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# Pollution Incident Response Management Plan

Mt Zion Quarry

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# Introduction and Background

Greensill Bros Pty Ltd operate the Mt Zion Quarry which is located on Boundary Creek Road, Nymboida. A map is included as Figure 1. A more detailed site map is included in Appendix A - Site Layout.

The quarry is for 'hard rock' resources and requires blasting and crushing. However, explosives are not stored on site and fuel for crushers and other equipment is held in small quantities in bunded systems on vehicles or a portable self-bunded tank.

The operational area is situated in a controlled drainage area which collects all run-off at a sediment settling pond. A previous assessment of risk (Holland 2016) identified that the breach of the settling pond dam wall could be significant, and classed as having a residual 'Moderate Risk'. All other activities on site are of lesser residual risk.

Following review of the PRIMP in August 2017, three areas for improvement were identified. These areas are listed in the testing records (PIRMP Testing Records

Table 6). The structure of this PIRMP follows the EPA PIRMP guidelines (Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) 2012)

## Site Location

A map of the site is provided in Appendix A - Site Layout.

Table 1 - Site Details

|              | Property Description                               |
|--------------|--|
| EPA Licence  | 20650  |
| Site Address | Boundary Creek Forest Road<br>Nymboida<br>NSW 2460 |

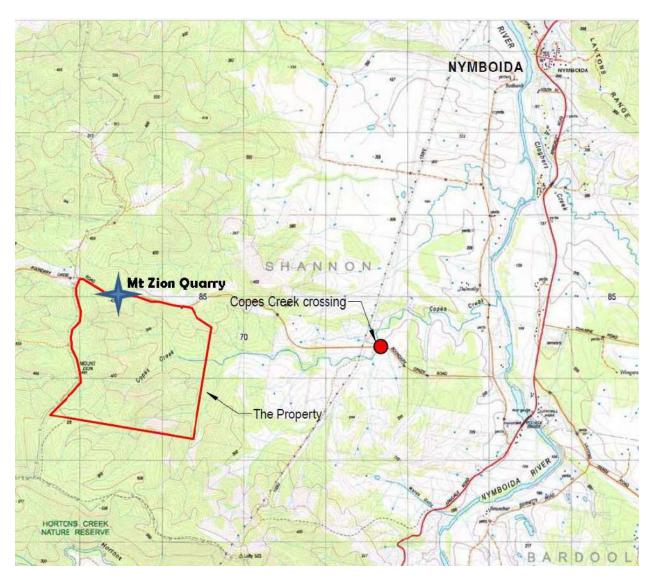


Figure 1 - Mt Zion Quarry local area context

### **Site Contacts**

The General Manager or its delegate will be responsible for the implementation of this plan. The following are nominated as being responsible persons:

Table 2 - Persons responsible for activating the plan

| Name                 | Role                   | Contacts                                 |
|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| John Bartholomew; or | Quarry/Mine Manager    | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0428 666 128 |
| Jarrod Greensill     | Quarry General Manager | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0427 898 606 |

Table 3 - Persons responsible to liaise with the 'relevant authority'

| Name                 | Role                   | Contacts                                 |
|----------------------|------------------------|--|
| John Bartholomew; or | Quarry/Mine Manager    | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0428 666 128 |
| Jarrod Greensill     | Quarry General Manager | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0427 898 606 |

Table 4 - Person responsible for managing the response to a pollution incident

| Name             | Role                | Contacts                 |
|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| John Bartholomew | Quarry/Mine Manager | UHF Channel 20 (on-site) |
|                  |                     | 0427 666 128             |

# Site Pollutant Inventory

Very little potentially contaminating material is stored on site:

- Explosives are not stored on site;
- Small, domestic quantities of herbicides and pesticides;
- Fuel and oil is transported to site as required and only stored during hours of operation; and
- Storm water is stored on site in the settling pond and some water can build up in the pit.

## **Environmental Risk**

The operational area is situated in a controlled drainage area which collects all run-off at a sediment settling pond. A previous assessment of risk (Holland 2016) identified that the breach of the settling pond dam wall could be significant, and classed as having a residual 'Moderate Risk'. All other activities on site were of lesser residual risk.

This PIRMP has been developed through using the risk assessment undertaken by EnviroAg Australia Pty Ltd in November 2016 (Holland 2016). This risk assessment should be checked for any changes as part of the yearly PIRMP review.

# Pre-emptive measures

The following pre-emptive protection measures are available to assist in mitigating against pollution incidents:

Table 5 - Pre-emptive measures

| Туре                                   | Use   | Location  |
|--|---|---|
| Personal Protective<br>Equipment (PPE) | Personal protection against hazards                               | Site Office and some site vehicles                    |
| Heavy Vehicles                         | Construction of emergency containment equipment                   | Excavators available on site during operational works |
| Spill Kits                             | Immediate clean-up of small spills (e.g. fuel, oil and chemicals) | Site Office and some vehicles                         |
| Fire Extinguishers                     | Control fires   | Vehicles and site office                              |

# Emergency Procedure (PIRMP)

The following emergency response procedure shall be adopted if a pollution incident occurs which is likely to cause 'material harm' to the environment.

- 1. The Quarry/Mine Manager and Quarry General Manager, or if unavailable, the next in charge, to be notified as soon as possible;
- 2. First aid, should be provided to injured persons;
- 3. Immediate clean-up and containment to stop further harm to be implemented (e.g. spill kits);
- 4. The Quarry/Mine Manager or Quarry General Manager to notify all of the relevant authorities:
  - a. Environmental Protection Authority Pollution Line (131 555)
  - b. Clarence Valley Council (Grafton 02 6643 0200)
  - c. Fire & Rescue NSW (000)
  - d. NSW Public Health Unit (Lismore 02 6620 7585 / 0428 882 805ah)
  - e. Safework NSW (131 050)
  - f. Police (Grafton 6642 0222)
- 5. All work is to stop until it is ascertained that it is safe to return to work;
- 6. A suitably informed person is to be sent to meet emergency services at site;
- 7. Neighbouring properties and potentially affected premises to be notified;
- 8. Any water discharged from the settlement pond should be sampled if safe to do so;
- 9. Suitable clean-up strategies to be assessed and implemented.
- All relevant authorities must be notified, although not all will need to act. Each body will
  deliver instructions on their requirements (if any) once they understand the nature of the
  incident.
- Mobile reception is of variable quality on site. Communications with authorities and emergency services can be undertaken by mobile telephone in the vicinity of the site office where reception is the most reliable.
- On site communications should be by UHF radio (Channel 20)
- After the incident has passed a record of the incident must be made

# Reporting, Records, Testing & Review

Following the incident updates are required and will need be given via email, telephone or in-person as requested by the party.

#### Reporting

The Mine Manager and Quarry General Manager are to be notified of all pollution incidents.

#### **Incident Records**

Where a pollution incident occurs the Mine Manager is to record the incident in an Environmental Incident Register, which should be kept at the premises. The Environmental Incident Register shall include the following:

- Date of the incident;
- Nature of the incident;
- The response made;
- Results of measures taken to rectify situation;
- Monitoring or other evidence that provides an indication of the nature and scale of the incident and the success of the rectification measures taken; and
- Processes adopted to ensure that the incident does not reoccur.

#### **Testing and Training**

The PIRMP requires testing once every twelve months and within one month after every pollution incident.

In reviewing the PRIMP, records obtained from incidents, complaints, changes to licence conditions, audit data and any monitoring data should be considered when reviewing the PIRMP. A testing register is provided in Table 6.

Staff induction and training forms should be updated to include reference to PIRMP training. All staff working on site will need to be trained in the requirements of the PIRMP and records of this training maintained with staff training records.

The Quarry General Manager is to ensure that appropriate corrective actions are implemented within an appropriate time frame to allow continued compliance with this PIRMP.

### References

Environmental Protection Authority (EPA). 2012. Environmental Guidelines: Preparation of Pollution Incident Response Management Plans. Sydney, New South Wales: State of NSW. doi:ISBN: 978 1 74293 555 3.

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# PIRMP Testing Records

Table 6 - PIRMP test records

| Test Date | Type of test (e.g. desktop/exercise) | Staff involved in test                                   | Details, notes, notes, issues or improvements   |
|-----------|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| 21/8/2017 | Desktop and site inspection          | Jarrod Greensill,<br>Bart Bartholomew,<br>Rodney Holland | Actions in an incident need to be easily discerned from background information (The present PIRMP should be more concise).  No up to date map available.  PIRMP needs to be updateable (Presently the PRIMP is locked PDF). |
|           |                                      |  |   |
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# **Emergency Contact Details**

Table 7 - Quarry personnel contact details

| Role                   | Contact Person   | Contact Details                          |
|------------------------|------------------|--|
| Quarry General Manager | Jarrod Greensill | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0427 898 606 |
| Mine Manager           | Bart Bartholomew | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)                 |
| Safety Officer         | Jarrod Greensill | UHF Channel 20 (on-site)<br>0427 898 606 |

Table 8 - Emergency services contact details

| Emergency Contact                           | Division/Location                           | Contact Details                      |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|
| Environmental Protection<br>Authority (EPA) | EPA Pollution phone line                    | 131 555                              |
| Clarence Valley Council (Grafton)           | Environmental Health & Town<br>Water Supply | 02 6643 0200                         |
| Fire and Rescue NSW                         | General emergency phone line                | 000                                  |
| NSW Health<br>(Lismore)                     | Public Health Unit                          | 02 6620 7585 or<br>0428 882 805 (ah) |
| Safework NSW                                | Work safety                                 | 131 050                              |
| NSW Police Force<br>(Grafton)               | Local police                                | 02 6642 0222                         |

# Appendix A - Site Layout

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#### **RESULTS OF WATER ANALYSIS**

1 sample supplied by Greensill Bros on 22/02/18. Lab Job No.G7738 Samples submitted by Jarrod Greensill. Your Job: Quarry Water

| 22 | Lillypool | Rd SO | UTH | GRAF | TON | NSW | 246 | 0 |
|----|-----------|-------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|---|
|    |           |       |     |      |     |     |     |   |

| Parameter                     | Methods reference                | Sample 1 Quarry Water |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|
|                               |                                  |                       |
| #                             | APHA 4500-H*-B                   | 7.97                  |
| Fotal Suspended Solids (mg/L) | GFC equiv. filter - APHA 2540-D  | 13                    |
| Total Oils and Grease (mg/L)  | APHA 5520-D (hexane extractable) | 4                     |

#### Notes:

- 1. Total metals samples digested with nitric acid; Total available (acid soluble/ extractable) metals samples acidified with nitric acid to pH <2 Dissolved metals - samples filtered through 0.45 µm cellulose acetate and then acidified with nitric acid prior to analysis
- 2. Metals and salts analysed by Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry (ICP-MS).
- 3. 1 mg/L (milligram per litre) = 1 ppm (part per million) =  $1000 \,\mu\text{g/L}$  (micrograms per litre) =  $1000 \,\text{ppb}$  (part per billion).
- 4. For conductivity 1 dS/m = 1 mS/cm = 1000  $\mu$ S/cm.
- 5. Analysis performed according to APHA (2017) 'Standard Methods for the Examination of Water & Wastewater', 23rd Edition, except where stated otherwise.
- 6. Analysis conducted between sample arrival date and reporting date.
- 7. \*\* NATA accreditation does not cover the performance of this service.
- 8. .. Denotes not requested.
- 9. This report is not to be reproduced except in full.



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