

BAAL BONE COLLIERY

January to March 2017 Environmental Monitoring Summary



1. Introduction

In accordance with Schedule 5, Condition 9 of Project Approval 09_0178 this report provides a summary of environmental monitoring results for Baal Bone Colliery, for the period **1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017.** Baal Bone's licensed discharge and monitoring locations are identified in **Drawing 1**.

2. Air quality

Monthly dust monitoring is carried out in accordance with Australian Standard AS3580.10.1, EPL requirements and Baal Bone's Air Quality Monitoring Program.

Monitoring is undertaken by the ALS Group Environmental Division, a NATA Accredited laboratory.

Baal Bone maintains a network of dust deposition gauges:

- Sample location DM1 (EPL monitoring point No. 7);
- Sample location DM2 (EPL monitoring point No. 13);
- Sample location DM3 (EPL monitoring point No. 14);
- Sample location DM4 (EPL monitoring point No. 15).

Locations of the dust deposition gauges are shown in **Drawing 1**.

Schedule 3, Condition 10 of Project Approval 09_0178 includes air quality impact assessment criteria for the project (summarised in **Table 1**). The pollutants to be monitored include deposited dust, TSP and PM¹⁰.

In accordance with the DP&E approved Air Quality Monitoring Program, monitoring for TSP and PM10 was discontinued in June 2012. The monitoring was discontinued following Baal Bone mining operations entering care and maintenance in September 2011, and the completion of coal washing and transporting of coal off-site in December 2011 and April 2012 respectively.

Table 1: Baal Bone Air Quality Impact Assessment Criteria

Pollutant	Averaging period	Criterion		
Deposited dust	Annual	Maximum	Maximum	
		increase	total	
		2 g/m ² /month	4 g/m ² /month	
TSP	Annual	90 μg/m³		
PM10	24 hour	50 μg/m³		
	Annual	30 μg/m³		

The monthly results for each of the monitoring locations are summarised in Table 2. **Figure 1** provides the monthly deposited dust results for the year to date. **Figure 2** provides the twelve month rolling average.

Table 2: Deposited dust monitoring results for 2016 (g/m²/month)

Month	DM1	DM2	DM3	DM4
January	0.4	0.5	0.7	0.6
February	1.1	0.7	0.7	0.5
March	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.4
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October	_	_	_	
November	_	_	_	
December				

Note: * Contaminated sample, not included in graphs below or twelve month rolling average.

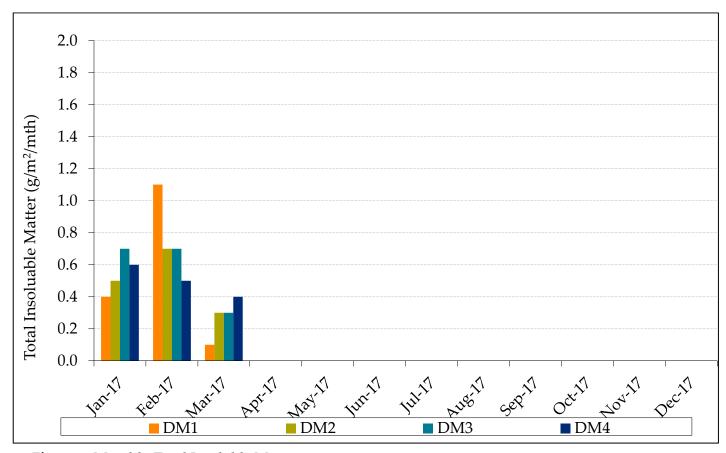


Figure 1: Monthly Total Insoluble Matter.

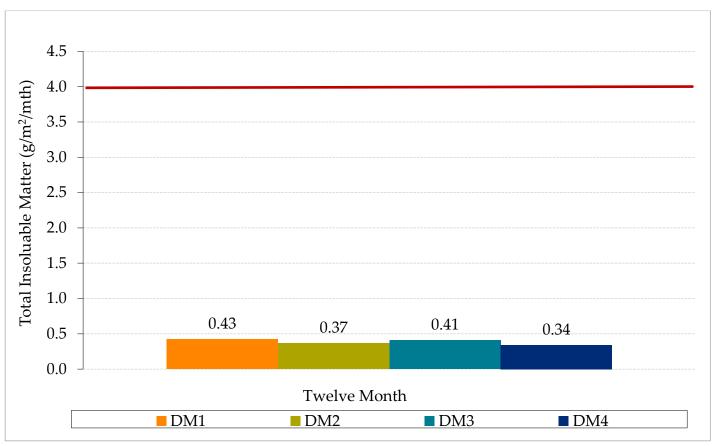


Figure 2: YTD Twelve Month Rolling Average Total Insoluble Matter.

3. Surface Water

Condition L2 of EPL 765 outlines water concentration limits for oil and grease, pH, total suspended solids and total iron. These limits are presented below in **Table 3**.

Table 3: EPL 765 concentration limits

	LD2	LDP1	WMP1
Oil and grease (mg/L)	-	10	-
рН	-	6.5-8.5	-
Total Suspended Solids (mg/L)	-	50	-
Total Iron (mg/L)	-	1.0	-

The monthly results for each of the monitoring locations are summarised in **Table 4**. **Figures 3 to 6** provide monthly results for each pollutant.

Table 4: EPL Water quality results for the 2016 YTD.

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Here		EC	O&G	SO ²⁻ 4	Fe	TSS	pН	BOD	Faecal	N	P
EPL	Month								Coliforms		
Point		μS/cm	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	_	mg/L	cos/100mls	mg/L	mg/L
	Jan	-			-	-	-		-	-	-
	Feb	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
	Mar	_	-	_	_	_	-	_	-	_	_
	Apr										
	May										
T D0	Jun										
LD2a	Jul										
	Aug										
	Sep										
	Oct										
	Nov										
	Dec										
	Jan	1050	<2	249	< 0.05	2	8.0	-	-	-	-
	Feb	1070	<2	230	0.06	2	8.0	-	-	-	-
	Mar	1080	<2	271	< 0.05	2	8.1	-	-	-	-
	Apr										
	May										
LDP1	Jun										
2211	Jul										
	Aug										
	Sep										
	Oct										
	Nov										
	Dec										
	Jan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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(a) No samples taken at LD2 during period as sample location was dry

(b) No samples taken at WMP1 during period as sample location was dry

(c) Limit of Reporting changed from <1 to <2.

Legend

BOD = Biological oxygen demand

Fe = Iron

EC = Electrical conductivity

SO²⁻ = Sulfate₄ N = Nitrogen

TSS = Total suspended solids

O & G = Oil and Grease

P = Phosphorus

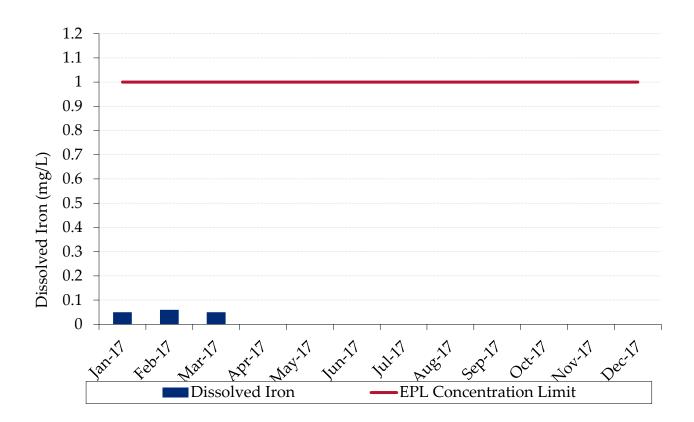


Figure 3: Dissolved iron

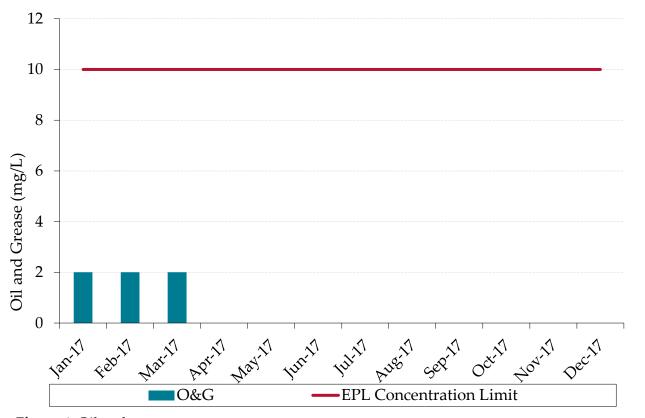


Figure 4: Oil and grease

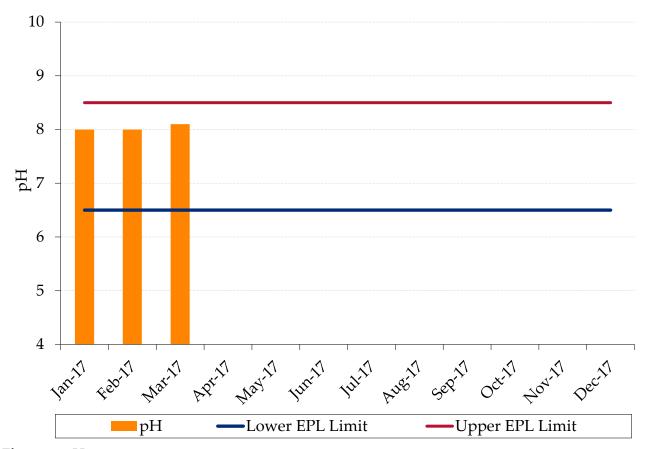


Figure 5: pH

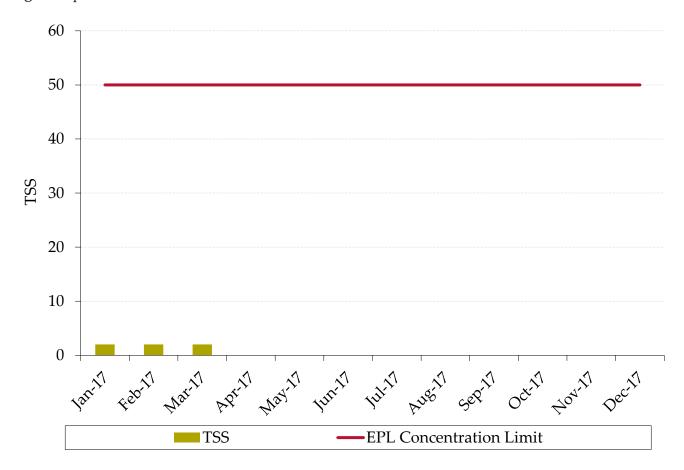


Figure 6: Total suspended solids

Monthly EPL reporting can be accessed at:

http://www.glencore.com.au/EN/who-we-are/baal-bone/Pages/epl-reporting.aspx

4. Noise

Noise Impact Assessment Criteria

Schedule 3, Condition 4 of Project Approval 09_0178 includes long term noise impact assessment criteria. **Table 5** outlines the assessment criteria.

Table 5: Long term noise impact assessment criteria

Location	All periods	Night		
	dB(a) L _{Aeq(15 min)}	dB(a) LA1(1 min)		
R1	46	47		
R2	41	48		
R3	41	48		
All other privately-owned land	35	45		

From 2013 onwards attended monitoring is undertaken on an annual basis at receptors R1 and R2/R3 (refer to Drawing 1).

Noise Audit Results

Atkins Acoustics carried out an environmental compliance noise audit at Baal Bone Colliery on Monday 29 August 2016 between 4:30 pm and 12:00 am. The next noise audit is scheduled for mid-2017.

Table 6: Noise Audit Summary

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Location (Start time)	Measured Predicted Colliery Noise	Limit	Unit	Comments
	LAeq			
Daytime Audit (1	350-1505) – Tuesday	7 11 August 20	15	
Location R1 (1725 hours)	<30	46	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 30/45 dBA Ducks/insects/birds 35/40 dBA Dog 38/42 dBA
Location R1 (1740 hours)	<30	46	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 32/46 dBA Ducks/insects/birds 34/43 dBA Dog 39/44 dBA
Location R2/3 (1645 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Road traffic 38/45 dBA Insects/birds 35/45 dBA
Location R2/3 (1700 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Road traffic 38/45 dBA Insects/birds 35/45 dBA Dog 48/55 dBA

Location (Start time)	Measured Predicted Colliery Noise	Limit	Unit	Comments
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Location R1 (1820 hours)	<30	46	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 32/48 dBA Ducks/insects/birds 36/42
Location R1 (1835 hours)	<30	46	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 32/48 dBA Ducks/insects/birds 36/42 dBA
Location R2/3 (1850 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 38/48 dBA Insects/birds/dog 36/55 dBA
Location R2/3 (1905 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Mine ventilation fan <30 dBA Dist road traffic 36/45 dBA Insects/birds 36/44 dBA

Location (Start time)	Measured Predicted Colliery Noise	Limit	Unit	Comments
	$ m L_{Aeq}$			
Night Audit (2200) to 2330) - Tuesday	11 August 201	.5	
Location R1 (2235 hours)	<30	46	dBA	Ventilation fan <30 dBA Road traffic 46/8 dBA Insects
Location R1 (2250 hours)	<35	46	dBA	Ventilation fan <30 dBA Road traffic 38/44 dBA Insects
Location R2/3 (2315 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Ventilation fan <30 dBA Road traffic 35/8 dBA Insects
Location R2/3 (2330 hours)	<30	41	dBA	Ventilation fan <30dBA Dog 48/35 dBA Insects

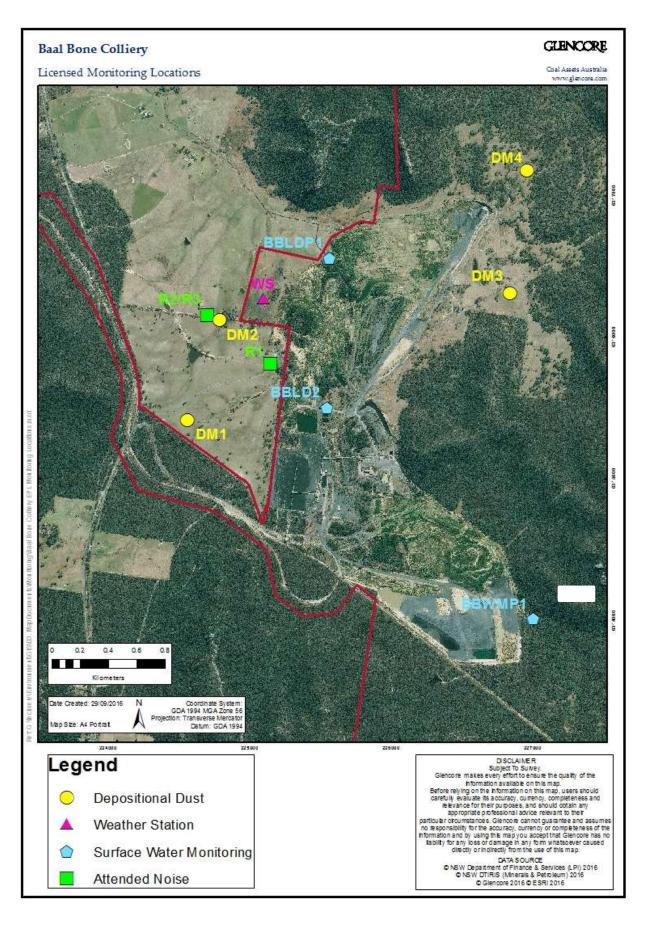
The audit report concluded that:

"During the site-attended audits noise from the ventilation fan would not be described as tonal, impulsive, irregularity or with low frequency content. Accordingly no 'modifying factor' corrections are required to satisfy EPL 765 (L4.7). From the audit measurements and assessment, the LAeq, 15 min noise contributions from BBC during the day, evening and night assessment periods satisfied the long-term licence noise limits.

BBC related LAmax noise levels were not observed to cause exceedances of the licence noise limits at measurement locations for the duration of the audit."

The full August 2016 audit report and previous noise audit reports can be accessed from the Baal Bone publications web page at:

http://www.glencore.com.au/EN/who-we-are/baal-bone/Pages/epl-reporting.aspx



Drawing 1. Baal Bone Monitoring Points