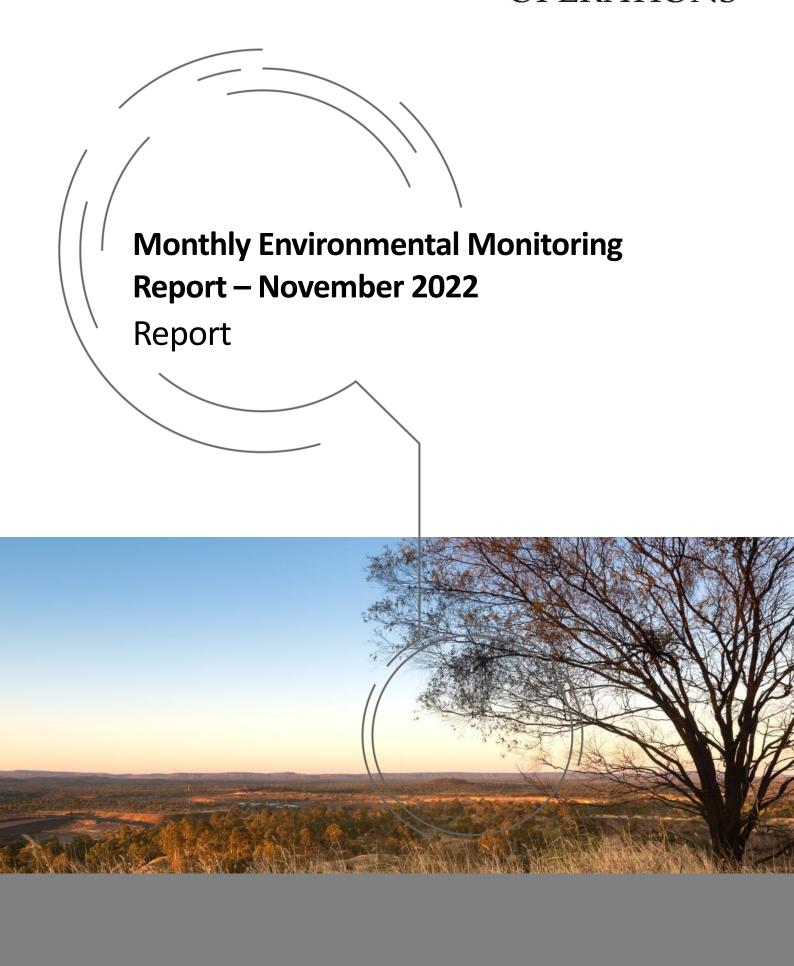
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1 Introduction

This report has been compiled to provide a monthly summary of environmental monitoring results for Hunter Valley Operations (HVO). This report includes all monitoring data collected for the period 1st to 30th November 2022 (the 'Reporting Period').

2 Air Quality

2.1 Meteorological Monitoring

HVO maintains two meteorological stations: 'HVO Corporate' and 'Cheshunt' (refer to Figure 4).

2.1.1 Rainfall

Rainfall for the period is summarised in **Table 1**. The 2020, 2021 and 2022 trends are shown in **Figure 1**.

Table 1 - Rainfall data for the reporting period

2022	Monthly Rainfall (mm)	Cumulative Rainfall (mm)	
November	92.4	1026.8	

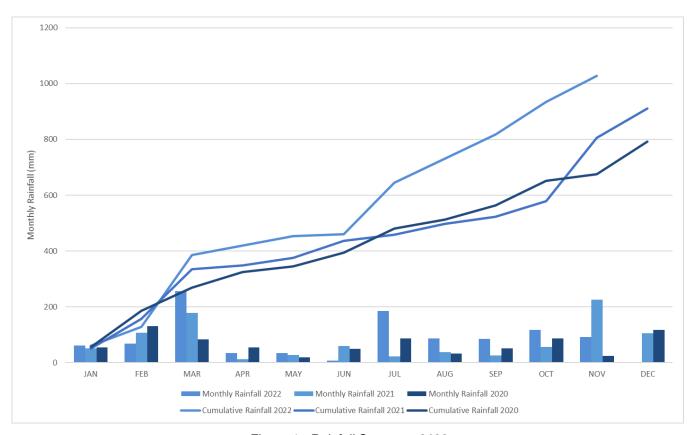


Figure 1 - Rainfall Summary 2022

2.1.2 **Wind Speed and Direction**

North-westerly to westerly winds were prevailing during the reporting period as shown in Figure 2 (HVO Corporate) and Figure 3 (HVO Cheshunt).

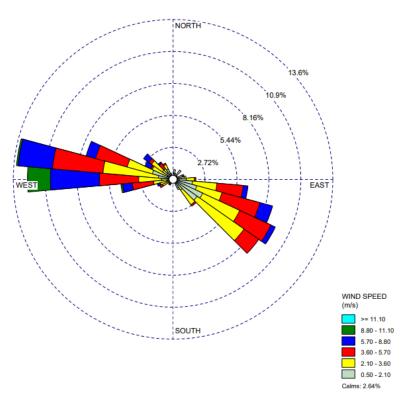


Figure 2 - HVO Corporate Wind Rose for the Reporting Period

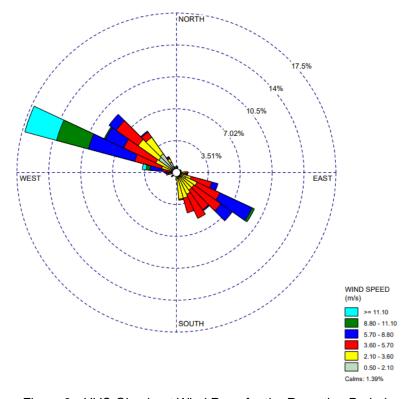


Figure 3 - HVO Cheshunt Wind Rose for the Reporting Period

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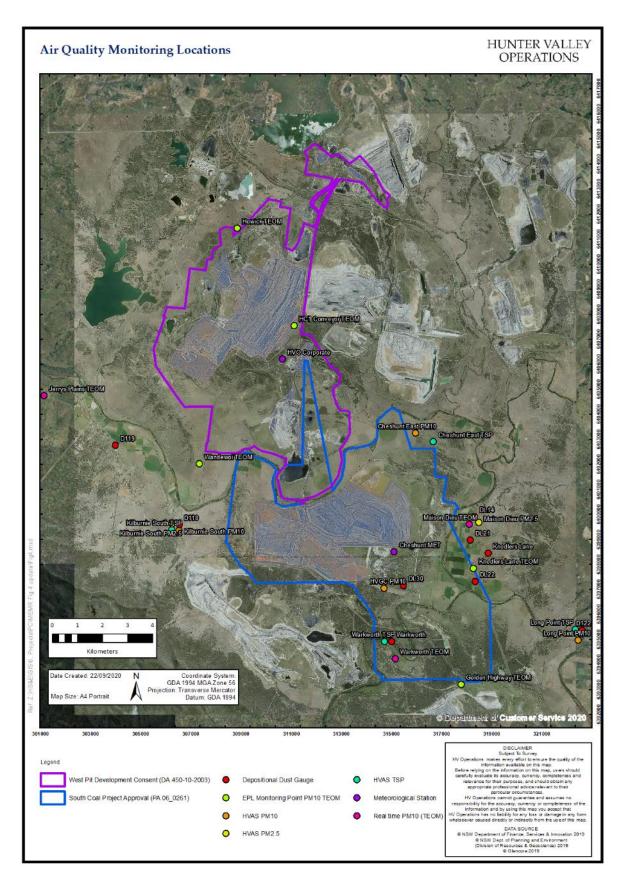


Figure 4 - Air Quality Monitoring Location Plan

Depositional Dust 2.2

HVO operates and maintains a network of nine depositional dust gauges situated on private and mine owned land surrounding HVO to monitor regional air quality.

Figure 5 displays insoluble solids results from depositional dust gauges during the reporting period compared against the annual impact assessment criteria. Any monthly results deemed to be contaminated (due to presence of bird droppings, insects, etc.) are not displayed. An assessment of HVO's contribution against the long-term impact assessment criteria will be provided in the 2022 Annual Review.

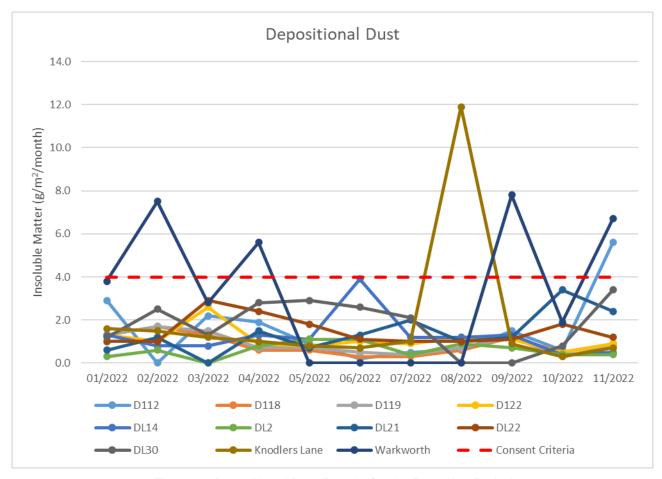


Figure 5 - Depositional Dust Results for the Reporting Period

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2.3 Suspended Particles

Suspended particles are measured by a network of High Volume Air Samplers (HVAS) measuring Total Suspended Particulates (TSP) and Particulate Matter <10 μ m (PM₁₀). The Kilburnie South and Maison Dieu HVAS also monitor Particulate Matter <2.5 μ m (PM_{2.5}). The location of these monitors is presented in **Figure 4**. Each HVAS runs for 24-hours on a six-day cycle.

2.3.1 HVAS PM₁₀ Results

2.3.1.1 Performance against short term impact assessment criteria

Figure 6 shows individual PM₁₀ results at each monitoring station against the short-term impact assessment criteria of 50µg/m³.

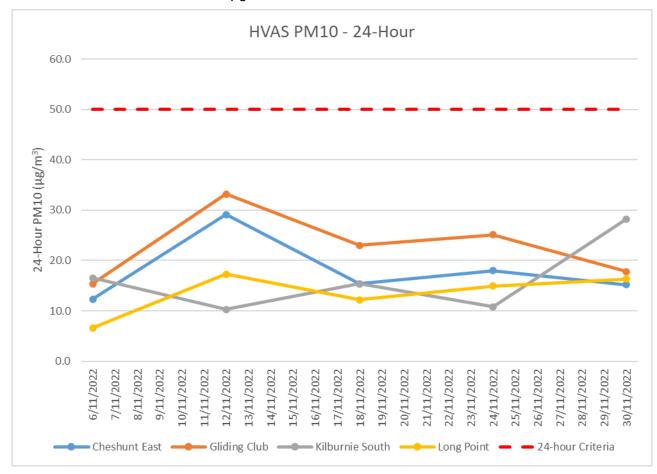


Figure 6 - Individual PM₁₀ Results for the Reporting Period

2.3.1.2 Performance against long term impact assessment criteria

Figure 7 shows the year to date annual average PM_{10} results. All monitors were below the relevant long term impact assessment criteria during the reporting period. An assessment of HVO's contribution against the long-term impact assessment criteria will be provided in the 2022 Annual Review.

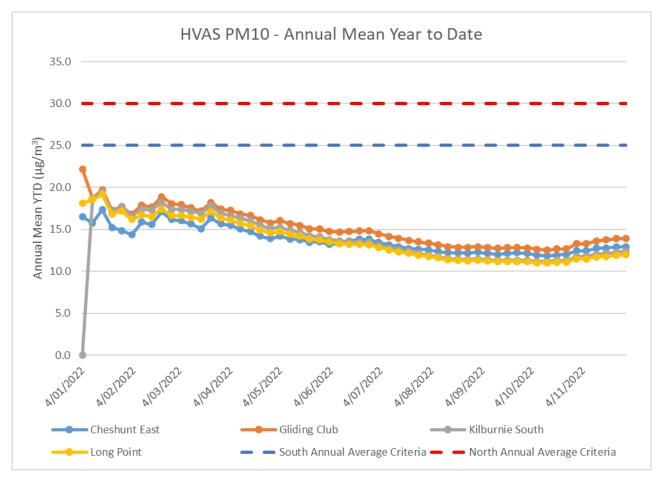


Figure 7 - Year to Date Average PM₁₀ as at end of the Reporting Period

2.3.2 HVAS PM_{2.5} Results

HVO monitors PM_{2.5} at two HVAS locations, Kilburnie South and Maison Dieu.

2.3.2.1 Performance against short term impact assessment criteria

Figure 8 shows individual PM_{2.5} results at each monitoring station against the HVO South short-term impact assessment criteria of 25µg/m³.

All monitors were below the relevant short-term impact assessment criteria during the reporting period.

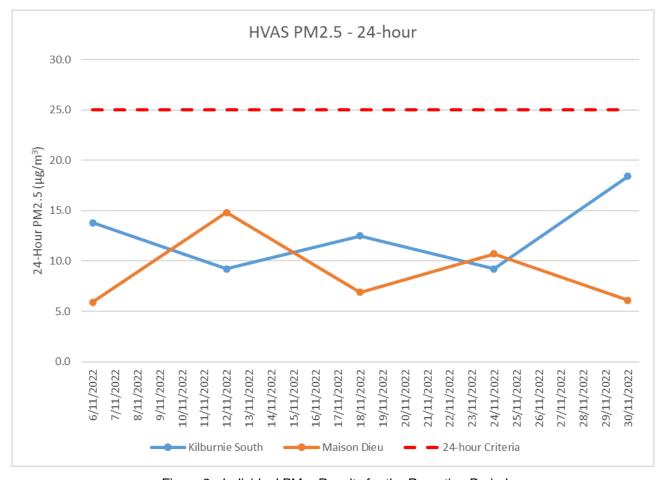


Figure 8 - Individual PM_{2.5} Results for the Reporting Period

2.3.2.2 Performance against long term impact assessment criteria

Figure 9 shows the year to date annual average $PM_{2.5}$ results. During the reporting period, the Maison Dieu monitor and Kilburnie South monitor annual average year to date were below the $PM_{2.5}$ Annual Rolling Mean criteria of $8\mu g/m^3$.

An assessment of HVO's contribution against the long term impact assessment criteria will be provided in the 2022 Annual Review.

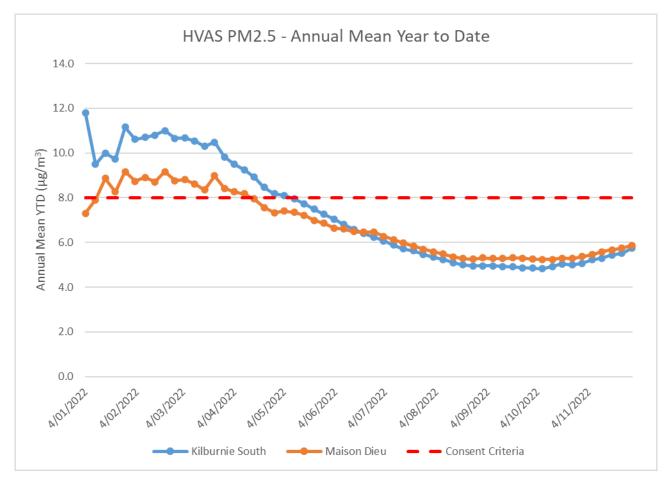


Figure 9 - Year to Date Average PM_{2.5} as at end of the Reporting Period

2.3.3 TSP Results

2.3.3.1 Performance against long term impact assessment criteria

Figure 10 shows the annual average TSP results compared against the long-term impact assessment criteria of $90\mu g/m^3$.

All monitors were below the relevant long-term impact assessment criteria during the reporting period.

An assessment of HVO's contribution against the long-term impact assessment criteria will be provided in the 2022 Annual Review.

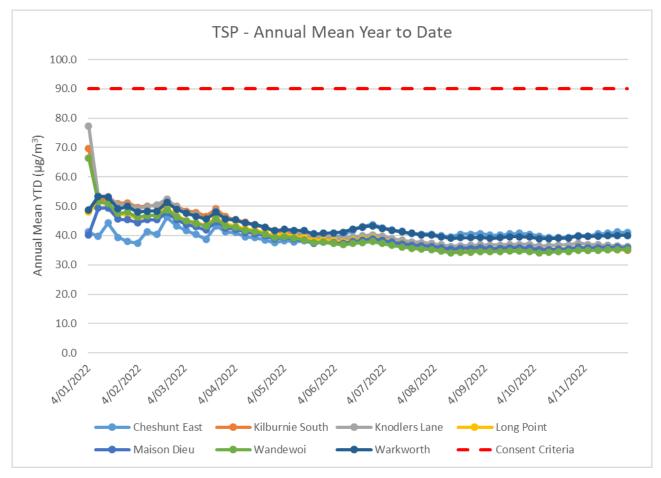


Figure 10 - Year to Date Average Total Suspended Particulates as at end of the Reporting Period

2.3.4 Real Time PM₁₀ Results

HVO maintains a network of real time PM_{10} monitors. The real time air quality monitoring stations continuously record information and transmit data to a central database, generating alarms when particulate matter levels exceed internal trigger levels. Results from real time PM_{10} monitoring are used as a reactive measure to guide mining operations to help achieve compliance with the relevant conditions of the project approval.

Figure 11 shows the daily 24-hour average PM₁₀ result from the real time monitoring sites which shows no exceedances reported for the period.

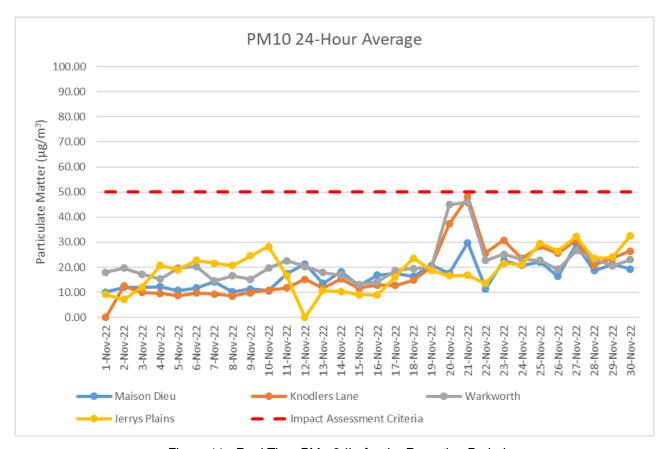


Figure 11 - Real Time PM₁₀ 24hr for the Reporting Period

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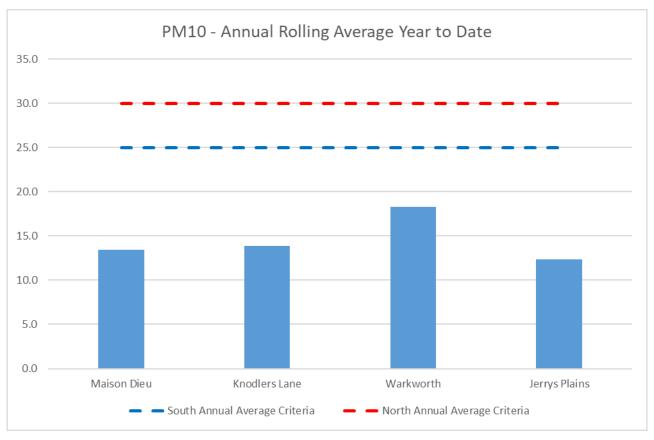


Figure 12 - Real Time PM₁₀ Annual Average for the Reporting Period

2.3.5 Real Time Alarms for Air Quality

The real time monitoring system generated 84 automated air quality related alarms during the reporting period. 66 alarms related to adverse weather conditions and 18 alarms related to dust conditions.

3 **Water Quality**

HVO maintains a network of surface water and groundwater monitoring sites.

Surface Water 3.1

Surface watercourses are sampled on a quarterly sampling regime. Water quality is assessed through the parameters of pH, electrical conductivity (EC) and Total Suspended Solids (TSS). The location of surface water monitoring points across HVO is shown in Figure 13.

Results from monitoring on site dams, the Hunter River and other natural tributaries are provided on a quarterly basis. Results will be provided in the December 2022 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report.

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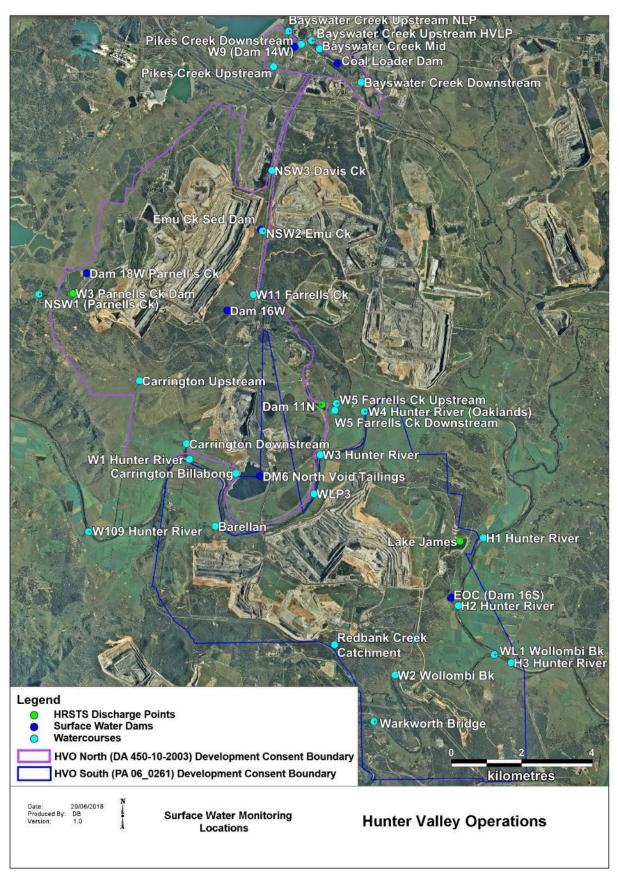


Figure 13 - HVO Surface Water Monitoring Locations

3.1.1 Surface Water Trigger Tracking

Internal trigger limits have been developed to assess monitoring data on an on-going basis and to highlight potentially adverse surface water impacts. The process for evaluating monitoring results against the internal triggers and subsequent responses are outlined in the HVO Water Management Plan.

Surface water trigger tracking results are provided on a quarterly basis; results will appear in the December 2022 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report.

3.2 Site Water Use

HVO is permitted to extract water from the Hunter River under water allocation licenses issued by Water NSW.

HVO did not extract water from the Hunter River during the reporting period.

3.3 HRSTS Discharge

HVO participates in the Hunter River Salinity Trading Scheme (HRSTS), allowing discharge from licensed discharge points Dam 11N (to Farrell's Creek), Lake James (to the Hunter River) and Parnell's Dam (to Parnell's Creek). Discharges can only take place subject to HRSTS regulations.

HVO discharged a total of 503.4 ML under the HRSTS during the reporting period.

3.4 Groundwater Monitoring Results

Groundwater monitoring is undertaken on a quarterly basis in accordance with the HVO Water Management Plan and Groundwater Monitoring Program. The location of groundwater monitoring points across HVO are show in **Figure 14.**

Groundwater monitoring results are provided on a quarterly basis. Results will be provided in the December 2022 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report.

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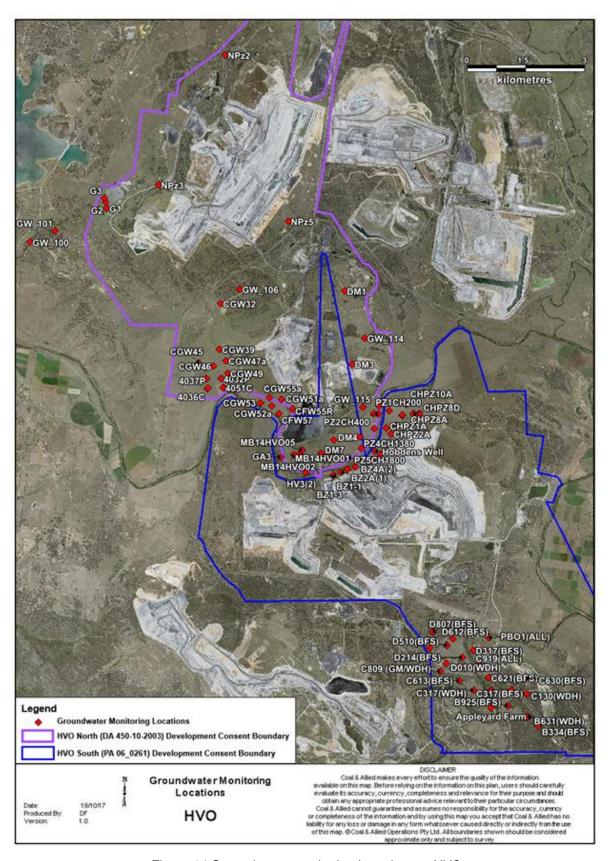


Figure 14 Groundwater monitoring Locations at HVO

Groundwater Trigger Tracking 3.4.1

Internal trigger limits have been developed to assess monitoring data on an on-going basis and to highlight potentially adverse groundwater impacts. The process for evaluating monitoring results against the internal triggers and subsequent responses is outlined in the HVO Water Management Plan.

Groundwater trigger tracking results are provided on a quarterly basis. Results will be provided in the December 2022 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report.

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Blasting 4

HVO maintains a network of blast monitoring units located at nearby privately owned residences and function as regulatory compliance monitors. The location of these monitors can be found in Figure 15. Blasting criteria for HVO are summarised in Table 2.

Table 2 - Blasting Criteria

Airblast Overpressure (dBL)	Comments
115	5% of the total number of blasts in a 12-month period
120	0% of blasts
Ground Vibration (mm/s)	Comments
5	5% of the total number of blasts in a 12-month period
10	0% of blasts

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4.1 Blast Monitoring Results

Twenty (20) blasts were initiated at HVO during the reporting period. Blast monitoring results for the period are shown in **Table 3** and **Table 4**.

Table 3 - Overpressure Blast Monitoring Results for the reporting period

Date and Time	Moses Crossing (dBL)	Jerrys Plains Village (dBL)	Maison Dieu (dBL)	Warkworth (dBL)	Knodlers Lane (dBL)
3/11/2022 9:48	97.52	106.12	101.3	100.33	107.14
3/11/2022 9:49	94.86	100.74	101.3	100.7	107.21
3/11/2022 16:34	93.83	108	95.62	90.14	90.87
4/11/2022 13:05	98.71	102.22	100.7	89.54	94.64
5/11/2022 13:02	95.07	99.03	101.3	85.6	103.26
5/11/2022 13:02	88.14	99.03	101.3	85.6	106.92
7/11/2022 10:58	93.23	102.61	89.04	87.92	99.83
7/11/2022 13:01	88.79	98.19	89.39	92.35	86.68
8/11/2022 13:07	91.62	96.15	99.59	91.18	100.29
12/11/2022 10:02	84.35	86.78	96.19	96.14	95.98
12/11/2022 12:57	95.02	86.47	86.18	87.59	86.32
16/11/2022 12:57	91.37	94.13	89.44	97.52	110.39
17/11/2022 13:03	79.65	98.88	94.52	84.05	92.42
18/11/2022 13:29	90.88	87.04	92.76	93.18	92.81
22/11/2022 13:09	100.23	105.9	104.9	96.58	108.53
24/11/2022 15:03	89.14	95.55	96.23	97.27	99.13
25/11/2022 13:12	90.91	96.03	96.74	105.71	101.31
29/11/2022 13:09	93.58	94.63	84.81	79.81	86.05
30/11/2022 13:15	109.26	108.07	95.98	97.93	99.51
1/12/2022 13:00	102.52	106.21	100	111.45	96.86

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Table 4 - Ground Vibration Blast Monitoring Results for the reporting period

Date and Time	Moses Crossing (mm/s)	Jerrys Plains Village (mm/s)	Maison Dieu (mm/s)	Warkworth (mm/s)	Knodlers Lane (mm/s)
3/11/2022 9:48	0.21	0.06	0.58	0.58	0.62
3/11/2022 9:49	0.14	0.04	0.24	0.46	0.24
3/11/2022 16:34	0.12	0.07	0.05	0.19	0.09
4/11/2022 13:05	0.21	0.05	0.06	0.29	0.11
5/11/2022 13:02	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.37	0.09
5/11/2022 13:02	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.37	0.09
7/11/2022 10:58	0.14	0.08	0.04	0.18	0.09
7/11/2022 13:01	0.21	0.12	0.09	0.46	0.09
8/11/2022 13:07	0.13	0.09	0.04	0.66	0.09
12/11/2022 10:02	0.2	0.08	0.38	0.84	0.53
12/11/2022 12:57	0.13	0.06	0.04	0.15	0.08
16/11/2022 12:57	0.1	0.02	0.03	0.26	0.08
17/11/2022 13:03	0.1	0.03	0.04	0.12	0.1
18/11/2022 13:29	0.17	0.07	0.23	0.83	0.29
22/11/2022 13:09	0.15	0.15	0.06	0.19	0.09
24/11/2022 15:03	0.3	0.09	0.46	1.12	0.61
25/11/2022 13:12	0.13	0.06	0.04	0.39	0.08
29/11/2022 13:09	0.17	0.17	0.05	0.16	0.09
30/11/2022 13:15	0.21	0.17	0.12	0.27	0.1

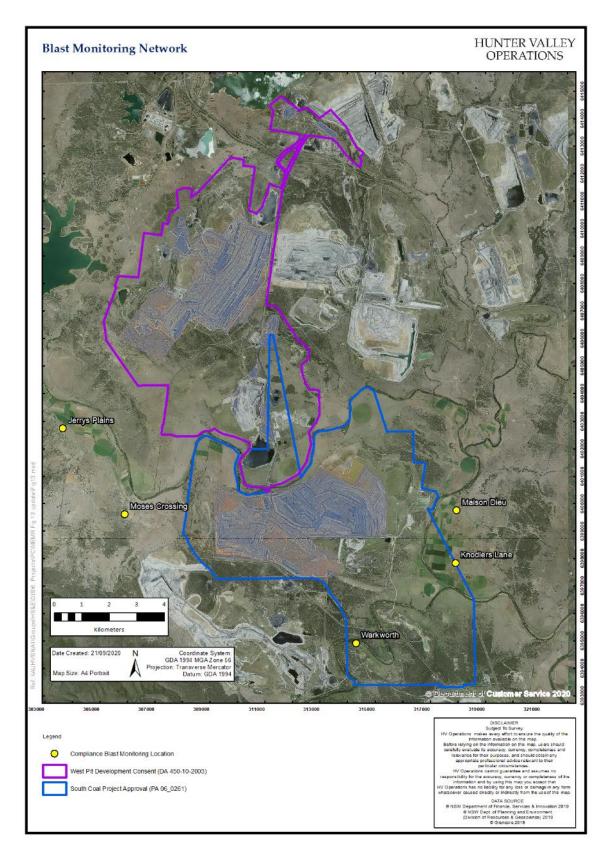


Figure 15 - Blast Monitoring Location Plan

Noise 5

Routine attended noise monitoring occurs at defined locations around HVO, as described in the HVO Noise Monitoring Program. The noise monitoring aims to quantify and describe the acoustic environment around the site and compare results with specified limits. The attended noise monitoring locations are displayed in Figure 16.

Attended Noise Monitoring Results 5.1

Attended monitoring was conducted at receiver locations around HVO during the night period of the 3rd and 15th of November 2022.

Monitoring results are detailed in Table 5 to Table 9.

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Table 5 - LAeq, 15minute HVO North Against Impact Assessment Criteria for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Wind Speed (m/s) ¹	Stability Class	Criterion (A)	Criterion Applies ²	HVO North L _{Aeq} ^{3,4,5,6,}	Exceedance ^{4,5}
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	2.5	Е	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	2.4	F	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	2.5	Е	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	2.6	D	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	2.5	D	39	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	2.5	D	39	Yes	<30	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	2.5	Е	40	Yes	<30	Nil
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	2.5	Е	40	Yes	<30	Nil
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	3.1	D	NA	No	IA	NA
Kilburnie South	15/11/2022 22:47	2.8	E	39	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	15/11/2022 22:23	3.2	D	39	No	IA	NA
Jerrys Plains Village	15/11/2022 22:00	1.3	F	40	Yes	IA	Nil

^{1.} Atmospheric data is sourced from the HVO Corporate AWS using logged meteorological data;

^{2.} Noise criteria apply under all meteorological conditions except during periods of rain or hail, wind speeds greater than 3 m/s measured at 10 metres above ground level, or temperature inversion conditions greater than 3 °C/100m (G stability class);

 $^{3. \} Site-only \ L_{Aeq} \ 15 \ minute \ attributed \ to \ HVO \ North \ Pit \ Area, including \ modifying \ factors \ if \ applicable;$

^{4.} Bold results in red indicate exceedance of criterion;

^{5.} NA in criterion column indicates no criterion is applicable at this location. NA in exceedance column means atmospheric conditions outside specified in approval therefore criterion not applicable;

Table 6 - LAeq, 15minute HVO North Against Land Acquisition Criteria for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Wind Speed (m/s) ¹	Stability Class	Criterion (A)	Criterion Applies ²	HVO North L _{Aeq} ^{3,4,6,}	Exceedance ^{4,5}
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	2.5	Е	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	2.4	F	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	2.5	Е	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	2.6	D	35	Yes	IA	Nil
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	2.5	D	39	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	2.5	D	39	Yes	<30	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	2.5	E	40	Yes	<30	Nil
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	2.5	Е	40	Yes	<30	Nil
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	3.1	D	NA	No	IA	NA
Kilburnie South	15/11/2022 22:47	2.8	E	39	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	15/11/2022 22:23	3.2	D	39	No	IA	NA
Jerrys Plains Village	15/11/2022 22:00	1.3	F	40	Yes	IA	Nil

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^{3.} Site-only LAeq,15minute attributed to HVO North Pit Area, including modifying factors if applicable;

^{4.} Bold results in red indicate exceedance of criterion; and

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Table 7 - LA1,1minute HVO North Against Impact Assessment Criteria for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Wind Speed (m/s) ¹	Stability Class	Criterion (A)	Criterion Applies ²	HVO North L _{Aeq} ^{3,4,6,}	Exceedance ^{4,5}
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	2.5	Е	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	2.4	F	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	2.5	E	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	2.6	D	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	2.5	D	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	2.5	D	46	Yes	35	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	2.5	Е	46	Yes	40	Nil
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	2.5	Е	46	Yes	<30	Nil
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	3.1	D	NA	No	IA	NA
Kilburnie South	15/11/2022 22:47	2.8	Е	46	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains East	15/11/2022 22:23	3.2	D	46	No	IA	NA
Jerrys Plains Village	15/11/2022 22:00	1.3	F	46	Yes	IA	Nil

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^{2.} Noise criteria apply under all meteorological conditions except during periods of rain or hail, wind speeds greater than 3 m/s measured at 10 metres above ground level, or temperature inversion conditions greater than 3°C/100m (G stability class);

^{3.} Site-only LA1,1minute attributed to HVO North Pit Area;

^{4.} Bold results in red indicate exceedance of criterion; and

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Table 8 - LAeq,15minute HVO South Against Impact Assessment Criteria for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Wind Speed (m/s) ¹	Stability Class	Criterion (A)	Criterion Applies ²	HVO South L _{Aeq} ^{3,4,6,}	Exceedance ^{4,5}
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	3.7	E	41	No	IA	NA
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	3.3	E	40	No	IA	NA
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	3.2	E	39	No	IA	NA
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	3.2	E	37	No	IA	NA
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	3.2	E	39	No	35	NA
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	2.9	E	38	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	3.2	Е	35	No	IA	NA
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	3.7	Е	35	No	IA	NA
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	3.4	E	55	No	IA	NA

^{1.} Atmospheric data is sourced from the HVO Cheshunt AWS using logged meteorological data;

^{2.} Noise criteria apply under meteorological conditions of wind speeds up to 3 m/s measured at 10 metres above ground level and temperature inversion conditions of up to 3 °C/100m (G stability class);

^{3.} Site-only LAeq,15minute attributed to HVO South Pit Area, including modifying factors if applicable;

^{4.} Bold results in red indicate exceedance of criterion; and

^{5.} NA in criterion column indicates no criterion is applicable at this location. NA in exceedance column means atmospheric conditions outside specified in approval, therefore criterion was not applicable.

Table 9 - LA1,1minute HVO South Against Impact Assessment Criteria for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Wind Speed (m/s) ¹	Stability Class	Criterion (A)	Criterion Applies ²	HVO South L _{Aeq} ^{3,4,6,7}	Exceedance ^{4,5}
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	3.7	E	45	No	IA	NA
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	3.3	Е	45	No	IA	NA
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	3.2	E	45	No	IA	NA
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	3.2	E	45	No	IA	NA
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	3.2	E	45	No	38	NA
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	2.9	Е	45	Yes	IA	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	3.2	Е	45	No	IA	NA
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	3.7	Е	45	No	IA	NA
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	3.4	E	NA	No	IA	NA

 $^{{\}bf 1.\ Atmospheric\ data\ is\ sourced\ from\ the\ HVO\ Cheshunt\ AWS\ using\ logged\ meteorological\ data;}$

^{2.} Noise criteria apply under all meteorological conditions except during periods of rain or hail, wind speeds greater than 3 m/s measured at 10 metres above ground level, stability category F conditions and wind speeds greater than 2 m/s measured at 10m above ground level, or stability category G conditions;

^{3.} Site-only LA1,1minute attributed to HVO;

^{4.} Bold results in red indicate exceedance of criterion; and

^{5.} NA in criterion column indicates no criterion is applicable at this location. NA in exceedance column means atmospheric conditions outside specified in approval, therefore criterion was not applicable.

5.2 Low Frequency Assessment

In accordance with the requirements of the EPA's Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI), the applicability of the low frequency modification penalty has been assessed. No penalties were applied for monitoring undertaken through the reporting period. The assessments for the low frequency noise are shown in **Table 10** and **Table 11**.

Table 10 - Modifying Factor Assessment HVO North for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Measured HVO North L _{Aeq}	Criterion Applies?	Intermittency Modifying Factor?	Tonality Modifying Factor?	Frequency of Tonality ¹	Low- frequency Modifying Factor?	Maximum Exceedance of NPfI Reference Spectrum ^{1,2}	Total Penalty
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	<30	Yes	No	No	NA	No	NA	Nil
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	<30	Yes	No	No	NA	No	NA	Nil
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	<30	Yes	No	No	NA	No	NA	Nil
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kilburnie South	15/11/2022 22:47	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains East	15/11/2022 22:23	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains Village	15/11/2022 22:00	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

^{1.} NA denotes 'not applicable'; and

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^{2.} Bold results indicate that application of NPfI modifying factor/s is required

Table 11 - Modifying Factor Assessment HVO South for the Reporting Period

Location	Date and Time	Measured HVO South L _{Aeq}	Criterion Applies?	Intermittency Modifying Factor?	Tonality Modifying Factor?	Frequency of Tonality ¹	Low- frequency Modifying Factor?	Maximum Exceedance of NPfI Reference Spectrum ^{1,2}	Total Penalty
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Long Point (Dights Crossing)	3/11/2022 22:40	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Kilburnie South	3/11/2022 23:18	35	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains East	3/11/2022 22:57	IA	Yes	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains Village	3/11/2022 21:23	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Jerrys Plains West	3/11/2022 21:02	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
HVGC	3/11/2022 23:44	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Shearers Lane	3/11/2022 21:00	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Knodlers Lane	3/11/2022 21:48	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Maison Dieu	3/11/2022 21:25	IA	No	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

^{1.} NA denotes 'not applicable'; and

^{2.} Bold results indicate that application of NPfI modifying factor/s is required $\,$

Real Time Noise Monitoring 5.3

HVO utilises a network of real-time directional noise monitors to manage noise impacts on a continuous basis, shown in Figure 16. Noise alarms are in place at five monitoring locations (Knodlers Lane, Maison Dieu, Jerrys Plains, Moses Crossing, and Long Point) which alert HVO staff to elevated noise levels that require investigation.

HVO investigates and responds to noise alarms with appropriate modification to operations. Changes in response to a noise alarm can include replacing equipment with alternative units, changing or relocating tasks, or shutting down equipment. It should be noted that this assessment does not compliment or conflict with attended noise monitoring detailed in Section 5.1. Real time monitoring data includes non-mine noise sources such as animals, road traffic and weather.

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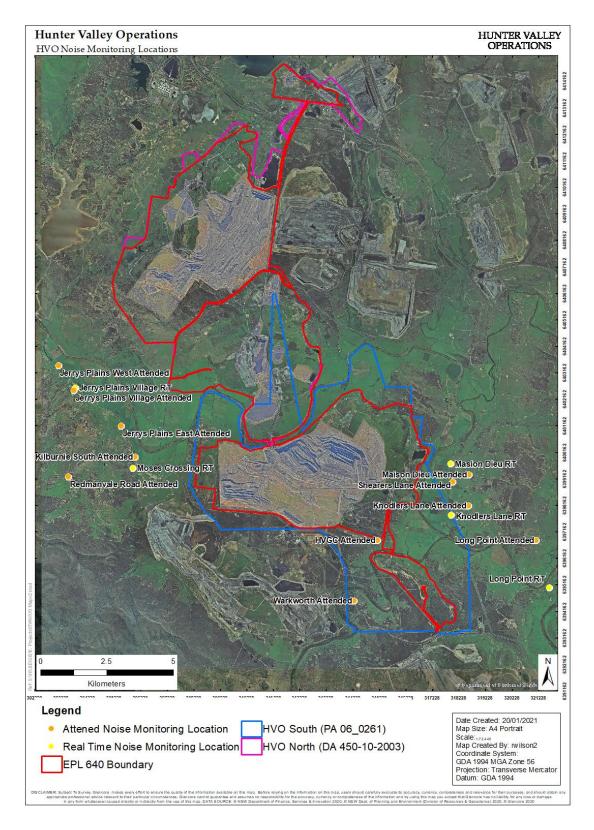


Figure 16 - Noise Monitoring Location Plan

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6 Operational Downtime

A total of 366.5 hours of equipment downtime was logged in response to real time monitoring and inspections for environmental factors such as noise and dust during the reporting period. Operational downtime by equipment type is show in **Figure 17.** Note that these delays are instances where operations were completely stopped and does not include occasions where operations were changed/modified but not stopped (e.g. changed from exposed dump to in-pit dump).

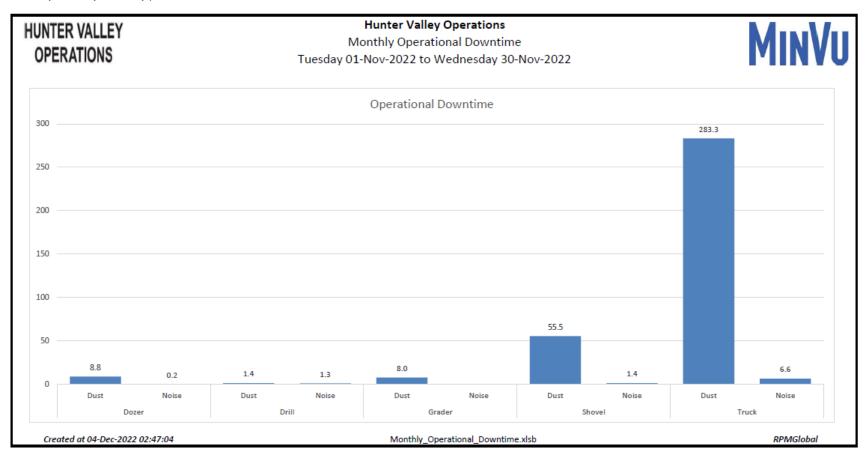


Figure 17 - Operational Downtime by Equipment Type for the reporting period

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7 Rehabilitation

The following activities related to rehabilitation were completed during the reporting period:

- 12.96 Ha of land was reshaped
- 12.96 Ha of land was released (became available for the application of topsoil)
- 13.93 Ha of land was topsoiled
- 18.4 Ha of land was rehabilitated

Year to date progress is shown in Figure 18.

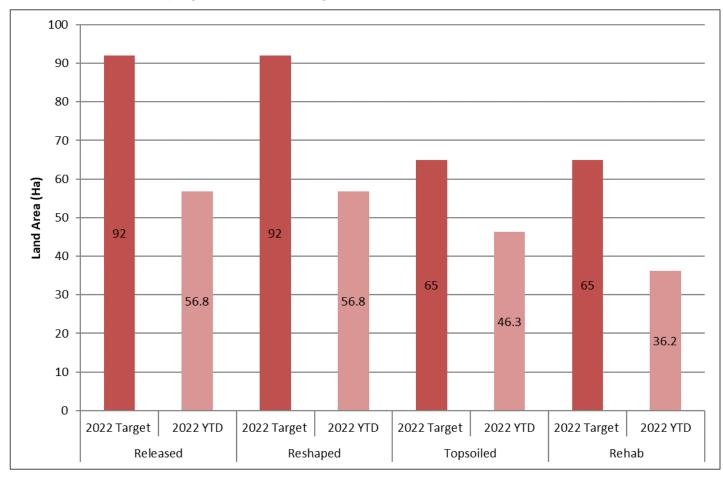


Figure 18 - Rehabilitation YTD November 2022

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Three complaints were received during the reporting period.

Details of complaints received for 2022 are shown in **Table 12**.

Table 12 - Complaints Summary 2022

Complaint Number	Date	Time	Complainant ID	Nature of Complaint	Mode of Complaint	Brief Description and Response
1	5 January	1.24pm	1	Blast	Community Hotline	A complainant from Jerrys Plains called the Community Hotline at 1.24pm to mention that a blast fired at approximately 1:06pm was noisy and sounded like lighting had struck her house and that the windows rattled.
						The blasting database was checked which confirmed that the blast was below the compliance criteria.
						The Environment and Community Officer contacted the complainant who confirmed that a blast had been fired from HVO and informed the complainant of the investigation results.
2	11 February	1.05pm	2	Blast	SMS to Environment and Community Officer	A complainant from Maison Dieu sent an SMS to the Environment and Community Officer at 1.05pm asking to record a complaint due to noise and movement from a blast fired at 1pm from HVO.
						The Environment and Community Officer confirmed HVO blast firing times aligned with the complaint and called the complainant.

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Complaint Number	Date	Time	Complainant ID	Nature of Complaint	Mode of Complaint	Brief Description and Response
						The blasting database was checked which recorded overpressure and ground vibration levels at the Maison Dieu blast monitor which is the closest monitor to the complainant's property and recorded low overpressure and vibration.
3	19 March	7.35pm	3	Driving	Community Hotline	A member of the public made a complaint about reckless driving from a vehicle observed to be entering Golden Highway from an HVO access road.
						Complaint was communicated internally, however vehicle was unable to be identified.
						A slide was included in the presentation pack at the quarterly HVO Safety Training Day about the importance of safe driving practices when driving to and from HVO.
4	19 September	1.02pm	4	Dust	Community Hotline	A complainant from Long Point made a complaint about dust following two blasts at 12.52 and 12.53 pm from HVO.
						The Environment and Community Officer contacted the complainant to confirm that the dust was from a blast fired at HVO and that the complaint would be recorded. The Environment and Community Officer offered a face-to-face meeting to discuss the complaint in person.
						The blasting permissions for wind speed and directions between 280 and 311 degrees will be reviewed
5	12 November	10.14am	4	Dust	Community Hotline	A complainant from Long Point made a complaint about dust following a blast at 10.01am from HVO.
						The Environment and Community Officer spoke with the complainant at 10.41am on Monday 14 November about the dust from the blast fired and a meeting was subsequently arranged to discuss the complaint.

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Complaint Number	Date	Time	Complainant ID	Nature of Complaint	Mode of Complaint	Brief Description and Response
6	12 November	10.35am	5	Dust and Odour	Community Hotline	 A complainant from Warkworth made a complaint about dust and odour following a blast at 10.01am from HVO. The blast was fired in accordance with HVO blasting permissions criteria. A meeting was held with the Complainant on the 17 November to further discuss the complaint.
7	24 November	3.13pm	4	Dust	Community Hotline	 A complainant from Long Point made a complaint about dust following a blast at 3.03pm from HVO. The blast was fired in accordance with HVO blasting permissions criteria. Further engagement is planned with the complainant.

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9 Environmental Incidents

There was one reportable environmental incidents during the reporting period:

• 11/11/2022 - Maison Dieu PM2.5 HVAS miscapture

HVO were notified by the monitoring contractor that the unit failed to run for the full monitoring day on 11 November due to a suspected power supply failure.

An inspection of the unit set up and internal check of the power supply equipment was completed, detecting an issue with the neutral contactor in the power outlet which connects the unit from the mains power supply. The power outlet was removed and replaced. The power supply had previously powered the PM2.5 monitor and was swapped over to the nearby TSP monitor to try and isolate the monitoring unit as a source of the ongoing failure. We expect this issue is now resolved. DPE were advised of the miscapture.

Appendix A - Meteorological Data

Date	Air Temp Max (°C)	Air Temp Min (°C)	Relative Humidity (Max %)	Relative Humidity (Min %)	Solar Radiation Maximum (W/Sq. M)	Average Wind Direction (°)	Average Wind Speed (m/sec)	Rainfall (mm)
02/11/2022	20.92	9.9	95.3	33.62	1466	287.4	6.896	23.8
03/11/2022	17.54	7.746	78.93	28.52	1494	275.2	6.824	0
04/11/2022	21.5	7.43	73.71	28.58	1473	230.2	3.457	0
05/11/2022	20.42	10.08	94.6	48.33	1360	115.8	3.013	0
06/11/2022	23.05	9.34	91.1	38.48	1229	109.5	2.89	0
07/11/2022	24.79	10.96	90.5	35.62	1202	144.1	2.275	0
08/11/2022	24.72	11.7	92	34.88	1531	110.3	2.069	0
09/11/2022	24.73	11.29	93.2	36.83	1529	112.3	2.409	0
10/11/2022	24.42	11.11	91.1	37.64	1424	117.3	3.045	0
11/11/2022	24.82	10.07	94.6	30.84	1214	112.7	2.711	0
12/11/2022	24.34	10.94	88.8	41.91	1542	210.4	1.582	0.2
13/11/2022	30.33	13.91	95.3	36.06	1115	208	2.021	15.6
14/11/2022	23.21	14.35	96.2	67.44	1299	195.4	1.403	22.2
15/11/2022	25.47	16.38	96.3	31.77	1405	277.1	6.195	19.4
16/11/2022	24.3	13.08	74.86	33	1710	275	3.75	0
17/11/2022	19.13	11.02	69.63	26.01	1761	254.7	3.53	0
18/11/2022	21.57	7.26	71.91	25.7	1535	204.9	2.314	0
19/11/2022	22.97	9.33	84.2	30.46	1303	121.2	1.956	0
20/11/2022	27.97	9.91	91.4	28.84	579.7	189.6	2.027	0
21/11/2022	25.77	16.21	72.21	18.26	606.9	268.1	5.934	0
22/11/2022	23.53	13.72	51.47	26.23	763.4	275.3	6.403	0
23/11/2022	21.72	10.49	56.67	23.41	594.7	272.8	5.28	0
24/11/2022	26.51	11.38	62.61	29.99	575.9	283.8	3.983	0
25/11/2022	28.39	13.79	78.53	22.22	578.5	241.8	2.817	0
26/11/2022	28.77	14.66	85.4	19.16	628.3	220.8	2.148	0

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Date	Air Temp Max (°C)	Air Temp Min (°C)	Relative Humidity (Max %)	Relative Humidity (Min %)	Solar Radiation Maximum (W/Sq. M)	Average Wind Direction (°)	Average Wind Speed (m/sec)	Rainfall (mm)
27/11/2022	26.31	12.89	93.7	34.39	713	129	2.17	0
28/11/2022	32.47	12.97	95.1	20.41	906	233.4	2.559	5.6
29/11/2022	29.42	16.64	83.9	26.78	1395	159.1	3.083	6
30/11/2022	27.32	14.82	90.2	30.94	1423	183.2	3.099	0
01/12/2022	24.31	12.26	83.1	39.85	1432	115.2	4.231	0