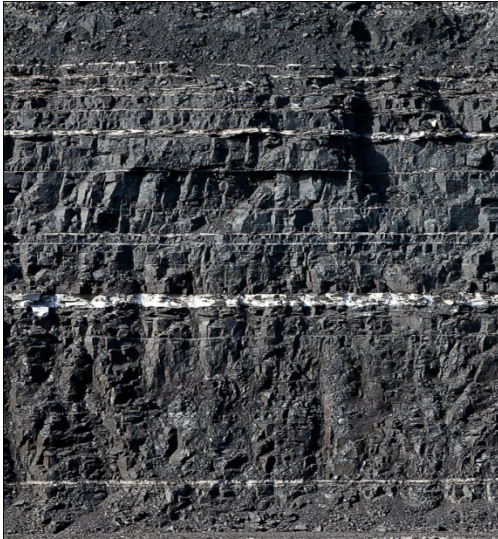


# HUNTER VALLEY OPERATIONS



## Hunter Valley Operations EPL Monitoring Data

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

This report has been compiled to provide a summary of environmental monitoring results for Hunter Valley Operations in accordance with Environment Protection Licence 640. This report includes all monitoring data collected in accordance with the aforementioned Licence for the period 1 June – 30 June 2019.

Monitoring in this report includes:

- Air quality monitoring;
- Surface water monitoring including mine water discharge; and
- Blast monitoring.

Monitoring locations are shown in Figure 1.

## 2 AIR QUALITY

In accordance with the requirements of Condition M2.2 (EPL 640), Hunter Valley Operations maintains a network of five PM<sub>10</sub> monitors. The following monitoring locations (EPA Monitoring Points 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17) are listed on the licence for the purpose of monitoring:

- EPA Identification Number 13 – Howick
- EPA Identification Number 14 – HC1
- EPA Identification Number 15 – Wandewoi
- EPA Identification Number 16 – Knodlers
- EPA Identification Number 17 – Golden Highway

Results of Particulates (PM<sub>10</sub>) monitoring (EPA Monitoring Points 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17) are shown in Table 1. Results reported represent the 24hr average PM<sub>10</sub>, derived from 10 minute average PM<sub>10</sub> values for the period midnight to midnight, for each calendar date during the reporting period. The last sampling date was 30 June 2019; the data was obtained on the 1 July 2019.

**TABLE 1: PARTICULATE MATTER <10µM MONITORING**

Date	Unit of Measure	Monitoring Frequency & Capture	Monitoring Point				
			Howick	HC1	Wandewoi	Knodlers	Golden Highway
1/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>	Continuous	26.3	57.4	22.9	18.6	23.3
2/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		28.0	71.3	19.6	19.8	31.0
3/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		13.4*	54.6	2.7	14.1	8.2
4/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		15.1	27.1	7.5	8.9	22.4
5/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		20.9	30.7	11.6	18.2	26.4
6/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		30.3	77.4	17.3	21.1	29.6*
7/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		42.6	104.6	24.5	31.8	35.1
8/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		44.0	83.1	34.7	29.5	41.9
9/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		14.7	49.2	11.8	18.1	14.6
10/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		16.8	47.0	11.3	17.1	13.1
11/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		19.8	42.9	12.8	15.9	17.7
12/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		30.5	101.6	15.8	24.1	28.2
13/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		24.1	116.5	14.0*	37.0	16.5*
14/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		13.2*	87.3	8.9	28.5	29.1
15/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		41.2	97.2	28.5	105.9	45.6
16/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		37.0	157.6	22.5	154.1	51.4
17/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		16.8	30.9	7.5	17.6	37.6
18/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		11.2	35.7	7.6	11.7	13.3
19/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		23.6	31.8	14.2	#	23.8
20/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		33.1	149.1	30.8	#	36.3
21/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		27.8	79.8	10.5	18.7**	23.7
22/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		33.7	91.1	17.5	27.3**	32.2

23/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		26.1	42.3	10.7	16.6**	19.0
24/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		10.6	17.3	6.6	10.6**	15.4
25/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		10.4	10.8	6.7	8.4**	14.7
26/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		16.4	17.0	11.1	12.4**	15.3*
27/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		19.3*	14.0	12.8	#	11.2
28/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		19.1	29.5	12.6	14.6*	16.7*
29/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		17.5	79.7	16.0	18.9	15.0*
30/06/2019	µg/m <sup>3</sup>		15.7	66.7	10.8	23.4	#
Monthly Meaningful Data							
<b>June</b>	<b>µg/m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Minimum*</b>	10.4	10.8	2.7	8.9	8.2
<b>June</b>	<b>µg/m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Mean*</b>	24.2	63.4	14.7	31.7	25.6
<b>June</b>	<b>µg/m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Maximum*</b>	44.0	157.6	34.7	154.1	51.4
<b>June</b>	<b>µg/m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Median*</b>	23.6	56.0	12.6	19.3	23.8

# 24 hour data unavailable due to equipment or communications issue causing one or more missing 10 minute values

\* Data calculated with missing 10 minute values due to equipment or communication issue

\*\* Data calculated using 5 minute values due to equipment or communication issue

### 3 SURFACE WATER

#### 3.1 Mine Water Discharge Monitoring

HVO participates in the Hunter River Salinity Trading Scheme (HRSTS), and maintains six monitoring locations associated with this scheme (EPA Monitoring Points 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8, Condition M2.3) as follows:

- EPA Identification Number 3 – Discharge Pipe from Dam 11N
- EPA Identification Number 4 – Discharge end of outlet pipe on Parnell's Dam
- EPA Identification Number 5 – At the discharge end of the alluvial lands discharge pipeline
- EPA Identification Number 6 – In Farrell's Creek within 100m, and upstream of the confluence of flow from POINT 3
- EPA Identification Number 7 – In Farrell's Creek within 100m, and downstream of the confluence of flow from POINT 3
- EPA Identification Number 8 – Outlet of discharge pipe from Lake James storage dam

The location of these sampling points can be viewed in Figure 1.

Hunter Valley Operations did not receive any discharge opportunities in the reporting period and no water was discharged. As such, no samples were collected at Monitoring Points 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 during the reporting period (shown in Table 2 below).

**TABLE 2: MINE WATER DISCHARGE MONITORING**

Discharge Point	Date	Pollutant	unit of measure	Licence Limits	No. of samples required by licence	No. of samples you collected and analysed
Dam 11N Discharge / EPL Point 3	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	-	0	0
		pH	pH	6.5 - 9.5	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	120	0	0
Parnell's Dam Discharge / EPL Point 4	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	-	0	0
		pH	pH	6.5 - 9.5	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	120	0	0
Alluvial Lands Discharge / EPL Point 5	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	400	0	0
		pH	pH	-	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	-	0	0
Farrell's Creek Upstream / EPL Point 6	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	-	0	0
		pH	pH	-	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	-	0	0
Farrell's Creek Downstream / EPL Point 7	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	-	0	0
		pH	pH	-	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	-	0	0
Lake James Discharge / EPL Point 8	N/A	Electrical Conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	-	0	0
		pH	pH	6.5 - 9.5	0	0
		Total Suspended Solids	milligrams per litre	120	0	0

## 4 BLAST MONITORING

In accordance with the requirements of Condition M8.1, Hunter Valley Operations maintains a network of blast monitors to measure airblast overpressure and ground vibration for all blasts carried out at HVO. The following monitoring locations (EPA Monitoring Points 9, 10, 11 and 12) are listed on the Licence for the purpose of assessing compliance with the airblast overpressure and ground vibration criteria as follows:

- EPA Identification Number 9 – Jerrys Plains
- EPA Identification Number 18 – Moses Crossing
- EPA Identification Number 11 – Warkworth
- EPA Identification Number 12 – Maison Dieu

The location of these monitors can be found in Figure 1. The last date sampled was the 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019. The data was obtained on the 4<sup>th</sup> July 2019.

Blast monitoring results are detailed in Table 3 (Airblast Overpressure) and Table 4 (Ground Vibration).

**TABLE 3: BLAST MONITORING (AIRBLAST OVERPRESSURE)**

Blast ID	Date and Time	Unit of Measure	Monitoring Frequency & Capture	EPL Limits		Monitoring Point			
				95% of Blasts	100% of Blasts	Moses Crossing	Jerrys Plains	Maison Dieu	Warkworth
WN4713001A	1/06/2019 13:16	dB(L)	All Blasts 100%	115	120	78.8	78.5	92.2	90.6
WN41BAP01A	1/06/2019 13:17	dB(L)		115	120	84.8	90.2	92.9	95.3
WN45LED03A	6/06/2019 13:10	dB(L)		115	120	94.2	96.1	100.8	99.5
P120BAC01A	7/06/2019 13:46	dB(L)		115	120	105.0	108.3	93.9	98.6
P123P0605A	7/06/2019 13:47	dB(L)		115	120	92.2	87.5	91.2	90.9
P206M0108A	11/06/2019 13:17	dB(L)		115	120	87.8	95.5	98.6	101.4
P207HOZ04A	11/06/2019 13:18	dB(L)		115	120	101.0	102.2	110.0	102.3
WN41LLD01A_ WN41BAP02A	15/06/2019 15:28	dB(L)		115	120	89.5	94.9	93.3	89.7
WN43LAR03A	17/06/2019 13:15	dB(L)		115	120	87.7	82.4	95.3	87.8
WN41BAP02B	17/06/2019 13:17	dB(L)		115	120	85.0	82.6	98.9	97.1
P206M0108B	19/06/2019 12:41	dB(L)		115	120	85.5	82.1	90.9	92.5
P207HOZ05A	19/06/2019 12:42	dB(L)		115	120	88.5	88.4	96.1	95.8
P120BAC02A	20/06/2019 13:23	dB(L)		115	120	90.7	99.8	94.6	98.9
P206FCL01A	21/06/2019 13:28	dB(L)		115	120	102.9	97.3	98.9	96.4
WN45LPG02A	22/06/2019 13:14	dB(L)		115	120	81.3	87.1	91.5	89.7
P206M0108C	24/06/2019 11:34	dB(L)		115	120	100.7	101.8	109.1	96.4



RW32PRE01A	26/06/2019 14:48	dB(L)		115	120	102.6	97.5	107.5	95.4
WS45LPP04A	27/06/2019 15:13	dB(L)		115	120	90.8	107.6	101.7	87.8
P121R0604A	29/06/2019 13:20	dB(L)		115	120	95.7	98.7	104.3	92.6
Monthly Meaningful Data									
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>dB(L)</b>		115	120	78.8	78.5	90.9	87.8
<b>Mean</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>dB(L)</b>		115	120	91.8	93.6	98.0	94.7
<b>Maximum</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>dB(L)</b>		115	120	105.0	108.3	110.0	102.3
<b>Median</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>dB(L)</b>		115	120	90.7	95.5	96.1	95.4

**TABLE 4: BLAST MONITORING (GROUND VIBRATION)**

Blast ID	Date and Time	Unit of Measure	Monitoring Frequency & Capture	EPL Limits		Monitoring Point			
				95% of Blasts	100% of Blasts	Moses Crossing	Jerrys Plains	Maison Dieu	Warkworth
WN4713001A	1/06/2019 13:16	mm/s	All Blasts 100%	5	10	0.51	0.56	0.19	0.21
WN41BAP01A	1/06/2019 13:17	mm/s		5	10	0.09	0.05	0.04	0.19
WN45LED03A	6/06/2019 13:10	mm/s		5	10	0.22	0.17	0.12	0.13
P120BAC01A	7/06/2019 13:46	mm/s		5	10	0.13	0.06	0.13	0.13
P123P0605A	7/06/2019 13:47	mm/s		5	10	0.11	0.04	0.07	0.15
P206M0108A	11/06/2019 13:17	mm/s		5	10	0.10	0.03	0.15	0.71
P207HOZ04A	11/06/2019 13:18	mm/s		5	10	0.13	0.05	0.25	0.39
WN41LLD01A_ WN41BAP02A	15/06/2019 15:28	mm/s		5	10	0.45	0.82	0.18	0.12
WN43LAR03A	17/06/2019 13:15	mm/s		5	10	0.14	0.07	0.06	0.12
WN41BAP02B	17/06/2019 13:17	mm/s		5	10	0.25	0.37	0.12	0.17
P206M0108B	19/06/2019 12:41	mm/s		5	10	0.08	0.03	0.08	0.09
P207HOZ05A	19/06/2019 12:42	mm/s		5	10	0.10	0.04	0.43	0.61
P120BAC02A	20/06/2019 13:23	mm/s		5	10	0.12	0.05	0.09	0.13
P206FCL01A	21/06/2019 13:28	mm/s		5	10	0.08	0.03	0.06	0.26
WN45LPG02A	22/06/2019 13:14	mm/s		5	10	0.10	0.06	0.05	0.05
P206M0108C	24/06/2019 11:34	mm/s		5	10	0.09	0.02	0.09	0.09

RW32PRE01A	26/06/2019 14:48	mm/s		5	10	0.15	0.04	0.04	0.33
WS45LPP04A	27/06/2019 15:13	mm/s		5	10	0.33	0.19	0.07	0.07
P121R0604A	29/06/2019 13:20	mm/s		5	10	0.09	0.03	0.05	0.10
Monthly Meaningful Data									
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>mm/s</b>		5	10	0.08	0.02	0.04	0.05
<b>Mean</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>mm/s</b>		5	10	0.17	0.14	0.12	0.21
<b>Maximum</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>mm/s</b>		5	10	0.51	0.82	0.43	0.71
<b>Median</b>	<b>June</b>	<b>mm/s</b>		5	10	0.12	0.05	0.09	0.13



Figure 1 : Hunter Valley Operations Environmental Monitoring Locations

## 5 CORRECTION LOG

**EPL number:** 640

**Instrument:** ID 15 – Wandewoi TEOM

**Pollutant:** Particulate Matter

**Correction made:** Corrected 24 hour average value for 28 June 2019 and subsequent monthly meaningful data.

Sample data and time	Monitoring Location	Parameter	Original Data	Corrected Data	Date Corrected	Date originally published
28 June 2019	Wandewoi TEOM	24 Hour Average ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	8.0	12.6	22 May 2020	8 July 2019
June 2019	Wandewoi TEOM	Monthly Mean ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	14.6	14.7	22 May 2020	8 July 2019
June 2019	Wandewoi TEOM	Monthly Median ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	11.8	12.6	22 May 2020	8 July 2019

**Reason for Correction:** Incorrectly reported 24 hour Average value on 28 June 2019. Data was corrected to adjust for periods of time when instrument was under maintenance.