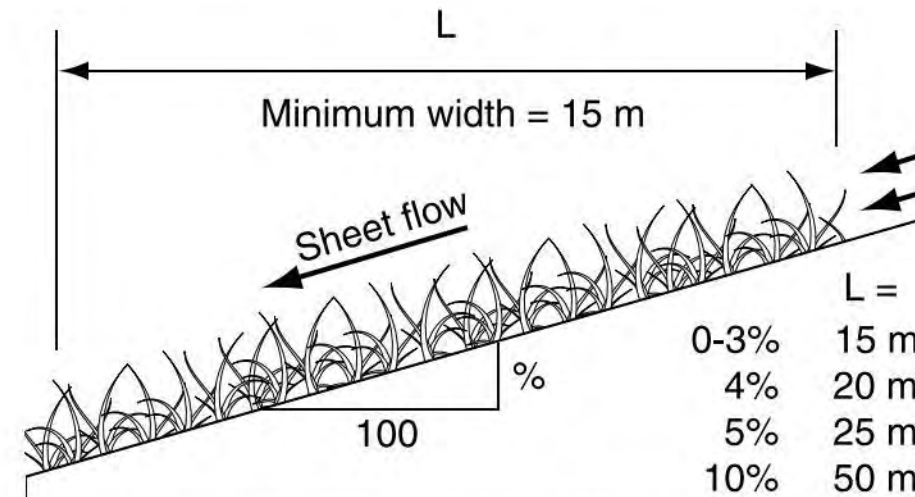


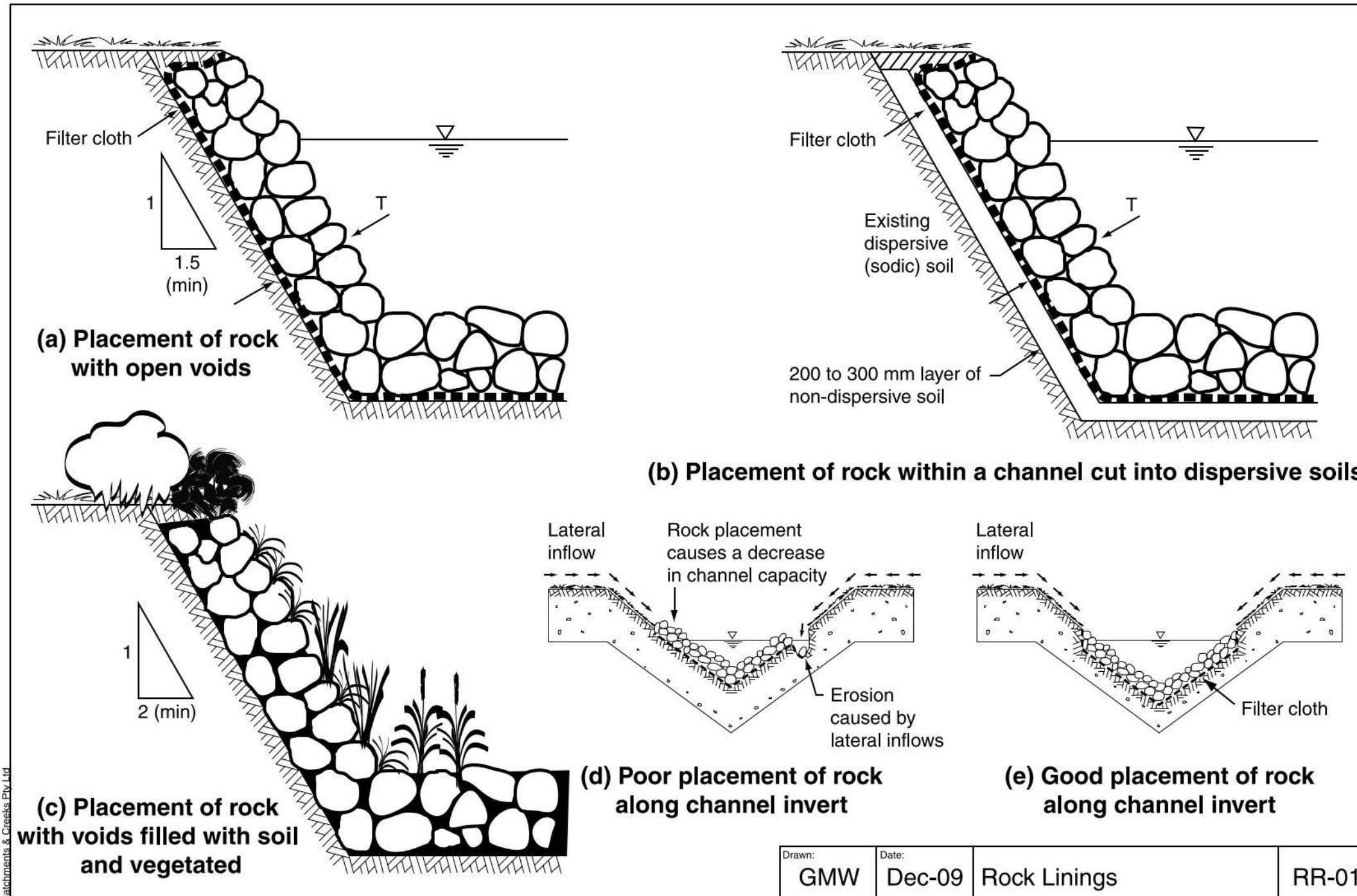
Figure 1 - Minimum dimensional requirements of a grassed buffer zone

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MATERIALS

ROCK: HARD, ANGULAR, DURABLE, WEATHER RESISTANT AND EVENLY GRADED WITH 50% BY WEIGHT LARGER THAN THE SPECIFIED NOMINAL ROCK SIZE AND SUFFICIENT SMALL ROCK TO FILL THE VOIDS BETWEEN THE LARGER ROCK. THE DIAMETER OF THE LARGEST ROCK SIZE SHOULD BE NO LARGER THAN 1.5 TIMES THE NOMINAL ROCK SIZE. SPECIFIC GRAVITY TO BE AT LEAST 2.5.

GEOTEXTILE FABRIC: HEAVY-DUTY, NEEDLE-PUNCHED, NON-WOVEN FILTER CLOTH, MINIMUM BIDIM A24 OR EQUIVALENT.

INSTALLATION

1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION, EXTENT AND INSTALLATION DETAILS. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, EXTENT, OR METHOD OF INSTALLATION CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.
2. CLEAR THE PROPOSED CHANNEL AREA OF TREES, STUMPS, ROOTS, LOOSE ROCK, AND OTHER OBJECTIONABLE MATERIALS.
3. EXCAVATE THE CHANNEL TO THE LINES AND GRADES AS SHOWN ON THE PLANS. OVER-CUT THE CHANNEL TO A DEPTH EQUAL TO THE SPECIFIED DEPTH OF ROCK PLACEMENT SUCH THAT THE FINISHED ROCK SURFACE WILL BE AT THE ELEVATION OF THE SURROUNDING LAND.
4. ROCK MUST BE PLACED WITHIN THE CHANNEL AS SPECIFIED WITHIN THE APPROVED PLANS, INCLUDING THE PLACEMENT OF ANY SPECIFIED FILTER LAYER.

5. IF DETAILS ARE NOT PROVIDED ON THE ROCK PLACEMENT, THEN THE PRIMARY ARMOUR ROCK MUST BE EITHER PLACED ON:

- (i) A FILTER BED FORMED FROM A LAYER OF SPECIFIED SMALLER ROCK (ROCK FILTER LAYER);
- (ii) AN EARTH BED LINED WITH FILTER CLOTH;
- (iii) AN EARTH BED NOT LINED IN FILTER CLOTH, BUT ONLY IF ALL VOIDS BETWEEN THE ARMOUR ROCK ARE TO BE FILLED WITH SOIL AND POCKET PLANTED IMMEDIATELY AFTER PLACEMENT OF THE ROCK.

6. IF A ROCK/AGGREGATE FILTER LAYER IS SPECIFIED, THEN PLACE THE FILTER LAYER IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE FOUNDATIONS ARE PREPARED. SPREAD THE FILTER ROCK IN A UNIFORM LAYER TO THE SPECIFIED DEPTH BUT A MINIMUM OF 150mm. WHERE MORE THAN ONE LAYER OF FILTER MATERIAL HAS BEEN SPECIFIED, SPREAD EACH LAYER SUCH THAT MINIMAL MIXING OCCURS BETWEEN EACH LAYER OF ROCK.

7. IF A GEOTEXTILE (FILTER CLOTH) UNDERLAY IS SPECIFIED, PLACE THE FABRIC DIRECTLY ON THE PREPARED FOUNDATION. IF MORE THAN ONE SHEET OF FABRIC IS REQUIRED TO COVER THE AREA, OVERLAP THE EDGE OF EACH SHEET AT LEAST 300mm AND PLACE ANCHOR PINS AT MINIMUM 1m SPACING ALONG THE OVERLAP.

8. ENSURE THE GEOTEXTILE FABRIC IS PROTECTED FROM PUNCHING OR TEARING DURING INSTALLATION OF THE FABRIC AND THE ROCK. REPAIR ANY DAMAGE BY REMOVING THE ROCK AND PLACING WITH ANOTHER PIECE OF FILTER CLOTH OVER THE DAMAGED AREA

OVERLAPPING THE EXISTING FABRIC A MINIMUM OF 300mm.

9. WHERE NECESSARY, A MINIMUM 100mm LAYER OF FINE GRAVEL, AGGREGATE OR SAND SHOULD BE PLACED OVER THE FABRIC TO PROTECT IT FROM DAMAGE.

10. PLACEMENT OF ROCK SHOULD FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER PLACEMENT OF THE FILTER LAYER. PLACE ROCK SO THAT IT FORMS A DENSE, WELL-GRADED MASS OF ROCK WITH A MINIMUM OF VOIDS.

11. PLACE ROCK TO ITS FULL THICKNESS IN ONE OPERATION. DO NOT PLACE ROCK BY DUMPING THROUGH CHUTES OR OTHER METHODS THAT CAUSE SEGREGATION OF ROCK SIZES.

12. THE FINISHED SURFACE SHOULD BE FREE OF POCKETS OF SMALL ROCK OR CLUSTERS OF LARGE ROCKS. HAND PLACING MAY BE NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE THE PROPER DISTRIBUTION OF ROCK SIZES TO PRODUCE A RELATIVELY SMOOTH, UNIFORM SURFACE. THE FINISHED GRADE OF THE ROCK SHOULD BLEND WITH THE SURROUNDING AREA. NO OVERFALL OR PROTRUSION OF ROCK SHOULD BE APPARENT.

13. IMMEDIATELY UPON COMPLETION OF THE CHANNEL, VEGETATE ALL DISTURBED AREAS OR OTHERWISE PROTECT THEM AGAINST SOIL EROSION.

14. WHERE SPECIFIED, FILL ALL VOIDS WITH SOIL AND VEGETATE THE ROCK SURFACE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED PLAN.

MAINTENANCE

1. ROCK-LINED CHANNELS SHOULD BE INSPECTED PERIODICALLY AND AFTER SIGNIFICANT STORM EVENTS. CHECK FOR SCOUR OR DISLODGED ROCK. REPAIR DAMAGED AREAS IMMEDIATELY.
2. CLOSELY INSPECT THE OUTER EDGES OF THE ROCK PROTECTION. ENSURE WATER ENTRY INTO THE CHANNEL OR CHUTE IS NOT CAUSING EROSION ALONG THE EDGE OF THE ROCK PROTECTION.
3. CAREFULLY CHECK THE STABILITY OF THE ROCK LOOKING FOR INDICATIONS OF PIPING, SCOUR HOLES, OR BANK FAILURES.
4. REPLACE ANY DISPLACED ROCK WITH ROCK OF A SIGNIFICANTLY (MINIMUM 110%) LARGER SIZE THAN THE DISPLACED ROCK.

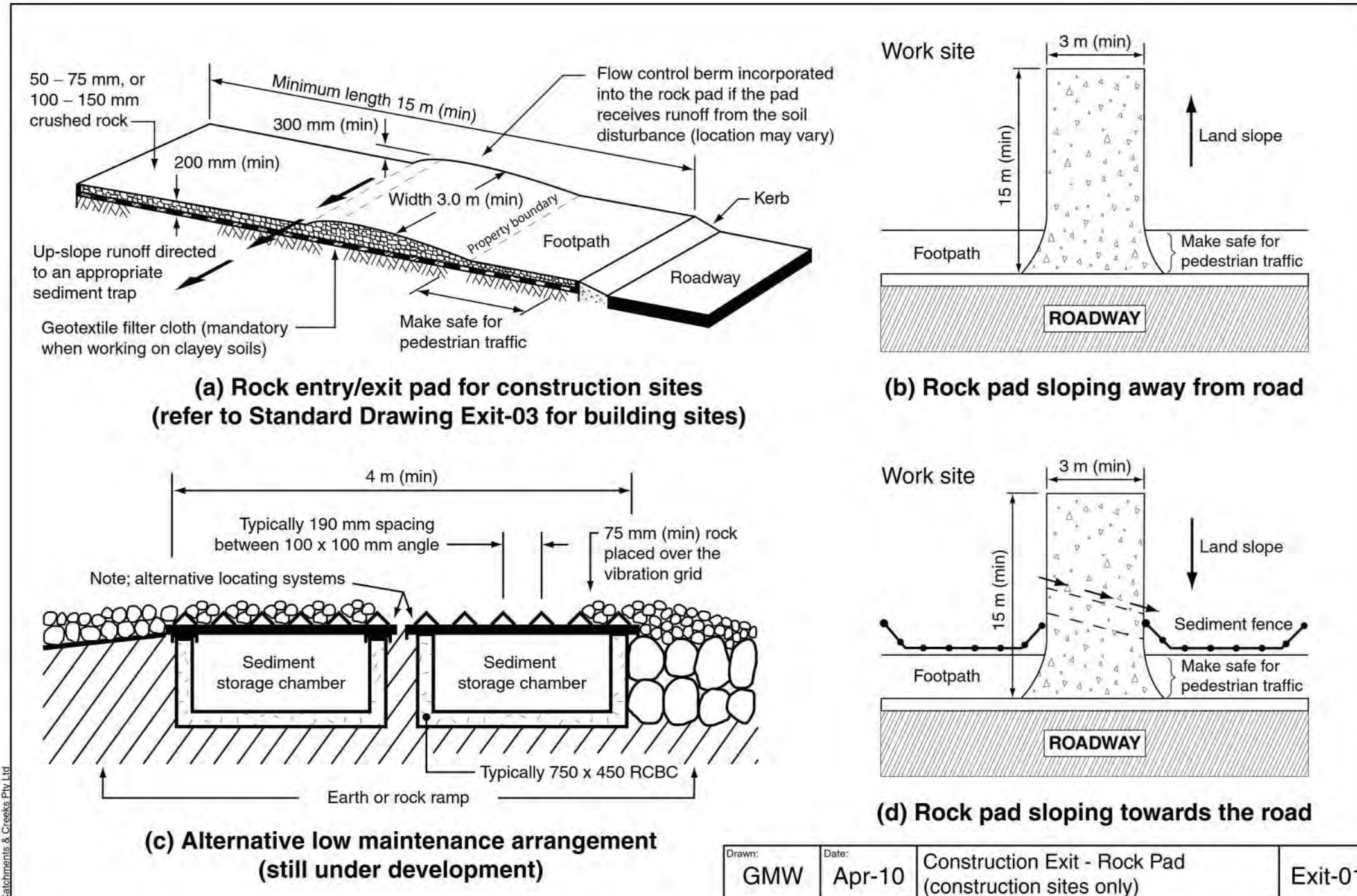
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<p>MATERIALS</p> <p>ROCK: WELL GRADED, HARD, ANGULAR, EROSION RESISTANT ROCK, NOMINAL DIAMETER OF 50 TO 75mm (SMALL DISTURBANCES) OR 100 TO 150mm (LARGE DISTURBANCES). ALL REASONABLE MEASURES MUST BE TAKEN TO OBTAIN ROCK OF NEAR UNIFORM SIZE.</p> <p>FOOTPATH STABILISING AGGREGATE: 25 TO 50mm GRAVEL OR AGGREGATE.</p> <p>GEOTEXTILE FABRIC: HEAVY-DUTY, NEEDLE-PUNCHED, NON-WOVEN FILTER CLOTH ('BIDIM' A24 OR EQUIVALENT).</p> <p>INSTALLATION</p> <p>1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION AND DIMENSIONAL DETAILS. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, DIMENSIONS, OR METHOD OF INSTALLATION, CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.</p> <p>2. CLEAR THE LOCATION OF THE ROCK PAD, REMOVING STUMPS, ROOTS AND OTHER VEGETATION TO PROVIDE A FIRM FOUNDATION SO THAT THE ROCK IS NOT PRESSED INTO SOFT GROUND. CLEAR SUFFICIENT WIDTH TO ALLOW PASSAGE OF LARGE VEHICLES, BUT CLEAR ONLY THAT NECESSARY FOR THE EXIT. DO NOT CLEAR ADJACENT AREAS UNTIL THE REQUIRED EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL DEVICES ARE IN PLACE.</p> <p>3. IF THE EXPOSED SOIL IS SOFT, PLASTIC OR CLAYEY, PLACE A SUB-BASE OF CRUSHED ROCK OR A LAYER OF HEAVY-DUTY FILTER CLOTH TO PROVIDE A FIRM FOUNDATION.</p>	<p>4. PLACE THE ROCK PAD FORMING A MINIMUM 200mm THICK LAYER OF CLEAN, OPEN-VOID ROCK.</p> <p>5. IF THE ASSOCIATED CONSTRUCTION SITE IS UP-SLOPE OF THE ROCK PAD, THUS CAUSING STORMWATER RUNOFF TO FLOW TOWARDS THE ROCK PAD, THEN FORM A MINIMUM 300mm HIGH FLOW CONTROL BERM ACROSS THE ROCK PAD TO DIVERT SUCH RUNOFF TO A SUITABLE SEDIMENT TRAP.</p> <p>6. THE LENGTH OF THE ROCK PAD SHOULD BE AT LEAST 15m WHERE PRACTICABLE, AND AS WIDE AS THE FULL WIDTH OF THE ENTRY OR EXIT AND AT LEAST 3m. THE ROCK PAD SHOULD COMMENCE AT THE EDGE OF THE OFF-SITE SEALED ROAD OR PAVEMENT.</p> <p>7. FLARE THE END OF THE ROCK PAD WHERE IT MEETS THE PAVEMENT SO THAT THE WHEELS OF TURNING VEHICLES DO NOT TRAVEL OVER UNPROTECTED SOIL.</p> <p>8. IF THE FOOTPATH IS OPEN TO PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT, THEN COVER THE COARSE ROCK WITH FINE AGGREGATE OR GRAVEL, OR OTHERWISE TAKE WHATEVER MEASURES ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THE AREA SAFE.</p>	<p>MAINTENANCE</p> <p>1. INSPECT ALL SITE ENTRY AND EXIT POINTS PRIOR TO FORECAST RAIN, DAILY DURING EXTENDED PERIODS OF RAINFALL, AFTER RUNOFF-PRODUCING RAINFALL, OR OTHERWISE AT FORTNIGHTLY INTERVALS.</p> <p>2. IF SAND, SOIL, SEDIMENT OR MUD IS TRACKED OR WASHED ONTO THE ADJACENT SEALED ROADWAY, THEN SUCH MATERIAL MUST BE PHYSICALLY REMOVED, FIRST USING A SQUARE-EDGED SHOVEL, AND THEN A STIFF-BRISTLED BROOM, AND THEN BY A MECHANICAL VACUUM UNIT, IF AVAILABLE.</p> <p>3. IF NECESSARY FOR SAFETY REASONS, THE ROADWAY SHALL ONLY BE WASHED CLEAN AFTER ALL REASONABLE EFFORTS HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO SHOVEL AND SWEEP THE MATERIAL FROM THE ROADWAY.</p> <p>4. WHEN THE VOIDS BETWEEN THE ROCK BECOMES FILLED WITH MATERIAL AND THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE ROCK PAD IS REDUCED TO A POINT WHERE SEDIMENT IS BEING TRACKED OFF THE SITE, A NEW 100mm LAYER OF ROCK MUST BE ADDED AND/OR THE ROCK PAD MUST BE EXTENDED.</p> <p>5. ENSURE ANY ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE CONTROL MEASURES (e.g. FLOW CONTROL BERM) ARE MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR DESIRED OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS.</p>	<p>6. DISPOSE OF SEDIMENT AND DEBRIS IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CREATE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.</p> <p>REMOVAL</p> <p>1. THE ROCK PAD SHOULD BE REMOVED ONLY AFTER IT IS NO LONGER NEEDED AS A SEDIMENT TRAP.</p> <p>2. REMOVE MATERIALS AND COLLECTED SEDIMENT AND DISPOSE OF IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.</p> <p>3. RE-GRADE AND STABILISE THE DISTURBED GROUND AS NECESSARY TO MINIMISE THE EROSION HAZARD.</p>					
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APPLICATION

1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION, EXTENT, AND APPLICATION DETAILS. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, EXTENT, OR METHOD OF APPLICATION CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.
2. FILL OR SUITABLY CONTOUR ANY EXISTING RUTTING, RILLING OR GULLIES.
3. SUITABLY DIVERT UP-SLOPE STORMWATER RUNOFF AROUND TREATED AREA AS DIRECTED WITHIN THE APPROVED PLANS, OR OTHERWISE AS DIRECTED BY THE SITE ENGINEER.
4. APPLY TREATMENT TO THE AREA TO THE DEPTH AND FREQUENCY (SPACING) SPECIFIED ON THE APPROVED PLANS, OR OTHERWISE AS DIRECTED BY THE SITE ENGINEER.
5. IMMEDIATELY SEED AND MULCH ROUGHENED AREAS TO OPTIMISE SEED GERMINATION AND GROWING CONDITIONS.

MAINTENANCE

1. DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, INSPECT THE TREATED AREA PRIOR TO FORECAST RAINFALL, DAILY DURING EXTENDED PERIODS OF RAINFALL, AFTER SIGNIFICANT RUNOFF PRODUCING RAINFALL, OR OTHERWISE ON A WEEKLY BASIS.
2. FILL EROSION RILLS SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE ORIGINAL GRADE, OR REGRADE THE SLOPE AS DIRECTED TO REMOVE THE RILLS.

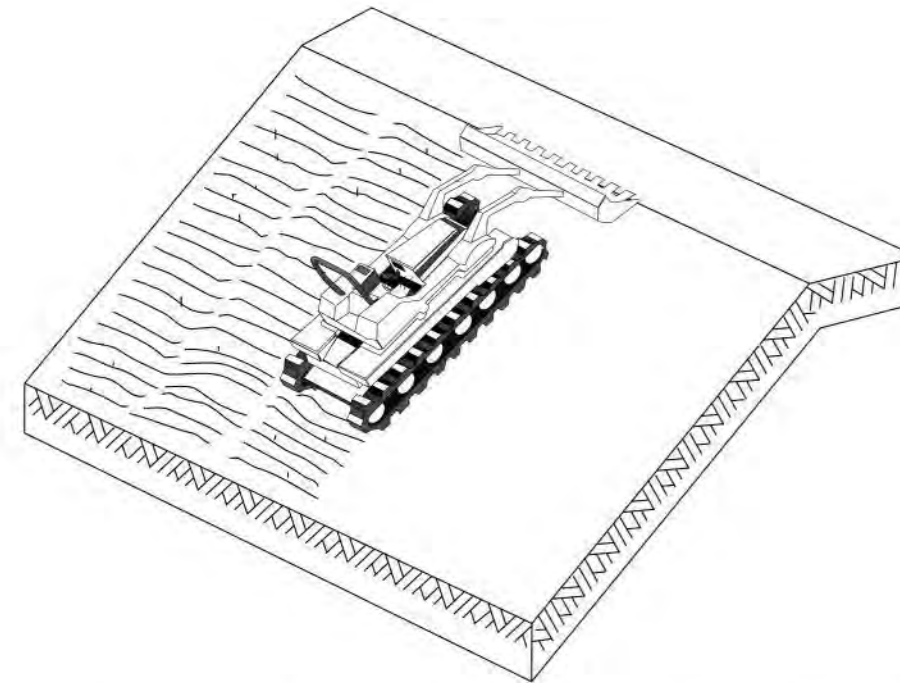


Figure 1 - Application of surface roughening on slope

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Appendix J Erosion and Sediment Control Checklist

Site establishment		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	Site access points limited to the minimum necessary, clearly identified on plans, and appropriate controls specified.	.....
2	Drainage controls indicated on the entry/exit pad (if necessary).	.....
3	Site office and car parking areas identified and provided with adequate drainage, erosion and sediment controls.	.....
4	Technical notes included on best practice site management including dust, chemical, oil, fuel, litter and debris control.	.....
5	Stockpile locations clearly identified and located away from protected vegetation and overland flow paths.	.....
6	Stockpiles located at least 5m away from top of watercourse banks.	.....
7	Adequate up-slope drainage controls (if necessary) and down-slope sediment controls placed adjacent to stockpiles.	.....
8	Temporary access roads/tracks identified, with appropriate drainage/erosion controls specified.	.....
9	<i>Temporary Watercourse Crossings</i> identified and protected.	.....
10	<i>Temporary Watercourse Crossings</i> are appropriate for fish passage requirements.	N/A
11	Minimum non-disturbance zone between unsealed access tracks and the edge of streams is at least the width of the stream (measured at the top of the bank) or 30m whichever is the lesser.

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Drainage Controls		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	All temporary construction roads and access tracks shown on the ESC Plan.	.....
2	Flow from “clean” external catchments diverted around/through site in a non-erosive manner.	.....
3	Internal “dirty” water drainage lines identified and directed to sediment controls.	.....
4	Appropriate drainage controls located immediately up-slope of neighbouring, down-slope residential areas.	.....
5	All site drainage inflow and outflow points identified.	.....
6	All water discharges from the site at legal points of discharge.	.....
7	All water discharges through stabilised outlets onto stable land.	.....
8	Maximum spacing of drains on long, open soil slopes is appropriate for the gradient and soil type.	.....
9	Appropriate flow velocity controls (e.g. <i>Check Dams</i>) or scour controls (e.g. turf or <i>Erosion Control Mats</i>) specified.	.....
10	<i>Catch Drains</i> or <i>Flow Diversion Banks</i> located at top of cut and fill batters.	.....
11	Temporary <i>Catch Drains</i> <u>not</u> indicated on dispersive soils.	.....
12	Rock <i>Check Dams</i> <u>not</u> specified in shallow (i.e. < 500mm deep) drains.	.....
13	Water flow is appropriately conveyed down constructed earth slopes (e.g. through <i>Slope Drains</i> or <i>Chutes</i>).	.....
14	All <i>Slope Drains</i> and <i>Chutes</i> have stabilised inlets and outlets.	.....
15	Appropriate drainage controls on unsealed roads and access tracks.	.....
16	Overland flow appropriately controlled around <i>Temporary Watercourse Crossings</i> .	

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Erosion control		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	The erosion control standard is consistent with the requirements of regulatory authority.	.....
2	Specified mulch stabilisation measures are appropriate for the soil slope (gradient).	.....
3	Appropriate drainage controls installed to minimise mulch being washed off the slope/site.	.....
4	Synthetic (plastic) mesh reinforced <i>Erosion Control Blankets</i> <u>not</u> specified in or adjacent to susceptible wildlife habitats.	.....
5	Emergency short-term erosion control measures specified (e.g. in event of construction delays, pre-storm activities).	.....
6	Technical notes indicate what additional works are required if construction occurs during the wet season.	.....
7	Dust control measures specified.	.....

Site Stabilisation/Revegetation		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	Vegetation Management Plan and/or Landscape Plan provided.	.....
2	Site stabilisation/rehabilitation plan provided.	.....
3	Minimum soil protective cover of 70 % specified on ESCP or in the Supporting Documentation.	.....
4	Appropriate soil preparation measures specified prior to revegetation.	.....
5	Timing and specification for any temporary vegetation is provided.	.....
6	Application of permanent site revegetation is appropriately staged.	.....
7	Minimum specifications for imported topsoil supplied.	.....
8	Specifications and application rates for soil adjustments provided (soil report).	.....
9	Specifications and application rates for seeding, mulches and hydraulically applied soil covers provided.	.....

Supplementary Sediment Controls		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	Every appropriate opportunity has been taken to trap sediment as close to the initial source of erosion as is practicable <u>without</u> placing sediment controls in locations where they could cause hydraulic, erosion, or safety issues.	.....
2	Sediment traps placed on public roadways will <u>not</u> cause safety issues.	.....
3	No sub-catchment relies solely on supplementary sediment control measures.

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4	<i>Straw Bales</i> are <u>not</u> specified for sediment control, unless justified by <u>exceptional</u> circumstances (e.g. as a short-term control during the installation of the primary sediment trap).
5	The ESCP provides sufficient information to control the installation and use of supplementary sediment traps.	.....

Sediment Control Sheet Flow		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	No sediment-laden water leaves the site untreated.	.....
2	“Sheet flow” control measures (e.g. <i>Buffer Zones</i> , <i>Grassed Filter Strips</i> , and <i>Sediment Fence</i>) <u>not</u> specified in areas of concentrated flow.	.....
3	<i>Grass Filter Strips</i> will not cause water to be diverted along the up-slope edge of the filter strip.	.....
4	The width of sediment control <i>Buffer Zones</i> is appropriate for the land slope (gradient).	.....
5	Geotextile <i>Filter Fences</i> are only used to control sediment runoff from earth stockpiles.	.....
6	<i>Sediment Fences</i> : (a) Located (i.e. with regular “returns”) such that runoff will pond uniformly or a regular intervals along the fence. (b) Ends of each fence turned up the slope to control flow bypass. (c) Each fence clearly identified as either “woven” or “non-woven” as appropriate, otherwise a summary table is provided identifying the fabric specification for each fence. (d) Specifications show a maximum 2m spacing of support post. (e) The fence is located at least 2m from base of fill slopes. (f) Specifications (design details) show adequate trenching of fabric.	..... ..... .....

Sediment Control Concentrated Flow		N/A – Not Applicable A – Acceptable Controls Adopted N – measure are not acceptable, or potential problem exists.
Item	Consideration	Assessment
1	Appropriate sediment control standard specified (i.e. Type 2 or Type 3)	.....
2	Location of all sediment control measures clearly shown.	.....
3	The location and operation of sediment control measures will <u>not</u> cause safety issues or flooding of adjacent properties.	.....
5	Appropriate sediment control measures are specified for all “sag” and “on-grade” kerb inlets.	.....
6	Appropriate sediment control measures specified for all field (drop) inlets.	.....
7	Appropriate sediment control measures specified for all culverts and pipe inlets (if required).	.....
8	Type 2 sediment traps (e.g. <i>Rock Filter Dams</i> , <i>Sediment Trenches</i> , <i>Sediment Weirs</i>): (a) Have adequate up-slope pond area. (b) Have an appropriately sized sediment collection pit. (c) Designed for an appropriate storm frequency.	..... ..... .....
9	Appropriate access is provided to all sediment traps for maintenance and sediment removal.	.....
10	Appropriate sediment control measures are specified for de-watering operations specified (technical notes).

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11	Sediment controls are placed within streams ONLY as a last resort, and only with written approval from all appropriate Regulatory Authorities.
12	Sediment controls placed in and around drainage channels are appropriate for the expected flow conditions.

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Appendix G: Water Monitoring Suites

Table 41: Groundwater monitoring suite extracted from the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the northern Territory.

Table 6: Minimum suite of analytes for groundwater monitoring.

General	LOR	Cations and Metals	LOR
pH	0.01 pH units	Calcium	1 mg/L
Electrical conductivity	1 μ S/cm	Chromium	0.001 mg/L
Total Dissolved Solids	10 mg/L	Copper	0.001 mg/L
Total Suspended Solids	1 mg/L	Iron	0.05 mg/L
Alkalinity	1 mg/L	Lead	0.001 mg/L
Gross Alpha	0.05 Bq/L	Magnesium	1 mg/L
Gross Beta	0.1 Bq/L	Manganese	0.001 mg/L
Water level	\pm 10 cm (AHD)	Mercury	0.0001 mg/L
Groundwater pressure		Potassium	1 mg/L
Anions		Silver	0.001 mg/L
Chloride	1 mg/L	Arsenic	0.001 mg/L
Fluoride	0.1 mg/L	Barium	0.001 mg/L
Sulfate	1 mg/L	Boron	0.05 mg/L
Nitrate	0.01 mg/L	Cadmium	0.0001 mg/L
Nitrite	0.01 mg/L	Lithium	0.001 mg/L
Petroleum		Selenium	0.01 mg/L
TRH	100 μ g/L	Silica	0.1 mg/L
PAH Suite	0.5 μ g/L	Strontium	0.001 mg/L
BTEX	1 μ g/L	Sodium	1 mg/L
Diss. Methane	10 μ g/L	Zinc	0.005 mg/L
Diss. Ethane	10 μ g/L		
Diss. Propane	10 μ g/L		

Table 42: Wastewater characterisation suite.

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Physical Parameters			
Dissolved oxygen (DO)	mg/L	0.1	Field
Electrical Conductivity (EC)	us/cm	1	Field
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	10	APHA 2540C
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	5	APHA 2540C
pH		0.1	Field

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	ratio	0.01	APHA 4500
Temperature	°C	0.1	Field
Nutrients			
Nitrate	mg/L	0.01	APHA VC13
Nitrite	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500 NO2
Total Nitrogen	mg/L	0.1	APHA 4500 NORG
total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.1	APHA NORG/TKN
Ammonia	mg/L	0.01	APHA NH4
Reactive Phosphorous	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500P
Total Phosphorous	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4500P
Anions			
Sulphate	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-SO4-C
Chloride	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-Cl-C
Carbonate	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B
Bicarbonate (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2310 B
Bicarbonate Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B
Hydroxide Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	0.01	APHA 2320 B
Total Alkalinity (as CaCO3 equivalent)	mg/L	0.01	APHA 2320 B
Fluoride	mg/L	0.1	APHA 4500 F-C
Bromide	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4110B
Total Cyanide	mg/L	0.004	APHA 4500 CN-0
Major Cations			
Sodium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Na
Magnesium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Mg
Potassium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 K
Calcium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Ca
Metals and Metalloids (total and dissolved)			
Aluminium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Antimony	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Arsenic	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Barium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Beryllium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Boron	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Bromide	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Cadmium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Chromium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Copper	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Iron	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Lead	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Manganese	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Mercury	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Molybdenum	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Nickel	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Selenium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Silica	mg/L	0.1	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Silver	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Strontium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Thorium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Tin	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Uranium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Vanadium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Zinc	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES
Naturally Occuring Radioactive Material.			
alpha radiation	Bq/L	0.05	ASTM D7283-06
beta radiation	Bq/L	0.05	ASTM D7283-06
BTEX			
Benzene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Toluene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Ethylbenzene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
M and p Xylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
O Xylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Total Xylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Hydrocarbons			
TRH C6 - C10	mg/L	0.02	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH C6 - C10 less BTEX	mg/L	0.02	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C10 - C16	mg/L	0.02	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C10 - C16 less Naphthalene	mg/L	0.02	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C16 - C34	mg/L	0.01	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
TRH >C34 - C40	mg/L	0.01	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
Total TRH C6 - C40	mg/L	0.01	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS
Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons			
3-Methylcholanthrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
7, 12-Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthylene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Anthracene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (a) pyrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
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Pyrene	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Carcinogenic PAHs (benzo[a]pyrene equivalents)	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Total PAH	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Volatile Organic Compounds			
2,3,4,6-Tetrachlorophenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
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4-Nitrophenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Dinoseb	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Formaldehyde	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Hexachlorophene	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS

Parameter	Reporting Units	Limit of Reporting	Method
m- and p-Cresol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Pentachlorophenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Phenol	mg/L	0.005	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Organic Carbon			
Dissolved Organic Carbon	mg/L	1	APHA 5310 B
Total Organic Carbon	mg/L	1	APHA 5310 B

Appendix H: Heritage Assessment

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Aboriginal & Historic Heritage Assessment: 2018 Exploration Lease Areas

1.0 Introduction

AECOM Australia Pty Ltd (AECOM) was commissioned by Origin Energy Resources Limited (Origin) to conduct a heritage assessment of the proposed exploration lease areas known as Kyalla 117 N2-1 and Velkerri 76 S2-1 located within the Beetaloo Basin, Northern Territory.

The assessment consisted of the following:

- A 5.5-ha area around the proposed lease sites including an additional 500 m buffer to allow for future flexibility.
- A 1-ha camp pad.
- A 0.5-ha helipad at the Velkerri 76 S2-1.
- 650 m long x 8 m wide (0.52-ha) lease pad turn in to Kyalla 117 N2-1 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.
- 1,100 m long x 8 m wide (0.88-ha) lease pad turn in to Velkerri 76 S2-1 connecting the proposed lease pad to the existing access track.

This report details the results specific to the archaeological inspection of Kyalla 117 N2-1 and Velkerri 76 S2-1. A separate anthropological survey was conducted by AAPA representatives and the respective Traditional Owners.

2.0 Existing Data Sources

Information on the location of heritage sites within the study area was obtained from:

- a review of Native Title claims and Indigenous Land Use Agreements over the proposed activity areas
- a review of existing Northern Territory Heritage Register managed by the NT Heritage Branch
- a review of the Sacred Sites Register maintained by the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority
- a review of past archaeological survey reports and assessments undertaken within the local area.

Relevant legislation is summarised in Appendix A.

2.1 Native Title

Native Title exists in parts of the determination area as detailed in Table 1.

Table 1 Native Title & ILUA Agreements

Type	Bore	Name	Summary
Native Title	Kyalla 117 N2-1	NTD21/2010 Shenandoah Pastoral Lease	Native Title exists in parts of the determination area and is held by the Kinbininggu and Bamarrnganja groups
	Velkerri 76 S2-1	NTD17/2010 Amungee Mungee Pastoral Lease	Native title exists in parts of the determination area and is held by The Karranjini group; the Bamarrnganja group

The Native Title Petroleum Exploration Agreement between Permit Holder and the NLC includes clauses for the protection of Sacred Sites, objects and sensitive areas related to Aboriginal activities in the area, including cultural, hunting and foraging activities. Site clearance will occur prior to any on ground activities. The Native Title Agreement also includes clauses for the protection of the environment and rehabilitation.

2.2 Australian Heritage Database

A search of the Australia Heritage Database identified that no statutory listed heritage places within the proposed impact areas.

2.3 NT Heritage Register

A search of the Northern Territory Heritage Register identified no heritage places or artefacts within the proposed impact areas.

2.4 Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority

AAPA clearance surveys by AAPA anthropologist and traditional owners were completed and an Authority Certificate issued to Origin for the proposed exploration works within nine exploration activity locations, including Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2. The clearance certificate issued for Origin's exploration program includes:

- AAPA RA2019/41 (C2019/039) – EP117, EP76 and EP98 within Part NT Portions 701, 702, 1077, 1079, 1513, 5416, 7027 and 7026.

Origin has committed to comply with conditions as prescribed by AAPA certificate for the duration of the program.

2.5 Previous Archaeological Investigations

The majority of archaeological investigations near the study area have been predominately associated with either linear infrastructure in an alignment parallel to the Stuart Highway or natural gas exploration activities associated with the Beetaloo Basin. Of the assessments of relevance to the study area, the majority of sites identified are artefact scatters composed of raw material commonly found in the immediate area (quartz, silcrete and quartzite).

Table 2 provides a summary of previous archaeological investigations undertaken in the local area.

Table 2 Previous Archaeological Assessments in the Local Area

Researchers	Assessment Type	Locality	Key Findings
Smith, 1986	Excavation	Lake Woods	In situ artefacts dated to 6,000 years.
Hermes, 1986	Survey	Amadeus Basin to Katherine	Large scale survey for a proposed natural gas pipeline targeting areas of major cultural sensitivity from Daly Waters to Katherine. Thirty-two sites were identified with the majority being artefact scatters associated with watercourses.
Quaternary Archaeological Surveys, 1998	Survey	Stuart Highway to Mataranka Homestead	Large scale survey for a fibre optic cable corridor. Three isolated artefacts and one historic heritage site identified.
Heritage Surveys, 1999	Survey	Daly Waters to McArthur River	Nine archaeological sites identified including rockshelters and artefact scatters.
HLA-Envirosciences Pty Ltd, 2006a, 2006b, 2006c, 2006d, 2007	Survey	Beetaloo Basin	Several archaeological sites identified across the exploration permits including artefact scatters, isolated artefacts and stone cairns.
AECOM Australia Pty Ltd, n.d., 2011, 2012a, 2012b	Survey	Beetaloo Basin	Several archaeological sites identified as part of seismic line clearance including large artefact scatters (>1 km), quarry sites and isolated artefacts.
AECOM Australia Pty Ltd, 2014	Survey	Beetaloo Basin	One isolated artefact identified as part of an exploration drilling program clearance.
AECOM Australia Pty Ltd, 2016	Survey	Beetaloo Basin	One isolated artefact identified on Newcastle Waters firebreak

3.0 Heritage Assessment

A heritage assessment involving field survey was undertaken by AECOM archaeologist, Luke Kirkwood for the proposal area on 28 to 29 August 2017. The archaeological inspection involved helicopter and pedestrian survey of the proposed exploration area and access tracks.

At arrival at each inspection target, the helicopter would make a series of passes to assist in the identification of landforms/ecological features of interest to the heritage survey. Upon landing, survey would target these areas, or in cases where no landform/ecological features were identified, general survey would be undertaken targeting areas of surface ground exposure (Figure 1 and Figure 2).





During the inspection notes were taken on landform, ground surface visibility and areas of exposure. The aim of the inspection was to identify any surface expressions of Aboriginal archaeological and cultural heritage values within the proposal area. Photographic records were taken at each proposed disturbance location.

Results of the inspection are provided in Table 3. Appendix C provides details on ground surface visibility classes and subsurface archaeological potential assessment. Plate 1 to Plate 4 present the general context shots of the proposed exploration lease area.

Table 3 Exploration Lease Area Inspection Results

Location	Easting (mE) ^a	Northing (mN) ^a	GSV ^b	GSI ^c	Surface Archaeology	Subsurface Potential	Impact Potential
Kyalla 117 N2-1	356175	8137500	Fair	High	None identified	Low	Low to No Impact
Velkerri 76 S2-1	435488	8136321	Good	High	None identified	Low	Low to No Impact

^a GDA94 Zone 53; ^b GSV = Ground Surface Visibility; ^c GSI = Ground Surface Integrity

	
<p>Plate 1 Kyalla 117 N2-1 general context shot</p>	<p>Plate 2 Kyalla 117 N2-1 aerial context shot</p>
	
<p>Plate 3 Velkerri 76 S2-1 general context shot</p>	<p>Plate 4 Velkerri 76 S2-1 aerial context shot</p>

4.0 Identified Archaeological Heritage

No culturally sensitive landforms or archaeological heritage was identified during the survey of the proposed lease sites.

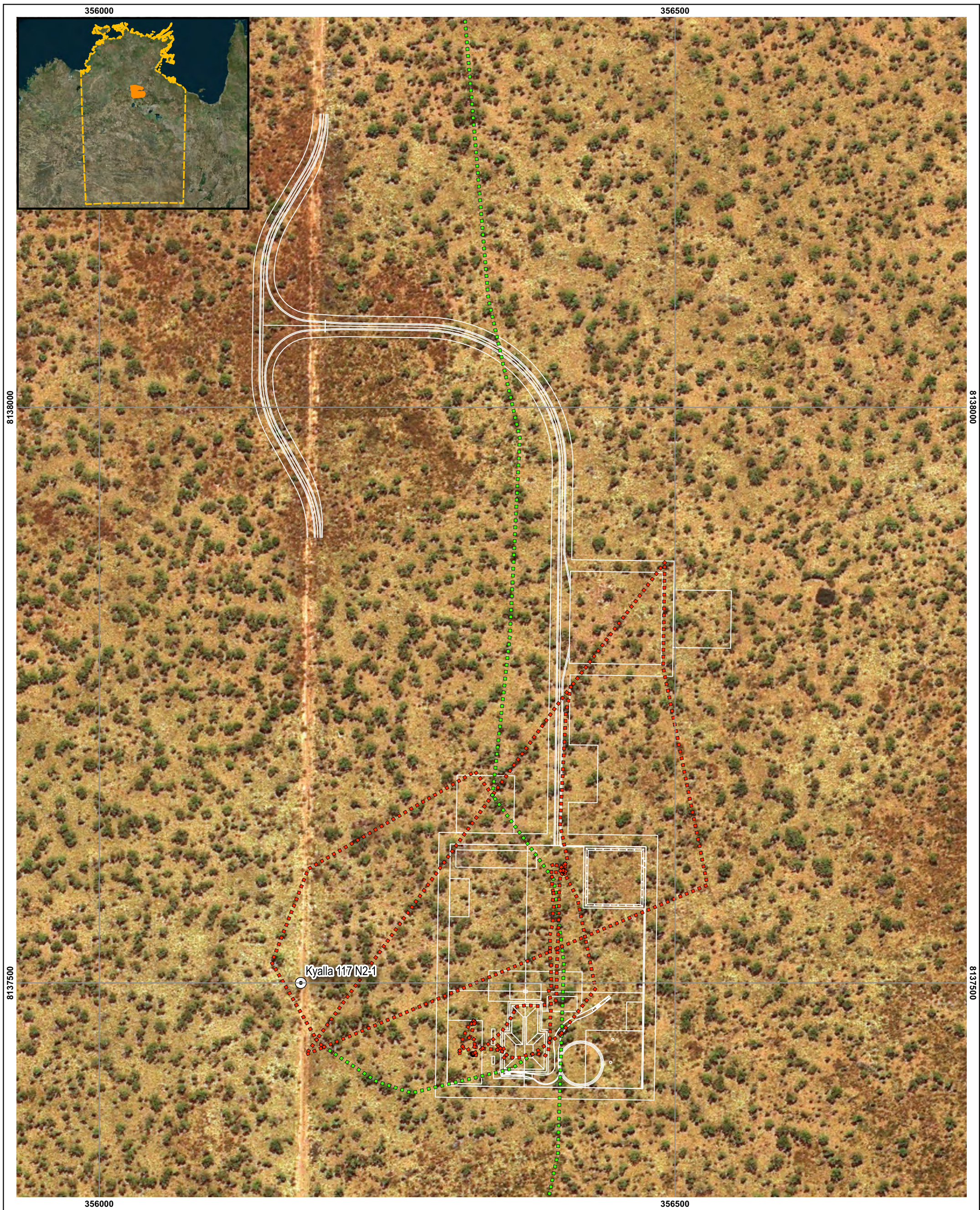
5.0 Key Findings and Recommendations

The key findings of this heritage assessment are:

- A review of existing heritage data and reports for the study area indicate that no previously recorded heritage sites will be impacted by the proposed works.
- AAPA clearance surveys by AAPA anthropologist and Traditional Owners have been completed and AAPA Certificate issued to Origin for their current exploration program.
- Inspection of the proposed exploration lease areas identified no archaeological heritage values (Aboriginal, historical or Macassan)

On the basis of the above findings, the following recommendations are made:

- An unexpected heritage finds stop works procedure is to be implemented for the duration of the project (Appendix D).
- Induction of staff on site is to include reference to the wider area having Indigenous heritage values and the stop works procedure.



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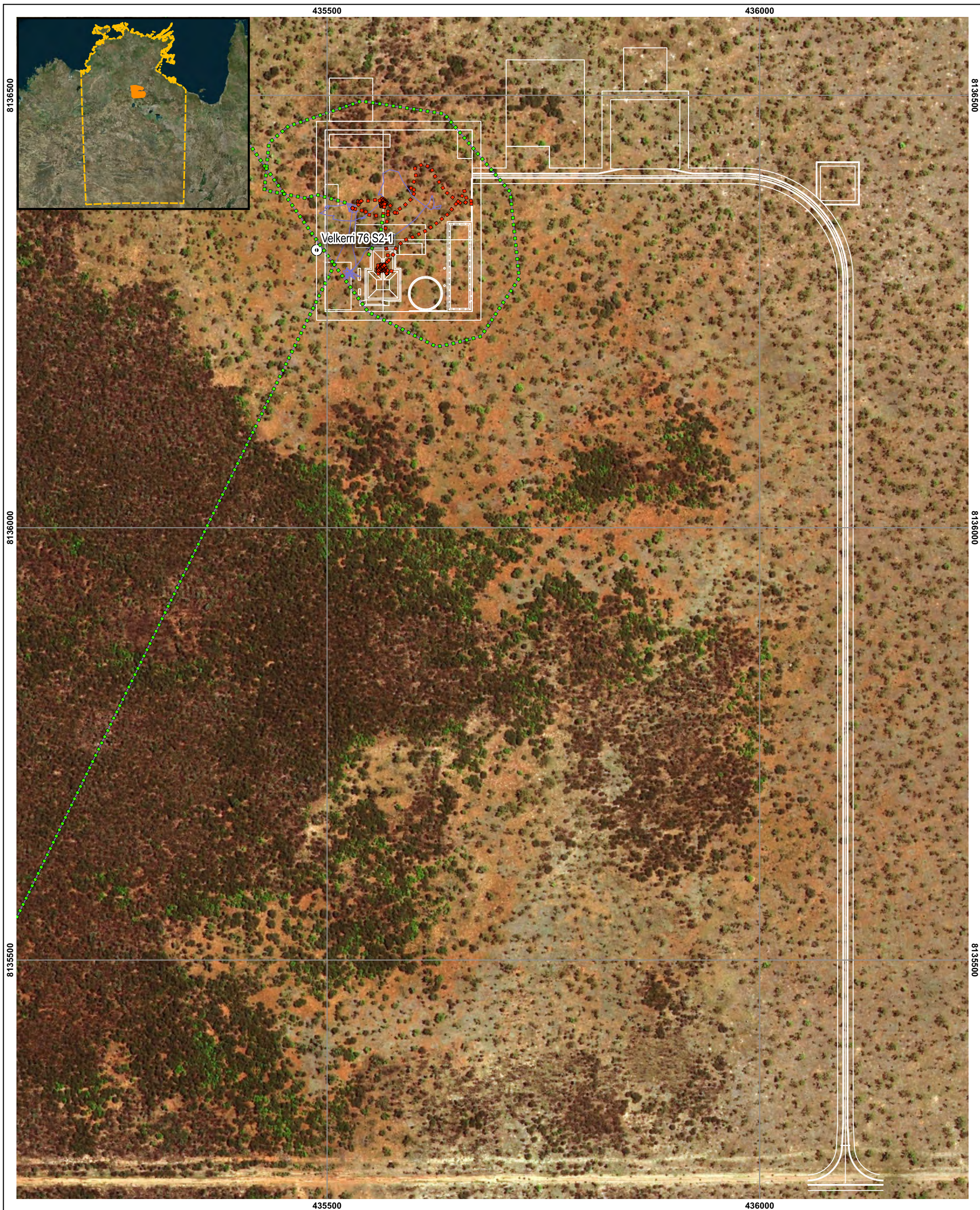
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Appendix A - Legislation

Commonwealth Legislation

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act

The Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) took effect on the 16 July 2000 (NSW Department of Urban Affairs and Planning, 2000). Under section 26 of the EPBC Act it is stated that:

A person must not take on Commonwealth land an action that has, will have or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment.

Under section 28 of the EPBC Act it is stated that:

The Commonwealth or a Commonwealth agency must not take inside or outside the Australian jurisdiction an action that has, will have or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment inside or outside the Australian jurisdiction.

An action is defined as a project, development, undertaking, activity, series of activities, or alteration. An action will also require approval if:

It is undertaken on Commonwealth land and will have or is likely to have a significant impact;

It is undertaken outside Commonwealth land and will have or is likely to have a significant impact on the environment on Commonwealth land; and

It is undertaken by the Commonwealth and will have or is likely to have a significant impact.

The EPBC Act defines 'environment' as both natural and cultural environments and therefore includes Aboriginal and historic heritage items. Under the Act, protected heritage items are listed on the National Heritage List (items of significance to the nation) or the Commonwealth Heritage List (items belonging to the Commonwealth or its agencies). These two lists replaced the Register of the National Estate (RNE) which is no longer a statutory list.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984

The *Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984* (the ATSIHP Act) provides for the preservation and protection of places, areas and objects of particular significance to Indigenous Australians. The stated purpose of the ATSIHP Act is the 'preservation and protection from injury or desecration of areas and objects in Australia and in Australian waters, being areas and objects that are of particular significance to Aboriginals in accordance with Aboriginal tradition' (section 4).

Under the Act, 'Aboriginal tradition' is defined as "the body of traditions, observances, customs and beliefs of Aboriginals generally or of a particular community or group of Aboriginals, and includes any such traditions, observances, customs or beliefs relating to particular persons, areas, objects or relationships" (Section 3). A 'significant Aboriginal area' is an area of land or water in Australia that is of 'particular significance to Aboriginals in accordance with Aboriginal tradition' (Section 3). A 'significant Aboriginal object', on the other hand, refers to an object (including Aboriginal remains) of like significance.

For the purposes of the Act, an area or object is considered to be injured or desecrated if:

- In the case of an area:
 - it is used or treated in a manner inconsistent with Aboriginal tradition;
 - the use or significance of the area in accordance with Aboriginal tradition is adversely affected;
 - passage through, or over, or entry upon, the area by any person occurs in a manner inconsistent with
 - Aboriginal tradition;
- In the case of an object:
 - it is used or treated in a manner inconsistent with Aboriginal tradition.

The ATSIHP Act can override state and territory laws in situations where a state or territory has approved an activity, but the Commonwealth Minister prevents the activity from occurring by making a declaration to protect an area or object. However, the Minister can only make a decision after receiving a legally valid application under the ATSIHP Act and, in the case of long term protection, after considering a report on the matter. Before making a declaration to protect an area or object in a state or territory, the Commonwealth Minister must consult the appropriate Minister of that state or territory (section 13).

Native Title Act 1993

The *Native Title Act 1993* provides for the recognition and protection of native title for Indigenous peoples. The Act recognises native title for land over which native title has not been extinguished and where persons able to establish native title are able to prove continuous use, occupation or other classes of behaviour and actions consistent with a traditional cultural possession of those lands. It also makes provision for Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUA) to be formed.

Northern Territory Legislation

Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989

The *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989* was established to provide a system that protects sacred sites whilst providing for the development of land.

The Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA) is a statutory authority established under the Sacred Sites Act and is responsible for overseeing the protection of sacred sites on land and sea across the whole of Australia's Northern Territory.

The Act establishes the protection of Aboriginal sacred sites through:

- Sacred site avoidance surveys and issuing authority certificates for any development proposals.
- Giving the public information about existing sacred sites through abstracts of Authority records and access to the registers the Authority maintains.
- Establishing and maintaining a Register of Sacred Sites
- Manages the rights of traditional custodians to access Sacred Sites.

The Act also establishes a range of offences and associated penalties that are aimed at protecting sacred sites. It is an offence to desecrate or disturb a site without the approval of the relevant custodians. A register of known sites exists to assist in identifying the likelihood of disturbance and potential need to obtain approval. The Act also establishes a duty-of-care to notify the AAPA of any potential disturbance to Aboriginal sacred sites.

Heritage Act 2011

The *Heritage Act 2011* provides for the protection of both natural and cultural heritage (Aboriginal, historical and Macassan heritage) within the Northern Territory. The Act establishes the Heritage Council (consisting of eleven members) and the NT Heritage Register. It sets the process by which places become heritage places and allows for interim protection of places.

It is an offence to remove or damage heritage places or objects or to mislead or obstruct heritage officers regarding the provision of requested information or entry to works, vehicles or premises that are likely to have been involved in an offence against the Heritage Act. Compliance with the requirements of the Act must be adhered to at all times.

Appendix B – AAPA Clearance Certificate

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Appendix C – Archaeological Assessment Criteria

Table C1 Ground Surface Visibility (GSV) Rating Scheme

GSV rating	Percentage GSV
No ground surface visibility	0%
Very poor	1-10%
Poor	11-30%
Fair	31-50%
Good	51-70%
Very good	71-90%
Excellent	91-100%

Table C2 Ground Surface Integrity (GSI) Rating Scheme

GSI rating	Definition
Low	Ground surface has been subjected to significant disturbance (e.g. earthworks, excavation). Little to no integrity remains.
Moderate	Ground surface has been subject to moderate disturbance (e.g. native vegetation clearance) but retains a reasonable degree of integrity.
High	An unmodified or minimally modified ground surface.

Table C3 Definitions for Subsurface Archaeological Potential

Subsurface Archaeological Potential	Definition
Low	Areas in which subsurface archaeological materials are unlikely to occur. This may be due to unfavourable environmental conditions and/or prior disturbance(s).
Moderate	Areas in which subsurface archaeological materials may occur. Reasonable environmental conditions exist though high artefact counts/densities are unlikely. Subsurface evidence likely to be the product of random discard events as opposed to repeated or extensive activity by Aboriginal people in antiquity.
High	Areas known or highly likely to contain subsurface archaeological materials. Presence of archaeological materials typically reflects optimal environmental conditions and little to no prior landscape disturbance. High artefact counts/densities are likely.

Table C4 Impact Potential Ranking for Aboriginal Objects

Impact Potential	Definition	Management Action
No Impact	Aboriginal objects will not be affected by the proposed activity.	No action required
Low Impact	Unlikely to disturb, destroy, damage or deface an Aboriginal object or objects.	No action required
Moderate Impact	Reasonable potential to disturb, destroy, damage or deface an Aboriginal object or objects.	Avoid area if possible. If avoidance not an option, test excavate area to determine nature and extent of potential archaeological deposits
High Impact	Will, or is highly likely to, disturb, destroy, damage or deface an Aboriginal object or objects.	Avoid area if possible. If avoidance not an option, test excavate area to determine nature and extent of potential archaeological deposits

Appendix D – Unexpected Heritage Finds Procedure



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UNEXPECTED HERITAGE FINDS PROCEDURE Beetaloo Asset (Northern Territory)

This documents details the Unexpected Heritage Finds Procedure for the Beetaloo Exploration Program.

Revision	Date	Description	Originator	Checked	Approved
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What can go wrong?
What could cause it to go wrong?
What can I do to prevent it?

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to set out the actions to be undertaken by Origin staff and contractor if a suspected find of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal cultural heritage is made during civil construction activities.

2. Scope

This procedure covers the requirements associated with:

- The identification of cultural heritage artefacts or areas within the Beetaloo Permit Area.
- The assessment of the risk and control measures to be taken if a suspected Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultural heritage find is discovered; including investigation, notification, recording and reporting, means of communication, measures to avoid cultural heritage and dispute resolution.

It applies to all fieldwork conducted in the Beetaloo Basin.

3. Responsibility

These personnel are responsible for the following activities:

Indigenous Community Manager	Procedure issue and maintenance
Managers / Superintendents / Supervisors	Implementation of this procedure
All Employees / Contractors	Complying with this procedure

4. Requirements

The following management measures are recommended for unexpected heritage finds and are to be included as part of daily toolbox discussions.

4.1 Action in Event of Unexpected Discovery

1. If suspected previously unrecorded cultural heritage is uncovered during project work, work in the immediate vicinity of the find must stop and the area is to be flagged off with suitable markers (star pickets, flagging or barrier mesh).
2. The project work crew may continue work at least 100 m from the site of the find (or other distance approved by the relevant Heritage specialist, providing that at all times the cultural heritage duty of care is observed).

4.2 Recording and Reporting

3. The project work crew must record the suspected find on the Appropriate Forms. This will include GPS location and should include photographs of the suspected find.
4. The project crew must not disturb the suspected find in any way; for example, touch painted art, or collect/relocate the suspected find as this may be illegal and may reduce the scientific and cultural value of the cultural heritage.
5. The immediate supervisor of the project work crew must notify the relevant Heritage Specialist for the area –

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and advise them of the nature of the suspected find.

4.3 Measures to Avoid Harm to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage

Aboriginal finds can include the following:

- Stone artefacts (sharp edged rocks that have identifiable features demonstrating evidence of human modification. See attached information sheet)
- Scarred Trees (trees with symmetrical scars that might demonstrate evidence of removal of bark for use in coolamons, shields and huts. See attached information sheet)
- Grindstones (Large sandstone items (either fixed in bedrock or mobile) that have manmade grooves in them demonstrating use. See attached information sheet)
- Stone Axes (heavy hatchet head like stone items, typically with the leading edge sharpened. See attached information sheet)
- Bone, Shell and Charcoal (potential historical food waste dumps (also known as Middens). See attached information sheet)

Subsurface works may typically encounter shell, charcoal and bone which will appear as lens from a centimetre to several metres in depth.

Prior to surface works, civil construction team should be aware of potential for surface finds of artefacts and avoid impacts to scarred trees.

Procedure

If an object of potential Aboriginal cultural heritage value is uncovered:

1. All work to cease within 10 metres of the suspected find, and the area to be cordoned off using temporary fencing.
2. Site Supervisor is to be immediately notified who will then engage a qualified Heritage Advisor to assess the find and recommend any necessary management measures.
3. Once notified, the relevant Heritage specialists will provide further directions for managing the suspected find, in accordance with legislative requirements and the relevant Cultural Heritage Management Plans where applicable.
4. This may include flagging the discovery, deviating project work around the suspected find or relocating the work front to a new location removed from the suspected find.
5. If the find is determined to be Aboriginal heritage, the Site Supervisor or Heritage Advisor to notify the relevant Heritage Department.
6. Work is not to recommence in the vicinity of the find until direction is provided by the Heritage Department.
7. If the project work cannot deviate around the suspected find for technical or economic reasons and it is necessary to excavate, relocate, remove or harm the suspected find, it will be necessary for Origin to seek the advice and consent of the Traditional Owners for the area as to whether the suspected find is aboriginal cultural heritage, and whether Origin can excavate, relocate, remove or harm the find. If this action is required then there could be considerable delay (one day to several weeks).

4.4 Historical Cultural Heritage

Historic finds can include the following:

- Glass (Coloured glass, bottles (complete or fragmentary etc.)
- Metal (identifiable metallic objects such as cutlery, buckles, farming equipment, woodworking and metal equipment etc.)
- Ceramic (Plates, cups, ink wells, pipes, etc.)
- Wood (identifiable human manufactured wooden items)
- Stone (identifiable human manufactured stone items)
- Bone, Shell and Charcoal (potential historical food waste dumps)

Procedure

The following management measures are recommended for unexpected historic finds:

1. All work to cease within 10 metres of the suspected find, and the area to be cordoned off using temporary fencing.
2. Site Supervisor is to be immediately notified who will then engage a qualified Heritage Advisor to assess the find and recommend any necessary management measures.
3. Once notified, the relevant Heritage specialists will provide further directions for managing the suspected find, in accordance with legislative requirements and the relevant Cultural Heritage Management Plans where applicable.
4. If the find is determined to be of heritage importance, work is not to recommence in the vicinity of the find until direction is provided from the relevant Heritage Department.

4.5 Discovery of Human Remains

If any suspected human remains are discovered during any activity works, they must be initially assumed under the provisions of the relevant *Coroners Act* to be a crime scene and treated accordingly. The following procedure is to be applied:

1. All activity in the vicinity must cease and the Site Supervisor to be notified immediately.
2. The Police must be notified immediately of the discovery by the Site Supervisor or appointed supervisor in charge of the works area.
3. The remains must be left in place and protected from harm or damage with a minimum of at least a 50m buffer. It is important to use best judgement and restrict all movement in the immediate vicinity around the discovery until directed otherwise by the Police as this could contaminate a potential crime scene. Likewise do not set up temporary fencing unless directed by the Police.
4. If the appointed expert investigating the find under the relevant *Coroners Act* believes that there is reasonable grounds to believe the remains to be:
 - a. a crime scene, the Police will provide direction on the management of the discovery
 - b. Aboriginal ancestral remains or historical remains, the relevant Director Heritage Branch, Department of Tourism and Culture, is to be contacted on (08) 8999 5039 (Darwin office) or (08) 8951 9247 (Alice Springs office) or email heritage@nt.gov.au.

4.6 Aboriginal Heritage Awareness Training

1. Origin staff / contractors conducting project work that may have the potential to harm aboriginal or historic cultural heritage must be aware of their duty to take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the project work does not harm any cultural heritage.
2. In addition all Origin staff / contractors undertaking earth disturbance activities that have the potential to harm heritage sites and artefacts shall undergo Cultural Heritage Identification Training to provide them with basic knowledge on the scientific characteristics of Aboriginal heritage and artefacts.
3. Origin staff / contractors must be made aware of the conditions set out in the AAPA Certificate (AAPA C2019/014) and the obligations of all persons (who enter on, or carry out works or use land on which there is a sacred site) under Part IV of the *Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989*.

5. Records

The following records should be kept and maintained in order to demonstrate compliance with the requirements of this procedure:

- Appropriate Forms
- Information Sheets
- Staff Training records.

6. Definitions

Archaeological places or objects e	Archaeological places or objects exist within or in the vicinity of the Origin Permit Areas. All such materials are protected under the Northern Territory Heritage Act.
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Aboriginal Cultural Heritage	Has the same meaning as in the relevant Aboriginal Cultural Heritage legislation. It includes pre-settlement and post-settlement significant aboriginal areas and significant aboriginal objects.
Aboriginal Heritage Awareness Training	Training may consist of any of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Briefings on relevant Aboriginal Cultural Heritage • Briefings on particular arrangements with aboriginal parties • Identification of aboriginal heritage artefacts • Awareness sessions run for Origin staff by traditional owner groups
Burial Sites	Possibility of burial sites located within the Permit Area. Under the Northern Territory Criminal Code it is an offence to interfere with remains of a deceased person. Northern Territory Heritage Act it is an offence to interfere with the remains of a deceased Aboriginal person without authorization under that Act.
Cultural Heritage Duty of Care	Has the same meaning as defined in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage legislation guidelines applicable to the relevant State in which activities are occurring.
Find	Means a significant Aboriginal object or, evidence of archaeological or historic significance of Aboriginal occupation of an area or Aboriginal human remains, found in the course of undertaking an activity covered by the guidelines.
Traditional Owners	A descendant of the tribe or ethnic group that occupied a particular region before European settlement, as recognised by Australian law.

7. References

1. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage legislation applicable to the Northern Territory
2. Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority Certificate
3. OEUP-1000-PRO-NCH-002 Unexpected Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Find (Traditional Owner Representative Present)
4. OEUP-1000-GDL-NCH-001 The Discovery Management & Handling of Human Remains

8. Appendices

Appendix A Cultural Heritage Audit Checklist ([OEUP-1000-FRM-NCH-003](#))

9. Document information and history

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Appendix A Cultural Heritage Audit Checklist

Cultural Heritage Audit Checklist
OEUP-1000-FRM-NCH-003

Purpose	To ensure the appropriate management of cultural heritage has been undertaken, recorded & maintained in accordance with Origin Energy's procedures, directives, Government statutory requirements & Cultural Heritage Management Plans.
Reference	This form should be used in conjunction with the "Unexpected Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Find (Traditional Owner Representative Not Present)" (OEUP-1000-PRO-NCH-003) and/or the "Unexpected Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Find (Traditional Owner Representative Present)" (OEUP-1000-PRO-NCH-002) procedures.
Records	This document, once completed, will be kept as a record by the Native Title & Cultural Heritage (NTCH) unit and a copy to be retained on Site.
Notes for use:	1. Form to be completed & signed by a Supervisor or a representative from a Traditional Owner group. 2. Form to be reviewed & counter signed by Cultural Heritage Team Leader.

Section 1 - Audit Checklist

Task	Requirement	Compliance Notes	Status
1.	There is evidence that in the event of a suspected find the work crew stopped work in the immediate area of the suspected find while the suspected find was investigated.		
2.	There is evidence that the Appropriate Forms have been completed in the event of a suspected find.		
3.	There is evidence that copies of the Appropriate Forms are maintained by Origin's field based Cultural Heritage Team Leader.		
4.	There is evidence that the project work crew referred any suspected finds to Origin's Heritage specialist.		
5.	There is evidence that in the event that a suspected find could not be avoided, consent to remove / relocate / harm the find was obtained in accordance with statutory requirements and any relevant Cultural Heritage Management Plans.		
6.	There is evidence that Origin staff / contractors have undertaken Heritage Awareness training and/or Heritage Identification training.		

OK - Evidence of requirement in place	NC - Non-conformance
IO - Improvement Opportunity	NA - Not applicable at this site

Section 2 - Approvals

Signature:	Date:
Name:	Position: Supervisor and/or Traditional Owner Representative

Signature:	Date:
Name:	Position: Cultural Heritage Team Leader

Appendix I: Stakeholder Engagement

Part A- Stakeholder Engagement Summary

Stakeholder	Method of communication	Date of Correspondence	Summary of information provided	Summary of response	Origin's response	Details of changes made to work program
Hayfield Shenandoah	- Face to Face Meeting - Email Correspondence - Email Correspondence - Email Correspondence - Face to Face Meeting - Email Correspondence / Telephone Comms Email Face to Face Face to Face	- 15 May-18 - 20 Aug 18 - 5 Sep 18 - 24 Oct 18 - 15 Oct 18 - 28 Nov 18 - 15 Oct -18 03 may 2019 10 Jun 2019 03 Jul 2019	- Meeting provided overview of work programme - Early Access Letter of Intent, Potential Well Locations and Coordinates, Work Programme and Schedule & Draft Early Access Agreement to undertake pre-implementation activities - Executed Early Access Agreement - incl Water Bores - Pastoral Leasee notification to complete water monitoring bore construction - Issuance of draft Full Access Agreement (for Drilling and Stimulation activities) - Discussion on agreement terms and update of forward plans - Negotiation of Full Access Agreement for the Kyalla 117 N2 Well - Provision of Kyalla 117 Civil construction EMP and Draft Drilling and Stimulation EMP -Meeting and presentation in Darwin on June 11th to discuss specific details of EMP and landholder requests covering Lock the Gate letters -Meeting and presentation at Hayfield Station on July 3rd to discuss specific details of EMP and landholder requests	- Pastoral Leasee has executed early access agreement to allow for all pre-drilling activities - Provided Pastoral Leasee with notification of water bore activities on land - Pastoral Leasee negotiations completed Leasee requested a follow up meeting and presentation to discuss various items of the EMP and public submissions	Origin has reached an access agreement which covers all scope to support water bore drilling and early survey works Negotiations occurred in good faith Two meetings were held at the request of the leasee	Additional information on fauna was added to EMP, as well as some additional fauna monitoring
NLC / Native Title holders (host Traditional Owners)	- Work Program Submission - Face to Face Meeting - Email Correspondence - Sacred Site Clearance Survey (In Field)	- 10 Jul 2018 - 3 Sep 2018 - 3, 4 and 9 Sep 2018 - 10 to 19 Sep 2018 - 08-12/04/2019	- Locations of all potential areas of disturbance across the permits - All potential area of disturbance across the permits - Information story boards on - Water protection - Well integrity - Hydraulic fracturing - Drilling - Environmental Controls - Traditional Owner participation - Geological information	- The NLC coordinated the Sacred Site Clearance Surveys with Traditional Owners of the respective area(s) - The NLC completed their report and provided the report to AAPA on Friday 2 November - Six on-country meetings with the Native Title holder family groups in Elliott. Coordinated by the NLC to comply with consultation requirements and commitments of the Exploration Agreements for EP117, EP98 and EP 76	Process of engagement has been followed as per the exploration agreements	Origin received instructions from NLC and AAPA to ensure disturbance areas do not interfere with cultural heritage
DPIR	Face to face meeting face to face	Weekly 31/01/2019	Weekly HFI implementation meetings discuss Origins proposed 2019 workplan Presentation summarising Origins proposed workplan in detail.	DENR have provided ongoing advice on the contents of codes of practice and other approvals related information	Information from DPIR has been included in Origin's EMP submissions.	No changes made to work program
DENR	Face to face meeting Face to face email correspondence face to face	Weekly 31/01/2019 22/02/2019 27/02/2019	Weekly HFI implementation meetings discuss Origins proposed 2019 workplan Presentation summarising Origins proposed workplan in detail. Pre-lodgement of Origin's Kyalla 117 N2 draft EMP for comment DENR discussion regarding content of draft Kyalla 117 N2 EMP	DENR have provided ongoing clarification to changes in policy, codes of Practice and EMP requirements. This includes various recommended changes to EMP format and content.	Origin has adjusted its EMP's to reflect the current Codes of Practice and EMP requirements.	No changes made to work program

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AAPA	email correspondence face to face Face to face	09/01/2019 31/01/2019 14/02/2019	Application summarising Origin's 2019 work program and AAPA certificate requirements Presentation summarising Origins proposed workplan in detail. Discussions regarding scope of submission and additional information/ clarifications	AAPA requested additional information and clarification on the scope of the proposed activities	Origin has provided this additional information and clarified work program items	AAPA Certificates issued - namely (C2018/103 and Variation to C2018/103 resulting in Certificate C2019/039)
Environmental Protection Authority	Face to Face	04/12/2018	Discussion on forward 2019 work program and forward approval process	The NT EPA asked several questions about the work program and provided feedback on the assessment process and information they required within the EMP	Origin has acknowledged the discussions and has adopted the recommendations with the EMP	No changes made to work program

PART B Detailed Stakeholder Summary Information and compliance statement

Section 7(2)(a) of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations	Document and Content	Date Provided
(i) "the regulated activity the interest holder proposes to carry out"	Email from Origin to APN Pty Ltd o Initial engagement and introduction post moratorium	02-Jul-18
	Email from Origin to APN Pty Ltd o Information of potential well locations and activities	05-Jul-18
	Email from Origin to APN Pty Ltd o Requesting access to the property to conduct greenhouse gas baseline emission monitoring - access granted SUM	30-Jul-18
	Email from Origin to Val Dyer o Requesting access for scouting of drill location and weeds survey - access granted	22-Aug-18
	Letter from Origin to APN Group (on behalf of Hayfield Shenandoah) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes a table outlining the regulated activities Origin proposes to perform for Kyalla 117 N2 including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drilling of 1-3 new wells; Construction of a new well pad; Drilling of 3-4 new water bores (1-2 extraction and 2 monitoring); Construction of a drilling camp; and Construction of a new access road. Includes a timetable outlining the work program Origin proposes to undertake. 	25-Aug-18
	Letter from Origin to APN Pty Ltd (Draft Land Access and Compensation Agreement) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lists the activities Origin proposes to carry out on Hayfield Shenandoah from the date of the Agreement until December 2020, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring, maintenance and rehabilitation of existing wells, access roads and monitoring bores; Walking the area of the exploration permits; Driving along existing roads and tracks in the area; Identifying and installing water monitoring or extraction bores including, where required, the construction of access roads to drill these bores; Taking soil or water samples; Geophysical surveying not involving site preparation; Aerial, electrical or environmental surveying; Emissions monitoring, including installation or monitoring stations; Survey pegging; Scouting (including preliminary consideration of appropriate sites for wells and other infrastructure); Investigations and surveys and any other minimal impact activities including, without limitation, environmental, flora and fauna, geotechnical, cultural heritage and native title field work; and 	22-Aug-18

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o All other activities incidental to the activities above which will have no impact or only a minor impact. 	
	<p>Signed Early Access Agreement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Received signed Early Access Agreement from APN Pty Ltd 	15-Sep-18
	<p>Access request to drill water monitoring bores under the signed Early Access Agreement - access granted</p>	06-Nov-18
	<p>Draft Pastoral Land Access and Compensation Agreement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clause 10 provides that Origin must not carry out any regulated activities within 5 kilometres of a residence and within 1 kilometre of a garden or artificial water accumulation. Origin must also erect and maintain appropriate temporary fencing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Gates, grids, fences and access points; o Existing access roads; o New access track(s); o Petroleum exploration well; o Rig laydown area; o Laydown area; o Water bore; o Campsite; and o Scouting, surveys and soil and water sampling activities. • Item 3 of Schedule 2 list the indicative duration of the Agreed Petroleum Activities. 	13-Nov-18
	<p>Hayfield homestead bore water test results</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Origin provided water test results of the Hayfield homestead bore 	07/12/2018 11/12/2018
	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Civil Construction Program – Kyalla 117 N2 Environment Management Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provides detailed description of activity including lease pad, camp pad, access tracks gravel pits and all associated infrastructure. 	03-May-19
	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Kyalla 117 N2Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Environment Management Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • includes detailed description of all drilling, stimulation and well testing activities 	03-May-19
	<p>Meeting with ██████ representing APN Pty Ltd and DENR in Darwin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Introduce APN Pty Ltd to DENR personnel and explain the process of assessing an EMP 	11-Jun-19
	<p>Meeting and presentation in Darwin to ██████ on behalf of APN Pty Ltd on June 11th to discuss specific details of EMP and landholder requests covering Lock the Gate letters including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Drilling activities o Stimulation activities o Wastewater management and risk to fauna o Chemical management o Well integrity and aquifer isolation o Weed and groundwater monitoring o General questions 	11-Jun-19 □
	<p>Meeting and presentation at Hayfield Station on July 3rd to discuss specific details of EMP and landholder requests covering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Well integrity and Design (specifically aquifer isolation) o Cement design o Wastewater storage- including risk to fauna o Weed management o General discussion on risk 	03-Jul-19
(ii) “the location (or locations) where it is proposed to carry out the activity”	<p>Draft Pastoral Land Access and Compensation Agreement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies the affected Pastoral Property (NT Portion 7026/7027) activities to be undertaken on • Item 2 of Schedule 2 states the access tracks and well site are shown in the plans attached to Annexure D of the agreement. 	20-Nov-18
	<p>Letter from Origin to Val Dyer (on behalf of Hayfield Shenandoah)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes a map and coordinates table detailing the locations and clearance buffers of proposed work at three well locations, including the Kyalla 117 N2 well. • The map included in the letter shows the planned route of access tracks across the land and the proposed clearance areas. • Attachment 2 is a draft work program of activities Origin intends to undertake on the land. 	22-Aug-18
	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Civil Construction Program – Kyalla 117 N2 Environment Management Plan</p>	03-May-19

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes maps of proposed locations 	
	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Kyalla 117 N2Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Environment Management Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes maps of proposed locations 	03-May-19
<p>(iii) “the anticipated environmental impacts and environmental risks of the activity”</p>	<p>Origin Beetaloo Sub-basin water Extraction Licence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes full details of Origin's proposed water use for all regulated activities. Licence also defines the allowed total volume that can be extracted and the maximum monthly extraction rate. Provision of document was followed up with discussion with Origin representative of how this relates to total water draw and recharge of the aquifer. 	17-May-19
<p>AND</p>	<p>Origin Response to APN questions on Operations and Environmental Risks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Various questions from APN regarding activities proposed and controls in place that will support Detail questions and response pertaining to regulations 	17-May-19
<p>(iv) “the proposed environmental outcomes in relation to the activity”</p>	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Civil Construction Program – Kyalla 117 N2 Environment Management Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides detailed description for and associated risks of the physical environment of the EP98, EP117 and EP76 area, including : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate; Geology; Soils; Hydrology; and Hydrogeology. Provides detailed description for and associated risks of the biological environment of the EP98, EP117 and EP76 area, including : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bioregions; Vegetation communities; Flora; Weeds; Fauna; Significant / endangered fauna; and Feral and pest fauna. Provides a description of environmental and cultural sensitivities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Native title; Archaeology Assessment; Areas of cultural significance; Natural resources; Non-indigenous heritage; Historic heritage assessment; and Protected or conservation areas. Includes an outline of Origin's risk management approach and management tools . Includes detailed tables of environmental impacts, risks and outcomes for specific environmental aspects, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Soil and erosion; Surface Water and Groundwater ; Vegetation, Flora, Fauna and Habitat; Weeds; Waste Management Air Quality – Dust and Emissions; Lighting, noise, vibration and visual amenity; Bushfire; Cultural heritage and sacred sites ; and Community. Provides an emergency response plan to account for situations of high risk of environmental harm occurring, including bushfire and contaminant spills <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes table outlining water bore drilling program risk assessment. 	<p>03-May-19</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>
	<p>Draft Beetaloo Basin Kyalla 117 N2Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Environment Management Plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes an assessment of environmental factors against environmental objectives at risk. Provides a detailed description for and associated risks of the physical environment of the EP98, EP117 and EP76 area including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate; Geology; Soils; Hydrology; and 	03-May-19
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Appendix J: Drilling, Stimulation, Completion and Testing Program Risk Assessment

Ref	Environmental Factor	Risk Description	Risk Source	Unmitigated consequence	Risk mitigation Measures		Residual Risk Rating			Effectiveness of Treatment	Scientific uncertainty	Uncertainty Ranking
					Codes of Practice	Site specific risk mitigation measures	Consequent	Likelihood	Risk Rating			
1	Groundwater	Changes in aquifer quality from subsurface (drilling and stimulation) activities impacting a receptor (groundwater user or GDE).	Contamination from drilling fluids. Drilling fluids used to drill through the Cambrian Limestone Aquifer (CLA) are water-based with clay inhibition in the form of KCl. This may result in temporary elevated levels of chlorides in the CLA immediately adjacent to the well bore during the drilling of the top hole section of the well. (Path 1)	Moderate	B.4.10- Drilling fluids B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Drilling fluids used to drill through CLA are low toxic, water-based with addition of salt in the form of potassium chloride for clay inhibition. • Drilling Fluid Safety Data Sheets and used volumes to be provided to DENR/DPIR. Pathway: • Impacted area likely to be localised around the immediate vicinity of well bore Receptor: • No landholder extraction bores within 16km.	1	3	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling conventional and unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
2			Cross flow of formation through inappropriate well barrier design. (Path 1)	Serious	B.4.3 Well design and barriers B.4.2 Aquifer Isolation B.4.7 Primary cementing B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Well constructed with multiple casing barriers and specifically-engineered cement in place to protect aquifers. • Well design and Well Barrier Integrity Validation report approved by DPIR as part of Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP). • Well Barrier Integrity Validated (WBIV) during well construction. Pathway: • Any impacted area likely to be localised. Receptor: • No landholder bores within 16km.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling conventional and unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
3			Crossflow through fracture growth into aquifer from stimulation activities allowing the migration of fluid and gas. (Path 2)	Serious	B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Geomechanical data collected to understand fracture gradients. • Geomechanical modelling to ensure the appropriate fracture barriers are in place to contain the fracture propagation. • Risk assessment completed prior to stimulation to determine fracture growth. • Real time pressure monitoring to determine if a fracture has propagated outside the design operating envelope. Pathway: • Overlying sequences have a higher fracturing pressure reducing the risk of fracture migration out of the target shale. • Pressure monitoring during stimulation to identify anomalies indicating fluid loss aquifers. • Well designed with multiple well barriers in place to protect aquifers. Receptor: • 1400m separation distance between Kyalla formation and the Gum Ridge Aquifer. • No landholder bores within 16km. • Groundwater monitoring bores installed within 20m down gradient of each stimulated well.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling conventional and unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - Preliminary guidelines: Groundwater monitoring bores for exploration petroleum wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - 9500km of 2D seismic data used to screen for faults - Wireline logging during drilling to detect major unconformities. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
4			Stimulation activity induces seismic activity that enables cross formational flow between shallow aquifers. (Path 5)	Moderate	B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Stimulation is not linked to major seismic events (re injection of wastewater is generally recognised as the main cause). No reinjection of wastewater proposed. • Stimulation stages deployment will be away from geohazards to reduce the loss of fluids into any encountered faults. Pathway: • No significant faults within proximity of activity. • Any faults encountered during drilling will be assessed to determine risk of stimulating. Receptor: • 1400m separation distance between Kyalla formation and the Gum Ridge Aquifer. • No landholder bores within 16km.	2	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in stimulating unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US Geological Survey data. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low

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5			Migration via fractures intersecting with offset wells or intersecting an existing geohazard. (Path 2 & 5)	Moderate	B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations B.4.3 Well design and barriers B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Fracture modelling undertaken to determine maximum fracture growth. • Fluid injected into a shale formation Pathway: • No significant faults within proximity of activity. • Any faults encountered during drilling will be assessed to determine risk of stimulating. • Closest exploration well 14 km (well is abandoned). Receptor: • No landholder bores within 16km. • Regional groundwater monitoring.	2	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling and stimulating unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - 9500km of 2D seismic data used to screen for faults. - Wireline logging during drilling to detect major unconformities. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per	Low
6			Leakage of either flowback, produced water, or hydrocarbons (liquid and gaseous) from suspended or abandoned wells. (Path1)	Moderate	B.4.1 Well Integrity Management B.4.2 Aquifer Isolation B.4.3 Well design and barriers B.4.15 Well suspension and decommissioning B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring D.5.5 Leak Remediation and Notification	Source: • Multiple cement and steel casing barriers constructed to protect aquifers. • Well design and construction reports submitted to DPIR. • Integrity of isolation validated and maintained throughout well life. • Well design considers multiple cement and steel casing barriers in place between hydrocarbon-bearing zone and surface. • Well design and Well Barrier Integrity Validation reports submitted to DPIR as part of Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP). • Wells constructed and suspended with barriers in place and verified as per governing code. • Routine well leak detection. • Leaking wells to be remediated as soon as practicable. • Limited gas production time only to extended production test. Pathway: • Impacted area likely to be localised. Receptor: • No landholder bores within 16km. • Groundwater monitoring bores installed.	2	2	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling, stimulating, maintaining and abandoning unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
7	Groundwater	Contamination of aquifer from surface activities (chemical and waste storage, handling and spills) impacting a receptor (groundwater user or GDE).	Surface contamination from storage and disposal of drilling fluids, additives, muds and cuttings on-site. (Path 3 & 7)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations C.5.1 Drilling Materials C.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan C.8.1 Wastewater Management Plan	Source • Drilling sumps to be lined with an impermeable liner. • Well cellar to be lined to contain drilling fluids with pumps to prevent overflow. • Water levels in drilling sumps to be minimised to reduce hydraulic head. • Inspections of storages to be undertaken weekly to identify potential liner issues. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • Drill cuttings and muds are not expected to contain high NORMS levels- with characterisation of levels undertaken Wastewater tanks and drill sumps to have a 1:1000ARI freeboard. Pathway: • Separation between sump and aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays present. Receptor: • Separation between lease and closest aquifer over 70m. • Nearest landholder extraction bore 16km. • Impact and control groundwater monitoring bores installed within 20m of exploration wells to detect any potential contamination.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in drilling and stimulating unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - 9500km of 2D seismic data used to screen for faults. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low

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8			Storage, handling and transportation of produced hydrocarbons (condensate). (Path 3)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Tanks to be compliant with AS 1692 and double-lined • Weekly inspections to identify any potential leaks. • High risk chemical storage areas to have secondary containment (such as mud shakers, pumps and chemical handling areas). Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Separation between chemical storages and closest aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays likely to limit any contaminant migration. Receptor: • Separation between lease and closest aquifer over 70m. • Nearest landholder extraction bore 16km. • Impact and control groundwater monitoring bores installed within 20m of exploration wells to detect any potential contamination. • Spills and leaks to be cleaned up and rectified as soon as possible.	2	2	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of dangerous goods and combustible liquids within Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in transporting, storing and managing chemicals and fuels associated with unconventional petroleum drilling and stimulation activities. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low
9			Surface spills from storage, handling and transportation of flowback water. (Path 3 & 7)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations C.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan C.8.1 Wastewater Management Plan	Source: • Tanks to be double-lined with leak detection. • High risk chemical storage and handling areas to have secondary containment. • Weekly inspections to identify any potential leaks. • Licenced waste transporters to be used. • Secondary containment utilised for storage of on-site chemicals • Lease banded with each bund. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • NORMS levels are not anticipated to be significant- with characterisation of levels within drilling wastewater and flowback undertaken to validate. • Site contamination assessments undertaken in accordance with NEPM Pathway: • Separation between chemical storages and closest aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays likely to limit any contaminant migration. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. Receptor: • Separation between lease and closest aquifer over 70m. • Nearest landholder extraction bore 16km. • Impact and control groundwater monitoring bores installed within 20m of exploration wells to detect any potential contamination. • Spills and leaks to be cleaned up and rectified as soon as possible.	3	1	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of controlled wastes in the NT and Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in drilling and stimulating unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low
10			Storage, handling and transportation of chemicals, fuels and wastes. (Path 3)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.3.3 Wastewater management legislative requirements C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • All chemical, fuel and waste storage and high risk spill handling areas are to be banded. • Weekly inspections to identify any potential leaks. • Licenced waste transporters to be used to transport listed wastes. • Chemicals to be transported in accordance with the Australian Dangerous Goods Code and NT Dangerous Goods Act. • Leases to be engineered and compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. Pathway: • Separation between chemical stores and closest aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays likely to limit any potential contaminant migration. • Spill Management Plan • All transportation of listed wastes and dangerous goods to be undertaken via licenced contractors. Receptor: • Separation between storage areas and closest aquifer over 70m. • Nearest landholder extraction bore 16km. • Impact and control groundwater monitoring bores installed around exploration wells to detect any potential contamination. • Area is remote with major urban areas to be avoided during the transportation of dangerous goods and wastes in accordance with the NT Dangerous Goods Act.	2	2	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of dangerous goods and combustible liquids within Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in transporting, storing and managing chemicals and fuels associated with unconventional petroleum drilling and stimulation activities. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low

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11			Overtopping of drilling sumps and flowback tanks (including during wet season) (Path 7)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.6 Monitoring mandatory requirements C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	<p>Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. Covered tanks to be used during wet season flowback storage. Open Tank and drilling sump freeboard to be 1:1000 ARI. Monitoring of tank and sump levels daily when operational. Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. Site is manned at all times during wastewater storage, with helicopters to be used to fly in staff when road access is prevented. in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs Pathway: Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. Separation between lease pad and closest aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays likely to limit any potential contaminant migration. <p>Receptor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Separation between lease and closest aquifer over 70m. 	2	1	L	Effective	<p>Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin. 	Low
12			Failure of flowback storage tank. (Path4 & 7)	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and planning c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	<p>Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. Tanks and liners to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards including minimum permeability, puncture resistance, tear resistance, wind loading, temperature and bushfires. Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs Pathway: Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. Separation between lease pad and closest aquifer over 70m, with interbedded clays likely to limit any potential contaminant migration. <p>Receptor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Separation between lease and closest aquifer over 70m. Nearest landholder extraction bore 16km. Impact and control groundwater monitoring bores installed within 20m of exploration wells to detect any potential contamination. Spills to be cleaned up as soon as possible. covered wastewater tanks and condensate tanks to have vents to prevent pressure build up. 	3	1	L	Effective	<p>Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin. 	Low

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13	Surface Water	Contamination of surface water from surface activities.	Failure of flowback storage tank. (Path4 & 7)	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and planning c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • Tanks and liners to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards and the climatic conditions (including wind loading and bushfires). This includes ensuring liners have appropriate temperature rating, puncture resistance and tear resistance. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding capable of containing the entire volume of the largest tank and spill material to be recovered immediately. • in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Area is flat with the separation between lease pad and closest major watercourse is ~45km away. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of flowback. Receptor: • Separation between lease pad and closest major watercourse is ~45km. • No major wetlands, with closest ~100km away (Lake Woods).	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
14			Overtopping of drilling sumps and flowback tanks (including wet season operations) (Path 4 & 7)	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.6 Monitoring mandatory requirements c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • Covered tanks to be used during wet season flowback storage. • Open tank and drilling sump freeboard to be 1:1000 ARI. • Monitoring of tank and sump levels daily when operational. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. • Mud sump to be sized to accommodate anticipated material volume with an appropriate margin of safety. • Site is manned at all times during wastewater storage, with helicopters to be used to fly in staff when road access is prevented. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Area is flat with the separation between lease pad and closest major watercourse is ~45km away. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of wastewater.	2	2	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
15			Transportation accident releasing chemical or wastewater (drilling fluid and flowback).	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • All wastes to be transported in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act. • All dangerous goods to be transported in accordance with the NT Dangerous Goods Act and Australian Dangerous Goods Code. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. Receptor: • Area is remote with major urban centres to be avoided. • Risk to any receptor is identical to that of normal diesel or petroleum tankers.	3	1	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of dangerous goods and combustible liquids within Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in transporting chemicals and fuels associated with unconventional petroleum drilling and stimulation activities. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low

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16			Storage and handling of chemicals and fuel. (Path 4)	Moderate	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • All areas where chemicals and fuels are stored will have secondary containment. • Weekly inspections will be implemented and spills rectified as soon as practicable. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Lease pads compacted and earthen bunded to prevent off-site releases. Receptor: • Area is remote with closest receptor approximately 30km away.	1	3	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of dangerous goods and combustible liquids within Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in transporting, storing and managing chemicals and fuels associated with unconventional petroleum drilling and stimulation activities. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low
17			Release of stormwater from activities to surface water.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology	Source: • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. • Lease pad located away from watercourses or regional flow paths. • Contaminated stormwater to be retained on-site, treated and disposed off-site at a licenced disposal facility. • Clean stormwater to be reused or released off-site in a manner that reduces the risk of erosion. • Stockpiled debris to be used to discourage water concentration. Pathway: • Lease pad to be earthen bunded. • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan implemented. Receptor: • Area is remote with closest watercourse approximately 45km away.	1	3	L	Effective	The understanding of the risks associated with the release of stormwater from construction sites is mature, with international standards providing guidance to manage the risk. -The NT has a range of technical guidance notes covering soil management, erosion and sediment control including the NT Land Clearing Guidelines.	Low
18			Erosion and sediment releases from lease pads and access tracks.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology	Source: • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. • Lease pad located away from watercourses or regional flow paths. • Land clearing to be undertaken in accordance with the NT Land Clearing Guidelines. • No clearing of vegetation in watercourses proposed. Pathway: • Lease pad to be earthen bunded. • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan implemented. Receptor: • Lease pad is located away from watercourses. • Area is remote with closest watercourse approximately 45km away.	1	3	L	Effective	The understanding of the risks associated with the release of stormwater from construction sites is mature, with international standards providing guidance to manage the risk. -The NT has a range of technical guidance notes covering soil management, erosion and sediment control. this includes the NT Land Clearing Guidelines	Low
19			Runoff from sewage treatment irrigation areas.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • Irrigation areas located away from watercourses. • Areas designed in accordance with the DOH irrigation guidelines. • Areas appropriately sized to accommodate irrigation volume. Pathway: • Irrigation areas located away from watercourses. Receptor: • Area is remote with closest watercourse approximately 45km away.	1	3	L	Effective	The management of sewerage and greywater is mature with various NT wastewater management guidelines.	Low
20	Surface Water	Changes in surface water hydrology resulting vegetation dieback from ponding and diversions away from natural surface systems with environmental and cultural value.	Infrastructure located on regional flow path resulting in changes to surface water flow.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology	Source: • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan. • Lease pad located away from watercourses or regional flow paths. • Land clearing to be undertaken in accordance with the NT Land Clearing Guidelines. • No clearing of vegetation in watercourses proposed. • Lease pads to be designed to divert stormwater around, without impeding natural surface water flows. • Stockpiled debris to be used to discourage water concentration. Pathway: • Lease pads to be designed to reduce impact on overland flows. Receptor: • Area is remote with closest watercourse approximately 45km away. • The lease area is flat, with water to be diverted around the perimeter of the site.	1	2	L	Effective	Well understood risk with management strategies within the NT Land Clearing Guidelines.	Low

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21			Changes to terrestrial ground surface levels associated with seismic activity.	Moderate	B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and Flowback Operations	Source: • Exploration wells located away from major structural features. • No wastewater injection to be undertaken. • Monitoring of pressure during stimulation to identify if stimulation fluid is entering a open structural feature. Pathway: • No wastewater injection to be undertaken. • Location of well is away from areas with significant faulting. Receptor: • Area is remote with low pollution density.	2	1	L	Effective	- US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low
22	Water usage	Unsustainable groundwater extraction impacts landholders and groundwater dependent ecosystems.	Over extraction of groundwater for civils, drilling and stimulation activities.	Serious	B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	Source: • Groundwater extraction for activities to be restricted to the minimum water required. • Exploration well located ~16km from closest extraction point. • All water take licenced in accordance with NT Water Act. Pathway: • Drawdown from activity and other users assessed, with impacts to closest receptor not anticipated Receptor: • Closest receptor is ~16km from extraction point. •Continuous flow meters to monitor take and water balance implemented to ensure compliance with WEL.	3	1	L	Effective	- US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low
23	Soil	Loss in long-term soil productivity and viability.	Soil compaction from access tracks and leases.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • Land clearing undertaken in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. • Land Condition Assessment completed. • Lease pads to be stripped of topsoil. • Areas to be rehabilitated to reduce impacts associated with compaction. Pathway: • Areas to be rehabilitated to reduce impacts associated with compaction. Receptor: • Disturbance area is small (less than 0.005% of total tenure area).	2	1	L	Effective	Well understood risk with management strategies within the NT Land Clearing Guidelines.	Low
24			Soil erosion from cleared areas (access tracks, lease pads and camp pads).	Serious	A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology	Source: • Land clearing undertaken in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. • Land Condition Assessment completed. • Lease pads to be stripped of topsoil. • Areas to be rehabilitated to reduce impacts associated with compaction. • Erosion and Sediment Control Plan implemented. • Stockpiled debris to be used to discourage water concentration. Pathway: • Areas to be rehabilitated to reduce impacts associated with compaction. Receptor: • Disturbance area is small (less than 0.005% of total tenure area).	1	4	M	Effective	The understanding of the risks associated with the release of stormwater from construction sites is mature, with international standards providing guidance to manage the risk. - The NT has a range of technical guidance notes covering soil management, erosion and sediment control including the NT Land Clearing Guidelines.	Low

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26	Soil	Soil contamination due to spills and leaks of chemicals, wastes or wastewater.	Spills/leaks from the on-site storing and handling of: - fuels and hydrocarbons - drilling additives - stimulation additives - flowback fluid - solid wastes - storage and transportation of wastes	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • All tanks and chemical storage areas to have secondary containment. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. • in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Lease pad compacted and earthen bunded preventing off-site release of wastewater and chemicals. • All wastes stored and handled in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act. Receptor: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. to be implemented. • Weekly inspections of secondary containment with any spills rectified as soon as practicable.	1	3	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in transporting, storing and managing drilling and stimulation chemicals (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
27			Drill sump and flowback tank overtopping.	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.5.1 Drilling Materials C.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.6 Monitoring mandatory requirements C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • Covered tanks to be used during wet season flowback storage. • Open tank and drilling sump freeboard to be 1:1000 ARI. • Monitoring of tank and sump levels daily when operational. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of wastewater. Receptor: • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of wastewater.	2	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report Beetaloo Sub-Basin. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
28			Chemical and waste transportation accident.	Serious	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • All wastes to be transported in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act. • All dangerous goods to be transported in accordance with the NT Dangerous Goods Act and Australian Dangerous Goods Code. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Tanker/truck failure are rare events. Receptor: • Area is remote with major urban centres to be avoided.	3	1	L	Effective	The regulatory regime legislating the storage, handling and transportation of controlled wastes in the NT and Australia is mature. - Origin has extensive experience in drilling and stimulating unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report.	Low

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29			On-site disposal of drill muds and cuttings.	Serious	B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring C.5.1 Drilling Materials	Source: • Drilling muds are bentonite-based. • Sodium and Chloride levels to be reduced through segregation of drilling fluids from muds. • Drilling muds to be tested and a disposal strategy developed by a suitably qualified third-party in a manner that minimises the risk to the environment. DENR engaged to confirm final disposal strategy. • in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs Pathway: • Depth to groundwater approximately 70m with interbedded clays separating the lease from the aquifer. Receptor: • Closest landholder bore is 16km away.	2	2	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling wastes associated with and unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - Various US regulatory authorities provide guidance on drilling waste management.	Low
30			Failure of a flowback tank.	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Tanks and liners to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards and the climatic conditions (including wind loading and bushfires). This includes ensuring liners have appropriate temperature rating, puncture resistance and tear resistance. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of flowback. Receptor: • Bunding to minimise the risk of off-site release of fluid in the event of a tank failure.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
		Soil contamination from the drift of saline wastewater offsite from mechanical evaporation units.	flowback evaporation mist transported offsite during wastewater treatment.	Serious	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	• in the event of a major spill, a site assessment in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure, including the assessment of NORMs	2	2	L	Effective	The use of enhanced evaporators to manage wastewater is a well known technology used through multiple mining and wastewater treatment industries. Evaporators were used successfully on the Amungee Nw 1H well to reduce fluid levels decreasing offsite trucking volumes.	Low
31		Soil contamination from the disposal of greywater and sewerage from camp activities.	Greywater and sewerage disposal (camps).	Minor	C.4.2 Management of flowback water	Source: • All sewerage to be removed off-site in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act or irrigated as per the NT Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974. Pathway: • Irrigation areas to be sized in accordance with the anticipated irrigation volume and quality. Receptor: • Land Condition Assessment.	1	2	L	Effective	Risks associated with sewerage and greywater disposal are well known, with technical guidance notes for system design are available within the NT.	Low
33			Activity (vehicle and machinery) noise and lighting on well pads and access tracks.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.2 Noise	Source: • Site location avoids areas of high conservation value as a priority. • Field ecology scouting undertaken as a part of a Land Condition Assessment to prevent impacts to high conservation value areas. • Areas are not considered high conservation value, are not threatened/endorsed, with impacts unlikely to result in significant disturbance to threatened/endorsed species. Pathway: • Land clearing conducted in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. Receptor: • Land Condition Assessment confirms the proposed area is regionally abundant and not of high conservation value.	1	3	L	Effective	Risks associated with noise on fauna are well understood.	Low

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34			Failure of flowback storage tanks.	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants c.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Tanks and liners to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards and the climatic conditions (including wind loading and bushfires). This includes ensuring liners have appropriate temperature rating, puncture resistance and tear resistance. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and spill material to be recovered immediately. - Field ecological survey of areas undertaken to avoid areas of high conservation status so areas are not threatened or endangered. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of flowback. Receptor: • Bunding to minimise the risk of off-site release of fluid in the event of a tank failure. • No high conservation areas or endangered flora and fauna within the vicinity of the proposed lease pad likely to be significantly impacted by a release.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
35			Introduction and spread of weeds in the area.	Major	A.4.5 Weed management	Source: • Weed Management Plan to be approved by DENR and implemented. • All equipment and vehicles to be washed-down and to have a Biosecurity Declaration Certificate prior to access to site. • Areas of proposed exploration have been surveyed and are deemed to have low weed abundance. • Activity will be restricted to defined lease pads and camp pads. Pathway: • Equipment to be wash-down and certified. • Origin assurance activities to target equipment wash-down certificates to ensure standards are being met. Receptor: • Area is free of weeds and monitoring will be implemented around infrastructure to detect the spread/ introduction of weed species.	2	3	M	Effective	Risks associated with weeds are well studied within literature and by the NT DENR. - Field weed surveys will be completed prior to and after construction activities.	Low
37			Accidental ignition of fire from exploration activities (drilling, stimulation, flaring and general access).	Serious	A.4.6 Fire management	Source: • Bushfire management plan implemented to prevent and respond to bushfires • Bushfire awareness included in site inductions. • Designated smoking areas on-site. • Firefighting equipment to be available to deal with fires. • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. • Appropriate separation distances between flares and surrounding vegetation. • Ignition sources placed outside of the hazardous area. • Intrinsically safe equipment used in hazardous area. • Hazardous area drawing will provide classification of hazardous zones while drilling. Pathway: • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. Receptor: • Activities will comply with landholder and regional bushfire management plans. • Area in the vicinity of Kyalla 117 N2 lease has had recent fire activity, reducing the fuel load.	3	2	M	Effective	Risks associated with bushfire are well known, with numerous literature and NT Government management plans and technical guidance notes.	Low
38			Poor rehabilitation.	Serious	A.4.8 Rehabilitation	• A site specific Rehabilitation Plan will be developed prior to rehabilitation. • The final Rehabilitation Plan will be developed in consultation with the leaseholder and DENR. • Rehabilitation success criteria will be developed with ongoing monitoring undertaken to measure success. • Maintenance will be undertaken periodically to fix any defects.	1	2	L	Effective	Risks associated with rehabilitation are well known. Knowledge of rehabilitation within the Beetaloo Basin has been gained, based on previous seismic line rehabilitation programs.	Low

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40			Trapping and drowning of fauna in storage tanks and sumps.	Moderate	C.5.1 Drilling Materials	Source: • Tanks walls are 2m high with minimal risk of animals accessing tanks. • Site manned during operation. • Daily insecticides during wastewater storage. Pathway: • Lease pads fenced to prevent stock and wildlife access. Receptor: • Lease pads fenced to prevent stock and wildlife access.	2	2	L	Effective	Risks associated with potentially trapping and drowning fauna in storage tanks and sumps are well understood. Origin has extensive experience in managing sumps, ponds and tanks to prevent fauna ingress.	Low
41			Contaminants in water and soil pass through the food chain and bioaccumulate in fauna.	Minor	A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Chemical risk assessments with no chemicals considered above low concern levels. earthen bunding to prevent off-site release of wastewater and chemicals. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. implemented. • Lease pads fenced. • Lease pad bunded preventing off-site release of chemicals. Receptor: • Bunding to minimise the risk of off-site release of fluid in the event of a tank or storage failure.	1	1	L	Effective	A chemical risk assessment and flowback characterisation program for the Amungee NW 1 well ensures all potential chemicals that are persistent, bioaccumulative and toxic at high concentrations are identified and appropriate management strategies implemented. The risks associated with fauna ingestion of chemicals is well known and measures to prevent ingestion (such as fences and separation distances to activity) are deployed as standard practice. Origin has extensive operational experience in drilling and stimulating 1000s of conventional and unconventional petroleum wells with no evidence of impacts on biota from chemicals.	Low
42			Vehicle collisions with fauna – fauna mortality.	Minor	A.4.4 Biodiversity protection	Source: • Vehicle speed limited to 80km/hr to be reduced around areas of high risk of fauna collision. • Vehicle movements to avoid driving at night. Pathway: • Vehicle speed limits to be reduced around areas of high risk of fauna collision. Receptor: • Vehicle speed limits to be reduced around areas of high risk of fauna collision.	1	3	L	Effective	Risks associated with fauna collisions are well known.	Low
43			Activity noise and lighting on well pads and access tracks disturbs fauna.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.2 Noise	Source: • Site location avoids areas of high conservation value as a priority. • Field ecology scouting undertaken as a part of a Land Condition Assessment to prevent impacts to high conservation value areas. • Areas are not considered high conservation value, are not threatened/endangered, with impacts unlikely to result in fragmentation. Pathway: • Land clearing conducted in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. • Lighting levels minimised to the level required to complete work safely. Receptor: • Land Condition Assessment confirms the proposed area is regionally abundant and not of high conservation value.	1	3	L	Effective	Risks associated with noise and light impacts on flora and fauna are covered extensively in literature.	Low
44			Encouragement of feral animals and other pest species increases leading to competition with native species.	Moderate	A.4.4 Biodiversity protection	Source: • Camp wastes to be stored in a manner to prevent attracting feral animals. • All food scraps to be removed from site and disposed of at a licenced facility. Pathway: • Camps to be fenced. Receptor: • Camps to be fenced	1	3	L	Effective	The risks associated with encouraging feral animals with inadequate waste management are well understood within literature and government policy.	Low

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45			Introduction and spread of weeds in the area.	Major	A.4.5 Weed management	Source: • Weed Management Plan to be approved by DENR and implemented. • All equipment and vehicles to be washed-down and to have a Biosecurity Declaration Certificate prior to access to site. • Areas of proposed exploration have been surveyed and are deemed to have low weed abundance. • Activity will be restricted to defined lease pads and camp pads. Pathway: • Equipment to be washed-down and certified. • Origin assurance activities to target equipment wash-down certificates to ensure standards are being met. Receptor: • Area is free of weeds and monitoring will be implemented around infrastructure to detect the spread/introduction of weed species.	2	3	M	Effective	Risks associated with weeds are well studied within literature and by the NT DENR. - Field weed surveys will be completed prior to and after construction activities.	Low
46			Fragmentation of habitat.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.4 Biodiversity protection	Source: • Site location avoids areas of high conservation value as a priority. • Cleared areas to be clearly marked to avoid confusion. • Field ecology scouting undertaken as a part of Land Condition Assessment to prevent impacts to high conservation value areas. • Areas are not considered high conservation value, are not threatened/endangered, are regionally extensive and impacts are unlikely to result in fragmentation. Pathway: • Land clearing conducted in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. Receptor: • Land Condition Assessment confirms the proposed area is regionally extensive and not of high conservation value. • Land clearing pressures from other industries are not significant in the area.	1	1	L	Effective	The risks associated with habitat fragmentation are well covered in literature. - NT DENR Vegetation Maps - Field ecological surveys completed across the tenure since 2005, including the subject area.	Low
47			Poor rehabilitation reduces habitat quality.	Serious	A.4.8 Rehabilitation	• A site specific Rehabilitation Plan will be developed prior to rehabilitation. • The Rehabilitation Plan will be developed in consultation with the leaseholder and DENR. • Rehabilitation success criteria will be developed with ongoing monitoring undertaken to measure success. • Maintenance will be undertaken periodically to fix any defects.	2	2	L	Effective	The risks associated with habitat fragmentation are well covered in literature. - NT DENR Vegetation Maps. - Field ecological surveys completed across the tenure since 2005, including the subject area.	Low
48			Accidental ignition of fire from exploration activities (civils, drilling, stimulation, flaring and general access).	Serious	A 4.6 Fire management	Source: • Bushfire management plan implemented to prevent and respond to bushfires • Bushfire awareness included in site inductions. • Designated smoking areas on-site. • Firefighting equipment to be available to deal with fires. • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. • Appropriate separation distances between flares and surrounding vegetation. • Ignition sources placed outside of the hazardous area. • Intrinsically safe equipment used in hazardous area. • Hazardous area drawing will provide classification of hazardous zones while drilling. Pathway: • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. Receptor: • Activities will comply with landholder and regional bushfire management plans. • Area in the vicinity of Kyalla 117 N2 lease has had recent fire activity, reducing the fuel load.	3	2	M	Effective	Risks associated with bushfire are well known, with numerous literature and NT Government management plans and technical guidance notes.	Low

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49	Cultural Heritage and Sacred Sites	Disturbance of sacred site or culturally sensitive area	Sites disturbed directly by access track construction or drilling operations.	Serious	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • All areas of the proposed activity to be cleared by NLC. • AAPA certificates for proposed work program have been granted. • The location of infrastructure has considered proximity to sacred sites. Pathway: • Areas of cultural heritage to be avoided during construction. Receptor: • Areas of cultural significance are not within 14km of the proposed area of activity.	3	1	L	Effective	All sites of the proposed activity must have Traditional Owner clearance via the NLC. - AAPA certificates are required for all activities. - Restricted work areas are identified.	Low
50			Accidental ignition by site activities (civil works, drilling, grinding) or site personnel.	Serious	A.4.6 Fire management	Source: • Bushfire management plan implemented to prevent and respond to bushfires • Bushfire awareness included in site inductions. • Designated smoking areas on-site. • Firefighting equipment to be available to deal with fires. • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. • Appropriate separation distances between flares and surrounding vegetation. • Ignition sources placed outside of the hazardous area. • Intrinsically safe equipment used in hazardous area. • Hazardous area drawing will provide classification of hazardous zones while drilling. Pathway: • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. Receptor: • Activities will comply with landholder and regional bushfire management plans. • Area in the vicinity of Kyalla 117 N2 lease has had recent fire activity, reducing the fuel load.	3	2	M	Effective	Risks associated with bushfire are well known, with numerous literature and NT Government management plans and technical guidance notes.	Low
51			Flowback tank structural failure.	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.7 Containment of Contaminants C.5.2 Management of produced water from petroleum wells C.8.2 Spill Management Plan	Source: • Wastewater Management Plan implemented in accordance with the Codes of Practice to mitigate the risk associated with wastewater generation and management. • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills.. • Tanks and liners to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards and the climatic conditions (including wind loading and bushfires). This includes ensuring liners have appropriate temperature rating, puncture resistance and tear resistance. • Leases to be compacted with earthen bunding and off-site release of contaminants to be minimised. • Field cultural heritage and NLC clearance surveys of areas undertaken to avoid areas of cultural significance. Pathway: • Spill Management Plan implemented to prevent, detect and respond to spills. • Lease pad banded preventing off-site release of flowback.	3	1	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing drilling and stimulation fluids (including flowback) associated with unconventional petroleum wells across Australia. - US EPA Study of Hydraulic Fracturing and its potential impact on drinking water resources (US EPA 2016). - Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (2018) Final Report. - CSIRO regional baseline monitoring program. - Control and impact monitoring bores as per Preliminary Guidelines: Groundwater Monitoring bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin.	Low
52			Personnel unauthorised access to restricted work area.	Serious	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • Restricted work areas are not located in close proximity to explorational activities. • All staff to be inducted covering restricted work areas and cultural heritage. • Access off lease not permitted. Pathway: • Access off lease not permitted. Receptor: • Access off lease not permitted. • No restricted work areas within the vicinity of proposed activity.	2	1	L	Effective	All sites of the proposed activity must have Traditional Owner clearance via the NLC. - AAPA certificates are required for all activities. - Restricted work areas are identified .	Low
53			Community impact	Loss of visual amenity, experience and sense of place for landholder, community members and tourists.	Industrialisation of landscape.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.1.1 Well pad specific site selection	• Site is located away from major roads and not visible. • Level of clearing for infrastructure is small.	1	1	L	Effective

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54			Increased traffic.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic impact assessment completed assessing the increased traffic levels as negligible: reflective of limited size and scope of activity. Traffic impacts are expected to small and temporary. Access route is away from the main homestead. Capacity of road and level of service will not be impacted materially. busses used to limit transportation between airport and remote camps- limited Drive In/Drive Out workers- with most Fly in/fly out of Daly Waters. 	2	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with increased traffic are well known throughout literature and policy.	Low
55			Light emissions activities.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site is located 20km away from the Stuart Highway and the nearest homestead although a visible hue may be present during flaring. This is likely to be consistent with a small town and only visible during the night. 	1	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with light emission are well known with various literature and technical guidelines available to mitigate impacts.	Low
			Influx of workers to region	moderate		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The majority of workers will be Fly I Fly Out and based at remote camps away from communities. Workers restricted to lease areas- with no access to surrounding properties authorised. 	2	1	L	Effective	The limited scope and duration of activities reduces the risk and uncertainty associated with risk. Most workers will be located away from communities, meaning there is unlikely to be a major increase in people.	Low
56			Noise emissions from activities.	Minor	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.2 Noise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site located 20km away from the Stuart Highway and the nearest homestead so activity is not anticipated to be visible. 	1	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with noise emission are well known with various literature and NT noise guidelines available to mitigate impacts.	Low
57		Reduction in agriculture productivity.	Introduction and spread of weeds in the area.	Major	A.4.5 Weed management	<p>Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weed Management Plan to be approved by DENR and implemented. All equipment and vehicles to be washed-down and to have a Biosecurity Declaration Certificate prior to access to site. Areas of proposed exploration have been surveyed and are deemed to have low weed abundance. <p>Pathway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equipment to be washed-down and certified. Origin assurance activities to target equipment wash-down certificates to ensure standards are being met. <p>Receptor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area is free of weeds and monitoring will be implemented around infrastructure to detect the spread/introduction of weed species. 	2	3	M	Effective	Risks associated with weeds are well studied within literature and by the NT DENR. - Field weed surveys will be completed prior to and after construction activities.	Low
58			Over extraction of groundwater.	Serious	A.4.1.1 Well pad specific site selection requirements B.4.17 Groundwater monitoring	<p>Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Groundwater extraction for activities to be restricted to the minimum water required. Exploration well located ~16km from closest extraction point. All water take licenced in accordance with the NT Water Act. <p>Pathway:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drawdown from activity and other users assessed, with impacts to closest receptor determined. <p>Receptor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closest receptor ~16km from extraction point. 	1	1	L	Effective	The regional understanding of the CLA is sufficient to understand the risks associated with groundwater extraction. The absence of users and small exploration take reduces the uncertainty of the activity.	Low
59			Impact to surface hydrology reduces water capture.	Moderate	A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology A.4.1 Site selection and planning	<p>Source:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lease pads located away form major watercourses or flow paths. Lease pads designed to not disrupt flow paths, with overland flow diverted around lease. Infrastructure design in accordance with the NT Land Clearing Guidelines. Erosion and Sediment Control Plan implemented. 	1	1	L	Effective	The risks associated with changes in surface hydrology are well known. Guidance notes are available via the NT Land Clearing Guidelines and BPESC to minimise the impact on surface hydrology.	Low

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60			Bushfire from accidental ignition by site activities (civil works, drilling, grinding) or personnel.	Serious	A.4.6 Fire management	Source: Bushfire management plan implemented to prevent and respond to bushfires • Bushfire awareness included in site inductions. • Designated smoking areas on-site. • Firefighting equipment to be available to deal with fires. • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. • Appropriate separation distances between flares and surrounding vegetation. • Ignition sources placed outside of the hazardous area. • Intrinsically safe equipment used in hazardous area. • Hazardous area drawing will provide classification of hazardous zones while drilling. Pathway: • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. Receptor: • Activities will comply with landholder and regional bushfire management plans. • Area in the vicinity of Kyalla 117 N2 lease has had recent fire activity, reducing the fuel load.	3	2	M	Effective	Risks associated with bushfire are well known, with numerous literature and NT Government management plans and technical guidance notes.	Low
61			Poor rehabilitation of exploration infrastructure.	Serious	A.4.8 Rehabilitation	• A site specific Rehabilitation Plan will be developed prior to rehabilitation. • The Rehabilitation Plan will be developed in consultation with the leaseholder and DENR. • Rehabilitation success criteria will be developed with ongoing monitoring undertaken to measure success. • Maintenance will be undertaken periodically to fix any defects.	2	2	L	Effective	Risks associated with rehabilitation are well known. Knowledge of rehabilitation within the Beetaloo Basin has been gained based on previous seismic line rehabilitation programs.	Low
62			Disruption of agricultural operations due to ongoing access, traffic, helicopter movements etc.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.2 Noise	• All activities require engagement and consent by leaseholders. • Lease sites are located to avoid disruption to agriculture operations and infrastructure. • Engagement will be undertaken in accordance with NT Petroleum Act. •Traffic levels are anticipated to be small- as per Traffic Impact Assessment. •Helicopter movements to be restricted to wet season when landholder activities are minimal •Helicopter movements to be undertaken in consultation with leaseholder to avoid impacts to livestock, cattle yards, watering points, homesteads and other sensitive areas as advised by leaseholder.	1	3	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in co-existing its activities with agricultural users. Consultation with pastoralists is undertaken to ensure impacts on their activities are mitigated.	Low
		Safety hazard to pastoralists, community and tourists from increased traffic levels	Increased risk of vehicle accident	Major	A.4.1 Site selection and Planning	• traffic impact assessment completed • Fatigue management policy implemented • alcohol and drug policy implemented • busses used to transport people from airports to camps- no DIDO from drilling, stimulation and well test workers. • camps located away from major roads with most movements internal between camp lease and drill site • Stuart highway intersection design approved by DIPL with appreciate line of site provided for vehicles to identify turning vehicles.	3	1	L	Effective	The management of traffic related risks are well known throughout industry and the government. The introduction on driver training, fatigue management and alcohol and drug policies is standard across industry	Low
63		Labour competition with local businesses and agricultural procedures.	Exploration activities compete with agricultural industry for resources.	Moderate		• Proposed activity is temporary with no major labour requirements- stakeholders engaged to ensure they know the temporal nature of work. • Local contractors for existing communities will be used where available. • Contracts will be structured to reduce 'boom and bust' cycle (clear understanding of limited scope of work). • All work to be short-term with predominantly skilled workforce sourced regionally/interstate.	1	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with small-scale, limited-duration projects on local economies are well known. The short nature of the projects reduces the risks of 'boom and bust' type cycles.	Low

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64	Air Quality	Reduction in air quality associated with exploration emissions (civil, Drilling, Stimulating and Well Testing).	Emissions from the combustion of diesel.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning D.5.1 Baseline assessment	Source: • Low emission equipment to be selected. • All equipment to be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Pathway: • Site is located away from receptors. Receptor: • No sensitive receptors within 20km.	1	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with diesel combustion are well known, both within Australia and Internationally. Methods for estimating emissions are available via the National Pollutant Inventory.	Low
65			Air emissions from flaring.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning D.5.1 Baseline assessment B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and flowback operations D.5.8 Venting and flaring	Source: • Flare with a 98% combustion efficiency. • Emissions of NOx, CO and TVOC are small and not anticipated to reduce ambient air quality. Pathway: • Vertical flare stack used maximising dispersion. • Site located away from receptors. Receptor: • No sensitive receptors within 20km.	1	2	L	Effective	Risks associated with emissions from flares are well known within literature, and Australia and International policy/standards exist (such as NGERS and various US EPA technical guidance notes). Methods for estimating emissions are available via the National Pollutant Inventory.	Low
66			Air emissions from chemical releases during drilling and stimulation activities.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning B.4.16 Well site layout and housekeeping b.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and flowback operations	Source: • National Occupational Health and Safety Codes: Code of Practice for the Control of Workplace Hazardous Substances. • Chemical Risk Assessment. • Chemical handling and mixing to reduce particulate emissions. Pathway: • Site is located away from receptors. Receptor: • No sensitive receptors within 20km.	1	1	L	Effective	Risks associated with air emissions from petroleum activities are well known, with various risk assessment and emissions estimation technical guidance notes available within Australia and internationally (such as the National Pollutant Inventory and the US EPA).	Low
67			Increased nuisance from dust emissions associated with exploration activities.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • Water trucks will be used to decrease dust emissions. • Reduced speed limits will be adopted in proximity to homesteads. Pathway: • Site is located away from receptors. Receptor: • No sensitive receptors within 20km.	1	2	L	Effective	Origin has extensive experience in managing nuisance emissions of dust during petroleum and construction activities. Strategies for managing dust emissions are well known throughout Australia and the NT.	Low
68	Greenhouse Gas Emissions	Unsustainable Greenhouse Gas emissions from the activity.	Bushfire from accidental ignition by site activities (civil works, drilling, grinding) or personnel.	Serious	A 4.6 Fire management	Source: • Bushfire management plan implemented to prevent and respond to bushfires • Bushfire awareness included in site inductions. • Designated smoking areas on-site. • Firefighting equipment to be available to deal with fires. • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. • Appropriate separation distances between flares and surrounding vegetation. • Ignition sources placed outside of the hazardous area. • Intrinsically safe equipment used in hazardous area. • Hazardous area drawing will provide classification of hazardous zones while drilling. Pathway: • Fire breaks to be implemented around lease and camp pads. Receptor: • Activities will comply with landholder and regional bushfire management plans. • Area in the vicinity of Kyalla 117 N2 lease has had recent fire activity, reducing the fuel load.	3	2	M	Effective	Risks associated with bushfire are well known, with numerous literature and NT Government management plans and technical guidance notes.	Low
69			Combustion of diesel for exploration activities.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning	Source: • Low emission equipment to be selected. • All equipment to be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. Pathway: • Site is located away from receptors. Receptor: • No sensitive receptors within 20km.	1	1	L	Effective	The risks associated with Greenhouse Gas generation through diesel combustion are well documented in literature and domestic/international greenhouse policy (such as NGERS and IPCC).	Low

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70			Flaring of gas during well testing.	Moderate	B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and flowback operations D.5.8 Venting and flaring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venting to be minimised with all venting reported under NGRS. Flare with a 98% combustion efficiency will be used during drilling and well testing. Emissions from source rock during drilling are negligible. 	1	2	L	Effective	The risks associated with Greenhouse Gas generation through the use of flares are well documented in literature and domestic/international greenhouse policy (such as NGRS and IPCC).	Low
71			Uncontrolled release of gas encountered during drilling, stimulation, barrier failure and operator error.	Moderate	B.4.1 Well integrity management B.4.3 Well design and barriers B.4.13 Hydraulic Stimulation and flow back operations D.5.8 Venting and flaring	Source: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flare to be used during drilling to manage gas ingress. Drilling overpressure to reduce the inflows of hydrocarbons. Pathway: Receptor:	1	2	L	Effective	Impacts associated with Greenhouse Gas emissions are well known. Emissions during petroleum activities are estimated using the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Scheme (NGERS) estimation techniques.	Low
72			Uncontrolled release of gas from well due to sabotage.	Moderate	D.5.8 Venting and flaring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiple barriers used during well suspension/operation. Sites manned during operation. Security cameras. Routine inspections. Sites locked. Valves locked. 	1	1	L	Effective	The risks associated with Greenhouse Gas generation through the use of flares are well documented in literature and domestic/international greenhouse policy (Such as NGRS and IPCC).	Low
73			Leak of gas from wells.	Moderate	B.4.1 Well integrity management B.4.3 Well design and barriers D.5.4 Emission detection and management D.5.5 Leak remediation and notification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Well design considers multiple specifically-engineered cement and steel casing barriers in place between hydrocarbon-bearing zone and surface. Well design and Well Barrier Integrity Validation reports submitted to DPIR as part of Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP). Wells constructed and suspended with barriers in place and verified as per governing code. Routine well leak detection. Any leaking wells to be remediated as soon as practicable. Limited gas production time only to extended production test. 	1	3	L	Effective	The risks associated with Greenhouse Gas generation through leaking infrastructure are well documented in literature and domestic/international greenhouse policy (such as NGRS, US EPA and IPCC).	Low
74			Clearing of native vegetation.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.4 Biodiversity Protection	Source: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearing requirements are small. Site location avoids areas where threatened flora and fauna are predicted. Field ecology scouting undertaken as a part of a Land Condition Assessment to identify protected flora and fauna. Significant disturbance to threatened/endangered flora and fauna species is not anticipated. Clearing area reduced to minimum area required to safely undertake activity. Material stockpiled surrounding lease and not burnt. Pathway: Receptor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Land clearing conducted in accordance with NT Land Clearing Guidelines. Land Condition Assessment confirms the proposed area is regionally abundant and not of high conservation value. 	1	1	L	Effective	Understanding of Greenhouse Gas emissions from land clearing are well documented within literature. Emission estimates using the Transport Authorities Greenhouse Group Greenhouse Gas Assessment Workbook for Road Projects.	Low
75	Cumulative Risk	Cumulative impacts on groundwater quantify.	Groundwater take from surrounding land users exceeds the natural recharge rate of the Basin.	Serious	Water extraction licences under the NT Water Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Groundwater extraction assessments include an estimate of current extraction levels at a regional scale. No intensive users of groundwater within the region, with stock and domestic being the major usage. Cumulative impacts considered in the water extraction licence under the NT Water Act. 	2	1	L	Effective	The regional understanding of the CLA is sufficient to understand the risks associated with groundwater extraction. The absence of users and small exploration take reduces the uncertainty of the activity.	Low
76		Cumulative impacts on terrestrial ecology.	Impacts from exploration activities and existing agricultural activities results in impacts to vegetation communities, fragmentation and poses a threat to protected flora and fauna.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.1.1 Well pad specific site selection A.4.4 Biodiversity Protection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area has limited development with no widespread land clearing or other pressures from agriculture or other users. Activity is limited in scale and will not material decrease availability of habitat across the region. 	2	1	L	Effective	The region has low land clearing pressure with no applications for large scale land clearing present. The level of disturbance proposed is small, with field ecological scouting confirming ecological communities present.	Low

Ref	Environmental Factor	Risk Description	Risk Source	Unmitigated consequence	Risk mitigation Measures		Residual Risk Rating			Effectiveness of Treatment	Scientific uncertainty	Uncertainty Ranking
					Codes of Practice	Site specific risk mitigation measures	Consequent Likelihood	Risk Rating				
77		Cumulative impacts on amenity.	Exploration activities further reduces amenity (visual, noise, traffic and lighting) through additional landscape modification, dust, noise, light and traffic.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.1.1 Well pad specific site selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activity is located away from major transportation routes and is not visible from roads. Flaring may create a visible hue on the horizon consistent with that of a small town. Traffic volumes are anticipated to be small and well below existing industries. A Traffic Management Plan covering the intersection upgrade work has been submitted to DPIL for approval . Low level of development activity within the region, with activity unlikely to cause declines in amenity. 	1	1	L	Effective	The region is underdeveloped with the activity located away from major transportation routes, homesteads and communities. The activity is of a small size and unlikely to result in any loss of amenity.	Low
78		Cumulative impacts on surface water quality.	Exploration activities in addition to existing surrounding land use (agriculture) reduces surface water quality.	Moderate	A.4.1 Site selection and planning A.4.1.1 Well pad specific site selection A.4.3 Erosion and sediment control and hydrology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area has limited development with no widespread land clearing pressures from agriculture or other users likely to reduce water quality. Activity will largely occur on existing disturbed areas with limited additional clearing. No surface water releases permitted. 	1	1	L	Effective	The region is underdeveloped with the activity located away from major flow pathways with limited topographic variation.. The activity is of a small size and unlikely to result in any material increase in sediment loads to surface waters.	Low

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1. Introduction

1.1 Objectives of the WMP

This WMP has been developed to ensure that the risk of weed introduction and spread, resulting from activities associated with Origin Exploration activities are mitigated to protect the economic, community, industry and environmental interests of the Territory.

The plan provides an overview of:

- The project context (Section 2)
- Legal requirements in relation to weed management (Section 3)
- The appointment of a Dedicated Weed Officer (Section 4)
- Identified risks and proposed mitigation measures and management objectives (Section 5 and 6)
- The weed species that are considered likely or known to occur within the Permit Area (Section 6 and 7)
- The Annual Action Plan for those species that are known to occur with the Permit Area (Section 8)
- Control options for species known to occur within the Permit Area (Section 8).
- The monitoring, notification, recording and reporting requirements for the WMP (Sections 9 – 12).

This plan is supported by Appendices that provide guidance on how to identify weed species in the field and collect the necessary data to support the monitoring and reporting requirements of this WMP.

The location of the proposed exploration activities are shown on Figure 1.

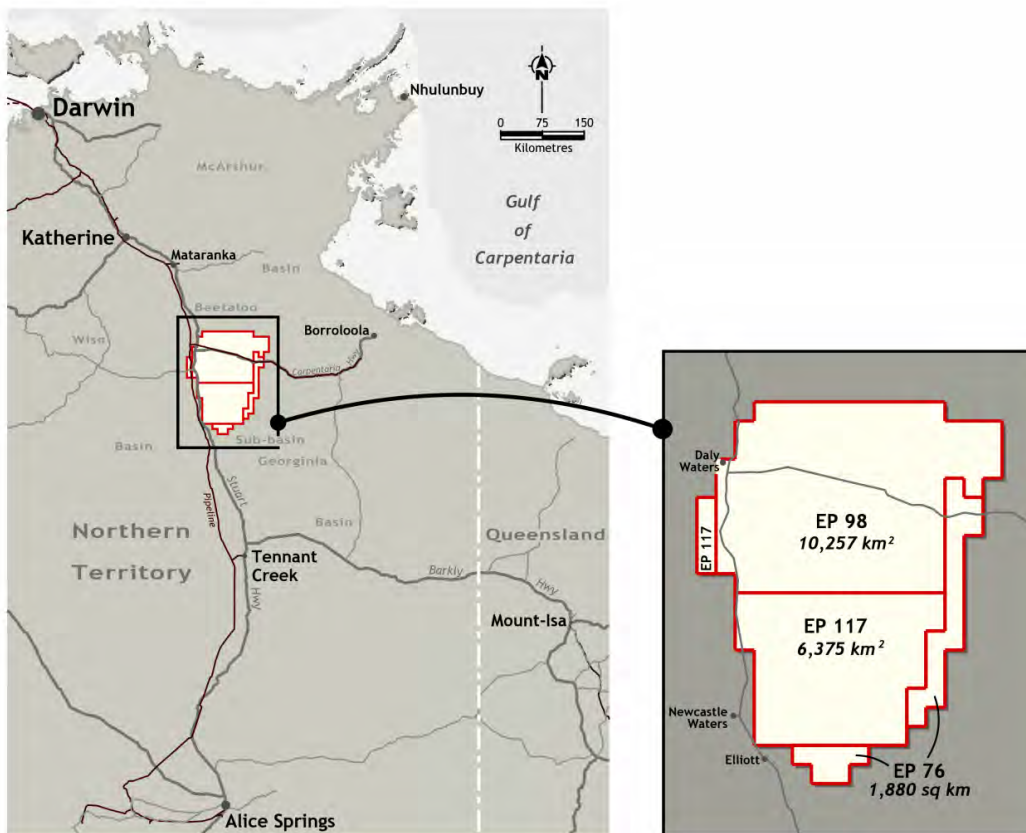


Figure 1 Location of Origin Permit Area

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1.2 Intent of the WMP

Weed control is considered to be a significant land management issue in the Northern Territory. This Weed Management Plan (WMP) forms a core component of Origin's overarching environmental management strategy and supports the various project Environmental Management Plan (EMP's).

The movement of rigs, vehicles, machinery and other materials to, from and within the exploration permit area may result in weeds being moved around the pastoral lease, into the lease from surrounding areas or interstate, depending on where the vehicles and materials are sourced from or returned to.

The focus of this WMP is therefore to ensure that infestations are eradicated, or at the very least that existing weed infestations are controlled such that no further weed species colonise the permit area as a result of Origin's activities.

This document is based upon the Weed Management Planning Guide - Onshore Shale Gas Development Projects produced by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (2018).

2. Project Context

This plan covers all civil, drilling, stimulating, rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities undertaken by Origin within permit EP76, EP98 and EP117 as detailed in Table 1. The proposed activities for the 2019/2020 program are highlighted within the table.

Table 1 Coordinates of centroid of proposed exploration lease areas

Exploration Permit	Lease Name	Zone*	Easting	Northing
EP98	Velkerri 98 E1-	53	415515	8180683
EP98	Velkerri 98 N1	53	392292	8189891
EP98	Kyalla 98 W1	53	364955	8177458
EP76	Velkerri 76 S1	53	424362	8113273
EP76	Velkerri 76 S2	53	435488	8136321
EP117	Kyalla 117 N2	53	356175	8137500
EP117	Stuart Highway Intersection	53	332371	8135170
EP117	Velkerri 117 E1	53	428861	8120782
EP117	Kyalla 117 W1	53	368079	8106696

Grey shading are planned sites for 2019/200

** Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) geographic coordinate system is Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA) 94.*

The primary activities subject to this WMP are:

- Access track construction, use and maintenance
- Exploration lease pad construction, use and maintenance
- Gravel pit construction and maintenance
- Drilling, stimulating, completing and maintaining petroleum exploration wells
- Routine access, maintenance and monitoring of all exploration areas subject to this plan.

3. Legal Requirements

The following presents the relevant legislation and statutory obligations for the project.

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3.1 Northern Territory Petroleum (Environment) Regulations

Petroleum Act 2016, Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities with in the Northern Territory

The *Petroleum Act 2016* provides legal framework within which persons are encouraged to undertake effective exploration for petroleum and to develop petroleum production so that the optimum value of the resource is returned to the Territory. It regulates the exploration for, and production of petroleum, including environmental protection measures which should be employed during exploration and production activities, including protection of parks and reserves and rehabilitation.

In addition, the Act is supported by the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016*.

The *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016* requires that regulated activities are carried out in a manner consistent with the principles of ecologically sustainable development, and by which the environmental impacts and environmental risks of the activities are identified and reduced to an acceptable level.

The *Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory* is a mandatory code of practice for the petroleum industry to ensure that petroleum activities in the Northern Territory are managed according to minimum acceptable standards to ensure that risks to the environment can be managed to a level that is as low as reasonably practical (ALARP) and acceptable.

Under these regulations Origin is required to submit an EMP prior to any petroleum exploration or production activity.

EMP's must include:

- potential environmental risks or impacts (in this instance relating to the introduction and spread of weeds);
- appropriate environmental outcomes, environmental performance standards and measurement criteria;
- appropriate implementation strategy and monitoring, recording and reporting arrangements; and
- demonstrate that there has been an appropriate level of engagement with directly affected stakeholders in developing the plan.

This WMP is designed to support and implement the requirements of Origins Project Specific Environmental Management Plans.

3.2 Northern Territory Weeds Management Act

The aim of the *Weeds Management Act (2013)* is 'to protect the Territory's economy, community, industry and environment from the adverse impact of weeds'.

The purpose of the Act, as defined in section 3, is:

- To prevent the spread of weeds in, into and out of the Territory and to ensure that the management of weeds is an integral component of land management in accordance with the Northern Territory Weeds Management Strategy 1996 – 2005 or any other strategy adopted to control weeds in the Territory.
- To ensure there is community consultation in the creation of weed management plans.
- To ensure that there is community responsibility in implementing weed management plans.

The Act identifies declared weeds (those which must be controlled) and provides a framework for weed management. It includes the following weed declaration classes:

- Class A – to be eradicated
- Class B – growth and spread to be controlled
- Class C* – Not to be introduced into the Northern Territory
- * All Class A and B weeds are also Class C.

The Act enables the relevant Minister to approve statutory weed management plans. Management obligations in these plans must be adhered to.

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Currently there are statutory management plans for 10 high priority weed species in the Northern Territory.

The WMP must address weeds in accordance with their declaration status and the statutory requirements of any relevant weed management plans.

3.3 Regional Weed Management Plans

Regional Weed Management Plans (RWMP) have been developed for areas of the NT, with the Barkly and the Katherine RWMP overlapping Origin's Beetaloo exploration tenure. The aim of these regional plans is to assist in prioritising weed management by:

- identifying the region's priority weeds and associated pathways of spread to inform management priorities
- identifying landscapes that may need prioritised protection from weed impacts like river corridors or sacred Aboriginal sites
- containing information on alert weeds that are not yet found in the region, but could become major issues if they establish

3.4 Commonwealth Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation Act

The objectives of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act* (1999) are, among other things:

- provide for the protection of the environment, especially those aspects of the environment that are matters of national environmental significance; and
- promote ecologically sustainable development through the conservation and ecologically sustainable use of natural resources; and
- promote the conservation of biodiversity; and
- promote a co-operative approach to the protection and management of the environment involving governments, the community, land-holders and indigenous peoples; and
- assist in the co-operative implementation of Australia's international environmental responsibilities.

The *EPBC Act* provides for the identification and listing of key threatening processes. A threatening process is defined as a key threatening process if it threatens or may threaten the survival, abundance or evolutionary development of a native species or ecological community. Key threatening processes include invasive species, such as weeds, which have a major impact on Australia's environment, threatening our unique biodiversity and reducing overall species abundance and diversity (DOTEE 2018).

4. Dedicated Weed Officer

As per recommendation 8.3 of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing Stimulation there must be a dedicated Weed Officer for each gas field.

The Weed Officer must have relevant skills and experience and availability to successfully manage weed related issues for the project, including:

- Knowledge of the biology/ecology of local weeds.
- Knowledge of relevant weed management frameworks including Northern Territory legislation and plans, the *EPBC Act*.
- Understanding of existing weed management arrangements being undertaken by landholders.

The Weed Officer is responsible and accountable for delivery of all weed related requirements of the project in accordance with the WMP and the overarching Environmental Management Plan, including:

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- Planning and execution of weed monitoring requirements, including baseline weed assessments and ongoing monitoring both during periods of gas related activities as well as during the target identification period of February to May.
- Facilitate training all workers (including contractors) in weed management requirements, with support from the Northern Territory Government Regional Weed Officer - Onshore Shale Gas Development.
- Oversight of implementation of weed control mechanisms including but not limited to wash-downs and proactive weed control programs.
- Ensuring all reporting requirements are met.
- Act as the designated point of contact for and rapidly responding to any weed related complaints and incidents in accordance with the pre-determined strategies in this WMP and additional strategies as required developed in consultation with the Regional Weed Officer - Onshore Shale Gas Development and affected landholders.
- Review and update of WMP's to remain effective in communication with relevant landholders and Regional Weed Officer - Onshore Shale Gas Development in consideration of monitoring results and emerging weed issues for both gas and pastoral operations.

Origin has appointed **Robert Wear, Construction Superintendent** as the dedicated Weed Officer of the Beetaloo Exploration Activities.

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5. Weed Species Information

Weed surveys completed in August 2018 indicate the abundance of weeds within the proposed project area is low. *Hyptis suaveolens* (Hyptis), was identified along the access track to the proposed Velkerri 98-E1-1 site, whilst Gamba Grass (*Andropogon gayanus*) is also known to be in the broader region and is used by some Pastoralists in the region for wet season pasture. The pastoral properties using Gamba would be required to control the growth and spread to neighbouring areas (NTG, 2000).

Previous surveys within the permit area completed in 2014, 2015 and 2016 also confirmed the presence of Hyptis in the vicinity of the Carpentaria Highway near Velkerri 98 N1-2 (previously known as Amungee NW-1) site. *Parkinsonia aculeata* (Parkinsonia) and *Calotropis procera* (Rubber Bush) have been previously identified along/in close proximity to the Beetaloo access track. Parkinsonia is considered a Weed of National Significance (WoNS), which are weed species that are the focus of national management programs for the purpose of restricting their spread and/or eradicating them from parts of Australia. These species are specifically presented in Table 2 and Section 8.

Figure 2 illustrates the weeds species confirmed in the region during field surveys, along with other weed species that are known to occur or likely to occur within the wider exploration Permit Areas. This information is based on:

- Origin exploration program weed survey data (2014-2018 results)
- Mapping data provided by the Weed Management Branch, DENR.
- Guidelines for the *Management of the Weeds of Beetaloo 2018* (DLRM et al 2018).
- Barkly and Katherine Regional Weed Management Plans (RWMP)
- Department of the Environment and Energy (DOEE) EPBC Act Protected Matters Report database.

Table 3 has been separated into priority weeds, RWMP alert species and other species previously identified in the area. Priority weed species are considered higher risk of being introduced or spread through the following criteria:

- Weed species that has been confirmed in the area within the relevant RWMP or through field surveys.
- Weed species listed in a RWMP that is in close proximity to Origin tenure.
- Weed species that are at risk of introduction through the use of machinery sourced from other regions in the NT or from other states.

Alert weed species are identified under the Katherine and Barkley RWMP. These species are not yet naturalised in the region, but have the potential to have a high level of impact to the region should it become established. The likelihood of the species naturalising and spreading in the region is perceived to be high (Department of Land Resource Management 2015).

It is noted that *Parthenium hysterophorus* is a major problem in rangelands and cropping areas of Queensland and is estimated to cost farmers and graziers more than \$22 million a year in reduced production and increased management costs. Vehicle, machinery and material movements from Queensland into the project area present a risk of spread of *Parthenium* if not managed correctly (Department of Primary Industry and Resources 2016).

Additional mapped locations of weeds within the Barkly and Katherine RWMP are provided in Figure 3 and Figure 4.

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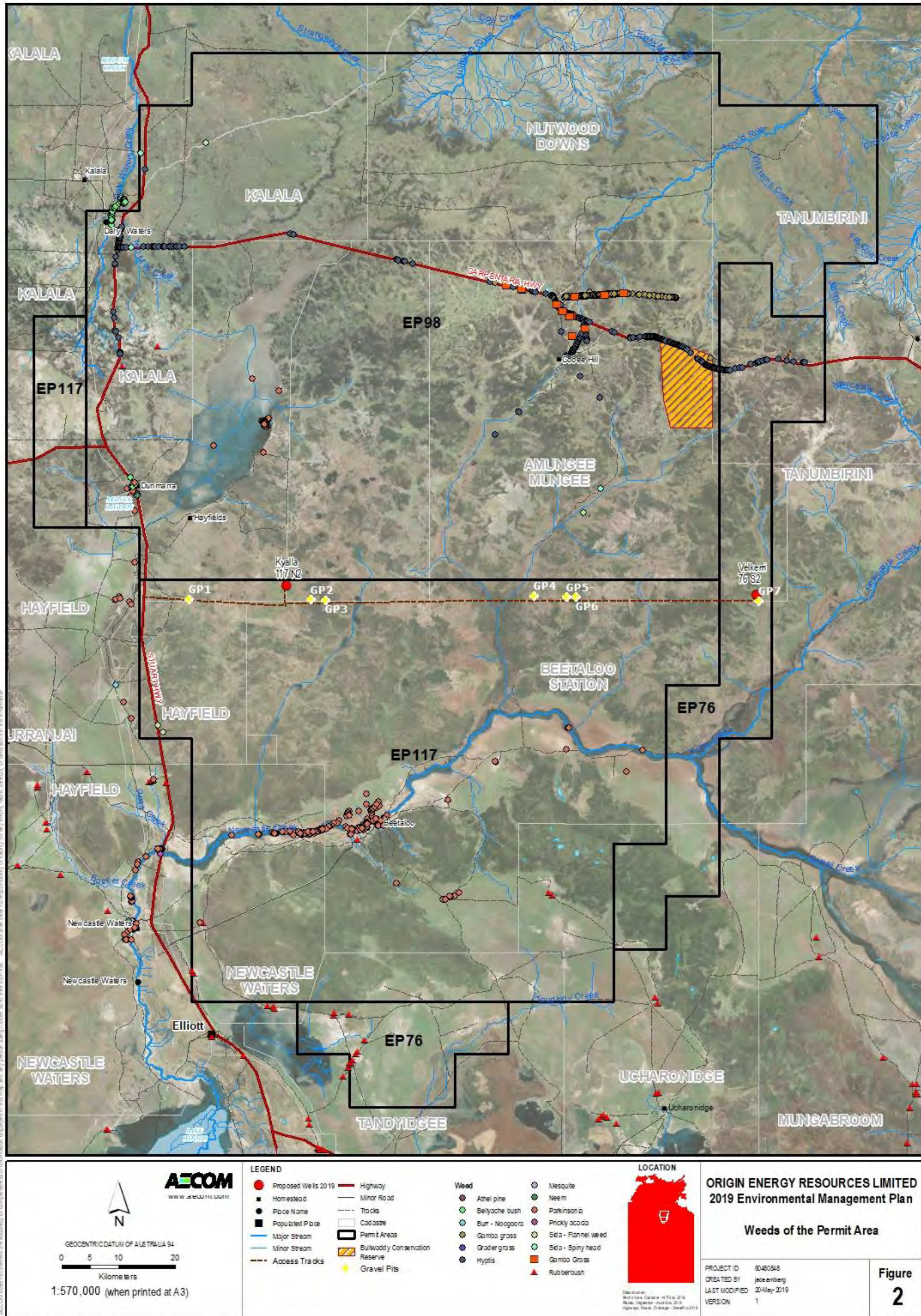


Figure 2 Location of Weeds Species in Permit Areas

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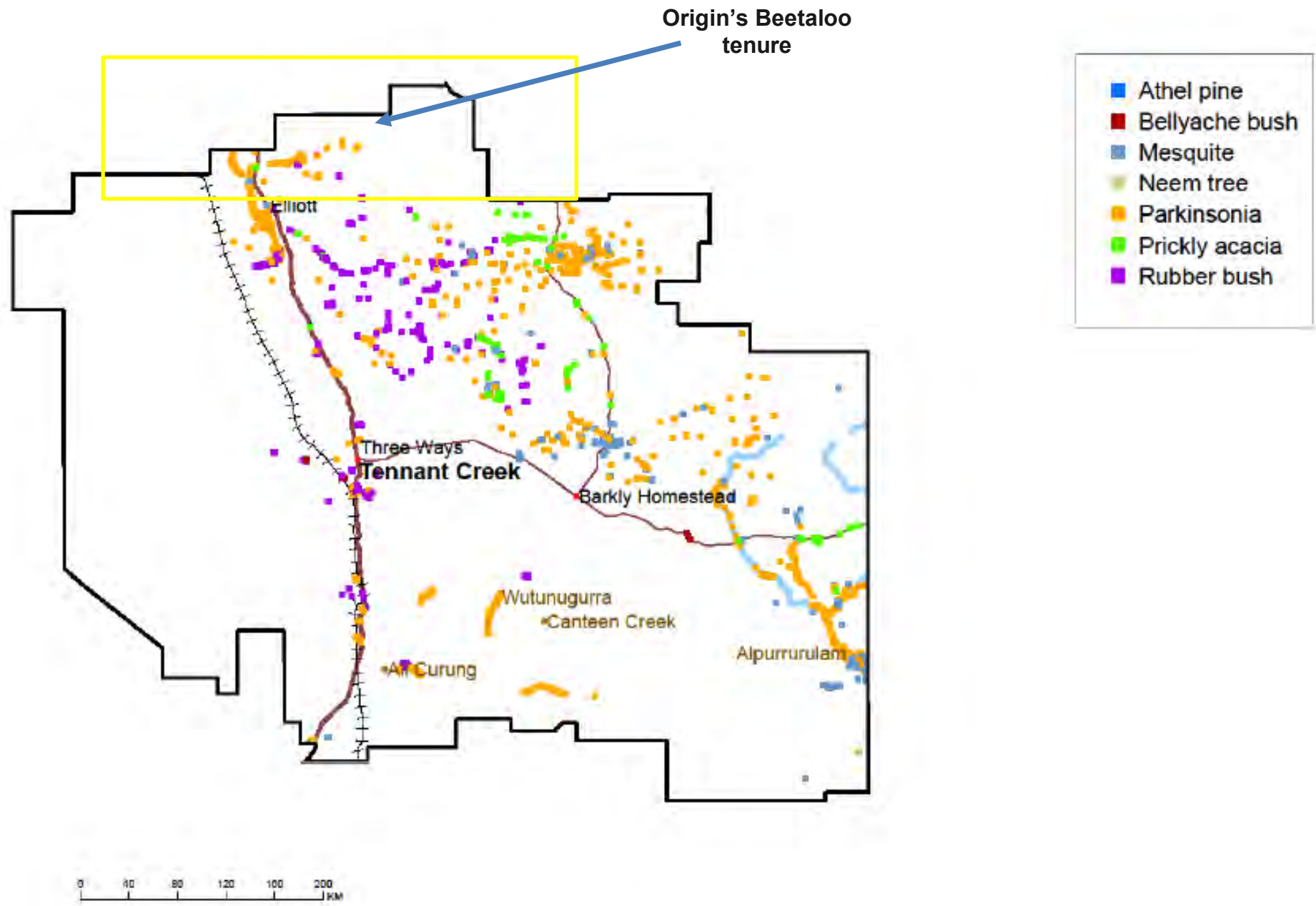


Figure 3 Barkly RWMP mapped priority weed locations

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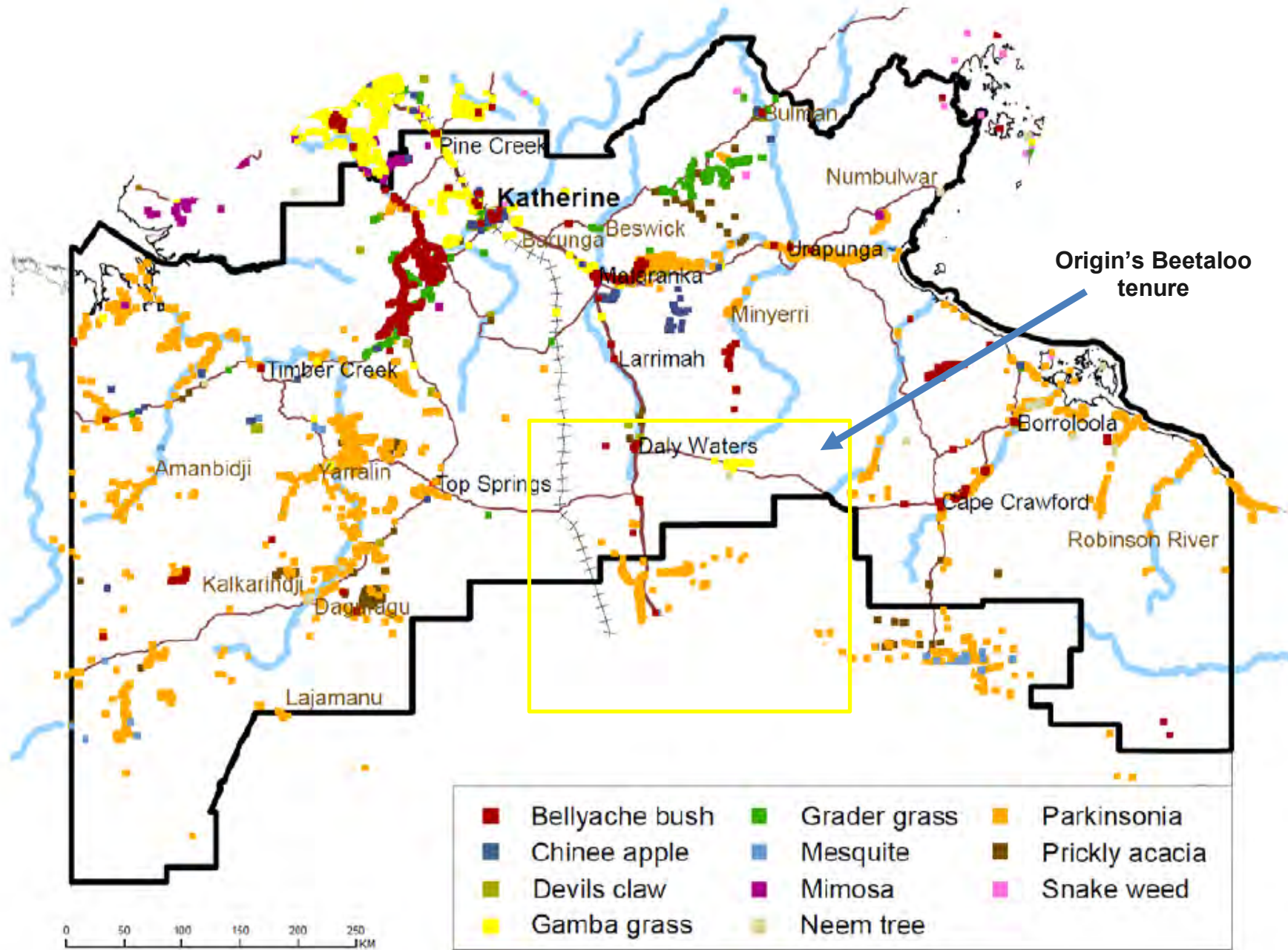


Figure 4 Katherine RWMP mapped priority weeds

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Table 2 NT listed weeds known of likely to occur within the Permit Area

Scientific Name	Common Name	Status	Data Source
Priority Weed Species			
<i>Acacia nilotica</i>	Prickly Acacia	Class A, WoNS	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWMP
<i>Andropogon gayanus</i>	Gamba Grass	Class A WoNS	Confirmed within exploration lease. High potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine and Darwin area.
<i>Calotropis procera</i>	Rubber Bush	Class B and C	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Barkly RWMP
<i>Hyptis suaveolens</i>	Hyptis	Class B and C	Confirmed within exploration lease during previous weed Origin surveys
<i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>	Bellyache Bush	Class A, WoNS	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWMP. Potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
<i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>	Parkinsonia	Class B and C, WONS	Confirmed within exploration lease during previous weed Origin surveys and Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWMP. Potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
<i>Prosopis pallida</i>	Mesquite	Class A and C, WONS	Mapped in the area surrounding exploration lease within the Katherine and Barkly RWMP
<i>Themeda quadrivalvis</i>	Grader Grass	Class B and C, WoNS	Confirmed within the exploration lease and mapped in the area within the Katherine RWMP. High potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
<i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>	Parthenium	Class A and Class C, WoNS	Confirmed by DENR to occur within the exploration lease. Potential introduction through equipment sourced from QLD.
Alert Species under RWMP			
<i>Cenchrus setaceum</i>	Fountain grass	Class B and C	Alert Species within the Barkly Region
<i>Cryptostegia grandiflora</i>	Rubber vine	Class A and C, WONS	Alert Species within the Barkly and Katherine RWMP
<i>Chromolaena odorata</i>	Siam Weed	Class C	Alert Species Katherine RWMP

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Scientific Name	Common Name	Status	Data Source
Other species potentially found in region			
<i>Alternanthera pungens</i>	Khaki Weed	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Neem	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Cenchrus ciliaris</i>	Buffel Grass	Not declared in NT	DOTEE Protected Matters Report
<i>Cenchrus echinatus</i>	Mossman River Grass	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Datura ferox</i>	Fierce Thornapple	Class A and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Sida acuta</i>	Spinyhead sida	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
<i>Sida cordifolia</i>	Flannel Weed	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Sida rhombifolia</i>	Paddy's Lucerne	Class B and C	DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
<i>Xanthium occidentale</i>	Noogoora Burr	Class B and C	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)

Note: Declarations under the Northern Territory Weeds *Management Act 2013*:

6. Weed Introduction and Spread Risks

As part of the development of the EMP for this project, Origin has undertaken a preliminary assessment of the risk of introducing or spreading weeds in the project area. This assessment and the corresponding proposed mitigation measures and management objectives are presented in Table 3 below. Due to the low abundance of weeds within the proposed project area, management controls will primarily focus on preventing the introduction of weed species through appropriate equipment sourcing cleaning and inspection.

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Table 3 Risk of weed introduction and spread and corresponding mitigation measures

Environmental Values	Maintain the integrity of significant ecosystems and agricultural productivity		
Management Objectives	Avoid the introduction of weeds Avoid the spread of existing weeds		
Measures Criteria	No introduction or spread of declared weeds resulting from Origins activities.		
Activity	Potential Risks		Management Controls
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds	
Vehicle and equipment movements	Vehicles and equipment sourced from other locations infested with weed species not found in or around Project Area	Traversing of weed infested areas with machinery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory Part A- Surface Activities. - Activities will adhere to the guidelines within the NT Weed Management Handbook. - Weed management and control measures to be implemented in alignment with existing landholder biosecurity requirements. - All equipment will have certified equipment wash-down completed prior to entry to the field. Wash-down would occur at Contractors depot or a commercial wash facility prior to mobilisation in a manner that prevents pollution of the surrounding environment. - Machinery to be preferentially sourced locally, with machinery sourced from surrounding areas or Queensland being the 2nd and 3rd preferred option respectively. - Weeds will be actively controlled in cleared/ hardstand areas. - Major equipment moves will be planned from weed-free areas to infested areas and not the other way around. - Ensuring all material imported to or between sites is free of weeds.
Construction of access tracks and monitoring bore pads	Importing materials from areas where weeds are present and creating opportunities for weed species to colonise disturbed areas	Traversing of weed infested areas and creating opportunities for weed species to colonise disturbed areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory Part A- Surface Activities. - Activities will adhere to the guidelines within the NT Weed Management Handbook. - Weed management and control measures to be implemented in alignment with existing landholder biosecurity requirements. - All equipment will have certified equipment wash-down completed prior to entry to the field. - Ensure field staff, contractors and machinery operators are familiar with hygiene protocols and weed identification. - Machinery to be preferentially sourced locally, with machinery sourced from surrounding areas

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Activity	Potential Risks		Management Controls
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds	
			<p>or Queensland being the 2nd and 3rd preferred option respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Weeds will be actively controlled in cleared/ hardstand areas. - Stabilise disturbed areas.
Drilling, stimulation and well testing	Introduction of weed species not found in or around EP area.	Traversing of weed infested areas with machinery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory Part A- Surface Activities. - Activities will adhere to the guidelines within the NT Weed Management Handbook. - Weed management and control measures to be implemented in alignment with existing landholder biosecurity requirements. - All equipment will have certified equipment wash-down completed prior to entry to the field. Wash-down would occur at Contractors depot or a commercial wash facility prior to mobilisation in a manner that prevents pollution of the surrounding environment. - Ensure field staff, contractors and machinery operators are familiar with hygiene protocols and weed identification. - Weeds will be actively controlled in cleared/ hardstand areas. - Major equipment moves will be planned from weed-free areas to infested areas and not the other way around. - Drilling and stimulation equipment will be restricted to cleared lease areas. - Ensuring all material imported to or between sites is free of weeds.
Operational/ site management	Personnel unable to identify weeds or unaware of weed species present in areas where machinery and equipment is sourced from	Existing weed distribution not known due to: insufficient survey effort, surveys conducted at wrong time of year, surveyors not familiar with / unable to identify	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory Part A- Surface Activities. - Staff members responsible for preventing, identifying and managing weeds to be appropriately trained. - Weed desktop and field-based surveys to be provided to identify existing weed areas. - Pre-and post wet (February to May) inspections and periodic audits will be conducted to identify and report weed outbreaks.

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Environmental Values	Maintain the integrity of significant ecosystems and agricultural productivity		
Management Objectives	Avoid the introduction of weeds Avoid the spread of existing weeds		
Measures Criteria	No introduction or spread of declared weeds resulting from Origins activities.		
Activity	Potential Risks		Management Controls
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds	
		declared weed species	
	Insufficient management control to prevent the introduction of weeds	Insufficient management control to prevent the spread of weeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff members responsible for preventing, identifying and managing weeds to be appropriately trained. - Ensure field staff, contractors and machinery operators are familiar with hygiene protocols and weed identification (Weed identification posters and the NTG Weed Deck will be made available) - Weeds will be actively controlled in cleared/ hardstand areas. - Weed management and control measures to be implemented in alignment with existing landholder biosecurity requirements. - New activities will be planned to address prevention of weed or non-indigenous plant spread.

7. Statutory Weed Management Plans

No statutory weeds have been identified during surveys of the Project Area, however the following plans apply to species that have been found/ could be potential found in the broader region.:

- Weed Management Plan for Athel pine (*Tamarix aphylla*)
- Weed Management Plan for Mesquite (*Prosopis* spp.)
- Weed Management Plan for Prickly Acacia (*Acacia nilotica*)
- Weed Management Plan for Bellyache Bush (*Jatropha gossypifolia*)
- Weed Management Plan for Neem (*Azadirachta indica*)
- Weed Management Plan for Gamba Grass (*Andropogon gayanus*)
- Weed Management Plan for Grader Grass (*Themeda quadrivalvis*).

The weed management plans detail the legislated obligations of all land owners, land managers and land users in the Northern Territory to eradicate or manage and avoid further spread of the weed species. Conducting land management practices in accordance with the weed management plans will secure compliance with the requirements of the Act (Department of Land Resource Management 2015).

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8. Annual Action Plan

An action plan for each of the weed species identified in the Project Area is presented in Table 4. Treatment options as contained in the Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook are presented in Section 8.1 to Section 8.3.

This section will be updated if new weed species are discovered over the life of the program to ensure that statutory requirements with relation to declaration status and relevant weed management plans are addressed (refer to Section 7)

As part of the 2019 Annual Weed Management Action Plan, Origin also commits to undertaking finer detailed weed mapping of all permit area, lease pads, access tracks and gravel pits, as well as any other areas disturbed as part activity.

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Table 4 Annual Weed Management Action Plan

Management objective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Avoid the introduction of weeds - Avoid the spread of existing weeds 			
Weed species	Survey time/s	Treatment time/s	Control options	Where located
Hyptis <i>Hyptis suaveolens</i>	6 monthly- pre-and post wet season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preferred Dec – Mar - Also Nov and April 	Refer to section 7.1.	Beetaloo access track Access track to Velkerri 98-E1-1 site
Parkinsonia <i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>	6 monthly- pre-and post wet season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preferred Mar – May - Also all year round 	Refer to section 7.2.	Beetaloo access track
Rubber Bush <i>Calotropis procera</i>	6 monthly- pre-and post wet season	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Preferred October – March - April - July 	Refer to section 7.3.	Close proximity to the Beetaloo access track

8.1 Hyptis (*Hyptis suaveolens*) treatment options

Table 5 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Hyptis (*Hyptis suaveolens*) (Northern Territory Government 2015).

Table 5 Hyptis (*Hyptis suaveolens*) treatment options

Weed Species	Hyptis (<i>Hyptis suaveolens</i>)		
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rates	Weed growth stage, method and comments
Herbicides	2, 4-D amine 625 g/L Various trade names	320 mL / 100 L	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation): Foliar spray - apply when actively growing.
	Glyphosate 360 g/L Various trade names and formulations	15 mL / 1 L	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation): Foliar spray - apply when actively growing.
Non-chemical applications	- Manually remove all plant material; slash to encourage competition from desirable species.		

Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (Northern Territory Government 2015).

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8.2 Parkinsonia (*Parkinsonia aculeata*) treatment options

Table 6 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Parkinsonia (*Parkinsonia aculeata*) (Northern Territory Government 2015).

Table 6 Parkinsonia (*Parkinsonia aculeata*) treatment options

Weed Species	Parkinsonia (<i>Parkinsonia aculeata</i>)		
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments
Herbicides	Aminopyralid 8 g/L + Triclopyr 300 g/L + Picloram 100 g/L Grazon™ Extra	350 mL / 100 L or 3 L / ha	Seedling (individuals and infestation) Foliar spray – avoid spraying if plants are stressed or bearing pods – Uptake Spraying Oil required Foliar spray – plants up to 2 m or 2 years old - Uptake Spraying Oil required.
	Triclopyr 240 g/L + Picloram 120 g/L Access™	1 L / 60 L (diesel) 1 L / 60 L (diesel)	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation) Basal bark < 5 cm stem diameter Cut stump > 5 cm stem diameter
	Tebuthiuron 200 g/kg	1.5 g / m2	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation) Granulated herbicide - ground applied Do not use within 30 m of desirable trees or apply to continuous area > 0.5 ha. Do not use if fire is eminent. Apply when there is soil moisture or prior to rain.
Non-chemical applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blade-ploughing, stick-raking, bulldozing and chaining can be effective if the root layer is removed from the soil. - Cultivation of pasture or native vegetation after mechanical control will help to prevent re-sprouting and seedling establishment. - Fire destroys seed in the soil surface and can be used as a follow-up to remove seedlings after other control efforts. - Fire may also be used to manage mature trees. Hand grubbing for single plants or small outbreaks, ensure removal of the root system. - Biocontrol options are available with Uu establishing slowly in some areas. 		

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8.3 Rubber bush (*Calotropis procera*) treatment options

Table 7 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Rubber bush (*Calotropis procera*) (Northern Territory Government 2015).

Table 7 Rubber bush (*Calotropis procera*) treatment options

Weed Species	Rubber bush (<i>Calotropis procera</i>)		
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments
Herbicides	Triclopyr 300 g/L + Picloram 100 g/L Conqueror®	750 mL / 100 L (water)	Seedling (individuals or infestation): Foliar spray. Check label for recommended adjuvant product. More effective on plants <2m as thorough coverage on all leaves is required
	+ Aminopyralid 8 g/L Grazon™ Extra	500-750mL / 100 L (water)	
	Triclopyr 240 g/L + Picloram 120 g/L Access™	1 L / 60 L (diesel) 1 L / 10 L (diesel) 1 L / 60 L (diesel)	Adult (individuals and infestation): Basal bark < 5cm stem diameter. Spray all stems. Spray to point of runoff. Thin Line up to 5cm stem diameter. Cut stump > 5cm stem diameter.
	Tebuthiuron (200g/kg) Graslan Pending registration. Please check with Weed Management Branch for status confirmation.	1.5-2g/m2	Seedling or adult: Application to black clay soils in conjunction with seasonal rainfall. Spread granules according to density of the infestation.
	Fluroxypyr (333g/L) Starane™ Advanced	3 L / 100 L (diesel)	Adult: Cut stump method for plants up to 10cm diameter and 3m high.
Non-chemical applications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - This plant is difficult to eradicate as the deep roots survive almost any treatment. - Maintenance of a dense pasture sward will assist in preventing invasion. 		

Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (Northern Territory Government 2015).

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9. Notification Procedure

The Regional Weed Officer – Onshore Shale Oil Gas Development at the Weed Management Branch of the DENR should be notified within 48 hours of the discovery of a new weed species in the Project Area.

Initial notification may be verbal, with follow-up written notification provided within seven working days. The notification should include a preliminary species identification and location information. The Regional Weed Officer will advise what further action is required.

It is noted that some species spread rapidly so immediate action may be required to control spread. For example, as stated above *Parthenium* (*Parthenium hysterophorus*) is a Class A (to be eradicated) and Class C (not to be introduced) weed in the Northern Territory as well as being classified as a Weed of National Significance. Early detection is crucial in not allowing this species to spread in the Northern Territory (Department of Primary Industry and Resources 2016).

In addition, it is noted that under the *Weeds Management Act* that:

'The owner and occupier of land must... within 14 days after becoming aware of a declared weed that has not previously been, or known to have been, present on the land, notify an officer of the presence of the declared weed'.

All weed outbreak incidents will be reported in Origin's OCIS and corrective action initiated.

10. Recording

Records of weed inspections will be maintained by Origin.

Data on weed distribution will be maintained within Origin's GIS and provided to the Weeds Officer at DENR as part of the annual report on performance against the Weed Management Plan, or as requested.

Data will be collected as per the requirements of the Northern Territory Weed Data Collection Manual - Section One Technical Data Description (Weed Management Branch, 2015).

Data will be recorded using the guidelines provided in Appendix A using the data sheet provided in Appendix B (Weed Management Branch, 2015).

The Northern Territory Weed ID Deck (Northern Territory Government 2017) will be referenced to assist with identification of species that have been identified as likely or know to occur in the Permit Area.

Field data will be submitted directly to the Weed Management Branch in a shapefile format or as an Excel spreadsheet, including incidental identification of weeds and following completion of field surveys.

11. Reporting

All weed outbreak incidents will be reported in Origin's OCIS and corrective action initiated.

A report on the performance against this Weed Management Plan will be submitted to DENR on an annual basis.

At a minimum, this should include:

- a) Details of activities implemented to address weed spread and introduction risks (e.g. vehicle wash down/ blow down locations, examples of track construction from working from weed free areas into weed infested areas to reduce spread).
- b) Details of survey and monitoring events, including dates, personnel, maps and track data.
- c) Submission of all weed data collected.
- d) Overview of weed control events and success rates (weed control should be captured in detail through the data collection process and submitted as a component of (a)).

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Appendix A Weed Data Collection Methodology

Field data collection for weed infestations

The following is a guide to efficiently evaluating and recording a weed site in the field.

Each record must identify the person or organisation taking the record, as well as the details explained below.

How to record weed area as a point record

1. Record the species.

When a weed is sighted, move to the area and confirm identification of the weed. If you cannot positively identify the weed record it as “Unknown weed” and take a sample or photograph, do not try to guess. If more than one weed species is present then repeat the process with separate records for each species.

2. Assess the size of the weed patch.

Look across the area of weeds to the furthest weed plant and decide the diameter. Decide if the area is best fits in a circle of either 20, 50 or 100 metres. If it is a single plant or small patch you would choose 20 metres. The size 100 metres extends about as far as you can see on the ground, if the weeds extend out of sight you will need to make another point further on. You may place overlapping circle areas to reflect different densities.

3. Assess the density of weeds within the circle.

Decide how much of the area is covered by weeds. Assign a score from 2 to 5 based on the percentage table below. It will be useful (if possible) to move into the centre of the weed circle. Consider the whole circle size chosen in step 2 deciding on the density score. Area covered should be determined by a ‘projected canopy’ method.

Density categories

1 = Absent, no weeds of this species in this area.

2 = < 1%, Very few, not many weeds eg: single plant, perhaps with seedlings.

3 = 1 -10%, More than one or two isolated plants but not a lot eg: a few small plants.

4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered eg: a tree, dense patches of weeds.

5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered eg: thickets, monocultures.

4. Record the location.

Take the GPS location (ideally) from the centre of the circle. If weed seeds may be spread or it is difficult to access the centre it is acceptable to take the reading from the location as close to the centre as practical.

5. Record the treatment.

Record the method you apply a treatment to the weeds, or record ‘No Treatment’.

Choose from the list of treatment methods

i.e: No treatment, Unknown, Treated, Foliar spray etc.

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How to record weed area as a line (polyline) record

1. Record the species.

When a weed is sighted, move to the area and confirm identification of the weed. If you cannot positively identify the weed record it as "Unknown weed" and take a sample or photograph, do not try to guess. If more than one weed species is present then repeat the process with separate records for each species.

2. Assess the 'best fit' width in metres of the linear weed area.

Look along the area of weeds to the furthest weed plant and decide a width that best sums up the width of the infestation from values of 5, 20, 50 or 100 metres. If the width is too variable you may need to make more than one line or consider recording as points or as a polygon.

3. Assess the density of weeds within the line.

For the area of the line, being from start to finish at the designated width, decide the area covered by weeds. Assign a score from 2 to 5 based on the percentage table below. Consider the whole line area when deciding on the density score. Area covered should be determined by a 'projected canopy' method.

Density categories

1 = Absent, no weeds of this species in this area.

2 = < 1%, Very few, not many weeds eg: single plant, perhaps with seedlings.

3 = 1 -10%, More than one or two isolated plants but not a lot eg: a few small plants.

4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered eg: a tree, dense patches of weeds.

5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered eg: thickets, monocultures.

4. Record the location.

Start the GPS track, or line sketch from one end of the linear weed area. Walk or sketch a line as best fit through the middle of the linear weed area and finish at the end point.

5. Record the treatment.

Record the method you apply a treatment to the weeds, or record 'No Treatment'.

Choose from the list of treatment methods

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How to record weed area as a polygon record

1. Record the species.

When a weed is sighted, move to the area and confirm identification of the weed. If you cannot positively identify the weed record it as “Unknown weed” and take a sample or photograph, do not try to guess. If more than one weed species is present then repeat the process with separate records for each species.

2. Assess the extent of the weed area and ensure it can be practically enclosed.

Polygons are good for clearly delineated areas of weeds, you should be able to walk around the edge of the weed area with confidence. Ensure the defined area of weed at a similar density can be delineated before attempting to create the area, you may need more than one polygon. If the area is poorly defined then the point method may be a more useful.

3. Assess the density of weeds within the polygon.

Assess the area covered by weeds for density, you may need to move to several vantage points to get a clear picture. Assign a score from 2 to 5 based on the percentage table below. Consider the whole area within the polygon when deciding on the density score. Area covered should be determined by a ‘projected canopy’ method.

Density categories

1 = Absent, no weeds of this species in this area.

2 = < 1%, Very few, not many weeds eg: single plant, perhaps with seedlings.

3 = 1 -10%, More than one or two isolated plants but not a lot eg: a few small plants.

4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered eg: a tree, dense patches of weeds.

5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered eg: thickets, monocultures.

4. Record the location.

Start the GPS track, or polygon sketch from one point of the polygon weed area. It is useful to start from a landmark or flagging tape. Create the polygon edge line by walk a path or sketching along the outer edge of the weed area until you return to the start point. If using a GPS track to create the polygon ensure that you cross your start point so as to close the polygon.

5. Record the treatment.

Record the method you apply a treatment to the weeds in the area, or record ‘No Treatment’. Choose from the list of treatment methods

ie: No treatment, Unknown, Treated, Foliar spray etc.

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Appendix B Example Weed Data Collection Sheet

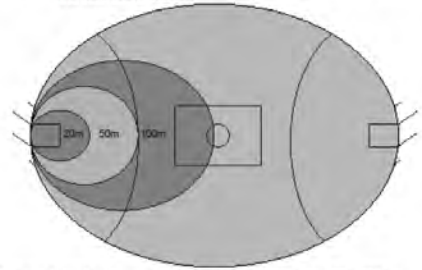
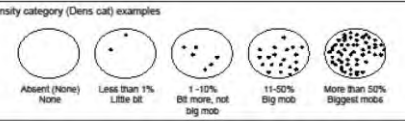
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RECORDER:				PROJECT:				LOCALITY:						
ORG_NAME:				GPS NAME/MODEL:				RECORDING METHOD :						
SITE_ID	DATE_REC	LAT_G94	LONG_G94	WEED_NAME	SIZE_DIA_M	DENS_CAT	SEEDLINGS	JUVENILES	ADULTS	SEED_PRES	PAST_TREAT	TREATMENT	HERBICIDE	COMMENTS

Notes:

<p>Treatment method Control method applied today as per below. If none, record "No treatment"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foliar spray - Residual application - Basal bark - Cut stump - Stem injection - Aerial spray - Stashed or cut - Hand pull <p>Herbicide The active ingredient(s) of the herbicide applied today (if any)</p> <p>GPS waypt Waypoint ID as entered in the GPS</p> <p>Weed name Common name or scientific name for the weed recorded</p> <p>S (y/n) Seedlings: Are seedlings visible?</p> <p>J (y/n) Juveniles: Are juvenile plants visible?</p> <p>A (y/n) Adults: Are there adult plants, or seeds, or evidence of past seeding present?</p> <p>Seed (y/n) Seeds: Are seeds visible today? Or plants with seeds or pods?</p> <p>Treat (y/n) Treatment: Did you apply treatment to this site?</p> <p>Comment Record any notes for yourself here.</p>	<p>Size dia m Size/diameter of the area you are recording information about (in metres). Use 20m, 50m or 100m.</p>  <p>Example of size/diameter compared to a football oval. (Sizes 20m, 50m, 100m)</p>	<p>Dens cat Density of weeds in the assessed area using categories described below</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>1 = No weeds (absent)</td> <td>2 = Single plant or very few (<1%)</td> <td>3 = A few plants (1-10%)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 = Many weeds, up to half (11 - 50%)</td> <td>5 = Mostly weeds, more than 50%</td> <td>6 = Density not assessed</td> </tr> </table> <p>Density category (Dens cat) examples</p> 	1 = No weeds (absent)	2 = Single plant or very few (<1%)	3 = A few plants (1-10%)	4 = Many weeds, up to half (11 - 50%)	5 = Mostly weeds, more than 50%	6 = Density not assessed
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(extracted from Northern Territory Weed Data Collection Manual - Section One Technical Data Description.

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Appendix L: Methane Emission Management Plan



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Methane Emission Management Plan

Review record

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1. Purpose

This Methane Emissions Management Plan (MEMP) is designed to outline the measures as to how the risks of methane emissions associated with Origin Energy's Beetaloo Basin exploration activities will be managed. This Plan has been developed in accordance with the Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory.

2. Key Legislation

Key legislation and documents consulted in the development of this plan are provided below. A full list of applicable legislation is provided in the corresponding management plans.

- **Code of Practice for Petroleum activities in the Northern Territory:** Mandatory code of practice legislating the management of chemicals and wastewater onsite, including the use of secondary containment, lined tanks and spill management plan,
- **National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007:** Regulates the reporting of greenhouse gas emissions, energy production and energy consumption associated with company activities. Data to be supplied annually to the regulator in accordance with emission/energy use guidance manuals.

3. Activity description

The activities undertaken as a part of this MEMP are summarised in Table 1. These activities are restricted to the drilling, stimulation, well testing and ongoing operation of exploration wells. They do not cover any production, compression or pipeline activities as these are currently not proposed.

Table 1 Activity and emission description summary

Activity	Emission Description	Controls	Emission monitoring
Drilling	Methane emissions are small (<1 tonne) and restricted to outgassing of hydrocarbon within intersected shales brought to surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Drilling is overbalanced, preventing gas influx into well bore •Shale formations have negligible permeability with limited influx of gas from target formations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Due to low emission level, gas is qualitatively monitored in mud stream as a concentration (not flow rate). •Gas desorption data is collected from target reservoir allowing emission estimates.
Stimulation	During stimulation, the well will be overbalanced restricting the flow of hydrocarbons to surface.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Well is kept overbalanced to prevent gas influx during and after stimulation. •Flowback kept within the formation after each stage. 	N/A
Well Testing	Well is unloaded to allow hydrocarbons and fluid to flow to surface. All fluids and hydrocarbons diverted to a separator and then a flare onsite. Small emissions (<1 tonne) of methane may be released prior to the onsite of flaring, as the hydrocarbon production rate may not be enough to sustain a flare initially. Small volumes (kg's/day) of methane is entrained within liquid hydrocarbons and flowback fluid and will be released to atmosphere	Well heads are designed in accordance with the NT Code of Practice and API standards to minimise loss of methane containment. A reduced emission completion will be utilised- where all gas is sent to a separator and then flared. Personal Gas Detector during all operational visits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Personal Gas Detector during well testing activities •All flared gas measured using flow meters
Ongoing Well Operations/ suspension	Methane emissions restricted to unplanned leaks from well heads, including surface casing vents.	•Operation staff to carry personal calibrated gas detectors during every routine operational visit to well sites.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Personal Gas Detector during well testing activities •6 monthly leak detection

Activity	Emission Description	Controls	Emission monitoring
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Routine wellhead maintenance as per well Integrity Management System •Each well and equipment on a well pad to be inspected every 6 months for leaks using a US EPA Method 21 compliance technique 	

4. Equipment Selection and Activity Design

The uncontrolled emissions of natural gas during drilling, stimulation and well testing activities represents a potential hazard to workers and the environment. All equipment will be selected to minimise the emissions during production activities.

- Exploration wells and associated surface infrastructure shall be designed to mitigate leaks in accordance with the relevant standards. These Standards include:
 - ISO 16530-1-2017 Petroleum and natural gas industries- Well Integrity - Life cycle governance
 - API SPEC 5CT 2016 Casing and Tubing
 - API SPEC 16D 2013 Control Systems for Drilling Well Control Equipment and Control Systems for Diverter Equipment
 - API RP 59 2012 Well control operations
 - API SPEC 6A 2016 Wellhead and Christmas Tree equipment
 - NORSOK Standard D-010, Well integrity in drilling and well operations
- Leak detection implemented consistent with Codes of Practice.
- Ongoing well maintenance as per the Well Operations Management Plan.

5. Flowback Activities

5.1 Reduced emission Completion

- A Reduced Emission completions (REC) shall be used to minimise the amount of venting
- A REC for the purpose of the Beetaloo Exploration Project is a separator equipped with a flare.
- Venting shall only be used where the capture or flaring is not possible.
- The recovery or gas and hydrocarbons for sale will be prioritised (where practicable) to minimise flaring.

6. Leak Detection Inspections.

The leak inspection programs will be implemented in accordance with Table 2.

Table 2 Leak detection program

Monitoring Program	Monitoring methodology	Frequency
Routine operational Inspections	Calibrated personal gas detector	During each operational visit
Mandatory inspection	US EPA Method 21	6-monthly

7. Monitoring Methodology

- Mandatory inspections will be completed on all surface infrastructure (vents, flanges, valves, connections, drains, pressure relief vents, etc.) of the exploration well in accordance with the USEPA Method 21 requirements or a vehicle mounted cavity ring-down spectrometer (CRDS).

7.1 Instrument Selection

- A Method 21 detector must be able to detect methane at the minimum detection range of 10 Parts Per Million (PPM), with an +/- accuracy of 50PPM.

- A vehicle mounted CRDS detectors shall have a 10 Parts Per Billion (PPB) minimum detection accuracy with an accuracy of +/- 10PPB
- The instrument shall be intrinsically safe (where used within hazardous areas) and equipped with an electrically driven pump, to ensure that a sample is provided to the detector at a constant flow rate.

7.2 Qualifications

- Inspections must be carried out by a suitably qualified person
- A suitably qualified person is defined as a person that has been specifically trained in leak detection or has at least 3 years industry experience in conducting leak detection activities.

7.3 Calibrations

- Gas detectors must be maintained and calibrated in accordance with the manufacturers instructions. Records of instrument calibration shall be retained.
- A two stage calibration shall be used, with an Air calibration and a 10PPM by volume CH₄ calibration gas used.
- The instrument response time shall be less than 30 seconds.

7.4 Testing procedure

7.4.1 Method 21

Method 21 inspections are used to survey individual pieces of equipment. These types of inspections require access to the surface of the equipment and are extremely effective at pinpointing leaks. The following procedure is to be followed when conducting method 21 inspections:

1. Ensure gas detector is calibrated and functioning properly
2. Ensure the appropriate permitting is obtained before entry into a hazardous area
3. Place the probe inlet at the surface of the component interface where leakage could occur.
4. Move the probe along the interface periphery while observing the instrument readout. If an increased meter reading is observed, slowly sample the interface where leakage is indicated until the maximum meter reading is obtained.
5. Leave the probe inlet at this maximum reading location for approximately two times the instrument response time (i.e. at least a minute).
6. If the maximum observed meter reading is greater than 500PPM at the surface of a piece of infrastructure, the leak is to be measured again at 150mm immediately above (and downwind) of the leak in an open-air environment
7. The leak shall be classified in accordance with section 7
8. The location of the leak shall be clearly documented and photographs taken (if safe to do so)
9. Any liquid petroleum leaks should also be identified, along with estimates of leak rate and volume released.

7.4.2 Vehicle mounted CRDS

Vehicle mounted CRDS uses highly sensitive, PPB level detectors to screen clumps of infrastructure for leaks. They are extremely effective at providing a rapid assessment and are used in combination of method 21 assessment to pin point leaks. The following procedure shall be followed when conducting vehicle mounted CRDS inspections:

1. The vehicle shall be driven within 20m up and downwind of the infrastructure at a speed below 20km/hour: it is advisable to drive around a piece of infrastructure in a circular motion to obtain up and down wind in the same pass.
2. Where a survey cannot be made within 20m downwind of a piece of infrastructure, a method 21 inspection shall be undertaken.
3. Downwind methane concentrations shall be compared to upwind (background) concentration.
4. Where an emission is identified at 5PPM above background, a method 21 inspection shall be undertaken
5. Where enrichment is recorded below 5PPM, the infrastructure has no material leaks present.

7.5 Leak Classification, Repair and Notification

Each leak shall be classified, repaired and reported in accordance with Table 3. It should be noted, that classification of leaks is only undertaken using a method 21 approach outlined in 7.4.1.

Table 3 Leak classification and remediation summary

Classification	Threshold	Response	Notification	Comments
Minor Leak	>500ppm measured at the surface of the component in accordance with section 6.4.1	All minor leaks must be documented and repaired as soon as practicable, but within 30 days. Where 30 days is unachievable, the reason for the delay and target date for completion must be submitted.	All minor leaks must be documented	A minor leak is an unplanned release that does not occur during commissioning or bringing equipment back into service. These leaks should be corrected immediately as a part of commissioning
Significant Leak	>5000ppm (or 10% of the Lower Explosive Limit) when measured at 150mm above the leak source. Or A Liquid Petroleum (condensate/oil) loss of containment that exceeds 200L. Or The leak is too large or not safe to measure.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The activities safety management plan, risk assessment and emergency response requirements must be followed. 2. Remediation work must only commence after a suitable risk assessment has been undertaken (at a level appropriate to the nature of the leak) and the relevant safety procedures are followed including the consideration of all the required Personal Protective Equipment and emergency response material. 3. If safe to do so, the leak source should be isolated and repaired immediately. The response priority must be to make the site safe above all other actions. 4. The leak shall be repaired or made safe as soon as practicable, as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) the leak must be isolated, repaired if possible, contained or otherwise made safe within 72 hours. ii) Where isolation and repair is not possible, an exclusion zone must be established around the leak and appropriate restrictions to on access to the exclusion zone imposed. iii) in the event the 72 hour deadline is unachievable, the reason for the delay and the target date for repair shall be submitted to DPIR before the deadline has passed. 	<p>In the case of an emergency situation, DPIR must be notified within 24 hours via the emergency response hotline number 1300 935 250.</p> <p>Notification must include the date of identification, nature and level of the leak, infrastructure name, number and location as well as the initial actions to minimise the risk.</p> <p>The land owner or occupier of the property in which these leaks are occurring must be notified in the following circumstances:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i) if the leak cannot be repaired immediately; and ii) if the leak is likely to affect any of the land owner's or occupiers facilities or activities. <p>A written close-out report must be submitted within 5 business days of the remediation of the leak, specifying the date of identification, nature and level of leak, location and name of the operating plant, and the rectification actions taken.</p>	A significant leak is an unplanned release that does not occur during commissioning or bringing equipment back into service. These leaks should be corrected immediately as a part of commissioning

Classification	Threshold	Response	Notification	Comments
		<p>5. If it is contended that the risk of immediately repairing the leak exceeds the risk posed by the leak, an extension of the 72-hour deadline may be sought provided that other measures to mitigate the risk are undertaken (eg. ensuring an appropriate exclusion zone has been implemented)</p> <p>6. For leaks identified on well equipment, higher order controls such as containment by repair must be implemented wherever possible.</p> <p>7. For leaks identified on well casings or adjacent to the well casing (where a work over rig is necessary to effect repair) it must be determined whether the leak requires immediate repair, or whether the risk can be adequately managed via other control measures until a work over of the well is scheduled for normal operational reasons. The risk assessment to determine the above shall consider the location of the well, likely access to the well from landholders or the general public, and landholder/community concerns in relation to the leak.</p>	<p>If finalising the remediation is delayed more than 7 business days from the identification of the leak an update must be submitted on that day. The final close out report shall be provided when all work is completed.</p>	

8. Reporting

8.1 Flaring and Venting Emissions

- Where natural gas is vented or flared during exploration activities, these emissions shall be measured or estimated using methods consistent with those outline under the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination 2008. This include:
 - Leaks, venting and flaring during flowback activities
 - Equipment blowdowns, system upsets and accidental releases

8.2 Annual reporting

An annual report will be provided to the Northern Territory Government summarising the following:

1. The records of the stages of flowback activities including:
 - i. the date and time of the onset of flowback;
 - ii. the date and time of each attempt to route flowback fluid to the separator;
 - iii. the date and time of each occurrence in which the operator reverted to the initial flowback stage;
 - iv. the date and time of well shut in or connected into adjacent gathering lines;
 - v. the date and time that temporary flowback equipment is disconnected.
 - vi. the total duration of venting, combustion and flaring over the flowback period.
2. The results of leak detection surveys (in the annual report under the Act) outlining:
 - i. the extent of compliance with the leak management plan;
 - ii. a summary of monitoring undertaken during the period;
 - iii. a summary of minor and significant leaks identified during the reporting period, including the date of identification and repair for each leak and those leaks that could not be repaired; and
 - iv. an explanation of why any component could not be repaired and what actions will be taken to either decommission the component or otherwise remedy the problem.
 - v.
 - vi.
 - vii.

Appendix M: Bushfire Management Plan



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BEETALOO BASIN EXPLORATION PROGRAM 2018/2019 Bushfire Management Plan

EP76 & EP117

This document outlines the basic principles for Origin and its Contractors to manage the risk from bushfire, resulting from Exploration activities in the Beetaloo Basin. This BFMP should be read in conjunction with *the relevant Environment Management Plan* and the *Emergency Response Plans for the various Beetaloo activities within Northern Territory*.

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1. Introduction

Bushfire management is considered a significant land management activity in the Northern Territory and has been identified as a medium risk in the Origin's Beetaloo Basin Civils and Drilling, Stimulation and Well Testing Program Environmental Management Plans (EMP). As such, this Bushfire Management Plan (BFMP) forms a core component of Origin's risk management.

Origin's operational activities within the permit area pose a potential ignition risk as a result of exploration activities from the movement of rigs, vehicles, machinery and from flaring activities within the Permit Area. In addition, there is a potential for external ignition sources which may impact on Origin's operations including nearby pastoral activities and natural occurrences of fire as a result of lightning strikes.

This BFMP has been prepared in accordance with the Northern Territory *Bushfires Management Act 2013* and other relevant legislation.

1.1 Project Context

For the purpose of this BFMP, the project boundaries include all proposed lease areas and access tracks that are part of Origin's proposed exploration activities for 2019/2020.

The primary activities subject to this BFMP are:

- Site preparation and operation of exploration lease areas;
- Drilling, stimulation and well operation, including drilling camp.

The location of the proposed exploration activities are shown on Table 1.

1.2 Aim and Objective

The aim of this Bushfire Management Plan (BFMP) is to:

- reduce the occurrence of, and minimise the impact of bushfires, thereby reducing the threat to life, property, cultural values and the environment.
- mitigate the potential impact of unplanned fires on Origin's people, assets and operations.

The design of the exploration lease area has complied with Northern Territory and local government statutory laws and regulations and designed to meet all relevant and applicable codes and standards, in particular consideration of the Northern Territory *Bushfires Management Act 2013*, the *Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory (2019)* and *Australian Standard for the Construction of Buildings in Bushfire Prone Areas (AS3959-2009)*.

It is noted that the NT does not have policy or guidelines controlling development in bushfire prone areas, therefore the requirements of AS 3959 are relied on in this instance to guide infrastructure setbacks (asset protection zones) and the assessment of construction standards for bushfire protection.

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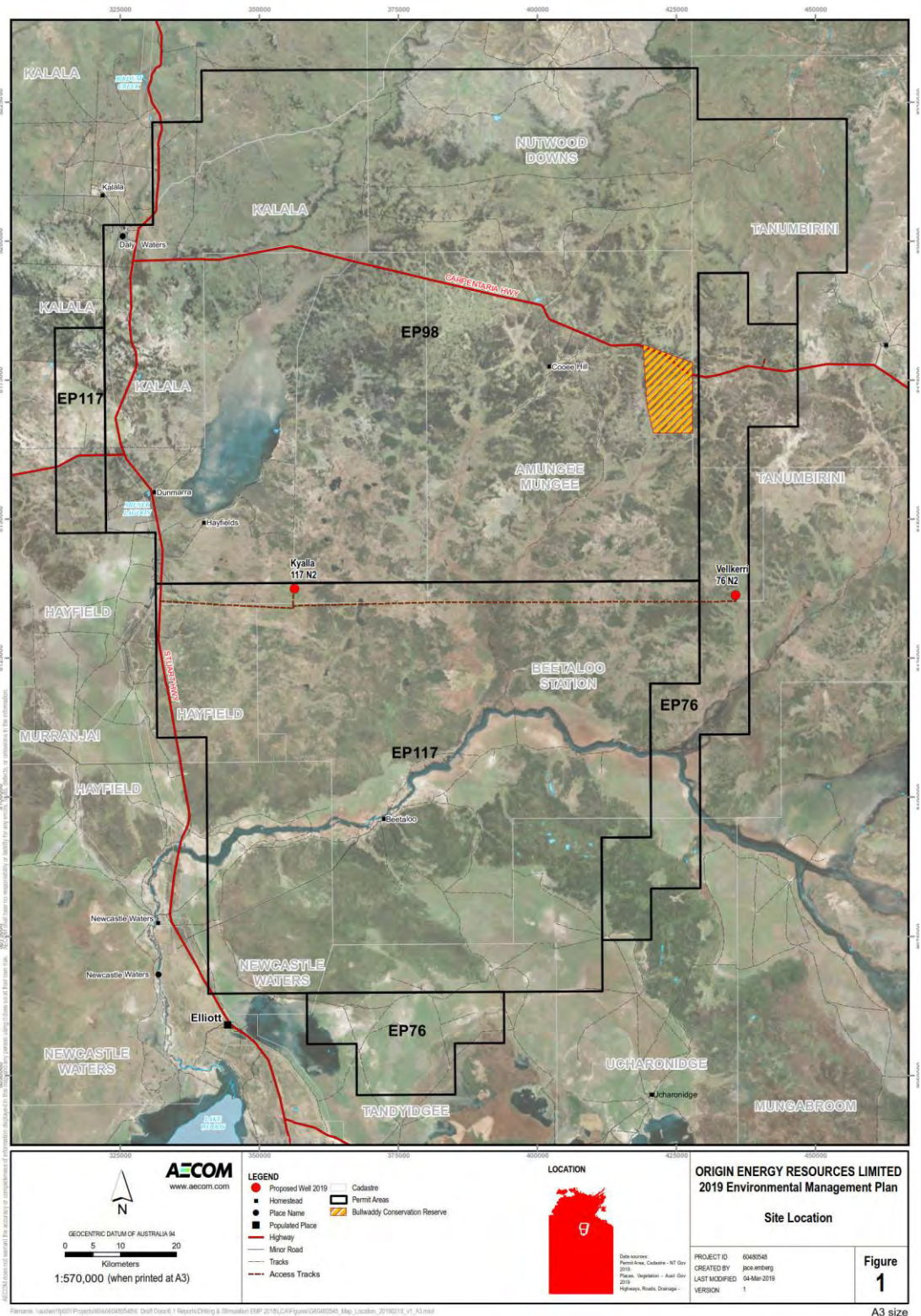


Figure 1 Origin Permit Area and 2019/2020 Exploration

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2. Legal and Other Requirements

The following presents the relevant legislation and statutory obligations for the project.

2.1 Northern Territory Petroleum (Environment) Regulations

Petroleum Act 2018, Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2018 and Schedule of Onshore Petroleum Exploration & Production Requirements 2016

The *Petroleum Act 2016* provides legal framework within which persons are encouraged to undertake effective exploration for petroleum and to develop petroleum production so that the optimum value of the resource is returned to the Territory. It regulates the exploration for, and production of petroleum, including environmental protection measures which should be employed during exploration and production activities, including protection of parks and reserves and rehabilitation.

In addition, the Act is supported by the *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016* and the *Schedule of Onshore Petroleum Exploration and Production Requirements 2016* (Requirements) and the Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory 2019 (Guideline).

The *Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016* requires that regulated activities are carried out in a manner consistent with the principles of ecologically sustainable development, and by which the environmental impacts and environmental risks of the activities are identified and reduced to an acceptable level.

Under these regulations Origin is required to submit an EMP prior to any petroleum exploration or production activity.

EMP's must include:

- potential environmental risks or impacts (in this instance relating to the increase in bushfire frequency);
- appropriate environmental outcomes, environmental performance standards and measurement criteria;
- appropriate implementation strategy and monitoring, recording and reporting arrangements; and
- demonstrate that there has been an appropriate level of engagement with directly affected stakeholders in developing the plan.

The Code of Practice requires a fire management plan at the project level to be developed as part of an EMP. As such, this BFMP is designed to support and implement the requirements of Origins *Exploration Program 2018/2019*.

2.2 Northern Territory Bushfires Act (2016)

The purpose of the Bushfires Management Act 2016, as defined in section 3, is:

- *to provide for the protection of life, property and the environment through the mitigation, management and suppression of bushfires, and for related purposes;*

The Act defines the role, powers and authorisation of stakeholders engaged in NT fire management.

2.3 Regional Bushfire Management Plans

Regional Bushfire Management Plans (RBMP) have been developed for areas of the NT. The aim of these regional plans is to assist in identifying and categorising bushfire risk by:

- Identifying the regions risk category; and
- Allocating resources and control/treatments for risk management.

At the time of authoring the project area is partially covered by the Savanna Fire Management Zone RBMP. The Barkley Region currently does not have a RBMP. The land use map and the project area is presented in Figure 2.

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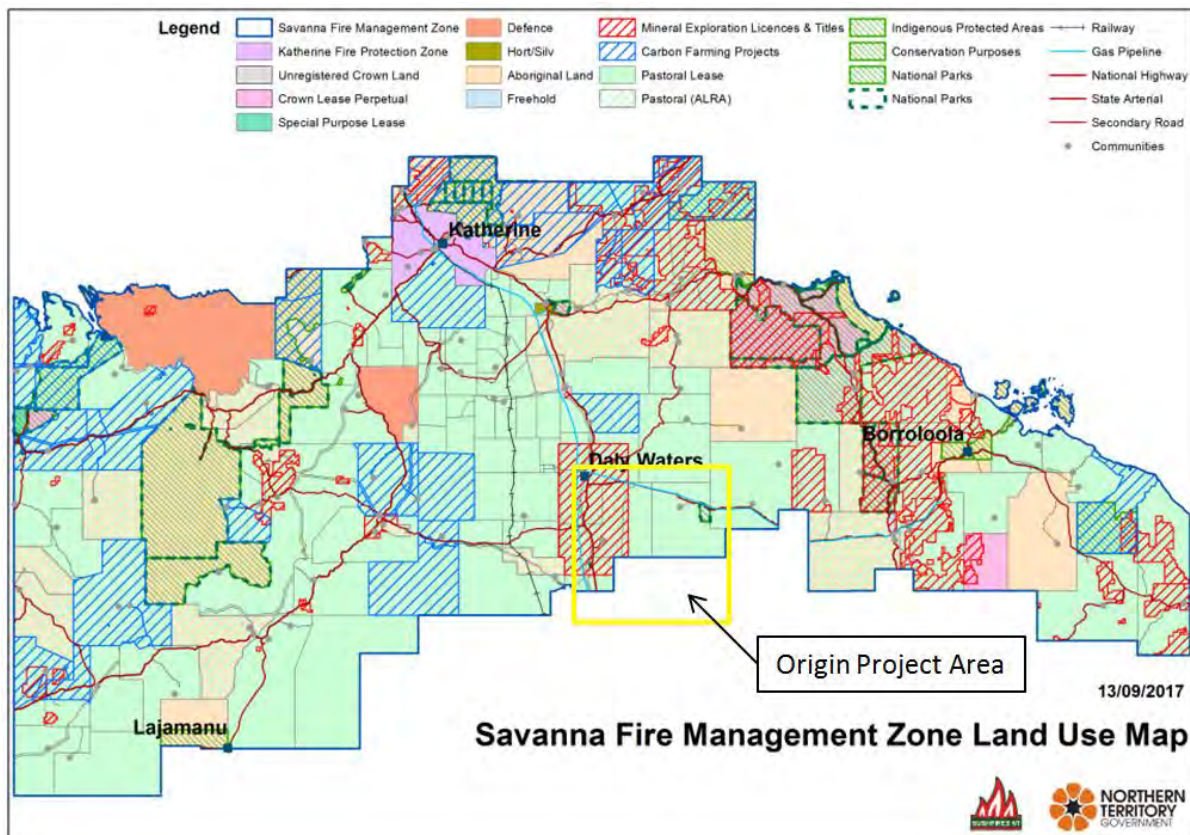


Figure 2 Savanna Fire Management Land Use

3. Origin's Bushfire Management Standards and Guidance

Origin maintains a Bushfire Management Standard to provide overarching guidance to Business Units on bushfire management, asset protection measures and bushfire preparedness. The guidance structure underlying the Bushfire Management Standard is based on three pillars:

- Asset Mitigation
- Landscape Mitigation
- Preparedness and Response.

The Bushfire Management Standard outlines Origin's requirements to protect assets, ensure a safe work environment and meet environmental obligations.

Additional relevant guidance documents include:

- Generic Bushfire Asset Protection Zone (APZ) Guide (Appendix B); and
- IG Bushfire Preparedness Tool (Appendix C).

Although these guidelines are based on Queensland conditions, they provide the minimum requirements to ensure the site and site personnel are prepared to manage bushfire risk. Due to the NT not having specific policies or guidelines controlling developments in bushfire prone areas, this BFMP has considered the requirements of AS 3959 to guide bushland infrastructure setbacks (asset protection zones) and the assessment of construction standards for bushfire protection.

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For the implementation of the BFMP, Origin has appointed **Robert Wear** as the Fire Officer of the Beetaloo Exploration Program 2019/2020. Contact details are as follows:

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4. Bushfire Hazard Assessment

A bushfire hazard assessment has been completed for the proposed exploration activities at Kyalla 117 N2 and Velkerri 76 S2 as part of the land condition assessment.

The bushfire hazard assessment involved the following tasks:

- Desktop review of available project and available environmental data and reports, as well as Australian Standards and Guidelines for bushfire management.
- A site assessment:
 - Vegetation classification in accordance to the classification system provided in AS3959-2009 Australian Standard for the Construction of Buildings in Bushfire Prone Areas
 - Determination of the boundary of classified vegetation in relation to the proposed site
 - Measurement of slope
 - Recording of site observations of neighbouring properties /areas land use, fire history and existing bushfire management advantages (i.e. water supply, vehicle access).
- Based on results from the site assessment, the Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) calculations for the sites were completed using the Fire Protection Association of Australia Flamesol BAL calculator V4.7 which models the “method 1” BAL assessment procedure in AS3595-2009.

It is noted that BALs are a means of measuring the severity of a building’s potential exposure to ember attack, radiant heat and direct flame contact, using increments of radiant heat expressed in kW/m², and the basis for establishing the requirements for construction to improve protection of site elements to attack by bushfire.

BAL ratings in AS 3959-2009 (from low to high) are BAL-LOW, BAL-12.5, BAL-19, BAL-29, BAL-40 and BAL FZ (flame zone). The BAL rating of a building/infrastructure can be reduced by clearing vegetation; the wider the clearing the lower the BAL rating. BAL-LOW can only be achieved if there is no bushfire hazard vegetation within 100 m of the asset.

4.1 Fire Regime and Fire History

Fire is a natural occurrence in most Australian ecosystems and plays an important role in their ecology. Fire is generally excluded from Mitchell grasslands by pastoral management in order to maintain forage throughout the dry season (HLA, 2005) whereas fire is more frequent in the Sturt Plateau.

Historical, the majority of dry season fires (June to September) have occurred in the northern half of the permit area, in EP76, EP98 and EP117. At this time of year fires are likely to be high intensity (HLA, 2005). Wet season fires (October to May) have also occurred within in the permit area, although these fires are likely to be patchy and of lower intensity, depending on the stat of curing of the fuel load.

Bullwaddy and Lancewood communities, which are located throughout the permit area are fire sensitive and hot fires have the ability to reduce habitat quality for both flora and fauna species. Research suggests that fauna diversity may be impacted by hot fire, particularly for diurnal reptiles (e.g. Legg *et al.*, 2008). The Bulwaddy/Lancewood vegetation community located west of Velkerri 76 S2 has value as a fauna refugia habitat. The low fuel loads in this habitat generally restrict spread of fire but the scrub margins are sensitive to fire (Tropical Savannas CRC 2001; Parks and Wildlife 2005).

Fire scar mapping provided on the North Australia and Rangelands Fire Information (NAFI) site for 2009-2018 presented in Figure 3 indicates the project area has a burn frequency of approximately every 3 to 5 years.

Based on field data, fire disturbance was determined at each of the proposed lease areas as follows:

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- Vekkerri 76 S2-1 – Fire Frequency 2-3 years previous, Intensity 1 (minor scars on some trees/shrubs and Height <1m).
- Kyalla 117 N2-1 – Fire Frequency 1-2 years previous, Intensity 4 (some trees and shrubs killed) and Height 1-4 m. It was noted that site appeared to have had a hot fire go through previously with abundance of new Acacia regrowth.

4.2 Bushfire Classification

Table 1 presents the site assessment details for Kyalla 117 N2 and Vekkerri 76 S2 for the determination of the BAL for the permit area.

Table 1 Bushfire Classification for Kyalla 117 N2 and Vekkerri 76 S2

Location	Vegetation Type	Classification ¹	Slope	Fire Sensitive Habitats/Species
Kyalla 117 N2	Open Woodland with grassland understorey (Tussock)	D Scrub	<1%	None identified.
Vekkerri 76 S2	Open Woodland with grassland understorey (Tussock)	D Scrub	<1%	None identified within footprint, however Bullwaddy/Lancewood Community located within 100 m of the lease boundary.

¹ Vegetation classification in accordance with AS3959 Table 2.3. Overstoreys of open woodland, low open woodland, tall open shrubland and low open shrubland should be classified to the vegetation type on the basis of their understorey.

Based on results from the site assessment, the Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) calculations for the sites were completed using the Fire Protection Association of Australia Flamesol BAL calculator V4.7 which models the "method 1" BAL assessment procedure in AS3595-2009.

See below the workings for determining the BAL:

- Step 1 NT Fire Danger Index (FDI) 40
- Step 2 Vegetation Classification Open Woodland with grassland understorey (Tussock)
- Step 3 Slope Flat (>1% slope)
- Step 4 Distance (m) from vegetation approximately 50 m to key infrastructure assets on lease pad.

At 50 m from the classified vegetation type of Woodland (upslope and flat land), the relevant Bushfire Attack Level for the proposed lease areas is BAL-12.5. BAL-12.5 is defined as being susceptible from ember attack. It is noted that if distance from classified vegetation type, the BAL would be assessed as Low where there is insufficient risk to warrant any specific construction requirements for the lease area.

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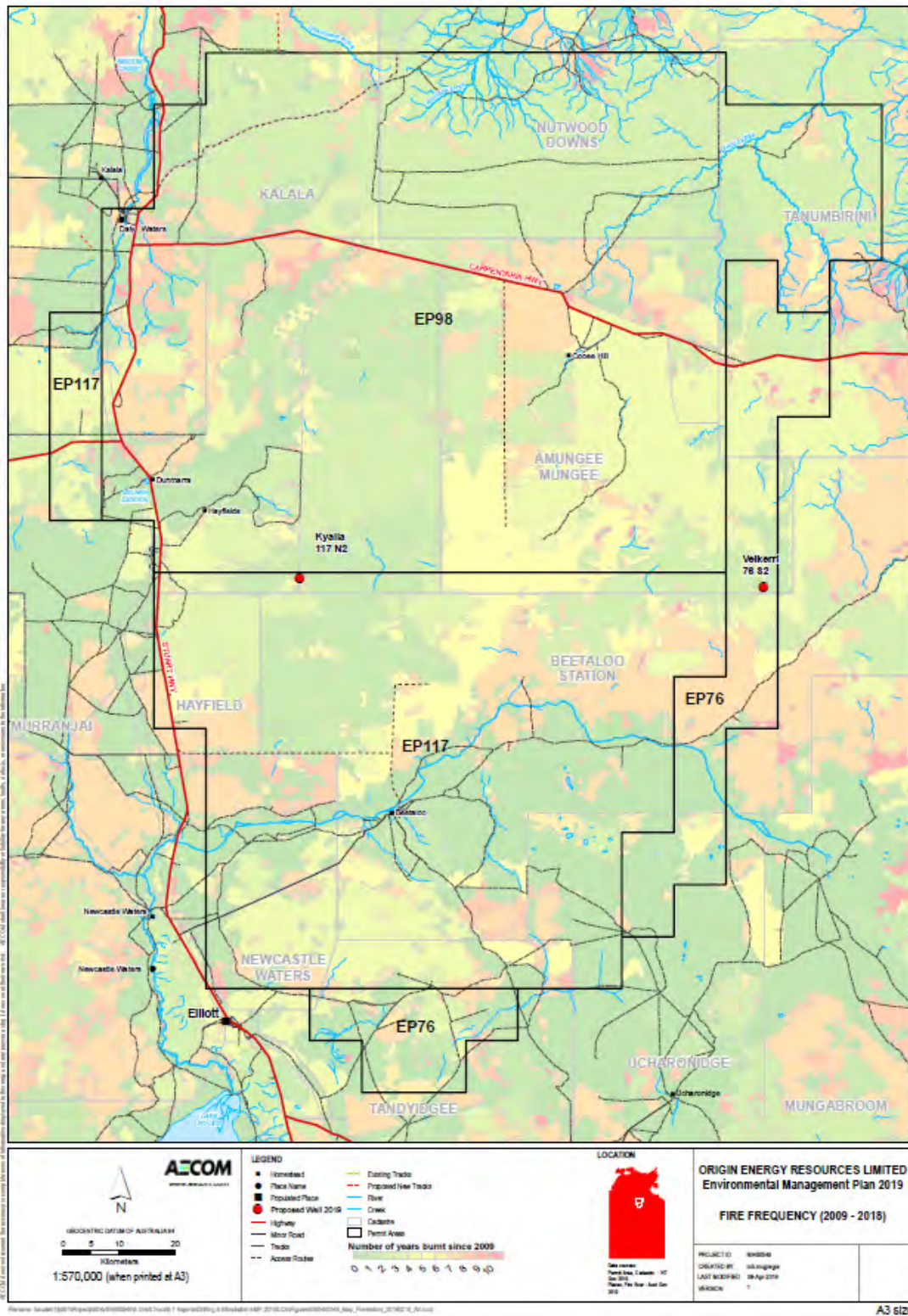


Figure 3 Fire Frequency Map

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5. Bushfire Risk Management

Origin has an overarching bushfire management standard that provides guidance for prevention and management of fire associated with Origin activities. The bushfire risk management controls are summarised in

Activity	Management Controls
Site design and layout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure development will consider safety in design and placement to reduce the risk of ignition sources to the extent practicable. - Firebreaks and APZ to be utilised for all infrastructure as outlined in Appendix A. - A 10m firebreak used around all infrastructure - Tanks will have a 20m APZ applied to mitigate the risk of fire damage - Flares will be located with at least 25m separation distance from vegetation to ensure safe operations during fire danger periods. - Firebreaks around exploration wells to be maintained for life of the lease area. - Asset protection zones identified based upon fire hazard Index, vegetation type, fuel load and slope as outlined in Appendix A.
General Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff members responsible for managing bushfire risk to be competent in the role they perform. - IG bushfire Preparedness tool (Appendix B) to be utilised daily during periods with a fire danger of severe or greater. - During fire season ensure machinery operators are familiar with bushfire risks, controls and emergency response procedures. - Fire breaks and asset protection zones (APZ) to be maintained, through the following methods – mowing/slashing directly around lease pad, weed spraying. - Coordinate with landholders proactively to direct Hazard Reduction Activities (planned burns /Mosaic burn etc.). - When a Fire Danger Period has been declared, no burning (other than flaring in accordance with this plan) may take place except where a permit to burn has been obtained from a Fire Control Officer or a fire Warden. - Emergency Response Plan to be implemented covering bushfire emergencies - Fire extinguishers to be fitted to all vehicles and mobile equipment - Civil equipment to be available during work campaigns to install additional firebreaks in the event of a fire. - Access tracks and roads will serve as firebreaks to limit the spread of fire. - Smoking areas will be provided and demarcated. - Contractors to have their own fire management and emergency response plans consistent with Origin's, outlining the strategies and procedures to prevent and respond to bushfires.
Civil construction, drilling, simulation, completion and well testing (including flaring)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equipment to be kept free of grasses and other combustible material which may catch fire - All hazardous material storage areas to be in accordance with the Flammable and Combustible Liquids Regulations and AS1940. - Flares to be operated at all time with an appropriate flare separation distances (minimum of 25m) based upon flare design

Further information on the determination of APZ is provided in Appendix A and the bushfire Preparedness toll in Appendix B.

Table 2 Bushfire Risk management control summary

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Activity	Management Controls
Site design and layout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure development will consider safety in design and placement to reduce the risk of ignition sources to the extent practicable. - Firebreaks and APZ to be utilised for all infrastructure as outlined in Appendix A. - A 10m firebreak used around all infrastructure - Tanks will have a 20m APZ applied to mitigate the risk of fire damage - Flares will be located with at least 25m separation distance from vegetation to ensure safe operations during fire danger periods. - Firebreaks around exploration wells to be maintained for life of the lease area. - Asset protection zones identified based upon fire hazard Index, vegetation type, fuel load and slope as outlined in Appendix A.
General Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Staff members responsible for managing bushfire risk to be competent in the role they perform. - IG bushfire Preparedness tool (Appendix B) to be utilised daily during periods with a fire danger of severe or greater. - During fire season ensure machinery operators are familiar with bushfire risks, controls and emergency response procedures. - Fire breaks and asset protection zones (APZ) to be maintained, through the following methods – mowing/slashing directly around lease pad, weed spraying. - Coordinate with landholders proactively to direct Hazard Reduction Activities (planned burns /Mosaic burn etc.). - When a Fire Danger Period has been declared, no burning (other than flaring in accordance with this plan) may take place except where a permit to burn has been obtained from a Fire Control Officer or a fire Warden. - Emergency Response Plan to be implemented covering bushfire emergencies - Fire extinguishers to be fitted to all vehicles and mobile equipment - Civil equipment to be available during work campaigns to install additional firebreaks in the event of a fire. - Access tracks and roads will serve as firebreaks to limit the spread of fire. - Smoking areas will be provided and demarcated. - Contractors to have their own fire management and emergency response plans consistent with Origin's, outlining the strategies and procedures to prevent and respond to bushfires.
Civil construction, drilling, simulation, completion and well testing (including flaring)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Equipment to be kept free of grasses and other combustible material which may catch fire - All hazardous material storage areas to be in accordance with the Flammable and Combustible Liquids Regulations and AS1940. - Flares to be operated at all time with an appropriate flare separation distances (minimum of 25m) based upon flare design

6. Hazard reduction activities

Where hazard reduction burns are required to undertake APZ vegetation management, the activities should be coordinated with the following stakeholders:

- Land holders (Pastoralists)
- Traditional Owners
- Regional Fire Services
- Origin Operations.

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7. Emergency Response

In the event of a bushfire assessed as impacting Origin sites / designated work areas, the Fire Officer, or delegate, will coordinate response efforts in cooperation with the Emergency Response Team and in accordance with the Emergency Response Plan. As bush fire risk escalates, Origin's emergency response team may support the Savanna Regional Bushfires Committee and Bushfires NT. Consultation and engagement with Bushfires NT and the Landholders will also be required during operations.

Contractors are required to develop Emergency Response Plans which include role competency, appropriate equipment, training and exercising and appropriate documentation relating to the assessed bushfire hazard.

Roles and responsibilities are outlined in the ERP (NT-2050-15-MP0023).

8. Roles and Responsibility

The following sections describe in detail the management strategies for specific components of the landscape, such as soil, ground water and vegetation, and the cultural and social environment, in relation to the different impact-causing activities that may occur.

Each management area has been assigned to specific positions within the Exploration team, as follows:

- **Project Manager** – oversees the whole planning and execution of the exploration program and is the person ultimately responsible making all other parties aware of obligations under the BMP. The Project Manager's role is predominantly office-based.
- **Fire Officer** – person based in the field focussed on the undertaking of operations and construction in accordance with the BMP. This role is responsible for:
 - Ensuring the APZ have been installed and are functioning
 - Act as the designated point of contact for and rapidly responding to any fire related incidents.
 - Liaise with pastoralist to manage on-ground fire-fighting activities.
- **Well-site representatives** – Responsible for Drilling, Stimulation and Well testing operations. This role is responsible for:
 - Ensuring the controls identified in the BMP are implemented
 - Undertaking daily reviews of fire danger and implementing IG bushfire preparedness tool
 - First responder to manage and report fires associated with Origin's activities
- **Field Personnel** – All staff including Origin and contractors that are working in the Exploration Permit areas. Each person is responsible for day to day management of bushfire related risks.

8.1 Training and Awareness

Contractors will be required to demonstrate they have appropriate systems, procedures and training to manage the bushfire risks covered under this plan.

9. Notification Procedure

9.1 Emergency Notifications

Origin is obliged to inform neighbouring Landholders of fire events (manmade and naturally occurring) where they occur on or within Origin's exploration lease areas, and where there is a potential to effect adjoining properties. All notifications and communication should be undertaken by or at the direction of the Fire Officer.

The National Response Centre is a 24/7 contract line and should be notified of any fires in order to support their planning and tasking activities.

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National Response Centre - 1800 076 251

10. Recording

All bushfire incidents, near misses and hazards will be reported through Origin's Incident Management System (OCIS), in accordance with standard incident reporting protocols.

11. Reporting

All bushfire incidents will be reported in Origin's OCIS and corrective action initiated.

12. References

Bushfires NT, 2018. *Savanna Regional Bushfire Management Plan 2018*, Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Northern Territory Fire and Rescue Service, Bushfire Management and Mitigation Publication

Origin Energy Resources Limited. 2018. *IG Bushfire Preparedness Tool*.

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Origin Energy Resources Limited. 2017 *LNG Bushfire Management Standard*.

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Appendix A Generic Bushfire Asset Protection Zone Guide

ORIGIN LNG BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT GENERIC BUSHFIRE ASSET PROTECTION ZONE (APZ) GUIDE



APZ Implementation Plan

- 1 Identify the Asset Type as per the table**
 - If on the list move to Step 2
 - If not on the list refer to Supervisor or Emergency Response & Security advisor
 - If a permanent manned site ensure that a site specific bushfire assessment (Method 2) has been conducted
- 2 Determine the vegetation type surrounding the Asset**
 - If able to identify as either Grassland or Bushland move to Step 3
 - If unsure use the bushland (higher) value or clarify with Supervisor, Environmental Advisor or Emergency Response & Security Advisor
- 3 Determine the slope under the vegetation that is within 100 m of the Asset**
 - If the area under the vegetation is greater than 5 degrees downslope, refer to supervisor to determine what additional mitigations may be required (refer to diagram A)
 - If the area under the vegetation is flat or slopes up going outwards from an asset, move to Step 4 (refer to diagram B or C)
- 4 Are there any environmental, site, landowner or heritage constraints preventing you from managing the area?**
 - No constraints, move to Step 5
 - If yes or unsure refer to Supervisor, or to relevant function for advice e.g. Environment, Land Relations or Cultural Heritage
- 5 Manage APZ**
 - Ensure regularly maintained and manage as per required standard (grass height no higher than 150 mm)
 - Where APZ distances cannot be achieved refer to Supervisor or Emergency Response & Security Advisor to determine other mitigation options

More information – the LNG Bushfire Management Framework can be accessed through the bushfire source page <http://source.originenergy.com.au/Business/Ingsafety/emergency/Pages/BushfireMgmt.aspx>

For more information on the assessment method used, please refer to the Origin Bushfire Standard.

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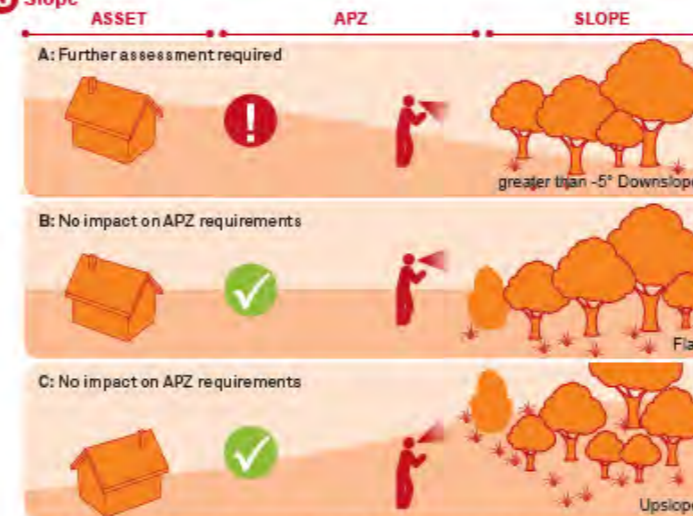
1 APZ per asset type

Site Type	Asset/Infrastructure Type	Vegetation Surrounding Site and Management Required Around Site (in Metres)	
		Grassland	Bushland
Manned Sites	Mobile camps	40	50
	Site Offices/Worksites	40	50
	Homesteads	40	50
	Drill Rigs	40	50
Unmanned Sites	Well Sites	30	40
	Kiosks (HV)	30	40
	Sheds	25	35
	Stock yards	25	35
	Communications towers	20	30
	Lay down yards	20	30
	Water Reinjection sites	20	30
	Lined ponds	10	20
	Pump stations	10	20
	Water gathering stations	10	20
	Water transfer stations	10	20
	High Point Vents	10	20
	Low Point Drains	5	10
	Valve Pits (plastic)	5	10
Valve Pits (concrete)	1	2	
	Regional and shallow water monitoring bores	N/A	N/A



Grassland includes everything from sparse native grassland to grassland dominated by exotic species for grazing purposes.
Bushland includes forests, woodlands, scrubs and shrubland.

3 Slope



Slope influences the rate of spread of a fire in that a fire spreads quicker upslope from the fuel (vegetation), approximately doubling its rate of spread for every 10 degrees increase in slope.

4 Constraints

- APZ's may only be managed if the land is free from environmental, land heritage and community constraints. This may include:
- Environmental, cultural heritage or historic heritage features
 - Land owner agreements
 - Other permits and approvals

5 Methods for Managing APZ's

- The requirement for an APZ is a managed area where regrowth or grass is managed to a height no higher than 150 mm. The APZ requirements can be achieved by any of the following methods:
- Mowing/Slashing
 - Stick Raking
 - Weed Spraying
 - An approved planned burn

Note: 50 mm is an approximate minimum height for fire to carry.

Where APZ requirements cannot be achieved there are a number of other strategies that can be used to mitigate the assets bushfire risk including:

- Reducing the fuel loads** within the surrounding area and its ability to spread can be achieved through the following methods:
 - Annual Hazard Reduction Burning Program
 - Firebreak construction and annual maintenance programs
 - Stock Grazing
- Scheduling/Planning** should be managed where possible to avoid activities in high risk sites during bushfire periods, in accordance with the Origin LNG Bushfire Preparedness Tool.
- Response Planning** should be conducted for mobile activities (e.g. drilling) during the declared fire season to include:
 - Reference to the daily use of the Origin LNG Bushfire Preparedness Tool
 - Location of first response fire fighting equipment
 - Closest places of safety (method 2 assessed site or town)
 - Documented and exercised site evacuation procedures

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Appendix B IG Bushfire Preparedness Tool

IG BUSHFIRE PREPAREDNESS TOOL



The following is to be conducted daily during the QLD Fire Season (typically Sep – Jan) and any other forecasted or actual period with a Fire Danger Index (FDI) of Severe or greater.



1 DAILY FIRE DANGER RATING

Visit Rural Fire Qld home page then the Origin Weatherzone service:
<https://www.ruralfire.qld.gov.au/Pages/FDR.aspx>
<http://energy.weatherzone.com.au/>
 Login: ops@originenergy.com.au
 Password: originenergyweather1



2 IG FIRE DANGER MATRIX

WHAT DOES IT MEAN	ALL PERMANENT SITES Method 2 assessed and Asset Protection Zone Maintained	ALL MOBILE SITES AND TEAMS E.G. DRILLING, FSG, SCOUTING, GATHERING Mobile and Non Permanent Sites
Low – Moderate FDI 0 – 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that all feasible fire related risks are identified and controlled on the site risk register and that defined processes and safety critical activities can be performed safely in times of elevated Fire Danger Rating. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure individuals are provided with the required resources and tools to be contactable and kept informed on the latest information, updates on weather, the warnings or incidents in the region that they intend to travel through, visit or work in.
High FDI 12 – 24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Readiness to Respond – Review bushfire plans / procedures and check readiness levels. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – JSAs are to include an assessment of Bushfire risks. Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes to all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Readiness to Respond – Review bushfire plans / procedures and check readiness levels.
Very High FDI 25 – 49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – TRA / JSAs are to include an assessment of Bushfire risks. Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Site Access – Ensure risks such as access to and from site are considered at different levels of Fire Danger Rating and addressed in the site risk register / site procedures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – JSAs are to include an assessment of Bushfire risks. Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes to all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Site Access – Ensure risks such as access to and from site are considered at different levels of Fire Danger Rating and addressed in the site risk register / site procedures.
Severe FDI 50 – 74	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – Task or activity risk registers / JSAs / SWMS are to be used to mitigate ignition sources and exposure to bushfire. Worker Location Monitoring – Locations and movements of all staff are to be recorded. Site Preparation – Prepare for ember attack by covering / removing exposed combustible material. Non Essential Tasks – All non essential tasks should be delayed, re-scheduled, cancelled or suitably risk assessed and controlled. Hot Works – No Hot works to be undertaken (apart from controlled flaring). Hot works in construction sites (i.e. GFP areas) can continue with hot works but need to be under a hot work permit considering proximity to vegetation and with a downwind fire spotter. "Stay or Go" – from site to be undertaken in consultation with supervisor / management (refer to tool over page). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes to all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Essential Tasks – Task or activity risk registers / JSAs / SWMS are to be used to mitigate ignition sources and exposure to bushfire. Undertaking new tasks must be approved by line management as potential consequences should be considered as Critical for high exposure activities. Non Essential Tasks – All non essential tasks should be delayed, re-scheduled, cancelled or suitably risk assessed and controlled. Hot Works – No Hot works to be undertaken in the field, less controlled flaring. Any required hot works undertaken require a hot work permit and significant precautions implemented. Remote Workers – where only UHF coverage is available, secondary communications / monitoring must be made available e.g. satellite communications, SPOT devices and increase scheduled reporting. "Stay or Go" – from site to be undertaken in consultation with supervisor / management (refer to tool over page). Fire threat Updates – broadcast regular fire updates to workforce across common channels.
Extreme FDI 75 – 99	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – Task or activity risk registers / JSAs / SWMS are to be used to mitigate ignition sources and exposure to bushfire. Fire Danger Monitoring and Awareness – Site Management to have a system for the sourcing and communicating (prior to start of shift) weather conditions and Fire Danger Ratings and the ability to notify of any changes to all affected employees, visitors and contractors. Readiness to Respond – identify in readiness for a fire event which safe places of refuge and evacuation routes are the preferred options given the conditions. Non Essential Tasks – Tasks with the potential to create an ignition source of fuels should be re-scheduled or cancelled. Essential Tasks – (e.g. Safety Critical Tasks) – Should be risk assessed and appropriate mitigations in place to prevent and manage a fire should a fire eventuate. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – If already on location, immediately leave the high risk area. If fire alerts are active or present with a known risk (fire in the area), personnel must execute their contingency plans. Readiness to Respond – identify readiness for a fire event which safe places of refuge and evacuation routes are the preferred options given the conditions. Non Essential tasks – All non safety-critical tasks must be cancelled. Journey Management – Cancel or delay all planned travel to or through the high risk areas. Hot Works – No Hot works to be undertaken in the field, less controlled flaring. Flaring – Only occur after each site has been risk assessed with local stakeholders, and suitable controls are in place such as Asset Protection Zone (APZ) or a fire watch, in situ fire tender, and trained fire crews. Working in Communication "black spots" – To be deferred until the threat level reduces to below Severe. Remote Workers – Where only UHF coverage is available, secondary communications / monitoring must be made available e.g. satellite communications, SPOT devices and increase scheduled reporting. "Stay or Go" – From site to be undertaken in consultation with supervisor / management (refer to tool over page). Fire threat Updates – broadcast regular fire updates to workforce across common channels.
Catastrophic FDI 100+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – All tasks that could pose a bushfire threat must be cancelled unless they are safety critical and are controlled within specific procedures. Readiness to Respond – Management to remain informed and regularly check the latest information updates on weather, fire warnings or incidents in their region. Hot Works – No Hot works to be undertaken in the field, less controlled flaring. Journey Management – Cancel or delay all planned travel to or through the high risk areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Planning – If already on location, immediately leave the high risk area. If fire alerts are active or present with a known risk (fire in the area), personnel must execute their contingency plans. Readiness to Respond – identify readiness for a fire event which safe places of refuge and evacuation routes are the preferred options given the conditions. Non Essential tasks – All non safety-critical tasks must be cancelled. Journey Management – Cancel or delay all planned travel to or through the high risk areas. Hot Works – No Hot works to be undertaken in the field, less controlled flaring. Flaring – Only occur after each site has been risk assessed with local stakeholders, and suitable controls are in place such as Asset Protection Zone (APZ) or a fire watch, in situ fire tender, and trained fire crews. Working in Communication "black spots" – To be deferred until the threat level reduces to below Severe. Remote Workers – Where only UHF coverage is available, secondary communications / monitoring must be made available e.g. satellite communications, SPOT devices and increase scheduled reporting. "Stay or Go" – From site to be undertaken in consultation with supervisor / management (refer to tool over page). Fire threat Updates – broadcast regular fire updates to workforce across common channels.

(Sourced from AFAC Cappemini and MDP Fire Danger Rating Matrix) - Version 1, effective date 1 July 2014

Indicates a probable Rural Fire Ban based on these conditions.

Indicates NO HOT WORKS to be performed (less controlled flaring) – Check local district information. Essential hot works at Permanent sites can be performed with a Hot Works Permit using significant precautions.

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3 MOBILE SITE RISK LEVEL

Risk level is determined by three or more aspects in the same category of the highest risk level.

ASPECT	LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK	HIGH RISK
Site	• Large cleared area Asset Protection Zones (APZ's) around the site of a minimum distance.	• Large cleared Asset Protection Zones (APZ's) around the site not necessarily of the minimum distance.	• Minimal cleared Asset Protection Zones (APZ's) around the site, not of the minimum distance.
Access	• Multiple routes in and out of site and in different directions.	• At least two routes in and out and in different directions available.	• Single point of entry into and out of the site.
Communications	• Multiple means of communications available including mobile phone, Internet, UHF, Digital Radio or Satellite Phone.	• At least two means of communications with at least one being very reliable.	• Only one means of communications and/or communications may be unreliable or non-existent.
Fuel Sources and Loads	• Low density and/or high in moisture content e.g. grasslands	• Medium density and/or some degree of moisture content. e.g. well spaced scrubland or woodland.	• High density and/or very dry e.g. dense scrubland or woodland.
Slope	• Flat or Similar with no large slopes within immediate vicinity of work site.	• Mostly Flat with large slopes around the vicinity of the worksite.	• Undulating or hilly area both on site and in the immediate vicinity of the work site.
Firefighting Response/ Safe Havens	• Fire fighting resources within 15 minutes or access to an Origin Permanent Site (Method 2 assessed safe haven) within 15 minutes	• Fire fighting resources > 60 minutes away or access to an Origin Permanent Site (Method 2 assessed safe haven) within 45 minutes	• No reasonable access to fire fighting resources or an Origin Permanent Site (Method 2 assessed safe haven)

4 MOBILISING TO SITE

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This section provides guidance on "Mobilising to Sites".
Note: Refer to matrix on next page for details on "Take Fire Precautions" and "Full Assessment".

FDR	LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK	HIGH RISK
LOW-MODERATE	Mobilise to Site	Mobilise to Site	Mobilise to Site
HIGH	Mobilise to Site	Mobilise to Site	Take Precautions
VERY HIGH	Mobilise to Site	Mobilise to Site	Take Precautions
SEVERE	Mobilise to Site	Take Precautions	Do Not Mobilise
EXTREME	Take Precautions	Take Precautions	Do Not Mobilise
CATASTROPHIC	Do Not Mobilise	Do Not Mobilise	Do Not Mobilise

EVACUATING FROM SITE

2 + 3

This section provides guidance for when it is appropriate to "Evacuate from sites" based on Fire Danger Index (FDI) and the category of the particular site. **Note:** Refer to matrix on next page for details on "Take Fire Precautions" and "Full Assessment".

FDR	LOW RISK	MEDIUM RISK	HIGH RISK
LOW-MODERATE	Continue Work	Continue Work	Continue Work
HIGH	Continue Work	Continue Work	Take Precautions
VERY HIGH	Continue Work	Continue Work	Take Precautions
SEVERE	Continue Work	Take Precautions	Abandon site / Evacuate if time permits
EXTREME	Take Precautions	Take Precautions	Abandon site / Evacuate if time permits
CATASTROPHIC	Abandon site / Evacuate if time permits	Abandon site / Evacuate if time permits	Abandon site / Evacuate if time permits

5 DAILY TOOLBOX PLANNING AND MONITORING ROUTINE

Preparedness Planning

(Mandatory for all Severe, Extreme and Catastrophic FDI days)

The following must be reviewed daily. If fire alerts are active or presented with a known risk (fire in the area), personnel must execute their contingency plans which needs to encompass the following:

- Procedure on identifying and notifying of a bushfire
- Critical equipment to be removed / isolated / shut down.
- Safe evacuation routes from site(s) and muster points.
- Communications methods:
 - ✓ Team channels and / or phone numbers
 - ✓ Area channels and / or phone numbers
- Closest "Safe Havens" (Community or Origin Permanent Sites).

Monitoring Routine

- Provide timely advice on changes in level of fire risk as available.
- Monitor team and area common channels for bushfire early warning.
- Update changes in work location.

6 BUSHFIRE FIRST RESPONDER CHECKLIST

The following sequence must be followed by the first person responding to a fire:

1. **Danger** – Remove yourself and others from danger if safe to do so.
2. **Alarm** – Raise the Alarm either on common radio channel or other agreed process.
3. **Gather Information**
 - Location** – Direction from known reference points e.g. roads and Origin infrastructure such as well numbers).
 - Impacts (actual and potential)** – Life, property and the environment.
 - Fire Characteristics** – Grass or woodlands, flame height, fire front and direction of travel.
 - Weather** – Wind strength and direction.
 - Response in Progress** – What response is underway and by who (Origin, Landowners or Emergency Services)
 - Response Required** – Origin and / or Emergency Services.
 - Access** – Safe access and egress routes.
4. **Notify Emergency Services** – Call "000" or "112" (Some mobiles)
5. **Notify Origin** – Supervisor or Superintendent
6. **Respond** – If trained in Origin Fire Management (FM1 or FM2)
7. **Handover** – to the Origin On-Scene Commander (OSC) or QFES on arrival.
8. **Support** – Provide ongoing support to the response as required.

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Appendix N: Emergency Response Plan



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EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN Beetaloo Asset (Northern Territory)

This documents details the Emergency Response Plan for the Beetaloo Asset in a manned and unmanned status.

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THE THREE WHATS

What can go wrong?
What could cause it to go wrong?
What can I do to prevent it?

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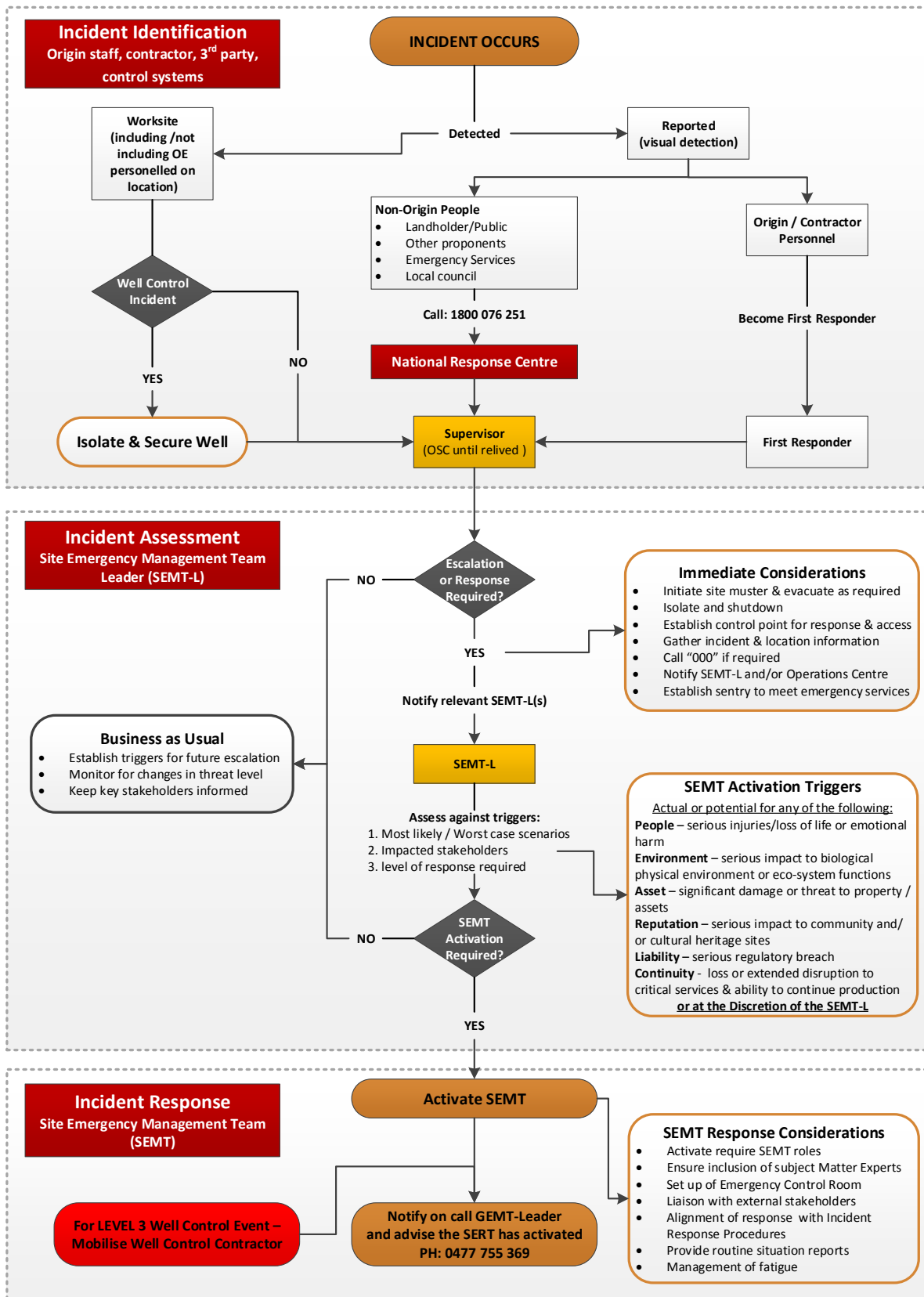
1. Site Emergency Response Plan (SERP) activation immediate actions

When a site level emergency is declared, this plan will be activated and escalated where appropriate.

Table 1: Activation immediate actions

Triggers for Activation		
Site Emergency Response Team activations (<u>actual</u> or <u>potential</u>) for impacts of any of the following and/or at the discretion of the Site Safety Manager.		
People	Serious temporary injury/illness or worse to any person	<input type="checkbox"/>
Environment	Moderate effects on biological physical environment and serious short term effect to eco-system functions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Asset	Serious damage or loss to production, property and/or infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reputation	Serious impact to community or cultural heritage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Liability	Serious breach of law or regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
1 – Isolate and Evacuate		
Muster	Account for all personnel (upwind) whilst assessing the situation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Isolate	Either through Emergency Shutdown Devices (ESD’s) or remotely	<input type="checkbox"/>
Evacuate	If required evacuate to designated evacuation points either upwind or at a safe distance as determined by event type or respective response guideline	<input type="checkbox"/>
Control	Establish control points to coordinate response and restrict access	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meeting Points	Nominate predetermined Emergency Services meeting points or establish meeting points near known landmarks or road intersections and establish sentry to meet Emergency Services upon their arrival	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 – Communicate and Escalate		
Confirm	Confirm details of the emergency (type of emergency, injuries, contained or uncontained etc.) and response required.	<input type="checkbox"/>
Activate	Activate ERT, SEMT, brief GEMT-L, contact Emergency Services, communicate with other Stakeholders	<input type="checkbox"/>
Escalate	Consider likely impacts	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impacts (actual & potential)	Most likely	What is realistically likely to happen and who / what is impacted?
	Worst case	How bad could it really get and then who / what is impacted?
SEMT-Leader: Brief On-Call GEMT Leader 0477 755 369 on situation, response and triggers for further activation.		<input type="checkbox"/>
3 – Respond		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continually reassess situation Designate communication channels Activate appropriate resources Apply Incident Response Guidelines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appoint OSC Establish exclusion zones Develop SMEACS briefing Provide regular updates 	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
4 – Response Management		
Personnel	Appropriate personnel in the ERT, SEMT and from outside resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources	Appropriate resources available to manage the incident	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tools	Appropriate tools available for the ERT, SEMT, OSC and other responders	<input type="checkbox"/>

Figure 1: Detection, Assessment, Response Flowchart



2. Introduction

This Emergency Response Plan (ERP) encompasses all Growth Asset's activities within the Beetaloo Asset and will be activated to manage emergency events at site.

Locations / site specific information may be recorded either in a contractors emergency response plan (ERP), bridging document, or through another means of providing emergency information, e.g Emergency Response Notification (ERN) form.

The Site Emergency Response Plan (SERP) is designed to direct and guide the On Scene Commander (OSC) and Emergency Response Team (ERT) (if nominated) to respond effectively to site level emergencies and return the site to normal operations.

Further support is provided through the Origin Emergency Response Framework via the Group Emergency Management Plan (GEMP [6522903](#)) and Crisis Management Plan (CMP [ORG-RMS-PLA-001](#)).

2.1 Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to describe how to effectively manage site emergencies for the Beetaloo Asset whilst in a manned and unmanned condition.

The plan will:

- Briefly describe the Origin emergency response structure
- Explain the notification and escalation paths for an emergency
- Identify key people and explain what they will do during an emergency
- Describe important information about site infrastructure including:
 - Location
 - Geographic area
 - Isolation points (if applicable)
 - Exclusion zones (if applicable)
 - Other technical information
- Provide tools and templates to use during an emergency.

2.2 Scope

This Plan supports normal manned operations and response to unmanned locations. Unmanned relates to periodic contractor service visits and occasional small team visits.

This plan applies to all employees, contractors and visitors to the following Beetaloo Asset locations and activities:

- Asset Locations details as described in Section 3.
- Activities included in scope are:
 - General travel activities (Walking, Land transport).
 - Non/minimum risk activities such as visual inspections, routine low risk maintenance and monitoring tasks.
 - Accompanying or guiding contractors who are engaged in the above mentioned activities.
 - Laydown yards within tenure.
 - Construction Work (such as access tracks, lease builds, site earthworks, remediation)
 - Drilling, well completion, intervention or abandonment activities.
 - Transport to and from work areas (not including chartered flights to Airfield)

This plan excludes:

- Chartered flights to airfield and commercial flights to Darwin
- Third Line Logistics Freight and Haulage from Depots to Laydown Yards
- Accommodation in commercial establishments outside of the work areas identified in Section 3.

2.3 Compliance with Civil Legislation and Australian Standards

This plan meets the requirements as identified by legislation for emergency response plans including:

Australian Standards, Codes, Guidelines and Commonwealth Legislation

- Work Health and Safety Act 2011.
- Work Health and Safety Regulations 2011.
- Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
- Australian Dangerous Goods Code.
- National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure (NEPM) 1999 as amended 2013.

Northern Territory

- Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2016.
- Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations 2017.
- Petroleum Act 2018.
- Petroleum Regulations 2013.
- Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2018.
- Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory
- Bushfire Management Act 2016.
- Bushfire Management (General) Regulations 2018.
- Dangerous Goods Act 2012.
- Dangerous Goods Regulations 2018.
- Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road and Rail (National Uniform Legislation) Act and Regulations.
- Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 2016.
- Northern Territory Contaminated Land Guideline (June 2017).

2.4 Operator Details

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2.5 Definition of a Site Emergency

An emergency is defined as an unplanned event within a specific site, facility, field or area, accidentally or deliberately caused, which requires a response to normalise the activity and which may result in an incident such as:

- Injury to people
- A near miss

- Loss of control of any health, safety environment or community related incident as part of the operation
- Damage to the environment
- An uncontrolled release of a substance to air, land and water
- Loss of reputation
- Loss of business
- Loss or damage to product or assets
- Loss of production
- The potential for any of the above

2.6 Project, Construction and Mobile Work Group ER Philosophy.

These teams will have the ability to provide a basic response to: incipient fires, minor spills and basic medical emergencies, in order to preserve life, contain incidents (if able) and reduce the impact on our people, the community, environment and assets.

Section 4, Appendix B and Appendix G identify where increased response capability has been introduced to mitigate the consequences of specific incident types, e.g, Loss of Well Control. Depending on the magnitude of the scenario event, escalation could also include emergency services.

2.7 Site Emergency Management Team Activation/Escalation

This Site Emergency Response Plan (SERP) is activated for emergencies that cause or have the potential to cause SERIOUS or greater consequences. Consequence classification is based on Origins Risk Management Directive [ORG- RMS-DIR-001](#)

The Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L) or On Scene Comander (OSC) has the authority to activate this SERP. Notification must occur to the Group Emergency Management Team (GEMT) Leader, however escalation and activation of the GEMT is determined by the GEMT on call leader. Escalation to the GEMT is conducted by ringing the GEMT-L on call phone **0477 755 369**. The Origin Emergency Management Structure Escalation Chart shows the different escalation levels between the SERT, GEMT and Crisis Management Team (CMT).

Under certain circumstances the GEMT may be activated without the activation of the SERP / SERT. If required the GEMT-L may then require the activation of SERP's / SERT's to manage an incident/s.

2.8 Document Hierarchy

The Document Hierarchy for Origin Emergency response is identified in Figure 2 below.

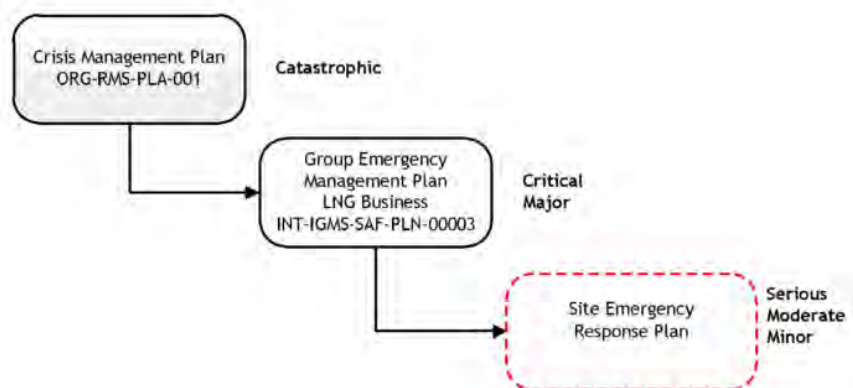


Figure 2 Hierarchy of Emergency Response documentation

2.8.1 Document Hierarchy for Principal Contractors

The relationship of Origin Emergency Response documentation for the Beetaloo Project, in conjunction with Contractor Emergency Response documentation is demonstrated in Figure 3 below.

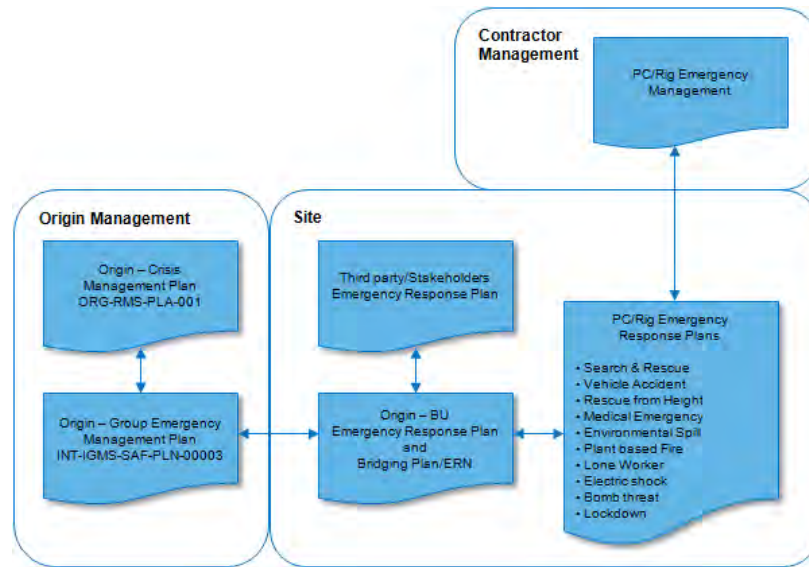


Figure 3 – Hierarchy of Emergency Response documentation

2.8.2 Emergency Management Structure

Figure 4 below identifies the Command and Control and escalation pathway for emergencies.

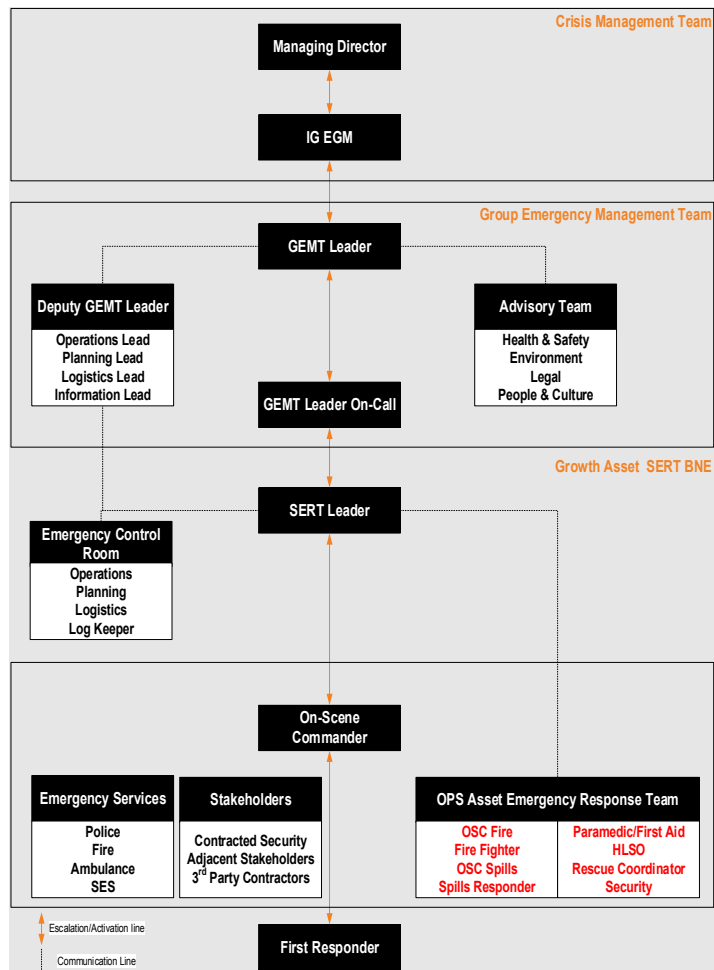


Figure 4 – Emergency Management Structure

3. Beetaloo Asset Locations and Field Activities

The Integrated Gas Growth Asset Business conducts operations in the Northern Territory (NT) at Beetaloo. The activities conducted in this scope include the following areas:

3.1.1 Drilling, Hydraulic Fracturing Stimulation (HFS), Completion and Well Testing Activities

Works are executed by Rig contractors, and are supervised by an Origin Wellsite Representative (company representative) who at times may additionally undertake rigless operations. Contractors undertaking these scopes of work operate under their own Safety Management System and Emergency Response Plans at designated locations identified within this Emergency Response Plan.

Additionally, these activities are supported by the IG Asset Services Emergency Response Plan CDN/ID 19601361 (where deemed applicable).

IG Field Management is executed through the Growth Assets Operations Manager and Field Supervisors located within project areas during project duration.

3.1.2 Civil construction and related activities

Works such as establishing lay down areas, construction of access tracks, are usually executed by contractors operating under their own Safety Management System and Emergency Response Plans at various Beetaloo locations which are bridged to Origin Energy requirements. Beetaloo Field Management is executed through the Growth Assets Operations Manager and Field Supervisors located within project areas during project duration.

3.1.3 Commissioning

Works relating to commissioning of infrastructure are executed by contractors for electrical facilities and Rig Contractors for hydrocarbons as per Contractor Safe Systems of Work.

3.1.4 Projects

Works may be executed at varying locations to expand or support capability improvement to Origin Assets at Beetaloo including water monitoring bores, helicopter landing sites, or communication equipment. These Projects are usually delivered by contractors operating under their own Safety Management System and Emergency Response Plans bridged to Origin Energy requirements.

3.1.5 Field Support (logistics)

Where applicable, mobile camps will be executed by Principal Contractors. Warehousing and laydown activities will be managed by specific location ERP for the activity.

3.2 Field Sites / Locations

Site specific details, include location, proximity to emergency services and townships can be found at Appendix C. The maps below identify the location of the Beetaloo Project as well as specific Site locations referenced within this plan.

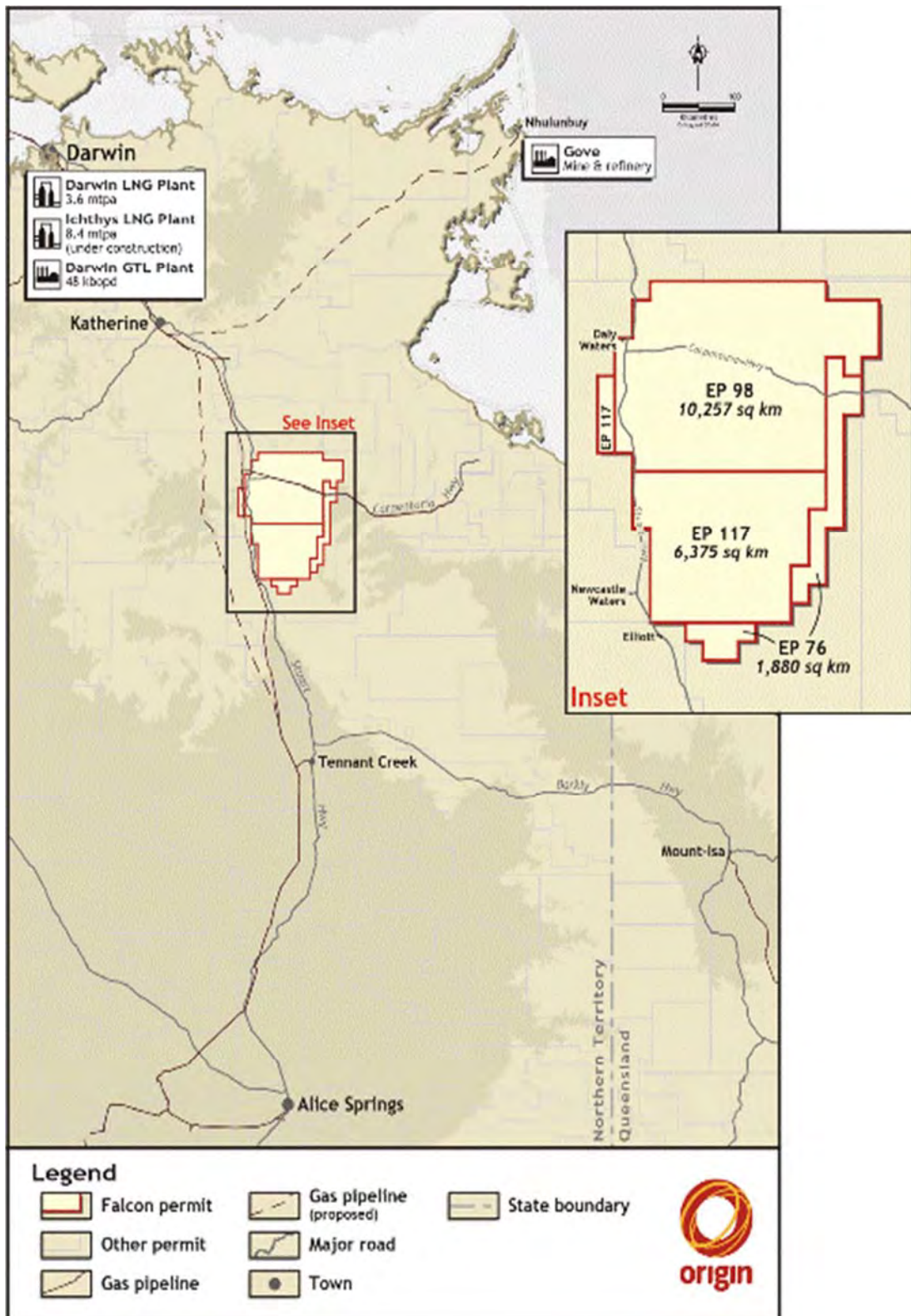


Figure 5: Location of Beetaloo Asset within Northern Territory

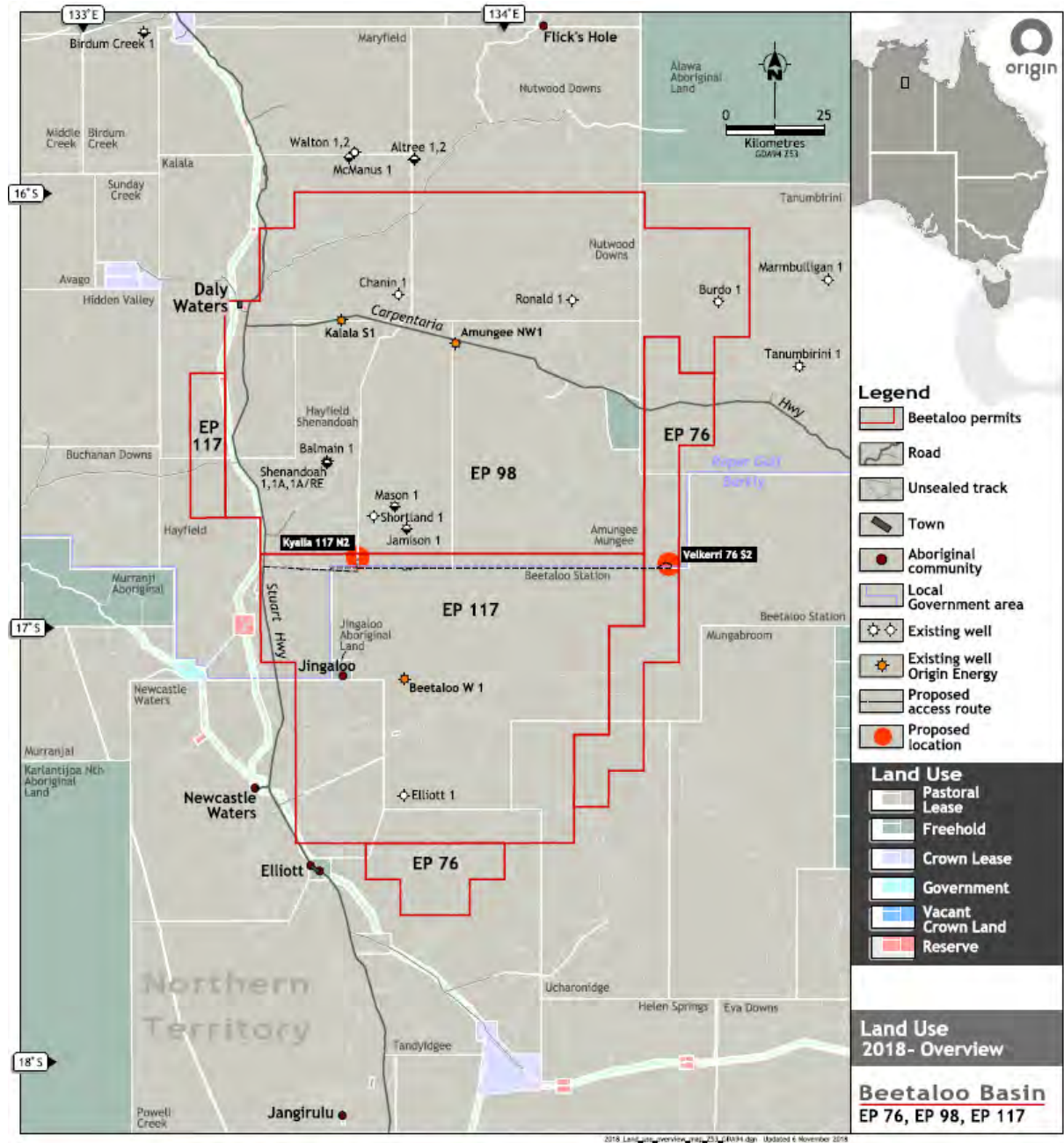


Figure 6 – Current Drilled and proposed wells locations

4. Emergency Scenario Responses

If an incident occurs, the Beetaloo Asset will nominate an OSC and a SEMT-L who will liaise with the Associated contractor (and Contract Owner) and notify the On-Call GEMT Leader. If an emergency event exceeds the contractors capability, i.e. Loss of well control, then Origin Beetaloo Asset will assume management of the incident.

Category	Response Procedures
GENERAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Evacuation and Alarms ▪ First Responder – Immediate Action Checklist ▪ Activate Emergency Shutdown Device ▪ Shift Change Over Checklist ▪ Termination of Emergency
FIRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fire – (Plant, Building/Storage / Accommodation (Including mobile camps), Electrical) ▪ Bushfire
PERSONAL SAFETY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Medical Emergency ▪ Vehicle Accident ▪ Missing Overdue worker ▪ Lone Worker ▪ Snakebite ▪ Rescue from Height ▪ Rescue from Confined space ▪ Rescue from Heights ▪ Communicable Disease ▪ Electrical Shock ▪ Man Down
ENVIRONMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Environment Related Incident (Earthquake) ▪ Environment – Weather Related Incident – Storm and Lightning ▪ Loss of Containment / Spill ▪ Flood
FACILITY & EQUIPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Major Structural / Mechanical Damage ▪ HV / LV Electrical Fault
HAZMAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diesel ▪ Nitrogen ▪ Plant / Pipeline Gas Leak Without Fire ▪ Loss of Well Control level 1 or 2
SECURITY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Protest / Trespass ▪ Bomb Threat ▪ Armed Intruder ▪ Lockdown

4.1 Scenario Flip Charts

The Emergency Scenario Flip Charts (CDN 3676134) provide an easy to understand detailed response to identified emergency situations and also provide additional scenarios that may not be mentioned. Appendix G contains four main responses from the Flip Charts for ease of reference being: 1.) Bushfire 2.) Flood 3.) Spill and 4.) Loss of Well Control.

4.2 Contractor Scenarios

For some undertakings Origin will delegate its responsibility to a Contractor, or Sub-Contractor with suitable emergency response capability as Origin will have limited/if any field presence at times.

It will be the responsibility of the contractor to provide an initial emergency response and coordinate the emergency event. If an Origin employee is involved in an emergency event at a site under the control of a contractor it is expected that the Origin employee will conform to the contractors response requirements and support the contractor if willing and competent to do so.

Notification of the event will follow normal reporting processes within the business unit. The activation of the GEMT may be required for an incident involving the contractor. While an Origin SEMT-L may be required to coordinate Origin aspects at the incident site, in support of the contractor, contractor management will more likely occur through a nominated Origin contact (i.e. Contract Owner) who will liaise with the contractor emergency management team.

Depending on location of works the contractor may be able to call upon other nearby parties or State Emergency Services for assistance in responding or handling the incident; however the contractor retains responsibility for managing the emergency event.

4.3 Well Monitoring and Control

Appendix B contains all information pertaining to the monitoring of remote wells, well control and classification of well control incidents. A loss of Well Control is considered a Major Accident Event (MAE) which, while rare, requires additional controls and engineering assessments to mitigate potential consequences.

4.3.1 Potential Major Accident Events

A Major Accident Event is an *uncontrolled incident, including fire, explosion or release of dangerous substance with the potential to lead to multiple fatalities or major environmental damage* (potential for critical or catastrophic consequence as per Origin Risk Matrix).

If the Business Unit undertaking the work has the potential for a Major Accident Event to occur these will be identified in the Business Unit Safety Management Plan (SMP) or Safety Case.

For more information refer to MAE hazard assessment and risk reduction (ALARP & SFAIRP requirements) procedure ([CDN/ID: 7983063](#)) or contact the Process Safety Advisor at Origin (details in contact list).

5. Campaign specific ERP arrangements

5.1 Roles

The following roles and responsibilities are essential to ensure effective communication within Beetaloo Asset when responding to emergency events.

- First Responder (FR), located at the incident scene and may be a Contractor
- On Scene Commander (OSC) located at the incident scene
- Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L), located at either:
 - the Field Emergency Control Room (ECR) ; or
 - The Brisbane ECR, 180 Ann Street, Level 29, Room 29:12

Individuals may undertake multiple roles depending on the nature of the emergency, its duration and complexity. The functional roles that will assist the SEMT-L are listed below and known as the Site Emergency Management Team (SEMT).

- Operations
- Planning
- Logistics
- Log Keeper

Additional roles such as Technical Engineering, Travel and Accommodation Services may supplement the SEMT depending on the type of incident.

If the SEMT-L is unable to undertake their responsibilities a competent alternate or delegate SEMT-L must be appointed to ensure the SEMT continues to function.

If required, depending on the nature and severity of the incident, the Group Emergency Management Team (GEMT) may be activated to support the response. The GEMT can be called upon to support such issues as Regulatory notifications, provide additional manning to site, or source assets required to support the site, such as Aviation.

For in-depth information regarding the above positions refer to the Duty cards in the OSC/SEMT toolkits

SEMT and OSC Toolkit (AUS-IGMS-SAF-GDL CDN 6893451)
http://im.originenergy.com.au/otcs/cs.exe/Open/6893451

5.2 Responsibilities

A summary of responsibilities are located below, with contractors found in the PC ERP.

Roles and responsibilities	
Contractor work parties / First Responder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respond to the situation as per the contractors emergency response plan. Actively participate in the risk management process to assist in the development of emergency action plans; Check the notice boards for any recent updates to information; Maintain a high level of awareness of actions to be taken in the event of an emergency situation; Follow instructions from Emergency Controller, Emergency Services personnel, Fire Wardens, First Aiders and other designated emergency personnel as appropriate; and Prior to commencing any work or entering a work area, sign on to prestart or JRA for the associated activity.
First Aiders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure their first aid competencies (minimum <i>Apply First Aid and CPR</i>) are maintained and advise the PM prior to the expiry; Provide first aid treatment or assessment as needed, working within their skill level; Determine need for medical assistance and provide information to Medical personnel or Emergency services as required; Ensure that first aid kits are maintained and complete and items are in-date; and Ensure that all treatments provided, regardless of the type or complexities are recorded.
Site Paramedic / Nurse Practitioner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide care on site available during the 12 hr work day (on call 24/7 whilst on location) Ensures that medical response emergency equipment is suitable and located appropriately; Checks that Emergency action plans are appropriate for the activity/hazards identified; Test communication and advises of any changes;
Origin work /travel team supervisor On Scene Commander	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Escalate to Operations/ Project Manager Maintain a log of events Escalate to Emergency Services, if required. Act as On Scene Commander (OSC) and manage first response at site level Ensure that emergency action plans are discussed on a regular basis at Pre-Start / Toolbox meetings, so that all persons under their control are aware of the project emergency procedures; Ensure that emergency equipment is maintained in good working order (complete, clean and available for immediate use); Advise the HSE Advisor or Operations/Project Manager of any operational issues that may impact with or affect the emergency action plans; Ensure that emergency action plans are prominently displayed and available for use by all workers; and Take role of on-scene commander especially in first response to an emergency incident. During first response, ensure safety of other

	team members and ensure that emergency situation is communicated to the Emergency Controller.
D&C Projects Manager / Operations Manager Growth Assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Act as Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L) (with respect to taking call from OSC and escalating to Project Manager Provide well monitoring trend analysis as required Act as journey contact for field teams. Escalate to GEMT-L as required. Support field team with emergency service direction/calls as requested
General Manager Growth Assets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Receive call from Project Manager and support where required. Participate in Group Emergency Management Team if activated

5.3 Communications

The communication flow between contractors (rig), external services and Origin is demonstrated in the flow chart below:

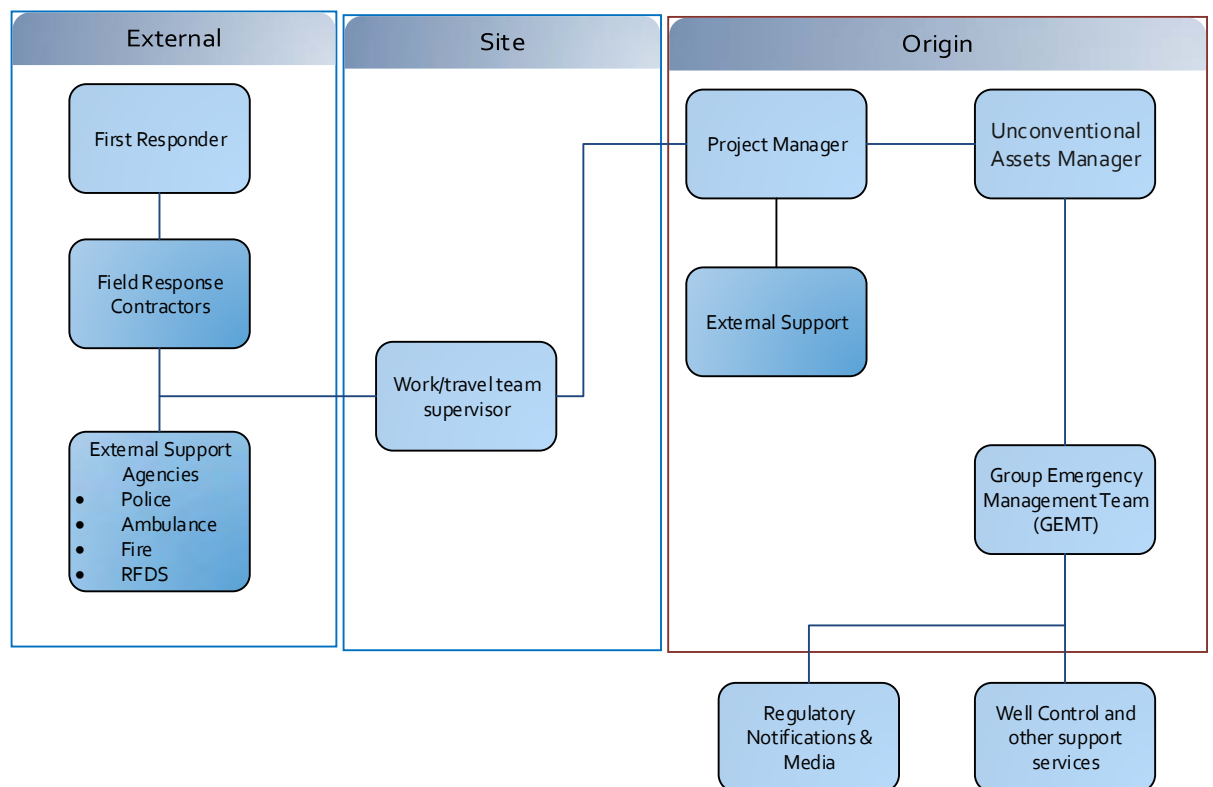


Figure 6: Communication flow

6. Emergency Management and Control

After an emergency is detected, the following emergency management stages will be used to control and contain the incident and return to business as usual.

- Raise the alarm
- Isolate and secure
- Communicate and Escalate
- Respond and Recover

6.1 Raise the alarm

One or more of the following methods can be used to raise the alarm:

- in person
- radio (Digital, UHF, VHF etc)
- phone (mobile, satellite or landline)
- Emergency alarm

6.2 Isolate and Evacuate

- Stop all work and make sure the worksite is safe
 - Secure the well, or impacted area
 - stop vehicle and mobile plant operations
- If you need to abandon vehicles and mobile plant
 - pull over and park in a safe area
 - ensure access and egress to the site is not impeded
 - switch off and leave the keys in the ignition
- Plan a safe route to the muster point and avoid movement through unsafe areas
- Account for all people
- Stand by at the muster point until stood-down or instructed to evacuate

6.3 Communicate and Escalate

- Gather information – where is the emergency, what has happened, who is affected, is anyone missing, where are the safe areas etc
- Advise and update the Site Safety Manager
- Call Emergency Services (police, fire, ambulance) if required
- Identify meeting points for responders (Origin Medical Providers, ERT etc) and Emergency Services
- SEMT activates if required

6.4 Respond and Recover

- Apply first aid to injured people (if safe to do so)
- Activate ERT
- Consider Simultaneous Operations (SIMOPS), advise nearby work groups and if on an IG Asset, the Asset SEMT-L
- Assist Emergency Services
- Follow response procedures

6.5 Meeting Emergency Services

Where Emergency Services such as Ambulance, Police and Fire Services dispatched by road or air, an Origin employee or contractor, whenever possible, will meet the Emergency Service at a designated location and direct them to the incident site.

Meeting points with Emergency Services should be pre-identified if practicable and communicated to the Emergency Services on call out.

6.6 Hazard awareness

Any person arriving at the emergency site (Origin responders, Origin medical providers, Emergency Services) will be made familiar with:

- Hazards generated by the incident (fire, heat radiation, chemical exposure etc)

- Known hazardous areas
- Known safe locations and distances
- Appropriate PPE (if known)

6.7 Shift changeover during an emergency

Shift changeovers are required for continuity of emergency management. The SEMT-L is responsible for change over of personnel involved in the emergency. Effective changeover will be achieved by:

- Staggering changeover times
- Avoiding changeovers during critical periods
- Having changeovers in daylight, where possible
- Briefing incoming personnel

6.8 Termination of emergency and recovery actions

The SEMT-L will declare when the response phase will stop and determine the recovery strategy and resources required in consultation with the GEMT-L if GEMT is activated.

All activities required to terminate an emergency and conduct recovery operations are located in Paragraph 8 of this document.

7. Post Emergency Actions

The following post emergency actions must occur in order to ensure the Asset, and Business as a whole, successfully learns from the incident and returns to pre-incident state operations.

7.1 After Action Review

A debrief or After Action Review (AAR) is to be held after each emergency in accordance with the After Action Review Procedure [CDN 8189619](#) and using the After Action Review Form [CDN 13853829](#). An AAR is designed to discuss strengths and weaknesses and necessary improvements for this plan and related procedures. All AAR's shall be entered in to OCIS along with any action items identified within the corresponding Incident tab.

7.2 Incident investigation

All incident investigations should be conducted in accordance with the Integrated Gas Manage Incidents and Learning Core Process found within [ProMapp](#). The following steps should also be considered:

- Secure the incident site, restrict access and do not disturb anything until investigators have finished and handed back control of the site.
- Gather any evidence that may assist the investigations (list of people involved, response logs, situation boards, photographs etc).

The incident reporting system 'Origin Collective Intelligence System' (OCIS) will be used to record all incidents and actions arising from the emergency.

7.3 Recovery Actions

Prior to resuming work, develop a recovery plan that considers the following:

- Check plant and equipment for structural, physical and electrical/instrumentation integrity
- Ensure all active detection and protection systems are restored
- Replenish emergency response equipment as required
- Replace or return any third party emergency equipment

In addition, consider the following points:

- People who were involved may require counselling, depending on the nature of the incident
- People should be debriefed, with all relevant information captured for a 'lessons learnt'
- Conduct a tool box talk on specific start up activities before restarting work

- Consider the potential for loss of confidence or potential IR issues following the incident or the response to that incident
- Emergency response plans and training may need to be revised before resuming normal activities.

7.4 Post Incident Clean-Up

Post incident clean up must be done using the following guidelines:

- Conduct an initial inspection to identify the extent of equipment and plant damage
- Assess potential decontamination needs (removal of chemicals/oil/foam from plant/equipment, contaminated soil etc.)
- Store all contaminated material in proper containers, pending offsite disposal by licensed hazardous waste contractors
- Repair or replace damaged equipment and plant
- Inspect and test affected equipment
- Attend to commissioning and site reinstatement

8. Training and Capability

IG emergency response competency based training is managed by Organisational Capability. Training is captured in People Central on the Origin Intranet (Source). Managers and supervisors are responsible for identifying and organising training for people required to perform emergency response roles. All personnel must be given specific instructions and training on how to respond to emergencies and in the correct use of emergency equipment available.

Emergency training may be in the form of:

- Competency based training
- Simulated exercises
- Desktop exercises
- Toolboxes
- Practical drills
- Resource and equipment checks

8.1 Drills and Exercises

The Emergency Exercise Planning and Reporting Procedure AUS-1000-SAF-PRO-00010 [CDN/ID 3674898](#) details the minimum requirements for the planning and conduct of exercises.

All drills and exercises require an After Action Review to determine what worked well and what requires improvement. All actions are to be recorded in OCIS and reviewed until close out.

Figure 7 details the Beetaloo Assets annual exercise program.

In addition to this schedule the IG Well Control Standard (INT-1000-35-TS-001) mandates emergency response exercises to be conducted as follows:

- For continuous operations, IG D&C related activities shall conduct two Well Control Emergency response exercises per year to evaluate the effectiveness of the response of all stakeholders
- For projects that are campaign based, a Well Control Emergency Response Exercise shall be held at the start of the campaign involving all stakeholders. Subsequent exercises shall be conducted on a minimum twice annual basis if applicable.

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
		1st Qtr			2nd Qtr		
Shift 1 and 2	Primary	HAZMAT	Fire	Personnel safety	Environmental	Security	Personnel safety / SBRWAME
	Secondary	Environmental	Personnel safety	Equipment failure	HAZMAT	Structural failure	Environmental

		Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
		3rd Qtr			4th Qtr		
Shift 1 and 2	Primary	Environmental	Personnel safety	Fire	Structural / Equipment failure - Water	Fire	Structural / Equipment failure - Gas
	Secondary	Security	HAZMAT	Security	Fire	Personnel safety	Fire

Figure 7 – Exercise Schedule

8.2 Training Requirements

The Site ER job task analysis and Site Supervisor/Wellsite Representative job task analysis identifies the minimum requirements for trained personnel for specific roles that comprise the ERT and SEMT. It is the Contractor / Site Manager responsibility to maintain minimum levels of trained staff to meet their sites requirements.

8.3 Training and Competency

- All parties must be familiarised with the contents of this ERP.
- All personnel identified to fulfil emergency response roles within this ERP must be competent
- Minimum one remote first aid trained person per work party or travelling team.

9. Response Resources

The following response resources may aid in the preparation for, and management of, emergencies by the Beetaloo Asset.

9.1 Planning and Preparation

Enabling activities, such as ensuring minimum training and ensuring hardware maintenance, which are required to be carried out to support this plan are detailed in the:

- Beetaloo Basin Groundwater Monitoring Bore Installation Environmental Management Plan,
- Bushfire Management Plan
- Spill Contingency Management Plan
- Civil Construction Environmental Management Plans, and the
- Drilling, Completion, Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation and Well Testing Environmental Management Plan, in conjunction with the requirements of the Origin Integrated Gas HSEMS.

The Operations Manager is responsible for ensuring that any staff mobilised to conduct work for OE in the Beetaloo Basin have been appropriately briefed, completed appropriate inductions and completed the nominated minimum training as applicable to the work conducted.

9.2 Equipment and Unmanned Phase

During operations, emergency response equipment available at each Site, and their layout, will be detailed and provided within contractor specific ERPs.

Emergency response assistance will be provided by PPP Contracting within an unmanned aspect.

9.3 Incident Response Procedures Flip Charts

Emergency Scenario Flip Charts [CDN 3676134](#) are intended to provide further assistance to each role in dealing with various pre-defined emergency scenarios. The charts define the key roles and

responsibilities to ensure essential response actions are undertaken. The flip charts can be found in Core Process [Manage Incidents and Learning](#).

9.4 Spill Response

The Beetaloo Spill Management Plan (NT-2050-15-MP-030) provides specific information on how to manage and handle spill response within the Beetaloo Asset (included spills located off tenure). This document should be referenced for all non emergency spill response scenarios. For managing spills, Emergency Scenario Flip Charts [CDN 3676134](#) and Appendix C should be utilised to manage Spills.

9.5 Chemical Response Procedures

The Chemical Response guidelines (QLD-1000-SAF-PRO CDN 4411922) provide specific information for specific chemicals that are used on Origin sites. The guidelines provide information on:

- PPE requirements
- Chemical details and description
- First Aid requirements
- Evacuation considerations
- Fire and spill management

Whilst this document was developed for QLD based Integrated gas sites it can be used on other sites if the same chemicals are present and the SDS lists the same response requirements. Any differences between the Chemical Response Procedures and the SDS must be risk assessed with appropriate controls adopted.

Chemical Response Procedures ([CDN 4411922](#))

9.6 SEMT and OSC Toolkit

The link below identifies forms and procedures that can be used to help the OSC or SEMT in an emergency situation. These include:

SEMT and OSC Toolkit	
Duty Cards	SEMT Duty Cards
Initial Emergency Response Actions for All Incidents	Checklists
OSC Forms	SEMT Forms
OSC Worksheets	SEMT Worksheets
Checklists	ECR Equipment and Layout
Landing of Careflight Helicopter in The Field	ECR Status Boards

SEMT and OSC Toolkit (AUS-IGMS-SAF-GDL- [CDN 6893451](#))

9.7 Bushfire Management

The following link can provide technical advice in developing Bushfire Management processes as it provides access to Prevention and Response resources such as:

- IG Bushfire Standard
- Bushfire Preparedness Tool
- Generic Bushfire Asset Protection Zone (APZ) Guide
- Beetaloo Bushfire Management Plan
- <https://www.pfes.nt.gov.au/incidentmap>

Bushfire Management [Source Bushfire Page Link](#)

9.8 Flood Management

In the preparation and response to a flood event, the following resources have been developed to help the site prepare for and manage a flood response

- Camp Isolation Readiness Check sheet (Appendix H).
- Flood Mapping via OLIMAPS (where available)

Beetaloo Assets teams can use the above tools to develop site Specific Flood Plans. The plan should take into consideration:

- Sources of flooding i.e. rivers, dam over flows etc.
- Fixed and temporary assets affected by flooding
- Access roads that are cut off and at what levels.
- Seasonal Preparedness – Activities at a minimum to prepare site for a flood
- Flood Warning or Watch
- Need to isolate equipment affected by flooding
- Flood Recovery requirements

9.9 Security Toolkits

In addition to the Emergency Response Flip Charts (QLD-1000-SAF-PRO- CDN 6893451) the following documentation supports response to different security scenarios:

- IG Security Management Plan CDN 8278592
- Wellsite Safety and Security Level Classification Procedure
- Regional Protest Plan CDN 7654911

Security Toolkits [Source Security Page](#)

9.10 Aviation Resources

Specific aviation resources can be sourced for use during an emergency. The IG Aviation Management Plan INT-1000-SAF-PLN-00007 can help to develop site specific aviation appropriate emergency response actions for the business unit's area.

Additionally, the Beetaloo Aviation Management plan provides further guidance for specific aviation practices within the Asset.

Further tools can be found at the IG [Transport and Aviation Source Page](#)

The plan identifies

- Aviation Tasking Process
- Aviation Bookings (fixed and rotary winged aircraft)
- Landing Site Management including approved Airfields and Helicopter landing site requirements

Aviation Management Plan

[Integrated Gas Aviation Management Plan](#)

In addition to the aviation management plan the below link provides details on the following:

- Helicopter Landing Sites technical inspection report form
- Helicopter Landing site design plate

- Helicopter Landing Site Officers
- Approved Helicopter Landing Site Register and requirements
- Aerial Firefighting
- Helicopter Landing Site Officer operators manual

Aviation Resources

<http://source.originenergy.com.au/Business/Gas/hse/risk/Pages/Transport.aspx>

9.10.1 Helicopter Landing Site Officer (HLSO)

If a helicopter is required for an emergency situation a designated / trained Helicopter Landing Site Officer (HLSO) should be sourced (where available) to support ground activities. It is the responsibility of the HLSO to ensure that they are familiar with the landing locations and the requirements associated with the Helicopter Landing Site Officer Operations Procedure – Integrated Gas ([CDN/ID 7983075](#)).

Landing Site Coordinates should be identified in either the Emergency Response Notification (ERN) document that is prefilled by the rig when moving to a new well location or if conducting a Campaign then nominated in the campaign specific bridging document.

9.11 Emergency Control Room

The Emergency Control Room (ECR), manned by the Growth Assets SEMT, is the coordination centre and “communication hub” for Beetaloo Asset based emergency incidents. The ECR must be activated to help assist the affected site oversee the operational emergency response and well-being of personnel involved in, or affected by, the emergency. The Beetaloo Asset ECR is located in 180 Ann Street in room 29:12 and contains appropriate tools, documents and stationery to support a response.

Emergency Control Room [ECR Tools](#)

9.12 Emergency Equipment

A detailed list of Beetaloo major ER equipment is located in Appendix XX.

10. Stakeholder Management

An emergency will be coordinated and supported by the SEMT at the ECR and SEMT at site. The bridging document or the ERN will contain site specific contacts that can be contacted in an emergency.

10.1 Group Emergency Management Team (GEMT)

The GEMT provides support to an emergency situation and manages the higher level requirements to assist the SEMT whilst dealing with regulators, media, legal and industry partners. For every activation of the SEMT, the SEMT-L must contact the on call GEMT-L and advise of the situation. The GEMT-L will determine whether the GEMT will be activated. The SEMTL and GEMTL must be familiar with the levels of incident management categories located within the Emergency response Assessment and Escalation procedure ([CDN 8629094](#))

When an incident has escalated to include the GEMT, the SEMT-L, having consulted with the OSC, will communicate regularly with the GEMT Operations Lead to provide updates and make requests for support.

Group Emergency Management Plan (INT-IGMS-SAF-PLN [CDN 6522903](#))

10.2 Emergency Services

First Responders must notify the OSC and in turn the SEMT-L if they call Emergency Services. Once notified, the OSC is responsible for all communications back to the SEMT.

Upon arrival, Emergency Services may take control of the emergency or leave the control to Origin to manage, depending on the type of emergency and the assistance that is required. In most circumstances Emergency Services will require assistance from Origin for local and technical knowledge and for additional resources to manage the incident.

Where Emergency Services take control of the incident it must be remembered that they are not able to command Origin personnel or resources, this command must still be managed by an Origin representative such as the OSC. This same control over the Emergency Services personnel and resources must be managed by the Emergency Services representative, such as the Incident Controller or senior officer.

10.2.1 Emergency Manifest

A hard copy Emergency Manifest, identifying notifiable quantities of hazardous substances, should be located on arrival at permanent field locations in an easily accessible and identifiable place. An Emergency Service Manifest template found in Open Text X Templates (and [CDN 5362370](#)) can be used to develop the Emergency Manifest.

10.3 Next of Kin

In the event of a death, serious injury or other emergency, involving Origin personnel, advice to relatives about the condition of a person or about the incident will be coordinated by People and Culture (P&C) through the GEMT.

During or after an emergency, the SEMT-L will refer any queries or concerns from relatives to People and Culture. P&C may also activate Employee Assistance Program (EAP) providers to support site personnel or relatives affected by an incident.

Principal Contractors and Contractor companies are responsible for management of next of kin communication in consultation with Police services, and EAP management in accordance with their emergency response plans and relevant State obligations. Where Contractors do not maintain their own EAP provider, P&C may extend EAP services as determined by the GEMT-L and P&C GEMT representative.

10.4 Landowners / Pastoralists

Contact with local landowners can be initiated by the SEMT-L in extreme circumstances; however Land Relations Advisors are to be used in the first instance. When activated, stakeholder communications will be handled by the GEMT and are addressed in the Group Emergency Management Plan (INT-IGMS-SAF-PLN-00004). Refer to Appendix A for contact details.

10.5 Regulatory Notification

A regulatory notifiable incident is an incident or non-compliance with an External Mandatory Obligation or External Voluntary Obligation that requires notification or reporting to a Regulator as prescribed by applicable Laws and Regulations. HSE regulatory notifiable incidents required to be reported to a regulator are listed in Appendix A.1.

Any regulatory incident notification to joint venture parties must follow the contractual arrangements specified in the joint venture agreement.

The Origin Energy joint venture representative must be consulted to determine Origin Energy’s contractual obligations for incident notification and reporting.

Any correspondence between Origin Energy and joint venture partners must be conducted through the joint venture representative unless other arrangements have been agreed.

Verbal Notification	Written Notification
Risk Assurance Compliance and Process Safety Team On-call number 0475 813 986	IntegratedGasCompliance@upstream.originenergy.com.au

Integrated Gas management of Regulatory Notifiable Incidents ([INT-IGMS-BUS-PRO-00001](#) [CDN/ID 5814101](#))

10.6 Dealing with Media Enquires

During an emergency event, media attention may occur at the affected site. All communications with the media must be in accordance with the Origin Media Policy (ORG-CGOV-POL-005). If personnel receive an enquiry from a journalist or reporter, whether in person or by phone and are asked about Origin, they should say:

“I am not in a position to comment but if you give me your name and telephone number I will organise for the most appropriate person to call you.”

Always ask for:

- the journalist / reporter’s name;
- publication / media outlet;
- contact phone number and / or email, and
- publication deadline.

The SEMT-L will advise the GEMT-L on call and External Affairs managers at the earliest opportunity of any media contact or enquiry. Refer to Appendix A – Table 3 for External Affairs contact details.

It is important to remember that there is no such thing as “off the record”. Even if you are speaking informally, you could be quoted at any time.

11. Review and update

The ERP will be reviewed and updated as necessary in response to one or more of the following:

- annually
- when major changes have occurred which may affect the Emergency Response coordination or capabilities
- following routine testing of the plan
- after an actual emergency or
- before installing and commissioning new plant and equipment equipment.

During the review, the following aspects are also to be considered:

- lessons learned from an emergency
 - changes in legal requirements
 - improvements to effectiveness in terms of response strategy, management and communication
 - developments in the latest techniques and technology in handling an emergency
 - changes to, or movement of people within our organisation
 - changes to contact numbers of internal and external organisations
- revisions to existing, or availability of, emergency management tools and equipment and resource suppliers and contractors.

12. Associated Documents

Document	Document Reference
Incident Response Procedures	QLD-1000-SAF-PRO-00041
Chemical Response Procedures	QLD-1000-SAF-PRO-00095
SEMT Toolkit	AUS-IGMS-SAF-GDL-00002
Emergency Response Exercise Planning Form	AUS-1000-SAF-FRM-00012
IG Group Emergency Management Plan (GEMP)	INT-IGMS-SAF-PLN-00004
Crisis Management Plan	ORG-RMS-PLA-001
Emergency Response Exercise Planning and Reporting Procedure	AUS-1000-SAF-PRO-00010
Risk Management Policy	ORG-RISK-POL-001
Origin Risk Toolkit	ORG-RSK-TOOL-001

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Appendix A Contact lists

External Agencies		
Role	Name	Primary
Local Emergency Services	Police, Fire, Ambulance	000 (or 112 from mobile)
Hospital	Katherine Hospital	(08) 8973 9211 Kintore Clinic Katherine (08) 8972 1677
Field response contractor / initial inspections	PPP	Gordon Jackson 0456 618 367 Susey Jackson 0487 120 819 Sat Phone 0147157201 Email: triplecontracting@outlook.com
Remote Well Monitoring Assistance	Cory Giefer Operations Support Manager MPC Kinetic	+61 418 409 354
Bushfires NT	Fire control officer	Katherine (08) 8973 8871
Volunteer Bushfire brigade		(08) 8975 9936
Regional Shire Council	Roper Gulf Shire	08 8972 9000 or 1300 366 208
Regional Shire Council	Barkley Shire	
Police (non-emergency)	Police Link	131 444 Elliott - (08) 8969 2010
Poisons Information Centre	n/a	13 11 26
Bureau of Meteorology	Cyclone Warnings Forecasts & Warnings	1300 659 211 08 8920 3826
NT DPIR's Petroleum Operations Team	after-hours	+61 1300 935 250
NT DNER		08 8973 8871 or 08 8973 8872 or 08 8973 8870 DENR Note, also required to notify landholder
NT EPA Pollution Hotline	n/a	1800 064 567
NT WorkSafe	n/a	1800 019 115 ntworksafe@nt.gov.au
Department of Main roads	n/a	1300 654 628
NT power and water	n/a	1800 245 090
Well Control supplier (for lev3)	Boots & Coots Services Well Control and Prevention	24 hr. hotline 1 800 BLOWOUT or + 1 281 931 8884

Origin Beetaloo contacts		
Role	Name	Primary
Group Emergency Management Team (GEMT) Leader On-Call		+61 477 755 369
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Emergency Response and Security Specialist – HSE RAC - Origin	Bruce Baldwin	+61 467 802 482 Bruce.baldwin@origin.com.au

Neighbouring Properties			
Property Name	Contact Name	Phone	Direct Neighbouring Properties
Amungee Mungee	Adrian Brown (owner)	(08) 89 711293 Katherine office +61 427 825159 Adrian (08) 89 759 599 Amungee homestead UHF 18 VHF 123600	Nutwood Downs –North Tanunbirini – East Hayfield – West Beetaloo – South
Beetaloo	Scotty & Jane Armstrong (son-in-law/ manager)	(08) 89 644 613 Office (08) 89 644 711 UHF 16 VHF 123850	Amungee Mungee – North Hayfield/Shenandoah – N/W NCW – West NCW – South (Tandi/Uchar)
Sturt Plains Hayfield/Shenandoah	Brad & Lisa Dyer Justin & Sally Dyer (son/policy)	+61 429 806 477 Brad (08) 89 759 920 Hayfield +61 408 802 741 Justin +61 417 836 551 Val UHF 17 VHF 123900	Buchanan – West Kalala – North Amungee Mungee – East Beetaloo – East NCW – South
Hidden Valley	David & Jenny James	(08) 89 759 999 (08) 89 759 622 Kitchen	Sunday Creek – North Kalala – East Buchanan – South
Kalala	Ray & Pam Murphy Tosser Murphy (son)	(08) 89 759 936 Office +61 427 759 938 Ray +61 488 759 944 Tosser	Sunday Creek – West Maryfield – North Nutwood Downs – East Hayfield/Shenan – South Hidden Valley - West
Newcastle Waters	Jak Andrews	(08) 89 644 527 (08) 89 644 571 + 61 428 525 895 Jak	Hayfield – North Beetaloo – North
Nutwood Downs	Rod & Rayna Dunbar	(08) 89 759 954	Kalala – West Amungee Mungee – South
Tanunbirini	Mick Tasker (Manager)	(08) 89 759 929	Amungee Mungee - West

A.1. Incident Notification Matrix – Northern Territory

Integrated Gas Regulatory Incident Notification Guideline (NT regulatory notification matrix)				
Legislation	Incident	Way report must be given	When report must be given	Contact Details
<p>Work Health and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2014</p> <p>Sections 35 - 39</p>	<p>A PCBU must notify the regulator as soon as they become aware of a death, serious injury or illness or dangerous incident that arises out of the conduct of the business or undertaking.</p> <p>A <i>dangerous incident</i> includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Uncontrolled escape, spillage or leakage of a substance, gas or pressurised substance • Uncontrolled implosion, explosion or fire • Electric shock • Fall or release from height of plant, substance or thing • Collapse, overturning, failure or malfunction of, or damage to, any plant/equipment/structure/excavation • In-rush of water, mud or gas in an underground excavation tunnel or interruption of ventilation in said tunnel <p>A serious injury or illness means that results in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work related injury • immediate hospital treatment as an in-patient • immediate treatment for serious injuries (for example amputation, scalping, a spinal injury, loss of a bodily function or a serious laceration, burn, head injury or eye injury), or • medical treatment within 48 hours of exposure to a substance. 	by telephone	Immediately after becoming aware	<p>1800 019 115 Worksafe ntworksafe@nt.gov.au</p>
<p>Schedule of Onshore Petroleum Exploration and Production Requirements 2017</p>	<p>An incident involving death or serious injury (reports shall be in addition to, and not take precedence over reports required by NT WorkSafe)</p> <p>A serious injury is one which requires immediate attention by a medical practitioner</p>	by telephone AND in writing	immediately As soon as practicable	<p>1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au</p>
	<p>An incident involving serious damage (other than Environmental Harm) including loss, destruction or damage to property exceeding \$50k or when any person dies or suffers serious injury</p>	by telephone AND in writing	immediately As soon as practicable	<p>1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au</p>
	<p>An incident involving or could potentially involve the injury to a person or serious damage to property that is professionally considered to have been caused by an event that is not in the normal or ordinary course of an operation (Potentially Hazardous event)</p>	by telephone AND in writing	immediately As soon as practicable	<p>1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au</p>
	<p>An incident where damage to property occurs (<\$50k) that is not serious damage to property but which results in a significant loss of structural integrity or load bearing capacity in the property damaged or results in some other significant unsafe condition</p>	by telephone AND in writing	immediately As soon as practicable	<p>1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au</p>
	<p>An incident that is considered to be an emergency</p>	by telephone	Immediately (after 000)	<p>1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au</p>

Integrated Gas Regulatory Incident Notification Guideline (NT regulatory notification matrix)				
Legislation	Incident	Way report must be given	When report must be given	Contact Details
Petroleum Act 2016 and associated Regulations	Applicable to ON TENURE SPILLS (note Off tenure spills under Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998): Reportable Incident: An incident, arising from a regulated activity, that has caused or has the potential to cause material environmental harm or serious environmental harm. <i>Material environmental harm</i> means harm that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Is not trivial or negligible in nature; (b) Consists of an environmental nuisance of a high impact or on a wide scale; (c) Results, or is likely to result, in not more than \$50k or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or (d) Results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of not more than \$50k or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater). <i>Serious environmental harm</i> means environmental harm that is more serious than material environmental harm and includes environmental harm that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Is irreversible or otherwise of a high impact or on a wide scale; (b) Damages an aspect of the environment that is of a high conservation value, high cultural value or high community value or is of special significance; (c) Results or is likely to result in more than \$50k or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or (d) Results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of more than \$50k or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater). 	by telephone OR in writing AND in writing	As soon as practicable (not later than 2 hours after the incident) <24 hours after oral notice (written notification) 3 days after the incident (initial report) 90 days intervals from the date of the initial report (interim reports) 30 days after clean up or rehabilitation (final)	1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au
	Recordable Incident: An incident that has resulted in an environmental impact or environmental risk not specified in the current plan for the activity; or has resulted in the contravention of an environmental performance standard specified in the current plan for the activity; or is inconsistent with an environmental outcome specified in the current plan for the activity; and is not a reportable incident.	In writing	15 days after each 90 day period after then day on which the environmental management plan is approved.	1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au

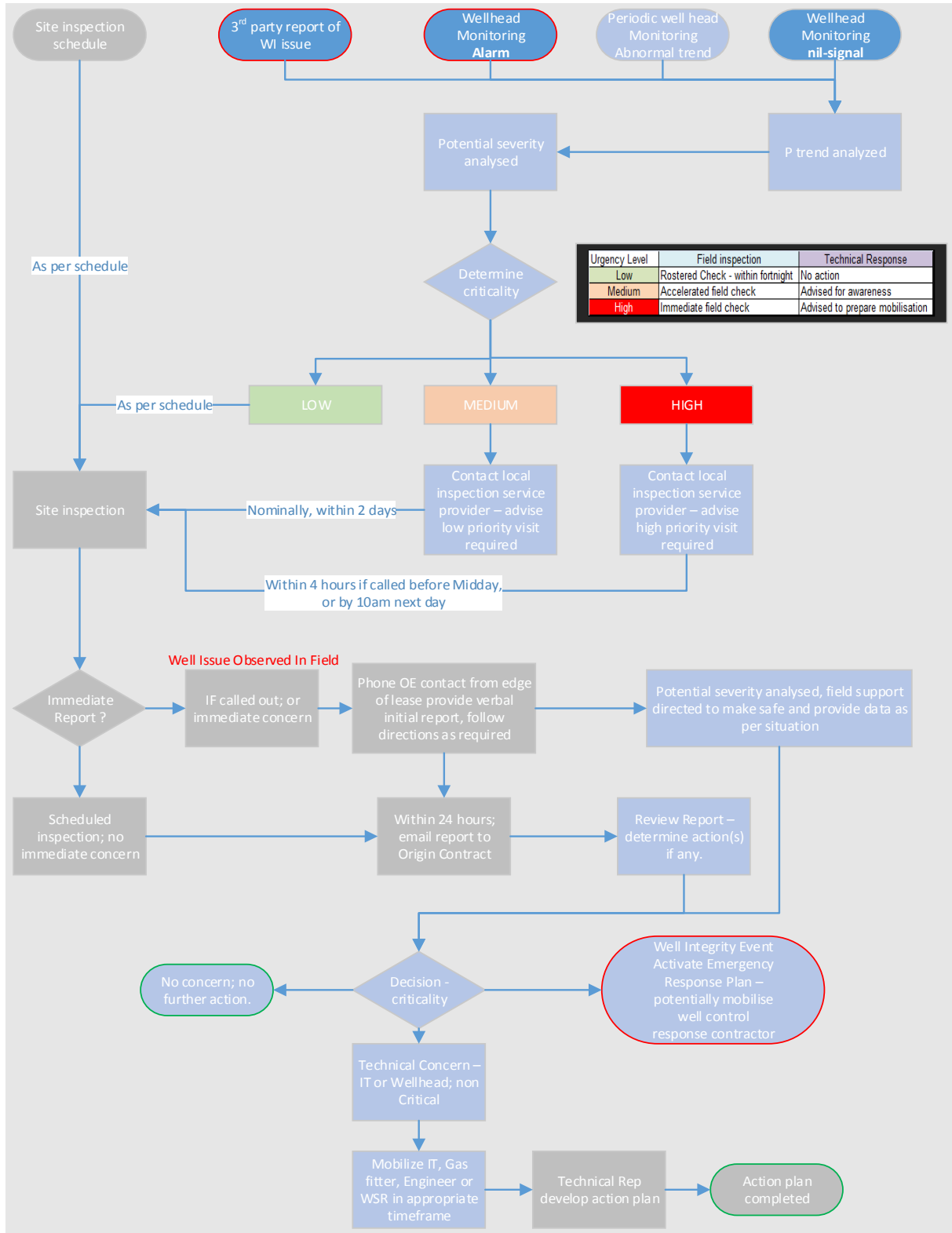
Integrated Gas Regulatory Incident Notification Guideline (NT regulatory notification matrix)				
Legislation	Incident	Way report must be given	When report must be given	Contact Details
Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998 and associated Regulations	<p>Duty to notify of incidents causing or threatening to cause pollution.</p> <p>Applicable to off tenure related spills (note ON tenure spills under Petroleum (Environment) Regulations):</p> <p>(1) Where:</p> <p>(a) an incident occurs in the conduct of an activity; and</p> <p>(b) the incident causes, or is threatening or may threaten to cause, pollution resulting in material environmental harm or serious environmental harm, the person conducting the activity must notify the NT EPA in accordance with subsection (3) as soon as practicable after (and in any case within 24 hours after) first becoming aware of the incident or the time he or she ought reasonably be expected to have become aware of the incident."</p> <p>An incident that causes, or is threatening or may threaten to cause, pollution resulting in material environmental harm or serious environmental harm.</p> <p>Refer to the definition of <i>material</i> and <i>serious environmental harm</i> provided in <i>Petroleum Act</i> section above.</p> <p><i>Pollution</i> means:</p> <p>(a) A contaminant or waste that is emitted, discharged, deposited or disturbed or that escapes, or</p> <p>(b) A contaminant, effect or phenomenon, that is present in the environment as a consequence of an emission, discharge, deposition, escape or disturbance of a contaminant or waste.</p> <p>Note: does not apply to incidents confined within petroleum activities land (including air and water above or below) – see the EMP for the area of petroleum activities land</p>	by telephone	Aas soon as practicable after (and in any case within 24 hours after) first becoming aware of the incident or the time he or she ought reasonably be expected to have become aware of the incident."	<p>NT EPA Pollution Hotline, 24 hour hotline</p> <p>NT EPA Pollution Hotline: 1800 064 567</p> <p>Pollution@nt.gov.au</p>
Environmental Protection Biodiversity Conservation Act	Incidents considered to have an impact to Matters of National Environmental Significance	in writing	within 5 business days of becoming aware	Compliance@environment.gov.au
Energy Pipelines Act 2015 and associated Regulations	<p>A reportable incident that involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Death or serious injury (or the potential to cause) • Significant damage to a pipeline (or potential to cause) • Immediate investigation 	By telephone AND In writing	As soon as practicable As soon as practicable	1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au
	<p>A significant pipeline accident event that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is connected with work carried out on or in relation to a pipeline • Causes, or has the potential to cause human death 	By telephone AND in writing	As soon as practicable As soon as practicable	1300 935 250 DPIR Petroleum.Operations@nt.gov.au
Environmental Assessment Act 2013 and associated Regulations	Alteration of action in such a manner that the environmental significance of the proposed action may be changed	in writing	As soon as practicable after the alteration	08 8924 4218 NT EPA ntepa@nt.gov.au
Bushfires Act 2016 and associated Regulations	Unable to control a fire on the land	All reasonable steps	Following the fact	08 8973 8871 or 08 8973 8872 or 08 8973 8870 DENR Note, also required to notify landholder
Heritage Act 2016 and associated Regulations	Discovery of archaeological places and objects	In writing	As soon as practicable (within 7 days of discovery)	08 8999 5039 DTC - Heritage Branch heritage@nt.gov.au

**Integrated Gas Regulatory Incident Notification Guideline
(NT regulatory notification matrix)**

Legislation	Incident	Way report must be given	When report must be given	Contact Details
Weeds Management Act 2013	(a) First becoming aware of a declared weed that has not previously been, or known to have been, present on the land.	Not specified	14 days of becoming aware	08 8999 4567 DENR weedinfo@nt.gov.au
Dangerous Goods Act 2012 and associated Regulations	Becoming aware of theft, loss of, or unauthorised interference with explosives.	Not specified	Immediately after becoming aware	08 8973 8000 Katherine Police
Internal Contacts				
The on call phone number is 0475 813 986 and is monitored 24/7 by the Integrated Gas Regulatory Compliance Team		integratedgascompliance@upstream.originenergy.com.au		
1. <i>Work Health & Safety Incident Notification form</i>		http://www.worksafe.nt.gov.au/LawsAndCompliance/Pages/incident-reporting.aspx		
2. <i>Pollution Report Form</i>		https://ntepa.nt.gov.au/waste-pollution/hotline/pollution-report-form http://im.originenergy.com.au/otcs/cs.exe/properties/7486053		
3. <i>Aviation Accident or Incident Notification Form</i>		https://www.atsb.gov.au/mandatory/asair-form.aspx?		

Appendix B Well Inspection and Monitoring Protocol

The flow chart below shows triggers and response protocols for wellhead Monitoring. Note red text link to Well Issue Observed in Field in body of the ERP.



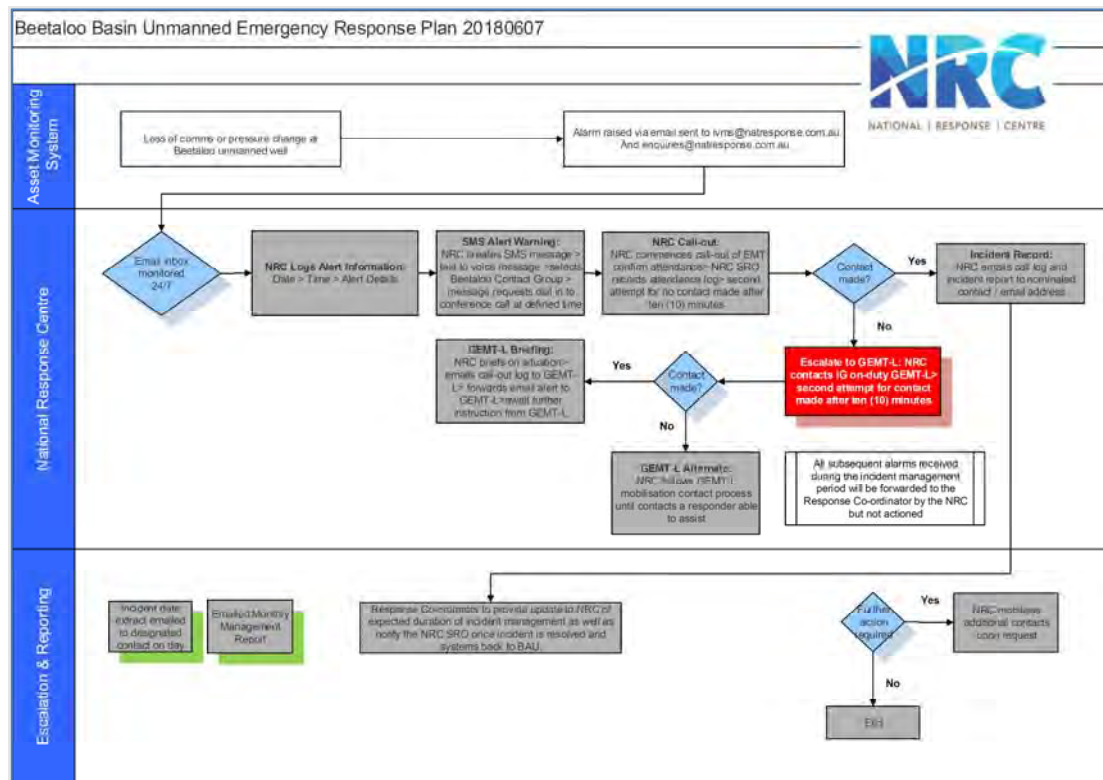
B.2. Well Pressure Remote Monitoring

The Amungee NW-1H well is suspended at surface for monitoring and recording of the reservoir pressure buildup. Real time pressure monitoring exists and a pressure anomaly or loss of communications to site will trigger an email alarm to a minimum of 7 people (listed below) and to a 24/7 monitored email at the Origin's National Response (NRC) centre. The NRC will send a further SMS and text to voice message to the notification list to alert the team of the alarm. The SMS will include time details to call into a conference call number at a set time (nominally 10 minutes time – but to be stated in the message). NRC will start the conference call however if NRC was unable to contact any one on the list by phone before the call, and no one joins the conference call they escalate to GEMT.

The group on the conference call can then decide if the site requires inspection and agrees on the person (the nominated SERT-L) to deploy Triple P or other services to site. NRC will continue on the conference call maintaining notes of discussions. NRC will follow the below process flow when activated from an alarm.

Conference call number to be used.

1800 062 923
Host PIN 6700 4855 4873
Guest PIN 6700 4855 3024



Current list of people receiving notifications. All people on this list should have this list of people in their contacts to facilitate quick communications.

Role	Name	Primary
Construction Supervisor – Growth Assets	Robert Wear	+61 467 679 003 sat phone 0147162733
Operations / Project Manager – Growth Assets	Matthew Hanson	+61 477 748 843
General Manager – Growth Assets	Tracey Boyes	+61 475 949 668
D&C Project Manager – Growth Assets	Ed Wong	+61 475 836 554

Senior Petroleum Engineer – Growth Assets	Alex Cote	+61 408 612 889
Senior Project Engineer	Mitch Roll	+61 423 929 661
HSE Lead – Growth Assets	Lucas Fulford	+61 477 749 524

If it is determined there is an unexplained pressure change in the well or unrecoverable communications issue then Triple P is deployed to site to assess the situation. The site person shall only deploy to site if it is possible to do so and travel in daylight hours. The requirement is to be at site within 6 hours. This in practice means that they should only be deployed to site if the event occurs before noon. If the event occurs after noon they should be notified so as to be on site as early as possible the next morning. Triple P will follow the procedure detailed in the “Well Control” Section B3.

Once on site Triple P will use the satellite phone to call back the person that deployed them to report the situation on site and received further instructions. If the information received from Triple P is that the situation on site is not normal then this triggers an emergency event and Triple P becomes the On Scene Command (OSC) and the Project Manager (or the senior person in the group which has responded to the alarm) will be the SERT-L and notifies the Group Manager Growth Assets (Tracey Boyes 0475949668). Other key stakeholders, specifically Stephanie Stonier (0475940931) and any of the alarm monitoring team not already involved, should then be notified as soon as possible.

- Triple P
 - Gordon Jackson 0456 618 367
 - Susey Jackson 0487 120 819
 - Sat Phone 0147157201
 - Email triplepcontracting@outlook.com

Well control incidents may require the mobilisation of specialised response contractors.

B.3. Well Control (unmanned)

In the event of an uncontrolled release from a wellhead (being observed in the field):

- Move out of harm’s way. Find safe upwind location.
 - Determine wind direction.
 - Always pay attention to Fire, fumes, electrical, ignition and Health Risks.
 - What is the type of Leak and source?
 - Consider shutdown of all potential ignition sources.
 - Monitor bleed down of leak and keep all non-essential personnel and ignition sources away from the hazardous area. (secure location)
- Alert others near-by
- Assess the situation – determine the level of the immediate threat.

If a report is received from any source (for instance tourists travelling along highway see the well on fire) that an incident has occurred then the response for a pressure change in the well, exaction is to be immediately initiated.

If the responding group are reasonably certain that loss of containment has occurred then Triple P should be sent to site to secure access from the highway and confirm the situation on site and escalation through GM Growth Assets to GEMT should occur with the recommendation to notify Well Control Services to prepare to deploy, or deploy if the report is very credible. If there is a high level of doubt about the information, Triple P contracting should be deployed to obtain reliable information from site.

Note: After consultation with the Project Manager and/or Well Integrity team representative - and you if are competent, confident – and **if it is safe** to do so; **contain the incident** by shutting in the well – if flow is through wellbore; then activation of the self actuation UMV may be appropriate; of if escape is evident to be from an annular space, it may be possible to isolate via a manually operated valve.

Well control incidents may require the mobilisation of specialised response contractors.

Please refer to Appendix B for Well Inspection and alarm flow chart or [NT-2050-35-MN-0001 Amungee NW-1H Remote Pressure Monitoring trouble shooting manual](#) for well integrity monitoring and data transmission details.

B.4. Well Control Incident Classification

In the event that a Well Control Incident exceeds level 1 and 2, the site supervisor will activate the SEMT who in turns, notifies the GEMT-L and the involvement of a contracted third party specialist to handle the well control integrity event.

The Well Control specific incident response plan is detailed within Appendix G.

The Table below explains the different levels of well control.

Level 1 (an uncomplicated kick or a low risk production / well integrity event)	Level 2 (a kick with some complications or a low - moderate risk well integrity event)	Level 3 (complete loss of well control or a moderate - high risk well integrity event)
<p>Generally, these are events that commonly occur during drilling and workover operations. Additionally covers low risk well integrity events during the production phase.</p> <p>Emergency interfacing is limited due to pressure and flow containment.</p> <p>Personnel and equipment are not threatened, and there are no injuries or fire involved.</p> <p>Thus, the situation can be handled using resources and procedures available on-site (or readily mobilisable in the case of a well integrity event).</p> <p>The situation is managed immediately by the Driller who will keep the rig manager informed of the situation.</p> <p>Caution: Level 1 incidents can escalate quickly to a more serious and threatening level if not handled properly.</p>	<p>A Level 2 event can be defined as an abnormal well control event during drilling and workover operations involving some sort of complication in which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well control has NOT been lost at the surface • Resources beyond the normal capabilities of the rig crew or production operations staff may be required • Outside well control consultation, materials, equipment or personnel may be required <p>Includes low - moderate risk production events (e.g. noticeable leak or significant annular pressure).</p> <p>There are no injuries or fires associated with this incident level since control has not been totally lost.</p> <p>The situation is typically managed by the Rig with the OSC liaising. The SEMT is on Standby but not activated. The incident is generally not sufficiently threatening to activate the GEMT to deal with the situation.</p>	<p>A Level 3 emergency denotes a complete loss of well control at surface during drilling and workover operations with no opportunity to restore it using all the resources available on-site. Includes moderate – high risk well integrity events during the production phase.</p> <p>Level 3 Incidents require the SEMT to activate including notification to the GEMT to effectively deal with the situation.</p> <p>External Well Control support (i.e. Boots & Coots, Wild Well Control, Cudd, etc.) must be activated upon confirming that the well is out of control at surface – and measures must be immediately taken to protect people, the environment and material assets.</p> <p>These emergencies, although serious at the outset, have the potential to escalate further during control attempts. Such escalation may cause serious structural damage or total loss of the facility, rig, BOP stack and wellhead due to explosion, fire, loss of buoyancy or location subsidence and could affect nearby wells & infrastructure.</p>

Appendix C Site Specific Information

C.1. Location data – Existing Exploration Wells

Permit Area(s)	EP98, EP117
Well name	Kalala South - 1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16° 17' 37.7" S / 133° 36' 44.3" E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Carpentaria Highway
Nearest Airports	Daly Waters: 25 min/25km Elliot: 2hrs / 165 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital 3hrs drive
Well name	Beetaloo West-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	17° 7'13.82"S / 133°45'43.63"E
Nearest Town	Elliot
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 1.5hrs/100km Elliot: 1.75hrs,110km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 4hrs drive
Well name	Amungee North West-1H (Velkerri 98 N1 - same location)
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°20'51.034"S / 133°53'4.403"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Carpentaria Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 1hr /61km Elliot 2.5hrs /202km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 3.5hrs drive

C.2. Location data – Proposed Exploration Wells

Permit Area(s)	EP76, EP98
Well name	Kyalla 117 N2
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°50' 29.01"S; 133°39' 0.16"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airports	Daly Waters: 1hr /92 km Elliot: 1.5hrs /117 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 4.5hrs drive
Well name	Velkerri 76 S2
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°51' 20.13"S; 134°23' 39.85"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 2.5 hr /190 km

	Elliot: 3.0 hrs /198 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 5.5 hrs drive

C.3. Location data – Waterbore locations

Permit Area(s)	EP76, EP98 and EP117
Water Bore Lease	Velkerri 98 E1-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°27' 14.28"S; 134°12' 30.84"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Carpentaria Highway
Nearest Airports	Daly Waters: 2 hrs /70km Elliot: 3hrs / 250 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital 5 hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Kyalla 98 W1-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°28' 50.85"S; 133°44' 5.33"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Carpentaria Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: ~2.5 hrs /95km Elliot: 4hrs / 250 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital 6 hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Velkerri 76 S1-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	17°3' 48.91"S; 134°17' 21.05"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 2.5 hr /183 km Elliot: 3.0 hrs /198 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 5.5 hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Velkerri 76 S2-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°51' 20.13"S; 134°23' 39.85"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 2.5 hr /190 km Elliot: 3.0 hrs /198 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 5.5 hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Velkerri 117 E1-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°59' 45.09"S; 134°19' 54.12"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 2.0 hrs /175 km Elliot: 2.5hrs /190km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 5.5hrs drive

Water Bore Lease	Kyalla 117 N2-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	16°50' 29.01"S; 133°39' 0.16"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 1hr /92 km Elliot: 1.5hrs /117 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 4.5hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Kyalla 117 W1-2
Well location (Lat/Long)	17°7' 13.74"S; 133°45' 35.75"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 1.5hr /91 km Elliot: 1.5 hrs /83 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 4 hrs drive
Water Bore Lease	Kyalla 117 W2-1
Well location (Lat/Long)	17°6' 7.10"S; 133°40' 6.06"E
Nearest Town	Daly Waters
Nearest Major Road	Stuart Highway
Nearest Airport	Daly Waters: 2 hr /98 km Elliot: 1.5hrs /76 km
Nearest Hospital	Katherine Hospital: 4.5hrs drive

C.4. Campaign specific information

Exploration campaigns have the following specific information, this information is approximate only and should be utilised to provide guidance on approximate personnel data per exploration campaign activity:

C.4.1 Civil activity

Civil	Various Civil construction activities (Road/track upgrades, lease builds)
Average Personnel #	1-20
Fuel Capacity	Dual walled, self banded diesel 26.4m3 tank

C.4.2 Drilling activity

Rig	Rig to be contracted for each campaign
Average Personnel #	8-14
Fuel Capacity	Dual walled, self banded diesel 26.4m3 tank

C.4.3 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation spread (Fracspread)

Rig name	Fracspread
Average Personnel #	40-60
Fuel Capacity	Dual walled, self banded diesel 26.4m3 tank

C.4.4 Completion activity specific data

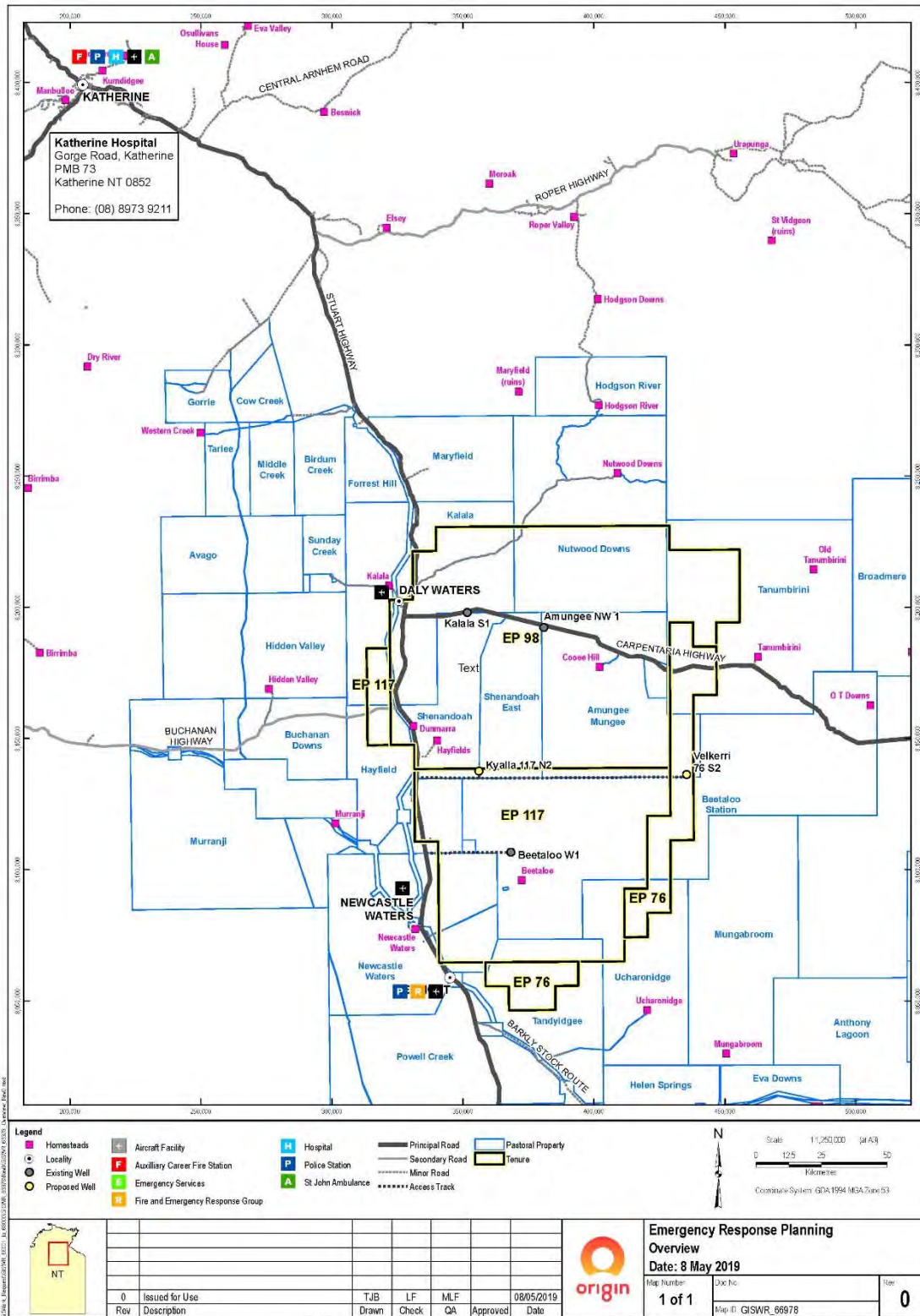
Rig name	Rig to be contracted for each campaign
Average Personnel #	8-12
Fuel Capacity	Dual walled, self banded diesel 26.4m3 tank

C.4.5 Well Testing spread specific data

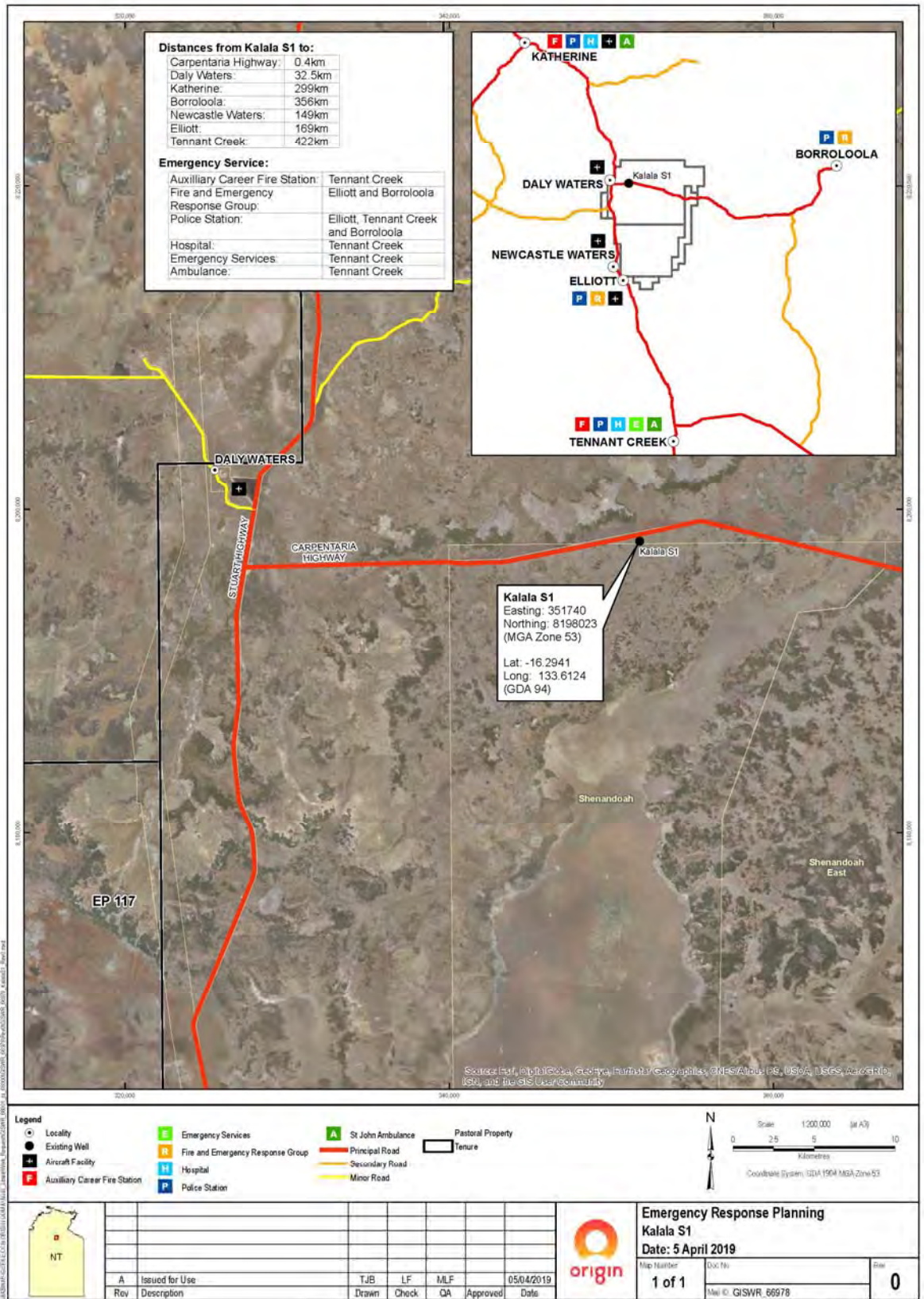
Rig name	Extended Production Test – EPT (Well Test)
Average Personnel #	2-6
Fuel Capacity	Dual walled, self banded diesel 26.4m3 tank

C.5. Emergency Response Locality maps

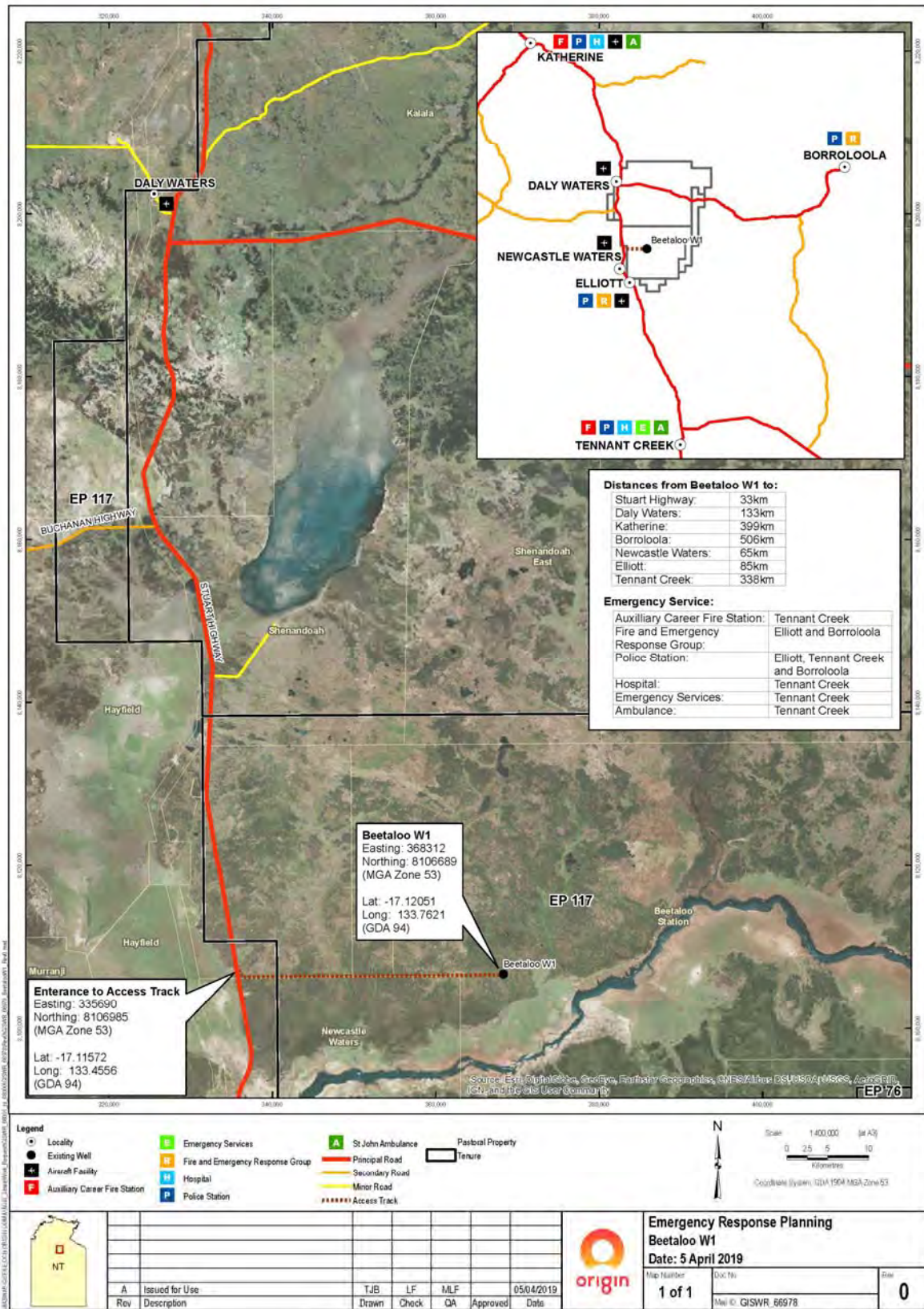
Overview maps for all existing Petroleum Wells



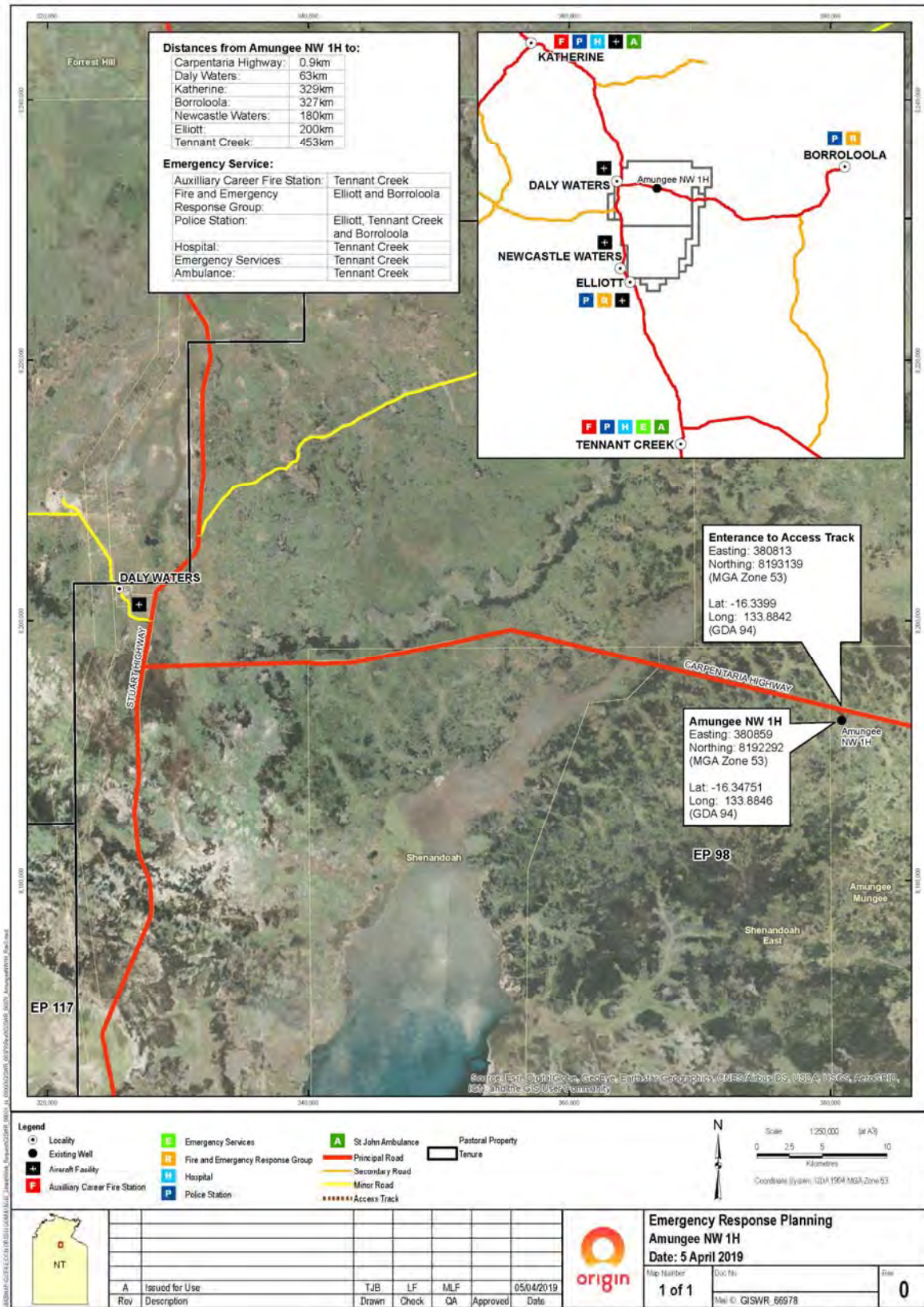
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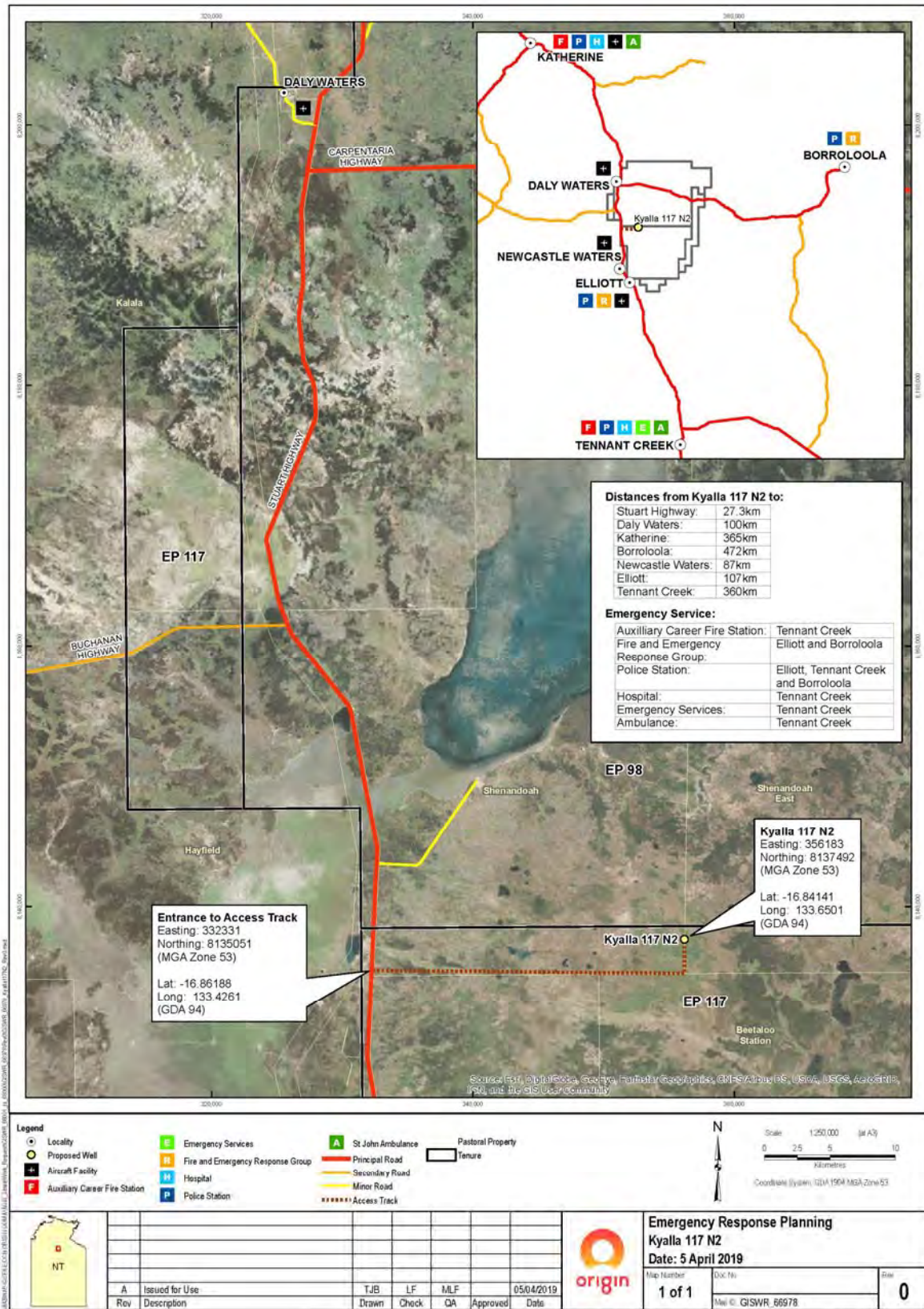
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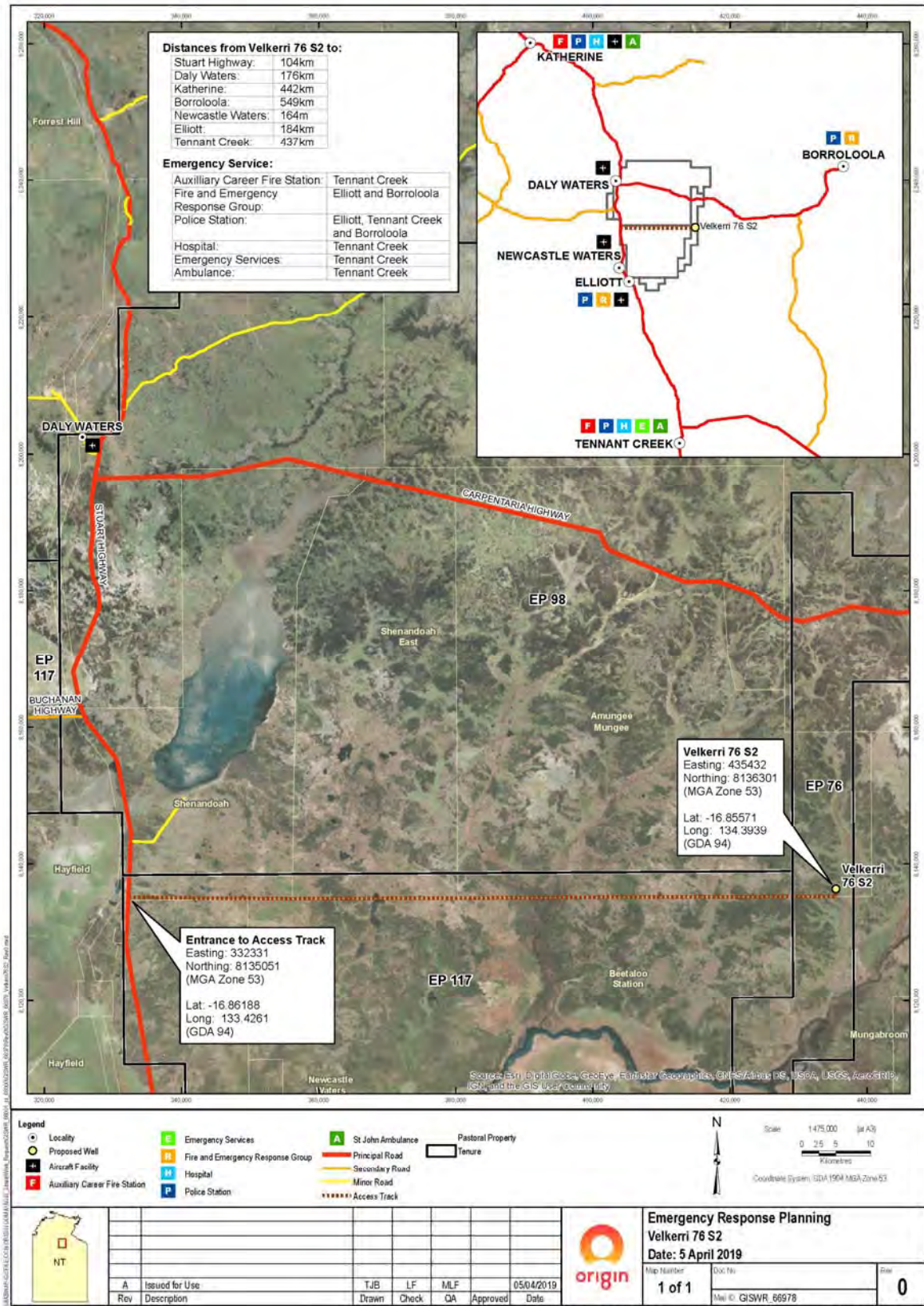
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C.5.4 Kyalla 117 N2



C.5.5 Velkerri 76 S2




Appendix D Definitions

Term	Definition
CMP / T	Crisis Management Plan / Team
DPIR	Department of Primary Industry and Resources
DENR	Department of Environment and Natural Resources
EPA	Environmental Protection Agency
SEMT	Site Emergency Management Team
ER/P/T	Emergency Response / Plan / Team
GEMP/T	Group Emergency Management Plan / Team
GEMT-L	Group Emergency Management Team Leader
SEMT-L	Site Emergency Management Team – Leader
OE BU	Origin Energy Business Unit
DA	Development Area
D&C	Drilling and Completions
ECR	Emergency Control Room
ER&S	Emergency Response and Security, Senior Advisor
PC ERT	Primary Contractor Emergency Response Team
PC IMT	Primary Contractor Incident Management Team
FR	First Responder
OE	Origin Energy
OSC	On scene Commander
PC	Primary Contractor

Appendix E Emergency Services Manifest

To be completed within 2 weeks of occupation of Site.

Screen shot of example: Emergency Services Manifest Template.



Integrated Gas
Emergency Services Manifest
 Insert Site Name
 Queensland - e.g. QLD 1600 SAF REG

Purpose	A manifest of notifiable quantities of hazardous substances held at this site facility under section 347 of 'Work Health & Safety Regulation 2011, Queensland'
Reference	Hazardous Materials Management - LNG Division - 3676149 Risk Management Directive - ORG-RISK-DVE-001
Records	Hard copy to be housed in the locked 'Hazmat' Red box located at the front of the site facility and electronic copy to be available on the Sharepoint H&S team site for monitoring of updates and future audit purposes.

Section 1 - General Site Information

Occupier of Facility: Origin Energy Pty Ltd

Site Address: <insert address>
<insert address>
<insert address>

Section 2 - Emergency Contacts

Name	Position	Contact Details			
		Business Hours	Mobile	UHF Radio	After Hours
Upstream Emergency Phone Number (24/7 After Hours) 1800 076 251					

Section 3 - Bulk Storage Locations

Note: Bulk storage includes vessels with a capacity of >500L. Gas tank capacity must be in Water Capacity (L), not gas capacity (m³).

Location / Equipment ID Number	Type	Capacity	Tank Diameter (Flammable liquids only)	Correct Shipping Name	UN Number	DG Class	Quantity
e.g. T3600-001	Aboveground tank	20,000L		Petroleum distillates N.O.S.	1268	3	20,000L

Section 4 - Package and IBC Storage Locations

Note: Packages include containers with a capacity of <500L or IBCs of 1,000L capacity. Cylinder quantities must be in Water Capacity (L), not gas capacity (m³).

Storage Location	Correct Shipping Name	Package type	UN no.	Class	Max. Qty
e.g. Warehouse	Hydrochloric Acid	Drum	1789	8	3,000L

Appendix F Site Specific Emergency Response Equipment

To be developed within 2 weeks of site occupation to display the following areas:

- Person in Charge (PIC)
- Muster Areas
- First Aid Treatment Areas
- First Aid Kit locations
- Fixed Fire Extinguishers and Blankets
- Evacuation Routes
- Helicopter Landing Sites
- Emergency Services Meeting Points
- Hazardous / Restricted Areas
- Emergency event PPE Locations
- Spill Kit

Northern Territory – Daly Waters

- Daly Waters Airport

Appendix G Emergency Response Flipcharts

The following scenario responses have been reproduced from the Origin Incident Response Procedures CDN 3676134

Appendix G1 – Bushfire

Appendix G2 – Flood

Appendix G3 – Spill

Appendix G4 – Loss of Containment

G.1. Bushfire

Bushfire

Considerations

1. Is there a need to activate the Emergency Response Team (ERT).
2. Is there adequate fire fighting capability?
3. Is there an adequate water source available?
4. Bushfire - Is based on a region wide fire event where access roads will directly affect evacuation. Refer to [Bush Fire Preparedness Tool](#) for response actions, web links (i.e. BOM) and evacuation considerations.

First Responders

1. Raise the Alarm?
2. If there is a casualty provide First Aid (DRSABCD). Continue until either physically unable to do so, relieved or the patient is pronounced deceased by a doctor or paramedic.
3. Refer to the [Bush Fire Preparedness Tool](#).
4. Be vigilant. Watch for flying embers and small fires starting on site.

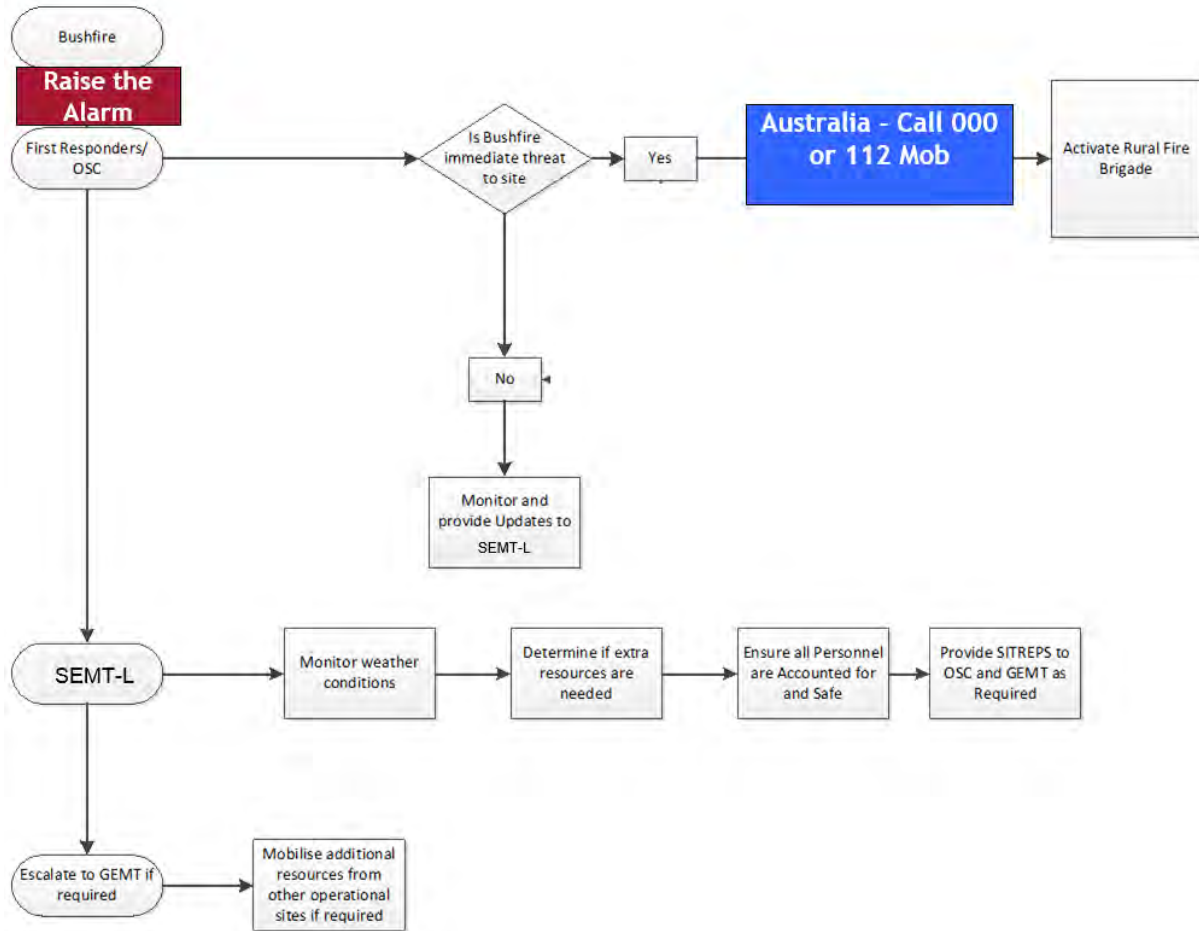
On Scene Commander (OSC)

1. Mitigate Hazards to ensure personnel safety.
2. Contact the Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L).
3. Activate Emergency Response Team (ERT) response.
4. Muster personnel and evacuate as required.
5. Contact Emergency Services if required.
6. Prepare for the arrival and briefing of Emergency Services.

Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L)

1. Notify Origin Site Representative of emergency in the region.
2. Australia - Call 000 or 112 Mob or Fire Agencies (if available).
3. Identify available fire fighting assets (aerial, ground, mutual aid).
4. Conduct planning for evacuation and determine triggers.
5. Coordinate whole of site actions.
 1. Give preparatory orders for securing the site against the bushfire.
 2. Isolate hazardous energy and make equipment safe.
 3. Provide support to the OSC.
 4. Coordinate Emergency Services.
 5. Ensure isolation of hazardous energy and make safe (e.g. Central Control Room).
 6. Consider mobilization of Civil Maintenance to assist with fire break preparation, asset protection/earthen barriers.
6. Notify Group Emergency Management Team Leader (GEMT-L)?
7. Confirm incident terminated – use Incident Termination Checklist
8. Confirm incident investigation and gathering of facts initiated
9. Mobilise counselling services and support by the Employer Assistance Program (EAP) if required.
10. Don't return to work until all facilities and damage have been declared as safe.

Bushfire



G.2. Flood

Flood

<p>Notification</p> <p>Level 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Once a creek starts to flow over any of the access roads. <p>Level 2 (Consider Evacuation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creek level reaches 100mm for unsealed roads, or • Creek level reaches 200mm for sealed roads. <p>Level 3 (Consider Evacuation and/or Demobilising)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creek level reaches 300mm for unsealed roads, or • Creek level reaches 400mm for sealed roads. • Consider duration of weather event and prolonged effects on site. 	<p>Considerations</p> <p>Level 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commence prep of site for shut down and evacuation. • Secure chemicals and toxins. • Check supplies of food and water. <p>Level 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non-essential personnel evacuated. • Track personnel movements and account for all staff at all times. • Prepare to secure / isolate infrastructure. • Maintain communications at all times. • Ensure sufficient food and water available on site if personnel are stranded. <p>Level 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shut down, secure and evacuate. • Track personnel movements and account for all staff at all times.
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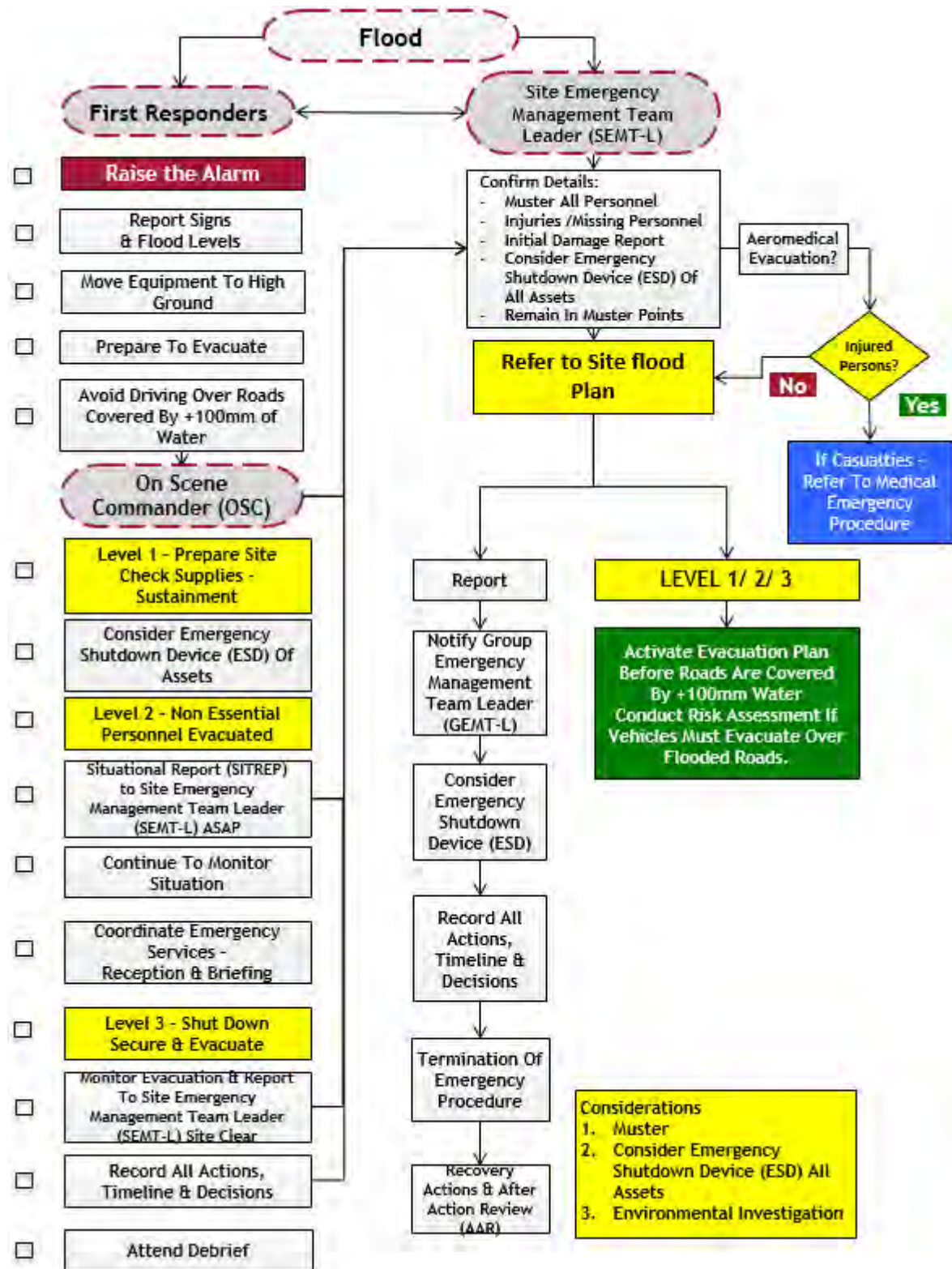
Don't put yourself at risk.

AVOID DRIVING OVER ROADS THAT HAVE MORE THAN 100mm OF WATER OVER THEM.

Driving over flooded roads in an emergency must be risk assessed by the Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L).

Prior to Flood Waters Reaching Site:

1. Refer to these tools to identify assets and roads that will flood to certain levels:
 - a. Flood Plan,
 - b. Flood Mapping, and
 - c. Hazard visualiser.
2. Closely monitor weather reports and flood predictions from the Bureau Of Meteorology (BOM).
3. Confirm triggers, evacuation plans and routes. What preparatory actions are required at site? Construction of protective banks takes time and may require additional equipment (plant) to be transported and deployed.
4. Whenever possible, mitigate environmental damage by undertaking appropriate action.
5. Evacuate mobile worksites as early as practicable?.



G.3. Spill

Spill

Considerations

1. Activate the Emergency Response Team (ERT).
2. A pollutant spill may be on permeable ground and encompass a wide array of substances, some of which will be toxic and very harmful to the environment.

First Responder

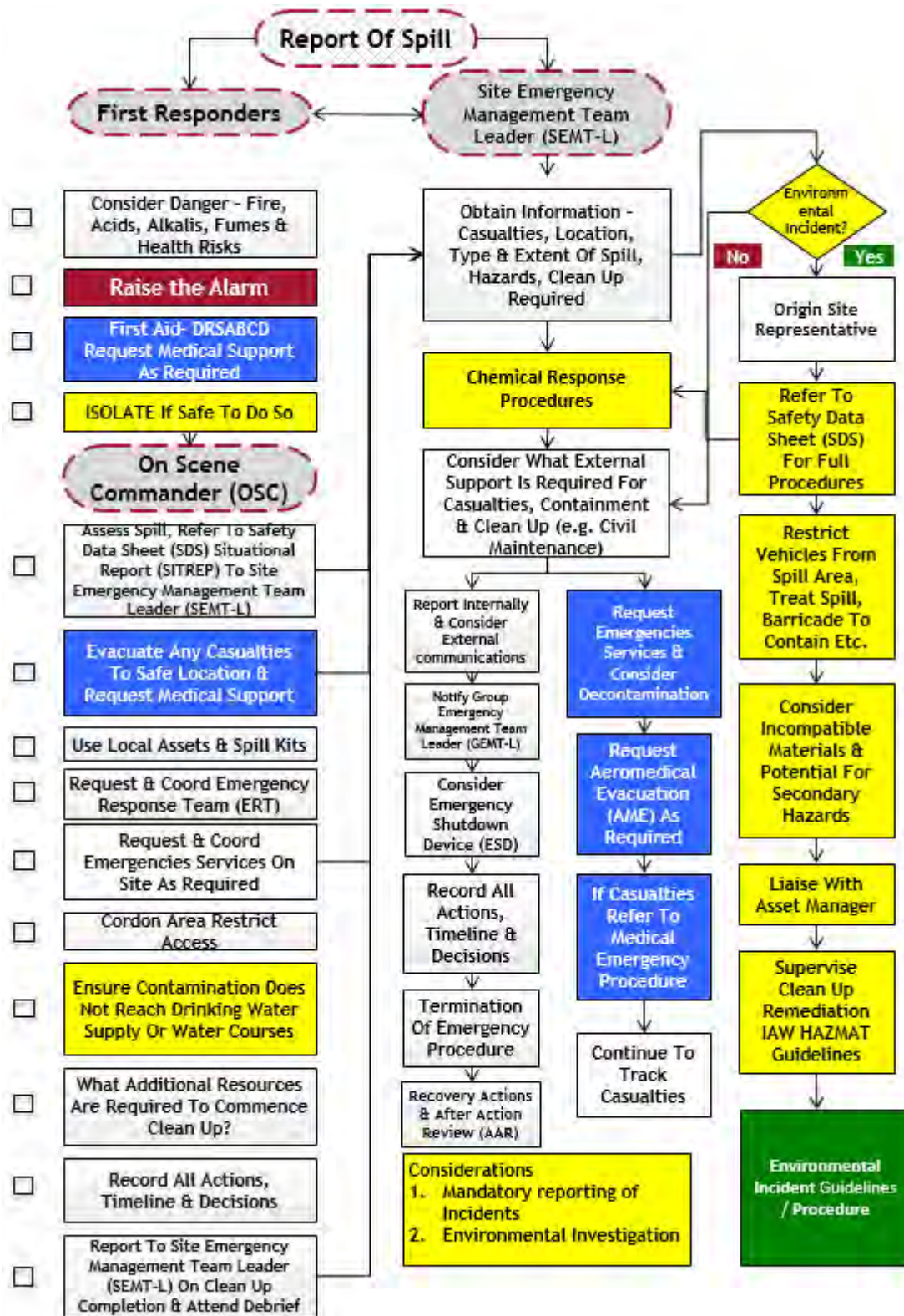
1. Raise the Alarm?
2. Is there a need to activate the Emergency Response Team (ERT)?
3. Always pay attention to fire, fumes, electrical, ignition and other health risks.
4. Activate containment operations immediately to prevent spill from reaching a surface watercourse or ground water.
5. Do not flush the spill down clean drains or other inlets.

On Scene Commander (OSC)

1. Mitigate Hazards to ensure personnel safety.
2. Consider the effects of toxic spills – refer to Safety Data Sheets (SDS).
3. Use appropriate spill kits.
4. Consider type of spill, type of ground and what is the most effective method of containing with the minimum impact on personnel and the environment.
5. Consider how to prevent entry to area and spread of contamination.
6. Engage the Origin Site Representative to help assess the impact and determine appropriate actions for complex or remote incidents.
7. Some chemicals are incompatible and have the potential to increase or alter the hazard – refer to the Chemical Compatibility Chart in the Hazmat section of the site Emergency Response Plan (ERP).
8. For Water Treatment Facilities only - Disposal of diluted material to the ponds is permissible in an emergency but must be approved by the Water Treatment Facility (WTF) Supervisor.

Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L)

1. Consider use of Civil Maintenance team for installation of earthen bunds / diversion systems.
2. Consider early engagement with the Origin Site Representative and external agencies through Compliance Team.
3. Consider nature of spill and any decontamination requirements to personnel and or equipment.
4. Consider any logistics that will be required for rapid clean up and /or remediation.
5. Consider advising local land owners and councils as appropriate.
6. Ensure all spills are managed and that environmental impacts are reported correctly within mandated time frames.
7. Consider future prevention measures and better clean up practices.



G.4. Loss of Well Control

Loss of Well Control**Considerations**

1. Activate the Emergency Response Team (ERT).
2. Determine wind direction.
3. Determine leak location; subsurface and and type.
4. Well Control Contractor requirement.
5. Consider Emergency Shutdown Device (ESD) (e.g. Central Control Room (CCR)).

First Responder

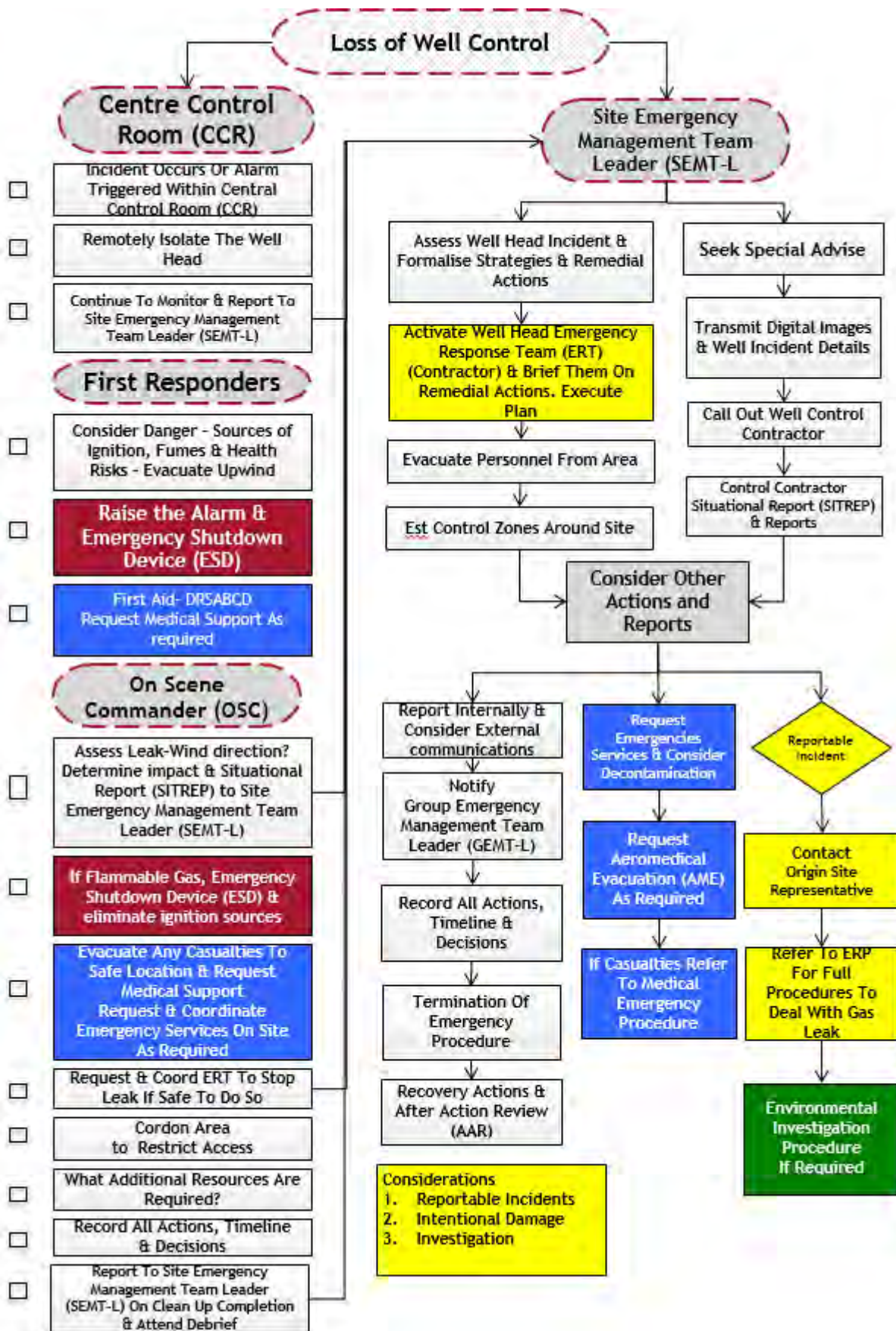
1. Raise the Alarm?
2. Always pay attention to Fire, fumes, electrical, ignition and Health Risks.
3. Muster and evacuate.
4. Secure the scene / Cordon off area.
5. Provide full details to On Scene Commander (OSC) and Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L) – particularly:
 - Where is it originating from?; and
 - What is the wind direction?
5. Consider ignition sources as vapour could be flammable.

On Scene Commander (OSC)

1. Mitigate Hazards to ensure personnel safety.
2. What is the type of Leak and source? What is the wind direction?
3. Shutdown all potential ignition sources (liaise with Central Control Room (CCR)).
4. Monitor bleed down of leak and keep all non-essential personnel and ignition sources away from the hazardous area.
5. Make a decision whether a full site evacuation is required.

Site Emergency Management Team Leader (SEMT-L)

1. Consider environmental impacts and reporting requirements.
2. Consider early engagement with the Origin Site Representative.
3. Activate and monitor Well Control Contractor deployment and progress.
4. Consider nature of incident and method of repair and recovery to personnel and or equipment.
5. Consider any logistics that will be required for rapid clean up and or remediation.



Appendix H Camp Isolation Checklist

Screen shot of Camp Isolation Readiness Checklist. For original version go to: [the IG ER&S Flood Source Page](#)

Purpose	This checklist to be used to verify sustainability of camps in preparation for emergency events such as floods.
Reference	Area Flood Preparedness and Response Plans - http://source.originenergy.com.au/Business/Inq/safety/emergency/Pages/FloodMgmt.aspx
Records	This checklist will be completed in October each year in preparation for the flood season. Additional requirements for completion will include forecasted severe storm or flood conditions.
Notes for use:	1. To be completed by the Camp Manager. 2. Additional sections critical supply items can be added in Sections 3 & 4 as required.

Date Checklist Completed	Click here to enter a date.	Prepared by	
Camp Name			
Location			
Type of Access	e.g. Dirt/Sealed Road Access or Single Point of access		
Camp Size	e.g. No of beds at full capacity		
Planning Assumptions	e.g. No of beds as the basis for determining supply/sustainment levels		
Camp Fire Fighting System	Choose an item.		

Section 1 - Food

Non Perishable		Perishables	
Current Holdings	Choose an item.	Current Holdings	Choose an item.
Frequency of Delivery	e.g. Twice Weekly - Mon & Thu	Frequency of Delivery	

Section 2 - Water & Waste Water

Water	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
		e.g. 90,000 Lt	Choose an item.	e.g. 2 Weekly - Mon/Thu
Waste Water	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
			Choose an item.	

Section 3 - Fuels & Chemicals

Diesel	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
			Choose an item.	
Other...	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
			Choose an item.	

Section 4 - Other

Linen	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
			Choose an item.	
Other...	Days' Supply	Storage Capacity	Current Holdings	Frequency of Delivery
			Choose an item.	

Section 5 - Exceptions/Comments

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Appendix O: Environmental Commitment Register

Obligation Details	Accountability
Layout of the site and exact siting of infrastructure will be informed by the environmental sensitivities and mitigation measures identified in this EMP.	Project Manager
Land clearance will not be undertaken as a part of this activity, unless authorised to do so.	Civil Construction Superintendent
The monitoring and maintenance under the erosion and sediment control plan shall be implemented.	Civil Construction Superintendent
The Spill management plan will be implemented including spill prevention, detection, response and reporting measures.	Drilling and Completions Lead –
The wastewater management plan will be implemented including the use of covered tanks, wastewater characterisation, storage monitoring and appropriate disposal.	Drilling and Completions Lead –
The bushfire management plan will be implemented to reduce the risk of bushfires. This includes the use of appropriate separation distances between flares and the surrounding vegetation	Drilling and Completions Lead –
The Methane emission management plan shall be implemented, including the strategies to prevent, detect, remediate and report potential leaks.	Drilling and Completions Lead –
Secondary containment will be implemented for all chemical storage and handling areas	Drilling and Completions Lead –
Origin and its sub-contractors will prioritise the use of local labour where such skill sets are available.	Project Manager
The weed management plan shall be implemented, including assuring all equipment and vehicles onsite have a valid weed hygiene certificate and routine monitoring is completed. All identified weeds associated with Origin's activities to be treated and managed in consultation with the DENR weeds officer...	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead
The site shall be fenced to prevent fauna and livestock access to wastewater	Project Manager
Where monitoring confirms bird or bat mortality associated with onsite wastewater storages, Origin will implement additional controls to prevent such impacts from occurring. This may include netting or bird deterrents as appropriate.	Drilling and Completions Lead
The Well Operations Management Plan approved by DPIR will be implemented to ensure the protection of aquifers and the environment. This includes protecting aquifers through the use of multiple cement and casing barriers and performing the specified well integrity verification testing.	Drilling and Completions Lead
All Groundwater will be extracted, monitored and recorded in accordance with the Water extraction licence.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead
All wastes will be transported and disposed of at licenced facilities in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead
Drilling muds and cuttings will be tested in accordance with the Code of Practice for onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory. Where an independent experts considers onsite disposal of muds and cuttings as being	Health Safety and Environment

Obligation Details	Accountability
environmentally sound, a report will be submitted to DENR for approval a to the proposed disposal approach and potential risks.	Representative (HSE Representative)
All water bores will be drilled and constructed by an appropriately NT licensed water bore driller and in accordance with the Minimum Construction Requirements for Water bores in Australia 3rd Edition (National Uniform Drillers Licensing Committee, 2012)	Project Manager
Where Origin's activities cause a material impact on the quality and quantity of a stock or domestic bore, Origin will make good such impacts in accordance with section 7.5.2.2 of the Inquiry Report. This may include adjusting pump heights, compensation or where appropriate, re-drilling/modifying the bore into an alternative water source.	Project Manager
Location of the lease areas has considered the minimum offset distance of at least 1km between site activities and pastoral water supply bores.	Project Manager
Each aquifer intersected will be isolated from overlying aquifers with a cemented casing string as per the WOMP.	Drilling and Completions Lead
No material changes in the quality and quantity of aquifers will result from Origin's activities.	Project Manager
Within 28 days of bore completion, a statement of bore (Form 21), with its registered number, will need to be submitted to the Water Resource branch of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR). This submission shall also contain a copy of the Gamma log.	Project Manager
All water bore cuttings and drilling mud will be disposed of on site in accordance with normal water bore drilling practices. Any contaminated material not suited for on-site disposal will be removed from site and transferred to a licenced waste management facility.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent
Surface water will not be used for any activities proposed in this EMP or future operations.	Project Manager
Stormwater flooding across the cleared site will be managed to minimise impacts from erosion and sedimentation.	Project Manager
Records of weed distribution will be maintained within Origin's GIS and if required provided to the Weeds Officer at DENR.	Health Safety and Environment Representative (HSE Representative)
Origin have committed to comply with conditions as prescribed by AAPA for the duration of the program.	Project Manager
Origin has committed resources and time to allow competent and experienced personnel to participate in educational and community information sessions from Darwin in the North, to Alice Springs in the South and across to Borroloola in the East.	Project Manager
Appropriate housekeeping standards will be maintained, and the site will be maintained free of rubbish.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead
Camps will be utilised to mitigate the impact on available accommodate and townships.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead
Wastewater, sewage and sullage generated by the domestic camp activities will be managed by a Department of Health (DoH) approved sewage treatment system or captured and removed from site.	Drilling and Completions Lead
Monitor road conditions to ensure deterioration with possible increase in dust creation, does not occur and undertake road rehabilitation as required.	Project Manager/ Civil Construction Superintendent / Drilling and Completions Lead

Obligation Details	Accountability
At completion, Origin will develop and implement a site specific rehabilitation plan in consultation with DENR to rehabilitate all disturbed areas (unless being transferred to a Pastoralist for beneficial use).	Health Safety and Environment Representative (HSE Representative)
Work instructions summarising the requirements of this EMP shall be prepared and submitted to contractors performing work under this EMP. Origin shall ensure all relevant hold points are enforced and signed off prior to commencing work.	Health Safety and Environment Representative (HSE Representative)

Appendix P: Environmental Work Instruction (Example)

Purpose	<p>This work instruction has been prepared to outline the key environmental management requirements that must be met prior to, during and following activities for the Beetaloo groundwater monitoring bore installation program. The environmental requirements are commitments made under the project's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) which is a legally binding document.</p> <p>All site personnel must be made familiar with the environmental requirements detailed in this Work Instruction and associated documents.</p>
Records	<p>The requirements of this document must be checked with the Origin Construction Superintendent and Environmental Specialist at relevant stages and retained as a means of demonstrating compliance with the commitments detailed.</p>
Conditions of use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All site personnel must be made familiar with the environmental requirements detailed in this Work Instruction. • The Environmental Requirements set out in this Work Instruction are to be read subject to the Contractor's obligation under the Contract to comply with all Statutory Requirements. Where a higher or different standard is required by a Statutory Requirement it will prevail over this work instruction. • Any deviation from this document must be approved by the Origin Construction Superintendent • All authorisations must be produced in writing. • Compliance with this work instruction must be assessed by the Origin Construction Superintendent and Origin Environmental Specialist during and post the activity. Any corrective actions must be documented and implemented promptly.
Scope	<p><u>Access Track/Roads</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing access track will be utilised where possible. For areas where clearing or access track upgrade activities are required. all work will be undertaken under supervision of the Origin Construction Superintendent in accordance with this work pack. All vegetation clearing outside of the approved area is prohibited. <p><u>Monitoring Bore</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A 50mx50m Lease pad will be cleared of vegetation and surface levelled and rolled to allow a working environment. • Up to four monitoring bores to be installed in a nested configuration as directed by the supervising Origin Hydrogeologist. <p><u>General</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water will be sourced from an approved source as directed by Origin. • If required gravel will be sourced from an existing approved pit with approval from landholder/ DPIR or a new nominated pit as outlined in the Origin EMP.

Environmental External Approvals	
External Approval	Reference
NT Petroleum Act	
NT Petroleum (Environmental) Regulations	
Beetaloo basin Groundwater Monitoring Bore Installation Program; Environmental Management Plan Beetaloo Exploration Project Weed Management Plan	NT-2050-15-MP-0014

Beetaloo Exploration Project Bushfire Management Plan	NT-2050-15-MP-0018
Beetaloo Exploration Emergency Response Plan	NT-2050-15-MP-0019

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS	
1.	General
1.1	The Contractor must prepare and submit for Origin approval an environmental risk assessment of their scope of work and implement necessary control measures to implement the requirements of this work pack.
1.2	The Contractor is to remain within their approved disturbance area unless written approval is given by the Origin Construction Superintendent and Environmental Specialist.
1.3	A project kick-off meeting must be held between the Contractor and Origin prior to works commencing addressing environmental requirements including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved disturbance area and requirements of the Origin Disturbance Approval. • Site layout (i.e. locations of monitoring bores, access tracks, gravel pits and water sources). • Environmental management plan obligations as summarised in this work instruction and the Contractor's approved risk assessment. • External environmental approvals applicable to the works • Environmental features (e.g. waterways, remnant vegetation), environmental sensitive areas and sensitive receptors (e.g. homesteads) in proximity to site. • Cultural features, sacred sites and associated exclusion/restriction zones. • Relevant details of land access approvals.
1.4	All personnel entering the construction site or associated areas must be instructed on their responsibilities for environmental compliance, controls required by the environment risk assessment and the requirements of this work instruction. This must include site specific information in inductions, training and toolboxes.
Noise, lighting, dust and emissions	
Management Requirements	
2.1	Construction works must be carried out between the hours of 6:00am and 7:00pm, 7 days a week. Out of hours construction works require written approval from the Origin Construction Superintendent
2.2	Any trucks carrying dust generating materials must be covered on public roads or where a sensitive receptor may be impacted.
2.3	Prior to, and throughout construction activities dust control measures, such as water trucks for dust suppression on access tracks, must be implemented where visible dust is produced or where sensitive receptors may be impacted. The use of dust suppression is at the discretion of the Origin Construction Superintendent
2.4	Whenever uncontrolled visible dust is produced, stop work and implement appropriate dust control.
2.5	Speed limit on unsealed roads around sensitive features (such as Aboriginal protected areas and landholder homesteads) to be restricted to 40km/hr.
2.6	All complaints to be directed to the Origin Construction Superintendent
Water Management	
Management Requirements	

ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS	
3.1	Water to be sourced from an approved water take point as nominated by Origin Construction Superintendent
3.2	No surface water is to be taken for activities under this program- unless approved by the Origin Construction Superintendent in writing.
3.3	Volumes of all water used are to be documented and submitted to the Origin Construction Superintendent
3.4	Bores to be drilled in accordance with the Minimum Construction Requirements for Water Bores in Australia 3rd Edition (National Uniform Drillers Licensing Committee, 2012) and Origin provided well specification card.
3.5	Licensed drilling with a Water drilling licence Class 2 to be engaged.
3.6	All works in waterways including temporary barriers and new or modified bed level crossings must meet the requirements of the project specific Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP).
3.7	No discharges of waters permitted to watercourses.
3.8	Water accumulated in construction areas must not be discharged within 50m of any waters. Where de-watering is required, appropriate measures should be undertaken to avoid creating erosion and limit sediment movement into the environment.
3.9	Within 28 days of bore completion, a statement of bore (Form 21), with its registered number, will need to be submitted to the Water Resource branch of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
Land Management	
Management Requirements	
4.1	The locations for all activities must be approved by the Origin Construction Superintendent prior to construction.
4.2	Appropriate measures should be employed to prevent surface damage to roads including limiting track access during wet weather and avoiding tracking of material on to sealed public roads.
4.3	All construction vehicles must remain on designated access roads and tracks and within the defined construction areas and associated work or accommodation sites. Actions to ensure this should include at a minimum workforce education, signs, boundary markers and fences, as appropriate.
4.4	All areas to be cleared will be surveyed and pegged to ensure the location is within the approved disturbance areas covered in the EMP.
4.5	All clearance shall be undertaken in accordance with the NT Land Clearing Guidelines. The location of the lease shall take into consideration the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearing will avoid large trees where possible • Spotter catcher to be present during all clearing activities • Cleared debris to be mulched and re-spread over cleared area aligned down the contour or in a manner appropriate for the safe disposal of runoff • Any remaining debris must not be stockpiled close to existing vegetation or the monitoring bores due to bushfire risk
2.	Soil, Erosion and Sediment Control
5.1	An erosion and sediment control plan detailing site management requirements must be prepared by a qualified (CPESC) and experienced person and approved by the Origin Construction Superintendent prior to commencement. This plan will be general and include measures covering new access tracks, lease pads and gravel pits. Erosion and sediment control requirements may be confirmed and documented onsite inspection by the construction superintendent.
5.2	Erosion and sediment control devices must be installed as necessary and remain in place, be maintained (e.g. removal of silt build-up, modifying or re-establishing failed structures), to ensure effectiveness until the area has been effectively rehabilitated following completion of construction.

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3.	Flora and Fauna
6.1	Disturbance limits must be clearly marked out on-site including labelled survey pegs, flagging etc. and the site disturbance limits communicated to all site personnel.
6.2	The Contractor should ensure clearing is restricted to the minimum necessary to carry out the required activities, within the approved construction area. Retention of vegetation, selective clearing, and trimming of branches is the first priority.
6.3	All vehicles, plant and equipment are to remain within designated access tracks / roads and must abide by speed restrictions and limits.
6.4	Prior to commencement of clearing works, an inspection must be conducted by an Origin Construction Superintendent of the areas to confirm preparation has complied with work instruction requirements.
6.5	Any vegetation clearing activities must have a Fauna Spotter Catcher present during works and implement requirements of the Technical Instruction Fauna Protection – Clearing (Q-LNG01-15-TI-0026). If fauna are found during works, activities must cease to allow the animal to leave of its own accord or a licensed spotter catcher must attend to relocate the animal.
6.6	Placement of temporary worksite fencing shall be used (where appropriate and approved) to prevent fauna ingress into work area.
6.7	Permanent fencing shall be placed around the monitoring bores upon installation to prevent fauna and stock access. The design of fencing shall be approved by the landholder as advised by the Origin Construction Superintendent.
6.8	All personnel must be informed about the risks of fauna injury and death and trained on what to do if they see an injured animal (e.g. stop the work, report to supervisor, call an AS HSE Advisor or the Fauna Spotter Catcher to attend)
6.9	Firearms, interference with fauna and domestic pets are prohibited to be taken onto the project area.
4.	Culturally-Sensitive Areas and AAPA requirements
Management Requirements	
7.1	The Contractor must not access any areas or conduct any works that are not permitted under this Environmental Work Instruction. The approved disturbance area is specifically detailed in the construction maps, disturbance approval and through the worksite transfer.
7.2	The contractor will ensure compliance with any AAPA certificate requirement and area restrictions
7.3	The contractor will train staff via the site induction and toolbox any location of culturally-sensitive areas where access is prohibited / restricted.
7.4	Any unexpected heritage finds stops related work activities within the vicinity of the find (within a 500m radius) for assessment and direction by an NLC representative.
7.5	Contractor shall ensure all staff members display appropriate behaviour outside of work hours.
7.6	Site inductions are to ensure that all personnel are aware of the Code of Conduct prepared for social interactions with the community
7.7	All questions from the community regarding Origin's activities of which are not general in nature (such as on Hydraulic fracturing, community engagement, environmental impacts etc.) should be politely directed to the Origin Construction Superintendent.
5.	Weed and Pest Management
Existing Environment	
The following weed species have been identified in the project area. The Contractor shall be familiar with the potential location	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parkinsonia (Class B and Weed of National Significance; WoNS) located along Beetaloo access track 	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hypis (Class B) Located along Beetaloo Access and Velkerri 98-E1-1 Access track • Rubber bush identified in close proximity to Beetaloo Access track. 	
Management Requirements	
8.1	The Contractor is to be familiar with the contents of the Origin Weed Management Plan, NT Weed Management Handbook, Regional Weed Management Plans (Barkly and Katherine) and Statutory Weed Management Plans
8.2	Contractor to nominate responsible field personnel for compliance with Weed Management Plan. This person (s) must be appropriately trained and experienced in weed management and identification.
8.3	Machinery shall be sourced locally where possible. No equipment that has been used interstate is permitted without prior approval form OE Construction Superintendent in writing.
8.4	Weed management requirements to be communicated to all personnel via site induction and toolbox talks. Attendance records are to be documented, retained and submitted to the Origin Construction Superintendent.
8.4	Prior to commencement of construction in any area, the area shall be inspected by the contractor and Construction Superintendent (nominated Weed Officer) to identify any restricted invasive plants and WoNS located within the disturbance area.
8.5	All vehicles, machinery, plant and equipment and demountable must be cleaned and declared free of biological material in accordance with the Biosecurity Hygiene Procedure (OEUP-Q1000-PRO-ENV-036) before being allowed access to site. Any machinery, vehicles and equipment not accompanied by an approved Biosecurity Hygiene Declaration must not be allowed onto site. Any loads brought to site must be accompanied by a Weed Hygiene Declaration.
8.6	<p>The Contractor must treat or remove and dispose of weed species (inclusive of all WoNS), and all classes of State listed species as per the <i>Origin Weed Management Plan</i> within the Construction area prior to commencement, and at all times throughout the construction period in accordance with the requirements of the Weed Management Plan: NT-2050-15-MP0016, NT Weed Management Handbook and the following NT Statutory weed management plans.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weed Management Plan for Athel pine (<i>Tamarix aphylla</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Mesquite (<i>Prosopis spp.</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Prickly Acacia (<i>Acacia nilotica</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Bellyache Bush (<i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Neem (<i>Azadirachta indica</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Gamba Grass (<i>Andropogon gayanus</i>) • Weed Management Plan for Grader Grass (<i>Themeda quadrivalvis</i>). <p>Weed control must be undertaken by a suitably experienced person and verified by the OE Construction Superintendent (weed officer) prior to construction.</p>
8.7	A copy of the valid inspection report is to be kept within the vehicle at all times. Any vehicles/equipment found without a valid inspection report must be directed to leave site immediately and must undergo inspection and wash down.
8.8	Any vehicle plant or equipment that has come into contact with weeds must be washed down, re inspected and a new Vehicle/Equipment Inspection Report issued before moving into an area that has been cleared of weeds or entering another property.
8.9	All loads (including quarry materials (e.g. gravel, sand, soil), stock and domestic water, mulch, hay, seed, livestock) sourced from outside the project area must have a valid Weed Hygiene Declaration for the load. The weed hygiene declaration should be completed by the supplier and provided to OE Construction Supervisor prior to unloading.
8.10	Upon identification of any declared weed species- the OE Construction superintendent shall be notified as soon as practicable (but within 24hrs).
6. Reinstatement	
	<p>All disturbed areas must be reinstated on completion of construction. Reinstatement must include as a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remove all waste and surplus materials (including domestic waste, contaminated material etc.).

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reinstate drainage lines, install any permanent erosion control devices and reinstate contour banks/diversion banks. Re-spread of mulched vegetation around lease (outside of fenced monitoring bores) aligning with contours to prevent run-off.
	On completion of construction the Contractor must undertake a joint inspection with the Origin Construction Superintendent, complete the Field Inspection Checklist (Q-LNG01-15-AQ-0514) and close out all Type A and B action items.
Dangerous Goods and Hazardous Materials	
	Appropriately-sized and types of spill kits must be available on-site at all times. Personnel trained in the use of the spill kits available on-site must be present throughout works.
	<p>In the event of a spill:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STOP WORK Make safe Prevent further spillage Notify your supervisor immediately and the Origin Construction Superintendent (verbally, then in writing) within four hours Exclude access (include stock access) until cleaned-up Disposed of waste appropriately, ensuring all transport and disposal is in accordance with the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998
	No chemical or fuel storage is allowed within 100m of any drainage line or in any location where a release could affect a sensitive environment. All fuels and chemicals must be stored in bunded areas and comply with relevant Australian Standards.
	Fuel storage, chemical stores, generators and maintenance and refueling areas must have impermeable secondary containment to 110% of the total stage capacity as per the relevant Australian Standards.
	All plant, equipment and vehicles are to have daily prestart checks, an up to date maintenance schedule and undergo regular inspections. Records are to be kept of all checks and maintenance.
	All scheduled maintenance activities must be undertaken at designated workshop areas. Temporary bonding, drip trays or impermeable matting must be used to prevent spillage from any in field refueling or maintenance of plant and equipment, or any other activity that could result in spillage of a chemical, fuel, lubricant or other contaminant to soil. Refueling must be at least 100m away from any drainage line.
7.	Waste Management
	Prior to commencement, the Contractor must identify waste streams to be produced during the works and identify opportunities to reduce, reuse and recycle waste. Provide suitable waste receptacles and arrange for waste removal by an NTG-approved waste contractor for disposal to a licenced facility.
	All waste must remain within the designated work area and be secured at all times with appropriate storage and segregation.
	Waste must not be burned nor buried on site.
	All drill cuttings and fluids to be removed from site and disposed of at an appropriately licensed facility.
	All wastes (including any surplus materials) must be removed from site at completion of works by licensed waste transport or for disposal at a licensed facility as per the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act.
	All listed wastes specified in Schedule 2 of the <i>Waste Management and Pollution Control (Administration) Regulations</i> must be transported by a licensed contractor and disposed of at a licensed facility.

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	All sewage generated on-site must be contained and removed off-site for disposal by a licenced transporter at an appropriately licensed facility.
	Grey water from kitchen and showering facilities will be managed in accordance with Part 6 of the DoH Code of Practice for <i>Small On-site Sewage and Sullage Treatment Systems and the Disposal or Reuse of Sewage Effluent, 2014</i> . Alternatively, all grey water will be removed from site.
	The Contractor must maintain up to date details of all waste sub-contractors undertaking waste management and transportation services. The details of all wastes generated and their disposal location must be forwarded to the Origin Construction Superintendent.
8.	Bushfire
	The lighting of fires is prohibited.
	Fire extinguishers to be fitted to all vehicles.
	Fire trailer to be on hand to respond to fire. All persons to be trained in use.
	Emergency Response Plan to be developed and implemented by contractor, referencing relevant content with the Origin ERP.
	Responsible persons for implementing components of the ERP to be identified and receive appropriate training and resources to fulfill requirements of the plan.
	Bushfire prevention and risks to be included in site induction and toolbox training material.
	Establish firebreaks around water bore infrastructure (4m fire break in accordance with NT requirements); noting maximum disturbance area of lease and firebreak is 50mx50m (no additional clearing is approved).
9.	Complaints, Incidents and Reporting
	All incidents, complaints and non-conformances with environmental requirements must be reported in writing as soon as practicable to the Origin Construction Superintendent.
	Reporting of incidents and non-conformances must include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The name and telephone number of the Contractor's contact person • The location of the emergency or incident (Property Name, Infrastructure ID, GPS coordinates in decimal degrees) • The date and time that the emergency or incident occurred • The date and time when the incident was reported • Details of the nature of the event and the circumstances in which it occurred • The estimated quantity and type of any contaminants involved in the incident, and the area affected, and/or the number of individuals and species of fauna affected • Description of the circumstances surrounding the incident including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Activities occurring at the time the incident took place ○ Equipment being used at the time the incident took place or that were involved in the incident ○ Controls in place at time of the incident ○ Description of scene when the incident occurred ○ Weather and environmental conditions ○ Contractor responsible for the site and relevant personnel present • A description of the immediate and potential impacts from the emergency or incident • A description of whether stock and / or wildlife were exposed to any contaminants released and measures taken to prevent access for the duration of the emergency or incident • Any sampling conducted or proposed, relevant to the emergency or incident • Photographs of the location where the incident occurred and surrounding environment

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landholder details and details of any communication with the landholder • Immediate actions taken to control the impacts of the emergency or incident and how environmental harm was mitigated at the time of the emergency or incident • Whether further examination / root cause analysis is required and if so, the expected date by when this examination will be completed and reported as agreed with the Origin Environmental Specialist
	<p>On completion of the works, information, reports and registers must be provided to the Origin Construction Superintendent, including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Completed reinstatement checklists and action close-out records ○ Waste generation and transported data ○ Fauna collisions / interactions ○ Fuel and water use quantity data ○ Incident, complaint and non-conformance reports

Environmental Hold Points – (Origin to complete)

PRE-CONSTRUCTION		
Activity Approval	Environmental Management Plan approval.	Origin Environmental Specialist
Security Bond	Security bond lodged and paid to DPIR.	Origin Environmental Specialist
AAPA/NLC Approval	AAPA Certificates Approved for location of construction works and submitted to DPIR.	Origin Project Manager / Date
Landholder Access Approval	Signed landholder approval page submitted to DPIR.	Origin Project Manager
Environmental Risk Assessment	Contractor's environment risk assessment approved.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Kick-off Briefing	Kick-off meeting conducted between the Contractor and Origin personnel prior to works commencing addressing environmental requirements.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Site induction	Site induction completed addressed summarizing the requirement of this work pack.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date

Project erosion and sediment control plan	Contractor to complete project ESCP plan prepared by a CPESC qualified person.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Water source	Access to water sources approved by landholders.	Origin Construction Superintendent
SITE ESTABLISHMENT		
Limit of works	Lease location to be confirmed avoiding sensitive habitat and large trees. Final area to be within approved scouted area, clearly demarcated, surveyed and communicated to all site personnel.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Kick-off Briefing	Environmental Work Instruction briefing and site inspection conducted prior to works commencing.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Training and competency	All relevant training has been completed for the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Site inductions 2. Weed management 3. Bushfire / fire fighting 4. Spill response 	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
AAPA and Landholder Approval conditions	Areas of cultural sensitivity and landholder conditions have been clearly identified and communicated to personnel.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Weed Management	Weed inspection completed and any weed control undertaken.	Origin Construction Superintendent (Weed Officer) / Date
Spill Kits	Spill kits of the appropriate size and type are located on-site.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
CONSTRUCTION		
Clearing	Spotter catcher to be utilized during clearing activities.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Work area	Clearing confirmed to be restricted to approved areas.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Hazardous material and waste management	All chemicals, fuels and wastes stored away from watercourses in accordance with EMP requirements.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Erosion and sediment controls	Erosion and sediment controls confirmed to be installed correctly and operating as per ESCP.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date

Work area fencing	Monitoring bore work area to be fenced during activity to prevent stock access.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Bushfire prevention	All firefighting equipment present and functioning.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Routine inspections	Weekly routine inspections completed against requirements of Work Instruction.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
General competency	Contractors demonstrate they are aware of their requirements relating to requirements of Work Instruction which include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restricted areas or requirements of AAPA certificates • Weed management practices • Incident reporting requirements • Waste management requirements 	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
	Within 28 days of bore completion, a statement of bore (Form 21), with its registered number, will need to be submitted to the Water Resource branch of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
COMPLETION		
Work area completion	Area left tidy, free of waste and fenced.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Environmental reporting	All environmental reports (well completion report, incident report, weekly inspections etc.) and records (water use volume, diesel use, waste disposal etc.) have been submitted.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Reinstatement	All requirements of Work Instruction complied with all non-compliances documented.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date
Scope Complete	Project completed as per scope and no remaining issues, open actions or defects. All records submitted.	Origin Construction Superintendent / Date

Appendix Q Water Extraction Licence

Water Extraction Licence Decision

Application

- The following application (**Application**) for a licence to take water from a bore was lodged in accordance with section 60 of the *Water Act 1992 (Act)* by Origin Energy B2 Pty Ltd (**Applicant**):

Applicant:	Origin Energy B2 Pty Ltd (ABN 42 105431525)
Date Licence applied for:	15 March 2019
Licence applied for:	Licence to take water from a bore under section 60 of the <i>Water Act</i>
Purpose for which Licence is sought:	Petroleum activities
Maximum quantity of water proposed to be taken annually for each beneficial use:	
Petroleum Activities	175 ML p.a.
Land from which water will be taken:	NT Portion 1079 (8240 Carpentaria Hwy, Arnold), NT Portion 7027 (4500 Carpentaria Hwy, Birdum).
Land on which water will be used:	NT Portion 702 (16965 Carpentaria Hwy, Pamayu), NT Portion 1079 (8240 Carpentaria Hwy, Arnold), NT Portion 7026 (14981 Stuart Hwy, Birdum), NT Portion 7027 (4500 Carpentaria Hwy, Birdum).
Bores from which water will be taken	RN040895
Water Source:	Gum Ridge Formation
Water Control District:	Daly Roper Beetaloo Water Control District
Declared Water Allocation Plan:	No declared plan

Decision

2. In accordance with sections 60 and 71C of the Act, I have decided to grant the following licence for the reasons given below (**Licence**):

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Bores from which water will be taken	
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Declared Water Allocation Plan:	No declared plan

Reasons for Decision

Procedural requirements

3. I am satisfied that all substantive procedural requirements relating to the making of the Application have been met. This includes that:
- (a) the Application was duly made in the approved form and includes all information required under the Act and the Water Regulations 1992

(b) the Applicant is a legal entity

and

(c) the Applicant has the authority to access the land from which water is proposed to be taken under the Licence and on which the water will be used (**Land**).

4. Section 71B(1) of the Act provides that within 30 days after lodgement of an application to which Part 6A of the Act applies, the Controller must give notice of the Controller's intention to make a water extraction licence decision (**NOI**).
5. As the Application was accepted for lodgement on 20 March 2019, the NOI was required to be given by 19 April 2019. Accordingly, the NOI was published in the NT News on 22 March 2019 and in the Katherine Times on 27 March 2019.
6. Section 71B(2) of the Act requires a copy of the NOI to be published in a newspaper circulating throughout the Territory and provides that the NOI may also be published in a newspaper circulating in the general locality to which the application relates. To that extent, the NOI was published in the NT News and in the Katherine Times. A copy of the NOI as it appeared in the NT News and in the Katherine Times is provided at Attachment A.
7. The NOI complies with the requirements established by section 71B of the Act in relation to the content of the notice.¹

Provision of NOI to the owners and occupiers of adjacent land

8. Section 71B(6) of the Act requires the Controller to give a copy of the NOI to owners and occupiers of land immediately adjacent to:
 - (a) the land from which the water will be taken
 - and
 - (b) the land on which the water will be used.
9. All owners and occupiers of land immediately adjacent to the Land which is the subject of the Application were identified by mapping tool NR Maps.
10. A copy of the NOI was sent to each owner and occupier of land adjacent to the Land.
11. The letters referred to in paragraph 10 were sent within 30 days of the lodgement of the Application.

¹ Section 71B (3) of the Act sets out the general information that must be included in the NOI and s. 71B(4) requires the NOI to include an invitation to make written comments about an application to the Controller within 30 days after publication of the notice. The NOI includes all of that information.

12. Following the 30 day public consultation period the department became aware that land adjacent to the Land was the subject of a native title determination and that native title holders, who are also recognised as occupiers of the adjacent land, were not provided a copy of the NOI. Consequently, the native title holders, via the Northern Land Council, were provided a copy of the NOI on 14 May 2019.
13. Notwithstanding that the letter to the native title holders was sent outside the 30 day period specified in the Act, it is not considered that the delay would have any effect on the validity of a decision to grant the Licence or the Licence itself. That is because the native title holders were given 30 days in which to respond to the NOI and any response received has been taken into account in this assessment.

Responses to NOI

14. In response to the NOI, nine responses were received. A discussion about each response to the NOI is included below from paragraph 79.

Decision-maker

15. In accordance with section 18 of the Act, I was appointed the Controller of Water Resources (Controller) on 19 December 2016. That appointment remains current and there are no limitations on the terms of my appointment that would prevent me from deciding the Application.
16. Further, I am not aware of any personal or professional matter which may prevent me from deciding the Application.

ASSESSMENT UNDERTAKEN, EVIDENCE USED AND ADVICE

Assessment of relevant factors under s 90(1) of the Act

17. Section 90(1) of the Act provides that in making a water extraction licence decision I must take into account any of the factors specified in that section that are relevant to the decision.
18. My decision about the Application is a water extraction licence decision.
19. The following is an assessment of this Application against each of the individual factors specified in section 90(1) of the Act:

(a) the availability of water in the area in question;

20. The Applicant's proposed activity is located in the Daly Roper Beetaloo Water Control District (**District**) declared under section 22 of the Act.
21. The Land overlies the Gum Ridge Formation in the northern Georgina Basin and is outside of a water allocation plan area.

22. Availability of water from the area, in the absence of a declared plan, is informed by the Northern Territory Water Allocation Planning Framework (**Framework**). A copy of the Framework is provided in Attachment B.
23. The Framework is a written policy that has guided water allocation in the Territory for many years. The Application falls within the Arid Zone of the Northern Territory. In the Arid Zone, the Framework relevantly states there will be no deleterious change in ground water discharges to dependent ecosystems, and total extraction over a period of at least 100 years will not exceed 80 per cent of the total aquifer storage at start of extraction. It further provides that if current or projected consumptive use exceeds 80 per cent or ground water discharges to ground water dependent ecosystems are impacted, no new water extraction licences will be granted unless there is scientific evidence supporting the grant.
24. The Georgina Basin Groundwater Assessment: Daly Waters to Tennant Creek, Technical Report 17/2017² (Georgina Basin Report), reports the volume of ground water held in storage in the Gum Ridge Formation is estimated to be between 1,766,000 GL (gigalitres) and 3,532,000 GL.
25. In accordance with the Framework, total extraction over a period of at least 100 years should not exceed between 1,412,800 and 2,825,600 GL.
26. There is one water extraction licence in the Gum Ridge Formation, which authorises a total maximum extraction of 967.5 ML from the licensed period of May 2019 to December 2023.
27. The Application proposes to extract 175 ML per year for 3 years which equates to a total extraction for the term of the licence of 525 ML.
28. The total amount of ground water taken under a water extraction licence from May 2019 to December 2023 if this licence is granted would be 1,492.5 ML; significantly less than the estimated water available for extraction under the Framework.
29. With respect to ground water dependent ecosystems; ground water discharges from the Gum Ridge Formation are associated with the ground water dependent ecosystems of Bitter Springs and Rainbow Springs. Modelling activities undertaken by the department, as described in paragraph 37-42, conclude that the proposed extraction would have no change in reliability of spring flows at Bitter Springs or Rainbow Springs.
30. Based on the above information it appears sufficient water is available to meet the requirements of the Applicant.

² Tickell, S.J. and Bruwer, Q, (2017) Georgina Basin Groundwater Assessment: Daly Waters to Tennant Creek, Technical Report 17/2017 (Version 2, April 2019), Northern Territory Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Northern Territory Government, Australia.

(b) the existing and likely future demand for water for domestic purposes in the area in question;

31. Land owners and occupiers have certain prevailing statutory rights under the Act to take water for domestic purposes. The demand for water in the District in the exercise of these statutory rights must be taken into account when determining the amount of water available to be taken for other purposes under water extraction licences.
32. The total land area of where water may be taken and where water may be used is around 13,000 square kilometres and is largely surrounded by pastoral leases. The Land is in a remote location via the Carpentaria Highway, south east of Daly Waters.
33. The Georgina Basin Report indicates there is limited demand for ground water for domestic water. Around 300 ML of water per year is estimated for domestic water use including around 100 ML for 25 homesteads and 200 ML from the Gum Ridge Formation for the township of Elliot.
34. Due to the remote location and pastoral land use in the area future domestic demand is unlikely to change significantly.
35. The existing and likely future demand for water for domestic purposes is therefore insignificant in comparison to volume of water available from the Gum Ridge Formation in accordance with the Framework.
36. In accordance with the definition of a petroleum activity, water used for domestic purposes by petroleum activity employees, contractors and associated workers is included as an ancillary use. For this reason, domestic water use associated with the petroleum activity, is included in the Application volume.

(c) any adverse effects likely to be created as a result of activities under the permit, licence or consent on the supply of water to which any person other than the applicant is entitled under this Act;

37. To assess whether the Applicant's maximum volume of water proposed to be taken would have an effect on the supply of water to which any person other than the Applicant is entitled, the department used the integrated Daly Roper ground water and surface water model (**Model**). The Model outputs were analysed to measure impacts by assessing the change in reliability of surface water flows and ground water discharge (or spring flows) and the reduction in ground water level.
38. Reliability of surface water flows were analysed at indicator sites located at Elsey National Park and Red Rock on the Roper River. The assessment indicated there would be no change in reliability of surface water flows at the specified indicator sites.

39. Spring flow (as a measure of ground water discharge) was assessed at two key sites: Bitter Springs and Rainbow Springs. The analysis determined there would be no change in reliability of spring flows at Bitter Springs or Rainbow Springs.
40. Ground water levels were assessed at eight registered bore locations at varying proximity for each of the nominated extraction points. A maximum reduction in ground water level of 0.12 metres after 58 years of continuous extraction was estimated at registered bores located 1.08 km from the nominated extraction point. This modelled impact on ground water level is significantly less than one metre reduction in ground water level specified in the Inquiry Report as “excessive”.
41. A copy of the Water Assessment Report detailing the analysis of the Model outputs can be found in Attachment C.
42. In summary, the water assessment indicates there will be no change in the reliability of surface water flows at the indicator sites and an insignificant reduction in ground water level. Therefore it is unlikely, that the proposed extraction of water will have any adverse effect on the quantity of water to which any person other than the applicant is entitled under the Act.
43. Any potential for an adverse effect could be monitored into the future by licence conditions which:
- limit the Applicant’s water usage
 - require the Applicant to report on its water usage
 - require the Applicant to monitor ground water level prior to extracting water and verify modelled estimates of ground water level draw down
 - prohibit the extraction of ground water within one kilometre of bores used for the purpose of stock and domestic use
 - report any contraventions of the terms and conditions of the licence.
44. Impacts on water quality, of stock and domestic users including the township of Elliot, will be monitored in association with the environment management plan required under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and the department’s Preliminary Guideline: Groundwater Monitoring Bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-basin (refer Attachment D).

(d) the quantity or quality of water to which the applicant is or may be entitled from other sources;

45. There is no other water source in the vicinity of the Applicant’s Land that could provide the necessary quantity and quality of water for the Applicant’s petroleum activities.

(e) the designated beneficial uses of the water and the quality criteria pertaining to the beneficial uses;

46. The quality criteria that apply to the water are outlined in Gazette Notice G15, 10 April 2019. Under section 22A of the Act the declared beneficial uses of all surface water from all natural waterways and all ground water located in the District are:

- Agriculture
- Aquaculture
- Public water supply
- Environment
- Cultural
- Industry
- Rural stock and domestic
- Mining activity
- Petroleum activity.

Petroleum activity is the listed beneficial use in the proposed Licence, consistent with the Applicant's business activity, and is listed in the section 22A declaration.

47. Further, under section 73(1), the objectives described in Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality, Australian and New Zealand Governments and Australian state and territory governments, Canberra ACT, Australia, 2018 to be the objectives that apply in relation to the water in the District, according to the beneficial use of the water. These objectives will be monitored in association with the environment management plan required under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and the department's Preliminary Guideline: Groundwater Monitoring Bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-basin (refer Attachment D).

(g) existing or proposed facilities on, or in the area of, the land in question for the retention, recovery or release of drainage water, whether surface or sub-surface drainage water;

48. There are no known existing facilities on, or in the area of, the Land, for the retention, recovery, or release of surface or sub-surface drainage water.

49. The Applicant's proposed development will generate waste water through fracture stimulation flow back fluid, drilling mud, cuttings, drill fluid and domestic grade sewage from the camp site.

50. Waste management will be addressed in the Applicant's environment management plan and is also subject to regulation under the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*. Environment management plans must be approved by the Minister for Environment and Natural Resources before activities commence.

51. To address any associated risks special conditions in the licence are included that limit the extraction water unless an approved environment management plan is in place.

(h) the adverse effects, if any, likely to be created by such drainage water resulting from activities under the licence on the quality of any other water or on the use or potential use of any other land;

52. The Applicant has indicated the waste water is likely to be stored temporarily on site before being transported offsite for treatment and disposal at a licensed waste handling facility.
53. Such matters will be addressed under an environment management plan and is also subject to regulation under the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*.
54. Additionally, the Inquiry Report, Recommendation 7.17 states that any discharge of any onshore shale gas fracturing waste water (treated or untreated) to either drainage lines, waterways, temporary stream systems or waterways be prohibited. Under section 16 of the Act a discharge of this nature would be an offence unless permitted in a waste discharge licence. A waste discharge licence permitting such an activity would be contrary to the government's acceptance of the Inquiry Report. The Water Amendment Bill 2019, has been passed in Parliament to amend the Act to fulfil several key recommendations of the Inquiry Report, including enforcing recommendation 7.17 of the Inquiry Report.
55. To address any associated risks special conditions in the licence are included that limit the extraction of water unless an approved environment management plan is in place.

(j) the provisions under the Planning Act 1999 relating to the development or use of land in the area in question;

56. Under the Northern Territory Planning Scheme (**NTPS**), the Applicant's Land is zoned NOZONE (No NT Planning Scheme zone applies).
57. Clause 10.2 of the NTPS (Clearing of Native Vegetation) states that the clause does not apply if the clearing is required or controlled under any Act in force in the Territory. Land clearing is a regulated activity under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and managed under an environment management plan.
58. Planning controls relating to land in the immediate locality of the Applicant's Land have also been considered. From searches using mapping tool NR Maps it is evident that all adjacent properties are zoned NOZONE. Further, no proposed change to the zoning of the local area has been identified which may have the effect of impacting the supply of ground water for users such as the Applicant. Therefore this factor is not relevant to my decision.

- (k) other factors the Controller considers should be taken into account or that the Controller is required to take into account under any other law in force in the Territory.**

Bores

59. The Applicant proposes to take water from one registered water bore. Additional bores are yet to be drilled.
60. The construction of the bore, was undertaken in association with the Applicant's environment management plan, NT EP 117 Water Bore Monitoring Program, approved by the Minister for Primary Industry and Resources on 10 December 2018, variation approved on 12 February 2019.
61. The environment management plan required the bores to be constructed in accordance with Minimum Construction Requirements for Water Bores in Australia, Edition 3. Mandatory requirement 11.1 of the standard requires that multiple aquifer bores must be sealed between the aquifers and permeable zones to prevent intermixing flow, and contamination of the aquifers.
62. A review of the statement of bore and gamma log undertaken by the department indicated the positioning of the cement plug did not isolate the aquifers of the Anthony Lagoon Formation and the Gum Ridge Formation. This is contrary to the requirements of the environment management plan and the Application which means any water extracted under a licence could not be directly attributed to the Gum Ridge Formation. It also means water would be extracted from the incorrect water source.
63. No water has yet been extracted from the bore and is working to rectify the bore construction. This work will be regulated under a bore work permit that has been issued to the Applicant.
64. To address the risks associated with the construction of the bores special licence conditions are included that requires the licence holder to demonstrate the bores are constructed in accordance with the Minimum Construction Requirements for Water Bores in Australia (Edition 3) prior to extracting ground water.

Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory

65. An independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing of Onshore Unconventional Reservoirs in the Northern Territory was commissioned to investigate the environmental, social and economic risks and impacts of hydraulic fracturing of onshore unconventional gas reservoirs and associated activities. This led to the publication of the Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory in March 2018 (Inquiry Report). On 17 April 2018, the government accepted all 135 recommendations of the Inquiry Report. The government has developed an implementation plan that responds to the recommendations <https://hydraulicfracturing.nt.gov.au/implementation-plan>.

66. Recommendation 15.1 requires a strategic regional environment baseline assessment (SREBA) be undertaken prior to the granting of any further production approvals. Recommendation 7.19 and 7.20 require the SREBA to take into account ground water dependent ecosystems in the Roper River and identify and characterise all subterranean aquatic ecosystems, with a particular emphasis on the Roper River region.
67. The SREBA will be managed under an approved environment management plan in accordance with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016. This water extraction licence decision relates to ground water for exploration activities and should be made independently of the recommendations regarding the SREBA.
68. Recommendation 7.8 and 7.11 in the Inquiry Report are directly related to this licence decision.
69. Recommendation 7.8 requires that measures are mandated to ensure that any onshore shale gas development does not cause unacceptable local drawdown of aquifers. It states that the extraction of water from water bores to supply water for hydraulic fracturing be prohibited within 1km of existing or proposed groundwater bores (that are used for domestic or stock use). The Inquiry Report establishes a drawdown in excess of 1m as excessive. Recommendation 7.8 also states that gas companies be required, at their expense, to monitor drawdown in local water supply bores.
70. Recommendation 7.11 provides a list of items in order to minimise the risk of ground water contamination from leaky gas wells the majority of which will be regulated under an environment management plan. The item relevant to the licence decision, states that a minimum offset distance of at least 1km between water supply bores and well pads must be adopted unless site-specific information is available to support a lesser distance.
71. These recommendations are addressed in special licence conditions that:
- limit the Applicant's water use
 - require the Applicant to report on its water use
 - require the Applicant to monitor ground water level prior to extracting water and verify modelled estimates of ground water level draw down
 - prohibit the extraction of ground water within one kilometre of bores used for the purpose of stock and domestic use
 - report any contraventions of the terms and conditions of the licence
 - have an approved environment management plan in place.

Ground water dependant ecosystems

72. The Potential for Groundwater Use by Vegetation in the Australian Arid Zone³ provides a technical study on ground water dependent ecosystems predominately in the Ti Tree Basin, which may be applied to this area. This study indicates that terrestrial ground water dependent ecosystems generally access water to depths of 15 – 20 metres below ground level. The standing water level of the target aquifer ranges from 44 – 65 metres below ground level which is outside the reaches of terrestrial ground water dependent ecosystems.

Licence period

73. In accordance the Act, a water extraction licence may be granted for a period, not exceeding ten years, as is specified in the licence. However I may grant a licence for a period exceeding ten years, where, in the opinion of the Minister, there are special circumstances that justify it under the Act.

74. The Minister has not provided advice regarding special circumstances that justify granting a licence for more than 10 years.

75. The Applicant has indicated a licence term expiring 31 December 2021.

Prioritising Water Extraction Licence Applications Policy

76. In accordance with the policy Prioritising Water Extraction Licence Applications, applications for new or increased water extraction licences are processed on a first in first served basis sequenced in order of the date and time of lodgement of the application for each water resources area within a water control district.

77. This Application is the only outstanding application lodged with the department for processing in the area of the Gum Ridge Formation and therefore has priority over any other application in this water resource area.

78. The following factors are not relevant to my decision:

- *Section 90(1) (ab)* - Section 22B (4) of the Act provides that water resource management in a water control district is to be in accordance with a declared water allocation plan. There is no declared plan area in which the Applicant's Land is located.
- *Section 90(1) (f)* - there is currently no such agreement.

³ Cook, P.G. and Eamus, D, The Potential for Groundwater use by Vegetation in the Australian Arid Zone, March 2018,

Comments received in response to NOI or from third parties generally

79. As previously stated, nine comments were received in response to the NOI.

80. I am required to consider each response provided within the statutory timeframe for comment when deciding to grant the Application.

81. In the following table is a summary of the issues raised (which extracts the key text from the submission) and the response.

Name of person responding	Owner or occupier of Adjacent land?	Summary of issues raised in submission	Consideration of issues raised
Jacqui Cannon of Consolidated Pastoral Company	Yes	<p>The submission raises the issues of the use of water and the effects on food producers.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...Water should be taken first wherever possible from the water that is a by-product from mining and after this, from depths not accessed by food producers now and that will not be accessed by food producers in the future...”</p> <p>“...Water taken should not be from water sources that interacts with water used now and in the future by food producers...”</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are extraneous to my decision. However indicate concern regarding the availability and protection of water resources which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>Matters relating to water availability have been considered in paragraphs 20-30 and 45.</p> <p>The impact on other water uses has been considered in paragraphs 37-44.</p> <p>The Application has been assessed in accordance with the prioritising water extraction licence applications policy detailed in paragraphs 76-77.</p>

Justin Tutty	No	<p>The submission raises issues regarding the appropriate assessment of on-shore gas activities, the implementation of the recommendations of the <i>Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory (Inquiry Report)</i> and the protection of ground water dependent ecosystems.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...pre-emptive allocation related to fracking are neither being pursued nor processed in good faith...”</p> <p>“...is an attempt to evade appropriate assessment of on-shore gas exploitation.”</p> <p>“...the recommendations of the Pepper Inquiry require any fracking approvals to be grounded in SREBA – strategic regional assessments that must include a survey of groundwater dependant ecosystems...”</p> <p>“... this proponent is racing against reform, attempting to weight an eventual assessment with the inevitability of approvals granted without the benefit of the imminent regional assessment...”</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Final Report Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> and the recommendations from this report and the issues relating to the SREBA have been considered as addressed above in paragraphs 65 - 71.</p> <p>Ground water dependent ecosystems are relevant to the considerations and been considered in paragraphs 23, 29 and 72.</p>
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<p>Amelia Telford of Seed Indigenous Youth Climate Network</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The submission raises concerns with limited information available and consultation periods and concern about the potential damages of fracking.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...the lack of information regarding this water licence, the lack of consultation and inaccessible process for comment from those most likely to be impacted that is our main concern...”</p> <p>“...without being provided with adequate information, time and resources, many of these communities are unable to have their concerns heard and questions answered”</p> <p>“...request additional time, including a consultation period and process, is allowed for Traditional Owners, Aboriginal communities and appropriate cultural authorities for the area impacted by this licence...”</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Water Act 1992</i> specifies the public notice and consultation requirements when making a water extraction licence decision. The Act also specifies the content of such notices. The publishing of the notice and consultation periods provided were in accordance with the requirements of the Act. The public viewing at the Office is consistent with current practices.</p> <p>Extensive public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of the <i>Final Report Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> and the recommendations from this report have been considered as addressed above in paragraphs 65 - 71.</p>
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<p>Raymond Dixon, Thelma Dixon, Shannon Dixon, Annette Kingston, Regina Kingston, Johnny Devlin, Susan Kingston of Protect Country NT</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The submission raises concerns relating to the protection of water resources, the impact of water extraction and water availability.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...We are concerned about the amount of water that Origin Energy is applying to take for its exploration program because of the impacts it could have on our water security, and the health of our communities, culture and environment...”</p> <p>“...as Aboriginal custodians we have land rights, but what good are they if we don't have rights to control and protect our water? It is the foundation for all life and our culture...”</p> <p>“...stop new extraction for dangerous and wasteful fracking...”</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The availability of water in this area has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(a) in paragraph 20 - 30</p> <p>Any adverse effects likely to be created has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(c) in paragraph 37 - 44</p> <p>The environmental assessment of on-shore gas activities are undertaken in accordance with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p>
<p>Naomi Hogan of Lock the Gate Alliance</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The submission raises issues regarding limited information available to the public and consultation periods and future activities by the Applicant.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...we are concerned there is limited information available to the public on the aquifer that will be targeted, the number of bores that will be</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Water Act 1992</i> specifies the public notice and consultation requirements when making a water extraction licence decision. The Act also specifies the content of such notices. The publishing of the notice and</p>

		<p>required, and the number of fracking wells that will be services by this water...”</p> <p>“... Clear information should be available about what Origin intends to do with the water and more hydrological information should have been made available...” and “many landholders in the NT are remote and cannot easily access offices in Alice Springs, Katherine or Darwin...”</p> <p>“...Future activities if approved for Origin would involve hundreds of fracking wells, requiring massive volumes of water...” and “...the risks and impacts involved in this process are only going to escalate...”</p> <p>“...call on the Department to re-advertise the Origin water licence application...”</p>	<p>consultation periods provided were in accordance with the requirements of the Act The public viewing at the Office is consistent with current practices.</p> <p>Extensive public consultation was undertaken in the preparation of the <i>Final Report Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> and the recommendations from this report have been considered as addressed above in paragraphs 65 - 71.</p> <p>The water extraction licence decision relates to the Application. Should the Applicant wish to increase extraction beyond the maximum extraction limit volume of 175 ML p.a., a new application will need to be submitted and assessed in accordance with the Act.</p>
Heidi Jennings	No	<p>The submission raises issues regarding making decisions pending legislative amendments, <i>Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> (Final Report), and water availability.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“... Legislation Amendments and Bills are currently still in the process of being rectified.</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Water Act 1992</i> specifies the processes that must be undertaken when making a water extraction licence decision. These processes mean that the Controller is not able to refuse a water extraction licence</p>

	<p>This water extraction license should not be accepted at this point in time...”</p> <p>“... The Fracking Inquiry suggested for further investigations on the ground water dependent ecosystems. The 135 recommendations were to be implemented, prior to the Industry being developed in the NT...”</p> <p>“...granting of licenses should only occur when the industry ensures there is no evidence, worldwide, that hydraulic fracturing or UCG, will not affect the quality or quantity of the water, the environment, or cause any systemic activity. There is inadequate evidence to safely enable any high-risk activities to the NT water...”</p> <p>“...Water tables and Aquifer levels are dropping severely and Recharge is unlikely due to a lack of rainfall. Alice Springs area is in drought and has had little rainfall...”</p> <p>“...The basic human right to clean water is being compromised...”</p>	<p>application and must make a decision within a specified timeframe.</p> <p>In making a decision other factors relevant to the decision are taken into account. To that extent it would be premature to consider legislation amendments that have not yet been settled by the government.</p> <p>The recommendations of the <i>Final Report Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> have been considered as well as Baseline Testing under the SREBA as detailed in paragraphs 65 - 71</p> <p>The resource information has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(a) in paragraphs 20 - 30.</p> <p>Any adverse effects likely to be created has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(c) in paragraphs 37 - 44.</p>
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<p>Pauline Cass of Protect NT Inc.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This submission raises concerns regarding the timing of the application with respect to pending amendments to the Water Act 1992, the cumulative impacts of water extraction in the region, triggers for water restrictions, and the information available on the Water Licensing Portal.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“... Origin have jumped the gun by applying for a water extraction licence before the new amendments to the Water Act (NT) have been implemented, thereby avoiding the restrictions and penalty increases the new Water Act would place on their activities. For this alone, this application must be denied...”</p> <p>“...The Pepper Inquiry’s “Recommendation 14.19” states that, “Cumulative impacts of petroleum and other activities in the region must be considered by a decision-maker...”</p> <p>“... We are also concerned that there are still no water restriction triggers in the Water Act (NT) to protect our groundwater resources during times of drought. The Northern Territory has experienced its driest wet season which has left many of our aquifers at depleted levels. With our changing</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Water Act 1992</i> specifies the processes that must be undertaken when making a water extraction licence decision. These processes mean that the Controller is not able to refuse a water extraction licence application and must make a decision within a specified timeframe.</p> <p>In making a decision other factors relevant to the decision are taken into account. To that extent it would be premature to consider legislation amendments that have not yet been settled by the government.</p> <p>The recommendations of the <i>Final Report Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i> have been considered as well as Baseline Testing under the SREBA as detailed in paragraphs 65 - 71</p> <p>The resource information has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(a) in paragraphs 20 - 30.</p> <p>The Water Licensing Portal displays the details contained within the notice of intent to</p>
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		<p>climate, drought restrictions must be included in water licences...”</p> <p>“... People need and have a right to more information regarding applications than what is currently provided in the Water Licensing Portal...”</p>	<p>make a water extraction licence decision. Once a decision is made, further information becomes available relating to the licence granted including the statement of decision.</p>
<p>Graeme Sawyer of Protect Country Alliance NT</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This submission raises concerns regarding baseline data being available on a public register and the availability of information and consultation periods.</p> <p>The submission also raised questions regarding the sustainable year published without a time period and the target aquifer for water extraction.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“... we object to the allocation of this water Licence...” and “....request that the water licence application is readvertised. Updated, corrected and more detailed information should be provided to the public...”</p> <p>“... Why was the figure representing the sustainable yield published without a time period</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The <i>Water Act 1992</i> specifies the public notice and consultation requirements when making a water extraction licence decision. The Act also specifies the content of such notices. The publishing of the notice and consultation periods provided were in accordance with the requirements of the Act</p> <p>The department’s Water Data Portal provides public access to water quality and quantity data which is updated every month and water quality statistics updated every quarter. Further, Government is developing an online portal to enable timely public reporting and ongoing monitoring associated with Inquiry</p>

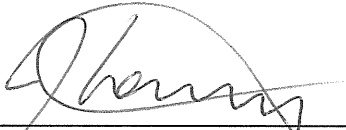
		<p>component...” and “...To publish a figure as a yield without a time element is misleading...”</p> <p>“...Can you also explain the changed figures on page 44 of the 2017 Tickell and Brewer report...”</p> <p>“... In the spirit of the fracking inquiry recommendations, the supporting documents and baseline data should be held on a public register...”</p> <p>“... We have strong concerns about the way in which the information was presented in the ad and the lack of information available on the online portal...”</p> <p>“... It is critical that the department gets the processes correct from the outset, as the risks and impacts involved in this process are only going to escalate...”</p>	<p>report as addressed above in paragraphs 65 - 67</p> <p>The 2017 Tickell and Brewer report contained a typographical error in one section. When this was identified the report was immediately corrected. The resource information has been substantively addressed above in assessing factor 90(1)(a) in paragraphs 20 - 30.</p>
<p>Marion Scrymgour of Northern Land Council (NLC) (representing native title holders)</p>	<p>Occupier</p>	<p>This submission does not object to the grant of the water extraction licence, however raises broader concerns relating to the potential issuing of multiple water extraction licences throughout and adjacent to the Beetaloo Basin.</p> <p>The submission states that:</p> <p>“...With the onshore gas industry in its infancy within the Beetaloo Basin region, it is timely to</p>	<p>This response raises issues which are relevant and need to be weighed in my decision against the other matters that would support the grant of the decision.</p> <p>The integrated Daly Roper surface water and ground water assessment model uses historical water extraction data and climatic conditions to predict the impact of proposed water extraction into the future. The model</p>

		<p>reflect on how groundwater extraction and use could potentially impact on Indigenous people and sites that are significant to them...”</p> <p>“...Groundwater can be a subsurface feature of sacred sites, and example of which is the springs around Mataranka and the associated swamp habitats/environments...”</p> <p>“...The issuing of water extraction licences also has potential to impact on the management of Strategic Indigenous Water Resources...”</p> <p>“...NLC believes a great deal of work needs to be undertaken prior to the granting of further water extraction licences in the region so that accurate baseline data can be obtained...”</p> <p>“...Further water extraction licences should be made reference to groundwater modelling that included consideration of the cumulative impacts...” and “...account for the potential impacts of climate change...”</p>	<p>considers cumulative impact of all water extraction and is used to predict impacts relating to ground water discharge in springs in the Mataranka area including Bitter Springs and Rainbow Springs as addressed in paragraph 29 and 37 - 44.</p> <p>The comment relating to Strategic Water Reserves is extraneous to the issues I need to consider. The Northern Territory Government has made steps to legislate Strategic Aboriginal Water Reserves. This will apply when a water allocation plan is in place. Water allocation planning will be undertaken for areas of the Beetaloo basin as outlined in the recommendations of the <i>Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory</i>.</p>
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82. Other than the responses to the NOI, there has been no contact with any third party in relation to the Application.

Conditions of Licence

83. The conditions of the Licence reflect my decision and the discussion above.



JOANNE TOWNSEND
CONTROLLER OF WATER RESOURCES

11 June 2019

DOCUMENTS PROVIDED WITH THIS DECISION

Attachment	Description
A.	NOI as it appeared in the NT News and in the Katherine Times
B.	Northern Territory Water Allocation Planning Framework
C.	Water Assessment Report
D.	Preliminary Guideline: Groundwater Monitoring Bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-Basin

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FRIDAY MARCH 22 2019

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General Notices

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Table 1

Table with 5 columns: Name, Property where water is taken, Property where water is used, Registered bore number, Maximum annual extraction (ML/year). Row 1: Origin Energy B2 Pty Ltd, NT Portion 1079, NT Portion 702, RN040895, 175.

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DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

DARWIN

PALMERSTON

Map of Darwin area showing Cavenagh St, Smith St, Searcy St, Aldenham Rd, Stanley St, Saunders St. Text: Lots 1515 & 1516, 7 & 5 Searcy Street, Lot 7118, 47 Cavenagh Street, Town of Darwin, Darwin City. Changes to the car parking area associated with an existing commercial development (Woolworths) MasterPlan SA P/L.

Map of Darwin area showing Aldenham Rd, Stanley St, Saunders St. Text: Lots 12103 & 12104, Town of Nightcliff, 7 & 5 Stanley Street, Murhead. Subdivision to create two lots (boundary realignment) and amendments to the setback plan approved through DP19/0052A, Earl James and Associates.

Map of Palmerston area showing Stuart Hwy, Toupein Rd. Text: Lot 7058, Town of Palmerston, 19 Toupein Road, Yarrawonga. Change of use from showroom sales and warehouse to leisure and recreation (shed 2), Tribal Dragon Martial Arts.

CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS FRIDAY 5th APRIL 2019 4:00 PM CST (or 12 MIDNIGHT CST if lodged online at: www.ntlis.nt.gov.au/planning)

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NOTICE OF INTENDED APPLICATION FOR PROBATE. In the Supreme Court of the Northern Territory of Australia. After 14 days from publication of this notice an application for probate of the Will dated 20 February 2015 of JANINA SZYC late of Tiwi Gardens Aged Care, Tiwi in the Northern Territory of Australia, formerly of 59 Jingili Terrace, Jingili in the aforesaid Territory, Retired Hospital Worker, deceased, will be made by DAVID PIOTR SZYC. Creditors are required to send particulars of their claims upon her estate to WARD KELLER, Lawyers, GPO Box 330, Darwin, NT, 0801.

NOTICE OF LOST TITLE. Would anyone holding or knowing the whereabouts of the duplicate certificate as to title Title Volume 696 Folio 238 for Section 03278 Hundred of Glyde in the name of: Coolalinga Holdings Pty Ltd (ACN 085 321 455) as Trustee for the Coolalinga Property Trust please contact Darwin Family Law, Level 3/9 Cavenagh Street Darwin NT on 89461666.

NOTICE OF LOST TITLE. Would anyone holding or knowing the whereabouts of the duplicate certificate of title comprised in Volume 008 Folio 056 Lot 291 Townsite of Southport in the name of: William Eddrup Adcock, please contact Carmen Jap at Minter Ellison Lawyers, GPO Box 1134, Darwin NT 0801 or 08 8901 5941.

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CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS WEDNESDAY 10 APRIL 2019 4:00PM CST


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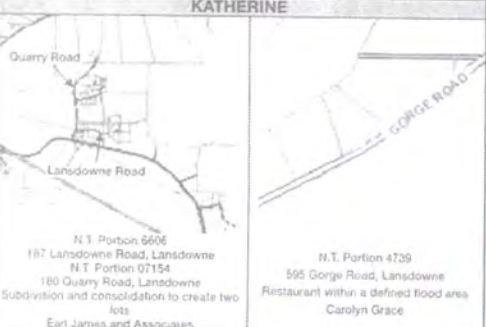
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In the absence of directly related research, contingent allocations are made for environmental and other public benefit water provisions and consumptive use. These are explained below.

Top End (northern one third of the Northern Territory)

Rivers

At least 80 per cent of flow at any time in any part of a river is allocated as water for environmental and other public benefit water provision, and extraction for consumptive uses will not exceed the threshold level equivalent to 20 per cent of flow at any time in any part of a river.

In the event that current and/ or projected consumptive use exceeds the 20 per cent threshold level, new surface water Licences will not be granted unless supported by directly related scientific research into environmental other public benefit requirements.

Aquifers

At least 80 per cent of annual recharge is allocated as water for environmental and other public benefit water provision, and extraction for consumptive uses will not exceed the threshold level equivalent to 20 per cent of annual recharge.

In the event that current and/ or projected consumptive use exceeds the 20 per cent threshold level, new groundwater Licences will not be granted unless supported by either directly related scientific research into groundwater dependent ecosystem/ cultural requirements, or in the absence of such research, hydrological modelling confirming that total groundwater discharge will not be reduced by more than 20 per cent.

Arid Zone (southern two thirds of the Northern Territory)

Rivers

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In the event that current and/ or projected consumptive use exceeds the threshold levels of five per cent for river flow, new surface water Licences will not be granted unless supported by directly related scientific research into environmental other public benefit requirements.

Northern Territory Water Allocation Planning Framework

Aquifers

There will be no deleterious change in groundwater discharges to dependent ecosystems, and total extraction over a period of at least 100 years will not exceed 80 per cent of the total aquifer storage at start of extraction.

In the event that current and/ or projected consumptive use exceeds the threshold levels of 80 per cent of the consumptive pool for aquifers, or groundwater discharges to groundwater dependent ecosystems are impacted, new groundwater Licences will not be granted unless supported by directly related scientific research into groundwater dependent ecosystem/cultural requirements.

Water Assessment Report to Water Licensing and Regulation Branch

1. References

TRIM Record Number : LRM2019/0036-0008~0001

Title : Modelling and analysis request - Origin

2. Information Provided

Appendix 1 contains the revised version of the request received from the Water Licensing and Regulation Branch. Subsequent communication with licencing staff clarified the Origin GWEL pumping scenarios as follows:

Scenario 2

Bore	Rate	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
RN040895	ML/Month	0.0	6.4	11.0	5.3	6.0	11.0	13.0	14.3	13.3	4.7	0.3	0.0
RN_Site2	ML/Month	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	11.7	11.7	7.7	9.7	14.0	19.0	10.0

Scenario 3

Bore	Rate	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
RN040895	ML/Month	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.5	41.1	0.0
RN_Site2	ML/Month	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	46.5	41.1	0.0

Scenario 2 and 3 are two combinations of maximum annual pumping of 175 ML/y

3. Metadata

3.1 Model Versions

Four scenarios were run with the updated Roper model (M11-G3).

A new version of the model is generated with each pumping scenario application. These were named as:

- i. **ORIGIN_SC0 modified_Rech_03_G.fem** for modelling natural flow;
- ii. **ORIGIN_SC1_ modified_Rech_03_G.fem** for current use scenario; and
- iii. **ORIGIN_SC2 modified_Rech_03_G.fem** and **ORIGIN_SC3 modified_Rech_03_G.fem** for the two Origin pumping scenarios, above.

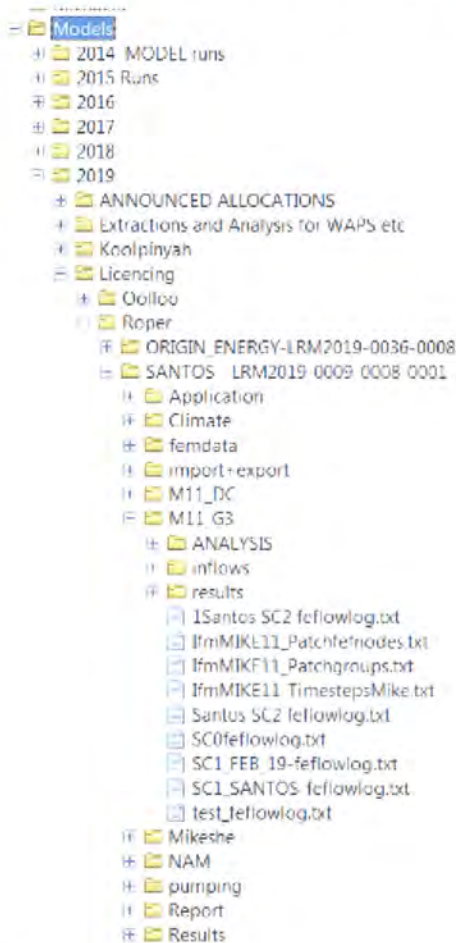
The resultant outputs were compared to the natural (no-pumping) scenario output for impact assessment.

It should be noted that climate data used was identical to that used for the 2018 Announced Allocations and thus was current until March 2018.

3.2 Filenames

All files used for the modelling reside in the Departmental network drive: spatial ([\\pgb-bas01\BAS DATA](#)) under the following path:

:\Working\Water_Resources\Models\2019\Licensing\Roper\ORIGIN_ENERGY-LRM2019-0036-0008



3.3 Input Files

All input files may be located in the folders above

The pumping files particular to this licence application may be found in the **pumping** sub-folder.

3.4 Date of model run

The model runs commenced in March (SC0 and SC1) and May (SC2 and SC3) 2019.

4. Statement of model uncertainty

The Roper groundwater model used in this process is considered an adequate basis to guide licensing decisions. The output should be treated with the understanding and acceptance of the limitations associated with the modelling process.

An analysis of model calibration is provided in Knapton (2006) and a three part documentation of the Roper Model (Knapton, 2009) which cover the groundwater, surface water and connected models. In the analysis, the author identifies the model's sensitivities to the various hydraulic parameterisation. However, this analysis is qualitative, and any resulting uncertainty is not quantified. The author identifies inherent sources of uncertainty which include the variability in spatial distribution of recharge and the difficulty in quantifying it as well as the empirical nature of soil property data, vegetation water use and ground elevation data. These all contribute to the uncertainty in the final output from the model.

A broad based review by Middlemis (2015) provides peer assessment that this model applies best practice approaches to model conceptualisation, development and calibration. Although it is recognised that this model's construction pre-dates the Australian Groundwater Modelling Guidelines (Barnett et al, 2012), it is considered to have "*overall good compliance with the guideline principles*" (Middlemis, 2015).

The estimation of the various inputs and model parameters contributes to a level of uncertainty in the final output. However, it is envisaged that model outputs will be refined over time as groundwater system knowledge, and the quality and completeness of input data improves.

5. Model output summary

Two pumping scenarios to represent the possible options for extraction at bores RN040895 and Site 2 were modelled. These scenarios are named SC2 and SC3.

For the purpose of the licence assessment, the Roper model output was interrogated for:

- (a) Resultant impact on flows at these following key indicator sites on the Roper River:
 - i. Eley National Park (near flow gauge G9030176); and
 - ii. Red Rock (near flow gauge G9030250).
- (b) There are no registered bores screened within the Gum Ridge Formation aquifer located within a 10 km radius of either

pumping bores. Potential drawdown impacts were assessed at approximate radial distances (based on nearest model node) of

- i. 1 km (north, south, east and west)
 - ii. 10 km (north, south, east and west)
- (c) Resultant impact on flows at these following key spring discharge sites as represented in the model
- iii. Rainbow Springs
 - iv. Bitter Springs

The model output will be stored in the folder named [results](#) (use link) for a period of no less than 6 months after a decision is made. Subsequently, it will be deleted. The output can be regenerated if so required.

6. Model output Analysis

- (a) Resultant impact on flows at the key indicator sites of Elsey National Park (G9030176) and Red Rock (G9030250).

The analysis of the model's river flow output is undertaken in the spreadsheet: *Analysis of Flow for Origin_Energy_Application-LRM2019-0036-0008.xlsx* located [here](#) (use link).

The analysis determines that there is **no change** in reliability of surface water flow at the indicator sites as provided in Table 1 below.

TABLE 1 Change in Reliability of Surface water flow

Location	Change in Reliability	
	SC2	SC3
Elsey National Park (G9030176)	nil	nil
Red Rock (G9030250)	nil	nil

- (b) Drawdown impacts due to proposed pumping.

The analysis of the model's hydraulic head data output is undertaken in the spreadsheet: *Drawdowns.xlsx* located [here](#) (use link). The licence application proposed three years of pumping. The modelled scenarios SC2 and SC3 represented 58 years of continuous pumping.

The estimated drawdown at approximately 1 and 10 km under Modelled Scenario SC2, relative to Modelled Scenario SC1 (current conditions), are provided in Table 2 below.

TABLE 2 Estimated drawdown due to pumping under Modelled Scenario SC2

Distance from pumping bore (direction)	Model node number	Estimated drawdown (m) after three years of pumping	Modelled drawdown (m) after 58 years consecutive pumping
RN040895			
1.06 km (north)	48759	0.003	0.007
1.11 km (south)	46725	0.003	0.007
1.09 km (east)	47941	0.003	0.007
1.06 km (west)	50349	0.003	0.007
10.27 km (north)	49101	0.001	0.004
10.17 km (south)	47750	0.001	0.004
10.14 km (east)	45892	0.001	0.004
10.87 km (west)	45749	0.001	0.004
Site 2			
1.08 km (north)	51298	0.064	0.112
1.18 km (south)	47444	0.055	0.103
1.08 km (east)	52708	0.064	0.113
1.20 km (west)	51422	0.056	0.103
9.95 km (north)	45948	0.000	0.025
10.08 km (south)	45985	0.000	0.022
10.15 km (east)	50802	0.000	0.024
10.35 km (west)	47065	0.000	0.022

The estimated drawdown at approximately 1 and 10 km under Modelled Scenario SC3, relative to Modelled Scenario SC1 (current conditions), are provided in Table 3 below.

TABLE 3 Estimated drawdown due to pumping under Modelled Scenario SC3

Distance from pumping bore (direction)	Model node number	Estimated drawdown (m) after three years of pumping	Modelled drawdown (m) after 58 years consecutive pumping
RN040895			
1.06 km (north)	48759	0.006	0.010
1.11 km (south)	46725	0.007	0.010
1.09 km (east)	47941	0.006	0.010
1.06 km (west)	50349	0.006	0.010
10.27 km (north)	49101	0.001	0.004
10.17 km (south)	47750	0.001	0.004
10.14 km (east)	45892	0.001	0.004
10.87 km (west)	45749	0.001	0.004
Site 2			
1.08 km (north)	51298	0.079	0.126
1.18 km (south)	47444	0.067	0.114
1.08 km (east)	52708	0.079	0.127
1.20 km (west)	51422	0.070	0.116
9.95 km (north)	45948	0.000	0.025
10.08 km (south)	45985	0.000	0.022
10.15 km (east)	50802	0.000	0.023
10.35 km (west)	47065	0.000	0.021

(c) Resultant impact on flows at two key spring discharge sites as represented in the model.

The analysis of the model's springflow output is undertaken in the spreadsheet:

md_WORKING_Altered Spring Flows_ORIGIN Application.xlsx
located [here](#) (use link)

The analysis determines that there is **no change** in reliability of springflow as provided in Table 4 below.

TABLE 4 Change in Reliability of Springflow at two key sites

Bitter Springs	Existing Licences	SC2	SC3
Restricted Years 1/1/1988-31/12/2017	0	0	0
Unrestricted Years	30	30	30
Reliability	100%	100%	100%

Rainbow Springs	Existing Licences	SC2	SC3
Restricted Years 1/1/1988-31/12/2017	0	0	0
Unrestricted Years	30	30	30
Reliability	100%	100%	100%

7. Water Management Context

The licence application is within the Gum Ridge Formation in the northern Georgina Basin. There is no Water Allocation Plan current in this area. At this location, the ESY is presumed to be based on application of the NT Water Allocation Framework policy for the Arid Zone.

Tickell and Bruwer (2017) reports the volume of groundwater held in storage in the Gum Ridge Formation across the Georgina Basin is estimated to be between the limits as provided in the table below:

Minimum groundwater volume (GL)	Maximum groundwater volume (GL)
1,766,000	3,532,000

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(d) Appendix 1 - Licence Assessment Modelling and Analysis Request



LICENSING ASSESSMENT MODELLING AND ANALYSIS REQUEST

Site 2
 Easting: 435488.000 Northing: 8136321.000
 Latitude: -16° 51' 20.13525" Longitude: 134° 23' 39.84654"
 Grid Convergence: 0° -10' 32.18" Point
 Scale: 0.99965148

1. Request

Undertake modelling and analysis to determine what if any impact the ground water take from the Gum Ridge Formation Aquifer.

2. Licence application

This request for modelling and analysis supports the processing of:

- a new groundwater extraction licence with a maximum entitlement of 175 ML p.a. (based on a May-April water accounting year) from the Gum Ridge Formation Aquifer

3. Data provided

The following information is provided for modelling and analysis purposes.

- Application for a groundwater extraction licence including the Water Use Plan and proposed extraction schedule for 2019-2022.

4. Background information

To summarise information contained within the application:

- Proposed extraction is from **RN040895 (Site 1)** and a proposed bore with approximate location 435488E, 8136321N Zone 53 (**Site 2**).
- Proposed extraction from two separate sites within NT Portion 7027 and NT Portion 1079
- Proposed 10 future bore locations targeting the Gum Ridge Formation. *As the applicant is not committing to the use of these bores and the bores have not been constructed, further analysis or consideration of extraction from these sites are not relevant from a licensing perspective.*
- Maximum monthly use from the three bores is 90 ML.
- Combined maximum annual entitlement of 175 ML.

PROPOSED PUMPING SCHEDULE 2019			
Month	Extraction from Site 1 - RN040895 (ML)	Extraction from Site 2 - 435488E, 8136321N Zone 53	Total volume (ML)
Jan	0	0	0
Feb	0	0	0
Mar	0	0	0

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Apr	0	0	0
May	10	0	10
Jun	10	0	10
Jul	2	19	21
Aug	6	15	21
Sep	19	4	23
Oct	14	5	19
Nov	1	20	21
Dec	0	14	14
Total	62	77	139

PROPOSED PUMPING SCHEDULE 2020			
Month	Extraction from Site 1 - RN040895 (ML)	Extraction from Site 2 - 435488E, 8136321N Zone 53	Total volume (ML)
Jan	0	0	0
Feb	19	0	19
Mar	13	0	13
Apr	4	0	4
May	4	0	4
Jun	19	20	39
Jul	16	12	28
Aug	16	4	20
Sep	0	4	4
Oct	0	16	16
Nov	0	16	16
Dec	0	16	16

Total	91	88	179
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PROPOSED PUMPING SCHEDULE 2021			
Month	Extraction from Site 1 - RN040895 (ML)	Extraction from Site 2 - 435488E, 8136321N Zone 53	Total volume (ML)
Jan	0	0	0
Feb	0	0	0
Mar	20	0	20
Apr	12	0	12
May	4	18	22
Jun	4	15	19
Jul	21	4	25
Aug	21	4	25
Sep	21	21	42
Oct	0	21	21
Nov	0	21	21
Dec	0	0	0
Total	103	104	207

5. Modelling scenarios

The application requests for flexibility in extracting 90 ML in any month, limited to a maximum annual extraction of 175 ML (if referring to a May-April water year). Modelling will need to reflect the projected extraction from the two different sites listed in the table above. Suggest extraction is projected using a 50% split between bore RN040895 and coordinates: 435488E, 8136321N Zone 53, over the driest months Oct/Nov.

Additionally another modelling scenario will need to reflect the proposed pumping schedule, as detailed in the table above.

6. Licensing Assessment Report

A modelling and analysis report prepared by Water Assessments Branch in consultation with the Planning and Engagement Branch is required by: **5 April 2019**

The report should be prepared in consultation with the Water Planning and Engagement Branch.

This report should include:

- A summary of the model outputs
- Estimated total sustainable yield of the subject water resource
- Interpretation on how the analysis of model outputs relates to the NT Water Allocation Planning Framework (NTWAPF)
- Reliability and draw down effect. Noting that the Hydraulic Fracturing Inquiry recommendations describe more than 1 metre drawdown as excessive
- Effect encompassing all relevant groundwater and surface water systems to predict any impacts on downstream users
- Should there be any adverse effects, suggestions for alternative proposals that will fit into the NTWAPF
- Any other information you deem relevant.

Copies of data output and analysis files and the final reports should be saved in TRM file: **LRM2019/0036-0013**.

REQUESTING OFFICER JO CHALLIS 21 MARCH 2019

Preliminary Guideline: Groundwater Monitoring Bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-basin

1. Purpose and Scope

This preliminary guidance provides information on the expectations of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in relation to the layout, construction and operation of “multi-level observation bores” associated with onshore petroleum wells during the exploration phase of onshore gas development in the Beetaloo Sub-basin.

It is expected that principles in this preliminary guideline will be incorporated into Codes of Practice for the Northern Territory Onshore Petroleum Industry currently being developed by the Northern Territory Government. The requirements in this initial guidance, and subsequently under the Codes, may evolve following a period of operational experience during the exploration phase of the industry and as baseline understanding of the hydrogeological systems improves.

This preliminary guidance will be revised prior to any application to production-level activity.

This preliminary guidance was developed for the Beetaloo Sub-basin and additional guidance will be developed as required to account for different hydrogeology and environmental conditions in other gas basins. Additional guidance will also be developed for conventional petroleum activities.

The guideline relates specifically to monitoring bores established for the purpose of meeting recommendations 7.11 and 7.13 of the *Final Report of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory, 2018* (the Report), noting that water bores may be established for a range of other purposes.

2. Background

Groundwater monitoring bores must be established to detect any contamination of groundwater as a result of leaky gas wells or onsite spills, in order to meet the recommendations of the Report, specifically:

Recommendation 7.11 (in part)

That prior to the grant of any further exploration approvals, in order to minimise the risk of groundwater contamination from leaky gas wells:

- *Where a well is hydraulically fractured, monitoring of groundwater be undertaken around each well pad to detect any groundwater contamination using multi-level observation bores to ensure full coverage of the horizon, of any aquifer(s) containing water of sufficient quality to be of value for environmental or consumptive use;*
- *All existing well pads are to be equipped with multilevel observation bores;*
- *As a minimum, electrical conductivity data from each level of the monitor bore array should be measured and results electronically transmitted from the well pad site to the regulator as soon as they are available.*
- *Other water quality indicators, as determined by the regulator, should be measured quarterly, with the results publicly disclosed online as soon as reasonably practical from the date of sampling.*

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Recommendation 7.13

Upon a gas company undertaking any exploration activity or production activity, monitoring of the groundwater must be implemented around each well pad to detect any groundwater contamination, adopting the monitoring outlined in Recommendation 7.11. If contamination is detected, remediation must commence immediately.

The rationale for these recommendations is further described in the Report (sections 7.6.1 and 7.6.3) and this detail has informed the guideline, notably:

The Panel's view is that monitoring of key water quality indicators in the groundwater in close proximity (that is within 10-20 m) to each planned well or well pad is essential, and that this monitoring should commence prior to any well drilling, with subsequent monitoring being particularly focussed on the hydraulic fracturing stages. To this end, multi-level monitoring bores must be installed in advance (at least six months) prior to the drilling of a gas well and designed to ensure full vertical coverage of any aquifer(s) currently supplying, or potentially being able to supply, water for environmental or consumptive (stock or domestic) uses. The bore array must have a level of vertical resolution at least sufficient to be able to identify whether a leak of fluid or gas is occurring in the top, middle or bottom zones of an aquifer. At a minimum, electrical conductivity should be measured in real-time as an indicator providing 'early warning' of contamination, with the results telemetered from the site to the regulator and made available to the public. The use of telemetry for other parameters should be reviewed every five years or as technological improvements become available. Additionally, other water quality indicators determined by the regulator must be measured quarterly, with the results made publicly available within one month of sampling. The combination of continuous and randomised spot monitoring should continue for three years, after which time its fitness for purpose should be reviewed by the regulator.

If the electrical conductivity or other measurements suggest that a leak has occurred, or is occurring, more detailed investigations must commence immediately, with remediation to be initiated as soon as practicable. Parameter values for setting action thresholds should be determined from the data collected during the SREBA, and reviewed periodically by the regulator.

The text above specifically refers to the installation and monitoring of all new exploration wells. However, there are already a number of exploration wells (including the Amungee NW-1H well) that exist. The Panel recommends that these wells also require the installation of multilevel bores prior to the approval of either first time or repeat hydraulic fracturing activity.

In developing the guidance, a precautionary approach has been applied at this early stage of shale gas exploration in the Northern Territory, which reflects the Inquiry Report and is appropriate given the lack of comprehensive scientific knowledge and extensive data regarding the stratigraphy and water quality of the Cambrian limestone aquifers across the Beetaloo Sub-basin. The guideline has been developed to ensure that scientific information on the stratigraphy and water quality of aquifer units that may be present at each petroleum exploration well site is established prior to the drilling of petroleum wells. This information will further inform the design of petroleum wells to ensure application of best available techniques to isolate and protect identified aquifer units at each site. Implementation of the guideline will also provide a large amount of spatial information about water quality of these important regional aquifers over time. It has also been developed to ensure that a robust groundwater monitoring system is developed to meet the recommendations and intent of the Inquiry, without being excessively onerous for industry in the exploration phase.

The primary water quality indicator recommended by the Inquiry Panel is electrical conductivity (E.C.). A review of ground water quality data across the Beetaloo Sub-basin from data sets with a broad spatial distribution and spanning several years indicates that E.C. is highly variable spatially, and

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perhaps temporally depending on location. Consequently, monitoring of E.C., and its constituents (e.g. Total Dissolved Solids and Chloride) needs to be site-specific to provide a meaningful baseline.

3. Summary of aquifer unit monitoring requirements

Three main configurations of CLA (Cambrian limestone aquifers) are recognised overlying the Beetaloo Sub-Basin (Figure 1). These can be used as a preliminary guide for planning groundwater monitoring at well sites.

Each configuration is described below.

1. Aquifers in both the Anthony Lagoon and Gum Ridge Formations (or equivalents) are present: The depth to the base of the CLA sequence should be greatest in this zone. Each formation should be monitored with separate monitoring bores. Along the margins of this zone the Anthony Lagoon Formation may lie above the water table and so will not contain any aquifers. In such cases only the Gum Ridge Formation needs to be monitored.
2. Only the Gum Ridge Formation (or equivalent) is present: This formation should be monitored.
3. No aquifers present: This occurs mainly west of Larrimah where the Tindall Limestone (a Gum Ridge Fm. equivalent) lies above the water table. In such situations the uppermost aquifer in the Kalkarindiji Suite should be monitored. This formation occurs directly beneath the Tindall Limestone.

The water supply bore for the exploration well should be drilled to the base of the Gum Ridge Formation (or equivalent). Together with down-hole logs such as gamma and caliper this will enable more accurate identification of aquifers in the CLA sequence. The detailed design of the monitoring program at each well site is likely to be specific to that site, so consultation with DENR Water Assessment Branch is recommended following the drilling of the water supply bore.

The guide above indicates that a minimum of one and a maximum of two aquifer units would be monitored at each site, unless site-specific data clearly indicates no groundwater is present.

Where no groundwater is encountered at the proposed well pad site during the drilling of the water supply bore, the results should be provided to DENR Water Assessment Branch. In this circumstance, an exemption for the requirement to install groundwater monitoring bores at the proposed exploration well pad will be considered by DENR providing there has been an adequate attempt to locate groundwater.

Table 1 below provides a summary of requirements which are detailed in sections 4 to 6.

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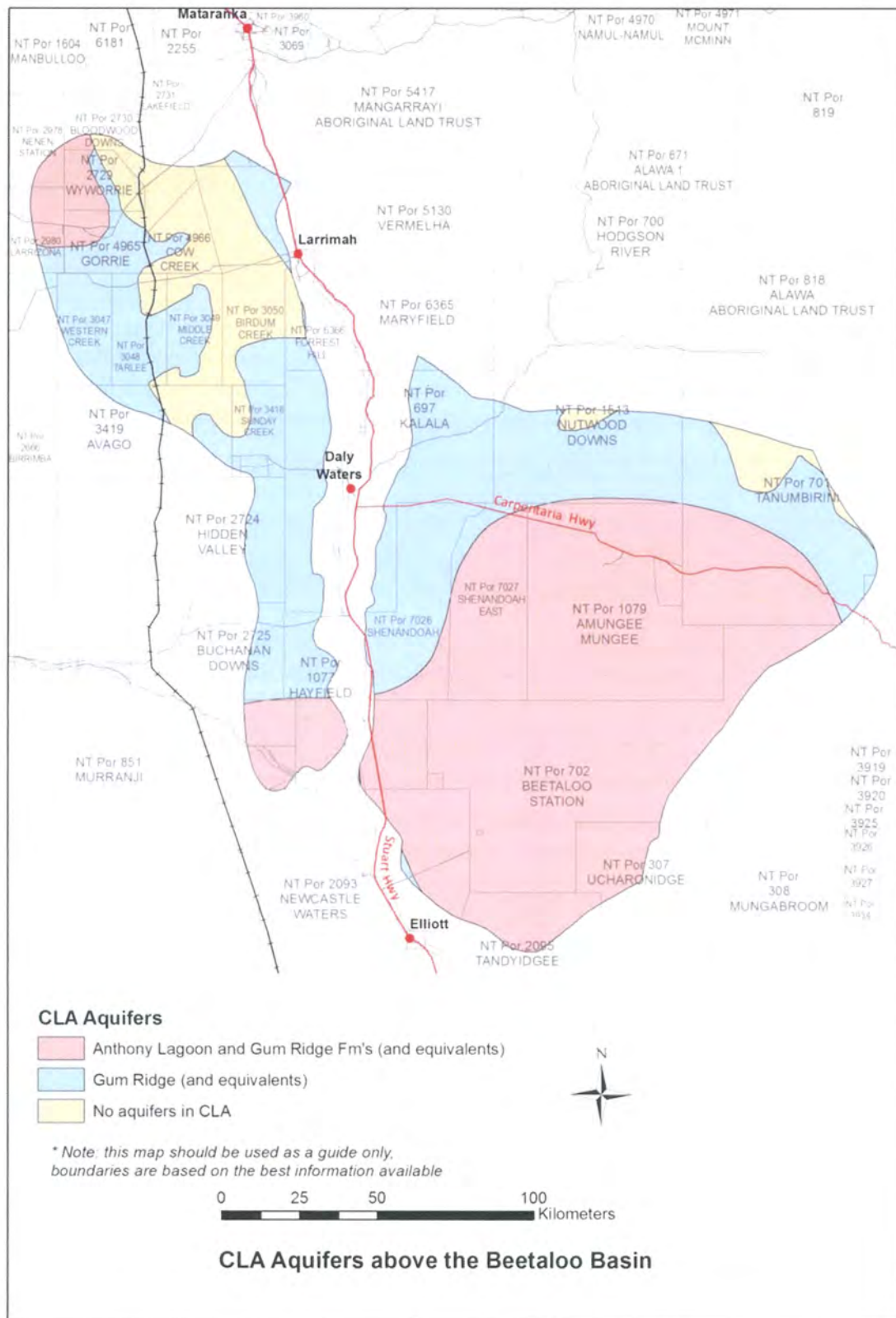


Figure 1 Indicative spatial location of Cambrian Limestone Aquifer units above the Beetaloo Basin

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Table 1 – Monitoring bore requirements summary for petroleum exploration wells in the Beetaloo sub-Basin (see sections 4 to 6 for more detail)

Monitoring bore array type	Bore levels required	Possible Beetaloo solution	Location	When required
Control monitoring bore array. <i>Note this may include the production bore if water is to be sourced at the well site location.</i>	1 bore for each discrete aquifer unit, which is screened near the top, middle and bottom of the vertical extent of that unit	1 bore screened near the top, middle and bottom of the Anthony Lagoon formation at well sites where it is determined to occur; and 1 bore screened near the top, middle and bottom of the Gum Ridge formation; or 1 bore screened in the uppermost aquifer in the Kalkarindiji Suite where the Tindall limestone lies above the water table (ref. Sec. 2.3)	Within 100m up-gradient of the well pad	6 months prior to drilling, and preferably to include both wet season and dry season samples. In circumstances, which lie outside of the control of the operator, where six months monitoring data from the control bore is not achievable before drilling, it must at minimum provide six months of data prior to hydraulic fracturing activities
Impact monitoring bore array	1 bore for each discrete aquifer unit, which is screened near the top, middle and bottom of the vertical extent of that unit	As above	Within 20m down-gradient of the petroleum well. Where multiple exploration wells on a well pad are proposed then a single array, 20m down-gradient of the well head-series	At completion of well drilling and prior to hydraulic fracturing of the well. <i>It is acknowledged that installing this bore array prior to drilling the well may not be possible due to safety reasons.</i>

4. Layout of groundwater monitoring bores

The minimum requirements for monitoring bores in relation to detecting “leaky wells” is based on Before-After-Control-Impact (BACI) environmental monitoring design. BACI designs are an effective method to evaluate natural and human-induced perturbations of environmental variables (e.g. groundwater quality) when treatment sites cannot be randomly chosen, as is the case in this application. Groundwater monitoring bores to detect potential Impact from “leaky wells” should be located so that any contamination is detected as soon as possible, in a time frame that allows an effective remediation response. Groundwater flow gradients in the Cambrian Limestone Aquifer (CLA) are likely to be low in most parts of the Beetaloo Basin, and DENR believes that monitoring in close proximity (20m) of each well is essential for this purpose. If multiple exploration wells are planned for a single pad, DENR believes that monitoring within 20m downstream of the most proximate well in the series is sufficient.

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An appropriate BACI design has been determined to be as follows (also see Figure 2 for a diagrammatic representation):

1. A **Control monitoring bore array** (one or two depending on the discrete aquifer units present at the site), located up-gradient and within 100m of the planned or existing location of the petroleum well pad. This should be installed at least six months prior to drilling of the well and will provide site-specific, baseline ground water quality information. Wherever possible, pre-drilling data should include both wet season and dry season sampling. In circumstances, which lie outside of the control of the operator, where six months monitoring data from the control bore is not achievable before drilling, it **must** provide at minimum six months of data prior to hydraulic fracturing activities. The site-specific aquifer system information derived from drilling the Control monitoring bore array will also inform the subsequent design of the Impact monitoring bore array. It will also provide a basis for understanding natural trends that may occur at the site and therefore help differentiate between background and project-attributable changes over extended timeframes. The control array may also provide useful information about the spatial extent of impacts if a severe perturbation is detected in the impact array.
2. An **Impact monitoring bore array**, screened at similar depths to the **Control monitoring bore array**, 20m down-gradient of the location of the petroleum well. It is acknowledged that installing this bore array prior to drilling the well may not be possible due to safety reasons. Therefore the array may be installed after completion of drilling the petroleum well but must be installed and sampled prior to hydraulic fracturing. Where multiple exploration wells are proposed on a single well pad, either as part of a single drilling campaign or a later infill campaign, then a **single impact monitoring bore array** must be installed and sampled prior to hydraulic fracturing of any well in the series. This bore array must be located within 20m down gradient of the first well in the proposed **series**. and wherever possible this should be at the downgradient end of the series

Where subsurface geohazards are encountered during the drilling of the exploration petroleum well that may present elevated risks to the installation of an Impact monitoring bore array within 20m of the well, the location of the impact monitoring bore array may be varied on a case-by-case basis with approval from DENR.

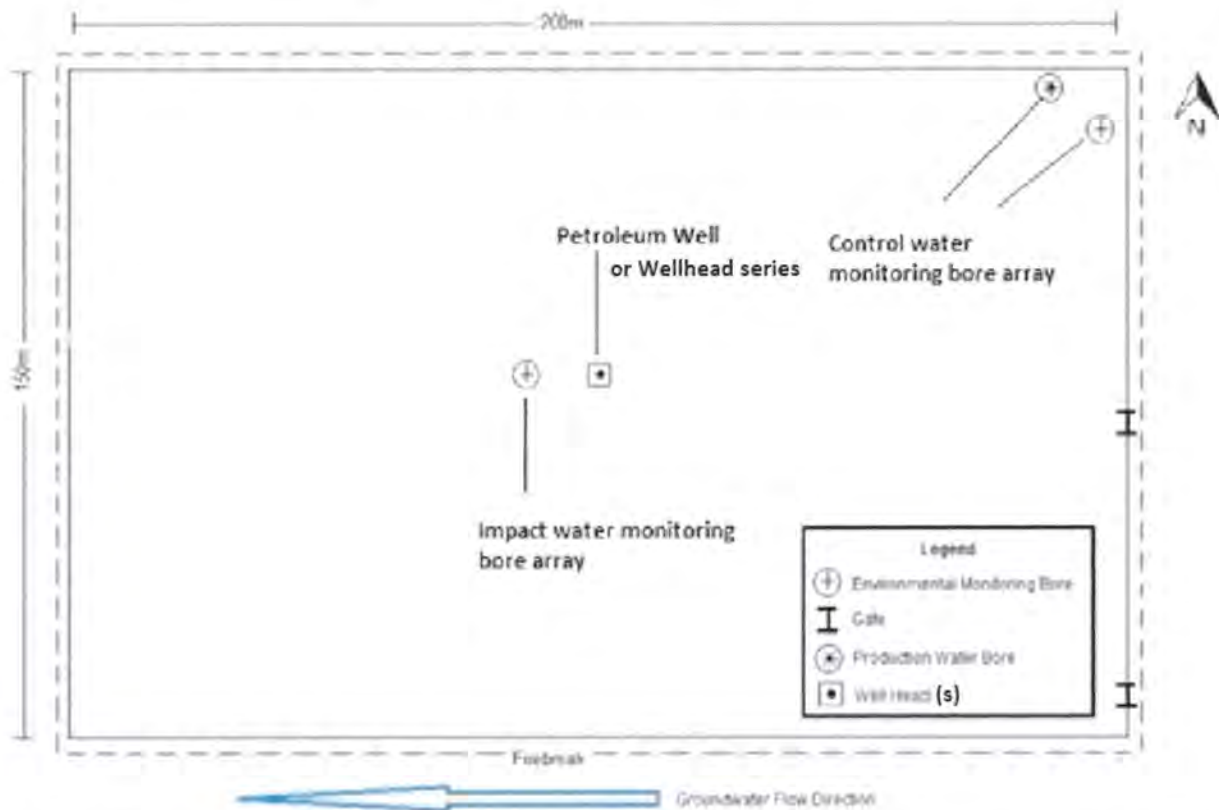


Figure 2: Indicative environmental groundwater monitoring bore layout on a petroleum well pad. Groundwater flow (gradient) direction in this example is from R-L of layout.

5. Design of monitoring bores

Monitoring bores should be established and screened to sample water in each aquifer unit (i.e. each non-interconnected formation) “currently supplying, or potentially being able to supply, water for environmental or consumptive (stock or domestic) uses”. The spatial variability of presently recognised aquifer units above the Beetaloo Sub-Basin are outlined in Figure 1. The design of the monitoring program at each well site is likely to be specific to that site, so consultation with DENR Water Assessment Branch regarding number of aquifer units and suitable screening depths is recommended following the drilling of the water supply bore. If water is not to be sourced at the well site, the first Control monitoring bore should be drilled to the base of the deepest recognised aquifer unit to provide the required stratigraphy data.

The appropriate number of bores and screening depths for each monitoring bore array will be site-dependent. Each Control monitoring bore and corresponding Impact monitoring bore should be screened at similar depths in the distinct aquifer units at that site. To provide vertical coverage of the aquifer unit that it samples, each monitoring bore should be screened near the top, middle and bottom of the vertical extent of that aquifer unit (or continuously as appropriate). DENR recognises that is overly onerous, and increases environmental risks, to require separate monitoring bores to be established at each sampling depth within each aquifer unit. Rather, an integrated sample should be collected from each Control monitoring bore and Impact monitoring bore for each aquifer unit in a way that maximises the probability of detecting any leak. Should a leak be detected, other techniques will be applied to determine the source level within the aquifer unit.

Where two monitoring bores are required in a monitoring bore array, the bores should be placed approximately 10m apart in a line approximately perpendicular to the flow gradient. In the unlikely event that three monitoring bores were required in a monitoring bore array, two bores should be placed as per the two-bore scenario, with an additional bore placed downgradient and 10m from the

other two bores. It is acknowledged that this will result in the third bore being approximately 28m from the petroleum well.

Bores must be constructed in accordance with Minimum Construction Requirements for Water Bores in Australia, 2012 (<https://www.adia.com.au/documents/item/290>).

An accurate drilling and lithological log of rock strata should be kept for all operations on the drill site. A clean representative sample of the rock formations intersected should be collected at all changes of strata and at a maximum drill depth intervals of three metres. Samples should be laid out in an orderly sequence for inspection and a report log provided to DENR for each bore hole. It should be noted that r11 of the *Water Regulation* also provides information regarding samples required to be taken and shared by licensed water bore drillers. Results of any down-hole logs such as gamma and caliper should also be provided to DENR, as discussed in Sec. 2.

It is recommended that where possible, bores should be fitted with locks, to minimise risk of malicious interference with the monitoring program.

6. Sampling frequency

As baseline levels of some analytes are likely to vary seasonally it is important that baseline groundwater monitoring is conducted throughout the year, noting that there may be access constraints for periods during the wet season. It is suggested that sampling frequency is initially high (e.g. every 4 weeks) until the extent of natural variation is determined at the **Control monitoring bore array** shown in Figure 2, and statistically robust confidence intervals for the suite of analytes to be measured at that site and within the aquifer zone(s) of interest are established. The Report requires quarterly sampling for parameters other than E.C. for at least three years.

DENR considers that in this preliminary stage of exploration, and to meet the intent of the Report, a **Control monitoring bore array** should be established in time to allow at least six months of sampling prior to the drilling of the gas well, and that sampling should encompass the likely major extent of natural variation between late dry season and late wet season periods.

The **Impact monitoring bore array** must be installed and sampled prior to stimulating the well, noting that more than one pre-impact sample period is desirable.

7. Sampling methodology

Samples should generally be taken in accordance with protocols detailed in the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality field sampling program (www.waterquality.gov.au/anz-guidelines/monitoring/field-sampling-program). It is expected that sampling protocols would be detailed in the relevant Environment Management Plan (EMP) and made available to DENR for review.

The EMP must include water sampling procedures including the following components:

1. Water sampling must be undertaken by suitably qualified and trained personnel
2. Prior to sampling a water bore, wherever practicable, the volume of stagnant water within the bore casing must be calculated. Water quality samples must only be collected after:
 - a) three times the volume of stagnant water in the bore casing and the discharge piping (including a sufficient additional volume to account for any error in volume calculations) have been discharged; and
 - b) when the field water quality parameters (e.g. E.C.) have stabilised, indicating the bore is producing formation water.
3. Water quality samples must have a unique identification number that can be cross-referenced to the monitoring location and time of sampling.

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4. Sample preservation measures are to be documented and comply with analytical laboratory requirements and relevant standards (e.g. AS/NZS 5667.1:1998).
5. Sample integrity must be maintained through the use of chain of custody procedures and documentation in accordance with section 3.7 of *Monitoring and Sampling Manual 2009 — Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009 (Department of Environment and Heritage Protection, 2013)*.
6. Sample analysis should be undertaken by a laboratory that is NATA approved for that analysis.

A survey benchmark relative to Australian Height Datum (AHD) should be established at each well pad monitoring bore, accurate to ± 10 cm, to accurately determine depth to water table during each sampling event.

The Analytical Suite to be assessed is listed below in Table 2. A review of the suite of analytes to be tested may be requested by the seline has been established for the monitoring bores.

Analytes of particular interest include **Total Dissolved Solids, Chloride, and Electrical Conductivity** (E.C.) as a proxy, because drilling fluids, hydraulic fracturing fluids, well suspension fluids and produced formation fluids may have orders of magnitude (100s~1000s) higher concentrations of Chloride than background values in potable waters. In addition, Strontium and Barium are typically elevated in produced water from unconventional shale gas reservoirs and serve among others as additional useful tracers. Dissolved methane is important to monitor as a baseline and over the longer term.

Groundwater pressure monitoring on a continuous basis also provides an indicator of well-integrity failure, particularly during the well-stimulation phase when the differential pressure between the aquifer and well annulus is extremely high, and thus a breach of well-integrity would be instantaneously detected. The use of this parameter as a useful reactive monitoring tool will be examined with industry during this exploration phase.

Table 2 – Required analytes

General	Anions	Cations and Metals		Petroleum
pH	Chloride	Calcium	Arsenic	TRH
Electrical conductivity*	Fluoride	Chromium	Barium	PAH Suite
Total Dissolved Solids	Sulphate	Copper	Boron	BTEX
Total Suspended Solids	Nitrate	Iron	Cadmium	Diss. Methane
Alkalinity	Nitrite	Lead	Lithium	Diss. Ethane
Gross Alpha		Magnesium	Selenium	Diss. Propane
Gross Beta		Manganese	Silica	
Water level**		Mercury	Strontium	
Groundwater pressure***		Potassium	Sodium	
		Silver	Zinc	

*Recommendation 7.11 requires that electrical conductivity (E.C.) should be measured in real-time as an indicator providing 'early warning' of contamination, with the results telemetered from the site to the regulator and made available to the public. It is recognised by DENR that this may be difficult to implement in the first stages of exploration, but proponents should provide a plan and timetable to meet this requirement, preferable before hydraulic fracturing occurs.

**A survey benchmark relative to Australian Height Datum (AHD) should be established at each well pad monitoring bore, accurate to ± 10 cm or better, to accurately determine water table elevation.

***This indicator has been suggested by industry and collection of this data is encouraged in order to test validity and applicability.

8. Data Management

Laboratory reports should be provided to the regulator as soon as practicable after each sampling occasion. Sampling, chain of custody and results data should also be provided in ESdat format (or another format if previously agreed with the regulator).

Further detail regarding reporting and publication mechanisms will be developed in consultation with industry, including appropriate units, file formats and data transfer protocols. This will encompass the detailed recommendations of the Report such as real time data transfer, data portals and public release of data.

Appendix R Response to Public Submissions

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700965	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Economic, Regulation and compliance, Social and cultural, Traffic and roads, Waste, Water, Weeds, Well integrity	Please find our submission opposing Origin's EMP attached below.	Origin-EMP-Submission.pdf, type application/pdf, 116.0 KB	<p>Code of Practice not finalised: The Code of Practice has now been finalised. Origin will be required to comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>Wastewater management: .Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>Chemicals: The Chemical Abstract Service numbers are provided to independent third-party consultants who undertake the chemical assessment. These chemicals are also provided to DENR, but a redacted during the final submission due to the proprietary nature of some of the products. The potential hazards and risks for each chemical are included in the Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix C). Chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing are commonly utilised in multiple other industries, such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and other domestic and commercial applications. The level of disclosure within the onshore petroleum industry is beyond that of any other industry within the NT and broader Australia. The transportation, storage, and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation designed to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment. The Chemical Risk Assessment was completed by an independent third-party consultant. Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed by the use of chemicals were determined to be low. This is consistent with the findings within the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), which recommended a series of additional controls (such as secondary containment for all hazardous chemicals and spill management) to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced to an acceptable level. The Inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Codes of Practice). Origin is required to comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 in addition to all other applicable legislation governing chemical use, storage and transportation within the northern Territory.</p> <p>Waste destination: The destination of the wastewater is provided in Section 3.9 of the Kyalla 117 N2 Drilling and Stimulation Environmental Management Plan (EMP). and will be in accordance with the Wastewater Management Plan which has been developed in accordance with the Code of Practice</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement: Stakeholder engagement has been undertaken in accordance with Section 7 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations and is appropriate to the size and nature of the activity. Further information on stakeholder engagement is provided in Section 5 of Origin's Kyalla 117 N2 Drilling and Stimulation EMP.</p> <p>Worker Health: Workers health and safety is taken seriously by Origin and is covered under Origin's Safety Management Plan. Noting that it is normal practice in the NT for industries to deal with 40+ temperatures.</p> <p>Material and equipment design: All material and equipment will be selected with regards to the specific environmental conditions of the NT.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	The following additional information has been added to the EMP: - Wastewater management section 3.10 updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5 - Additional information on equipment design added to section 3.4.3 to provide greater detail on how environmental and design factors will be addressed. - Information on wet weather operations and the use of helicopters for people transportation during restricted access added to section 3.16 and section 3.17 respectively. - Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason reference added to section 3.15 and notice add to Appendix Q - Additional information on stakeholder engagement added to Appendix I

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						<p>Site Access during flooding: The site will be manned over the wet season, with site accessed using helicopter during periods where road access is prevented.</p> <p>Drought conditions: Competition with other users with water is covered under Origin's Water Extraction Licence. Impacts to users is not anticipated as the sustainable yield from the unit is large and local use is small.</p>		
700962	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Regulation and compliance, Traffic and roads, Waste, Water, Well integrity	Please find a submission objecting to this EMP as written, and supporting reports attached. Thank you.	Lock-the-Gate-Sub-on-Origin-Kyalla-frack-plan.pdf, type application/pdf, 108.7 KB Endocrine-Disrupting-Activities-and-Organic-Contaminants-Associated-with-Oil-and-Gas-Operations-in-Wyoming-Groundwater--SpringerLink.pdf, type application/pdf, 202.7 KB drinking-water-gas-mining-ohio.pdf, type application/pdf, 622.0 KB Reviews-on-Environmental-Health-Neurodevelopmental-and-neurological-effects-of-chemicals-associated-with-unconventional-oil-and-natural-gas-operations-and-their-potential-effects-on-infants-and-children2.pdf, type application/pdf, 234.2 KB bromine-disinfectant-byproducts-gas-	<p>Well Operations Management Plan (WOMP): The submission does not align with the NT legislative regime. An accepted WOMP is required under the Schedule of Onshore Petroleum Exploration and Production Requirements. The controls within the WOMP are reflected throughout the Environmental Management Plan (EMP). The content of the WOMP are mandated by the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities within the NT (Code of Practice), with the WOMP providing a technical description of how the Codes of Practice will be implemented. The inclusion of a WOMP in the EMP public submission will not result in any reduction in environmental risk as the material is suitably covered within the EMP.</p> <p>Cumulative Impacts: Cumulative impact risks have been considered throughout the EMP, including: GHG activities (Section 3.11); Water extraction (Section 3.14, Clearing (Land Condition Assessment) Appendix B); Activity Risk Assessment (Appendix J). Table 5 also discusses cumulative impacts for each environmental factor</p> <p>Baseline assessment for water: Baseline monitoring is covered in Section 3.20, with the following specific statement outlined within the section: <i>"Six-months of groundwater monitoring data (level and quality) is required prior to commencing stimulation activities to establish a baseline against which any material impact on Environmental Objectives can be assessed."</i></p> <p>Wastewater storage and impacts to birds and the Gouldian finch: commendations of the Final Inquiry Report are implemented through various measures including the Code of Practice, which includes mandatory requirements for the storage of waste. Origin is required to comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as this is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.. The potential exposure of bird and other vertebrates to saline wastewater is sufficiently covered in literature. Scientific studies have linked the salinity of wastewater with a reduced potential</p>	No changes to management practices-Additional information to be provided	The following additional information has been added to the EMP: -WOMP section added to section 3.9 and summary tables provided in Appendix S Additional information on cumulative impacts provided in Section 3.12 (Greenhouse), Section 3.19 (weeds), Section 3.15 Water supply and in appendix J. -Wastewater management section 3.10 updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5 - Additional information on equipment design added to section 3.4.3 to provide greater detail on how environmental and design factors will be addressed. -Information on wet weather operations and the use of helicopters

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					mining.pdf, type application/pdf, 717.1 KB	<p>contaminant exposure. Regarding Gouldian finches, the habitat range is well documented. The area of the proposed activity is not within close proximity to nesting habitat or permanent water. The area surrounding the lease pad may be visited during the early wet season; where water availability is not a key constraint (thus reducing the driver to drink hypersaline wastewater). Furthermore, the area of available Gouldian finch habitat is extensive and likely to be well under utilised.</p> <p>Proximity to Lake Woods: Origins activities are located 92km from Lake Woods. The separation distance is the equivalent of an activity in Darwin impacting Adelaide River. The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing in the Beetaloo Basin, including those associated with wastewater storage, releases and spills, were assessed by the Independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that all risks could be managed to an acceptable level. Origin notes that the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can recommence have now been implemented. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation to ensure the intent of The Inquiry recommendations are achieved. This includes no surface water discharges, the use of secondary containment, well pad bunding, wastewater management plans and spill management plans.</p> <p>Chemicals: Chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing are commonly utilised in multiple other industries, such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and other industrial applications. The transportation, storage, and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation design to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix C). Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed using chemicals were determined to be low. This is consistent with the findings within The Inquiry, which recommended a series of additional controls (such as secondary containment for all hazardous chemicals and spill management) to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced to an acceptable level. The Inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other applicable legislation governing chemical use within the NT. Regarding the use of biocides, these are standard chemicals used in several industries, such as water bore drilling and water treatment. These chemicals are not persistent or bioaccumulants and will not be released to the environment.</p> <p>Some have been accessed by the National Industrial Chemicals Notification and Assessment Scheme (NICNAS), but the assessments by NICNAS are effectively useless: Origin has completed a chemical risk assessment in alignment with the National Chemicals Risk Assessment framework, including the national guidance manual for human and environmental risk assessment for chemicals associated with coal seam gas (CSG) extraction.</p> <p>We recommend that the NT Government require that manufacturers conduct health testing before chemicals can be manufactured: The assessment of all chemicals used in Australian is undertaken by the National Industrial Chemical Assessment Scheme (NICNAS). The controls for chemicals used within Hydraulic Fracturing activities are arguably an order of magnitude higher than that applied to similar industries.</p>		<p>for people transportation during restricted access added to section 3.16 and section 3.17 respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason reference added to section 3.15 and notice add to Appendix Q -Additional information on stakeholder engagement added to Appendix I-additional information to added to section 3.10.4 to address fauna risks. Including additional monitoring. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5 - Additional information on equipment design added to section 3.4.3 to provide greater detail on how environmental and design factors will be addressed. -Information on wet weather operations and the use of helicopters for people transportation during restricted access added to section 3.16 and section 3.17 respectively. - Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason reference added to section 3.15 and notice add to Appendix Q -Additional information on stakeholder engagement added to Appendix I- Additional figure (figure 5) added to illustrate separation distancebetween sensitive receptors (such as lake woods) and the proposed activities.

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						<p>The dangerous chemicals that pose risks to aquatic life should be banned from being used as risk mitigation: A chemical risk assessment has been completed which has assessed the risks to the environment as being low. This risk assessment is attached in Appendix C of the EMP and looks into the concentration of chemical used and the potential persistence, bioaccumulation and toxicity of chemicals.</p> <p>Workplace safety for heat not considered in the EMP: The EMP is an environmental related risk management document. Workplace safety is considered in the Safety Management Plan. All industries within the NT face the same conditions, with standard controls to be deployed to manage the risk to employees.</p> <p>Wet season operations: All activities are designed to manage wet season operations. This includes the use of enclosed wastewater storage, 1:1000 ARI wet season freeboard, earthen bunding, sediment ponds to manage stormwater, wastewater management plans and spill management plans.</p> <p>Covered pond design / temperature and moisture: Appendix J of the Risk Assessment addresses this concern. <i>"Tanks to be engineered to meet the relevant Australian standards and the climatic conditions, including wind loading and bushfires."</i> Additional engineering design specifications have also been provided in section 3.4.3 and section 3.10 of the EMP. <i>Origin is required to comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</i></p> <p>Bund specifications: The lease pad bund will be placed around the site. The average height of the bund will be 1.2m, with the lowest point (the access point) being approximately 300mm to allow vehicles to access. This is similar to earth bunds used for bulk fuel storages.</p> <p>Wet season risks: Wet season risks are considered inherently as a part of the Code of Practice and throughout the EMP. Risks are considered in the following sections: Wastewater tank freeboard requirements: Section 3.9.3, Table 7 includes water balance over the wet season; Section 3.9.4 Stormwater Management, Appendix J refers to freeboard, tank overtopping and spills; and Section 3.13 Spill Management.</p> <p>Daily inspections of all wastewater storages during operations: The site will be manned during well testing operations. This includes having staff located onsite during the wet season. Once well testing has finished, the wastewater will be removed from site prior to the onset of the 2020 wet season.</p> <p>Wet season dates: Regardless of the dates utilised, Origin will operate in the wet season. The controls outlined in the Code of Practice and throughout the EMP address the potential risks associated with wet season operations.</p> <p>Climate: Natural gas is well recognised as a firming fuel likely to play a critical role in supporting renewable energy uptake in the future. It is also well recognised that natural gas has reduced the use of coal, which has accounted for significant declines in US Greenhouse Gas Emissions in recent years (https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks)</p> <p>NGERS was found by the NT Fracking Inquiry to not be the most accurate estimation of the gas leaks likely from an onshore gas field. They said: "In many cases, the emissions reported through the NGER are based upon emission factors rather than direct</p>		

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						<p>measurement.” The NT Inquiry quote does not discuss emission estimation accuracy. NGERS is the Commonwealth emission estimate approach which includes direct measurement and emission factor approaches. The belief that NGERS only involves the use of emission factors is incorrect. The accuracy of an emission estimate is not linked to whether it is via direct measurement or an emission factor. An emission factor may be more accurate than direct measurement, particularly when calculating emission rates from diffuse sources.</p> <p>Nine well program could lead to hundreds: Origin believes the Beetaloo Basin is a world class shale resource that offers a significant resource development opportunity for the Northern Territory. At this early stage of Origin's project, the commercial and technical viability of the gas resource in the area is yet to be determined. Multiple development scenarios could occur including unsuccessful exploration and appraisal. In any event, production wells will require separate assessment and approval.</p> <p>The role of gas as a transition fuel: Recent studies continue to support the role of natural gas as a firming fuel to support renewable energy. Whilst the impacts of a broader industry are beyond the scope of this EMP, a recent GHG Life Cycle Assessment study released by GISERA confirms the climate benefits of natural gas. By using unconventional gas in place of black coal for generation of electricity in Australia greenhouse gas emissions can be reduced by around 50 per cent when using the latest combined cycle gas turbine technology. These report results align with other CSIRO research in this region, contributing to a more comprehensive understanding fugitive methane and other greenhouse gas emissions (https://gisera.csiro.au/project/whole-of-life-cycle-greenhouse-gas-assessment/).</p> <p>The Bukalara Sandstone aquifer is not included as an aquifer that Origin will ensure is protected from mixing with other aquifers: All aquifer units are protected by cement and casing. As indicated within Section 4.1.6, the Bukalara Sandstone is an aquifer utilised in the north east of the Basin; and not in proximity to the proposed Kyalla 117 N2 exploration well. The unit may not be located under the Kyalla 117 location and if encountered, will be protected through the placement of intermediate casing and cement to ensure zonal isolation.</p> <p>Can the Department verify how successful the proposed biocides are in the corrosive underground environment of the Northern Territory for the long term prevention of bacteria corrosion of the steel and cement used in the fracking well?: Biocides and corrosion inhibitors are specifically chosen based on their performance within the petroleum and water bore industries. Origin has a vested interest in assuring the integrity of its assets, hence it will design and operate each well in a manner that maximises the value and minimises the cost of remediation/ abandonment due to corrosion.</p> <p>The stakeholder engagement section of the EMP should be updated to reflect local stakeholder feedback before the Department can give it proper consideration: Origin has complied with its stakeholder engagement requirements as outlined in Section 7 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations. Broader community feedback has been assessed under the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), resulting in a series of recommendations being developed and implemented within the Codes of Practice. Origin acknowledges that while not all people may support its activities, it has also received support from stakeholders both directly concerned and from the broader region.</p>		

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700945	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Climate change, Regulation and compliance	Please find submission and supporting document attached.	P753-Submission-Origin-EMP-WEB.pdf, type application/pdf, 740.1 KB P650-NT-Climate-Consultation-FINAL.pdf, type application/pdf, 775.2 KB	GHG offsets: As per the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) Implementation Plan, the following carbon offsetting action is underway. "Climate change is a global issue and the Chief Minister has written to the Prime Minister to commence discussions on offsetting greenhouse gas emissions. The Northern Territory climate change and environmental offsets policies are under development and will be progressed in parallel with the delivery of this implementation plan" https://cmsexternal.nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0004/673123/fracking_implementation_plan.pdf	No changes require	

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700939	Business	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Economic, Regulation and compliance, Social and cultural, Traffic and roads, Waste, Water, Weeds, Well integrity, Other	<p>Hi,</p> <p>Very briefly - I started looking into unconventional gas (UCG) early in 2014 after an exploration well was constructed just north of our family farm (south of Penola SA).</p> <p>After my first few phone call inquiries I wondered if the opposition to UCG was "all fluffed up" as I stated to a friend at the time. The following calls/research however left no doubt there are extremely serious concerns about numerous aspects impact on human & animal health, contamination of aquifers, soil & air pollution, methane leaks, radio-active material, disposal of all the waste fluid, long term overall economics (after costing all the negative aspects) etc..</p> <p>In a sentence, there is absolutely no doubt that UCG is far too risky to consider in the NT.</p> <p>Alarmed at what I have learnt about the impact of this industry I borrowed \$100,000, hired a journalist & a cameraman, went to Qld for a week, USA for two weeks and produced a 70 minute documentary "Pipe Dreams Fractured Lives". Thirty eight people interviewed including families impacted as well as doctors, professors etc.. It has been screening in cinemas and at the invitation of a WA Labor politician screened in Parliament House WA in October 2019.</p> <p>I offer that as evidence and ask that a mutually convenient time be arranged so that I can show it to your committee.</p> <p>The film has been professionally put together and recently won an international film festival with some 2,000 entries from around the world.</p>	No file uploaded	The potential impacts and risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were considered and addressed extensively in the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded "It is the Panel's opinion, expressed in the Final Report, that if all of the recommendations are implemented, the identified risks associated with any onshore shale gas industry can be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases, the risks can be eliminated." The Northern Territory Government has accepted these recommendations in full and has recently finalised the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). Origin's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) complies with the requirements of the Code of Practice and therefore the recommendations of the NT Inquiry. The NT Government has now implemented the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can commence.	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	

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				<p>The trailer can be viewed by clicking on either of the links below and scroll down to the play symbol.</p> <p>Regards</p> <p>David Smith</p> <p>https://www.facebook.com/FracturedLives/</p> <p>www.pipedreamsfracturedlives.com.au/</p>				

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700927	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Climate change, Economic, Water	<p>Dear Northern Territory government,</p> <p>I am writing to express my concerns regarding expanding shale gas extraction in the Northern Territory. Fracking processes have caused massive pollution to groundwater around the world: the scale of this problem is shown by the need for US shale oil and gas producers to secure exemptions from environmental and health audits and regulations in the states where they operate.</p> <p>Serious environmental and health issues have resulted in a number of states banning fracking, including New York and Maryland. Fracking is also banned in Germany, France, Ireland and Bulgaria.</p> <p>While I am not an expert on these subjects, I have expertise on climate change: I recently co-authored (with two senior University of Queensland academics) a journal article reviewing the latest scientific literature on climate target overshoot and mitigation risks and options (it should be published in Climatic Change later this year). All evidence indicates that the Paris Agreement targets for keeping global temperatures below dangerous levels will be missed, with consequences that are likely to be both irreversible and catastrophic.</p> <p>In Australia we are already seeing the impact of climate change, e.g. the loss of 50% of coral reefs due to bleaching and increasingly extreme weather events such as more intense storms, droughts, floods and heat waves. We cannot afford to exacerbate these problems by increasing fossil fuel production in Australia, especially as our country is on track to miss its international commitments (rather than reducing greenhouse gas emissions,</p>	No file uploaded	<p>Before you proceed further, you need to conduct a comprehensive, assessment of the relative environmental, economic and health benefits, costs and risks of shale gas production: The potential impacts and risks, including environment, health and economic associated with hydraulic fracturing were addressed extensively in the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded "It is the Panel's opinion, expressed in the Final Report, that if all of the recommendations are implemented, the identified risks associated with any onshore shale gas industry can be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases, the risks can be eliminated." The Northern Territory Government has accepted these recommendations in full and has recently finalised the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). Origin's Environmental Management Plan (EMP) complies with the requirements of the Code of Practice and therefore the recommendations of the NT Inquiry. The NT Government has now implemented the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can commence.</p> <p>Climate change: Natural gas is well recognised as a firming fuel likely to play a critical role in supporting renewable energy uptake in the future. It is also well recognised that natural gas has reduced the use of coal, which has accounted for significant declines in US Greenhouse Gas Emissions in recent years (https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks)</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	

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				<p>Australian emissions have been increasing for the past four years).</p> <p>Before you proceed further, you need to conduct a comprehensive, assessment of the relative environmental, economic and health benefits, costs and risks of shale gas production. While the Origin project will probably create short term financial benefits for the Northern Territory, the resulting hydrological and atmospheric pollution will certainly have enormous long-term costs for the region and the world.</p> <p>Because these costs will far outweigh the benefits, it would be irresponsible to allow Origin to proceed with this application.</p> <p>Sincerely,</p> <p>Graeme Taylor, PhD</p>				
700768	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Waste, Water, Other	<p>Dear Sir/Madam,</p> <p>I previously uploaded a submission regarding Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2 on 28th May 2019. I wish to withdraw that submission.</p> <p>I wish to substitute it with these two current files which have minor alterations.</p> <p>With thanks</p> <p>Dr Geralyn McCarron</p>	<p>Submission-re-Origin,-Kyalla,-the-Beetaloo-2019-Campaign-2.docx, type application/vnd.openxmlformats-officedocument.wordprocessingml.document, 44.0 KB ORIGINS-list-of-chemicals-and-volumes-KYALLA2.pdf, type application/pdf, 406.5 KB</p>	<p>Tier 2 risk assessment: Origin engaged a third-party consultant to undertake the chemical risk assessment. The chemical risk assessment methodology utilised a tiered approach with only hydrotreated light petroleum distillate requiring Tier 2 type chemical risk assessment. It was the professional opinion those undertaking the assessment, that the controls required in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice) and related legislation are sufficient to reduce the potential hazard from the use of most chemicals to a low concern.</p> <p>Exposure scenarios: The EMP outlines a justification for the exposure scenarios chosen for the tier two assessment. Exposure to workers was considered the only valid exposure pathway based upon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the controls within the Code of Practice that have been recommended by the NT Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) to reduce the risk associated with wastewater and chemical management to ALARP and acceptable. - the separation distance between the well and the closest community (30+km) and landholder (20km) - the low likelihood of fauna, including birds accessing flow back tanks due to the tank wall height and salinity of the flowback <p>The exposure scenarios have been updated to include a specific scenario of fauna exposure to wastewater.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	<p>The following additional information has been added to the EMP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds. -the Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason which discusses the assessment of Origin's potential hydraulic fracturing activity on the groundwater resources in the region has been referenced in section 3.14 and appended in Appendix Q. -Additional information regarding Radon limits

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						<p>Risk to groundwater: Origin has undertaken a comprehensive risk assessment (Appendix J) outlining all potential risk scenarios and the controls proposed to reduce these levels down to ALARP and acceptable. These controls align with the recommendations within The Inquiry.</p> <p>Recovery of flow back fluid: Origin has clearly articulated that the Kyalla shale is likely to absorb between 20-80% of the flowback material within the formation. This is not uncontrolled, and all water will be fully accounted for through ongoing monitoring. These fluids will be contained within the Kyalla shale, which is separated from the closest regional aquifer by over 1400m.</p> <p>Adequacy of the NICNAS methodology: The NICNAS methodology for chemical risk assessment was a recommendation of The Inquiry. NICNAS is used for all industrial chemicals across Australia including the Petroleum Industry. Based on returns from the Amungee well, salinity is likely to be the main hazard, with other compounds likely to be present at low concentrations, readily biodegradable and not persistent (as illustrated in the chemical risk assessment). Refer Appendix C. Further assessment of chemicals injected and additional geogenic compounds returned with the flowback will be assessed partly within Origin's monitoring program outlined in Section 3.22 and the Commonwealth Government's Geological and Bioregional Assessment Flowback Characterisation study.</p> <p>Individual chemical assessments: Any chemical requires correct management to reduce the potential to harm to people or the environment. The regulatory framework for managing chemicals is mature, with many of the chemicals highlighted within the submissions used in food preparation, water treatment, agriculture and broader domestic and commercial uses. Very few chemicals are used solely for the purposes of hydraulic fracturing. Origin is committed to undertaking all activities in accordance with the relevant workplace health and safety regulations and Code of Practice requirements to ensure the risk of using chemicals is ALARP and acceptable.</p> <p>Management of flowback water: Origin will comply with the wastewater requirements of the Code of Practice, developed by Australia's leading independent research organisation, CSIRO.</p> <p>Offsite disposal of wastewater is required as the program is in exploration phase, with the construction of expensive water treatment infrastructure not practicable during this phase. Such infrastructure would be utilised during a development phase, if the technical and commercial viability of the shale resource is proven. Waste, including wastewater, is routinely transported to purpose-designed wastewater treatment and disposal facilities across Australia. This is a highly regulated activity, undertaken in accordance with the National Environmental Protection (Movement of Controlled Wastes Between States and Territories) Measure.</p> <p>Water: The risks associated with water have been comprehensively addressed by The Inquiry which outlined a series of recommendations, including the completion of strategic regional environmental baseline assessments which involve obtaining a greater understanding of the surface and groundwater resources of the area.</p> <p>The Petroleum Industry has previously developed a series of baseline groundwater monitoring programs in consultation with the Department of Natural Environment and Natural Resources, Geological and Bioregional Assessments and CSIRO. These programs, in addition to the existing knowledge of the Cambrian Limestone Aquifers (for which there is extensive experience within the NT Government) provide sufficient</p>		<p>have been added to section 3.14 the EMP.</p> <p>-Wastewater management section 3.10 updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5</p> <p>Additional information on radon and the potential risks added to Section 3.13, Specifically the link to ARPANSA guidelines and information about radon exposure and lung cancer.</p>

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						<p>understanding of the water resources within the region to allow explorational activities to occur with minimal risk to water resources. An example of an assessment of the potential impacts associated with Origin's water extraction, including cumulative impacts, is provided in the Origin's Water Extraction Licence GRF 10285 by DENR. This will be attached to the revised EMP.</p> <p>Radon: The impacts of radon associated with natural gas are well known. The levels observed in the Amungee NW1 well are low - well below the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) limit of 600Bq/m3 for domestic gas supplies (which is based upon the World Health Organisation recommendations). Exposure of raw gas to the local community is prohibited under the Code of Practice. Worker exposure is a more likely (though remote due the health and safety controls designed to prevent gas escape) and well below the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Authority (ARPANSA) Workplace limits of 1000Bq/m3. The risk associated with a continued, long-term exposure to raw gas is not credible. The Code of Practice places strict controls on venting and leak detection and repair which effectively eliminate the risk to worker and public safety.</p> <p>Air and noise monitoring: Origin's activities are located approximately 20km from the nearest sensitive receptor, with noise not a valid risk. These activities are minor and will not adversely impact on regional air quality. Flares are a recognised pollution control method, designed to destruct volatile organic compounds. The pollution created from the combustion of natural gas in flares is well documented. Origin operates a network of ambient air stations within Qld's Surat Basin which are adjacent to large gas processing facilities where flaring occurs periodically. These flares are designed to manage several hundred Terajoules(Tj) of gas, whereas the one proposed for the Beetaloo exploration project are only designed to manage<10Tj. Monitoring information is publicly accessible (https://environment.des.qld.gov.au/air/data/search.php) and GISERA studies demonstrate flaring has not impacted on ambient air quality (https://gisera.csiro.au/project/ambient-air-quality-in-the-surat-basin/) .</p> <p>Monitoring of the composition of the produced gas has been proposed in the EMP (section 3.22) to understand the potential for VOC emissions. PAH's are not anticipated to occur. Any conclusion that Origin's activities will adversely impact on regional air quality is not supported by evidence.</p>		
700691		Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Waste, Weeds	<p>I object to the proposed development at Kyalla. My concerns include:</p> <p>Open storage of chemical laden waste water are a threat to native wildlife especially birds. In addition storage of waste water in open pits is contrary to the recommendations of the Pepper report.</p> <p>The failure to provide detail of weed management and particularly the management of environmental weeds undermines the credibility of the</p>	No file uploaded	<p>Wastewater storage: Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016..</p> <p>Weed Management Plan: The weed management plan was provided in Appendix K.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	The wastewater management section (section 3.10) of the EMP has been updated to reflect the final CoP.

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				<p>proponent to adequately address this issue.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to comment.</p>				
700433	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Chemicals, Economic, Social and cultural, Water, Well integrity	<p>When considering Origin's request for permission to frack, could you take into consideration that water, a scarce commodity, is needed in the process to break down the shale to extract gas, that unknown chemicals are pumped down which may enter groundwater reserves – both facts as I understand it – and that ultimately, the gas uncovered will most probably be exported to the detriment of local industries and local employment. The present situation has companies closing because of high gas prices, (Dow Chemicals for one this week), and they have no option but to move offshore to achieve profit: the price of gas has made Australian industries uncompetitive. If by chance, it remains in Australia, we will still be vulnerable to fracking's possible, irreversible backlash.</p> <p>Original gas export sale contracts set a ludicrously low price for our gas; please, let's not make a second mistake. This one action chances dire consequences.</p>	No file uploaded	<p>Water: Water used in hydraulic fracturing operations is assessed by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources during the granting of a water extraction licence (WEL). This assessment concluded the predicted total and cumulative take of groundwater for Origin's activities will not cause any potential impacts on groundwater levels, springs and surrounding users.</p> <p>Chemicals: All chemicals must be disclosed and assessed prior to use in accordance with Schedule 1 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations. All chemicals have been disclosed within the EMP and no unknown chemicals will be used (as outlined in Appendix C of the EMP). The risk of unknown chemicals entering an aquifer has been covered extensively Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) and Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). Aquifer contamination and associated controls are covered extensively Origin's EMP and associated risk assessments.</p> <p>Gas Prices: Any considerations regarding the future gas price are outside of the scope of this EMP. It should be noted however, that exploration for new gas sources is widely recognised as a key mechanism to increase supply and reduce gas prices. Preventing future gas exploration is likely to have the opposite effect.</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	<p>Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason reference added to section 3.15 and notice add to Appendix Q</p> <p>- Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5</p>

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700423	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Regulation and compliance, Waste, Water, Weeds	Please see attachment.	20190530_Origin_Kyalla_EP117.pdf, type application/pdf, 579.2 KB	<p>Statement regarding ESD: Origin seeks to demonstrate through its EMP that its activities do not represent a significant threat of serious and irreversible environmental damage and will not result in a decline in the biological diversity and ecological intensity of the area. Supporting risk assessments are provided in Appendix J, which note no potential risk above a moderate level. Furthermore, the risks associated with hydraulic fracture stimulation were assessed by The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) which concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities in the NT (Code of Practice), the risks could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation. The NT Government has now implemented the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can commence.</p> <p>“Flaring” in a fire prone environment that inevitably will have some impact on the fire regime: The area has a naturally high fire frequency, with the area of the activity having recent (within the last 1-2 years) evidence of fire. Controls outlined in the EMP for flaring reduce the potential likelihood and consequence of Origin's activities causing bushfire. These include the use of asset protection zones (i.e. fire breaks), use of earthen berm walls, the use of water curtains to dampen radiant heat during condensate burning and separation distance between flares and adjacent vegetation. The attached Bushfire Management Plan summarises these controls.</p> <p>Cumulative impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity arising from the establishment and operation of a few wells". Any cumulative impacts relate only to the potential future clearing of a small number of wells. As addressed in the Land Condition Assessment, the areas of the proposed activities are not subject to significant clearing pressure, are regionally extensive and are not threatened.</p> <p>Weed Management Plan: The Weed Management Plan has been provided in Appendix K. The prevention, detection and management of weeds is explained in Origin's Weed Management Plan, which includes buffed grass.</p> <p>Ecology survey timing: The Land Condition Assessment (LCA) scope is appropriate for the scale and intensity of the proposed activity. The LCA also references a range of other previous surveys completed in the area. The extensive number of vegetation communities in the region, combined with the proposed level of impact, is unlikely to result in any material loss of broad ecosystem function.</p> <p>Wastewater, fauna and Lake Woods: Origins activities are located 92km from Lake Woods. The separation distance is the equivalent of an activity in Darwin impacting Adelaide River. The potential risks to migratory birds are reduced by the following factors outlined in literature and Origin's wastewater management experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -the level of salinity in the wastewater will prevent fauna and fauna from consuming it -the wastewater is abiotic and contains no food -the site is operational, has ongoing activities in the vicinity of the tank (such as flaring) and noise which will deter birds -experience in QLD and the Cooper Basin (where water scarcity is significant) has not identified any bird mortality issues 	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	<p>The following additional information has been added to the EMP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Wastewater management section updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds. -the Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason which discusses the assessment of Origin's potential hydraulic fracturing activity on the groundwater resources in the region has been referenced in section 3.14 and appended in Appendix Q. - additional information on flaring added in section 3.6 NT Land Clearing Guideline date amended -figure 5 has been added outlining the separation distance between Lake woods and the proposed activity.

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						<p>Furthermore, the risks associated with hydraulic fracture stimulation were assessed by The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) which concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities in the NT (Code of Practice), the risks could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated. Controls include no surface water discharges, the use of secondary containment, well pad bunding, wastewater management plans and spill management plans. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation.</p> <p>Cane Toads: All wastewater stored onsite will have a salinity higher than 50,000mg/l. The highest observed salinity tolerance of tadpoles is 27,500mg/l (<i>De Leon and Castillo 2015</i>), significantly lower than the salinity of the wastewater stored onsite. The wastewater onsite is therefore likely to result in tadpole mortality, reducing any potential risk associated with introduction of cane toads.</p> <p>The NT Land Clearing guidelines 2019- the version has been updated within the EMP.</p>		
700243	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Chemicals, Climate change, Economic, Regulation and compliance, Water, Other	See attached document	Origin-Kyalla-drilling-and-hydraulic-fracturing-submission-05-19.pdf, type application/pdf, 265.2 KB	<p>The oil and gas industries are the main cause of rising methane levels: This statement is not accurately reflected by the reference given which attributes recent increases in methane emissions to a number of potential sources.</p> <p>To identify and promote actions to reduce both carbon emissions and air pollution, with specific commitments to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to the Paris Agreement: Natural gas is well recognised as a firming fuel likely to play a critical role in supporting renewable energy uptake in the future. It is also well recognised that natural gas has reduced the use of coal, which has accounted for significant declines in US Greenhouse Gas Emissions in recent years (https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks)</p> <p>The importance of these three reports to the Beetaloo Basin relates to the need to retain and nurture its biodiversity to maintain sustainability as a food producing resource. Biodiversity loss resulting in deteriorating soil ecology will have a critical impact on food production as detailed by the report “The state of the world’s biodiversity for food and agriculture” from the Commission on genetic resources for food and agriculture, organisation of the United Nations (summary10). The Beetaloo Basin is a well recognised cattle grazing area which lacks intensive food production systems. Natural gas exploration is proven to co-exist with food producers, which is evident in the Surat and Bowen Basin. In these areas, compensation provides additional revenue to landholders allowing them to invest in their properties to increase output. Natural gas development can therefore be a complimentary industry.</p> <p>Six monthly leak detection monitoring: Origin's leak detection program complies with the requirements of the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice).</p> <p>Chemicals and health concerns: Chemicals used in hydraulic fracture stimulation are commonly utilised in multiple other industries, such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and other industrial applications. The transportation, storage, and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation designed to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	

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						<p>C). Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed by the use of chemicals were determined to be low. This is consistent with the findings within Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), which recommended a series of additional controls, such as secondary containment for all hazardous chemicals and spill management, to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced. The Inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other applicable legislation governing chemical use within the NT.</p>		
700147	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Regulation and compliance, Waste, Water, Well integrity	See submission attached.	Origin-Kyalla-drilling-and-hydraulic-fracturing-EMP-ALEC-submission.pdf, type application/pdf, 483.5 KB	<p>Wastewater Management: Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>Available storage volume: Origin will have enough wastewater storage to handle all available wastewater recovery scenarios, even if 100% of the injected fluid was returned. Origin has used a conservative 50% recovery rate for stimulation (i.e. it expects to recover up to 50% of all stimulation fluid injected), which is considerably higher than the 30% recovered during the Amungee NW 1 stimulation. If wastewater was to reach the 1:1000 wet season freeboard (as defined in the Code of Practice) the petroleum well would be shut in. The relevant content covered in section 3.10 of the EMP</p> <p>Wet weather access: The site will be manned, with helicopters used to transport people and supplies in and out of an activity if access was cut off.</p> <p>Significant rainfall event: This section complies with the Code of Practice and recommendation of The Inquiry to prevent tank overflows during significant events, such as cyclones. Origin has designed the freeboard for any open tank or sump at 1300mm, meaning Origin could contain an entire worst case (1:1000ARI) wet season rainfall volume. The Code of Practice also clearly states that the transfer of wastewater into enclosed tanks is required to occur before the onset of the rainfall event.</p> <p>Methane Emissions from tanks: Methane emissions from tanks will be monitored, with emissions estimated using a combination of direct measurement and emission factors.</p> <p>VOC and PAH's monitoring: monitoring of these parameters is covered in the EMP. All VOC's will be directed into a separator and then onto a flare for combustion. The volume of carryover VOC's entrained in wastewater ponds will be estimated. The volume of methane that escapes via wastewater tanks is included in the NGERs emissions factor. Based on Origin's direct measurement program within QLD, the NGERs emission factor is likely to be conservative, with actual emissions lower than estimates.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	<p>The following additional information have been added to the EMP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Wastewater management section updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds. - additional information on flaring added in section 3.6 - Additional information on equipment design added to provide greater detail on how environmental factors will be addressed. -Information on wet weather operations and the use of helicopters for people transportation during restricted access added. -additional information on condensate management added to section 3.6 of the EMP. - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds.

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						<p>PAH's are not anticipated and have previously not been detected. Additional monitoring of VOC's and PAH's will be undertaken as per section 3.23 of the EMP.</p> <p>Sale of hydrocarbons: The sale or beneficial use of produced hydrocarbons will not occur due to technical and operational constraints. It should be noted however, that the sale of hydrocarbons would reduce the carbon intensity of the activity, which is a core recommendation of The Inquiry. Our Exploration Permit also prohibits the sale of any hydrocarbons.</p> <p>Chemical Risk assessment: Origin's chemical disclosure requirements have met the legislated requirements. All chemicals, including the Chemical Abstract Service numbers (CAS) are assessed by an independent consultant. This list is also provided to DENR for review. Due to Intellectual Property, the final publicly available information is restricted to the chemical name and associated safety and handling information contained within the MSDS. The removal of the actual compounds does not result in a material reduction in available safety information, with all relevant information provided.</p> <p>Spill Management: The controls for spills prevention listed are significantly greater than the Spill Management Plan itself. In addition to the administrative controls outlined in the Spill Management Plan and Emergency Response Plan, a series of physical controls such as the use of secondary containment for all chemical storages, use of enclosed tanks, double lining of tanks, engineering design of tanks, use of 1:1000 air wet season freeboard for open sumps and tanks and well site bunding apply. The controls outlined above reduce the likelihood of an event occurring, with the consequence remaining the same – so the consequence of a wastewater tank failure is considered a Major, with the likelihood reduced to Remote. This is consistent with the intent of The Inquiry recommendations which have now been reflected in the Code of Practice.</p> <p>Spill management bridging plans: Origin's Spill Management Plan is consistent with the requirement of the Code of Practice. To ensure all of our contractors are also compliant, we mandate the inclusion of our Spill Management Plan within their own management documentation so that they are aware of the obligations and procedures under the plan. This ensures the contractor takes accountability for managing spills, rather than relying on Origin's documentation.</p> <p>Liquids management: Condensate management is a standard approach undertaken by oil and gas producers. As outlined within Section 3.6 of the eMP, condensate will be separated in a three phase separator and stored in double skinned tanks (2x400barrel tanks) onsite that are compliant with AS 1940. All condensate is anticipated to be flared in batches, with approximately 1 hour of condensate burning per day.</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement: Origin continues to engage with stakeholders in compliance with Section 7 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations</p> <p>Wastewater tanks and birdlife: The hypersalinity of the Beetaloo flow back water is likely to be the main factor that reduces the potential exposure to birds and fauna. The wastewater is hypersaline, with total dissolved solids (TDS) > 49,000 mg/L. It is well documented that birds, insects and mammals are unable to drink hypersaline water greater than 46,000 mg/L TDS (<i>Bartholomew and Cade 1963; Ohmart and Smith, 1970; ANZECC, 1992; Griffiths et al, 2009</i>). The salinity of the wastewater is likely to reduce the palatability of the wastewater, thus reducing the potential exposure of fauna, including birds, to wastewater. This has been documented within the gold industry, where studies have</p>		<p>-spill management plan updated based on changes to CoP</p> <p>- Additional information on condensate added to section 3.6.3</p> <p>-Additional information on stakeholder engagement added to Appendix I</p>

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						<p>identified links between the hypersalinity of wastewater with reduced bird mortality associated with cyanide ecotoxicity (<i>Adams et al 2013, Adams et al 2008, Griffiths et al 2009a and Griffiths et al 2009b</i>). The wastewater is also abiotic, with no aquatic macroinvertebrate food source present. This lack of aquatic food source is understood to be a protective mechanism by reducing wildlife foraging in hypersaline environments (<i>Griffiths et al, 2009a</i>). Other food sources, such as insects flying over the and flow back tanks may attract insectivorous bats and some birds, which then feed upon in the insects in the airspace above the flow back tanks. However, as stated above, it is considered extremely unlikely that insectivorous bats and birds will drink from hypersaline wastewater (<i>Smith et al, 2007; Adams et al, 2008; Griffiths et al, 2009a</i>). It is also unlikely that flying insects will drink from the flow back water, given the expected salinity, which reduces the potential for any food-chain transfer effects between the insects and insectivorous birds and bats. In regards to the Gouldian finch, it changes it's habitat preference seasonally - preferring rocky upland woodland dominated by <i>Eucalyptus tintinnans</i> in proximity to persistent waterholes or springs in the breeding season and moving to lowland grassy habitats in the wet season. This type of habitat is not in the vicinity of the activity. There is potential for Gouldian finch to be present periodically on the site during the early wet season when the availability of water is unlikely to be a constraint. Thus the driver to drink wastewater would be low, reducing the risk significantly.</p> <p>Additional information on wastewater and Birds has been provided in section 3.10 of the EMP.</p> <p>Lake Woods: Origins activities are located 92km from Lake Woods. The submission fails to consider the separation distance between the activity and the receptor. Furthermore, the risks associated with with wastewater storage, releases and spills, were assessed by The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) which concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities in the NT (Code of Practice), the risks could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated. Controls include no surface water discharges, the use of secondary containment, well pad bunding, wastewater management plans and spill management plans. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation.</p> <p>Regulated approvals: Six months baseline groundwater monitoring data is required prior to commencing any fracture stimulation activity. As a result, EMPS for groundwater monitoring and preparatory civil works are often submitted separately prior to drilling and stimulation EMPs. Tenure holders must also meet activity based timeframe commitments, which have not changed with the introduction of new monitoring requirements.</p> <p>The EMP addresses all regulated activities associated with the drilling, stimulation and well testing of the proposed Kyalla 117 N2 exploration well. This approach is consistent with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016</p>		
700099	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Regulation and compliance, Water, Well integrity	No comments.	ABroughton_Submission_Origin_Kyalla_exploration_well-.pdf, type application/pdf, 269.5 KB	<p>Groundwater baseline information availability: All baseline information, including CSIRO data, will be made publicly available through DENR.</p> <p>Does Origin have enough data and knowledge of the deeper hydrogeological system to ensure successful modelling of the hydrogeological system to ensure success in their drilling and stimulation programme: Yes- Origin has a good understanding of the hydrogeological setting it is likely to encounter based on historic drilling</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	The following additional information has been added to the EMP: -the Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason which discusses the assessment of Origin's

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						<p>records, including 3 recent (2015/16) exploration wells. These include Amungee NW 1, Kalala S1, Beetaloo W1. These wells provide an excellent data set outlining the stratigraphy likely to be encountered.</p> <p>I am concerned Origin have bulked these two aquifer systems together as I would expect they have different water quality and hydraulic properties: The cretaceous unit in the vicinity of the Kyalla 117 N2 site has not been bulked in with the CLA unit. The undifferentiated cretaceous in the vicinity of the lease pad is unsaturated and is not a local aquifer.</p> <p>Will there be any testing of the low permeability clay layer between the two shallow limestone aquifers (the Anthony Lagoon Formation and Gum Ridge Formation aquifers)? The separation between the layer is likely to be a finer grain silt/mud stone, not clay. Geophysical logging of the unit is under specific testing of the aquitard will be undertaken- other than normal wireline logging which can be used to infer permeability of the aquitard. In addition groundwater level and quality monitoring will be conducted in both the units (The Gum ridge and Anthony Lagoons) to detect if drawdown from Origin's water extraction has resulted in an impact to the Anthony Lagoons.</p> <p>Well design to isolate the cretaceous: The proposed well design is provided in Figure 5 of the Kyalla 117 N2 Drilling and Stimulation EMP. The Undifferentiated Cretaceous is unsaturated in the area and will therefore not be considered an aquifer at this location. It will still be protected from stimulation / well testing activity through multiple casing and cement strings.</p> <p>Deeper groundwater systems: Deeper groundwater systems will be isolated through intermediate casing and cementing. As the well will be drilled over pressure, sampling from these units will not be possible.</p> <p>Groundwater monitoring bore configuration: A monitoring bore will be placed in each of the Gum Ridge and Anthony Lagoons formations, with each unit isolated from each other.</p> <p>Baseline Groundwater monitoring Program: Origin will Comply with the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice) which includes provision for groundwater monitoring bores. Control monitoring bores have been installed and will provide baseline conditions. Impact monitoring bores will be installed after the drilling of the exploration well. Additional permeability testing of the aquitard is not proposed or required. This is not a standard practice for any industry and is viewed as excessive.</p> <p>Modelling of Groundwater take: The drawdown from Origin's water take has been assessed by the DENR Water Resource group.</p> <p>Mechanical Earth Model (MEM): Yes, noting that the focus of the MEM will be the formations immediately adjacent to the Kyalla shale. The geological properties of other units, such as the Cambrian Limestone Aquifer (CLA) aquifers, would only be included where the model predicted the fracture would grow within close proximity. This is not anticipated, as the fracture height is predicted to be lower than 100m in height and the CLA aquifer is 1,400m away.</p> <p>1400m separation distance: The pressure required to fracture 1400m of overburden to connect up the target reservoir to the closest aquifer is likely to be several orders of magnitude greater than proposed and possible. The distance is therefore considered an excellent inherent control that will ensure fracture growth into aquifers will not occur.</p>		potential hydraulic fracturing activity on the groundwater resources in the region has been referenced in section 3.14 and appended in Appendix Q.

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						<p>Surface release of chemicals, presence of unconfined aquifer: There are no shallow unconfined aquifers in the vicinity of the Kyalla 117 N2 lease pad. The closest aquifer unit is the Anthony Lagoon Ridge.</p> <p>Can the fracking fluid flowback be separated and measured to see how much is lost to the target formation? Yes, the volumes of water injected and returned will be measured to determine how much water is recovered.</p> <p>Appendix G - Monitoring suite: Thorium is included in the existing flowback monitoring suite.</p> <p>Code of Practice Comments: The Code of Practice provides a robust level of protection to the environment, far greater than the many other accepted industries across Australasia.</p> <p>Shallow monitoring bores: The mandated use of secondary containment, double lined wastewater storages with leak detection and spill management plan reduces the need to shallow monitoring bores.</p> <p>BTEX: All drilling fluids and stimulation chemicals will be BTEX free. Batch testing has been undertaken to determine compliance with the BTEX threshold prior to commencing activities.</p>		
700041	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Economic, Waste, Water	<p>Onshore Petroleum Assessment PO Box 3675 Darwin NT 0801</p> <p>TO: Onshore Petroleum Assessment,</p> <p>I am a science graduate (B.Sc. Hons) with units in both geology and biological sciences at Monash University and I have resided in the Top End since 1992. I am writing to express my objection to the EMP (Environmental Management Plan) submitted by Origin Energy for the Kyalla frack site in the NT.</p> <p>My main concerns with this plan are as follows:</p> <p>SUBSTANCES USED IN FRACKING ARE HARMFUL</p> <p>The fracking chemicals Origin plans to use have known health impacts for example: Webb and Moon et. al, 2017, (&quot;Neurodevelopmental and neurological effects of chemicals associated with unconventional oil and natural gas operations and their potential effects on infants and children&quot;). - ATTACHED. This paper concludes that there are many unknowns and much more research is needed, and</p>	Reviews-on-Environmental-Health-Neurodevelopmental-and-neurological-effects-of-chemicals-associated-with-unconventional-oil-and-natural-gas-operations-and-their-potential-effects-on-infants-and-children.pdf, type application/pdf, 234.4 KB	<p>Chemicals: The risks and controls associated with chemical use are clearly articulated within the EMP. The submission raises the concern of the potential hazard associated with chemicals proposed to be used within stimulation. All chemicals represent a potential hazard to people and the environment if used incorrectly. However, a hazard only represents a risk to workers, the environment and the surrounding communities when there is a valid exposure pathway (such as a release) and receptor. The risks associated with chemical usage have been considered by the independent Scientific inquiry into Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry assessed the chemicals used under the previous Amungee NW 1 stimulation program - which are similar to those proposed for the Kyalla 117 N2 program. The Inquiry outlined a series of recommendations to ensure the use of chemicals poses a minimal risk to the environment and community and that risks were ALARP and acceptable. These recommendations have led to the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities within the NT (Codes of Practice). As outlined throughout the EMP and associated appendices, Origin has outlined its commitment and strategies designed to comply with the Code of Practice.</p> <p>Chemical disclosure: Origin has complied with its chemical disclosure requirements in accordance with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations.</p> <p>Wastewater Management</p> <p>Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>Stakeholder engagement</p> <p>Origin continues to satisfy its stakeholder engagement obligations under Section 7 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations, which includes approval from the Pastoralists and host Traditional Owners. Some broader engagement with surrounding communities and organisations has also occurred. This approval and engagement is appropriate for the level of exploration activities proposed by the EMP.</p> <p>Proximity to Lake Woods</p> <p>Origins activities are located 92km from Lake Woods. The submission fails to consider the separation distance between the activity and the</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP. Additional information has been provided.	<p>The following additional information have been added to the EMP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Wastewater management section updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5 - additional information on flaring added in section 3.6 -figure 5 added to show separation distance between Lake Woods and proposed activity. -Additional information on stakeholder engagement added to Appendix I

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				<p>that: &quot;chemicals that are used in or are by-products of UOG (unconventional oil and gas) operations have been linked to serious neurodevelopmental health problems in infants and young people. Exposure to these air and water pollutants has been shown to be associated with learning and neuropsychological deficits, neurodevelopmental disorders, and neurological birth defects, with potentially permanent consequences to brain health.&quot;</p> <p>Other independent reviews of the substances used during fracking shows they are linked to: cancer, acute toxicity, respiratory irritation, tissue damage and burns. Some are very toxic to aquatic life with long lasting effects.</p> <p>Of even more concern is that there are &quot;trade name&quot;™ fracking chemicals that do not have ANY health data available! This is largely because researches are unable to identify what chemicals are being used. For example in many states in the USA companies are NOT required to disclose information about the concentrations of chemicals or even what chemicals are used in the process because of trade secret protections! (Webb and Moon et. al, 2017).</p> <p>OPEN AIR WASTEWATER TANKS POSE UNACCEPTABLE RISK</p> <p>It is unacceptable that Origin would use open air wastewater dams or &quot;tanks&quot;™ to store the toxic flowback fluid.</p> <p>This flowback and drilling fluid is full of substances including heavy metals, fracking chemicals and naturally occurring radioactive materials.</p> <p>Evaporation pits and open toxic tanks pose a risk to the incredible threatened birdlife</p>		<p>receptor. Furthermore, the risks associated with with wastewater storage, releases and spills, were assessed by The Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) which concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities in the NT (Code of Practice), the risks could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated. Controls include no surface water discharges, the use of secondary containment, well pad bunding, wastewater management plans and spill management plans. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation.</p> <p>Transport Risk</p> <p>The regulation covering chemical and wastewater transportation in Australia (including the Northern Territory) are consistent and mature. Transportation risk have been addressed in Appendix J and specifically in section 3.5 and Appendix D.</p> <p>Waste disposal Origin will comply with the NT Waste management and Pollution Control Act requirements.</p> <p>Flaring and bushfire.</p> <p>The area has a naturally high fire frequency, with the area of the activity having recent (within the last 1-2 years) evidence of fire. Controls outlined in the EMP for flaring reduce the potential likelihood and consequence of Origin's activities causing bushfire. These include the use of asset protection zones (i.e. fire breaks), use of earthen berm walls, the use of water curtains to dampen radiant heat during condensate burning and separation distance between flares and adjacent vegetation. The attached Bushfire Management Plan summarises these controls.</p>		

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				<p>that visits the site, including the Gouldian Finch, and should not be open and accessible to birdlife at any time.</p> <p>WASTE WATER TO BE IN OPEN DAMS - INSTEAD OF THE RECOMMENDED CLOSED TANKS.</p> <p>The Pepper Report states that: &quot;enclosed tanks MUST be used to hold wastewater in preference to open ponds&quot;. So it is profoundly baffling that Origin are planning to use open dams all through the wet and dry seasons rather than storing their toxic wastewater in enclosed tanks! This practice can easily lead to birds deaths and also extreme weather events could cause downstream pollution impacts.</p> <p>The site is in a catchment that needs to be off limits to fracking because downstream is Lake Woods - an area of international significance for biodiversity.</p> <p>TOURISM IMPACTS and TRANSPORT RISKS</p> <p>Origin says they care about other impacts, but have failed to talk to tourism operators about the risks of increased traffic on the Stuart Highway, or to people living downstream from their fracking exploration activities.</p> <p>Plus, Origin want to truck their toxic waste to Queensland to an undetermined site. This is unacceptable. Already Queensland has millions of tonnes of toxic salt waste for which there is no permanent disposal solution.</p> <p>There are also bushfire risks from 'flaring' of gas and other potential ignition sources. This area is very sensitive to bushfires.</p> <p>REFERENCES:</p>				

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				<p>(Webb, E and Moon, J. et al. (2018) 'Neurodevelopmental and neurological effects of chemicals'. Rev Environ Health 2018; 33(1) pp 3â€”29</p> <p>Pepper, R. (2018) Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the Northern Territory 2018. <fracking.inquiry@nt.gov.au></p> <p>Thank you for considering my concerns.</p> <p>Yours sincerely, David Pollock Gray, Northern Territory, 0830, Australia</p>				
699775	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Social and cultural	<p>Thank you for the opportunity to provide this submission from Protect the bush Alliance.</p> <p>Sheena Gillman</p> <p>Secretary and Project Coordinator</p> <p>Mb: 0409 268 076</p>	Origin-Kyalla-Submission-290519-PTBA-F.pdf, type application/pdf, 615.4 KB	<p>Health and Impacts / Chemicals: Chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing are commonly utilised in multiple other industries, such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and other domestic and commercial applications. The transportation, storage, handling and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation design to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix C). Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed by the use of chemicals were determined to be Low. This is consistent with the findings within the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), which recommended a series of additional controls (such as secondary containment for all hazardous chemicals and spill management) to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced to an acceptable level. The inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory (Code of Practice). Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other applicable legislation governing chemical use within the northern Territory.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	<p>Additional information on wastewater storage is provided in section 3.10</p> <p>- Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5</p> <p>- additional information on flaring added in section 3.6</p>

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						<p>In regard to the specific comments regarding chemicals, all chemicals, including biocides and acids, may present a safety hazard to people and the environment if used incorrectly. Within the EMP, Origin has outlined the mitigation controls to ensure the risks to people and the environment are as low as reasonably practicable and acceptable. This is covered in the activity description) section (section 3) of the EMP.</p> <p>Wastewater storage: Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>It is no longer acceptable to list only species listed under MNES: Origin's EMP covers species in addition to MNES. This is contained in the Land Condition Assessment appended to the EMP.</p> <p>Negative experience of waste and landscape impacts: Origin's application to release condensate, refers to low electrical conductivity water that collects and condenses in gas pipelines. This condensation is different from coal seam gas produced water or any liquid hydrocarbon. This water has an electrical conductivity typically lower than 500us/cm and within the ANZECC irrigation guidelines. All activities undertaken within Qld by Origin have been lawful, with no documented evidence of environmental harm reported. The claims of harm in this submission are not based on fact or evidence. Impacts associated with hydraulic fracturing have been fully investigated by Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry has outlined a series of recommendations to reduce the risk of onshore shale development to as low as reasonably practicable (ALARP) and acceptable. These recommendations have been incorporated into the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice) and include strict wastewater management requirements (including no surface discharges, secondary containment and spill response requirements). Origin will complex with the Codes of Practice and all relevant legislation.</p> <p>Fire: The Code of Practice requires Origin to have a Bushfire Management Plan to prevent and respond to bushfires. Fires in the NT are a common occurrence, with areas routinely subject to fire every 2-3 years. The example provided in this submission regarding Deepwater National Park highlights that fires are are risk to all activities and must be managed by every industry. Origin's presence is likely to assist in the management of fires, with equipment and trained staff in the area capable of assisting in bushfire response.</p> <p>General comment regarding impacts:</p> <p>The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the Inquiry. The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum activities, that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation.</p> <p>In regards to expansion of these project, any expansion is outside of the scope of this EMP and would require further assessment and approvals.</p>		

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699656	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Other	Please find submission attached	OP-Submission-Origin-Energy-Kyalla-2019.docx.pdf, type application/pdf, 168.3 KB	<p>Traditional Owner Engagement: We respect the deep connection that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have to land and sea, and that every Aboriginal person is Traditional Owner for their country.</p> <p>The four Land Councils are the Statutory Representative Body for Native Title Holders across the Northern Territory. Origin works with the Northern Land Council (NLC) to ensure we engage with Traditional Owners who are the Native Title holders and who speak legally and culturally for the country within our exploration permit area. The NLC determine who the rightful Native Holders are for our permit areas.</p> <p>We strive to be open and transparent and address any concerns and educate people on our industry and its practices. We recently met on-country with our host Traditional Owner and Native Title holder groups ahead of this year's work program. Native Title Holders together with the NLC completed sacred site clearance and avoidance surveys for this work in September last year. Aboriginal Area Protection Authority clearance certificate C2019/039 has been granted to Origin and covers covering all activities proposed under this EMP.</p> <p>Wastewater storage: Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.</p> <p>Wet season operations: All activities are designed to manage wet season operations. This includes the use of enclosed wastewater storage, 1:1000 ARI wet season freeboard, earthen bunding, sediment ponds to manage stormwater, wastewater management plans and spill management plans.</p> <p>Spill Management – Origin's spill management measures will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016. Spill management requirements are covered under section 3.14 of the EMP</p> <p>Wastewater storage and wildlife exposure: -: The hypersalinity of the Beetaloo flow back water is likely to be the main factor that reduces the potential exposure to birds and fauna. The wastewater is hypersaline, with total dissolved solids (TDS) > 49,000 mg/L. It is well documented that birds, insects and mammals are unable to drink hypersaline water greater than 46,000 mg/L TDS (<i>Bartholomew and Cade 1963; Ohmart and Smith, 1970; ANZECC, 1992; Griffiths et al, 2009</i>). The salinity of the wastewater is likely to reduce the palatability of the wastewater, thus reducing the potential exposure of fauna, including birds, to wastewater. This has been documented within the gold industry, where studies have identified links between the hypersalinity of wastewater with reduced bird mortality associated with cyanide ecotoxicity (<i>Adams et al 2013, Adams et al 2008, Griffiths et al 2009a and Griffiths et al 2009b</i>). The wastewater is also abiotic, with no aquatic macroinvertebrate food source present. This lack of aquatic food source is understood to be a protective mechanism by reducing wildlife foraging in hypersaline environments (<i>Griffiths et al, 2009a</i>). Other food sources, such as insects flying over the and flow back tanks may attract insectivorous bats and some birds, which then feed upon in the insects in the airspace above the flow back tanks. However, as stated above, it is considered extremely unlikely that insectivorous bats and birds will drink from hypersaline wastewater (<i>Smith et al, 2007; Adams et al, 2008; Griffiths et al, 2009a</i>). It is also unlikely that flying insects will drink from the flow back water, given the expected salinity, which reduces the potential for any food-chain transfer effects between the insects and insectivorous birds and bats. In regards to the Gouldian finch, it changes it's habitat preference seasonally - preferring rocky upland woodland dominated by <i>Eucalyptus tintinnans</i> in proximity to persistent waterholes or springs in</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	Additional information on wastewater is provided in section 3.10 -Information on wet weather operations and the use of helicopters for people transportation during restricted access added to section 3.16 and 3.17. -spill management plan and wastewater management plan updated based on changes to CoP - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds.

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						<p>the breeding season and moving to lowland grassy habitats in the wet season. This type of habitat is not in the vicinity of the activity. There is potential for Gouldian finch to be present periodically on the site during the early wet season when the availability of water is unlikely to be a constraint. Thus the driver to drink wastewater would be low, reducing the risk significantly.</p> <p>Additional information on wastewater and Birds has been provided in section 3.10 of the EMP.</p>		
699642	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Climate change, Social and cultural, Water	a letter is attached thank you. File NTOriginproposal2019.doc	NTOriginproposal2019.doc, type application/msword, 21.5 KB	<p>Climate change: The use of natural gas is well recognised as a lower carbon firing fuel, with up to 50% of the emissions of coal. It is well documented that the use of gas fired power in the USA has been responsible for a dramatic decline in GHG emissions (https://www.epa.gov/ghgemissions/inventory-us-greenhouse-gas-emissions-and-sinks).</p> <p>Storage of wastewater: The storage of wastewater will comply with the wastewater management requirements outlined in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). Wastewater storage is covered in section 3.10 of the EMP</p> <p>TO engagement: Origin has at all times complied with the legal requirements to obtain Traditional Owner consent for all of its proposed activities. Origin has engaged with host Traditional Owners through the statutory body, the Northern Land Council. Site clearances for all activities have been obtained from the NLC, with the clearance supports submitted to the Aboriginal Area Protection Authority (AAPA). AAPA certificate C2019/039 (variation to C2019/014) covering all activities under this EMP has been granted.</p> <p>Chemical usage: Chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing are commonly used in many industries, such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and in other industrial applications. The transportation, storage, handling and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation design to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental Risk Assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix C). Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed by the use of chemicals were determined to be Low.</p> <p>This is consistent with the findings within Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), which recommended a series of additional controls (such as secondary containment and spill management) to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced to an acceptable level and in some cases eliminated. The inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). The Code of Practice requires all hazardous chemicals to be banded, with a spill management plan implemented.</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	Wastewater management section updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP added to section 3.10 and updated within the Wastewater Management Plan. - Additional information regarding chemical legislation and context added to section 3.5
699577	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019	Other	I do not believe we should be accessing this "resource" at all. It is not required. We have alternative technology and the capability to research and develop improvements to the current technology. I believe	No file uploaded	Please refer to section 2.3 of the EMP regarding Origin's commitment to ESD.	No additional changes required.	

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		Program EP117 N2		the short term economic goals represented by this procedure wherever it occurs will not benefit mankind in the future. I believe it will indeed cause massive harm and not worth the risk. Kindest regards, Yvette Brady				
698409	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Climate change	I appose fracking in the NT,I don't want the future of our environment contaminated and damaged permanently and believe that the community should have a choice as to whether it goes ahead or not. I don't want fracking in my area or anywhere in Australia there has to be other alternatives available.	No file uploaded	The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	
698286	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Chemicals, Climate change, Economic, Regulation and compliance, Social and cultural, Traffic and roads, Waste, Water	<p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>I am deeply worried about the impacts the project herein proposed could have on the natural environment of the Northern Territory, and on surrounding local communities.</p> <p>In particular, I would highlight the following major concerns:</p> <p>Wastewater must not be kept in open air tanks. This is in line with what was promised under the Fracking Inquiry. Large numbers of birds will be killed if this is allowed to continue, including threatened species.</p> <p>In addition to the above, the wet season could cause open air tanks to overflow. Any overflow would have devastating impacts on the surrounding environment and water.</p> <p>The lack of a determined waste site is another key concern. Waste sites must be identified before any activities can</p>	No file uploaded	<p>General comment about impacts on environment and community - The potential impacts and risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were considered and addressed extensively by the expert Panel in the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT. The inquiry concluded: "it is the Panel's opinion, expressed in the Final Report, that if all of the recommendations are implemented, the identified risks associated with any onshore shale gas industry can be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases, the risks can be eliminated." The Northern Territory government has accepted all these recommendations in full and has recently finalised the code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory. Origin's Environmental Management Plan complies with the requirements of the Codes of Practice and therefore the recommendations of the NT Inquiry. The NT Government has now implemented the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can commence</p> <p>Wastewater management: Origin will comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016.This includes the mandated use of covered tanks, comprehensive wastewater management requirements, requirement for wastewater and spill management plans and the requirement to have enough freeboard on open tanks to address a 1:1000 year wet season.</p> <p>Wastewater management is covered in section 3.10 of the EMP.</p> <p>Waste Disposal Location: The waste disposal location was provided in Section 3.10 and the wastewater management plan (provided in Appendix E).</p> <p>Flaring: Flaring is a standard pollution reduction control used during production. Appropriate flare design and buffers from the surrounding vegetation are utilised to ensure the risk of creating bushfires is eliminated.</p> <p>Additional information on flaring has been provided in section 3.6.2 to address this comment.</p> <p>Traditional Owner engagement: Engagement with the host Traditional Owners and Native Title holders for the Kyalla 117 N2 lease pad area has been facilitated through the Northern Land Council. We work with the Northern Land Council to ensure we are engaging with the Traditional Owners who are the Native Title holders that may legally and</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	Section 3.10 updated to reflect new wastewater COP requirements. Additional information provided in section 3.6.2 on flaring.

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				<p>commence and before this EMP can be approved.</p> <p>Finally, the practice of flaring must be banned totally. The potential fire risk is very significant and the cumulative emissions from flaring are too great to allow it to occur.</p> <p>There has not yet been enough consultation with local communities, including tourism providers and traditional owners on the impacts these activities will have on the area. As someone who frequently camps at Lake Woods I am very concerned about what it will look like if fracking is allowed to happen upstream.</p> <p>Thank you very much for listening to my concerns. I look forward to the proper processes being followed and this EMP being rejected, pending appropriate management and planning in regard to the above.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>		<p>culturally make decisions about the areas within our exploration permits where activity is proposed. The Northern Land Council are the statutory body responsible for determining who the rightful Native Holders are for Origin to consult and work with each year. Native Title holders completed Sacred Site Clearance and Avoidance Surveys in September 2018 for the proposed activities covered under this EMP. The formal NLC Sacred Site Avoidance Report / Anthropological Report dated 15 November 2018 was provided to the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority who process Origin's AAPA applications for the Kyalla 117 N2 exploration areas and associated infrastructure. AAPA certificate C2019/039 (variation to C2019/014) covering all activities under this EMP has been granted.</p>		
697615	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Climate change, Regulation and compliance, Waste	<p>I am deeply concerned about these open ponds and fracking in general in the NT.</p> <p>Please consider the legacy you will be leaving future generations.</p> <p>I doubt these open ponds were part of the recommendations provided to make fracking safe.</p>	No file uploaded	<p>Wastewater storage: Origin will undertake all wastewater storage in accordance with the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice).</p> <p>Wastewater storage and management is covered under section 3.4.3 and section 3.10 of the EMP.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	Section 3.10 and wastewater management plan updated to reflect new wastewater COP requirements.

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697609	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Other	<p>Doctors for the environment https://www.dea.org.au/unconventional-gas/</p> <p>have published their informed concerns about the effects fracking has on the environment and deleterious effects on human health, both for the workers and communities exposed to the toxins. It has been banned in Victoria, and many other places around the world. There is no safe way to frack. Listen to the will of the Territory people, and revoke the licences that they never agreed upon in the first place. The Territory has sold out its people for a Ponze scheme. Fracking is bad economics, bad for the health of the ecosystem, and the worst toxic stupidity to ever rape this nation.</p>	No file uploaded	<p>The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.</p> <p>The NT Government has now implemented the 31 recommendations which the Inquiry Final Report recommended be implemented before exploration can commence. Origin is required to comply with the standards and requirements prescribed in the Code as compliance with the Code is a mandatory requirement under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and all other relevant legislation to ensure the intent of the NT Inquiry recommendations are achieved.</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	
696135	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Flora and fauna, Chemicals, Economic, Regulation and compliance, Waste, Other	<p>It is totally unacceptable that regulation on the fracking industry deviate in any way, shape or form from the recommendations of the commissioned report. Exposing the land, people and nature of the NT to enhanced risks through the allowance of exposed storage ponds is a blatant breaking of the promise to implement every recommendation of the report.</p> <p>It was promised by the Gunner Labor government that this report, if implemented completely, would ensure a safe, regulated industry. Apart from the fact that I doubt that any example of a perfect implementation on such a scale has ever been achieved, government is now renegeing on its already watered-down promises to the people of the NT.</p> <p>In addition, I highly object to the use of what measly public funds we have left, being directed to fund private company's explorative drilling activities. The economic, environmental and social management of this government is an absolute</p>	No file uploaded	<p>The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.</p> <p>Wastewater storage: Origin will undertake all wastewater storage in accordance with the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice).</p> <p>Wastewater storage and management is covered under section 3.4.3 and section 3.10 of the EMP.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	Section 3.10 and wastewater management plan updated to reflect new wastewater COP requirements.

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				<p>disgrace and will not be tolerated by the populace.</p> <p>Thanks for your time.</p>				
	NGO	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Weed management, Flora and fauna, physical environment, waste management	Electronic letter and appendix dated 30 May 2019.		<p>Releasing EMP prior to completion of Codes of Practice: The EMP reflects all requirements of the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice). The EMP was not approved prior to the finalisation of the Code of Practice.</p> <p>NT Land Clearing guideline version- The version of the NT Land Clearing Guideline has been made within the EMP.</p> <p>Ecological Sustainable Development: The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.</p> <p>Origin's commitment to addressing ESD requirements are outlined in section 2.3 of the EMP.</p> <p>Enclosed tanks: The use of open tanks and tailings facilities is a standard management approach in a several industries including water treatment, mining, agriculture, and sewerage treatment. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice. The risks associated with wastewater storage have been thoroughly assessed through the EMP and in the Risk Assessment provided in Appendix J.</p> <p>It is incorrect to claim that there will be "no impact on the conservation of biological diversity and ecological integrity". The threat from environmental weeds, to water aquifers, to birds and other fauna from open waste water creates an unacceptable risk. This risk is not being adequately mitigated as per recommendation 7.12. The findings of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry) are inconsistent with this statement. The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.</p> <p>Weed Management Plan: Origin's Weed Management Plan was provided in Appendix K.</p> <p>Weed Washdowns and certification: Equipment washdown and certified by a person (internal or external to Origin) who has completed</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	The following additional information has been added to the EMP: - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds. -the Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason which discusses the assessment of Origin's potential hydraulic fracturing activity on the groundwater resources in the region has been referenced in section 3.14 and appended in Appendix Q. -NT Land Clearing Guidelines updated

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						<p>the appreciate training as per AHC BIO201 Inspect and Clean machinery for Plant, Animal and Soil Material, or by the NT Government specified training course.</p> <p>Declared Weed outbreaks: Management of weed outbreaks is covered under the Weed Management Plan provided in Appendix K.</p> <p>There is a potential for the open water pits to be supporting the breeding of cane toads, which will have a negative on native species: All wastewater stored onsite will have a salinity higher than 50,000mg/l. The highest observed salinity tolerance of tadpoles is 27,500mg/l (<i>De Leon and Castillo 2015</i>), significantly lower than the salinity of the wastewater stored onsite. The wastewater onsite is likely to result in tadpole mortality, thus reducing the potential risk associated with introduction of cane toads.</p> <p>Land condition assessment: The Land Condition Assessment (LCA) scope is appropriate for the scale and intensity of the proposed activity. The LCA also references a range of other previous surveys completed in the area. The extensive number of vegetation communities in the region, combined with the proposed level of impact, is unlikely to result in any material loss of broad ecosystem function. As the area is regionally extensive, site adjacent to the lease pad can be used as analogues to guide future rehabilitation.</p>		
	Community	Kyalla Drilling and Hydraulic Fracturing 2019 Program EP117 N2	Groundwater	Letter dated 21 May 2019.		<p>The risks associated with hydraulic fracturing were assessed by the independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry). The Inquiry concluded that with the adoption of all 135 recommendations, including the development of a Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice), that the risks identified with fracking could be mitigated or reduced to an acceptable level, and in some cases eliminated.</p> <p>The Code of Practice covers the protection of aquifers through appropriate physical separation and well barriers. Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other relevant legislation.</p>	No- all risks identified have been appropriately covered in the EMP.	

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Protect NT Inc					Attachment	<p>Social Licence: Origin continues to satisfy its stakeholder engagement obligations under Section 7 of the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations, which includes approval from the Pastoralists and host Traditional Owners. Some broader engagement with surrounding communities and organisations has also occurred. This approval and engagement is appropriate for the level of exploration activities proposed by the EMP.</p> <p>Code of Practice Implementation: The Code of Practice has now been finalised.</p> <p>Wastewater Storage: All wastewater storage will be undertaken in accordance with the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the NT (Code of Practice).</p> <p>Chemical risk Assessment: Chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing are commonly utilised in many other industries such as agriculture, food processing, water treatment, cosmetics and other industrial applications. The transportation, storage, handling and handling of chemicals within Australia are governed by stringent legislation design to mitigate the impacts associated with chemical exposure. The risks associated with chemicals has been assessed in the Environmental risk assessment (Appendix J) and a Chemical Risk Assessment (Appendix C). The chemical risk assessment was completed by an independent third-party consultant. Using the defined risk mitigation controls, the risk posed by the use of chemicals were determined to be Low. This is consistent with the findings of the Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing in the NT (The Inquiry), which recommended a series of additional controls such as secondary containment for all hazardous chemicals and spill management to ensure the risks associated with chemical handling were reduced to an acceptable level. The Inquiry recommendations have been incorporated in the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory (Code of Practice). Origin will comply with the Code of Practice and all other applicable legislation governing chemical use within the NT.</p> <p>Where will the waste go: Waste, including locations of disposal locations is discussed in section 3.9 and 3.15 of the EMP.</p> <p>Proppant and sand source: Sand will be sourced primarily from South Australia. Additional sand may be imported from other locations, such as Saudi Arabia.</p> <p>Workers health / risk and controls associated with workers is not covered under an EMP. It should be noted that 40+ degree heat is common in the NT with wall industries having to deal with climatic constraints.</p> <p>Will materials and equipment used by Origin cope with excessive heat and flooding: Yes, all equipment and materials will be selected with regards to the local environmental conditions, including flooding.</p> <p>Groundwater Use: Origins water use will not increase competition with surrounding users or the environment for water. Origin is not permitted to extract surface water, with all water being extracted from the Gum Ridge formation - which is below the Anthony Lagoons formation (the unit targeted by local landholders). The projects current groundwater extraction level from the Gum Ridge has been assessed by DENR as a part of the Water Extraction Licence application process. The Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reasons for GRF 10285 completed by DENR included an assessment of cumulative water extraction levels and future users. The assessment concluded Origin's groundwater take is within the sustainable yield of the formation and will not impact on current or future users.</p>	No changes to management practices- Additional information to be provided	The following additional information has been added to the EMP: -the Water Extraction Licence Statement of Reason which discusses the assessment of Origin's potential hydraulic fracturing activity on the groundwater resources in the region has been referenced in section 3.14 and appended in Appendix Q.

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Donato environmental Services	Consultant engaged by NGO				Report	<p>Wastewater fauna mortality: The report appears to omit research completed by the authors citing reduced mortality of birds resulting from hypersaline tailings facilities. The authors present clear evidence that hypersalinity reduces the potential hazard to birds from exposure to wastewaters. Given all wastewater stored onsite is hypersaline (i.e. >50,000mg/l total dissolved salts) the risk associated with fauna wastewater exposure is appropriately covered in the EMP.</p> <p>Examples of literature completed by the author linking reduced fauna mortality and hypersalinity of wastewater include:</p> <p>Adams, M.D., Donato, D.B., Schulz, R.S., Smith, G.B., Gibbons, T., Davies, S and Hillier D., 2013. Hypersaline-Induced Reduction in Cyanide Ecotoxicity at Gold Operations, thereby Obviating Detoxification Plants. Conference Paper, World Gold Conference, Australia, Brisbane.</p> <p>Adams, M.D., Donato, D.B., Schulz, R.S., Smith, G.B., 2008. Influences of hypersaline tailings on wildlife cyanide toxicosis: MERIWA project M398 (Phase II) cyanide ecotoxicity at hypersaline gold operations. Final Report Volume 2—Definitive Investigation. Minerals and Energy Research Institute of Western Australia, Perth.</p> <p>Griffiths SR, Smith GB, Donato DB, Gillespie CG 2009a. Factors influencing the risk of wildlife cyanide poisoning on a tailing storage facility in the Eastern Goldfields of Western Australia. Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety 72 (2009) 1579-1586</p> <p>Griffiths SR, Smith GB, Donato DB, Lumsden LF, Coulson G., 2009b. Hypersalinity reduces the risk of cyanide toxicosis to insectivorous bats interacting with wastewater impoundments at gold mines. Ecotoxicology and Environmental Safety 99 (2014) 28-34</p> <p>The submission notes that an expected response from As highlighted by the author's submission and their previous research, exposure of birds to Origin's wastewater is likely to be further reduced by the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the water is void of food resources, - the site is a working site with noising equipment and operations preventing safe roosting, - there is minimal structural habitat, with tanks offering limited perching opportunist. - wastewater tanks and sumps will generally contain water at depths not suitable for wading birds with limited beach areas. <p>The proponent would argue that no wildlife deaths or any wildlife were recorded at similar impoundments associated with hydraulic fracture stimulation –</p> <p>Unlike tailings facilities, exploration activities are of short duration with infrastructure located within the operating footprint. A better understanding of how the activities will be undertaken is required, using permanent tailings facilities associated with mining operations as an analogy.</p> <p>This is incorrect based upon the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bird interactions with wastewater facilities would be highly visible to staff members who are onsite at all time during operations. They do not need specific training to detect birds; wastewater tanks are being operated, with staff members located 10's of meters away from these facilities. -Over 500 wastewater tanks have been used across Australia, including the Cooper Basin, where water availability is less than the Beetaloo. Anecdotal evidence from the tank providers and operators is that they 	Additional monitoring practice proposed- no additional management practices required.	The following additional information have been added to the EMP: -Wastewater management section 3.10 and wastewater management plan updated to align with the changes to the finalised CoP. - Table 6 and section 3.9.4 updated to include additional information regarding the potential exposure to fauna, including birds. -additional monitoring program for fauna and birds outlined within section 3.9.4 and Section 3.22 of the EMP.

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						<p>have never had issues with birds or other fauna. This is also consistent with Queensland operations which has dozens of permanent wastewater storage facilities and no bird mortalities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Carcasses would be easily identifiable during tank decommissioning - tanks are not permanent and all material is removed from site within 3-12 months. <p>Flowback ponds chemistry /evaporation: The increase in salinity is likely to reduce the palatability and exposure to wastewater. The authors journal articles demonstrate hypersalinity reduces the mortality of birdlife associated with cyanide contaminated storages.</p> <p>"On a prima facie assessment using the Standards Australia HB203:2006 guidelines [14] the likelihood of such interaction is determined as C (Possible/Occasional) and a consequence of Moderate (One or two individuals of a listed species impacted in a single occurrence, or more than five individuals of non-listed species in a single incident or less than five non-listed individuals in multiple incidents) returns a risk of Moderate. Consistent with the EMP, such a level of risk would require mitigation".</p> <p>The likelihood of the Gouldian finch drinking wastewater is considered highly unlikely. This would reduce the risk associated with wastewater storage to low, which is consistent with Origin's current assessment. This classification is based upon the following facts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Gouldian Finch has habitat preferences that vary seasonally, preferring rocky upland woodland dominated by Eucalyptus tintinnans in proximity to persistent waterholes or springs in the dry season and moving to lowland grassy habitats in the wet season. The proposed activity is located in potential wet season foraging habitat. Considering the likely high level of water availability, the potential driver for Gouldian Finch that may be in the area during the wet season to drink wastewater would be low. - It is recognised the area of potential habitat within the NT is large, with the Gouldian finch likely only to be using a small percentage of those formally occupied (National Recovery Plan for the Gouldian Finch (Erythrura Gouldian). The small size of the activity and broad availability of habitat means the chances of encountering a Gouldian finch are low. - The site will be manned with large operational noise, deterring most birds, including the Gouldian finch which is anecdotally a very timid bird. - Wastewater consumption is not a major threat identified for the Gouldian finch. There are examples of open wastewater storages from other mining operations in the vicinity of known Gouldian finch habitat (such as Yinberrrie Hills) where impacts associated with wastewater storages are not identified as a major. This is consistent with Origin's assessment. <p>Potential impacts to migratory waders: the risk to migratory birds is reduced based on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - fluid level in both tanks and mud sumps will not be suitable for wading birds, with levels generally above 0.5m - all wastewater is hypersaline and free of food sources - this is likely to eliminate the attraction to the wastewater - the sites will be operational and manned. Noise and activity near the sumps will likely deter birds from rooster/ visiting. - operators are onsite and in close proximity to tanks and sumps. Bird activity, if present, will be clearly visible and corrective actions implemented if mortality was detected. 		

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						<p>The EMP fails to identify the risk to the Gouldian Finch, which on a prima facie assessment, in this review, is rated as moderate and requires mitigation: It is unclear what requirement the author has referenced when stating a moderate risk require mitigation. As defined in Section 7 the EMP, a moderate risk may be acceptable and ALARP not requiring any further mitigation.</p>		

Appendix S Well Operation Management Plan Requirements

B.4.1 Well Integrity Management		
B.4.1.1 Principles		
Monitoring and maintenance is required to preserve the well and its equipment in a suitable condition for their useful life. Well integrity management systems aim to ensure the wells meet operational availability and well integrity goals for the entire well lifecycle, as shown in Figure 1.		
Wells are designed to be operated such that the following are achieved: (a) well integrity is maintained at all times and barriers meet the requirements described in section B.4.3 of this Code; (b) their well integrity is validated through a well integrity testing program; (c) well barrier status is known and technical integrity risks are managed; (d) the well operating envelope is not exceeded; and (e) all materials and equipment installed in a well must maintain well integrity for the lifespan of its intended use.		
B.4.1.2 Mandatory Requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) The interest holder must be able to demonstrate that they have a system or process for managing well integrity throughout the whole well life cycle that complies with ISO 16530- 1:2017 Well integrity - Part 1: Life cycle governance. This system or process must include a well integrity management system.	Well to be designed and constructed as per the Origin Well Design and Delivery Process (WDDP) in conjunction with Origin internal design standards. Wells are managed as per Origin Well Integrity Management Plan (WIMP) and in compliance with ISO 16530-1:2017 Well integrity - Part 1: Life cycle governance Life Cycle Phases include: Basis of Design, Design, Construction, Operation, Intervention & Abandonment Elements covered include: Well integrity (management & policies), risk assessment, organisation structure, well barrier, performance standards, well barrier verification, reporting & documentation, MOC, Continuous improvement/Auditing/Learnings	6.1 Well Design Process 6.2 Casing Design 8 Barrier Analysis 9 Risk Management 12 Well Integrity Management System Appendix G
(b) In order to continue operating a well which has, or is believed to have, a compromised well barrier, a risk assessment must be conducted in line with the interest holder’s risk assessment process and where required remediation action undertaken.	OE standards require dual barriers. Any deviations require a risk assessment to demonstrate ALARP. Remediations are to be conducted where required and in accordance to OE well failure model.	
(c) A well integrity testing and validation program must be established for all wells, that includes:		
i. subsurface integrity testing (SIT);	All subsurface barriers are validated during well construction and identified in the Well Acceptance Criteria	

	(WAC). WAC are holding points in the program and must be accepted prior to moving onto the next operation.	
ii. well integrity and well barrier validation requirements in accordance with this Code		
iii. a minimum testing frequency for wells in the operational phase of their lifecycle that is commensurate with well's well integrity risks as per the accepted WOMP; and	Well monitoring will be conducted in accordance to Origin's WIMP. Routine Operational Inspections: During each operational Visit Mandatory Inspections: 6 Monthly	
iv. triggers for well integrity testing based on:	Well integrity barriers are tested when potential failures may be suspected or when known changes to the well barrier/operational envelope have occurred	
a. well integrity monitoring; and		
b. substantive changes to well barriers or well operating envelope.		
(d) Casing and tubing wear due to corrosive fluids and erosion should be assessed throughout the well life cycle and its impact on well integrity.	All produced fluids (gas/liquids) are analysed for corrosive attributes to understand the impact on well integrity for the life cycle of the well. Whilst still in exploration, corrosion coupons are implemented to access the rate of corrosion on the material selection of tubulars and wellheads	

B.4.2 Aquifer protection		
B.4.2.1 Principles		
Protection of aquifers is an integral consideration in petroleum well design.		
Developing a mechanical reactive barrier for a petroleum well involves the following:		
(a) definition or specification of a barrier;		
(b) understanding of causes of failure;		
(c) asking what signals could be monitored to help predict a failure; and		
(d) asking what signals could be monitored to help detect a failure.		

<p>The protection of aquifers requires the following to be achieved:</p> <p>(a) well-defined stratigraphic definition to the base of the deepest recognised aquifer in the local area prior to drilling;</p> <p>(b) aquifers must be considered during the well design process and interest holders must include the design of aquifer isolation in their WOMP;</p> <p>(c) all aquifers in the area must be isolated from the surface and each other and any hydrocarbon bearing zones using appropriate barriers, in accordance with section B.4.3.2 of this Code;</p> <p>(d) groundwater quality monitoring conducted in accordance with section B.4.17 of this Code; and</p> <p>(e) drilling fluids must be designed to minimise environmental harm, in accordance with section B.4.10.2 of this Code.</p>			
B.4.2.2	Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
	(a) Casing setting depth must be selected to protect resources including aquifers in accordance with section B.4.3.2 of this Code.	<p>Each identified aquifer is isolated via a casing string and annular cement to surface. Casing points for the top hole are selected to provide isolation of the different aquifers from each other and from the reservoir.</p> <p>Data collected from offset water monitoring bores are utilised to plan casing points for top hole sections.</p>	<p>6.2 Casing Design 6.5 Cementing Programme 10.4 Aquifer Protection 12. Well Integrity Management System</p>
	(b) All aquifers, in the area must be isolated from each other and from the surface and any permeable hydrocarbon bearing zones by appropriate well barriers, in accordance with section B.4.3 of this Code.	<p>All identified aquifers are isolated in the top hole sections of the well.</p> <p>Anthony Lagoons (Aquifer) isolated behind conductor casing and cement</p> <p>Gum Ridge (Aquifer) isolated behind surface casing and cement</p> <p>Target hydrocarbon bearing reservoir is isolated behind intermediate and production casing/cement</p>	
	(c) Primary cementing design and validation must be carried out in accordance with the interest holder's well operations management plan and in accordance with B.4.7 of this Code.	<p>Cement modelling - lab testing to meet</p> <p>Final cementing program to be prepared</p> <p>Validation metrics outlined in Well Barrier Diagrams</p>	
	(d) Monitoring of barriers and casing condition must be carried out in accordance with the interest holder's well operations management plan and in accordance with B.4.1 of this Code.	<p>Barriers are verified during well construction as per the program WACs, this includes mechanical integrity testing of production casing and annular cement verification in the intermediate and production hole sections.</p> <p>On going monitoring of annular pressures conducted as per the OE WIMP.</p>	

(e) If aquifers of environmental value are discovered during drilling that were not identified prior to commencement of drilling notification to the Minister is required under r23 of the PER. This notification should identify whether or not environmental values of the aquifer have been adequately addressed under the EMP and whether or not the EMP requires revision under r17.	Will be complied with if circumstances arise. Control water monitoring bores drilled within 100m of the petroleum bore reduce the likelihood of this occurrence.	
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B.4.3 Well design and well barriers		
B.4.3.1 Principles		
Petroleum wells are designed and constructed such that:		
(a) well objectives are met;		
(b) well barriers are designed to prevent unintentional influx, crossflow to other formation layers and outflow to the external environment;		
(c) barrier envelopes are designed such that failure of one barrier should not lead to an uncontrolled release of formation fluids (blowout or cross-flow);		
(d) testing and acceptance requirements specified in the WOMP are satisfied;		
(e) wells can be monitored and maintained to contain and control well fluids, provide structural support and otherwise retain well integrity throughout all reasonably anticipated well construction and production load conditions – which may occur during the life of the well; and		
(f) zonal isolation between different aquifers, and between hydrocarbon bearing zones and aquifers is achieved.		
B.4.3.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
Wells must be designed such that:		

(a) casing setting depths and cement isolate aquifers and hydrocarbon bearing zones;	Each identified aquifer is isolated via a casing string and annular cement to surface. Casing points for the top hole are selected to provide isolation of the different aquifers from each other and from the reservoir. Data collected from offset water monitoring bores are utilised to plan casing points for top hole sections. Casing and cement integrity are tested and verified for hole sections that land in the target reservoir formations prior to hydraulic fracturing activity	6.2 Casing Design 6.5 Cementing Programme 6.12 Well Suspension Programme 6.13 Pressure Testing and Well Control 6.15 Well Decommissioning 10.3 Well Control Equipment Appendix B - Well Barriers
(b) unless paragraph (c) applies, they are constructed, maintained and decommissioned in such a manner that it can be demonstrated there are at least two verified well barriers between:		
i. a hydrocarbon bearing zone and aquifers and the surface; and	A 4 string well design is implemented for wells in the Kyalla SRR, which provide a minimum of 2 well barriers between hydrocarbon bearing zone, aquifers and the surface	
ii. deep, saline water bearing formations and aquifers/the surface.		
(c) where one or more of the following circumstances applies, less than two verified barriers may be provided:		
i. during top hole or surface hole drilling where shallow hydrocarbon or water flow risk has been assessed as being negligible;	Regional study and assessment indicate a low risk of shallow hydrocarbon/water flows within the Kyalla fairway	
ii. during diverter drilling;	Risk assessed as required	
iii. during well decommissioning when two formations need to be isolated from one another and two barriers are not feasible, and a continuous cement plug extending minimum 50m above to 50m below the interface is placed instead; or	A continuous cement plug may be placed across all shallow aquifers inside the production casing during decommissioning.	
iv. in other circumstances during well life cycle activities when a risk assessment demonstrates that the same level of risk can be achieved as if two verified barriers were in place.	Risk assessed as required	
(d) they are constructed, maintained and decommissioned in such a manner that it can be demonstrated that all aquifers are isolated from each other and the surface by a minimum of one verified well barrier;.	Each operation must meet OE program Well Acceptance Criteria, which prescribe the well barrier elements and validation requirements. The wells are designed in such a manner that annular pressures can be monitored for the life of the well to confirm well integrity	
(e) installation of BOP equipment is provided for;	Wellheads designed for allowance of BOP once top hole section is complete	
(f) well control is maintained during all well activities;	See Well Barrier Diagrams and Risk Assessment	

(g) fit for purpose casing weight and grade are used, having regard to casing corrosion risk and connection suitability;	Mechanical earth models, particularly pore pressure and fracture gradients are utilised in modelling and selecting fit for purpose casing weight and grades for each hole section. Premium connection are implemented for intermediate and production string sections
(h) specific requirements for well construction materials are included in the design;	Corrosion analysis will be undertaken throughout the exploration phase to characterise the gas composition and analyse corrosion rates. Well operating life is assessed annually and decommissioned early if required.
(i) minimum casing centralisation standards in section B.4.7.2 of this Code are met;	Once hole section is TD, a well centralisation model is conducted to ensure a minimum of 70% standoff is achieved
(j) engineered cement slurries and appropriate cement placement techniques are part of the design;	Engineered cement slurries designed accommodate the foreseeable load conditions for the life of the well. Laboratory test/modelling will include at a minimum slurry density, rheology, thickening time, free water, fluid loss (if required), and compressive strength development with time. In addition 3D simulation will be conducted for accurate displacement volume, Rotation of casing while cementing to be conducted to enhance uniform cement sheath in the horizontal wellbore
(k) petroleum fluids produced from the well do not crossflow to aquifers; and	4 string well design and validated barriers prevent cross flow of petroleum fluids to aquifers
(l) wherever drilling fluid is being used as a primary barrier, sufficient reserves of drilling fluid and supplies of drilling fluid materials shall be available at the well site for immediate use so that the well can be maintained full of drilling fluid.	Sufficient reserves are kept on location 10% contingency in addition to reserves to accommodate a 1 bbl/m dilution factor and sufficient weight agents on location to increase mud weight by 0.5 ppg for the entire active system

B.4.5 Working with hydrogen sulfide (H2S)	
The scope of this section B.4.5 covers any well location where H2S is expected to exceed 10 ppm (by volume) in the breathing zone.	
B.4.5.1 Principles	

Hydrogen sulfide (H2S) is classed as a hazardous substance and a dangerous good that is sometimes found in fluids encountered in oil and gas producing and gas processing operations. The interest holder is responsible for ensuring that suitable operational practices are in place to manage the risks associated with H2S.			
H2S management practices include:			
(a) characterisation of the probability and concentration levels of H2S that may be encountered; and			
(b) the safe handling of any H2S encountered during well operations.			
B.4.5.2	Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
	(a) On detection in exploration wells or appraisal wells, or where there has been regional evidence of H2S, a review of reservoir and offset well data must be carried out for a well, or campaign of wells in the same reservoir, to determine the probability and concentration levels of H2S.	N/A - H2S not expected	N/A
	(b) As hydrogen sulfide is classed as a hazardous substance a risk assessment must be conducted and recorded for all work activities where personnel may be exposed to the substance.		
	(c) Prior to operations in an H2S environment, an H2S management plan must be developed that is consistent with API RP49, Recommended Practices For Safe Drilling Of Wells Containing H2S.		
	(d) All drilling contractors and service companies involved in well site operations must be notified of predicted H2S levels and temperatures.		
	(e) A flare system must be provided to safely collect and burn H2S gas during well control or well test operations. Flare lines must be located as far away from the well as reasonably practicable.		
	(f) For operations where H2S is predicted, continuous H2S monitoring equipment shall be installed, which is capable of continuously measuring and displaying the concentration of H2S in ambient air. H2S gas detectors must be available for personnel working in a known high risk zone when H2S is present or predicted in any quantity. A H2S alarm setting of 5 ppm must be used for personal, portable and fixed detectors.		

<p>(g) Personnel are to be provided with personal protective equipment to prevent exposure to H2S if the work area concentration of H2S are expected to exceed or are found to exceed 10 ppm (by volume) 8-hour time weighted average or 15 ppm (by volume) as a short term exposure level . Personnel safety provisions do not apply when the atmospheric concentration of H2S could not exceed 10 ppm (by volume) in the breathing zone.</p>		
<p>(h) For H2S operations, equipment and materials shall be selected on the basis of resistance to sulfide stress cracking and corrosion where the partial pressure of H2S gas exceeds 350 Pa (0.05 psi), or 70 kPa (10 psia) in sour crude systems.</p>		
<p>i. If it is proposed to use a material which is intended for 'non H2S service', a risk assessment and supporting data must be conducted to demonstrate the integrity of equipment or materials over the following timeframes:</p>		
<p>a. during a single temporary exposure to sour reservoir fluids (e.g. circulating out a kick, or if there is a leak in the test string while production testing) or,</p>		
<p>b. in the time between exposure to sour reservoir fluids and completion of evacuation of the well site in the event of uncontrolled total displacement of the well contents by such fluids.</p>		
<p>ii. If operations on a well are suspended then the effects of H2S over the suspension period must be considered.</p>		
<p>(i) Elastomers, packing and other non-ferrous parts exposed to H2S must be resistant at the maximum anticipated temperature of exposure.</p>		
<p>(j) A drilling fluid program must include the use of an H2S scavenger to remove any H2S from the drilling fluid.</p>		
<p>(k) When coring operations are conducted in possible H2S bearing zones, the wearing of breathing equipment and testing for H2S using hand held sensors must be used for the final 10 stands, and must continue while retrieving the inner core barrels, opening the core barrels and examining the cores. Prior to transportation, cores must be sealed and marked to indicate the presence of H2S.</p>		
<p>(l) If H2S in the gas phase is predicted during well test operations, H2S concentration must be monitored at first hydrocarbons to surface and at regular intervals throughout the test.</p>		

(m) If H2S levels exceed original design assumptions or cannot be controlled by the resources available on the rig, then the well must be shut-in. The well must remain shut in until such a time as the level of H2S readiness is increased such that operations can continue safely.		
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B.4.6 Casing and tubing		
B.4.6.1 Principles		
The casing program should be configured to accommodate all identified sub-surface hazards and to minimise risk either from cross-flow between formations or the uncontrolled release of well fluids to surface, throughout the life of the well.		
Casing setting depths should be selected to provide an adequate safety margin between the formation fracture pressure and anticipated pressures during well control and casing cementation operations.		
Well casing must be:		
(a) designed, installed, tested and maintained in a way that is consistent with the well integrity management system for the well;		
(b) designed, installed, tested and maintained in a way that is consistent with the well design and barrier requirements set out in section B.4.3 of this Code; and		
(c) designed to consider the required strength, metallurgy (to resist corrosion and erosion), sealing capacity, and circulation capacity.		
B.4.6.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Casing and tubing stress analysis must be carried out on all reasonably foreseeable load scenarios that may be imposed on the well. Working stress design must consider both uniaxial and triaxial analysis.	Casing and tubing stress analysis is conducted on all hole sections incorporating axial and triaxial analysis on all foreseeable load scenarios and in accordance to the OE Casing and Tubing Standard.	6.2 Casing Design 6.8 Wellhead Design 6.13 Pressure

<p>(b) Casing, casing connections, wellheads, and valves used in petroleum wells must be designed to withstand the loads, pressures and temperatures that may act on them throughout the entire well life cycle. This includes casing running and cementing, any treatment pressures (e.g. hydraulic stimulation), production or injection pressures, potential well control situations, any potential corrosive conditions (H2S, CO2, etc.), and other factors pertinent to local experience and operational conditions.</p>	<p>Wellhead and tubulars are designed to withstand the anticipated loads experienced for the life cycle of the well. Load cases may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • casing running • cementing • pressure testing • hydraulic fracturing • production <p>Whilst in exploration, produced fluids are monitored and analysed for potential corrosion. Corrosion coupons will be available to determine the corrosion rate. The well will be abandoned or workover should CO2 be present and causing higher than expected wall loss.</p>	<p>testing and Well Control</p>
<p>(c) Sections B.4.6.2 (a) and (b) do not apply to a conductor pipe.</p>		
<p>(d) Methods of preventing external corrosion that impact well integrity must be applied.</p>	<p>Wells a planned and designed to have cement returned to surface in all annuli. Where reservoirs are discovered to have corrosive fluids CO2 tolerate cement designs can be implemented</p>	
<p>(e) All casing and tubing must be manufactured to the latest edition of API 5CT. The rated capacity of the pipe body and connections must be obtained from the latest edition of API 5CT or the manufacturer's technical specifications.</p>	<p>All OCTG are to meet API 5CT standards</p>	
<p>(f) Welded joints are permitted in construction of petroleum wells provided they are manufactured in compliance with API 5CT, sections 6, 7, 8, 10, and 13, and Tables C.3/E.3.</p>	<p>N/A - Welded joints not permitted under Origin's Casing and Tubing Standard</p>	
<p>(g) The yield stress of Oil Country Tubing Goods must be de-rated for temperature.</p>	<p>Standard temperature deration has been applied to the design (0.054% per degree)</p>	
<p>(h) When designing casing strings and casing connections for petroleum wells, interest holders must design each well, or similar wells, and the casing string using appropriate design safety factors. Design safety factors used must be specified in the WOMP. A generic worst case design and stress analysis may be adopted to cover multiple wells in a field development targeting the same or a similar reservoir.</p>	<p>All wells are design and constructed to comply with the minimum Safety Design Factors set out in the OE Casing and Tubing Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.1 for burst • 1.0 for collapse • 1.3 for static tension • 1.6 for dynamic tension • 1.25 for triaxial loads • 1.10 for axial compression 	

<p>(i) To verify casing integrity during the well construction process, casing must be pressure tested prior to drilling out for the next hole section (in the case of surface casing or intermediate casing), and prior to stimulation, diagnostic fracture injection test (DFIT), or completion operations commencing (in the case of production casing).</p>	<p>Casing integrity for top hole/intermediate hole sections are verified with a pressure test on plug bump. The production casing is tested to maximum allowable operating pressures. These pressure tests formulate part of the well acceptance criteria's must be met before proceed with the next programmed operation.</p>	
<p>(j) Interest holders must provide DPIR evidence of successful testing of the mechanical integrity of the well through pressure testing prior to hydraulic stimulation or DFIT operations.</p>	<p>Well integrity verification to be submitted to DPIR prior to stimulation/DFIT operations</p>	

B.4.7 Primary cementing		
B.4.7.1 Principles		
<p>Well cementing is designed, installed, tested and maintained in a way that is consistent with:</p>		
<p>(a) the well integrity management system (see section B.4.1) for the well, and;</p>		
<p>(b) well design and barrier requirements set out in section B.4.3 of this Code.</p>		
<p>Primary cementing of casings and/or liner strings is designed to:</p>		
<p>(a) provide axial support for the casing string to permit further drilling and to provide an anchor for BOP equipment;</p>		
<p>(b) reduce possibilities of casing buckling and/or collapse, particularly in situations where abnormal formation stresses occur;</p>		
<p>(c) provide a seal across permeable and impermeable formations to prevent undesired flow of formation fluids and crossflow behind casing/liner;</p>		
<p>(d) provide a seal to protect aquifers from contamination;</p>		
<p>(e) seal off the bottom of the casing in order to control pressure; and</p>		
<p>(f) provide corrosion protection, in particular such that corrosion rates of steel with an adequate cement coating are sufficiently low that cement encapsulation of steel is accepted as a permanent barrier.</p>		
B.4.7.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
<p>(a) The constituents and properties of materials used in primary cementing must be suitable for the intended conditions of use and used in compliance with the relevant safety data sheet requirements.</p>	<p>Proposed slurries will be lab tested to ensure intended conditions are met and used in compliance with the relevant SDS</p>	<p>6.5 Cementing Program 6.15 Well Decommissioning</p>

<p>(b) The cement slurry density must be designed to maintain well control, prevent gas channelling and achieve the required compressive strength while avoiding losses during cement placement.</p>	<p>Planned cement density will be overbalanced.</p> <p>A lighter cement slurry will be utilised across known loss zones.</p> <p>Slurry displacement modelling will be conducted and spacer train utilised to ensure optimal conditions for cement placement and strength development.</p>	<p>Appendix B - Well Barriers</p>
<p>(c) Cement laboratory testing procedures must be carried out (as per ISO 10426-2, API RP 10B-2 - Recommended Practice for Testing Well Cements) on representative samples of the mix water, cement and additives to confirm the resulting slurry used for primary cementing meets the requirements of the well design.</p>	<p>Laboratory testing on cement will be carried out in accordance to ISP 10426-2 and API RP 10B-2</p>	
<p>i. In the case where a number of similar wells are drilled in an area with similar well properties (depths, temperatures, and well design) and well integrity risks, constant cement materials and mix water properties, then a representative lab test is acceptable.</p>		
<p>ii. The testing, as a minimum, must include slurry density, rheology, thickening time, free water, fluid loss (if required), and compressive strength development with time.</p>		
<p>(d) The top of cement must be designed in accordance with Table 2.</p>	<p>Cement is planned to be brought to surface in all strings</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Table 2: Primary cementing criteria</p>		
<p>Property</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;">Planned Top of Cement</p>		
<p>Primary cementing criteria</p>		
<p>Top of cement (TOC) to comply with barrier requirements set out in section B.4.3 of this part of this Code and the following minimum requirements:</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Conductor casing string (other than those placed by jetting or driving) TOC must be designed to surface. 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · TOC for surface casing must be designed to surface. 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The TOC for any intermediate and production casing strings must overlap with the shoe of the previous casing string by a minimum of 200 m (656 ft). 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The designed TOC, if not to surface, for any intermediate or production casing strings must be determined such that it has been demonstrated that the length of the cement column will not undermine the <u>primary cementing Principles</u>. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Where interest holders choose not to bring cement to surface, they should consider that after decommissioning, two adjacent cement barriers across all aquifers will be required as per B.4.15.2 d) of this Code. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · The required compressive strength slurry for fracture stimulation must be placed up to at least 150 m (500 ft) measured depth above any zone to be hydraulically fractured. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · On high temperature wells the TOC must be designed to mitigate against wellhead growth due to temperature during flow back and production 	
(e) In cases where an approved WOMP specifies that production casing will not be cemented across the production zones, production casing cement must be designed so that the base of the cement is no more than 30 m TVD above the predicted depth of the shallowest production zone.	N/A
(f) Unless conducting a green cement pressure test on bump, a minimum 3.5 MPa (500 psi) compressive strength on the tail cement shall be achieved prior to:	Green cement test are planned for the surface/intermediate and production hole section
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. pressure testing of casing; or ii. drilling out the shoe track for a subsequent hole section. 	For the production casing pressure test in advance of hydraulic fracturing, a minimum of 500 psi CS will be achieved prior to conducting the test
(g) Casing centralisation must be designed to achieve a minimum of 70% standoff across the entire cementing interval.	Once hole section is TD, a well centralisation model is conducted to ensure a minimum of 70% standoff is achieved
(h) Centraliser selection must suit application (refer to API Technical Report 10TR4 Selection of Centralizers for Primary Cementing Operations).	Centralisers are selected in accordance to API Tech Report 10TR4
(i) Casing centralisation simulation must be undertaken for the proposed casing centralisation plan. Simulation for a vertical well must include:	Once hole section is TD, a well centralisation model is conducted to ensure a minimum of 70% standoff is achieved
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. actual deviation at casing depth; or ii. where the actual deviation is not known, a deviation of three degrees from vertical at casing depth. 	

	(j) Wiper plugs or cementing darts shall be used for production casing to prevent contamination of cement, and to enable plug bump and pressure test of the casing before cement cures.	Wiper plugs are planned as part of the cementing programme	
	(k) There must have be a validation procedure for primary cement jobs which must utilise at least one of the validation methods described in Table 4. If it cannot be verified that zonal isolation is achieved through primary cementing, the interest holder must submit that information,	Cement validation achieved as per below	
Job Type	Table 4: Validation and evaluation recommendations for primary cement jobs		
Casing cementation	Validation Criteria		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slurry mixed and placed in accordance with approved cementation procedures. • Shoe track volume not over displaced when displacing cement slurry. • Downhole losses not greater than the excess pumped within the cement procedure, and calculated TOC using final circulating pressure (FCP) and measured fluid returns achieves the objective(s) identified within the cementation program. • No significant losses or slumping post-placement of cement. • Casing successfully pressure tested. • If drilling out casing, a Formation Integrity Test (FIT) satisfactory after drilling out shoe track. 	Primary verification for top hold sections	
	Contingency		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where the validation is inconclusive or not completed, the extension of good quality cement above the shoe, above hydrocarbons or aquifers should be verified by appropriate cement evaluation tools, interpreted by a competent person. • Remedial cementing/top-up job cementing as required. 	CBL run planned as primary verification intermediate and production hole sections. Contingent CBL on surface hole.	
Liner cementation	Validation Criteria		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slurry mixed and placed in accordance with approved cementation procedures. • Shoe track volume not over displaced when displacing cement slurry. • Downhole losses not greater than the excess pumped within the cement procedure, and calculated TOC using final circulating pressure (FCP) and measured fluid returns achieves the objective(s) identified within the cementation program. • No significant losses or slumping post-placement of cement. • Casing successfully pressure tested. • Pressure test of liner top packer should be performed and recorded to verify zonal isolation. Testing pressures should be no less than 3.5 MPa (500 psi) over the previous casing leak-off test at the shoe or inflow tested where practicably possible • If drilling out casing, Formation Integrity Test (FIT) satisfactory after drilling out shoe track. 	NA	
	Contingency		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Where the validation is inconclusive or not completed, the extension of good quality cement above the shoe, above hydrocarbons or above aquifers should be verified by appropriate cement evaluation tools, interpreted by a competent person. • If failed pressure test on bump, set liner top packer, circulate out excess cement and WOC prior to conducting pressure test again. • If failure again, may opt to run a liner tie back packer on top of the liner top and re-test. • Remedial cementing if necessary. 	NA	
	(l) Wait on cement time prior to slacking off or removing BOPs shall be based on the cement achieving a minimum of 700 kPa (100 psi) compressive strength at the temperature of any potential flow zone in the annulus just cemented. Alternatively, interest holders may use an annulus pack-off or mechanical barrier that is compliant with API Standard 65-2 and tested to verify a pressure seal prior to removing BOPs.	Annulus pack off installed in the annulus and will wait for 100 psi CS on the shoe track before removing BOP	
	(m) when a hydrocarbon bearing zone is intersected during drilling and subsequently cemented, a Cement Bond Log should be performed as a verification of hydraulic isolation from aquifers, the surface and other formations where cross flow is prohibited.	CBL to be conducted on all casing cement jobs for hole sections that penetrate the SRR (intermediate and production casing strings)	
	(n) Calcium chloride or other chloride-based accelerants must not be added to the cement mix unless the free water content of the cement is specified as <2%.	If implemented, will be on top up jobs for surface strings. Free water requirement will be adhered to.	

(o) A minimum required ultimate compressive strength must be determined for cement slurries to be used across zones which may be hydraulically fracture stimulated.	HFS wells require a minimum 2000 psi unconfined UCS cement slurry	
(p) For wells that are to be fracture stimulated, including DFIT in a cased section of a well; zonal isolation of the production casing cementation must be validated by a cement bond log which confirms at least 150 m vertical depth of good cement is in place above the any zone to be hydraulically fractured	Planning on cementing to surface, CBL to be conducted from 60deg inclination to surface	

B.4.8 Wellheads		
B.4.8.1 Principles		
The wellhead performs the general functions of:		
(a) supporting casing and completion tubing strings;		
(b) supporting the installation of surface barriers, which include the BOP during the drilling phase, and the Christmas tree during the production phase; and		
(c) providing the arrangement for sealing, testing, monitoring, injecting into, and bleeding off between annuli.		
B.4.8.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Wellhead equipment and running tools must be specified in accordance with API Spec 6A/ISO 10423 and NACE MR0175/ISO 15156.	Wellhead equipment and running tools compliant with API spec 6A, ISO 10423 and NACE MR0175/ISO 15156 for the design life of the well. During exploration, reservoir parameters will be monitored, well design life will be de-rated where required.	
(b) Wellhead and Christmas tree pressure ratings must exceed all reasonably expected loads for the entire life of the well. Wellhead product specification level (PSL) and trim must be matched to the fluid properties, pressure and temperature of flowing conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature Class – U 0°F to 250°F • Material Class – AA General Service, Non-sour, Non-corrosive • (A-C Section) Product Specification Level (PSL) – 3 Rated WP 10,000 psi • (D- Section) Product Specification Level (PSL) – 1 Rated WP 5,000 psi • Performance Requirements (PR) – 2 Minimum API cycle testing <p>The wellhead (A & B) sections are isolated from all reservoir fluid contact from a downhole production packer and tubing.</p>	6.8 Wellhead Design 6.13 Pressure Testing and Well Control 10.3 Well Control Equipment

	Should well conditions change over time, the production tree can be isolated and changed out
(c) Side outlet valves must be rated to the same pressure as the wellhead they are attached to. Moreover, all components on the hanger and Christmas tree and valves must be rated to the well pressure envelope.	All SOV are rated to the same pressures as the wellhead section they are attached to
(d) Wellheads must have adequate valve outlets accessible and operational for all annuli to allow for monitoring of annuli in accordance with paragraph B.4.1.2 (c).	Wellhead design with annuli access for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • production tubing x production casing annulus • production x intermediate annulus • intermediate x surface annulus • surface x conductor annulus
(e) Wellheads for high temperature wells must include design for lock down of hangers, rated for the well conditions.	N/A
(f) Casing to wellhead pressure tests ('P' seal area or equivalent) must not exceed 80% of the collapse rating of the casing.	Casing to wellhead pressure tests are not programmed to exceed 80% of the casing collapse rating.
(g) Any change of usage of a wellhead (i.e. to incorporate gas lift or re-injection) must be fully risk assessed ensure the compatibility of the existing equipment with the proposed usage.	N/A

B.4.9 Well Control		
B.4.9.1 Principles		
Well control aims to reduce hazards when conducting petroleum well construction and production operations. The primary purpose of well control is to provide barriers to prevent uncontrolled release of formation fluids to surface or other formations. Well control can be categorised at two levels:		

<p>(a) Primary well control - the maintenance of a hydrostatic pressure of fluid in the well, sufficient to balance the fluid pressure (pore pressure) in the formations drilled. In practice a defined excess hydrostatic pressure is maintained to provide a safe level of 'overbalance' to formation pressure using weighted drilling or kill fluids in most cases. Where a weighted fluid is not used, primary well control is provided by a combination of pressure and flow control equipment.</p>			
<p>(b) Secondary well control - used when the primary well control fails - should there be a loss of hydrostatic pressure or a situation develops where the formation pressure exceeds the hydrostatic pressure, there is the potential for influx of formation fluids into the well. If the well begins to flow, well control equipment will be in place to contain any influx of formation fluid and allow it to be safely circulated out of the well.</p>			
<p>The guiding principle is to maintain at least two well control barriers in place during all well operations as per section B.4.3 of this Code.</p>			
B.4.9.2	Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
	<p>(a) There must be a well control manual for all phases of a well's lifecycle available for inspection at well sites (as part of or along with safety management system information), detailing requirements for equipment level, kick detection and well control techniques.</p>	<p>Well control documentation to be made available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OE Well Control standard • Contractor SOPs • Well Control Bridging Document • Beetaloo Safety Management Plan 	<p>6.3 Kick Tolerance 6.13 Pressure Testing and Well Control 10.3 Well Control Equipment 14.6 Contractual Provisions / Bridging Document 14.12 Well Control Procedures / Multiple Contractors Appendix B - Well Barrier Diagrams</p>
	<p>(b) During well construction, well control equipment (e.g. BOP stack and wellhead) must be installed for all operations prior to drilling below the surface casing string. Well control equipment can be terminated once the well is decommissioned or cased and suspended after all hydrocarbon zones and aquifers are isolated and barriers established and verified.</p>	<p>Well control equipment will be utilised for all operations subsequent to drilling the conductor section</p>	
	<p>(c) A gas detection system must be used on the well site to identify hydrocarbon bearing formations and potential gas influx.</p>	<p>The rig contractor uses a Pason system for gas detection and mud-level monitoring at relevant points around the rig and cellar. Gas detection sensors will also be replicated as part of the mudlogging service.</p>	
	<p>(d) Well control equipment must be used and operated compliant with API Specifications 16A, 16C and 16D.</p>	<p>All contracting services/well control equipment must meet the minimum requirements of Origin's Well Control Standard. Relevant section - Section 11.1 Well control equipment specification which are compliant with API Spec 16,A, 16C & 16D.</p>	
	<p>(e) If undertaking underbalanced drilling or managed pressure drilling activities, well control measures must be in place to counter the absence of weighted drilling fluid as the primary well control method.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	
	<p>(f) If undertaking underbalanced drilling or managed pressure drilling activities, Rotary Control Devices must use and operated compliant with API Specification 16RCD and non- return valves must use and operated compliant with API Specification 7NRV.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	

(g) The level of well control equipment required on any operation, and the configuration employed, shall be suitable for the well.	Well control equipment requirements comply with OE Well Control Standard. Drilling, and completion/workover activities - 5Ksi Stimulation activities - 10 Ksi
(h) Working temperature rating for well control equipment must meet the maximum anticipated continuous exposure temperature for rubber/elastomer components.	Maximum expected temperature is considered 'normal range' and well below the rating of the elastomer components.
(i) Other than annular BOPs, all well control equipment must be rated to exceed maximum anticipated shut-in surface pressure.	See Well Barrier diagrams, high test pressures are greater than reservoir pressure
(j) Well control equipment must be function tested and pressure tested in accordance with API Standard 53 at least every 3 weeks.	All contracted well control equipment to be compliant with OE Well Control Standard / API Standard 53
(k) The surface gas handling system for drilling operations must be fit for purpose and used within operating limitations, that the potential risks of fire and explosion from free gas are identified and managed, and volumes of gas vented or flared are recorded in accordance with Part D of this Code.	Rig surface fluid system rated to 5,000 psi. Poorboy and vacuum degassers installed. Two-phase separator provided through third-party for formation evaluation.
(l) Methods must be established for early identification of fluid influx (well kick).	Incorporated in Drilling Programme in accordance to: Contractor SOPs Well Control Standard Well Control Bridging Document
(m) Regular and realistic drills pertaining to on-going or up-coming operations should be conducted to train involved personnel in detection, prevention and recovery of a lost barrier.	All contracted services and well control equipment to be compliant with OE Well Control Standard including regular well control drill requirements
(n) Prior to drilling below the conductor casing string in exploration wells, or in development wells or appraisal wells in those areas having known shallow gas accumulations, a system shall be installed to safely divert hydrocarbons and other fluids in the event of pressurised fluids occurring below the shoe of the conductor string.	N/A
(o) Methods must be established that prevent blowouts up the drill pipe in case unexpected subsurface pressures are encountered.	Float Valves / Stab-in Valves, etc to be used in the drill string. FOSV with appropriate X/Os positioned on the floor for use in emergency
(p) The kick tolerance of the formation being drilled must be known. This may be demonstrated through a Formation Integrity Test or data from offset wells.	Kick tolerance analysis will be conducted for each well. LOT will be conducted on surface, intermediate and production casing and Kick Tolerance calculations updated

B.4.10 Drilling fluids

B.4.10.1 Principles		
The primary objectives for drilling and completion fluids are to:		
(a) maintain well integrity and meet well barrier requirements (set out in sections B.4.1 and B.4.3 of this Code respectively);		
(b) optimise hole conditions for the retrieval of quality geological and reservoir data;		
(c) minimise reservoir damage and therefore optimise well productivity; and		
(d) improve drilling performance.		
Containment of drilling fluids and additives must be considered in the well site layout (see section B.4.16) and as part of a spill management plan (section C.7.2).		
B.4.10.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Drilling fluids must be selected and managed to ensure all products used during well operations on petroleum wells are used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and relevant safety data sheets. The name, type and quantity of each chemical used on each well throughout the well construction process must be recorded.	All fluid additives are managed and used in accordance with the manufactures recommendations/SDS. All chemical usage are tracked and documented	6.4 Drilling Fluids Programme 10.4 Aquifer Protection
(b) Drilling fluids shall not contain benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, or xylene (BTEX) above the levels prescribed in section B.5 of this Code.	Drilling and stimulation fluids/additives are screened for BTEX by an independent NATA certified lab to ensure BTEX levels are below the prescribed levels in Table 8 of section B.5 of the CoP	
(c) Testing of the active drilling fluid must be carried out in accordance with API RP 13B a minimum of twice per day.	Drilling fluids program to specify testing frequency of active drilling fluids and compliant with API RP 13B	
(d) The interest holder must implement a system for accurately monitoring drilling fluids during all drilling operations that:	PVT systems in place measure active fluid levels. Standard operating procedures in place (trip sheets) to monitor trip volumes.)	
i. allows the determination of drilling fluid volume gains and losses;	Mud logging engineers on location to measure and record mud densities Redundant gas monitors on location to monitor gas shows in return line	
ii. allows the determination of drilling fluid volumes required to fill the hole on trips;		
iii. allows the determination of density in/out of the well to ensure the correct weight is being maintained to control the well; and		
iv. allows the monitoring and recording of gas readings in the return fluid flow once gas bearing strata are intersected.		
(e) The drilling fluid handling system and surface gas handling system for drilling operations must allow for the removal of gas from the drilling fluid in accordance with section B.4.9.2. (j).	Poor boy degasser and vacuum degasser system setup with the drilling rig package	

(f) The source of water used for all well operations (drilling, workover and hydraulic fracture stimulation) must be recorded.	Source water used for all regulated well activities will be recorded. Fluid sourced from onsite water bore are equipped with flow meters to actively monitor volumes
(g) Where use of a non-aqueous drilling fluid is planned, a risk assessment must be carried out to identify all risks associated with the use of non-aqueous drilling fluid and controls put in place. Confirmation must be demonstrated that the rig is suitable for non-aqueous drilling fluid use, including:	N/A
i. suitable seals and valves and loading/unloading hoses; and	
ii. inclusion in the spill management plan to ensure spills are contained.	
(h) At the end of every well where non-aqueous drilling fluid has been used, a summary must be prepared, reconciling whole quantities of non-aqueous drilling fluid left in the well, returned for storage/refurbishment. This information is to be included in the well completion report.	N/A
(i) When drilling through local aquifers and until these aquifers are isolated by a minimum of two verified barriers, then:	A non toxic KCL polymer WBM is planned for all top hole section drilling operations
i. only air, water or water-based drilling fluids are permitted to be used; and	
ii. chemicals or other substances that could leave a residual toxic effect in the aquifer shall not be added to the drilling fluid.	
(j) Where H2S is deemed likely, then:	N/A
i. the pH of the fluid must be monitored on a regular basis (a decrease in pH may indicate H2S contamination), high pH can be used to hold the sulphides in the mud	
ii. sufficient Zinc Carbonate (ZnCO ₃), Zinc Oxide or Ironite Sponge must be available to treat a fluid system containing up to 500 ppm (by volume) H2S.	

B.4.11 Air and Gas Drilling Fluids		
B.4.11.1 Principles		
When planning to use air or gas as a drilling fluid, or as a component of a drilling fluid (such as mist, foam, or aerated fluids), the following are required:		
(a) well integrity must be maintained and well barrier requirements met as set out in sections B.4.1 and B.4.3 of this Code, respectively; and		
(b) hazards and risks associated with potentially flammable and/or explosive mixtures of gasses in the well or at the well site must be mitigated to acceptable levels.		

B.4.11.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Compressors and boosters must be located to prevent the ingestion of flammable gasses from drilling activities and fuel stores.	N/A - Not currently in the well construction work scope for Kyalla SRR Wells	N/A
(b) All pressure lines and manifolds must be:		
i. identified with appropriate signage		
ii. positioned so that it does not interfere with vehicular access to the drilling location or cross areas on the drilling location frequented by vehicles and persons		
iii. constructed using hoses, pipes, fittings and connections that have a rating sufficient to withstand the maximum supply pressure		
iv. properly restrained to prevent dangerous movement in the event of coupling or hose failure		
(c) A check valve shall be installed on the delivery line at or near the standpipe.		
(d) The main air or gas supply line shall have at least two valves:		
i. one on the standpipe and accessible from the rig floor		
ii. one located at the compressors and boosters.		
iii. each valve shall be rapid acting, clearly labelled and readily accessible.		
(e) In relation to blooey, diverter or bleed-off lines:		
i. they must only be used during underbalanced drilling.		
ii. where used, they must be run to a pit or tank capable of catching any drill cuttings produced		
iii. they must extend at least 45 metres from the wellhead and shall, where practicable, be laid downwind of the well, or at right angles to the direction of the prevailing wind		
iv. they must include adequate dust suppression to reduce risks to human health and the environment to a level that is as low as reasonably practical and acceptable		
v. reservoir liquids must not be produced to the pit or tank;		
vi. any geological sample catcher installed on a blooey line shall be designed to avoid flashback and to protect persons from dust; and		
vii. a continuous purge of any blooey, diverter or bleed-off diverter line should be conducted using a primary jet during circulation, start-up and shut-down, and when making connections.		

(f) For well control during air drilling operations, all equipment shall be lined-up for a soft shut- in at all times. It is safety critical to avoid a rapid pressure build-up within the well when the well is known to contain hydrocarbons and air.		
(g) Drilling crew from the Assistant Driller and above must be well-control certified and must be trained on soft shutting techniques applicable for underbalanced drilling operations.		
(h) Explosive limits or mist injection shall be established for circulating media that can introduce O2 into the circulating system. If explosive limits are not clearly defined, systems which could introduce O2 should not be used.		
(i) Explosive limits shall be documented and posted next to the O2 monitoring system for all circulating systems that contain O2. Monitoring stations should include the rig floor, inside the substructure next to the BOP stack, and near separation vessels / storage / circulating tanks.		
(j) All gas influxes shall be checked for H2S. If any H2S is detected, the well must be circulated to a kill fluid immediately. The impact of H2S to the flammability limits (e.g., LEL) is unpredictable during reservoir inflow flush production events, therefore, with any detection of H2S air drilling operations shall be terminated.		
(k) Sufficient firefighting equipment and systems must be available at the drilling rig to extinguish an ignition at the wellhead or on the rig floor.		
(l) Enough kill fluid of sufficient density to be able to kill the well in an emergency must be available on site.		
(m) At least one portable gas detector, of a kind acceptable to an Inspector as appointed under the Petroleum Act 1984, must be available for use where air or gas drilling is in progress.		
(n) A downhole float valve must be fitted in the drilling string. Top and bottom kelly cocks must also be installed.		
(o) The rig substructure must be kept adequately ventilated (either by natural ventilation or by fans).		

B.4.12 Well evaluation, logging, testing and coring		
B.4.12.1 Principles		
In petroleum exploration and development, formation evaluation (FE) is used to characterise formation fluids and determine the ability of a well to produce petroleum. Formation evaluation seeks:		
(a) to characterize reservoir properties, including the following:		

i. petrophysical properties;			
ii. formation fluid properties;			
iii. geomechanical properties; and			
(b) to evaluate reservoir productivity.			
Cuttings samples, core samples, fluid samples and other samples from the petroleum well drilling process must be collected, stored and/or distributed according to legislative and regulatory requirements.			
B.4.12.2	Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a)	Equipment must be available to attempt recovery of survey or logging equipment lost down hole.	Fishing equipment has been contracted and will be available onsite	5.5 Evaluation Plan 6.9.1 DFIT Programme 6.11 Well Test Programme
(b)	If a radiation source cannot be retrieved from down hole, all relevant information must be submitted in writing and an approval must be sought in relation to disposal of a radiation source under the Radiation Protection Act 2004 (NT).	Will comply if contingency operations are required	
(c)	When coring operations are conducted, the testing for gas using hand held sensors at the rig floor must be conducted while retrieving the inner core barrels as well as when opening the core barrel and examining the cores.	Gas detectors are available on the rig floor during coring operations	
(d)	Well testing requirements for subsurface open hole tests are as follows:		
i.	Well & tool schematic must be prepared and included in the well test program.	Production testing program will comply and address this CoP requirement	
ii.	All well test equipment must be located in appropriate hazardous classification areas.	Well testing equipment will be spotted on location in appropriate hazardous classification areas	
iii.	Clear and accurate definitions of temperature and pressure ratings must be provided for all surface equipment. Any pressure de-rating due to elevated temperatures must be addressed in the emergency shutdown and monitoring systems.	All surface testing equipment to be appropriately rated to the operating condition (pressure and temperature)	
iv.	The line to the testing choke manifold must be rated and pressure tested to the maximum expected surface pressure as calculated from reservoir pressure less the hydrostatic of a gas column to surface plus any kill or surface treatment pressure.	All surface well testing equipment will be designed to have a rated working pressure in excess of the anticipated working pressures	
v.	Pressure monitoring capability must be available at the wellhead. During the well test, actual flowing conditions must be recorded and compared to predicted values.	Pressure will be monitored at the wellhead for well testing activities	
vi.	The well test surface equipment must be designed, prepared and operated in accordance with API Specification 6A, NACE MR-01-075, ASME B31.3 (Spools & X-Over).	Surface equipment to be designed, prepared and operated in accordance with API Spec 6A, NACE MR-01-75, ASME B31.3	

(e) Extended production testing (EPT) requirements:	Production testing program will comply and address this CoP requirement
i. A production testing program must include (but is not limited to):	
a. proposed timing and duration;	
b. the equipment proposed to be used for the test including accurate flow measurement device(s);	
c. the well schematic; and	
d. the proposed method of disposal of the petroleum, produced water, flowback fluid or gas produced (see Part C of this Code).	
ii. All well test equipment must be located in appropriate hazardous classification areas.	Well testing equipment will be spotted on location in appropriate hazardous classification areas
iii. For cased hole testing a pressure test that exceeds the maximum anticipated pressures must be completed to demonstrate mechanical integrity and define a maximum allowable operating pressure (MAOP).	All equipment will be pressure tested to establish a MAOP. The Maximum Allowable Pumping Pressure (MAPP) will be set below this value
iv. For open hole testing a pressure test to the MAOP of the pressure-exposed elements of the system must be completed.	
v. All flowlines, valves and equipment used in a production test must have a rated working pressure in excess of all anticipated pressures and must be tested and operated in accordance with relevant standards.;	All surface well testing equipment will be designed to have a rated working pressure in excess of the anticipated working pressures
vi. Pressure monitoring capability must be available at the wellhead. During the well test, actual flowing conditions must be recorded and compared to predicted values.	Pressure will be monitored at the wellhead for well testing activities
vii. The well test surface equipment must be designed, prepared and operated in accordance with API Specification 6A, NACE MR-01-075, ASME B31.3 (Spools & X-Over).	Surface equipment to be designed, prepared and operated in accordance with API Spec 6A, NACE MR-01-75, ASME B31.3
(f) Diagnostic Fracture Injectivity Testing (DFIT) requirements:	
i. Pressures, rates, and volumes shall be recorded during the DFIT.	Pressure, rates and volumes are to be recorded for a DFIT
ii. For cased hole DFITs a pressure test that exceeds the maximum anticipated pressures must be completed to demonstrate mechanical integrity and define a MAOP. Refer to B.4.6.3 (c).	All equipment will be pressure tested to establish a MAOP. The Maximum Allowable Pumping Pressure (MAPP) will be set below this value
iii. For open hole DFITs a pressure test to the MAOP of the pressure-exposed elements of the system must be completed. Refer to B.4.6.3 (c).	

B.4.13 Hydraulic stimulation and flowback operations	
B.4.13.1 Principles	

Hydraulic fracture stimulation and flowback operations are conducted to improve or enable the recovery of hydrocarbons. Hydraulic fracture stimulation and flowback operations must seek the following:			
(a) to maximize the potential for enhanced petroleum recovery from the resource;			
(b) to ensure protection of aquifers is maintained during all operations phases for hydraulic stimulation and flowback;			
(c) to not exceed the well operating envelope and to maintain well barriers;			
(d) to flowback fluids in such a manner as to ensure all recovered flowback fluid is isolated and does not come into contact with aquifers or pollute soil or soil substrate; and			
e) to manage any gas contained within flowback fluids.			
Containment of hydraulic fracturing fluids and additives must be considered in the well site layout (see section B.4.16) and as part of wastewater management and spill management plan (see section C.7).			
B.4.13.2	Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
	(a) Hydraulic fracture stimulation activities must be designed to not impact aquifers.	Prior to HFS activities the mechanical casing integrity if verified, a cement evaluation log is conducted to verify that a minimum of 150m of good cement is in place above the target reservoir. Geological barriers must be in place to constrain the height growth of the hydraulic fracture. Geohazards are assessed and sufficient standoff is implemented where required. For surface operations, chemical storage is banded to prevent seepage from surface into the aquifer	6.9 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation Appendix B - Well Barriers Appendix G - Well Acceptance Criteria
	(b) Hydraulic fracturing fluid additives must be selected and managed to ensure all products used during well procedures on petroleum wells are used in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and relevant safety data sheets.	All fluid additives are managed and used in accordance with the manufactures recommendations/SDS	
	(c) In accordance with Schedule 1, Part 2, Clause 6 and Part 3, Clause 11 of the PER, the Implementation Strategy of an EMP for petroleum activities that include hydraulic fracture stimulation must include details of monitoring and reporting of the as-pumped composition of any hydraulic fracturing fluid used. As a minimum, the following must be recorded and reported for each stage (where a stage in this context means all fluids pumped at a particular depth interval):	Pre and post stimulation volumes and additives will be disclosed, containing details of fluid volumes, additives/concentrations and water quality. In addition fluid samples at various stages of the stimulation operations will be sampled and tested for analytes at a NATA certified lab	
	a. total volume of hydraulic fracturing fluid pumped,		
	b. quality of water used (tested for analytes in section C.8 of this Code. Analyses do not need to be repeated if the same water source is used for multiple stages) and		
	c. typical and maximum concentrations of chemicals or other substances used.		

(d) Hydraulic fracturing fluids must not contain benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, or xylene (BTEX) above the levels prescribed in section.B.5 of this Code.	No fluid additives contain BTEX above the levels prescribed in Section B5 of this Code.
(e) A WOMP that includes hydraulic fracture stimulation must take into account location and characteristics of known geohazards and any other wells near the well to be hydraulically stimulated.	Geohazard assessments are conducted pre and post well construction. Where potential geohazards are identified risk assessments are conducted and suitable standoffs are implemented to mitigate HFS challenges
(f) WOMPs must demonstrate that fractures are contained within the proposed stimulation area, containing the target zone(s) and that the stimulated area and target zone(s) are sufficiently separated from aquifers.	Geomechanical models are developed to demonstrate geological stress barriers to contain fracture height growth
(g) Well integrity must be validated before and after hydraulic fracturing operations.	All HFS wells must meet the pre/post frac WACs to demonstrate well integrity. In addition the well barrier integrity validation reports are submitted to DPIR as to the Well Barrier Integrity Validation Reporting Guideline
(h) A pressure test that exceeds the maximum anticipated hydraulic fracture stimulation pressures at screen out conditions must be completed to demonstrate mechanical integrity and define a MAOP.	Pressure test Wellhead and production casing to 10ksi.(MAOP) Max allowable pump pressure (MAPP) during HFS will be 9.2ksi
(i) Pressure communication between casing annuli must be monitored and controlled while conducting hydraulic fracture stimulation.	Wellhead designs allow for monitoring of annuli. Stimulation programs include real time monitoring provisions
(j) The pressure kickout on the pump units and in-line pressure relief valves (where utilised) must be set below the MAOP.	Pump trips and in line relief valves will be set below 10,000 psi
(k) All flowback activities must be managed to minimise the release of gas to atmosphere, in accordance with the following requirements:	
i. For exploration wells and appraisal wells and low pressure wells (including those with a low gas to oil ratio), all flowback fluid must be either:	Flowback activities are to be routed through a well completion vessel and/or a separator where gas is separated and sent to be disposed of via a flare.
a. routed directly to a completion combustion device with a continuous ignition device (e.g. a pilot flame) or,	
b. routed to a well completion vessel and with flowback fluid sent to a separator as soon as the separator will function and then directing the separated gas to a completion combustion device with a continuous ignition device.	
ii. For all development wells undergoing hydraulic fracture stimulation, unless it is not technically feasible to do so, the operator must:	N/A - for Exploration
a. route all saleable quality gas from the separator to a gas flow line or collection system; or-inject the gas into the well or another well;	

b. use the gas as an onsite fuel source; or use the gas for another useful purpose that a purchased fuel or raw material would serve; or		
c. where technically infeasible, direct the gas to a combustion device with a continuous ignition device		
iii. Despite condition 1 and 2 of this section, venting is only permitted during flowback activities when:	Where gas flows are insufficient to function the separator, venting may be conducted in minor volumes	
a. the gas flow is insufficient to allow the separator to function properly; or		
b. the use of a combustion device creates a fire or safety hazard or where heat emissions may negatively impact the environment		
iv. Where venting is the only technically feasible option for managing produced gas, the technical considerations preventing the use of the recovered gas must be recorded and included in the operator's annual report.		
v. Volumes of gas emitted during the separation flowback stage must be measured using direct measurement as governed under the Commonwealth National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination (2008), and reported in accordance with Part D of this Code.	Volumes of gas produced will be measured, monitored and reported	
(l) Hydraulic fracture stimulation operations should not be conducted in a formation that does not have more than 600 m vertical separation to the nearest aquifer unless the it can be demonstrated that the risks of connectivity with the nearest aquifer is as low as reasonably practicable and acceptable.	Kyalla SRR is prognosed to have >600m vertical separation from the nearest aquifers	

B.4.14 Workover and Intervention		
B.4.14.1 Principles		
Any re-completion or well modification needs to be designed to ensure the well is operated within the maximum expected pressures and load conditions until final decommissioning. Well integrity must be maintained, as set out in section B.4.1 of this Code.		
B.4.14.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Well barrier elements must be in place to intervene on the well during workover and intervention activities. as specified in section B.4.3 of this Code.	Well and wellhead designs allow for well barrier elements to be in place prior to re-entering a well for workover or well intervention activities.	6.14 Well Intervention 12.2 Well Barriers

(b) Fit for purpose well design and construction materials must be used workover and intervention activities as specified in this Code (sections B.4.6, B.4.7, and B.4.8).	Material selection, cement and wellhead designs will be fit for purpose for the well and comply with the NT CoP and OE well construction standards. Reservoir fluids, temperature, pressures, anticipated load conditions are assessed and factor into the design life of the well/well completion	Appendix B - Well Barriers Appendix G - Well Acceptance Criteria
(c) All new barriers or new well operating envelopes must be verified and clearly documented and reported by submission of an updated well barrier integrity validation (WBIV) report to DPIR.	All new barriers will be validated and a WBIV will be submitted to DPIR as per the Well Barrier Integrity Validating Reporting Guideline	
(d) The potential for accumulation of naturally occurring radioactive materials (NORM) in well equipment must be assessed and appropriate measures put in place to reduce risks to the health and safety of people and the environment are put in place.	During exploration NORM will be monitored. Future well interventions will be designed with appropriate measures in place to reduce HSE risk if applicable.	

B.4.15 Well suspension and decommissioning		
B.4.15.1 Principles		
The goal of well decommissioning is to permanently seal the well to prevent the flow of fluids into, out of and along the well at the end of its useful life.		
The decommissioning objectives are to ensure:		
(a) well integrity is maintained at all times, as set out in section B.4.1 of this Code;		
(b) all aquifers are isolated from the surface, each other and from permeable hydrocarbon zones;		
(c) permeable formations containing fluids at different pressure gradients and/or significantly different salinities are isolated from each other to prevent crossflow;		
(d) discrete, permeable hydrocarbon zones are isolated from each other (unless co-mingling of discrete zones is permitted), or a minimum of one well barrier is set above the shallowest co-mingled zone (if co-mingling is permitted);		
(e) all permeable hydrocarbon zones are isolated from the surface; and		
(f) the site is rehabilitated and left safe and free from contaminants as per section A.3.9 of this Code.		
Decommissioning and monitoring of decommissioned wells is conducted through a two stage process as summarized in Table 5.		
The primary considerations for suspension of a petroleum well are to ensure that:		
(a) well integrity is maintained at all times as set out in section B.4.1 of this Code;		
(b) monitoring requirements can be met and that production can readily be resumed; and		
(c) all safety requirements are met.		
B.4.15.2 Mandatory requirements for decommissioning wells	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) Decommissioning and monitoring of decommissioned wells must be conducted through a two stage process, as shown in Table 5	A 2 stage process is planned for all OE Beetaloo wells.	6.12 Well Suspension

Table 5: Two Stage Decommissioning Process		
	Stage	Description
	One	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interest holder places downhole barriers across all identified hydrocarbon bearing formations and aquifers to be zonally isolated as per section B.4.15.2. This includes placing of casing shoe cement plug and any cased hole plugs for permanent zonal isolation in accordance with section B.4.15.3: <i>Cement plug requirements and validation methods..</i> A surface cement plug is not placed in the well and the wellhead is not removed at this stage. The well is left in a state that casing annuli and casing can be monitored for pressure (i.e. verify well integrity) with all downhole barriers in place. Monitoring of pressures at an agreed frequency for duration of 1-6 months, depending on well risk and classification as per approved WOMP. Concurrently to the well integrity monitoring, the well pad may be rehabilitated as much as practicable.
	Two	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On successful validation of no well integrity issues, the interest holder completes wellhead removal and surface cement plug placement as per section B.4.15.2. These may be rigless activities as required. Well status is officially changed to fully decommissioned once requirements of section B.4.15.2 are satisfied. Site rehabilitation may be completed.
(b)	Cement must be used as the primary sealing material. Cement testing must be carried out as per requirements set out in section B.4.7.2 of this Code.	
(c)	Biocide, oxygen scavenger and/or corrosion inhibitor must be used in water-based fluid used for the decommissioning process.	
(d)	All aquifers must be isolated:	
	i.	from each other and the surface by a minimum of one well barrier; and
	ii.	from any permeable hydrocarbon bearing zones by a minimum of two well barriers.
		<p>Stage One: Establish downhole barriers across hydrocarbon zones and aquifers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kyalla SRR to be isolated as per NT CoP Table 5: Cement plug requirements and validation methods for well decommissioning - (G) Perforated casing. Other potential permeable zones/different pressure regimes to be isolated as per NT CoP Table 5: Cement plug requirements and validation methods for well decommissioning - (B) Cased hole section (unperforated) Annular pressures will be monitored on surface for a minimum of 6 months to validate downhole decommissioning barriers <p>Stage Two: Surface decommissioning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aquifers to be isolated as per NT CoP Table 5: Cement plug requirements and validation methods for well decommissioning - Surface cement plug (50m below deepest aquifer/15m below ground level Wellhead removal - cut casing 1.5m below ground level and covered with a minimum 30 cm of cement Site rehabilitation
		Programme 6.15 Well Decommissioning Appendix B - Well Barriers Appendix G - Well Acceptance Criteria

<p>(e) Cement plugs must conform to the requirements as detailed in section B.4.15.3: Cement plug requirements and validation methods.</p>	<p>The following cement plugs are to be implemented for decommissioning from NT CoP Table 5: Cement plug requirements and validation methods for well decommissioning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (B) Cased hole section (unperforated) • (G) Perforated casing. • (-) Surface Cement Plug <p>Cement plugs to be verified as per B.4.15.2 (G) of the NT CoP</p>
<p>(f) BOPs and/or the wellhead must not be removed until the cement plug across the surface casing shoe or the plug across the uppermost perforations has been verified.</p>	<p>Wellheads are not planned to be removed until cement barriers above upper most perforations have been verified</p>
<p>(g) Cement plugs for decommissioning or suspension must be verified as follows:</p>	
<p>i. Off bottom open hole cement plugs are to be verified by tagging the plug with a minimum 2270 kg (5000 lb) drill string weight.</p>	<p>To be applied in suspension/decommissioning of vertical pilot hole section</p>
<p>ii. For consecutive stacked cement plugs with the first plug set on bottom or solid base (e.g. mechanical packer, other verified cement plug) validation of the top of good quality cement to be carried out by tagging the top plug with a minimum 2270 kg (5000 lb) drill string weight. If using a sacrificial stinger to set open hole plugs, no tag is necessary where no losses are observed during cement placement.</p>	<p>If stacked plugs are implemented with a solid base, verification will be completed via tagging the top plug with a minimum 5000 lb.</p>
<p>iii. For a cased hole cement plug with the bottom of the plug exposed to open hole validation is to be done by tagging the top plug with a minimum 2270 kg (5000 lb) drill string weight and by pressure testing to 3.5 MPa (500 psi) above the estimated (or previously recorded) leak-off pressure (within the limits of the casing and wellhead pressure ratings).</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>iv. For a cased hole cement plug supported by a pressure tested bridge plug, validation may be by post cement job report and calculations, or by tagging the plug with a minimum 2270 kg (5000 lb) drill string weight.</p>	<p>Where pressure tested mechanical plugs are implemented to support a cement plug, validation will be achieved via successful cement displacement</p>
<p>v. For an unsupported cased hole cement plug barrier not exposed to open hole below, validation is to be done by tagging the plug with a minimum 2270 kg (5000 lb) drill string weight.</p>	<p>Where cased hole cement plug barriers are placed, validation will be achieved via tagging plug with 5000 lb string weight</p>

<p>vi. For a final surface cement plug extending from ground level no validation is required. A shallow set plug is not considered a permanent barrier given the very low formation pressures at ground level. Well barriers are to be established with the plugs below the surface cement plug.</p>	<p>Surface cement plugs are not considered a barrier in the Kyalla decommissioning design</p>
<p>vii. When a sacrificial string is used to place a cement plug, validation may be via a combination of:</p> <p>a. pressure testing to confirm isolation; and</p> <p>b. validation of the conduct of the cement job.</p>	<p>A plugged off packer and tail pipe assembly may be utilised as a base mechanical barrier to support a cement plug. Where this is conducted the sacrificial string must be successfully pressure tested prior to spotting cement</p>
<p>(h) Prior to wellhead removal, zero pressure on any casing or annulus must be confirmed. Wellheads must be removed, and casing must be cut as per Case: Surface cement plug detailed in B.4.15.3: Cement plug requirements and validation methods.</p>	<p>Prior to wellhead removal, a minimum of 6 months of annuli pressure monitoring is conducted to verify zero pressure is present at surface</p>
<p>(i) A steel marker plate cut from corrosion resistant alloy or similar grade steel for corrosive environments must be installed after the wellhead has been cut off detailing the following:</p> <p>i. the identifying name of the well or bore;</p> <p>ii. the total depth in metres of the well or bore;</p> <p>iii. the date the well or bore was decommissioned; and</p> <p>iv. the marker plate shall be covered with soil to ground level.</p>	<p>After the wellhead has been cut and capped, steel marker plate will be installed as per the requirements of B.4.15.2 (i)</p>
<p>(j) Complete and accurate records of the entire decommissioning procedure must be kept, with these records submitted as part of the legislative reporting requirements for the decommissioning of petroleum wells.</p>	<p>Daily drilling/completion reports and well pressure monitoring records are maintained and to be submitted as part of the well completion report in accordance to Section 314 of the Schedule of onshore petroleum exploration and production requirements and Section 76 of the Act</p>
<p>(k) The potential for accumulation of NORM in well equipment must be assessed and appropriate measures put in place to reduce risks to the health and safety of people and the environment.</p>	<p>On going NORMs monitoring will be conducted. If required, control measures will be implemented to reduced risk to the health and safety of people and the environment</p>

B.4.16 Site Material and Fluids Management

B.4.16.1 Principles

The well site should be laid out to minimise the potential for harm to others and the environment.

B.4.16.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference
(a) The well site must be selected and designed in accordance with Part A of this Code.	Well sites are selected and designed in accordance to Part A of the CoP	6.4 Drilling Fluids Programme 6.9 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation 6.11 Well Test Program
(b) The well site must be designed and operated to minimise the risk of causing a fire on the well site or in the surrounding environment.	Well sites are designed and operated to minimise the risks of fire. Fire mitigation plans may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • robust monitoring of seasonal conditions and fuel loads; • maintenance of fire access trails; • maintenance of fire breaks around infrastructure; • appropriate fire control measures on location; • planned well/equipment spacing and stand off to mitigate risk of ignition 	
(c) The well site must be clearly identified in a permanent manner with the well name, well number, major hazards and details of the interest holder.	Each well site will be appropriately signed with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Well name • Details of interest holder • Description Hazards where applicable • Details of PIC where applicable 	
(d) The name of the person-in-charge of any active well operations must be displayed in writing at all approaches to the well site.		
(e) The well must be adequately secured to prevent access by wildlife.	The well site will be equipped with stock proof fencing and constructed with earthen berm around the perimeter of the lease to prevent access by wild life. Drilling sumps when not in use will be fenced to prevent fauna access. Wastewater tank height is >2m preventing fauna access.	
(f) The well site must be designed and operated to minimise the potential for releases of contaminants to the environment and the impacts of such a release.	Chemicals and produced fluids are stored in accordance with B.4.16.2(i) The well pad is compacted with an earthen berm around the perimeter to minimise the potential release of contaminants to the environment	
(g) An assessment must be carried out as to whether any materials (solid or liquid) used on, or produced at, a well site could be considered to be, or to contain, hazardous chemicals or those that may cause environmental harm. The outcomes of this assessment must be described in the spill management plan, as outlined in Part C of this Code.	A chemical risk assessment has been conducted on all proposed drilling/stimulation additives and on anticipated flowback composition by an independent third party. Controls measures are documented in the associated spill management plan	
(h) Use, storage and handling of materials on site must be conducted in accordance with section A.3.8 and Part C of this Code, and:		

<p>i. secondary containment must be instituted on areas of the well site where any hazardous chemicals or those that may cause environmental harm are to be stored or handled during all well operations.</p>	<p>Hazardous Chemicals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stored on location with secondary containment compliant to the section A.3.8 of the CoP <p>Flowback/Produced fluids management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stored in dual lined enclosed above ground tanks. • Open top tanks with sufficient freeboard will be implemented where flowback fluids are being treated via evaporation. • Freeboard requirements are based on 1:1000 ARI rainfall for the duration the open tank is in operation. Freeboard requirements will be assessed for each well pad location. • Sufficient fluid transfer ability will be on location to transfer fluids out of the open top pond into enclosed storage at least 8 hours prior to any significant storm event • Sufficient covered storage volume available on location at all times to transfer fluid from open tanks to enclosed tanks <p>Hydrocarbon management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stored in double lined tanks • Disposed of on location via flare 	
<p>ii. areas where any hazardous chemicals or those that may cause environmental harm are to be stored or handled must be lined to be sufficiently impervious and able to contain spilled material or waste until it can be removed or treated. This lining may be a geomembrane or a suitably constructed clay liner.</p>	<p>Well sites are designed and constructed with a sufficient quantity of clay to enable spill containment until it can be removed or treated</p>	

B.4.16 Ground Water Monitoring		
B.4.17.1 Principles		
<p>Groundwater is a key environmental receptor in onshore petroleum exploration and development in the Northern Territory. Groundwater monitoring serves as a signal to differentiate natural and human-induced perturbations in the well pad area. Where an impact is detected, further investigation is required and any necessary remediation is undertaken to ensure water quality guidelines are met.</p>		
B.4.17.2 Mandatory requirements	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference

<p>(a) An accurate understanding must be gained of what aquifers exist at the well site and their depth from surface, and their relationships to each other and other hydro-stratigraphic units during the well design phase.</p>	<p>Desktop studies and assessments regional water bores are conducted, in addition to data collected from water impact monitoring bores drilled within 100m downstream of the petroleum bore are used to identify aquifers</p>	
<p>(b) Where there is an intention to hydraulically fracture the well(s) at a well site:</p>		
<p>i. At least six months of local baseline data for water quality indicators of the key aquifers that may be affected by the activity must be acquired:</p>	<p>Control water monitoring bores are planned to be drilled 6 months prior to drilling the petroleum bore. Where this is not achievable (due to circumstances outside the control of the interest holder), bores will be drilled 6 months prior to HFS as approved upon by the regulator.</p> <p>Water quality indicators are monitored as per Table 6 of CoP: Minimum suite of analytes for groundwater monitoring</p>	<p>5.6 Ground Water Monitoring</p>
<p>a) prior to drilling the well(s); or</p>		
<p>b) prior to hydraulic fracturing where six months monitoring data from the control bore is not achievable before drilling due to circumstances that lie outside of the control of the interest holder;</p>		
<p>c) the minimum suite of water quality indicators to be monitored are listed in Table 7, however monitoring of additional water quality indicators may be necessary based on the interest holder's risk assessment conducted for an EMP.</p>		
<p>ii. Electrical conductivity data from the monitoring bore(s) must be measured as soon as practicable after the completion of construction of the monitoring bore (s) until decommissioning of all wells on the well site. Results submitted to the regulator:</p>			Electrical conductivity data will be collected and reported quarterly, a minimum of 6 months prior to stimulation, 3 month post stimulation and annually for the remaining life of the wells on the lease pad
<p>a) by electronic means from the well site as soon as they are available; or</p>		
<p>b) if the requirement in a) is unachievable to implement in the first stages of exploration, an alternative plan and timetable may be proposed before hydraulic fracturing commences, detailing how electrical conductivity information will be regularly submitted.</p>		
<p>(c) Any guidelines published by the Northern Territory Government from time to time relating to groundwater monitoring parameters, methodologies and frequencies for petroleum operations must be followed. This includes the Preliminary Guideline: Groundwater Monitoring Bores for Exploration Petroleum Wells in the Beetaloo Sub-basin.</p>	<p>OE to comply with all guidelines published by the Northern Territory Government</p>	
<p>(d) Any guidelines published by the Northern Territory Government from time to time relating to reporting and data submission, and groundwater monitoring data standards must be followed.</p>		

(e) In karstic groundwater terrain, which is common in the Northern Territory, a precautionary stratigraphic bore hole (which potentially can be used as a water production bore) to the base of the deepest recognised aquifer may be required at the well pad for an accurate understanding of what aquifers and potential geohazards, if any, exist at the site and their depth from surface.	In regions of karstic groundwater terrain, data collected from control water monitoring bores are utilised to assess aquifers and geohazards around the wellpad region
(f) Records must be maintained for each well, or group of similar wells, if grouping the wells is appropriate given their similarity.	OE to maintain records for well or group of wells

B.5 BTEX Limits		
Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, or xylene (BTEX) are only permissible in drilling or fracturing fluids, at or below the levels prescribed and when it is either,		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naturally occurring in water used to make up the drilling or fracturing fluid • Present as a contaminant in chemicals or other substances used in drilling or stimulation fluids and has no beneficial use • Present as a contaminant in chemicals or other substances used in drilling or stimulation fluids and has no beneficial use 		
B.5.1.1	Drilling and stimulation fluid chemical additives	Origin Implementation
(a) The combined chemicals or other substances used at their maximum possible concentrations for a particular drilling or stimulation fluid cannot increase BTEX levels of the overall fluid above the BTEX content of the base water of the fluid by more than those levels prescribed in Table 8.		Drilling and stimulation fluids/additives are screened for BTEX by an independent NATA certified lab to ensure BTEX levels are below the prescribed levels in Table 8
Table 8: BTEX Levels in drilling fluids when drilling through local aquifers.		
Compound	Maximum Level (ppb or µg/L)	
benzene	1*	
toluene	180#	
ethylbenzene	80#	
xylene	200#	
*From Version 3.5 of the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines Paper 6 National Water Quality Management Strategy. National Health and Medical Research Council, National Resource Management Ministerial Council, Commonwealth of Australia, Canberra as updated in August 2011. # Australian and New Zealand Environment Conservation Council Environmental Protection Guidelines (ANZECC 2000) 99% protection level.		6.4 Drilling Fluids Programme 6.9 Hydraulic Fracture Stimulation

B.5.1.2 Recycled produced water and flowback fluid	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference										
(a) Produced water or flowback fluid used in drilling fluids or stimulation fluids must not contain BTEX at levels greater than those expected in water produced (including flowback) from the well being drilled.	<p>N/A For the initial exploration drilling/stimulation operations, it is not anticipated that flowback/produced fluids are re-used for drilling/stimulation fluid make up.</p> <p>For future operations where recycled fluid is utilised, BTEX levels are to be monitored and comply with the prescribed maximum levels in the CoP</p>	N/A										
(b) In the event BTEX levels expected in produced water or flowback fluid from the well being drilled are not known, then the BTEX levels in water used for drilling fluids or stimulation fluid cannot exceed the levels prescribed in Table 9												
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B.5.1.3 BTEX levels in drilling fluids when drilling through local aquifers	Origin Implementation	WOMP Reference										
(a) Despite sections B.5.1.1 and B.5.1.2 and pursuant to section B.4.10.2 (i) of this Code, drilling fluids used to drill through aquifers and until these aquifers are isolated by a minimum of one verified well barriers cannot contain BTEX levels at the greater of,	Drilling fluids planned for the top hole section are verified to be compliant with the prescribed BTEX level in the CoP	6.4 Drilling Fluids Programme										
i. minimum BTEX levels in the local aquifers; or												
ii. The levels listed in Table 8												