Appendix A Bushfire Management Plan

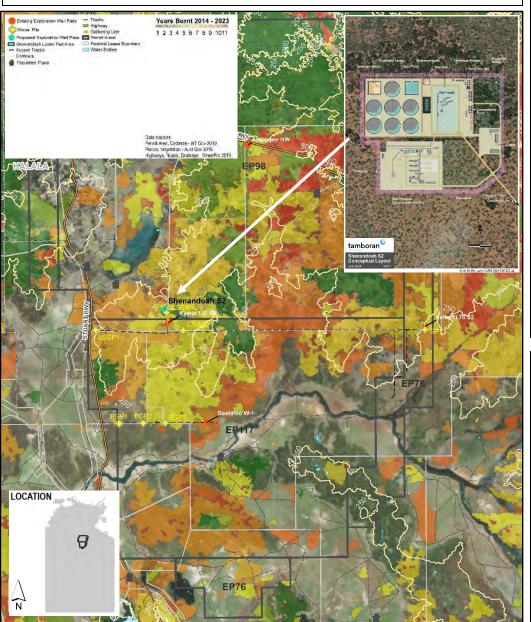


Exploration Permit 98
Bushfire Management Plan
2024 onwards
Shenandoah South 2 (Rev 3 June-2024)

	Location of Shenandoah South 2				
Property and land uses	Gas exploration, cattle grazing, and native title rights and interests recognised by the native title determinations over the land and waters.				
Site fire management aim	To reduce the occurrence of, and minimise the impact of bushfires, thereby reducing the threat to life, property, cultural values and the environment.				
Site fire management objectives	Mitigate the potential impact of unplanned fires on Tamboran's people, assets and operations and neighbouring land uses.				
Fire History (10 years) (NAFI 2024)	Fire scar mapping (2014-2023) indicates the exploration area burns approximately every 4 to 8 years (refer Figure below). Field observations in April 2023 indicated a moderate intensity fire when last burnt.				

Fire Management Risks

- Ignitions (humans and lightening) on or off site resulting in harm to workers and loss of equipment.
- Altered landscape fire regimes as result of regulated activities leading to conflict i.e. more or less fire, change
 in pattern and timing. Noting Shenandoah S2 last burnt over 4 to 8 years ago.
- Bullwaddy and Lancewood vegetation communities occur in areas across the permit and are fire sensitive. Hot
 fires can reduce habitat quality for flora and fauna species that use these vegetation communities.
- Spread of high fuel load grassy weeds could increase fire intensity, e.g. gamba, grader and buffel grass, adjacent infrastructure areas and access tracks.



The BMP should be read in conjunction with the overarching Environment Management Plan and Emergency Response Plan for Tamboran's operations in the Beetaloo Basin.

	Contact Details	Name
Bushfire	Mobile:	Robert Wear
Officer	Satellite Phone:	
	Email:	

Neighbours	Contact D	Name	
Beetaloo Station			Scotty & Jane Armstrong
Hayfield/Shenandoah Station			Justin Dyer & Sally Dyer

Stakeholders	Contact Details	
Emergency	000 or 112 mobile	
Bushfire NT	(08) 8973 8871 / BushfiresNT.Katherine@nt.gov.au	
Katherine office (Savanna)		
Bushfire NT	(08) 8951 9266	
Alice Springs & Tennant Creek office (Barkly)		
NAFI North	https://www.firenorth.org.au/nafi3/	
Secure NT (Fire Bans and Alerts)	https://securent.nt.gov.au/alerts	
Fire incident map	https://www.pfes.nt.gov.au/incidentmap/	

Bushfire Management Actions

Well pad and Remove and or maintain vegetation within the well pad area and implement erosion and SPCF sediment control plan. Treat emerging vegetation with herbicide. Hot works are not permitted on total fire ban days without written approval from a fire control officer or fire warden. When the site is suspended, the well pad can be sufficient to satisfy APZ requirements depending on the level of infrastructure / assets present. Fire A 10 m wide cleared perimeter around well pads and tank pads during operations. management An additional 10 m wide bare earth fire break incorporating a 4 m wide fire access trail break during operations. Create and maintain 4 m wide access trail by grading or spraying. Fire access Asset Site manager to assess fuel load prior to camp establishment and again at end of wet protection season if infrastructure is still in place (refer to Fuel Load Criteria). zones (APZ) Establish a 20 m low fuel zone around well pads and during operations (i.e. an area low in combustible material and obstructions). Monitor for grassy weeds and control where appropriate. If deemed necessary, conduct controlled burns where other controls are not effective and in consultation with neighbouring properties. Ensure 4 m wide fire access trail around the perimeter of the asset protection zone is trafficable by firefighting appliances.

activities and reviewed annually.

Neighbour to advise proponent of planned burns.

Fire management planning meeting with neighbouring properties prior to commencing

Working with pastoralist to assist in responding to fire where it is safe and practicable.

Neighbouring

property fire

management

Bushfire Preparedness and Planning

Mandatory for all Severe, Extreme and Catastrophic FDI days

The following must be reviewed daily. If fire alerts are active or presenting with a known fire risk, personnel must execute their contingency plans which need to encompass the following:

- ☐ Procedure on identifying and notifying of a bushfire.
- $\hfill \Box$ Critical equipment to be removed / isolated/ shut down.
- ☐ Safe evacuation routes from site and muster points.
- Communication methods:
- ✓ Team channels and / or phone numbers
- ✓ Area channels and/or phone numbers
- Closest safe havens.

Monitoring

- 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.

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 is 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 Tamboran's infrastructure such as well pad location).
- ☐ 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 (Tamboran contractors, pastoralist or Emergency Services).
- Response required Tamboran contractors and / or pastoralist and / or Emergency Services.

 Access Safe access and egress routes.
- 4. Notify Tamboran Fire Officer/Supervisor
- 4. Notify famboran Fire Officer/Supervisor
- **5. Notify Pastoralists** Refer to property contacts
- **6. Notify Emergency Services**—Call 000 or 112 if Tamboran and pastoralist unable to manage situation
- **7. Respond and Monitor** If safe to do so in consultation with pastoralist and Emergency Services.

CSIRO Fuel Load Criteria

- □ Fuel quantity (tonnes of fuel per ha).
 □ Assess vegetation type i.e. grassland,
- shrubland, scrub, woodland or forest.

 Fuel size and shape e.g. fine fuel such as grass that burns quick vs course fuel (thick branches/trunks) that burn
- Fuel arrangement (i.e. separation of understory to canopy, dense or light understory).
- Moisture content (strong winds, high temperatures and low humidity will decrease moisture content).



_			Anı	nual Wor	ks Calenda	r
	Jan	Low	No fire management activity	July	High	 Manage vegetation onsite (including weeds), fire break and fire access trail Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> (daily or as required), and visually check horizon for smoke Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires
002	Feb	Low	No fire management activity	Aug	High	 Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> (daily or as required), and visually check horizon for smoke Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires
10 2 2	Mar	Low	 Weed survey Planning meeting with neighbour Annual fire mapping to monitor changes to fire frequency in the area 	Sep	High	 Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> (daily or as required), and visually check horizon for smoke Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires
	Apr	Low	No fire management activity	Oct	High	 Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> (daily or as required), and visually check horizon for smoke Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires
44	May	Low	 No fire management activity Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires Review the preparedness planning requirements 	Nov	Medium	 Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> (daily or as required), and visually check horizon for smoke Liaise with neighbour regarding bushfires
	Jun	Medium	 Manage vegetation onsite, fire break and fire access trail Monitor NAFI, <u>fire danger ratings</u> and <u>fire weather warnings</u> Review the preparedness planning requirements 	Dec	Low	 No fire management activity Review the preparedness planning requirements



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1 Introduction

1.1 Objectives of the Weed Management Plan

This Weed Management Plan (WMP) has been developed to ensure that the risk of weed introduction and spread, resulting from activities associated with Tamboran's exploration activities are mitigated to protect the economic, community, industry and environmental interests of the Northern Territory (NT).

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 within 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 in Figure 1.



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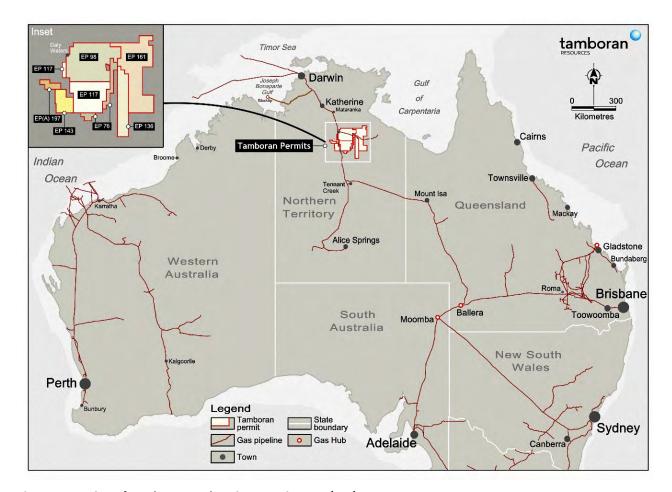


Figure 1 Location of Tamboran exploration permit areas (EPs)

1.2 Intent of the WMP

Weed control is a significant land management issue in the NT. This WMP forms a core component of Tamboran's overarching environmental management strategy and supports the various project Environment Management Plans (EMPs).

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 Tamboran's activities.

This document is based on the <u>Weed Management Planning Guide - Onshore Shale Gas Development</u> <u>Projects</u> produced by the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS 2019).

2 Project Context

This plan covers all civil, drilling, stimulation, rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities undertaken by Tamboran within its permit areas (Figure 1).



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The primary activities subject to this WMP include but are not limited to:

- Access track construction, use and maintenance
- Gathering line construction, use and maintenance
- Seismic acquisition and line rehabilitation
- 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 section presents the relevant legislation and statutory obligations for the project.

3.1 Petroleum Act and subordinate legal instruments

Petroleum Act 1984, Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 and Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities within the Northern Territory

The *Petroleum Act 1984* provides the 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 NT. 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 Regulations). The Regulations require 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 as low as reasonably practical (ALARP) and acceptable levels.

The Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory (the Code) is a mandatory code of practice for the petroleum industry to ensure that petroleum activities in the NT are managed according to minimum acceptable standards to ensure that risks to the environment can be managed to a level that is ALARP and acceptable.

Under this legal framework, Tamboran is required to submit an EMP prior to any petroleum exploration or production activity.

EMPs 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.



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This WMP is designed to support and implement the requirements of Tamboran's project specific environment management plans.

3.2 NT Weeds Management Act

The aim of the Weeds Management Act 2001 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 NT
 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 Act¹ identifies declared weeds (those which must be controlled) and provides a framework for weed management. Weeds may be classified according to any of the following purposes:

- a) it is necessary to eradicate the plant
- b) it is necessary to prevent the growing and spreading of the plant
- c) it is necessary to prevent the introduction of the plant into the Territory or a part of the Territory
- d) it is necessary to prevent the plant being spread by the actions of persons.

As at 13 October 2023, there are 3 classes of weeds identified on the NT Weed Branch website:

- Class A to be eradicated
- Class B growth and spread to be controlled
- Class C* Not to be introduced into the NT

The Act enables the relevant Minister to approve statutory weed management plans. Management obligations in these plans must be adhered to.

There are statutory management plans for 10 high priority weed species in the NT. 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 Strategies

Regional Weed Strategies (RWS) have been developed for areas of the NT, with the Tennant Creek regional weeds strategy 2021 – 2026 and the Katherine regional weeds strategy 2021 – 2026, overlapping Tamboran's Beetaloo exploration tenure. The aim of these regional plans is to assist in prioritising weed management by:

^{*} All Class A and B weeds are also Class C.

¹ Refer Part 2, section 7(4).



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- 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 Act 1999* (EPBC Act) are, among other things to:

- 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 on matters of national environmental significance (MNES). 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 (DCCEEW, 2018).

Threat abatement plans (TAP) are developed to address key threatening processes. A TAP has been developed covering 5 listed grass species present within the Northern Territory (<u>DCCEEW</u>, <u>2012</u>). The TAP covers grasses originally introduced to support pastoralism: gamba grass (*Andropogon gayanus*), para grass (*Urochloa mutica*), olive hymenachne (*Hymenachne amplexicaulis*), mission grass (*Pennisetum polystachion*) and annual mission grass (*Pennisetum pedicellatum*).

The controls in this WMP are designed to align with the Commonwealth TAP.

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 NT legislation and plans, the EPBC Act.



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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 EMP, including:

- 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 NT Government Onshore Petroleum Weed Management Officer.
- 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 Onshore Petroleum Weed Management Officer and affected landholders.
- Review and update of WMPs to remain effective in communication with relevant landholders and Onshore Petroleum Weed Management Officer in consideration of monitoring results and emerging weed issues for both gas and pastoral operations.

Tamboran has appointed the **Beetaloo Field Manager** as the dedicated Weed Officer of the Beetaloo exploration activities. This role is supported by Tamboran's Approvals and HSE personnel.

5 Baseline Weed Species Information

Baseline and annual weed surveys have been completed across the proposed and existing exploration areas. These surveys indicate the abundance of weeds within the proposed and existing project areas are low.

No weeds were detected within the Shenandoah South E&A program during the December 2022 and April 2023 field survey. *Hyptis suaveolens* (Hyptis), has been identified at the Kalala S1 and Amungee NW site (access tracks, camp pad and lease pad). Hyptis has also recently been observed at the Velkerri 76 S2 site camp pad and irrigation area. Rubber Bush and *Parkinsonia aculeata* (Parkinsonia) have been previously identified along/in proximity to the Beetaloo W access track, with rubber bush also found along the Kyalla 117 N2 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 1 and Section 9.

Gamba Grass (*Andropogon gayanus*) is a Declared Class A (to be eradicated) weed within the Beetaloo Subbasin.² Gamba Grass is grown within the Class A zone on two pastoral leases under strict permit conditions. These pastoral leases are subject to annual audits and regular inspections to ensure it is not spread outside the permitted areas. An active compliance program is in place to ensure eradication is being achieved in Zone A, as per the requirements of the statutory weed management plan for gamba grass (DEPWS 2020).

² The Beetaloo lies within the NT Statutory Weed Management Zone Class A (for eradication).



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One incursion of Gamba Grass was treated at Amungee NW1 (EP 98) in 2023 and another (single plant not in seed) removed in May 2024 from Kyalla 117 N2 (EP 117). No other incursions pf Gamba grass has been identified within the Tamboran's exploration permits (e.g. EP 117, EP 98 and EP 76). Tamboran is committed to preventing the spread of Gamba Grass into the project area from known Gamba locations. Gamba grass incursions will continue to be identified, recorded and treated in accordance with the Threat Abatement Advice released by the Commonwealth Government.

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.

- Tamboran exploration program weed survey data (2014 onwards results).
- Mapping data provided by the Weed Management Branch, DEPWS.
- Guidelines for the Management of the Weeds of Beetaloo 2018 (DLRM et al 2018).
- Tennant Creek weeds strategy 2021 2026 and Katherine weeds strategy 2021 2026.
- Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW) EPBC Act Protected Matters Report database.

Table 3 has been separated into priority weeds, which are broken down into 5 distinct categories:

- Category 1: These species are present in the region and are widely considered feasible to eradicate. They are typically evaluated as very high risk and have isolated and restricted distributions.
- Category 2: These species warrant strategic control across the landscape due to the high impact they have on land managers and on broader economic and environmental values. The key for these species is that outlier populations are practical to eradicate, but there are core infestations that are subject to control and containment. They are typically covered by a statutory weed management plan, the target of a specific program or similar; often they are Weeds of National Significance.
- Category 3: These species have been assessed by the weed risk management system as a medium
 to high risk (or have not been assessed) and have been identified by stakeholders as posing a threat
 to the values of the Region. The list is not comprehensive. There are no plans or strategies to
 manage any one of them as a species across the landscape. They are typically managed on a site
 basis and to prevent further spread. In some cases, there may be local strategies to manage these
 weeds.
- Category 4: These species are typically evaluated as low risk; however, they do still have local
 impacts. There are no strategies in place for managing these species at a landscape scale. However,
 it is important for landholders to implement weed hygiene and other biosecurity measures to
 prevent the spread of weeds into clean areas, and to control these species where the opportunity
 arises. Typically, these weeds may become problems around infrastructure, drains and other
 disturbed areas.
- Category 5: The Weed Management Branch uses a working definition of an 'alert' weed as a species:
 - not yet naturalised in a region
 - with the potential to have a high level of impact should it become established



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• having a reasonable likelihood of arriving in the Region (or of being present undetected).

It is noted that Parthenium (*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 Tennant Creek region and Katherine RWMS are provided in Figure 3, Figure 4 and Figure 5.



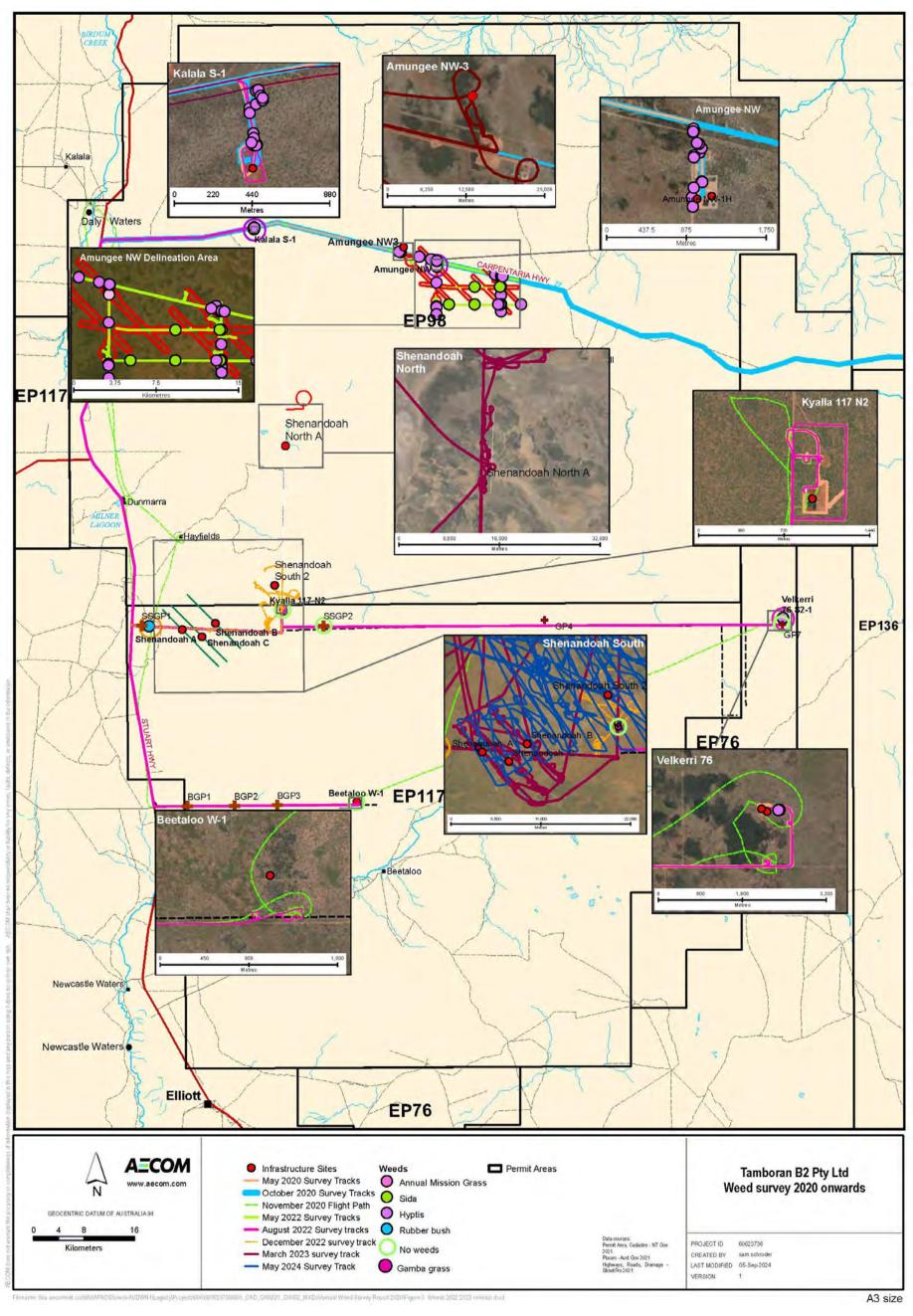


Figure 2 Location of weeds species in EPs



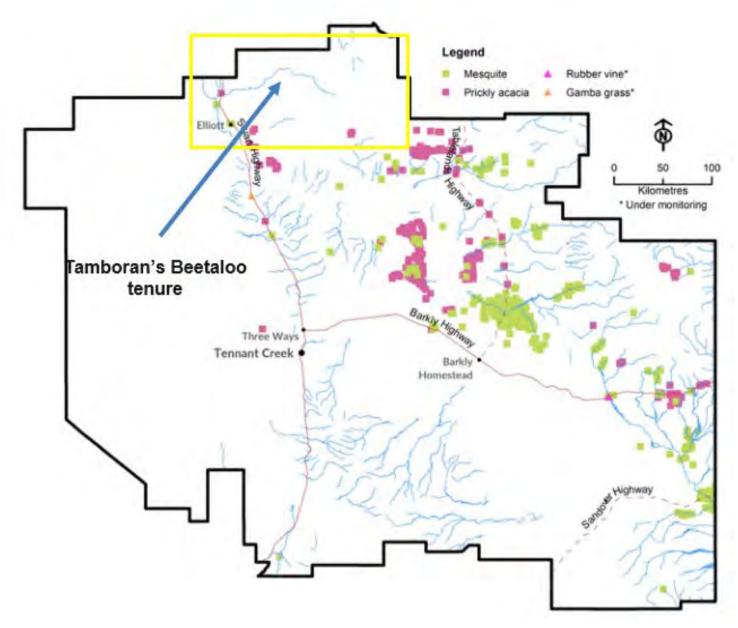


Figure 3 Tennant Creek RWS mapped priority weed for eradication locations (DEPWS 2021)

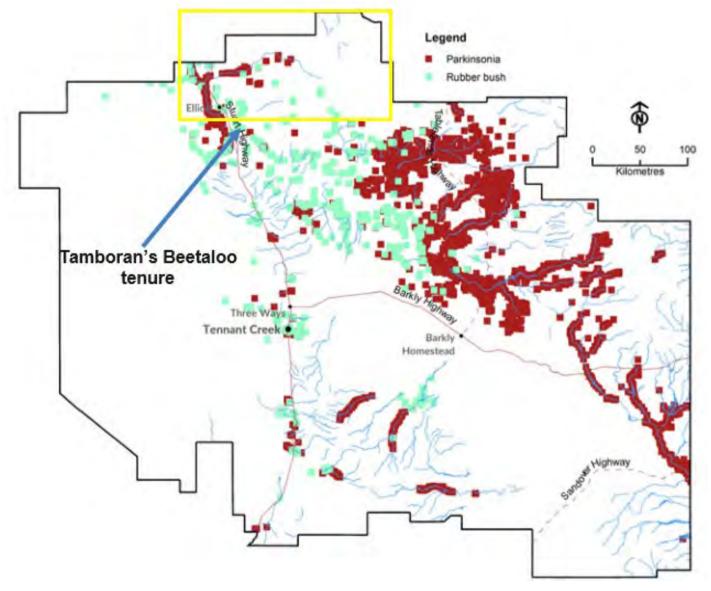


Figure 4 Tennant Creek RWS priority weeds for strategic control (DEPWS 2021)

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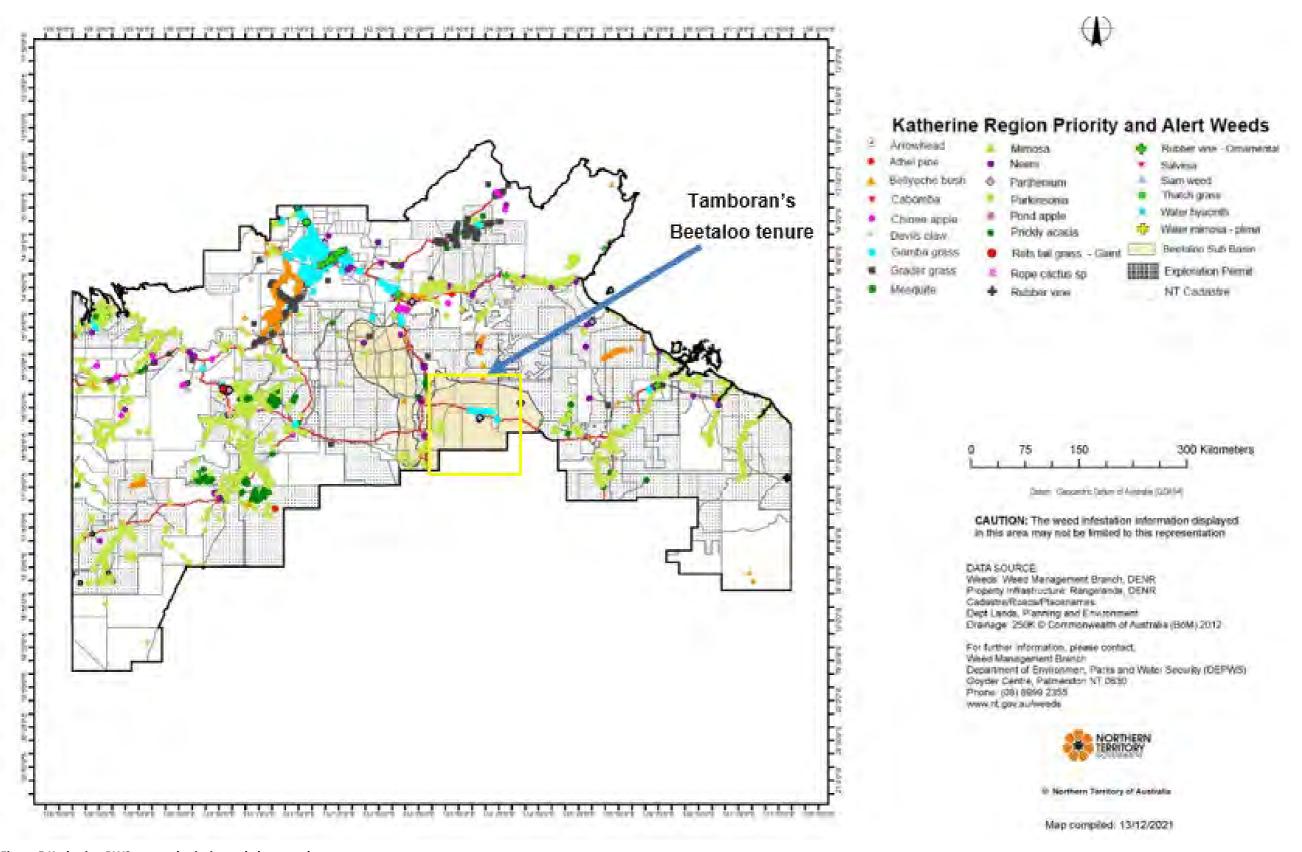


Figure 5 Katherine RWS mapped priority and alert weeds

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Table 1 NT listed weeds known or likely to occur within the EPs

Scientific name	Common name	Status*	Category	Data source
Andropogon gayanus	Gamba Grass	Class A/B WoNS	1	Confirmed within exploration lease. High potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine and Darwin area.
Calotropis procera	Rubber Bush	Class B	2	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Tennant RWS.
Cryptostegia grandiflora	Rubber Vine	Class A	1	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWS.
Hyptis suaveolens	Hyptis	Class B	4	Confirmed within exploration lease during previous weed Tamboran surveys.
Jatropha gossypiifolia	Bellyache Bush	Class A/B WoNS	1	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWS. Potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
Parkinsonia aculeata	Parkinsonia	Class B, WoNS	2	Confirmed within exploration lease during previous weed Tamboran surveys and Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWS. Potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
Prosopis pallida	Mesquite	Class A, WoNS	1	Mapped in the area surrounding exploration lease within the Katherine and Tennant Creek RWS.
Themeda quadrivalvis	Grader Grass	Class B, WoNs	5	Confirmed within the exploration lease and mapped in the area within the Katherine RWS. High potential introduction through sourcing of equipment from Katherine area.
Parthenium hysterophorus	Parthenium	Class A, WoNS	1/5	Confirmed by DEPWS to occur within the exploration lease. Potential introduction through equipment sourced from QLD.
Cryptostegia grandiflora	Rubber vine	Class A, WoNS	1	Alert Species within the Tennant Creek and Katherine RWS.
Chromolaena odorata	Siam Weed	Class A	5	Alert Species Katherine RWS.
Azadirachta indica	Neem	Class B	2	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
Cenchrus ciliaris	Buffel Grass	Class B	3	DCCEEW Protected Matters Report
Cenchrus echinatus	Mossman River Grass	Class B	3	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
Datura ferox	Fierce Thornapple	Class A	3	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
Sida acuta	Spinyhead sida	Class B	4	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data
Sida cordifolia	Flannel Weed	Class B	4	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data



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Scientific name	Common name	Status*	Category	Data source
				DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
Sida rhombifolia	Paddy's Lucerne	Class B	4	DLRM databases (DLRM et al 2018)
Vachillia nilotica	Prickly Acacia	Class A, WoNS	1	Mapped in the exploration lease within the Katherine RWS.
Xanthium strumarium	Noogoora Burr	Class B	3	Weed Management Branch – Mapping data DLRM databases (DLRM <i>et al</i> 2018)
*All Class A and B weeds are also Class C weeds.				

6 Weed Management Mandatory Requirements

6.1 Weed hygiene declarations for vehicles and equipment

- e) All vehicles, equipment and loads are to be clean (free of plant matter, seeds, dirt and mud) and have a valid weed hygiene declaration form prior to accessing any pastoralist property
- f) Weed hygiene certificates are only to be issued by an authorised inspector that is satisfied that the vehicle is free of plant matter, seeds, dirt, mud animal wastes and any other time that could potentially represent a biosecurity or weeds risk.
- g) An authorised inspector is someone who has successfully completed the nationally recognised "AHCBIO201- Inspect and clean machinery for plan, animal and soil material" training course
- h) Weed hygiene declarations shall contain:
 - a. The identification details of the vehicle or thing inspected.
 - b. Odometer reading (where applicable)
 - c. Date and location inspected
 - d. Name and signature of the authorised inspector issuing the declaration
 - e. The organisation with which the inspector issuing the declaration is affiliated
 - f. Name and signature of the driver (where applicable)
- i) A biosecurity hygiene declaration for a vehicle/equipment remains valid when the vehicle/equipment:
 - a. does not travel off sealed/formed roads, or
 - b. clean (i.e. free of biosecurity matter including weeds, pests and diseases, and biosecurity carriers) or
 - c. is located on the same or adjacent property and has not encountered any areas with weeds. Areas where it is reasonably expected to encounter weeds include the unsealed shoulders of road corridors and known infestation areas as provided in Figure 2.
- j) A biosecurity declaration becomes invalid when:
 - a. The vehicle or equipment has encountered known areas of weed infestations.
 - b. The vehicle or equipment has come from a property that is not adjacent to the property to be accessed.



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- c. It is not known where the vehicle/ equipment has been previously used.
- k) Where a vehicle or piece of equipment arrives at site dirty, they shall be refused entry. The vehicle/ equipment must be directed to the closest washdown facility (Tennant Creek or Katherine), recertified and inspected prior to accessing the site.

6.2 Weed Hygiene Declarations for Loads and Material

- 1. Weed hygiene declarations are to be utilised to satisfy that a load of materials (including hay, seed, sand, gravel, topsoil) is free of or containing a biosecurity matter and carriers. Anyone who is either the seller, supplier or the driver may issue a Weed Hygiene Declaration for a load providing they have direct knowledge of the product and the status as weed free or containing a biosecurity matter.
- 2. Weed declarations are not required for loads moved within areas within the same or adjacent properties that have been determined through baseline weed studies as being weed free.
- 3. Where loads of material cannot be determined to be weed free, they shall be returned to the supplier and an alternative clean source utilised.

6.3 Weed Washdown Facility Requirements

- 1. Cleaning activities should be undertaken at facilities with effective environmental controls to prevent the spread of biosecurity matter.
- 2. Wash water, mud/ silt, weed material and other contaminants must be bagged and disposed of at a licenced landfill.
- 3. Where possible, high pressure water spray should be used. This is the preferred method. If this is impractical, (such as at a site location) the minimum requirement is to use a suitable bar or shovel, brooms/ brushes and compressed air to remove contaminants (dry cleaning).

6.4 Equipment Sourcing and Selection

- I) Equipment shall be sourced based on the following prioritisation:
 - a. Local equipment, particularly civil construction equipment, shall be sourced as a priority.
 - b. Regional equipment (NT) shale be sourced where no local equipment supplier exists
 - c. Interstate equipment should be sourced only where local/regional equipment is not available (due to availability or cost constraints). In such cases, additional inspections may be required to ensure vehicles/ equipment are free of weed containing material prior to accessing site.

6.5 Interstate Transport

All vehicles, equipment and loads moved interstate/territory shall be free of weeds and weed containing material (vegetation, seed, grass, soil, mud etc.) prior to entry into the NT.

All vehicles, equipment and loads travelling from interstate shall have a further inspection prior to access to any pastoral property. If required, additional cleaning shall be undertaken to remove any weeds or weed carrying material.

Where a load/equipment/ vehicle is unclean and is suspected of not being washed prior to entry into the NT, a load must be refused entry into a pastoralist property. The vehicle will require a washdown at an appropriate facility within the state/territory the equipment/vehicle/load originated from.



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6.6 Weed Management Awareness

All staff and contractors shall be made aware of their weed management obligations. This shall be undertaken through:

- Building weed prevention and management requirements into contracts and assessed as a part of work readiness reviews and ongoing assurance activities.
- Inclusion of weed management requirements within site inductions and toolbox talks.

7 Weed Introduction and Spread Risk Assessments

As part of the development of the EMP, Tamboran has undertaken an 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 2. Due to the low abundance of weeds within the EPs, management controls will primarily focus on preventing the introduction of weed species through appropriate equipment sourcing cleaning and inspection.

Table 2 Risk of weed introductions and spread, including management controls

Environmental	Maintain the integrit	Maintain the integrity of significant ecosystems and agricultural productivity				
Values						
Management	Avoid the introduction of weeds					
Objectives	Avoid the spread of	existing weeds				
Measures Criteria	No introduction or spread of declared weeds resulting from Tamboran's activities.					
Activity	Potential Risks		Management controls			
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds				
Vehicle and equipment	Vehicles and equipment	Traversing of weed infested	 Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the NT, Part A Surface Activities. 			
movements			Activities will adhere to the guidelines within the NT Weed Management Handbook.			
	species not found in or around Project Area		 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 deport 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. 			



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Environmental Values	Maintain the integrity of significant ecosystems and agricultural productivity				
Management	Avoid the introduction of weeds				
Objectives	Avoid the spread of existing weeds				
Measures Criteria	No introduction or spread of declared weeds resulting from Tamboran's activities.				
Activity	Potentia	al Risks	Management controls		
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds			
			 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,	ccess tracks, materials from weed infested areas where weeds areas and	_	 Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the NT, Part A Surface Activities. 		
monitoring bore pads and seismic lines		creating opportunities for weed species to colonise	 Activities will adhere to the guidelines within the NT Weed Management Handbook. 		
scisime inics			 Weed management and control measures to be implemented in alignment with existing landholder biosecurity requirements. 		
	areas		 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 or Queensland being the 2nd and 3rd preferred option respectively. 		
			 Weeds will be actively controlled in cleared/ hardstand areas. 		
			Stabilise disturbed areas.		
Drilling, stimulation and	Introduction of weed species not	Traversing of weed infested	Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the NT, Part A Surface Activities.		
well testing	found in or around EP area.	areas with machinery	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. 		



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Environmental Values	Maintain the integrit	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 s	pread of declared we	eds resulting from Tamboran's activities.		
Activity	Potenti	al Risks	Management controls		
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds			
			 All equipment will have certified equipment wash-down completed prior to entry to the field. Wash-down would occur at Contractors deport 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	Personnel unable to identify weeds	Existing weed distribution not	 Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the NT, Part A Surface Activities. 		
management	or unaware of weed species present in areas where machinery	known due to insufficient survey effort, surveys conducted at	 Staff members responsible for preventing, identifying and managing weeds to be appropriately trained. 		
	and equipment is wrong time of year, surveyors	wrong time of	Weed desktop and field-based surveys to be provided to identify existing weed areas.		
unable to	unable to identify declared weed	 Pre-and post-wet (February to May) inspections and periodic audits will be conducted to identify and report weed outbreaks. 			
	Insufficient Insufficient management control to prevent the introduction of the spread of	Staff members responsible for preventing, identifying and managing weeds to be appropriately trained.			
	weeds	the spread of weeds	 Ensure field staff, contractors and machinery operators are familiar with hygiene protocols and weed identification (Weed identification 		



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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 s	oread of declared we	eds resulting from Tamboran's activities.	
Activity	Potenti	al Risks	Management controls	
	Introduction of new weeds	Spread of existing weeds		
			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. 	

8 Statutory Weed Management Plans

No statutory weeds have been identified during surveys of the EPs, 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 (Vachella nilotica)
- Weed Management Plan for Bellyache Bush (Jatropha gossypiifolia)
- 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 establish the legal requirements and management actions to be undertaken by all owners and occupiers of the land on which the declared weed is present in the NT. The aim of each plan is to mitigate the damage caused by the each weed species within specific management areas and zones, through eradication and avoidance of further spread. Conducting land management practices in accordance with the weed management plans will secure compliance with the requirements of the Act.



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9 Annual Action Plan

An action plan for each of the weed species identified in the Project Area is presented in Table 3. Treatment options as contained in the NT Weed Management Handbook are presented in Section 9.1 to Section 9.3.

This section will be undated 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 8).

As part of the Annual Weed Management Action Plan, Tamboran also commits to undertaking finer detailed weed mapping of all permit areas, lease pads, access tracks and gravel pits, as well as any other areas disturbed as part of the activity.



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Table 3 Annual weed management action plan

Management objective	Avoid the introduction of weeds Avoid the spread of existing weeds			
Weed species	Survey time(s)	Treatment time(s)	Control options	Where located
Hyptis Hyptis suaveolens	6 monthly: pre and postwet season	 Preferred December – March Also April and November 	Refer to section 9.1	Beetaloo access track Access track to Amungee NW Kalala S1 site Velkerri 76 S2 camp pad
Parkinsonia Parkinsonia aculeata	6 monthly: pre and post wet season	Preferred Mar – MayAlso all year round	Refer to section 9.2	Beetaloo access track
Rubber Bush Calotropis procera	6 monthly: pre and post wet season	Preferred October – MarchAlso April - July	Refer to section 9.3	Proximity to the Beetaloo access track Kyalla 117 N2 access track and Stuart Highway intersection
Gamba grass Andropogon gayanus	6 monthly: pre and post wet season	Preferred December – MarchAlso April and November	Refer to section 9.4	Amungee NW1 well site Kyalla 117 N2 well site
Annual Mission grass Cenchrus pedicellatum	6 monthly: pre and post wet season	Preferred December – MarchAlso April and November	Refer to section 9.5	Amungee NW1 well site Kyalla 117 N2 well site

9.1 Hyptis (Hyptis suaveolens) Treatment Options

Table 4 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Hyptis (Hyptis suaveolens) (NT Government 2015).

Table 4 Hyptis (Hyptis suaveolens) treatment options

Weed Species	Hyptis (Hyptis suaveolens)			
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.	



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Weed Species	Hyptis (Hyptis suaveolens)		
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rates	Weed growth stage, method and comments
Non-chemical applications	Manually remove all plant material; slash to encourage competition from desirable species.		

Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (NT Government 2021)

9.2 Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata) Treatment Options

Table 5 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata) (NT Government 2015).

Table 5 Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata) treatment options

Weed Species	Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata)		
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 -
	Triclopyr 240 g/L + Picloram 120 g/L Access™	1 L / 60 L (diesel) 1 L / 60 L (diesel)	Uptake Spraying Oil required. 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 / m ²	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	 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. 		



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Weed Species	Parkinsonia (Parkinsonia aculeata)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments	
	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 t	Biocontrol options are available with the Parkinsonia looper moth (UU and UU2) establishing slowly in some areas.		

Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (Northern Territory Government 2021).

9.3 Rubber bush (Calotropis procera) Treatment Options

Table 6 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for rubber bush (Calotropis procera) (NT Government, 2015).

Table 6 Rubber bush (Calotropis procera) treatment options

Weed Species	Rubber bush (Calotropis procera)	Rubber bush (Calotropis procera)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments		
Herbicides	Triclopyr 300 g/L + Picloram 100 g/L	750 mL / 100 L	Seedling (individuals or infestation):		
	Conqueror®	(water)	Foliar spray. Check label for recommended adjuvant product. More effective on plants <2 m as thorough coverage on all leaves is required		
	+ Aminopyralid 8 g/L	500-750mL / 100 L			
	Grazon™ Extra	(water)			
	Triclopyr 240 g/L + Picloram 120 g/L		Adult (individuals and infestation):		
	Access™	1 L / 60 L (diesel)	Basal bark < 5 cm stem diameter. Spray all stems. Spray to point of runoff.		
		1 L / 10 L (diesel)	Thin Line up to 5 cm stem diameter.		
		1 L / 60 L (diesel)	Cut stump > 5 cm stem diameter.		
	Tebuthiuron (200g/kg)	1.5 – 2 g/m ²	Seedling or adult:		
	Graslan		Application to black clay soils in conjunction with seasonal rainfall. Spread		
	Pending registration. Please check with Weed		granules according to density of the infestation.		
	Management Branch for status confirmation.				
	Fluroxypyr (333g/L)	3 L / 100 L	Adult:		
	Starane™ Advanced	(diesel)	Cut stump method for plants up to 10 cm diameter and 3 m high.		



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Weed Species	Rubber bush (Calotropis procera)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments	
Non-chemical applications	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 (NT Government, 2021)				

9.4 Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus) Treatment Options

Table 7 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus) (NT Government, 2021).

Table 7 Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus) treatment options

Weed Species	Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus)	Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments		
Herbicides	Glysophate 360 g/L Various trade names and formulations	10 mL / 1 L (water)	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation): Foliar spray – apply when actively growing. Effective chemical control relies on spraying entire plant. For optimal uptake and high mortality rates gamba grass should be sprayed when actively growing and young (leaves should be at least 40 cm long). Spraying plants prior to reaching full height will reduce time and herbicide requirements. Gamba grass is still sensitive to herbicide when flowering. Once gamba grass is seeding and the leaves are drying out herbicide will not be effective.		
Non-chemical applications	Physical: Individual plants can be removed by hand or by using a mattock. Ensure the entire root mat is removed. Excess soil should be shaken or kicked off root system to ensure regrowth does not occur from the root mat. Burning: Burning will not kill gamba grass, low intensity fires, undertaken in the Wet season, can remove rank growth improving access for slashing or spraying. Plants may need to be treated with herbicide prior to burning to create enough dry matter to carry a fire. Avoid using fire as a control method while plants are seeding. Bushfires NT permit would be required to light fire.				



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Weed Species	Gamba grass (Andropogon gayanus)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration Rate Weed growth stage, method and comments			
	Slashing: Slashing will not eradicate gamba grass, but can reduce the biomass, prevent seeding, create an opportunity for more desirable species to establish and provide improved access to control by other means. Slash young plants prior to seed production from January to March. Ensure equipment and machinery is cleaned prior to moving to new sites.			
Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (NT Government, 2021)				

9.5 Annual Mission grass (*Cenchrus pedicellatum*) Treatment Options

Table 8 includes herbicide and non-chemical treatment options for Annual Mission grass (Cenchrus pedicellatum) (NT Government, 2021).

Table 8 Annual Mission grass (Cenchrus pedicellatum) treatment options

Weed Species	Annual Mission grass (Cenchrus pedicellatum)			
Control Methods	Chemical and concentration	Rate	Weed growth stage, method and comments	
Herbicides	Glysophate 360 g/L	10 ml / 1 L (water)	Seedling or adult (individuals or infestation):	
	Various trade names and formulations		Foliar spray – apply when actively growing.	
Non-chemical	Annual mission grass can be controlled by slashing prior to seeding (repeated slashing may be required). Adult plants will not persist to the following			
applications	year.			
Source: Northern Territory Weed Management Handbook (NT Government, 2021)				



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10 Notification Procedure

The Onshore Petroleum Weed Management Officer at the Weed Management Branch of the DEPWS should be notified within 48 hours of the discovery of a new weed species in the EP.

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 Tamboran's incident reporting system and corrective action initiated.

11 Recording

Records of weed inspections will be maintained by Tamboran.

Data on weed distribution will be maintained within Tamboran's GIS and provided to the Weeds Officer at DEPWS 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 NT *Weed Data Collection Manual - Section One Technical Data Description* (Weed Management Branch, 2015). Data will be recorded as per the guidelines provided in Appendix A, using the data sheet provided in Appendix B (Weed Management Branch, 2015).

The NT Weed ID Deck (NT Government, 2021) will be referenced to assist with identification of species that have been identified as likely or known to occur in the EP.

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.

12 Reporting

All weed outbreak incidents will be reported in Tamboran's incident reporting system and corrective action initiated.

A report on the performance against this Weed Management Plan will be submitted to DEPWS 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

<u>Field data collection for weed infestations</u>: 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 m. If it is a single plant or small patch you would choose 20 m. The size 100 m 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 e.g. single plant, perhaps with seedlings.
- 3 = 1 10%, More than one or two isolated plants but not a lot e.g. a few small plants.
- 4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered e.g. a tree, dense patches of weeds.
- 5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered e.g. 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 – e.g. 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 m. 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 e.g. single plant, perhaps with seedlings.
- 3 = 1 10%, More than one or two isolated plants but not a lot e.g. a few small plants.
- 4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered e.g. a tree, dense patches of weeds.
- 5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered e.g. 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 – e.g. no treatment, unknown, treated, foliar spray etc.



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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 an 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.
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- 4 = 11-50%, A lot, up to half the area covered e.g. a tree, dense patches of weeds.
- 5 = > 50%, Dominant cover is weed, more than half covered e.g. 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—e.g. no treatment, unknown, treated, foliar spray etc.



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Appendix B Example Weed Data Collection Sheet

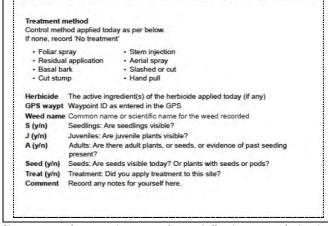


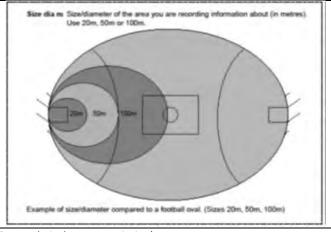
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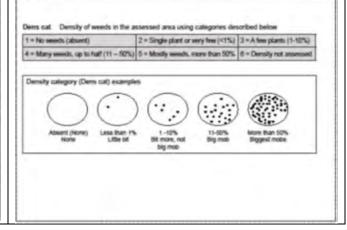
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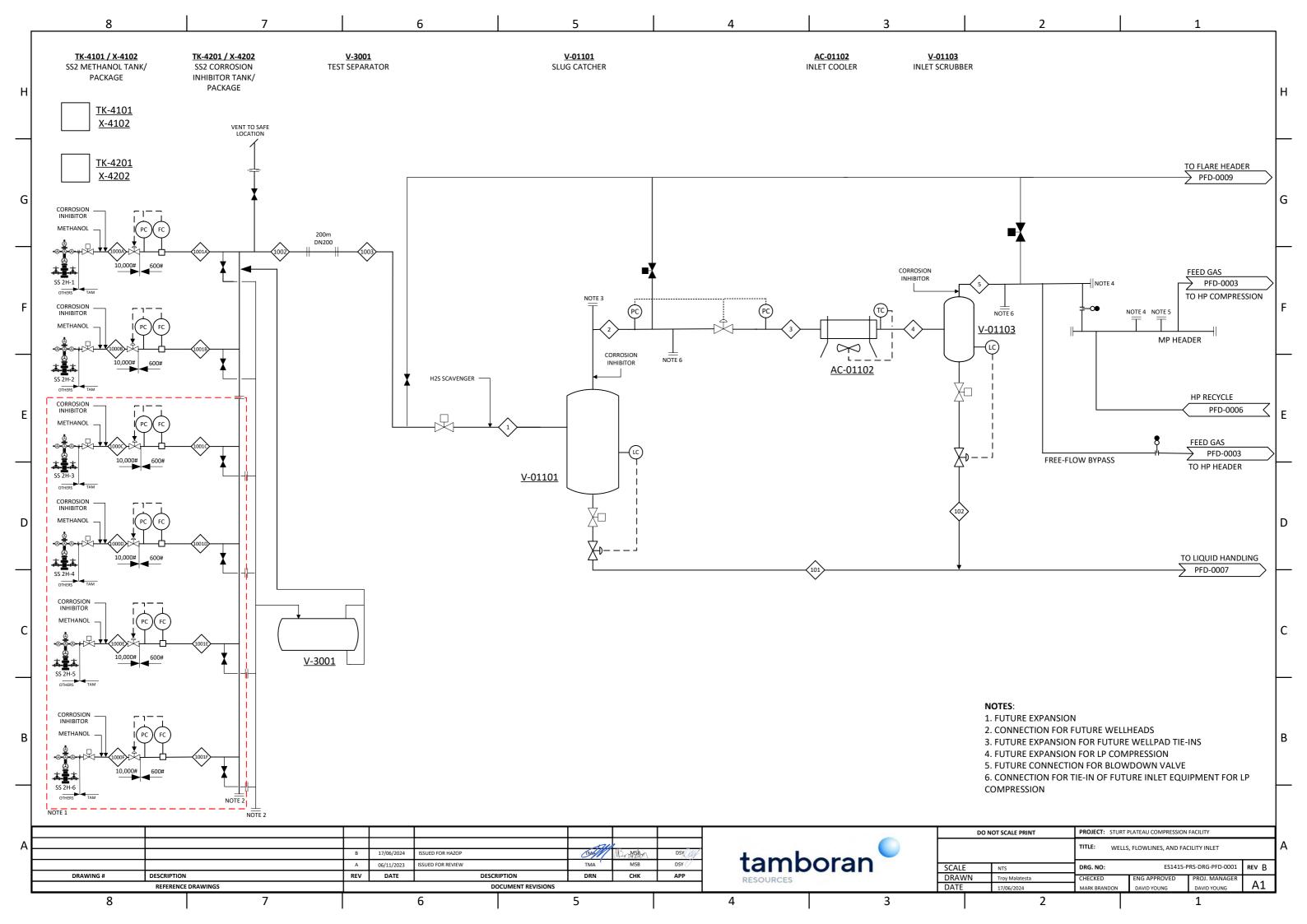


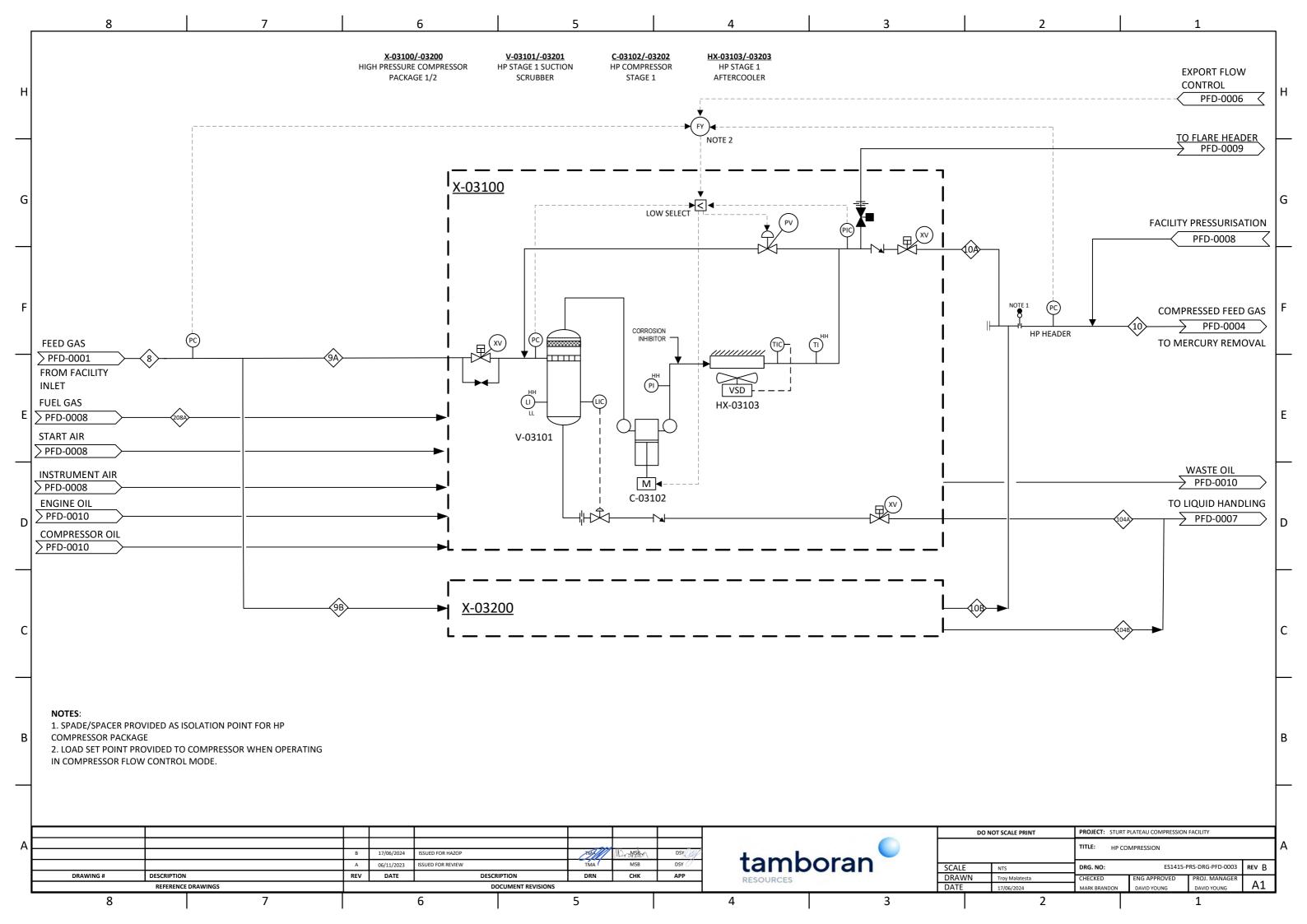


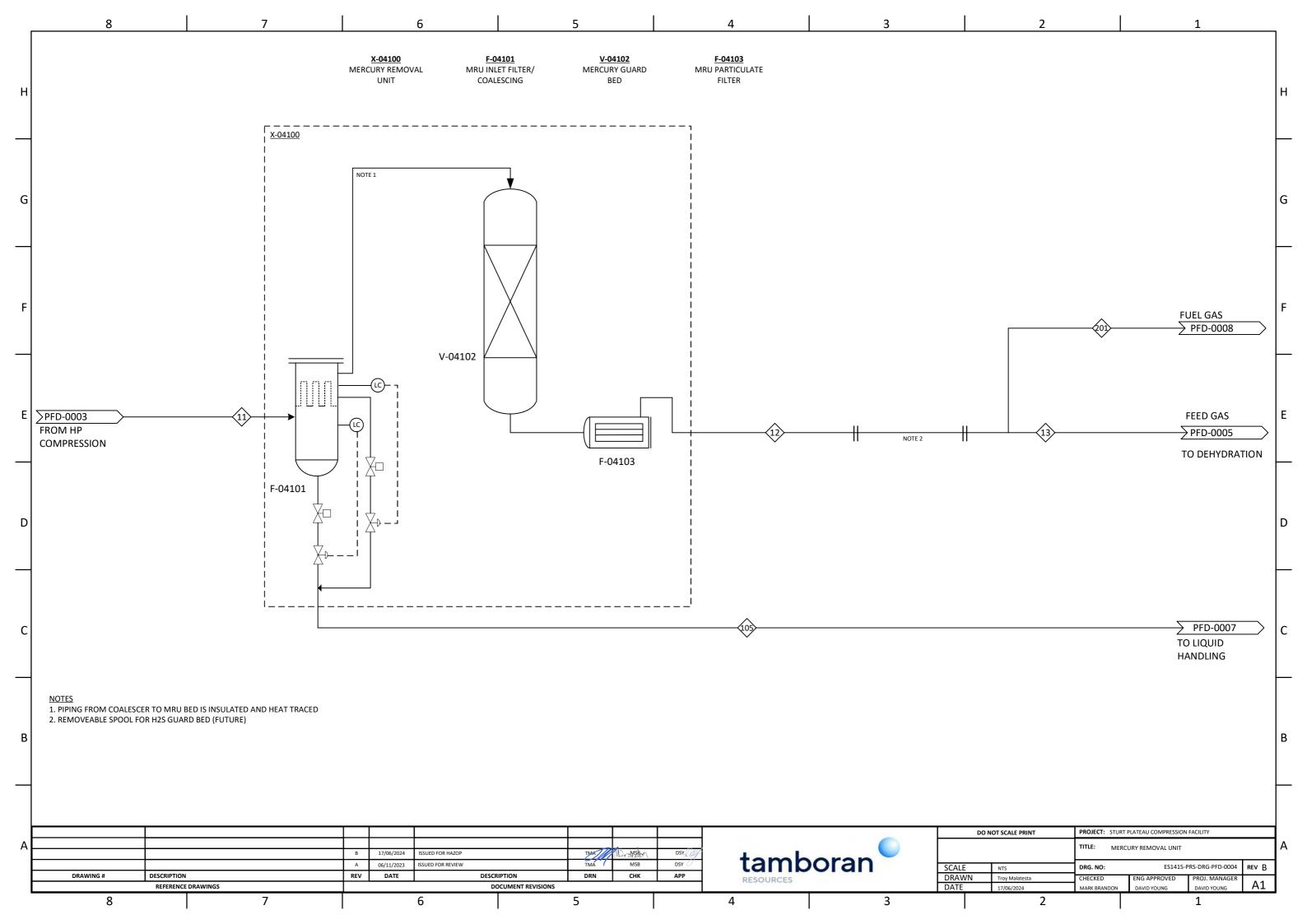


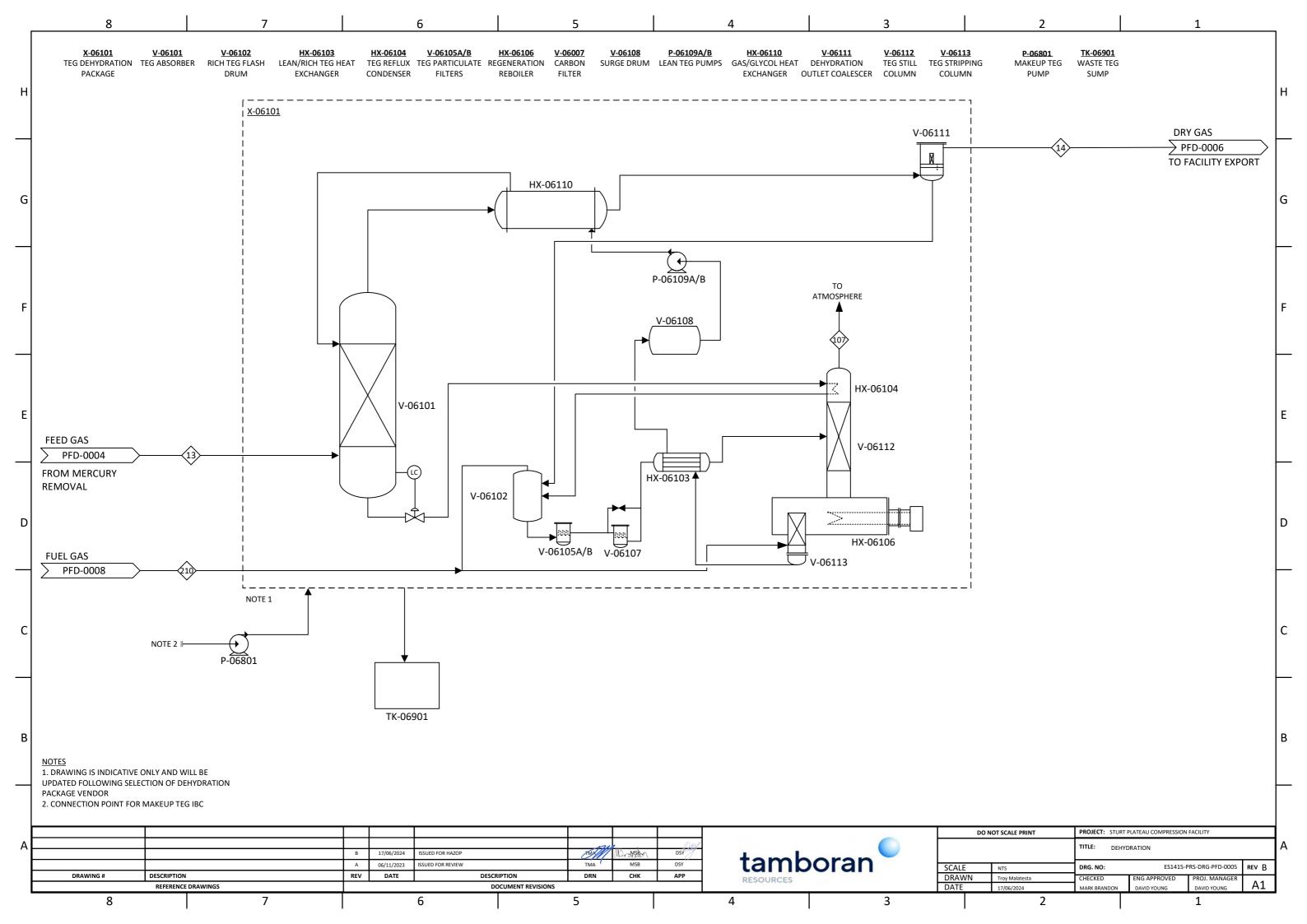
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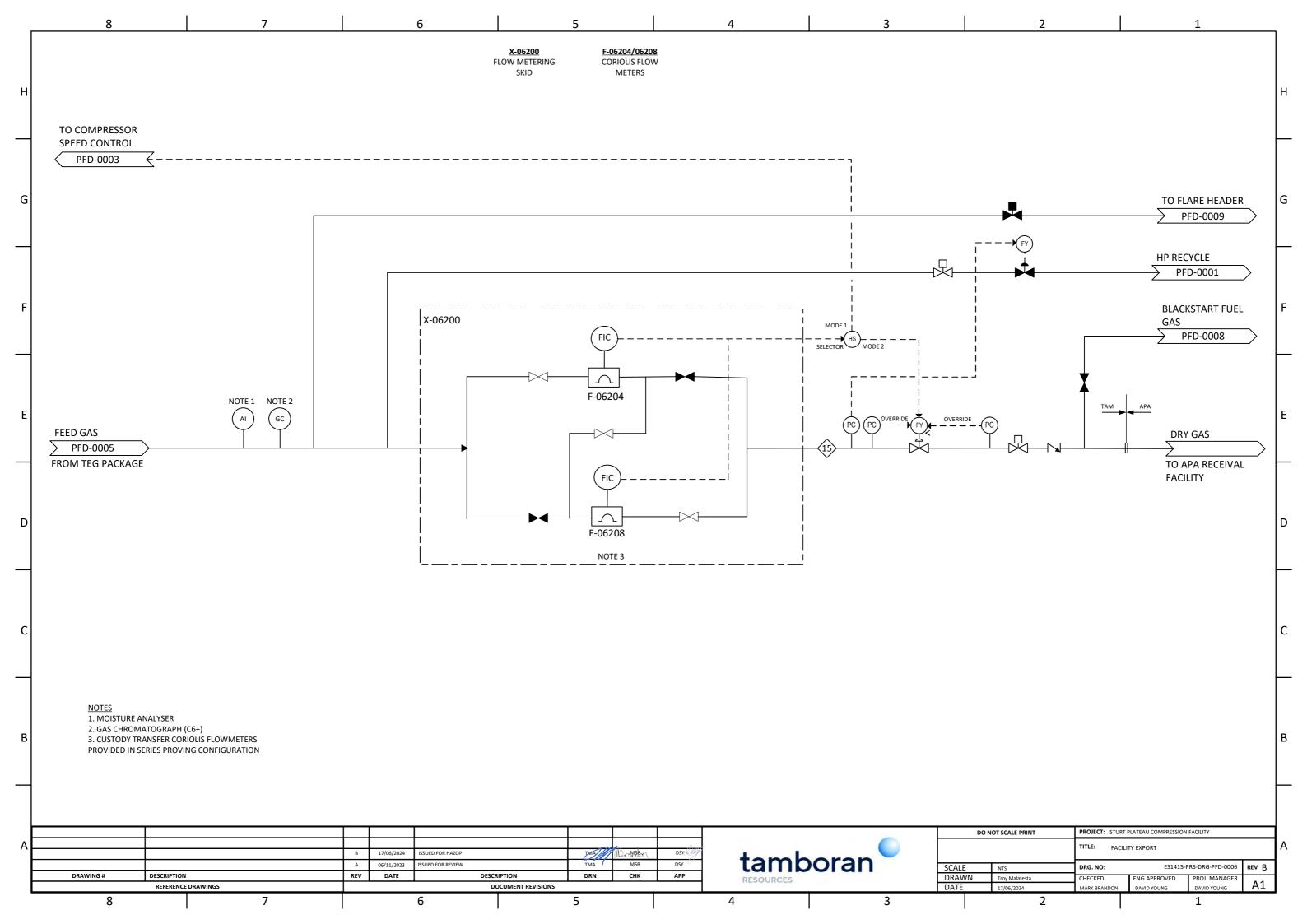
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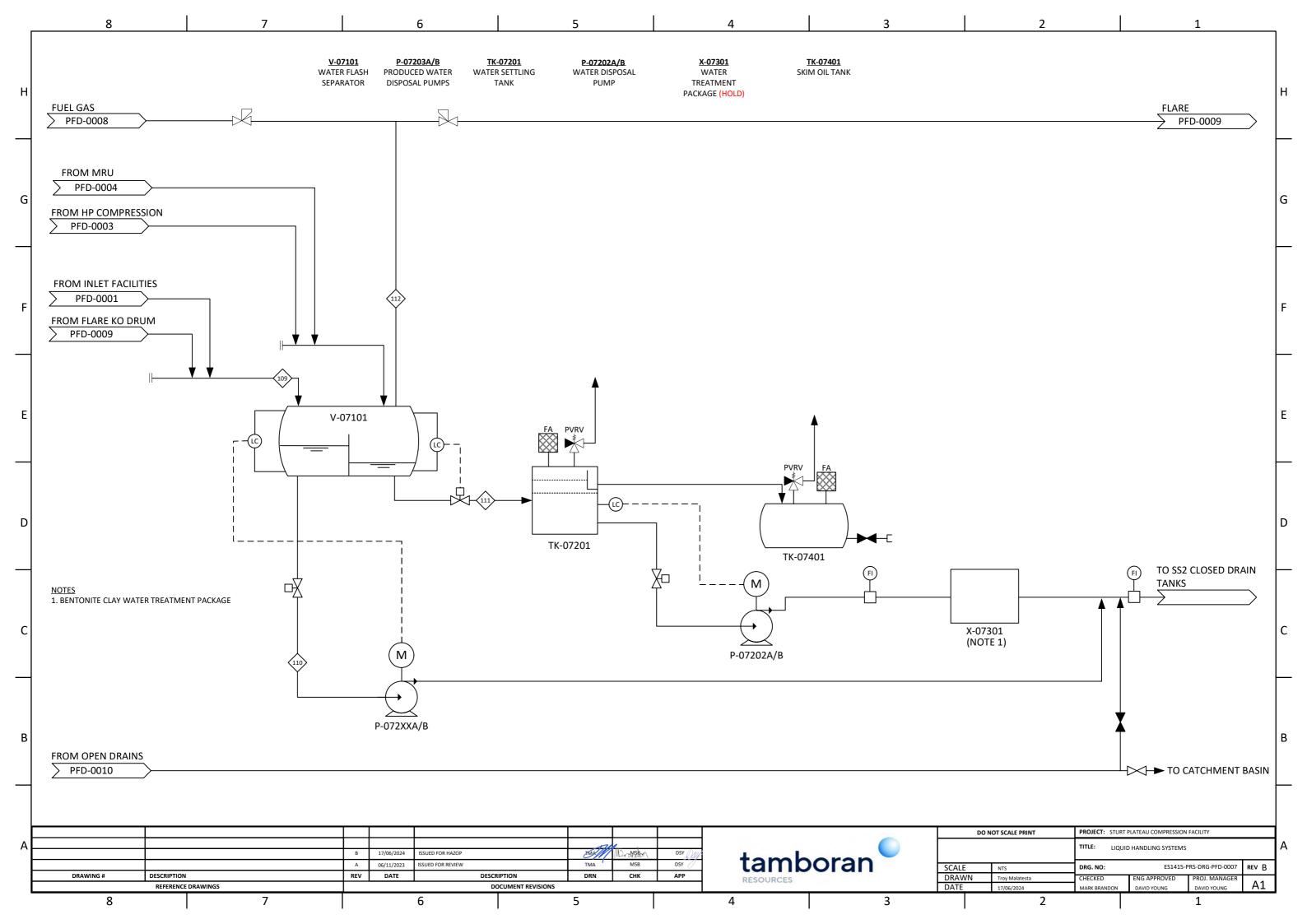


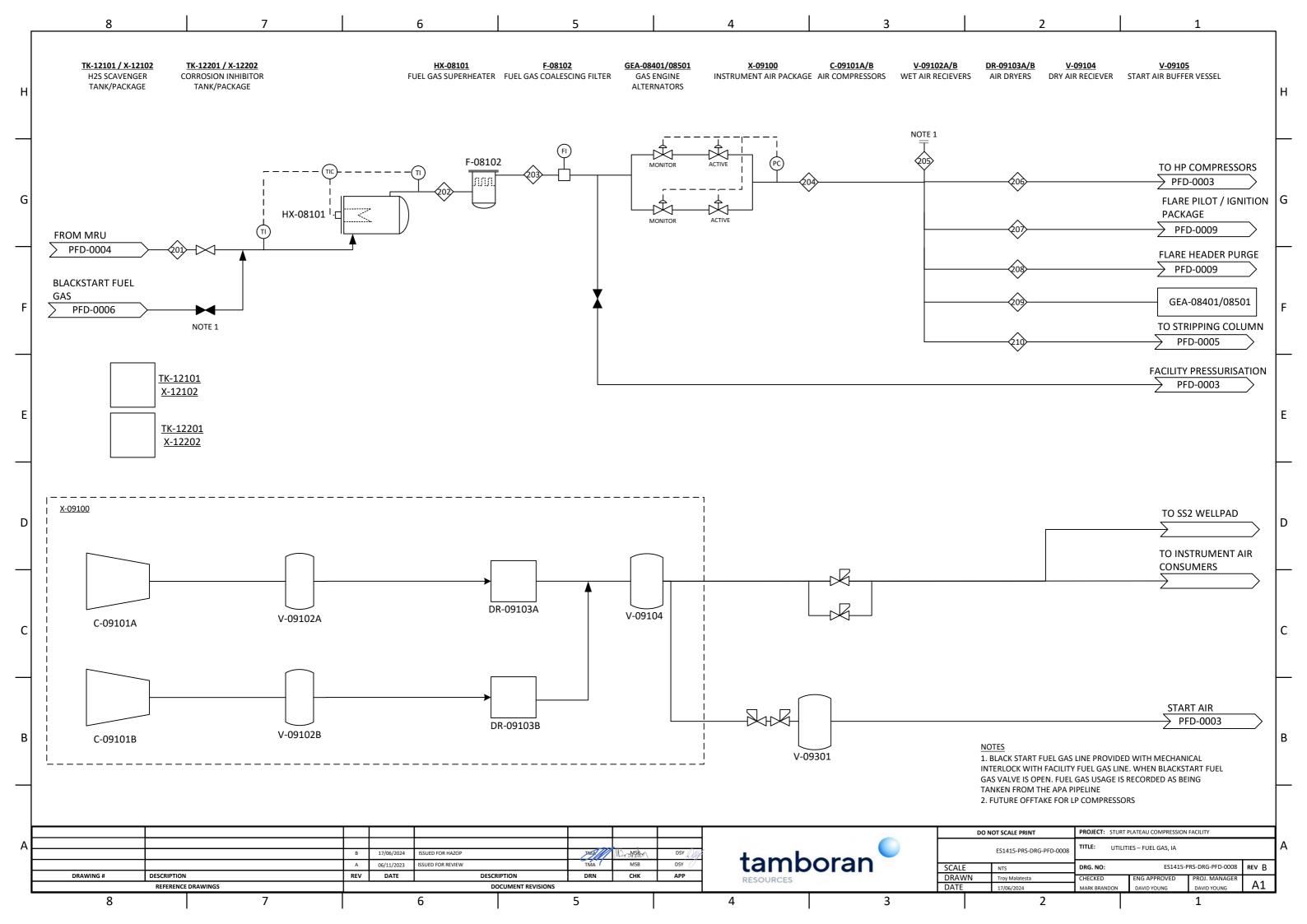


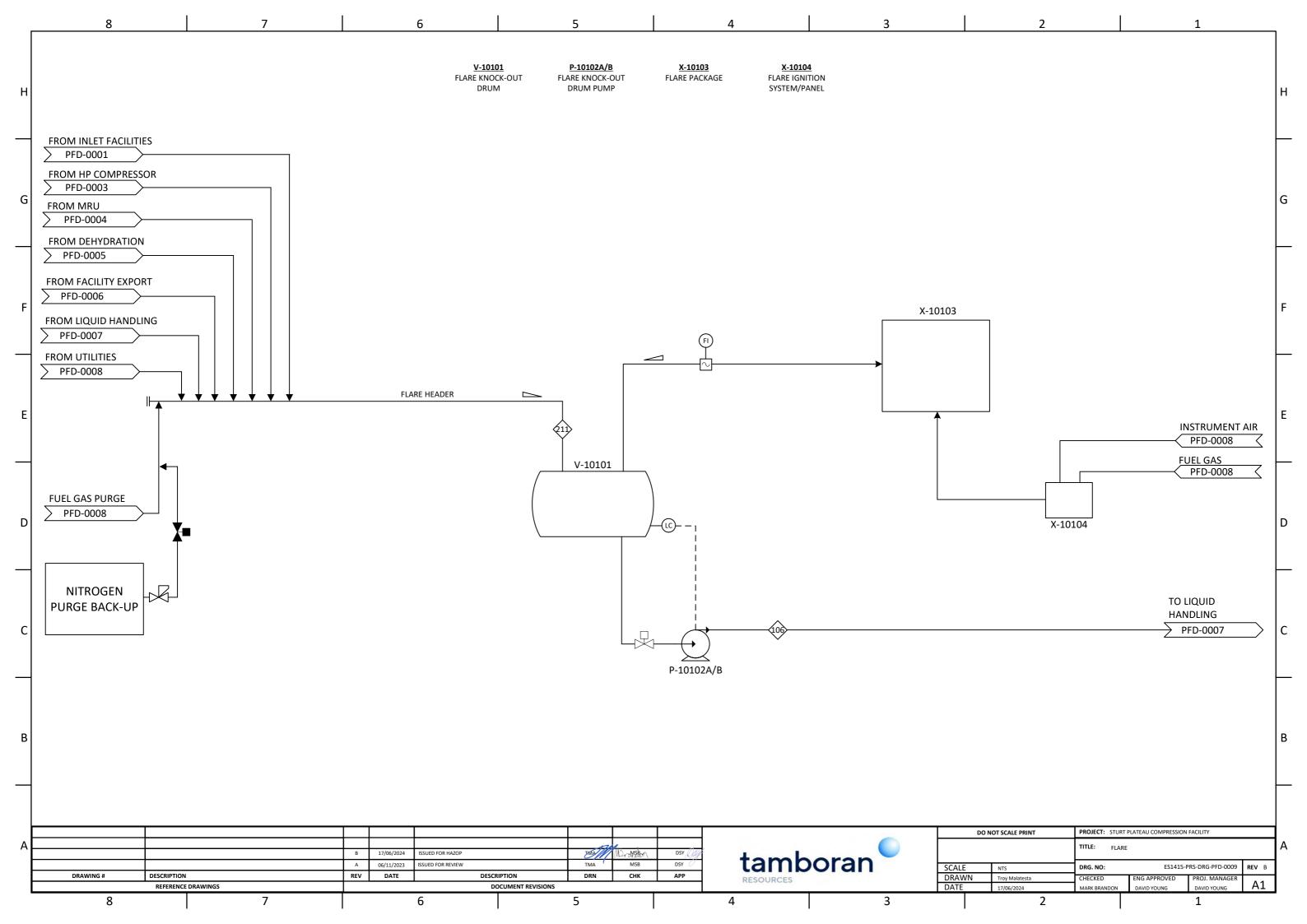


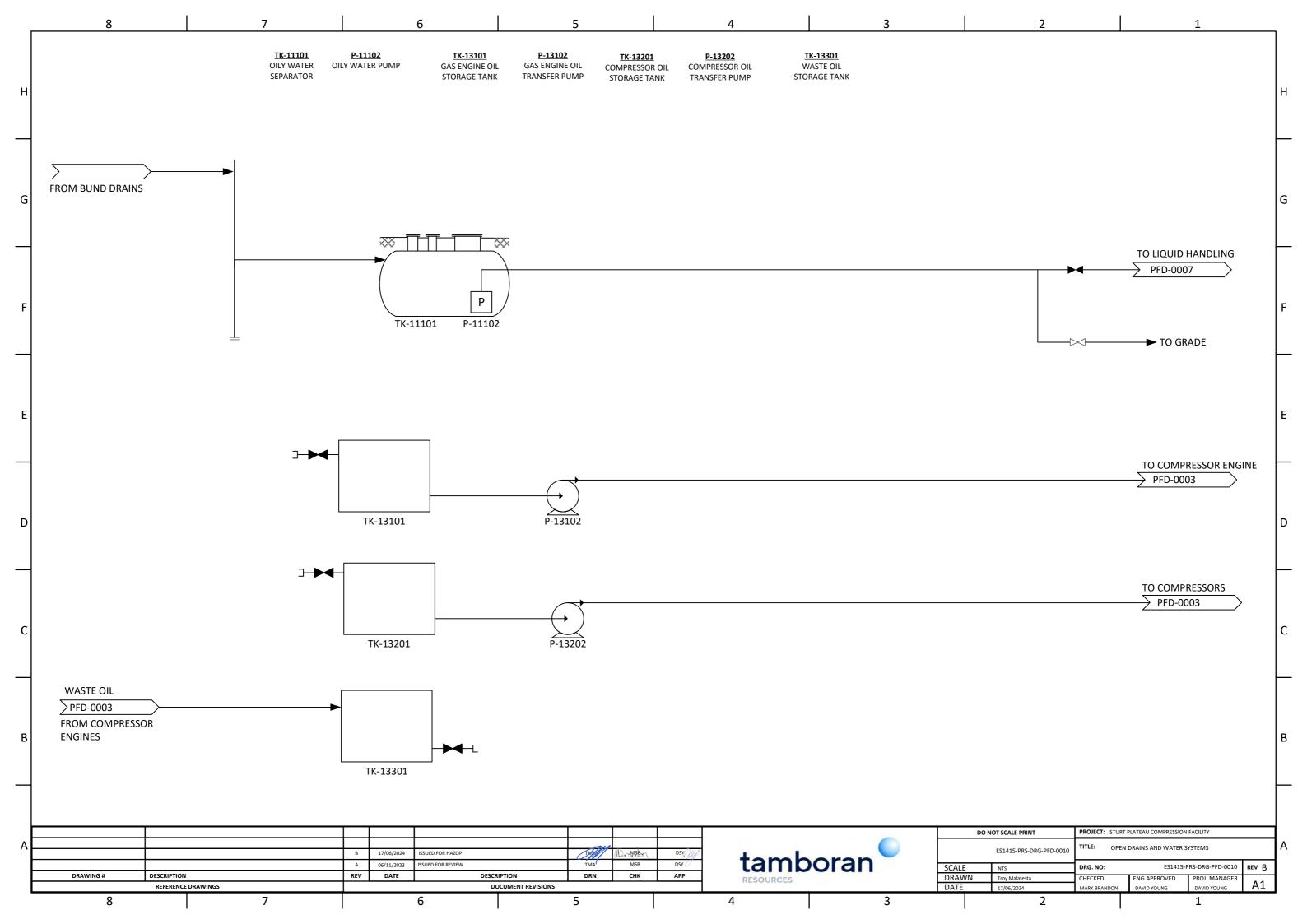


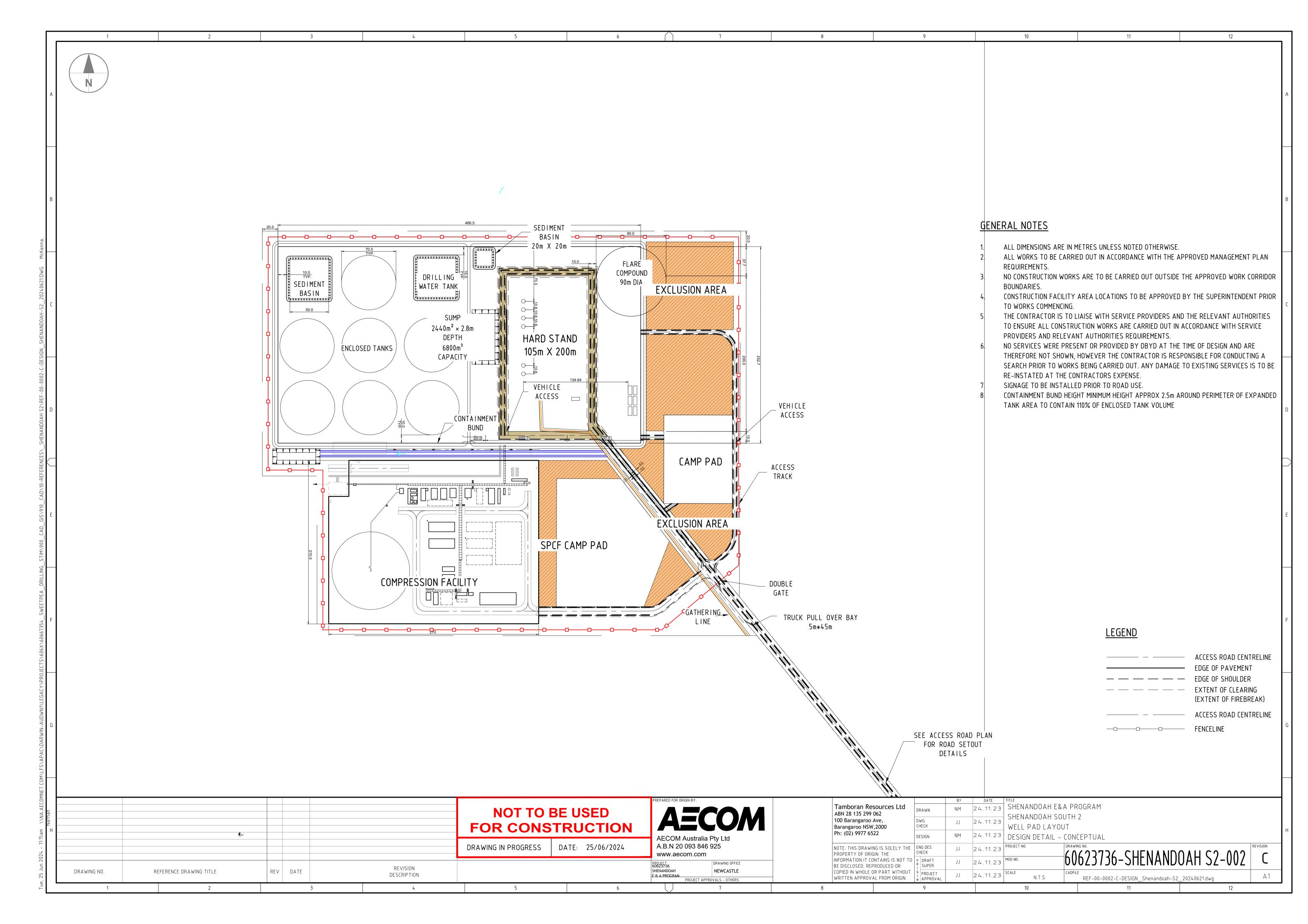












Appendix D Spill Management Plan





BEETALOO EXPLORATION PROJECT SPILL MANAGEMENT PLAN

Review record

Rev	Date	Reason for issue	Consolidator	Approver
2.2	21/09/2023	Edits to Appendix A and DEPWS contacts	LP	МК
2.3	25/03/2024	Addresses regulation 10 and regulation 11 feedback from DEPWS, 29-Feb-2024	LP	MK
2.4	09/05/2024	Baker Hughes chemicals added to Appendix A	LP	МК
3.0	08/07/2024	Inclusion of SPCF	LP	МК
4.0	27/09/2024	Addresses regulation 10 feedback from DEPWS, 26-Sept-2024.	LP	LP
		Includes additional chemicals assessed under regulation 22 modifications.		



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1. Purpose

This Spill Management Plan (SMP) has been prepared to support Tamboran's Beetaloo exploration program. The SMP is a mandatory requirement prepared in accordance with the <u>Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory</u> (the Code). This SMP is designed to provide the strategy for the management of spills across Tamboran's Beetaloo exploration activities.

The SMP covers all regulated activities described in the Environment Management Plans (EMPs), currently in force under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 (the Regulations). EMPs that are currently in force under the Regulations are available at: https://depws.nt.gov.au/onshore-gas/environment-management-plan/approved-emps.

Activities undertaken by Tamboran and its subsidiaries in the Northern Territory (NT), within its exploration permit (EP) areas (EP 76, EP 98, EP 117, EP 136, EP 143, EP 161 and EP(A) 197 (Figure 1)) include:

- civil works
- drilling and stimulating gas wells for exploration and appraisal purposes
- construction and operation of the temporary Sturt Plateau Compression Facility (SPCF)
- rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities.

The SMP will reference the relevant sections within each EMP to avoid duplication. The SMP should be read in conjunction with the chemical risk assessment and operation risk assessment appended to each EMP, in accordance with section 3.4 of the Code.

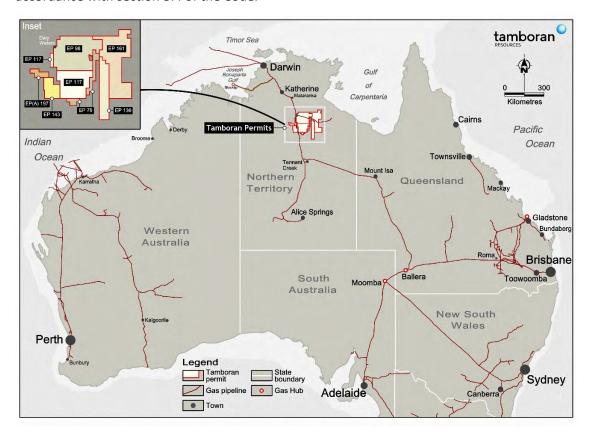


Figure 1: Location of Tamboran exploration permit areas (EPs)



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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 (NT): 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

The chemicals and wastewater typically stored onsite includes:

- Chemicals used for drilling
- Waste drilling fluids, cuttings and muds
- Chemicals used for stimulation
- Flowback wastewater
- Completions and well suspension fluids
- Waste and wastewater streams from the SPCF
- General use chemicals such as incidental 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, location and hazardous status is provided in Appendix A for current EMPs. The types of chemicals used under drilling and hydraulic fracture stimulation EMPs covered by this SMP is provided in Table 1, which also identifies the relevant sections and appendices per EMP. A copy of these EMPs and appendices can be found on the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) website at: https://depws.nt.gov.au/onshore-gas/environment-management-plan/approved-emps.

The assessment of chemicals, including evaluation of the environmental hazard of the chemical additives in the hydraulic fracturing fluid systems, based on their environmental persistence, bioaccumulation and aquatic toxicity properties; evaluation of human health effects; and exposure assessment can be reviewed by accessing in the relevant hydraulic fracturing chemical risk assessment appended to each approved EMP.

All chemicals and wastewater stored on site will be in accordance with cl A.8.3 of the Code.



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Table 1: Types of chemicals and wastewater relevant to each drilling and hydraulic fracture stimulation EMP

ЕМР	Drilling chemicals and waste fluids	Stimulation chemicals	Flowback wastewater	Completion and well suspension fluids	SPCF process wastewater- drip trays and bunds	General use
NT-2050-15-MP-032 Velkerri 76 S2 EMP: Chemical RA Appendix C Risk assessment Appendix N	х	x	х	x	N/A	х
CDN/ID NT-2050-35-PH-0018 Amungee NW-1H (ORI7): • Section 2.1.1, Table 2, Table 3.	N/A	N/A	х	х	N/A	х
NT-2050-15-MP-039 Beetaloo W-1 EMP (ORI8): Section 3.9, Table 8.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Incidental volumes may be generated	N/A	х
NT-2050-MP-040 Kalala S1 EMP (ORI9): Section 3.8, Table 8.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Incidental volumes may be generated	N/A	х
NT-2050-15-MP-041 Beetaloo Sub-basin Multi-well EMP (ORI10): Chemical RA Appendix E Risk assessment Appendix M	х	х	x	х	N/A	x
NT-2050-15-MP-0088 Amungee NW Delineation Program EMP (ORI11): Section 4.13 and Section 3.15 Chemical RA Appendix D Risk assessment Appendix L	х	х	х	х	N/A	х



ЕМР	Drilling chemicals and waste fluids	Stimulation chemicals	Flowback wastewater	Completion and well suspension fluids	SPCF process wastewater- drip trays and bunds	General use
TB2-HSE-MP-08 Shenandoah South E&A Program EMP (TAM1-3) • Section 3.10 and Section 3.12 • Chemical RA Appendix E and Appendix E.1 • Risk assessment Appendix M	х	х	х	х	N/A	х
TB2-HSE-MP-13 Sturt Plateau Compression Facility – Appraisal gas (TAM 2) • Section 3.17.18 and Section 3.8 • Risk assessment Appendix K	N/A	N/A	N/A generated and managed under TAM1-3	N/A generated and managed under TAM1-3	x	х



4. Spill failure scenarios

Potential spill scenarios associated with appraisal activities are summarised in Table 2. These scenarios include:

- spills from chemical, waste and wastewater handling, transfer and storage activities onsite
- spills from chemical, waste and wastewater during transportation- trucking and gathering
- 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 2: Spill scenario summary table

Spill scenario	Activity duration	Mechanisms	Location	Quality ¹	Quantity	Key management controls	Monitoring	Receptors	Effectiveness of controls
Spills from chemical and waste / wastewater handling and storage activities onsite.	 Drilling – 45 days Stimulation – 15-30 days. Well testing – 30– 180 days. SPCF construction and commissioning – 18 months. SPCF operation for extended appraisal – 36 months. 	 Container rupture Spill during chemical storage, handling and mixing Contaminants in water and soil pass through the food chain and bioaccumulate Runoff from drilling waste management and composting. 	 Chemical storage area. Chemical, oils and waste oil storage area on the SPCF. Drilling rig. Stimulation spread. Drilling sumps. Flowback storage tanks. Well testing equipment. 	Potentially hazardous fluids such as: Saline and drilling fluids. Saline flowback. Chemicals listed in EMP. SPCF oils, coolants, antiscalants and other chemicals. NB: All added drilling and hydraulic fracturing chemicals have been assessed and verified to not be toxic and persistent and bio- accumulative (see EMP chemical risk assessment).	<10,000 L	 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, with continuous leak detection and level monitoring at all other times. Wastewater management plan. 	 Routine inspection of chemical stores, sumps and tanks during operations. Tank leak detection. 	Retained on-site	High – use of secondary containment reduces the probability of a spill. High – controls managing the storage of chemicals and wastes are mature with secondary containment measures limiting potential receptor impacts. The scientific certainty arour the effectiveness of seconda containment in preventing groundwater contamination high and mature.
Loss of containment during transfer onsite (e.g. leakage from the SPCF, gathering lines, pipes, hoses, fittings, etc).	 Drilling – 45 days Stimulation – 15-30 days. Well testing – 30– 180 days. SPCF construction and commissioning – 18 months. SPCF operation for extended appraisal – 36 months. Duration of wastewater transfer – 30 – 45 days. 	 Coupling, valve, hosing and equipment failure. Failure of buried / aboveground gathering lines. Contaminants in water and soil pass through the food chain and bioaccumulate. 	 Chemical mixing and transfer areas on the drill rig, mixing hoppers and wastewater storages. SPCF chemical and oil storage and transfer areas. Gathering/wastewater lines between well pads and SPCF and wastewater tanks. 	Potentially hazardous fluids such as: Saline and drilling fluids and flowback wastewater. Chemicals listed in EMP chemical risk assessment. SPCF chemicals listed in EMP and managed in accordance with safety data sheets. NB: All added drilling and hydraulic	<1,000 L	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, with continuous leak detection and level monitoring at all other times Wastewater management plan Hydrostatic testing of gathering lines prior to operation	 Routine inspection of all chemical handling areas, including wastewater transfer points and chemical mixing areas. Monthly inspection of buried gathering lines and weekly inspection of surface gathering lines when in operation. . 		High – use of secondary containment reduces the probability of a spill High – use and continuous monitoring of flow and pressure meters during operations reduces the probability of a spill High – controls managing the storage of various fluids are accordance with the requirements of the Code, which limit potential receptor impacts. The scientific certainty arour the effectiveness of seconda containment and transfer in preventing groundwater





Spill scenario	Activity duration	Mechanisms	Location	Quality ¹	Quantity	Key management controls	Monitoring	Receptors	Effectiveness of controls
				fracturing chemicals have been assessed and verified to not be toxic and persistent and bio-accumulative (see EMP chemical risk assessment).		 In/out volume discrepancy and pressure monitoring during transfer operations Valve pits installed at approximately 1 km intervals so if a leak is detected, flow can be shut off and the line repaired Gathering lines will be purged of wastewater and valves will be shut-in when not in operation 			contamination is high and mature.
Spills from chemical and wastewater during transportation (off-site-including transport on unsealed roads during the wet season)	 Drilling chemical transfer—1–5 days of bulk chemical transfer generally pre-drilling Stimulation chemical transfer 2–3 truckloads of chemicals per week for approximately 6 weeks Wastewater disposal over 3 weeks—up to approximately 22 truck movements total over the duration 	and soil pass through the food chain and bioaccumulate.	Off-site along highway or access tracks	Potentially hazardous fluids such as: Combustible fluids (e.g. diesel). Various chemicals as listed in EMP chemical risk assessment. SPCF chemicals listed in EMP and managed in accordance with safety data sheets for the SPCF. Saline wastewater. NB: All added drilling and hydraulic fracturing chemicals have been assessed and verified to not be toxic and persistent and bio-accumulative (see EMP chemical risk assessment).	<1,000 L for transport spill <50,000 L for total loss of B- triple carrying flowback	 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 No chemical or wastewater transportation during wet season, unless a risk assessment determined the activity is safe and low risk Transportation will not occur on tracks where the surface is not safe to allow transportation Wastewater and chemical transportation will not be undertaken through flooded waterways Driving on unsealed roads and access tracks will be avoided 24 hours following a >20 mm rainfall event Area is remote with major urban centres to be avoided. Wastewater management plan 	Performance of contractors to be monitored as a part of transportation contractors	Chemical transport between Darwin/South Australia and Queensland/ and Daly Waters Wastewater transportation between Daly Waters and Queensland via Tennant Creek	High – The transportation of wastes and chemicals is a tightly controlled industry with mature practices designed to prevent, detect and respond to transportation spills. Transport will only be undertaken in the wet season as per the specified controls to ensure the risks are ALARP. High – Any accident is likely to be restricted to road corridors and result in "serious", short term (days-weeks) reversible impacts. The scientific certainty around the transportation of chemicals and wastes is high and mature, and well understood across Australia, limiting exposure to personnel, the public and surrounding receptors.





Spill scenario	Activity duration	Mechanisms	Location	Quality ¹	Quantity	Key management controls	Monitoring	Receptors	Effectiveness of controls
Tank, drilling sump and containment vessel overflows and structural failures	Duration of all activities plus ongoing wastewater storage which may be extended beyond 12-months to allow for ongoing evaporation of fluids	 Overfilling of a sump and flowback tank Structural failure of embankment or tank wall Contaminants in water and soil pass through the food chain and bioaccumulate 	Sumps and tanks on well pad	Potentially hazardous fluids such as: Saline wastewater with total dissolved solids >50,000 mg/L NB: All added drilling and hydraulic fracturing chemicals have been assessed and verified to not be toxic and persistent and bio-accumulative (see EMP chemical risk assessment).	1L to >10,000 L	 Lease pads bunded during the storage of flowback Enclosed tanks used during wet seasons operations Open tanks with 1:1000 ARI freeboard Tanks constructed to Australian Standards Routine tank and sump inspections Drilling sump to be designed and operated to handle the drilling of multiple wells Sump solid levels to be periodically removed from the sump between wells to maintain sump capacity Any removed drilling muds and cuttings from the sump will be stored on an impermeable liner with a permeability of less than 6 x 10⁻¹⁴ m/s- and fluid captured in the sump directed to the wastewater tank 	Routine tank and sump level and structural integrity (visual) inspections	Retained on lease pad within bund	High – controls managing the storage of various fluids are in accordance with the requirements of the Code, which limit potential receptor impacts. The scientific certainty around the effectiveness of conservative freeboard as a mitigation is high and mature.

¹ Refer Table 1 for a summary of the types of chemicals used under drilling and hydraulic fracture stimulation EMPs covered by this SMP.



5. Potential receptors

The location of Tamboran's Beetaloo exploration activities is remote. 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 EMPs. Figure 2 illustrates the separation distance from sensitive receptors such as:

- Watercourses and drainage features/ depressions
- Communities
- Homesteads
- Heritage places
- Vegetation communities
- Protected areas
- Water bores

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



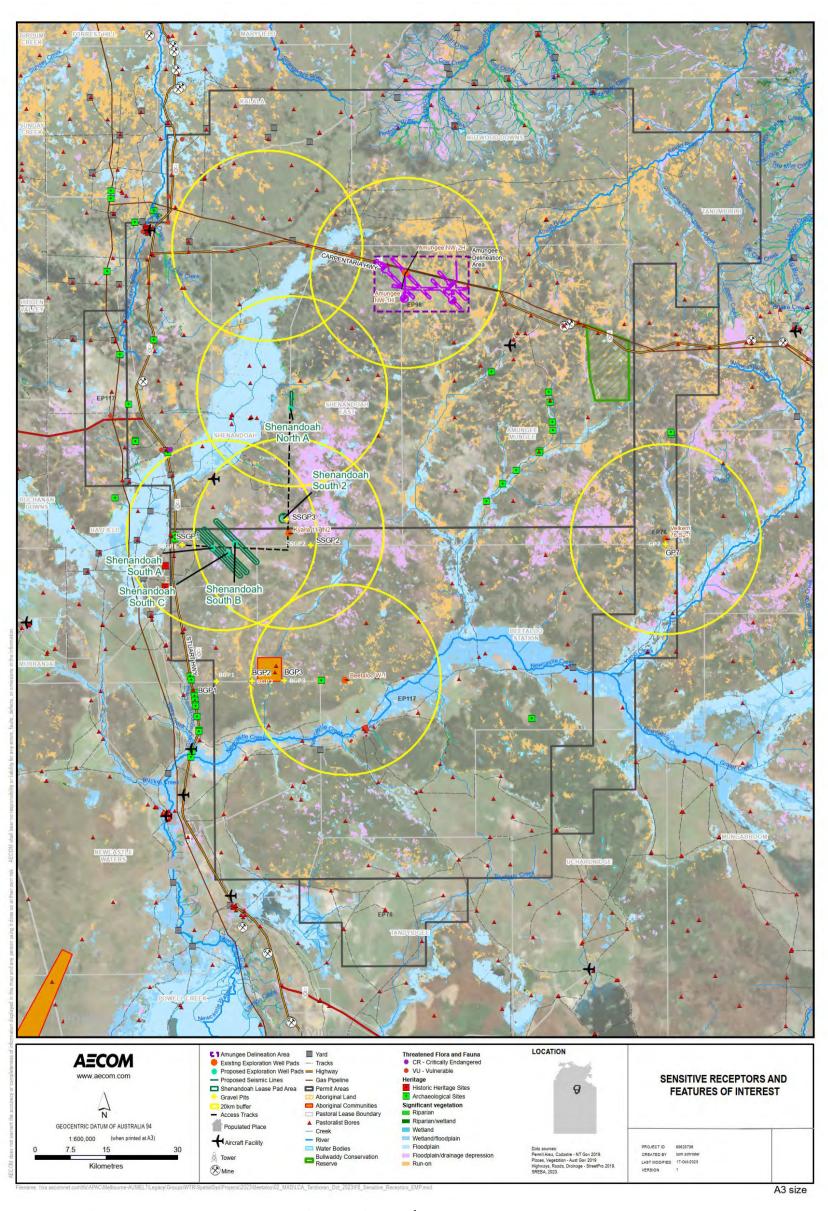


Figure 2: Location of activities and potential receptors and features of interest¹

¹ Strategic Regional Environmental and Baseline Assessment (SREBA) 2022 mapping data has been used to draft this figure: Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security 2022. Strategic Regional Environmental and Baseline Assessment for the Beetaloo Sub-basin. SREBA Data Catalogue, viewed May 2023.



6. Risk assessment

The risk of spills associated with all Tamboran activities is covered under the respective EMP for each activity.

7. Control measures

Control measures to manage spills associated with Tamboran activities are provided in the EMPs and summarised in Table 2. The key management controls include:

- Contractors are required to develop spill management procedures to comply with the requirements of this SMP.
- All chemicals, oils and waste oils to be stored with secondary containment.
- All flowback, completion fluids, chemicals, oil and fuel storage will be equipped with secondary containment (or dual liners), as per the Code.
- Drilling sumps will be lined, with enough freeboard to manage a 1:1000 Average Recurrence Interval (ARI) wet season (~1300 mm).
- Flare pits will be designed to manage a 1:1000 ARI 24-hour storm event (377 mm).
- Tanks will be designed, installed and operated as per the manufacturer's specifications and Code.
- Where flowback is being stored, the wastewater tanks shall be earthen bunded to prevent release to surrounding areas in the case of a catastrophic failure.
- The earthen bund shall be designed to hold 110% of the volume of the largest wastewater tank onsite.
- The earthen bund shall be constructed to withstand a failure event, with the bund appropriately compacted and stabilised.
- Well sites are designed and constructed to prevent spills of hazardous chemicals; this includes:
 - compacting the lease pad surface to 100 kPa to prevent infiltration.
 - provision of bunded (lined) chemical segregation areas.
- Gathering/wastewater transfer lines to have leak detection
- 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 (October to April inclusive) will be avoided, unless a risk assessment determined the activity is safe and low risk. Any necessary transportation will be undertaken in accordance with the following:
 - Transportation will not occur on tracks where the surface is not safe to allow transportation vehicles to drive upon.



- Wastewater and chemical transportation will not be undertaken through flooded waterways.
- The transportation of wastewater/ chemicals during rainfall events will be avoided.
- Driving on unsealed roads and access tracks will be avoided 24 hours following a >20 mm rainfall event.
- After a rainfall event >20 mm, or when the integrity of any unsealed road may be compromised
 due to prolonged rainfall, each unsealed access track proposed to be used for wastewater/
 chemical transportation will be inspected to ensure the integrity of the road is sufficient to allow
 safe passage of the proposed transport vehicle.
- Chemicals will not be unloaded during rainfall events.
- 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.
- Spill response mock-up drills to be completed as a part of routine emergency response training.



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 that is still active, the Beetaloo Exploration Emergency Response Plan (TBN-HSE-MP-05) 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 manage the spill safely
- Determine spill movement, factors affecting the movement (i.e. impending weather, topography, drainage lines, seasonality etc) and spill response priorities, as per Table 3.

Table 3: Spill response priorities

Spill priority	Response considerations
People and communities	 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 (including indigenous community members) and pastoralists
Environment and sacred sites	For emergencies that are safeto 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	Notify Regulators as per incident reporting requirements
Assets	 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
Landholders/ leaseholders/ Native Title holders	Notify neighboursNotify NLC



8.2 Spill containment and clean up procedures

Generic spill containment clean-up procedures must be developed and implemented by each contractor engaged by Tamboran for significant onsite activities, 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 nearby.
- Assess the situation—determine what substances are involved, the volumes, 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 the safety data sheet).
- 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. personal protection equipment, 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 (including flood water).
 - Recover free liquid and contaminated material as soon as possible 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
- Collect and retain information on the volume of extent of the spill, including photographs.
- For Level 2 spills and higher, the Project Manager shall be notified as soon as it is safe to do so, but within 2-hours.
- Project Manager to ensure appropriate external incident reporting requirements are actioned in accordance with the impact of the spill.
- For Level 2 spills and higher, Tamboran 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 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 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.
- Where spills have occurred in proximity to a surface water feature (such as a water course or drainage depression) ongoing monitoring of that feature may be required if impacts are reasonably expected.
 This includes leaks from gathering lines and transport accident. This shall be considered on a case-bycase basis and included in the incident response to DEPWS.



8.3 Contaminated material disposal

Contaminated material disposal will be undertaken in consideration of the following:

- Depending on the nature of the spill (i.e. size, duration and chemical involved), contaminated material
 may be identified visibly during clean up (i.e. identify the extent of the wetting front) or may require in
 situ analysis (such as soil EC/pH testing). Where it is difficult to ascertain whether all contaminated
 material has been removed, additional lab analysis verification may be required (i.e. for extensive
 spills typically a category 3 and beyond).
- 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 *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.*
- All listed waste transportation shall be undertaken by licenced contractors, be tracked and disposed of at licenced waste management facilities.

9. Monitoring and inspections

The monitoring and inspection programs to identify spills is summarised in Table 4.

Table 4: Spill monitoring and inspections

Monitoring program	Frequency	Methodology	Purpose	Minimum volume of leak
Flowback wastewater tank and sump level monitoring (when wastewater is stored on-site)	 During operations: Daily All other times: Weekly during the dry season (May to September) Daily during the wet season (October to April) 	Instrument or Level dip/ visual assessment	Prevent the overtopping of tanks	<10 L
Tank leak detection (when flowback wastewater is stored on-site)	Continuous	Instrument	Detect the migration of fluid through primary containment into the interstitial space	<50 L
Chemical and oil storage areas (when chemical stored on- site)	During operations: Daily All other times: Weekly	Visual (a camera may be used where sites are unmanned)	Detection of leaks	<5 L
Wastewater tank structural integrity	Weekly	Visual inspection	Detect potential structural weakness	N/A



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Monitoring program	Frequency	Methodology	Purpose	Minimum volume of leak
(when wastewater is stored onsite)				
Gathering/wastewater lines	Continuous flow and pressure monitoring during wastewater transfers of gathering lines	Instrument and visual inspection	Detection of leaks	<110 L gathering line
	Surface pipework and infrastructure: weekly during operations			<10 L surface pipework
	Buried pipework: monthly during operations			<50 L for a buried pipeline
SPCF liquid waste handling system	Monthly during operations	Instrument and visual inspection	Detection of leaks	<1 L

10. Roles and responsibilities

The critical roles and responsibilities set out in Table 5 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 Tamboran team.



Table 5: Roles and responsibilities

Position	Role and responsibility	
Project Manager/ Drilling and completions VP	Ultimately accountable for the implementation of the spill management plan (SMP). Role, or delegate, will liaise with Tamboran environment specialists to determine remediation requirements and external reporting obligations.	
On-site Supervisor/ Onsite Company representative	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 cleanup operations associations to minimise the potential impacts to people, places and the environment.	
VP Environment and Permit Approvals	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.	
HSE Manager	Provide specialist technical advice (emergency response) to support spill management activities.	

11. Waste transportation and disposal

All contractors engaged to undertake waste transportation and disposal 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 Code.

12. Spill reporting

12.1 Spill rating

All spills shall be reported, with volumes of spilled material/ substances recorded.

Table 6 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.

When classifying spills and determining the reporting requirements, Ministerial conditions and environmental performance objectives and criteria should also be considered when determining the whether the event is a recordable or reportable event.

The spill tiers include:

- Not Reportable- minor routine spills readily dealt with during normal operations (i.e. minor diesel spills during refuelling, hydraulic oil hose leaks etc.) and involve low hazard material (such as sediment, small diesel spills, low toxicity salts, grey water, drilling fluid/muds). Spill size typically below spills <200 L restricted to the lease pad or within existing bunding. Clean up time is generally hours, with no residual contamination.
- Level 1: Spills that can be contained within the well or SPCF site and can be cleaned up without



involvement of external organisations. Most Tier 1 spills are likely to be less than 2,500 L and would include larger 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 are not trivial or considered routine and will most likely be classified as recordable incidents as per Section 12.

- 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 Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.
- 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 6: Spill tier levels

		Spill (L)		
		20-200 L	200-2,500 L	>2,500 L
Receiving environment	Bund or contained impervious area	Not reportable*	Level 1	Level 1
	Onsite (lease pad, camp pad, hardstand, road or work area) 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 Tamboran's management systems (and made available for review by contractor), with monthly reviews. For certain substances, such as flowback, there may be site specific requirements outlined in the EMP approval notice. The approvals notice should be reviewed. ** 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

Incidents may require reporting under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations and Waste Management Pollution Control Act.

12.2.1 Petroleum (Environment) Regulations incident reporting

12.2.1.1 Reportable environmental incident reporting

The 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 DEPWS 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. The preferred method of notifying DEPWS is email:

- 1. Email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au²
- 2. Phone: 1800 064 567 NT Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) Pollution Hotline (caller to state it is a petroleum matter)

Any verbal report to DEPWS must be followed up by a written report from the Project Manager within three days in accordance with the Regulations.

12.2.1.2 Recordable incidents

The 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 6.

An interest holder must notify DEPWS 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). The preferred method of notifying DEPWS is email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au.

12.2.2 Waste Management and Pollution Control Act incident reporting

In accordance with the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act, where contaminants or waste is not confined within the land on which the petroleum activities are undertaken (i.e. the approved disturbance areas where the petroleum activity is occurring), Tamboran will notify the NT EPA of any incident causing or threatening to cause pollution 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

² Effective 20 September 2023, the preferred method of DEPWS notification is email.



f) the identity of the person notifying.

The notification shall be made to the NT EPA Pollution Hotline 1800 064 567 (caller to state it is a petroleum matter) and the DEPWS email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au.

13. Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym /	Meaning
abbreviation	
km	Kilometre
kPa	kilopascal
mm	Millimetre
m/s	Metres per second
L	Litre
L/pa	Litre(s) per annum
ARI	Average Recurrence Interval
DEPWS	Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security
EMP(s)	Environment management plan(s)
EP	Exploration Permit
NT	Northern Territory
NT EPA	Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority
SPCF	Sturt Plateau compression facility
SMP	Spill Management Plan
SREBA	Strategic Regional Environmental and Baseline Assessment
WOMP	Well Operations Management Plan



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Appendix A Chemical volumes per well and storage areas (based on maximum 3 wells per pad)

NOTE: In accordance with the Code, a chemical risk assessment has been completed on all listed chemicals, which have been verified to not be toxic and persistent and bioaccumulative.

Material name	Typical Maximum Unit Storage area volume		Hazardous (Y/N)		
Acetic acid – 60%	3,000	9,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
BE-9 Biocide	17,000	51,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Caustic Soda Liquid	15,000	45,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-11001 Breaker activator	5,000	15,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-13002 Breaker	300	900	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-13003 Breaker	10,000	30,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-16001 Clay Stabiliser	42,000	126,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-17001 Corrosion inhibiter	1,000	3,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-19001 Crosslinker	600	1,800	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-19002 Crosslinker	10,000	30,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-23001 Friction reducer	5,000	15,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-23003 Friction reducer	18,000	54,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-25005 Gelling agent	35,000	105,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-30001 Scale inhibitor	15,000	45,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
DCA-32002 Surfactant	15,000	45,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
DCA-32014 Surfactant	200	600	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
FE-2 Buffer	200	600	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Hydrochloric acid – 32%	50,000	150,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Alcohols, C11-14-iso-, C13-rich,ethoxylated- Surfactant	5,285	15,855			Yes
Sodium (C14-16) olefin sulfonate - Surfactant	4,658	13,974	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Diisobutyl glutarate - plasticiser	627	1,881	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Diisobutyl succinate - plasticiser	209	627	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Diisobutyl adipate- plasticiser	179	537	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No



Material name	Material name Typical Maximum Unit Storage area volume		Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)	
Sodium thiosulphate- stabilising agent	4,763	14,289	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Sodium sulphate stabilising agent	913	2,739	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Sodium sulphite stabilising agent	794	2,382	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Ethylene glycol- crosslinker	5,112	15,336	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Choline Chloride- Clay stabiliser	10,301	30,903	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Glutaraldehyde- biocide	14,930	44,790	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Ammonium sulphate- breaker	4,479	13,491	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Polyacrylamide- friction reducer	4,479	13,491	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Sodium polyacrylate- gelling agent	746	2,238	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Sodium bisulfite- stabiliser	149	447	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Alkyl alcohol- surfactant	149	447	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
2-Propenoic acid, homopolymer, ammonium salt- biocide	149	447	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Potassium persulfate- breaker	149	447	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
2-Ethoxy-naphthalene- surfactant	149	447	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium gluconate- stabiliser	8,576	25,728	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Boric -crosslinker	4,288	12,864	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Potassium hydroxide- pH control	10,745	32,235	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Mannanase- crosslinker	2	6	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Ammonium persulphate- breaker	7,451	22,353	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Talc- buffer	384	1,152	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Sodium bromate- breaker	50,441	151,323	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Hepta sodium phosphonate- emulsifier	3,176	9,528	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Distillates, hydrotreated light- friction reducer	54,231	162,693	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No



Material name	Aaterial name Typical Maximum Unit Storage area volume		Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)	
Guar gum- viscosity regulator	15,141	45,423	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Poly-oxyethylene nonylphenol ether- surfactant	4,466	13,398	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Quaternary ammonium compounds, bis(hydrogenated tallow alkyl)dimethyl, salts with bentonite- biocide	4,466	13,398	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
1,6-Hexanediol- cross linker	447	1,341	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Hydrochloric acid- pH control	44,715	134,145	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
N-benzyl-alkyl pyridinium chloride- pH control	28	84	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Formic acid- corrosion inhibitor	38	114	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium erythorbate- scaler prohibitor	334	1,002	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Citric acid- pH control	15,878	47,634	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Acetic acid- pH control	15,878	47,634	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Isopropanol- clay management	83	249	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Ethoxylated C12-C16 alcohol - surfactant	57	171	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Ethoxylated decanol - surfactant	19	57	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Cinnamaldehyde- biocide	57	171	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Ethoxylated tallow alkyl amine - surfactant	9	27	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Methanol- corrosion inhibitor	2	6	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Polyacrylamide - friction reducer	49,093	147,279	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Polyethylene glycol trimethylnonyl ether - clay manager	87	261	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Water in additive- stabiliser	66,804	200,412	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No



Material name	Typical volume	Maximum volume	Unit	Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)
Potassium sorbate food grade- corrosion inhibitor	14	42	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Mannanase (Mannan endo-1,4-beta- mannosidase)- cross linker	2	6	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Nonoxynol-9- surfactant	9	27	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
2-Ethylhexanol PO/EO polymer- stabiliser	9	27	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Corn oil- friction reducer	662	1,986	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
AL-CI-1F - HT Acid Corrosion Inhibitor	1,022	3,066	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
AL-FE-1F - Iron Control	2,001	6,002	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
BFL-1F - Low Buffer	2,000	6,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
BHE-01F - Encapsulated AP	173	519	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
BIO-GQ510 - Biocide 5/10 Glut Quat	38,715	116,144	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
CSA-1F - Clay Control (70% Choline)	96,786	290,358	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
HCL-15B - 15% HCL	508,008	1,524,023	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
SFT-NE-1F - Flowback Surfactant (NE)	48,666	145,997	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
BFH-1F - High Buffer	2,000	6,000	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
FRP-BL1F - HVFR Anionic (Freshwater)	114,830	344,490	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
LGA-01F - Guar Gel Concentrate	13,594	40,781	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
SCI-1F - Scale Inhibitor	96,786	290,358	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
XLB-C1F - Instant Cross- linker	3,263	9,788	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium chloride	15,000	45,000	kg	Completion chemical storage area	No
ALDACIDE G	500	1,500	L	Completion chemical storage area	Yes
OXYGON	100	300	kg	Completion chemical storage area	No
BARACOR 100	2,000	6,000	L	Completion chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium Hypochlorite 10–30%	10,000	30,000	L	Completion chemical storage area	Yes
CON-DET	50	150	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
SAPP	50	150	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Bentonite	3,000	9,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Caustic soda	1,400	4,200	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
EZ MUD DP or EZ MUD Liquid	2,000	6,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No



Material name	terial name Typical Maximum Unit Storage area volume		Hazardous (Y/N)		
ALDACIDE G	336	1008	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
STOPPIT	1,000	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Soda ash	350	1050	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
BARACOR 100	250	750	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium chloride (flossy salt)	96,000	288,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Barite	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
BARACARB	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Citric acid	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
BARADEFOAM HP	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Sodium Bicarbonate	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
PERFORMATROL	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
SOURSCAV	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
DRIL-N-SLIDE	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
STEELSEAL	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
BARAZAN D or BARAZAN D Plus	4,150	12,450	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
PAC L	2,300	6,900	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Potassium chloride	22,500	67,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
QUIK-FREE	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
BAROFIBRE, BAROFIBRE Superfine and BAROFIBRE COARSE	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
BaraBlend-657	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
N-DRIL HT Plus	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
DEXTRID LTE	4,600	13,800	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
BARABUF	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
BDF 933 or BaraLube W- 933	864	2,592	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
BAROLIFT	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
OXYGON	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
ENVIRO-THIN	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Lime	500	1,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Calcium chloride	37,000	111,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium bromide	8,610	24,480	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Evolube TR	14,500	43,500	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Radiagreen EME	4,800	14,400	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Radiagreen EBL	4,800	14,400	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes



Material name	laterial name Typical Maximum volume volume		Unit	Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)
Polydrill	7,500	22,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Alpine spotting beads	1,000	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Barite- weighting agent	354,000	1,062,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Bio-Paq HT filtration control	1,134	3,402	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Brine-Pac XTS corrosion inhibitor	3,400	10,200	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Calcium chloride - salinity	180,000	540,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
CF Desco deflocculant	2,270	6,810	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Chek-Loss fibrous LCM	1,360	4,080	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Citric acid pH control	1,360	4,080	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Ecco-Temp HT extender	8,000	24,000	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Flowzan viscosifier	5,000	15,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Mil-Lime (calcium hydroxide alkalinity)	1,361	4,080	L	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Magnesium oxide pH buffer	7,500	22,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Mil-bio SEA 98 biocide	1,800	5,400	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Mil-carb LCM / bridging	5,000	15,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Milstarch filtration control	5,000	15,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Navi-Lube lubricant	16,650	49,950	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
New-Drill Plus shale stabiliser	1,000	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Noxygen XT oxygen scavenger	880	2,660	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Ova Col 110 HC cloud point glycol	13,000	39,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Potassium chloride salt / shale stabiliser	40,800	122,500	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Potassium hydroxide pH source	1,250	3,750	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Pyro-Trol II HT filtration control	25	75	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Pyro-Vis II HT viscosifier	1,400	4,200	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Soda ash pH and hardness control	1,000	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Sodium bicarbonate pH and hardness control	1,000	3,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
Sodium chloride salt	54,400	163,200	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No



Material name	Typical volume	Maximum volume	Unit	Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)
TEQ-Lube II	28,800	86,400	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
New-Thin – polymeric thinner	4,680	14,040	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
LC-Lube – lubricant (graphite)	9,090	27,270	Kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
W.O. defoam defoamer	600	1,800	L	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Xan-Plex D viscosifier	3,000	9,000	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
TEQ-LUBE II - lubricant (25322-6-3)	14,400	43,200	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
TEQ-LUBE II - lubricant (39464-69-2)	14,400	43,200	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
NEW-THIN - Polymeric thinner	4,680	14,040	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
LC-LUBE - lubricant (graphite)	9,090	27,270	kg	Drilling chemical storage area	No
General operation chemic	cals				
Diesel	250	750	KL	Diesel storage tanks	Yes
Hydraulic oil	1,000	3,000	L	Workshop	Yes
Engine oil	1,000	3,000	L	Workshop	Yes
Degreasers	100	300	L	Workshop	Yes
Waste drilling fluids	2,500	7,500	m³	Drilling mud sump	Yes
Completion fluids	1.4	4.2	ML	Drilling mud sump	No
Condensate	10	10	KL	Drilling chemical storage area	Yes
Flowback	~10.8 ML p	er well	ML	Flowback tanks	Yes
Lubricants	-	6,600	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Triethylene glycol	-	150,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Methanol	-	36,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Corrosion inhibitor	-	9,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
H₂S scavenger	-	160,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Biocide	-	2,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Bulk diesel	-	50,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Engine coolants	-	25,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Hydraulic oil	-	25,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Engine oil	-	10,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Greases, solvent, paints, solvents	-	100	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Chemical inhibitors	-	5,000	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes
Condensate (trace levels)	-	<160	L/pa	SPCF chemical storage	Yes



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Material name	Typical volume	Maximum volume	Unit	Storage area	Hazardous (Y/N)
Proppants*					
100 mesh sand	91,000	273,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Quartz or organophilic phyllosilicate- proppant	1,084	3,252	L	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
40/70 sand	1,650,000	4,950,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
30/50 sand	610,000	1,830,000	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Silicon dioxide (quartz/sand) 100% Sand	4,757,614	14,272,842	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No
Silicon dioxide (quartz/sand) 40/70	5,435,287	16,305,860	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area	No

^{*} Proppants are sand which is inert. They do not require special chemical bunding but are co-located in the stimulation chemical storage area, within the well pad bund. Residual proppant from a stimulation campaign is often used to assist with chemical spills on the well pad, where contaminated spill material is removed.

Cleaning chemicals and spill response					
Soda ash – sodium carbonate	11,250	kg	Stimulation chemical storage area - spill response for acid spills	Yes	
Flush fluid - distillates (petroleum), hydrotreated	1,500	4,500	L	Stimulation chemical storage area - Equipment cleaning	Yes

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1. Introduction

This Wastewater Management Plan (WWMP) has been prepared to support Tamboran'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* (the Code).

The WWMP covers the management of wastewater from all regulated activities described in the Environment Management Plans (EMPs) listed in Table 1 that are currently in force under the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 (the Regulations). EMPs that are currently in force under the Regulations are available at: https://depws.nt.gov.au/onshore-gas/environment-management-plan/approved-emps.

Activities undertaken by Tamboran and its subsidiaries in the Northern Territory (NT), within its exploration permit (EP) areas (EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117 (Figure 1)) include:

- civil works
- drilling and stimulating gas wells for exploration and appraisal purposes
- construction and operation of the temporary Sturt Plateau Compression Facility (SPCF)
- rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities.

The WWMP will reference the relevant sections within each EMP to avoid duplication. The WWMP should also be read in conjunction with the Spill Management Plan and Emergency Response Plan.

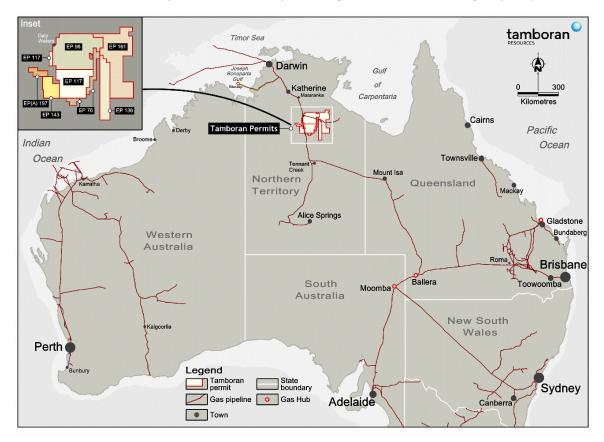


Figure 1: Location of Tamboran exploration permit areas (EPs)



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2. Description of activity

Wastewater, as defined in the Code, 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
- Other wastewater meeting the definition of waste under the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998.

Wastewater is produced through the following activities:

- **Drilling**: waste drilling fluids are generated from drilling activities. The main objective of using drilling fluids is to provide the 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 drill bit and assist in transporting formation cuttings to surface (rock such as shale, mudstone, siltstone etc.). Excess cement from cementing a casing string, waste drilling fluids and cuttings are stored in a lined mud sump, tested and either disposed of onsite or disposed of off-site at a licensed waste facility.
- Stimulation 'flow back' water: After the completion of hydraulic fracture stimulation, the
 exploration/appraisal well is "flowed back" to remove all recoverable injected fluid from the
 formation. Flowback wastewater is stored in on-site tanks and recycled / reused where
 possible, with the balance subject to evaporation and the residual volume then disposed of
 off-site at a licenced facility.
- Well production test: During production testing (appraisal) the well flows gas and a minor
 quantity of water to the surface. The water coming to surface is defined as 'production
 water' and is separated from the gas stream and is stored in the on-site tanks, evaporated
 and then disposed of at a licenced facility. The production water is the same quality and
 indistinct from the flow back water from stimulation.
- 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).
- SPCF operation: Minor volumes of wastewater will be generated during operation of the SPCF. Most of these streams are produced when removing residual moisture from the gas during processing or through the collection of stormwater/ washdown water in drip trays and bunds.

The wastewater generating activities within the scope of each EMP covered by this plan is presented in Table 1.



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Table 1: Wastewater generating activities per Beetaloo EMP

ЕМР	Drilling	Stimulation	Well production test	Completions	SPCF Operations
NT-2050-15-MP-032 Velkerri 76 S2 Section 3.11	х	х	х	х	N/A
CDN/ID NT-2050-35-PH- 0018 Amungee NW-1H (ORI7) Section 7.1	N/A	N/A	х	х	N/A
NT-2050-15-MP-039 Beetaloo W-1 EMP (ORI8) Section 7 and Section 10	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not anticipated- with incidental volumes possible	N/A
NT-2050-MP-040 Kalala S1 EMP (ORI9) Section 3.13	N/A	N/A	N/A	Not anticipated- with incidental volumes possible	N/A
NT-2050-15-MP-0088 Amungee NW Delineation Program EMP (ORI11-3) Section 3.15	x	х	х	х	N/A
TB2-HSE-MP-08 Shenandoah South E&A program EMP (TAM1-3) Section 3.10 and Section 3.12	х	x	х	х	N/A
TB2-HSE-MP-10 Sturt Plateau Compression Facility – Appraisal Gas EMP (TAM2-3)	N/A	N/A	х	N/A	х

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: re-use 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 and appraisal are limited. This is largely restricted to:

- Maximising the re-use and recycling of drilling fluids during operations.
- Minimising the use of suspension fluids by minimising re-entry activities (i.e. multiple entries into a well requiring fluid to be unloaded).



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- Minimise the off-site transportation of flowback through maximisation of recycling / re-use, and evaporation within the designated treatment tanks.
- Minimise the generation of wastewater from the

The volume 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 off-site, through careful flowback recycling / re-use. A compacted hard stand area has been designated for the installation of wastewater management and treatment infrastructure.

4. Wastewater risk assessment

The risks associated with wastewater are covered in the risk assessments within each of the EMPs.

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 Code, will be undertaken upon completion of drilling activities.

Geogenic chemical composition of flowback water was sampled as a part of the Amungee NW-1H, Kyalla 117 N2-1H and Shenandoah 1 hydraulic fracture activities. These data indicate the risks associated with flowback are largely to do with salts—specifically chlorides. The presence of other compounds, such as hydrocarbons and heavy metals are also likely.

The hazards associated with flowback, and other wastewater management have been addressed by the Code and within individual EMPs. Specific controls covered by the Code and EMPs preventing environmental harm include:

- Well operations management plan designed to ensure the risk of the well to surrounding aquifers is mitigated; including the requirement for multiple, verified well barriers containing steel and cement.
- Use of enclosed tanks.
- Gathering/ SPFC wastewater line leak detection
- Freeboard requirements to accommodate a 1:1000 Average Recurrence Interval (ARI) total wet season.
- Use of double lined tanks with leak detection.
- Secondary containment requirements for all pumps and high-risk spill locations.
- Prohibition of wastewater discharges and reinjection.
- Groundwater monitoring bores.
- Spill management plan.

5. Wastewater management overview

A summary of how each wastewater stream is managed to optimise the environmental outcomes is provided in Table 2. An individual description of each wastewater stream is provided in the following sections.



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5.1 Drilling fluid and cuttings

Approximately $750 - 1000 \,\mathrm{m}^3$ of solid drilling muds and cuttings and $1 - 2 \,\mathrm{ML}$ of drilling fluids will be generated from the drilling of each exploration well. Water-based drilling fluids and wastes are saline, polymer/bentonite-based material which are stored in lined sumps on-site. The primary contaminants associated with drilling fluids and wastes are likely to be from chlorides.

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

- All drilling fluids, water-based drilling muds and drilling cuttings stored in engineered lined Coletanche (or similar) sumps or wastewater tanks.
- Sumps/ tanks will be designed with a 1:1000 ARI freeboard calculated in accordance with the methodology outlined in Appendix A.
- The maximum water level (1.3 m wet season and 0.3 m dry season freeboard) will be clearly marked on the side of the sump.
- Transfers of wastewater to the sump must not cause the freeboard to be exceeded. All
 operational inflows to cease prior to exceeding the freeboard requirements. Disposal of
 fluid and waste to sumps/tanks must not occur where the fluid level in the sump is above
 the relevant freeboard.
- Additional controls must be implemented where the sump capacity falls below the 1:1000
 ARI 7-day total rainfall design criteria of 580 mm within the sump.
- All well pads will be fenced to prevent livestock and fauna ingress into open sumps.
- Muds and cuttings contained in lined sumps will be allowed to dry out, with fluid transfers to wastewater storage tanks undertaken where required to assist in dewatering.
- Drilling cuttings and muds may be removed from the sump between wells, or as required, to
 maintain the safe operating level of the sump. Drilling waste material will be stored in
 pit/sump (in compliance with the Code) with an impermeable liner, with any free water
 removed to the sump or wastewater tanks.
- Dry drilling muds and cuttings may be removed from a sump and blended on the well pad during the dry season in preparation for final disposal.
- Dry drilling cuttings is defined as cuttings and muds that do not have any visible free liquid that pools/ is released from the material when worked.
- Dry, blended drilling cuttings/ muds removed from the sump may only be stored temporarily onsite (well pad or laydown) without secondary containment in preparation for offsite transportation or onsite disposal. This is required as heavy equipment, and trucks are likely to damage liners during material management. Storage of dry material will be undertaken in accordance with the following:
 - the storage of dry cuttings storage without secondary containment must be temporary and only for the duration required for the material to be transported offsite/ in preparation of mix bury cover (for example, some landfills may only take certain volumes over a given time)
 - Unlined storage only permissible in the dry season (May to September)



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- The material must be dry, with no free water released from the material or pooling where the material is stored
- the location where the material is stored must be a compacted clay liner or geomembrane type liner meeting the requirements of clause B.4.16.2(h) and C.4.1.2
 (b) of the Code.
- Where rainfall is predicted within a 7 day period, the dry cuttings are to be removed from site where possible or covered with a tarp to prevent fluid access to the material
- Any leachate or water generated must be removed immediately and disposed of to the sump or wastewater tanks.
- Drilling muds and fluids may be moved between sites to manage sump volume and disposal requirements.
- Any residual liquids will be transported to a licenced interstate disposal facility (e.g. 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 1998 and Queensland Environmental Protection Act 1994.
- Leachability testing of drill cuttings and muds will be undertaken in accordance with Table 10 of the Code.
- A disposal option assessment will be completed by a suitably qualified person (as outlined in section C.4.1.2 of the Code), with on-site disposal to land only undertaken where environmental harm will not result from the disposal activities. This assessment will be submitted to the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) for approval prior to implementation.

5.1.1 Drilling waste compost/soil conditioner trial

To investigate the potential future re-use of drilling cuttings and solid waste material, a small trial to create a suitable compost/soil conditioner for use in rehabilitation may be undertaken on a well pad. This objectives of the trial will be designed to:

- confirm whether the material can be successfully composted/ blended into a suitable compost/ soil conditioner to support future rehabilitation (such as gravel pit void backfilling).
- Develop the required procedures and know-how for future larger scale disposals
- Build capacity with local traditional owners to take over the activity in the future
- Obtain the required information to support future approvals

Material generated by this trial will be either sent to a licenced landfill or additional approvals sought for onsite disposal as per section C.4.1.2 of the Code.

The trial will involve the following steps:

• A dedicated trial area will be located on either the formed well pad/ laydown yard and will be demarcated and signed. The size of the trial area will typically be no greater than 50 m x 50 m, at either Kyalla 117 N2 or Shenandoah S2.



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- The trial area will be a compacted clay liner or geomembrane type liner meeting the requirements of clause B.4.16.2(h) and C.4.1.2 (b) of the Code.
- The trial area will be bunded (using available material onsite) and graded to prevent both run-on and run-off of stormwater.
- Up to 200 m³ of dried drilling waste (moisture content <20%) will be transferred to the trial area and stored in stockpiles. In the unlikely event free liquids are encountered, they will be cleaned up immediately and recorded as per the spill management plan.
- Organic manure will be trucked in and stored on the trial pad in small stockpiles (~500 m³).
 If manure is used, this will be sourced from local cattle stations in the region to reduce the risk of introducing weeds.
- Waste material will be blended with manure using a front end loader/tractor/bob cat onsite at several different ratios (such as 1 part waste: 1 part manure etc.).
- The material will be stockpiled in windows/ static piles to allow aerobic composting for ~60
 90 days.
- The material will be turned/worked monthly.
- The material will be tested in accordance with the suite in Table 9 of the Code.
- A selection of material (~1 m³) will be used in large pots/ bags to assess the reestablishment of vegetation, with a seed mix and additional nutrients (specifically nitrogen) added where required. This will be left open over the wet season, with observation taken.
- Upon completion of the trial, the material will be either a) returned to the sump b) stockpiled on a liner with a cover or c) trucked offsite to a licenced landfill.
- The trial area will have all potential contaminated material removed, with validation testing to confirming concentrations of contaminants of concern (notably EC, chlorides, barium and strontium) are consistent with background soil levels.

A report will be generated at the end of the trial summarising the trial results.

5.2 Produced water and flowback management

All produced water and flowback fluids will be stored in accordance with the Code.

It is anticipated that up to 12 ML of flowback may be produced from each well (subject to appraisal duration and recovery % observed). Flowback and production water will be highly saline, with a summary of the anticipated quality provided in Appendix B. Further details on the wastewater generated and stored on-site is found in the water balance section of each EMP.

Management controls for flowback implemented during the program include:

- Flowback will be separated at the wellsite or SPCF inlet separator and sent to Wastewater tanks.
- Recycling of flowback in make-up fluid will be prioritised.
- No disposal of flowback wastewater to surface water or land.
- Flowback wastewater stored in above ground tanks.
- Tanks to be double lined with built in leak detection.



- All flowback wastewater to be stored in enclosed tanks unless being treated (i.e. evaporated)
- The wastewater storage areas will have enough enclosed storage to deal with the total volume of flowback wastewater stored at any time.
- Should the freeboard of an open tank storing flowback be exceeded, wastewater transfers must commence asap to return the fluid under the freeboard requirements.
- Appropriate venting of enclosed tanks to prevent the build-up of explosive gasses.
- Tank design, construction and operation will consider environmental factors, such as wind loading, temperature bushfires and structural integrity.
- All working open evaporation tanks will have a minimum freeboard to allow for a 1 in 1000year ARI wet or dry season (depending on which season operations are undertaken in) as calculated in Appendix A.
- Off-site wastewater disposal will be minimised through the treatment of wastewater through evaporation. Evaporation tanks will be used to treat wastewater all times, except during periods of significant rainfall.
- Mechanical evaporators may be used in each tank to increase evaporation to reduce the
 volume of flowback. Evaporators will be positioned in a manner to ensure all drift is
 contained within the wastewater tank and have automated wind direction and speed cutoffs. Any drift outside of the wastewater tank will be treated as an incident, as defined in the
 EMP.
- Wastewater may be transferred between approved sites to maximise the efficient use of tank capacity. Transferral may be via truck or surface/subsurface gathering lines.
- Long term (12 month +) transfers of fluid will utilise buried gathering lines.
- Where solid salt crystallising appears (through visual inspection) to occur, the fluid to be transferred to a higher puncture resistant liner, to minimise the potential for punctures from solidified materials.
- Surface gathering lines/wastewater lines will only be utilised for temporary water transfers, with pipelines to be purged and decommissioned after use.
- The freeboard requirements will be clearly marked on each of the open tanks as the Maximum Water Level (MWL).
- During the wet season, flowback wastewater will be stored in enclosed tanks, with some additional treatment capacity available via evaporation tanks.
- During the dry season, evaporation tank capacity will be increased to facilitate flowback wastewater treatments.
- Flowback wastewater on location must be able to be transferred into enclosed tanks within 72-hours of becoming aware of a significant rainfall event (noting a minimum volume of wastewater will be required to be maintained with a tank to secure the liners). 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 7.1.



- Pumping infrastructure will be available to transfer flowback wastewater into enclosed storage within 24-hours (noting wastewater will be transferred 8-hours prior to the onset of the rainfall event). Sufficient pumping redundancy will be available to accommodate pump failures.
- Storage tanks that are inter-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 and public access.
- Monitoring of flowback wastewater tank 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. Monitoring may be in person or via remote methods.
- Residual flowback liquids after recycling / re-use and evaporation will be evaporated and transported to a licenced interstate disposal facility (e.g. Westrex, Jackson, Queensland or alternative approved locations) with the appropriate interstate waste transport consignment authority as per the NEPM as implemented under the NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998 and Queensland Environmental Protection Act 1994.
- When the wastewater 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.
- During removal of the solids within the liner, efforts will be deployed to contain any residual fluid. This includes the use of vac trucks and temporary bunding during tank deconstruction
- Tank decommissioning will not occur during the months of December to March. Tank decommissioning will not occur where there is forecasted rain.
- Daily inspections of all wastewater storages will be implemented during operations (active well testing), with continuous level logging and leak detection implemented when sites are unmanned.
- Flowback will be transferred between operating sites via a wastewater gathering network (see section 8.1 to enable wastewater storage, treatment and recycling activities).



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5.3 Drilling and completion fluids (suspension and kill fluids)

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

It is anticipated that up to 0.5–1.0 ML of drilling and completion fluids could be produced per well, 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 off-site for final disposal at a licenced facility.

5.4 SPCF wastewater

Minor volumes of process wastewater will be generated during operation of the SPCF. Most of these wastewater streams are produced when removing residual moisture from the gas during processing (condensation) or from drip trays/ bunds collecting stormwater or washdown water. These wastewater streams are subject to initial treatment at the SPCF oily water treatment system (primarily to remove hydrocarbons), before being pumped to the wastewater tanks.

Wastewater from the process areas within the SPCF will typically be low EC water with trace levels of residual hydrocarbons.

Some residual flowback will be separated at the SPCF inlet separator and discharged to wastewater tanks at the Shenandoah S2 wastewater storage area. Flowback will be managed in accordance with section 5.2.







Table 2: Wastewater management summary and implementation plan

Wastewater	Quantity	Properties	Hazards	Implementation pla	n				Final management	Final disposal volume ¹	Alternative management options considered
	produced		Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine inspections	Monitoring				
Flowback	3 – 12 ML per well, depending on stimulation volume	Composition influenced by chemical composition of shale formation. Geogenic sourced contaminants include: Salinity (Typical Electrical Conductivity 50,000 µs/cm with elevated, sodium, chloride, boron, barium and hydrocarbons as per Appendix B.	High salinity wastewater representing a hazard to groundwater, surface water and soils from chloride dominated salts if released into the environment	Stored on-site or at other approved exploration sites within the basin 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 ARI rainfall event as per Appendix A. Maximum water levels (MWL) to be clearly marked on each open tank.	Transferred to storage tanks from on-site separators or directly from the well as required under B.4.13.2 (k) of the Code. Transfer between sites via surface/ subsurface gathering lines Secondary containment used under all pumps and connections.	 Flowback separated at the well head or SPCF inlet separator and transferred to wastewater tanks Wastewater stored in enclosed tanks during wet season, with some evaporation tank surplus capacity. Evaporation tank capacity increased during dry season to facilitate treatment. Flow/pressure meters to be used to monitor flowback transfers. Evaporators to be strategically located on or within the boundaries of the pond with drift prevention controls (automated wind direction 	Storage facilities and handling areas inspected daily during operations via electronic or manual means. Visual inspections of tanks completed weekly. Weekly inspection of surface gathering lines when in use.	As per section 6	Evaporated on-site using fractionating evaporators to reduce final volumes. Potentially onsite treatment using brine crystallisation to create solid salt. Then trucked offsite to a licenced waste disposal facility (where locally available or Westrex in Queensland (QLD)) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act waste consignment authority approval.	Up to 2 ML / well	Treatment using reverse osmosis or other mechanical filtration has been considered; salinity and scaling constraint posed by wastewater restricted the use o conventional water treatment.

¹ Note these values are indicative and the final values are outlined in the respective EMP.





Wastewater	Quantity produced	Properties	Hazards	Implementation pla	n				Final management	Final disposal volume ¹	Alternative management options considered
	produced			Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine inspections	Monitoring			
Drilling muds, cuttings and fluids	750 m³ – 1000 m³/ well	Saline (KCI and NaCI) polymer / bentonite based drilling fluids with formation cuttings)	KCI and NaCI may represent a hazard in residual drilling muds and cuttings if not segregated prior to disposal. Formation cuttings may contain low level of hydrocarbons as per Appendix B, which are likely to be degraded quickly in the open sump.	Stored on-site in lined drilling sumps with sufficient freeboard to accommodate a 1:1000 ARI rainfall event as per Appendix A MWL to be clearly marked on each tank and sump Muds and cuttings allowed to dry out Dry, blended drilling muds and cuttings may be stored onsite in a manner that prevents leaching.	Transferred directly from rig via the shakers into the sump Dry muds and cuttings may be blended onsite with clean material to aid recycling/disposal.	and speed cut offs). Recycling of flowback in make-up fluid Storage volumes of ponds to be monitored daily through visual inspections or telemetry during wastewater storage. Storage volumes of sumps to be monitored daily Material to be dried out after completion of activity, with supernatant fluids evaporated in a separate tank (Code compliant storage) Dry material may be periodically removed from sump and blended to achieve stability and reduce leachability potential making tit suitable for reuse/ lower hazard disposal. Material to be tested prior to	Sump level to be monitored daily during operations via electronic or manual means Sump liner and embankments to be inspected weekly during operations	As per section 6	Supernatant fluids will be evaporated from muds prior to disposal Residual fluids to be transported to a licenced waste disposal facility (where available locally or 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 on-site characterisation and risk assessment by third party For on-site disposal, muds and cuttings to be either mixed, buried and covered on-site or blended with material to allow for material recycling For off-site disposal, material will be transported to a	750 m³ – 1000 m³/ well	Cuttings cannot be re-used- they are a waste product consisting of shales, siltstones and clays which do not have any additional usage. Drill muds are continuously recycled during the drilling process as much as possible. Out of specification muds a to being discharged to the sump when the fluids are no longer in specification. Out of specification drilling muds cannot be re-used as they can (and do) create well integrity issues. Drilling wastes could theoretically be composted with organic material in the future. Tamboran is looking





Wastewater	Quantity produced	Properties	Hazards	Implementation pla	n				Final management	Final disposal volume ¹	Alternative management options considered
	produced			Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine inspections	Monitoring			
						determining final disposal requirements			licenced waste disposal facility (where available locally or Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act and related interstate waste consignment authority approval		into this as a future opportunity; however a significant amount of R&D and
Drilling, completion, suspension and kill fluids	0.5–1.0 ML / well (or incidental volumes during maintenance)	KCI or NaCI based fluids with a TDS >33,500 mg/L	High salinity wastewater representing a hazard to groundwater, surface water and soils from chloride dominated salts if released into the environment.	Stored on-site in the sump and transferred (as required) to the double lined above ground enclosed tanks and evaporation tanks with leak detection. All tanks have been sized with regards to the 1:1000 ARI rainfall event as per Appendix A. Maximum water levels (MWL) to be clearly marked on each tank and sump.	Transferred to flowback storage facilities directly from well. Secondary containment used under all pumps and connections.	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 7.1.	Storage facilities and handling areas inspected daily during operations. Visual inspections of tanks completed weekly.	As per section 6.	Stored in flowback tanks. Evaporated on-site using fractionating evaporators to reduce final volumes. Potentially for recycling within stimulation. Residual fluids to be trucked off-site (if required) to a licenced waste disposal facility (e.g. Westrex in QLD) in accordance with NT Waste Management and Pollution Control Act waste consignment authority approval. Currently, it is assumed all drilling wastewater will be evaporated with limited water removed from site.	0-0.5 ML	 Due to the saline nature of the material, recycling during exploration may be possible and will be prioritised. 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.
SPCF process wastewater	1KI/day	Wastewater containing low conductivity water condensation, oily water and potential other chemicals such as coolants and	Wastewater represents a potential hazard to soils, surface water and groundwater from hydrocarbons present	Oily wastewater stored in double lined wastewater tanks. Treated water discharged to the	 Water from bunds and drip trays collected and transferred to separation tank Oil separated and sent to 	 Liquids separated in oily water separation tank Hydrocarbon levels are monitor and transferred periodically to 	Storage facilities and handling areas inspected daily during operations via electronic or	As per section 6	Waste oil removed form site by licenced contractors Treated water discharge to wastewater tanks for management as flowback.	1 kL/day	Treated water from oil separation system could be released directly to sediment basin for disposal via soaking trench/ release to environment.





	Quantity produced			Implementation plan				Final management	Final disposal volume ¹	Alternative management options considered	
	produced			Storage	Handling	Operational controls	Routine inspections	Monitoring			
		cleaning chemicals		Shenandoah S2 wastewater tanks for management	oily water storage tank • Treated water sent to wastewater tanks	double lined oily water tanks. • Waste oil removed periodically to licenced disposal facility	manual means. Visual inspections of tanks completed weekly. Weekly inspection of surface pipelines lines when in use.				



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6. 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 3 below.

Table 3: Minimum monitoring requirements

Monitoring Program	Location	Monitoring Requirements	Frequency
Significant rainfall event detection	Each site	Daily review of 8-day total rain forecast as per section 7.1.	Daily during wastewater storage.
Flowback characterisation	Post separator — prior to entering storage tanks	Electrical conductivity, pH, temperature and volume of flowback.	Continuous (at least one sample every 24 hours).
		Testing samples of flowback for analytes listed in Appendix C.	Weekly until the EC level stabilises (<10% change over 2 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 C.	1 sample pre-injection for each stimulation fluid used.
Stimulation source water characterisation	Source water used for stimulation	Testing for analytes listed in Appendix C.	Prior to stimulation
Stimulation volume	Each well stage	Total volume of stimulation fluid pumped	Each hydraulic fracture stage.
Flowback storage tanks	Each storage tank	Testing samples of flowback for analytes listed in Appendix C.	6-monthly.
	Each storage tank	Level — estimated evaporation rates.	Daily - through either visual inspections or telemetered meter.
Wastewater gathering	Each operational	Hydrostatic testing.	Prior to operation.
system (including SPCF wastewater line	gathering line (surface/ subsurface	Flow meters checked.	Continuous. During operation.
connecting Shenandoah S2 wastewater tanks)	Subsurface	Monthly inspections or buried pipelines and weekly for surface pipelines when in use.	Monthly for buried services
			Weekly for surface transfers.
Drilling material	Determined by suitably qualified person	Testing samples of drilling cuttings for analytes listed in Table 10 of the Code, Naturally Occurring Radiation Material (NORMs) and volume.	Prior to disposal.
SPCF process wastewater (drip trays and bunds)	SPCF bunds and drip trays	Monitoring of oily water tank level	Continuous



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Monitoring Program	Location	Monitoring Requirements	Frequency
Fauna interactions	Open flowback wastewater tanks and surrounding lease area	 Ad hoc bird and fauna observations and photos to be taken around open flowback wastewater tanks. Open flowback wastewater tank inspection for bird carcasses. Carcasses present during open flowback tank emptying. 	Continuous- all records of fauna interactions will be continuously logged as they occur.

6.1 Sampling methodology

- Water samples will be collected in accordance with the methodology outlined in Table 4.
- All samples will be collected by appropriately qualified personnel, with all meters calibrated in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions .A suitably qualified person is defined as:
 - A person who has at least 2 years' experience relevant to the collection of samples and can conduct tasks in accordance with the relevant sampling procedural requirements.
- 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.
- In accordance with of C.5.1 (d) in the Code, where there are no NATA accredited laboratories for a specific analyte or substance, then duplicate samples must be sent to at least two separate laboratories for independent testing or evaluation.

Table 4: Monitoring program methodologies

Program	Sampling methodology
Drilling sump characterisation	National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure AS4482.1-2005 guide to the investigation and sampling of sites with potentially contaminated soil
Flowback and drilling fluid monitoring	Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality 2000 (ANZECC Guidelines) 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



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7. Wastewater storage management response criteria

To minimise the risk of overtopping a tank or sump, the criteria outlined in Table 5 will be implemented when hydraulic fracturing and drilling wastewater is stored on-site.

Table 5: Wastewater storage management response criteria

Monitoring program	Criteria description	Criteria	Criteria response
Significant rainfall event	Significant rainfall event predicted	The predicted 4-day total rainfall exceeds 300mm within the 8-day forecast	All flowback fluid must be transferred to enclosed storage at least 8-hours prior to the predicted commencement of the significant rainfall event. A minimum volume of flowback may be left in an open tank to maintain liner integrity.
Flowback wastewater tank level monitoring	Enclosed flowback storage level exceedance	The total volume of hydraulic fracturing wastewater stored on-site exceeds the available enclosed tank storage capacity	 Flowback activities to cease Tamboran to provide written notification to DEPWS within 48-hours of exceedance, along with the proposed plan to return to compliance. Actions agreed to with DEPWS are to be implemented.
	Open flowback storage tank level exceedance	The volume of flowback stored in an open tank exceeds the required tank freeboard level.	 Flowback transfer into the enclosed tank must be undertaken soon as possible to return the tank under the freeboard level. The tank must not have any additional wastewater added until it returns back to compliance. Tamboran to provide written notification to DEPWS within 48-hours of exceedance and corrective actions to ensure the breach of freeboard does not re-occur.
Drilling sump level monitoring	Drilling sump freeboard level exceedance	The total volume of drilling wastewater exceeds the freeboard	 Drilling wastewater disposal into the sump/tank to cease



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Monitoring program	Criteria description	Criteria	Criteria response
		capacity of the drilling sump	until fluid levels return to below freeboard Tamboran to provide written notification to DEPWS within 48hours along with a proposed monitoring, reporting and action plan to prevent the sump from overflowing (which will be case specific)Actions must be implemented where the sump freeboard is insufficient to manage a 1:1000 ARI 7 day total rainfall event of 580mm to prevent an overtopping event Actions are to be agreed to with DEPWS and are to be implemented.
Gathering line pressure and flow monitoring (including SPCF wastewater pipeline)	Gathering line leak detection	The gathering line pressure drops unexpectedly indicating a potential leak Flow meter reconciliation between supply and receiving meter indicates potential leak	 Wastewater transfers to stop immediately Pipeline to be inspected for potential leaks Meters to be inspected if suspected error Physical reconciliation completed where no leak completed. Transfer only to recommence once confirmation that leak has not occurred.

7.1 Significant rainfall events

The 8-day Bureau of Meteorology 4-day total rain forecast² shall be reviewed daily to identify periods of significant rainfall. Significant rainfall is defined in this WWMP as an event where greater than 326mm of total rainfall is predicted over a 4-day period (correlating to a 1:50 ARI 96 hours rainfall

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² Refer http://www.bom.gov.au/jsp/watl/rainfall/pme.jsp



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event). This is a type of rainfall level is consistent with that from a significant rainfall event, such as a monsoonal trough, tropical low or 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. Waste transportation and disposal

Where transportation of residual wastewater for disposal is required, all wastewater transport providers will be licenced under the NT *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*.

All residual 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 NEPM as implemented under the NT *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998* 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*).

8.1 Wastewater gathering network

Tamboran may install a gathering network to help transfer water between locations. It is proposed that a using low-pressure (less than 1,500 kPag) polyethylene pipeline will be located between sites, either on the surface or buried. If gathering lines are used, these will be constructed as required to provide the safe and efficient transfer of high volumes of fluids between well pads and other facilities as described in the relevant EMP.

Waste fluids transferred in the gathering network may include:

- Drilling fluids
- Flowback fluids/produced water
- Other wastewater

The gathering lines will be constructed, operated, maintained and abandoned in accordance with the "Code of Practice for Upstream Polyethylene Gathering Networks – CSG Industry, Version 5", August 2019 (APGA 2019).³

Details of the construction and operation of the wastewater gathering system can is described in the individual EMP.

³ Australian Pipelines and Gas Association Ltd (APGA), 2019. *Code of Practice for Upstream Polyethylene Gathering Networks – CSG Industry, Version 5*, August 2019. https://39713956.fs1.hubspotusercontent-na1.net/hubfs/39713956/CoP%20for%20Upstream%20PE%20Gathering%20Lines%20in%20the%20CSG%20Industry%20050919.pdf.



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9. Wastewater tank decommissioning

Each wastewater tank will be decommissioned when no longer required to support current or future wastewater storage requirements. Decommissioning typically takes approximately 4-6 days and involves a 6 tonne telehandler, spreader bar, vac tank, prime mover and multiple 30 m skips. The process for decommissioning can be typically summarised as:

- 1. Tanks will be decommissioned when there is low forecasted chance of rainfall during the duration of the decommissioning activity.
- 2. The tank is first drained to another wastewater tank/ truck to a level that is as low as possible
- 3. For enclosed tanks, the lids are rolled up and removed- these will be stored on a bund/sealed skip awaiting disposal
- 4. Fluid transfer equipment is utilised to remove the residual fluids with ongoing fluid removal during deconstruction
- 5. A temporary bund (earthen or equivalent material) is constructed within the tank to prevent fluid from entering the cleaned section. The bund is sized to allow a section of the liner to be rolled up, cut and safely handled
- 6. Solids are removed from the section (as much as practicable).
- 7. The tank liners (primary and secondary) are detached from the tank wall in a section of the tank and several panels are removed to allow equipment and people access to the liner.
- 8. The primary liner is removed. The secondary liner is left in situ if possible (noting it may become damaged with equipment use).
- 9. The folded primary liner is cut off before the internal bund and transferred via telehandler to be stored within a bund to contain any potential residual fluids
- 10. The next area has any residual fluid removed and a new bund is constructed within the tank in preparation for the next section of liner to be removed.
- 11. Steps 6-9 are repeated until all liner is removed.
- 12. Once the primary liner is removed, the secondary liner and underlying geofab is removed to waste skips (sealed if contains wet material)
- 13. The tanks panels are all deconstructed and removed from site/ stockpiled for re-use
- 14. All waste liners are removed to a licenced disposal facility in a sealed skip (where wet and likely to spill) by a licences waste provider
- 15. Tank decommissioning will typically occur during the night, with a bund in place to prevent any overflow from rainfall during the evenings
- 16. Any spilled material/ contamination will be cleaned up immediately, with the spill management processes outlined in the EMP. If a long term suspected leak is identified, this shall be investigated with the affected material removed, stored in a bunded area/ sealed skip and trucked offsite to a licensed waste facility.
- 17. Any spills/ leaks will be reported as per section 11.2.

10. Waste tracking and reporting

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

- i. Volumes of wastewater produced from the well into a tank (Well head flow meter)
- ii. Volumes of wastewater transferred into/between each tank manually (pump records, operator logs, level sensor and data platform)



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- iii. Volumes of wastewater stored into each tank (Level sensors and data platform)
- iv. Estimates for evaporation rates from each tank updated weekly (level sensors and data platform)
- v. Volumes of wastewater reused (operator logs, level sensors and data platform)
- vi. Volumes of water removed from site (whether by vehicle or pipeline). (Waste transfer certificates, level sensors and data platforms)
- vii. Volumes of spilled material stored onsite and disposed of offsite (Incident logs, waste transport certificates, level sensor and data platform)

Wastewater tracking will be documented, with records available upon request.

Off-site wastewater tracking must be in accordance with tracking requirements of listed wastes as per the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*, National Environment Protection Measures (NEPM) and (where relevant) the *Radiation Protection Act*.

Wastewater tracking documentation must be reported to the Minister at least annually in the annual environment performance report for the relevant EMP.

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
- No off-site releases of wastewater
- No reportable spills of wastewater

11. Reporting

11.1 Human health risk assessment

A report regarding flowback and produced water must be given to the Minister for Environment within 6 months of the flowback commencing, in accordance with Regulation 37A and 37B of the Regulations. Reporting must include a full human health risk assessment relating to any chemical found in flowback fluid and produced water (refer Reg 37A(2A) and Regulation 37B(2A), respectively).

11.2 Incident reporting

The reporting of incidents shall comply with the Petroleum (Environment) Regulations 2016 (the Regulations) and the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998*.

11.2.1 Reportable environmental incident reporting

The 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 1984*.



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An interest holder must notify DEPWS 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. The preferred method of notifying DEPWS is email: ⁴

- 1. Email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au
- 2. Phone: 2. Phone: 1800 064 567 NT Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) Pollution Hotline (caller to state it is a petroleum matter)

Any verbal report to DEPWS must be followed up by a written report from the Project Manager within three days in accordance with the Regulations.

11.2.2 Recordable incidents

The 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;
- IV. Is not a reportable incident.

An interest holder must notify DEPWS 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). The preferred method of notifying DEPWS is email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au.

11.3 Waste Management and Pollution Control Act 1998 incident reporting

In accordance with the Waste Management Pollution Control Act, where contaminants or waste are not confined within the land on which the petroleum activities are undertaken (i.e. the approved disturbance areas where the petroleum activity is occurring), Tamboran will notify the regulator of incidents causing or threatening to cause pollution as soon as practicable, but no later 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
- f) the identity of the person notifying.

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⁴ Effective 20 September 2023, the preferred method of DEPWS notification is email. However for reportable incident notifications the mobile number for the Director Petroleum Operations is also provided, if required.



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The notification shall be made to the NT EPA Pollution Hotline 1800 064 567 (caller to state it is a petroleum matter) and the DEPWS email: Onshoregas.depws@nt.gov.au.

12. Emergency response

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

Spills must be reported to the Minister in accordance with the requirements of Spill Management Plan, and reportable and recordable incidents of the Regulations.

13. Acronyms and Abbreviations

Acronym / abbreviation	Meaning
kPag	kilopascal gauge
m	metre(s)
Mm	millimetre(s)
ML	megalitre(s)
μg	micrograms
μs/cm	micro Siemens per centimetre
рН	a measure of how acidic/basic (alkaline) water is
ANZECC	Australian and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council
APGA	Australian Pipelines and Gas Association Ltd
ARI	Average Recurrence Interval
BTEX	benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylene
COC	chain of custody
DEPWS	Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security
EMP	Environment management plan(s)
EP	Exploration Permit
KCI	potassium chloride
MWL	Maximum Water Level
NaCl	sodium chloride
NATA	National Association of Testing Authorities
NT	Northern Territory
NT EPA	Northern Territory Environment Protection Agency
NEPM	National Environment Protection Measures
NORM	Naturally Occurring Radiation Material



Acronym / abbreviation	Meaning
NT EPA	Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority
PAH	polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons
QA/QC	Quality assurance and quality control
QLD	Queensland
RO	Reverse osmosis
SILO	Scientific Information for Land Owners
SPCF	Sturt Plateau Compression Facility
TDS	Total Dissolved Solids
TSS	Total Suspended Solids
WWMP	Wastewater Management Plan



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Appendix A 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. Consistent with industry accepted methodology associated with practices (such as dam risk assessments which calculate the wet season based on your geographical location) a 3-month period was determined applicable.

The highest 3-month rainfall period during the wet and dry seasons 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 1) and 3-month dry season (Figure 2). This method is consistent with the *Australian Rainfall & Runoff* methodologies. The median 1 in 1000-year 3-month wet season is 1,289 mm and 3-month dry season is 300 mm. These figure does not include any evaporation and are therefore considered extremely conservative.

Based on the assessment, a 1,300 mm wet season and 300 mm dry season freeboard will be applied to all open sumps and tanks.

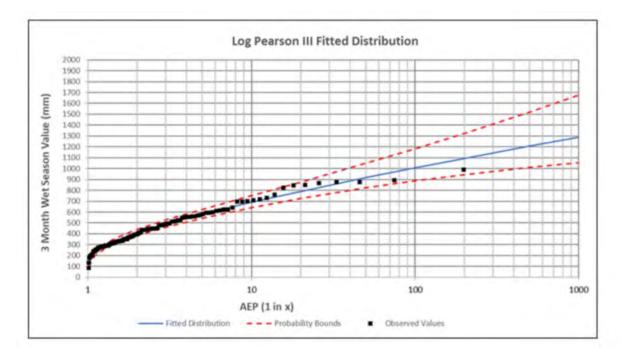


Figure 1: Log Pearson determination of 1:1000 wet season ARI



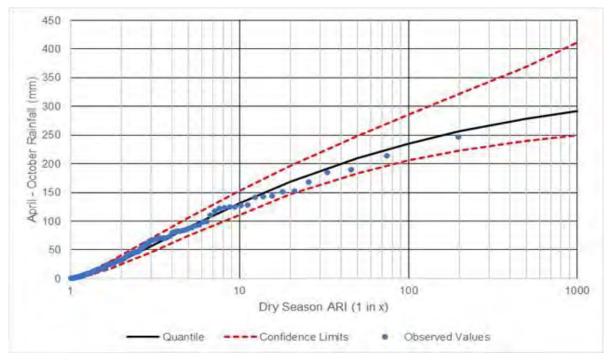


Figure 2: Log Pearson determination of 1:1000 dry season ARI



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Appendix B Flowback characteristic summary

Anticipated flowback quality of the Velkerri formation based on Amungee NW-1H 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 62.1 mg/L observed within flowback.
Salinity (TDS)	Saline with total dissolved solids level exceeding 49,000 mg/L.
рН	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 54.5 mg/L for boron were recorded during the Amungee NW 1H flowback. Lower level of other metals such ash Arsenic and Manganese were observed, with maximum concentration of 0.084 mg/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 4 μ g/L) and 3-&4- methylphenol (max 11.3 μ g/L).
Radionuclides	Maximum Gross Alpha Activity and Gross Beta Activity of 12.4 Bq/L and 18.3 Bq/L were recorded in the flowback of offset wells. The primary component being radium-226.

Flowback quality based on Kyalla 117 N2-1 flowback results

Parameter	Flow back levels
BTEX compounds	Total BTEX levels in the flowback ranged between 63 and 190 μg/L.
Total nitrogen (as N)	Maximum value of 180mg/L observed within flowback.
Salinity (TDS)	Saline with total dissolved solids level from 120,000–290,000 mg/L.
рН	Slightly acidic with a median value of 6.54.
Major ions	Flowback predominantly Na and Cl dominated, with elevated levels of calcium and magnesium.
Dissolved metals	All detected dissolved metal concentrations within the flowback were low, except for barium (1029 mg/L), gallium (290 mg/L) and strontium (279 mg/L).
Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons	All values in the flowback below laboratory Limit of Reporting (LOR).
Petroleum	All fractions of TPH are anticipated to be elevated, with Total Petroleum
hydrocarbons	Hydrocarbon levels likely to range from 25 mg/L-150 mg/L.



Parameter	Flow back levels
Phenolic compounds	Low levels of phenolic compounds detected in flowback with phenol and phenol compounds <3 µg/L.
Radionuclides	Maximum Gross Alpha Activity and Gross Beta Activity of 36.2 Bq/L and 97Bq/L encountered in the flowback, the anticipated source is likely to be radium-226.



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Appendix C Wastewater monitoring analyte list

Parameter	Reporting units	Limit of reporting	Method			
Physical Parameters	Physical Parameters					
Dissolved oxygen	mg/L	0.1	Field			
Electrical Conductivity (EC)	μs/cm	1	Field			
Total Dissolved Solids (TDS)	mg/L	10	APHA 2540C			
Total Suspended Solids (TSS)	mg/L	5	APHA 2540C			
рН	pH units	0.01	Field			
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	ratio	0.01	APHA 4500 Ca, Mg, Ca, NA			
Temperature	°C	0.1	Field			
Nutrients	T	T				
Nitrate	mg/L	0.01	APHA VC13			
Nitrite	% saturation and 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			
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Anions						
Sulfate	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-SO4-C			
Chlorine/chloride	mg/L	1	APHA 4500-CI-C			
Carbonate	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B			
Bicarbonate (as CaCO₃ equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2310 B			
Bicarbonate Alkalinity (as CaCO ₃ equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B			
Hydroxide Alkalinity (as CaCO₃ equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B			
Total Alkalinity (as CaCO₃ equivalent)	mg/L	1	APHA 2320 B			
Nitrite (NO ₂ -)	mg/L	0.01				
Nitrate (NO ₃ -)	mg/L	0.01				
Fluoride	mg/L	0.1	APHA 4500 F-C			
Bromide	mg/L	0.01	APHA 4110B			
Total Cyanide	Mg/L	0.004	AWWA/APHA Method 4500			
Major Cations						
Sodium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Na			
Magnesium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Mg			
Potassium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 K			



Parameter	Reporting units	Limit of reporting	Method			
Calcium	mg/L	1	APHA 4500 Ca			
Metals and Metalloids (total and dissolved)						
Aluminium	mg/L	0.01	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	0.01	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Cadmium	mg/L	0.0001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Chromium	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Cobalt	mg/L	0.001				
Copper	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Iron	mg/L	0.05	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	0.0001	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	0.05	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Zinc	mg/L	0.001	USEPA 6010 ICP/AES			
Naturally Occurring Radioactive Ma	terial (NORM)	T				
alpha radiation	Bq/L	0.05 – 0.1	ASTM D7283-06			
beta radiation	Bq/L	0.05 – 0.1	ASTM D7283-06			
Gamma	Bq/L	0.05 – 0.1	ASTM D7283-06			
BTEX		1				
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			
O Xylene	μg/L	2	USEPA 5030/8260 HS or P&T/GC/MS			



Parameter	Reporting units	Limit of reporting	Method
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 Naphthalene	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	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
7, 12- Dimethylbenz(a)anthracene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Acenaphthylene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Anthracene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (a) pyrene	μg/L	0.5	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (b) fluoranthene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (ghi) perylene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (k) fluoranthene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Benzo (a) anthracene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Chrysene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Dibenz (ah) anthracene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Fluoranthene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Fluorene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Indeno (1,2,3-cd) pyrene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Napthalene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Phenanthrene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Pyrene	μg/L	1	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Carcinogenic PAHs (benzo[a}pyrene equivalents	μg/L	0.5	USEPA 3510/8270 GC/MS
Total PAH	μg/L	0.5	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



Parameter	Reporting units	Limit of reporting	Method		
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	mg/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	АРНА 5310 В		



Appendix F Erosion and Sediment Control Plan

BEETALOO BASIN EXPLORATION PROJECT

Erosion and Sediment Control Plan EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117

This document outlines the basic principles for contractors to develop site specific erosion and sediment control plans for Beetaloo Basin Exploration Program across all Tamboran sites.

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1 Introduction

This Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) has been developed to ensure best practice erosion and sediment controls are implemented during Tamboran's¹ exploration activities within EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117, to avoid or minimise and control erosion and offsite impacts, such as sedimentation of waterways.

This ESCP has been developed to provide direction for Tamboran and contractors to implement erosion and sediment control (ESC) during construction of the well pads and associated infrastructure, worker camps and access tracks, seismic lines as well as during ongoing maintenance and monitoring once sites are established. In addition, the ESCP has been updated to include the Sturt Plateau Compression Facility (SPCF) which will be located adjacent to the Shenandoah S2 well pad on EP 98.

The design of the exploration well pads, SPCF, seismic lines and access tracks will comply with Northern Territory (NT) 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 (DEPWS & DITT, 2019)
- Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control (IECA, 2008)
- Land Clearing Guidelines (DEPWS, 2021)
- Erosion and Sediment Control Guidelines for Rural Development Environment Fact Sheet (DLRM, 2018).

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

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¹ Including its subsidiaries.



tamboran Timor Sea EP 117 Darwin of Katherine 300 Carpentaria EP 136 Cairns Pacific Indian Ocean Ocean **Townsville** Northern Queensland Territory Alice Springs Gladstone Bundaberg Western Australia Brisbane Ballera Toowoomba South Moomba Australia **New South** Wales Perth Legend Tamboran permit State Sydney Gas pipeline Gas Hub Adelaide Canberra Town

Figure 1: Location of Tamboran exploration permit areas (EPs)

2 Project Context

This plan covers all civil, seismic acquisition, well drilling, stimulating, rehabilitation and routine maintenance/monitoring activities undertaken by Tamboran, its subsidiaries and their contractors within permit EP76, EP98 and EP117 as detailed in Table 1, Table 2 and shown in Figure 2 – Figure 4.

The key infrastructure within the scope of EMPs covered by this ESCP is presented in Table 1.

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Table 1: ESCP infrastructure per Beetaloo Exploration EMP

EMP	EP	Well pad(s)	Camp(s)	Helipad	Seismic line(s)	Access track(s)	Gravel pit(s)	Gathering lines	Other
Velkerri 76 S2 EMP (ORI5-4)	76	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	Х	_	_
Doc #: NT-2050-15-MP-032									
Amungee NW-1H (ORI7-2)	98	Х	Χ	_	-	X	-	-	-
Doc #: CDN/ID NT-2050-35-PH-0018									
Beetaloo W-1 EP 117 EMP (ORI8-2)	117	Х	Χ	_	-	X	Х	-	-
Doc #: NT-2050-15-MP-039									
Kalala S1 EMP (ORI9-2)	98	Х	Χ	Х	_	Х	Х	-	_
Doc #: NT-2050-MP-040									
Beetaloo Sub-basin Multiwell Drilling, Stimulation & Well	76 & 98	Х	Χ	Х	-	X	Х	-	-
Testing Program EMP (ORI10-3)									
Doc #: NT-2050-15-MP-041									
Amungee NW Delineation Program EMP (ORI11-3)	98	Х	Χ	Х	Χ	X	Х	-	-
Doc #: NT-2050-15-MP-0088									
Shenandoah South E&A program EMP (TAM1-3)	98 & 117	Х	Χ	Х	Χ	X	Х	X	-
Doc #: B2-HSE-MP-08									
Sturt Plateau Compression Facility - Appraisal Gas EMP	98 & 117	_	Х	_	_	_	-	X	X
(TAM2-3)								(between SS2	SPCF pad
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								SPCF)	



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Table 2: Coordinates of centroid 2D seismic, exploration well sites and infrastructure

INFRASTRUCTURE	COORDINATES			
	Seismic line coordi	nates (Zone 52)		
2D seismic line reference	Start of line		End of line	
	Lat	Long	Lat	Long
Amungee delineation area seismic line	es (EP 98) - EMP ORI	11-3		
001-SR	-16.32434	133.82875	-16.39386	133.89996
002-SR	-16.32112	133.85894	-16.35325	133.89186
003-SR	-16.34104	133.87802	-16.39438	133.93218
004-SR	-16.36162	133.93763	-16.41430	133.99165
005-SR	-16.34667	133.95114	-16.39806	134.00384
006-SR	-16.37223	133.86042	-16.37795	134.00306
007-SR	-16.34267	133.88364	-16.34584	133.88032
008-SR	-16.34459	133.88562	-16.34777	133.88229
009-SR	-16.34652	133.88759	-16.34970	133.88427
010-SR	-16.34845	133.88957	-16.35163	133.88624
Shenandoah South E&A seismic lines (I	EP 117 and EP 98) – E	MP TAM1-3		
Shenandoah South Line A	-16.83863	133.47175	-16.92103	133.55480
Shenandoah South Line B	-16.83284	133.48508	-16.91394	133.56735
Shenandoah South Line C	-16.81729	133.50872	-16.89536	133.58758
Shenandoah South E&A Gathering Line	es (EP 117 and EP 98)	– EMP TAM1-3		
Shenandoah South B to Shenandoah So	outh C (~4.11 km)			
Start – Shenandoah South B pad	345035	8135461	-	_
Intersection to existing track	345046	8134499		
Intersection to Shenandoah South C	343442	8134573		
End – Shenandoah South C pad	-		343471	8133331



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INFRASTRUCTURE	COORDINATES				
Kyalla 117 N2 to Shenandoah South 2	(~4.5 km) – EMP TA	M1-3 and EMP TAI	W2-3		
Start – Kyalla 117 N2 pad	356274	8137505		-	_
Intersection to existing track	356189	8137509			
Intersection to Shenandoah South 2	356205	8140071			
End – Shenandoah South 2 pad	-	-	3550	60	8141514
Well site(s), SPCF, access track(s) and	Coordinates (appr	oximate)			
gravel pit(s) reference	Zone	Easting		Northing	
Amungee NW	53	415515		8180683	
Amungee NW-2	53	381039		8192324	
Amungee NW-3	53	375512		8195308	
Amungee NW-4	53	376611		8193100	
Amungee NW-5	53	390313.6		8187337	
Kalala S1	53	351740		8198030	
Velkerri 76 S2	53	435488		8136321	
Kyalla 117 N2	53	356175		8137500	
Beetaloo W (Kyalla 117 W1)	53	368312		8106695	
Shenandoah S2	53	355291		8140676	
Shenandoah S B	53	345035		8135464	
Shenandoah S C	53	343471		8133330	
Shenandoah N A	53	356687		8163762	
Sturt Plateau Compression Facility	53	355195		8141324	



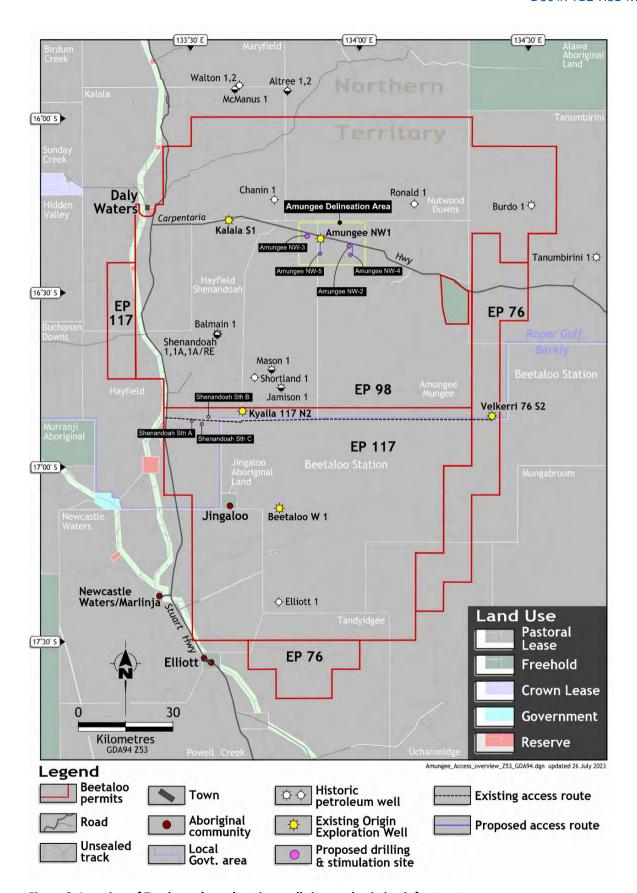


Figure 2: Location of Tamboran's exploration well sites and existing infrastructure



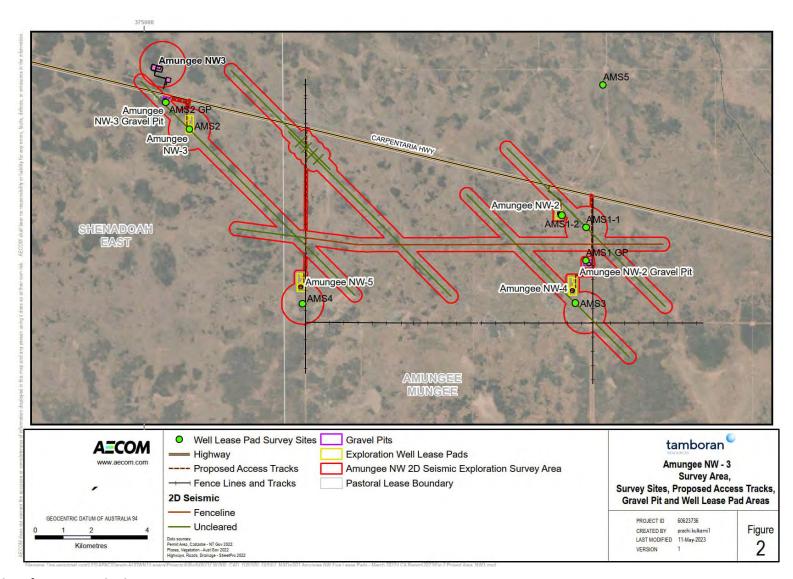


Figure 3: Location of Amungee seismic survey areas



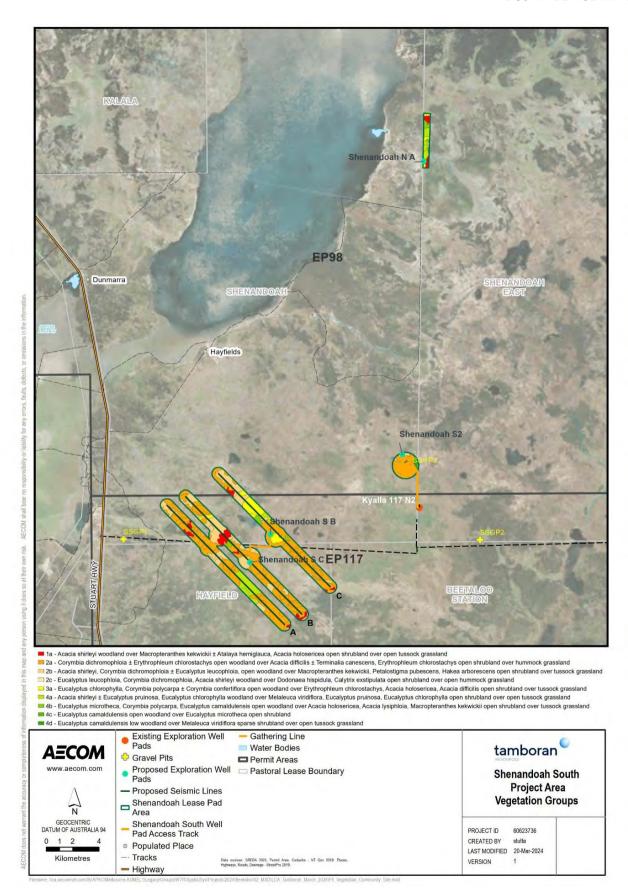


Figure 4: Location of Shenandoah South E&A (includes vegetation communities)



The primary activities subject to this ESCP are:

- Construction and or ongoing maintenance of exploration well pads, SPCF pad, camp pads, stockpile areas, helipad and wet weather storage areas.
- Minor intersection upgrade works at the intersection with the Stuart Highway and Carpentaria Highway in accordance with Road Agency approval and Permit to Work within NT Government road reserves.
- Seismic line preparation, data collection and rehabilitation.
- Installation of gathering lines between well pads
- Construction and ongoing maintenance of access tracks.
- Gravel extraction, as required, for construction and maintenance of drill pads and sections of the access tracks.
- All other activities ancillary to the seismic survey and drilling, stimulation and well testing of an exploration well.

2.1 Legislation

The activities outlined within the EMP, which this management sub-plan is a component of, aim to comply with relevant guidelines associated with exploration activities, such as International Erosion Control Association (IECA) Best Practice for Erosion and Sediment Control (2008), IECA Appendix P: Land Based Pipeline Construction December 2015 (Addendum to IECA 2008), the Australian Pipeline Industry Association Code of Environmental Practice for Onshore Pipelines 2017 and the Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory 2019 (the Code).

2.1.1 Code of Practice for Onshore Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory 2019

The <u>Code</u> 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, Tamboran is required to submit an EMP prior to any petroleum exploration or production activity. The EMP for a petroleum activity must include a primary ESCP outlining all activities. This should be developed by a suitably qualified person in accordance with relevant guidelines including specific environmental outcomes and environmental performance standards to be included in the implementation strategy in the EMP. The ESCP must include:

- A risk assessment in relation to the potential impact to the environment from erosion and sedimentation associated with the proposed activities. Including an assessment of site-specific conditions and the nature and timing of works with the NT Land Clearing Guidelines (DEPWS, 2021) website and any amendments.
- Where the Primary ESCP requires it, a further ESCP must be developed by a suitably qualified
 person in relation to the relevant matters identified in the Primary ESCP and implemented by the
 interest holder.
- Road and pipeline designs must:
 - minimise erosion of exposed road surfaces and drains
 - ensure that roads and pipeline surface water flow paths minimise erosion of all exposed surfaces and drains

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- comply with legislative requirements.
- The requirements of the Land Clearing Guidelines as published on the DEPWS website and amended from time to time must be complied with in relation to protection of natural waterways as a result of land disturbance and ensure the following:
 - appropriate buffers are implemented around natural waterways
 - disturbance in the wet season is minimised
 - the number of crossing points is minimised
 - crossings are established as close as practicable to right angles to the waterway
 - material changes in the shape of the waterway are avoided
 - material changes in the volume, speed or direction of flow or likely flow of water in the waterway are avoided
 - alteration to the stability of the bed or banks of the waterway (including by removal of vegetation) is avoided
 - erosion risk, sedimentation and pollution of waterways is minimised through the appropriate design and implementation of best practice erosion and sediment control measures.

3 Aims and Objectives

The 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 ESCP is to manage Tamboran's activities within the EP in a manner that minimises the impacts upon soil, vegetation and surface water which may result from soil disturbance activities including seismic line preparation, land clearing associated with well pad establishment.

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 Tamboran 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.

Due to potential chance for activities to lead up to the wet season, wet weather contingencies have been identified in this plan and the overarching EMP (BOM, 2012). It is anticipated that due to the known ground conditions across the region, ground conditions following rainfall events can make access impossible. The primary mitigation will be to monitor weather forecasts daily during the program and where rainfall is likely to result in an event that has potential to limit access, the subcontractor will stabilise the current work areas and go into standby mode until such time can assess the track conditions to recommence activities.



Further strategies will be developed, implemented and reviewed on a regular basis so that risks are identified, measured and recorded throughout the course of exploration activities. Any significant changes to the ESCP will be subject to review and approval by the Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security (DEPWS) Land Management Team.

3.1 Compliance with IECA Guideline

The 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. Senior Approvals Manager with over 18 years' experience
 and completed the IECA erosion and sediment control training (2013). Over 20 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 drawings under his qualification.

4 Civil Construction Schedule

The exploration schedule for Tamboran's activities will primarily occur from May each year extending into September 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 continue throughout the exploration activities until such time that the site is stabilised.

If exploration activities continue through to the wet season, Tamboran will implement the wet weather contingency planning. Planning will occur during August – September and will be implemented between 1 October to 30 April, based on the rainfall erosion risk rating identified in Section 5.1.

Wet weather contingency planning includes the following actions:

- Tamboran to review program schedule to determine what activities will extend into the wet season.
- Undertake inspections of all assets to ensure appropriate ESC in place and are functional before 1
 October each year.
- Conduct maintenance on all ESC established onsite before 1 October each year.
- Complete a stocktake on available ESC equipment on site, and where required purchase new equipment before the 1 October each year.

5 Permit Area Erosion Susceptibility

Erosion susceptibility varies throughout the Tamboran 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 exploration well sites for Tamboran have been examined in the field to determine the risk of erosion occurring from exploration activities.



Factors considered include the following:

• Season (R Factor) – the timing of the project works will occur mostly within the dry season of the NT, which has low amounts of rainfall and is considered a low-risk factor. Risk levels of rainfall data of Daly Waters and Newcastle waters can be seen in Table 2 and Table 3 which 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).

Table 3: Erosion risk rating based on average monthly rainfall at Daly Waters (Bureau of Meteorology 2023)

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*	Н	Н	Н	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	M	Н

^{* 🖥 =} Extreme (>225 mm); 💾 = High (100+ to 225 mm); M = Moderate (45+ to 100 mm); 📙 = 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 (Bureau of Meteorology 2023)

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*	Н	Н	M	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL	L	M

- * 📕 = Extreme (>225 mm); 📙 = High (100+ to 225 mm); M = Moderate (45+ to 100 mm); 👢 = Low (30+ to 45 mm); VL = Very Low (0 to 30 mm)
 - Soil type (K Factor) 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 Tamboran exploration activities. The primary soil type encountered across the permit
 can generally 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 length the slope of the exploration area 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 Tamboran exploration areas subject to this ESCP are generally flat with a slope of <1%. There are some slight undulations that occur throughout the area, generally being less than 2% gradient, however some areas are known to be greater 2%. Treatments are defined for sections less than 2% and greater than 2% in this plan. The relevant treatment will be considered on a case-by-case basis.</p>
 - Aspect the position of the seismic lines, access tracks and pads in relation to the direction of the contour should be considered and creation of tracks and the well pads across (as opposed to parallel with) the contour should be avoided.
 - Groundcover clearing will be conducted to construct access tracks, establish gravel pits and
 earthworks relating to construction of the exploration well pad and associated camps, as well as
 line preparation for seismic exploration. The method that will be used for seismic line preparation
 will consist of dozer and grader, ensuring that topsoil and root stock is retained.

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The clearing method used for gravel pits and construction of well pads, SPCF pad and camp pads will consist of a dozer to initially clear vegetation and then dozer or grader to strip topsoil, ensuring that rootstock is retained in the stockpiled topsoil. Expected machinery includes grader, 4W loader, tip truck, water truck, water tanks, excavators and compactors.

Drainage line crossings – potential for minor drainage lines to occur across the exploration area. Generally these can be trafficable with minimal modification of the creek bed required.

5.1 Erosion Hazard Assessment for EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117

5.1.1 Erosion Hazard Assessment for EP76, EP98 and EP117 – Well Pads, Access Tracks

An Erosion Hazard Assessment for all sites subject to this ESCP has been completed to inform the specific issues and actions that will be required for conducting activities within the permit areas. Table 5 (Amungee, Kalala, Kyalla, Velkerri and Beetaloo) and (Shenandoah South 2, South B, South C and North A) present the results of the assessment for exploration well pads and the SPCF adjacent to the Shenandoah South 2 well pad. The IECA (2008) Explanatory Notes for the assessment are presented Appendix A.

Table 5: Erosion hazard assessment for EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117 - well pads and access tracks

Condition (as described by IECA,	Points		Eros	ion Hazard	Score		Trigger
2008)		Amungee Delineation Area	Kalala S1	Kyalla 117 N2	Velkerri 76 S2	Beetaloo W	value
AVERAGE SLOPE OF DISTURBANCE	REA [1]						
not more than 3% [3% =33H:1V]	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
more than 3% but not more than 5% [5% =20H:1V]	1	Comment - 1 (low relief) v		-			
 more than 5% but not more than 10% [10% =10H:1V] 	2						
more than 10% but notmore than 15% [15%= 6.7H:1V]	4						
more than 15%	6						
SOIL CLASSIFICATION GROUP (AS17	26) [2]						
• GW, GP, GM, GC	0	2	2	2	2	2	-
SW, SP, OL, OH	1	Comment –		_			
• SM, SC, MH, CH	2	sands, poorl ¹ C ²).	y graded	sand-silt mi	xtures (ref	er Appendix	
ML, CL, or if imported fill is used, or if soils are untested	3	,.					
EMERSON (DISPERSION) CLASS NUN	1BER [3]						

² Note, Amungee NW, Beetaloo W and Kalala S well sites were constructed prior to 2018.



	on (as described by IECA,	Points		Eros	sion Hazard	Score		Trigger
2008)			Amungee Delineation Area	Kalala S1	Kyalla 117 N2	Velkerri 76 S2	Beetaloo W	value
•	Class 4, 6, 7, or 8	0	4	4	4	4	4	6
•	Class 5	2	Comment –	Class 3 o	r default- Ar	mungee De	elineation	
•	Class 3, (default value if soils are untested)	4	Area Class 3 or default - soils disturbed by cut and fill operations or construction traffic are likely to discolor					
•	Class 1 or 2	6	stormwater reduce turbi	(i.e. caus	e turbid run	-		
DURAT	ION OF SOIL DISTURBANCE [4	1]						
•	not more than 1 month	0	2	2	2	2	2	6
•	more than 1 month but not more than 4 months	2	Comment – o	_		orks are ex	pected to be	
•	more than 4 months but not more than 6 months	4						
•	more than 6 months	6						
AREA O	F DISTURBANCE [5]							
•	not more than 1000 m ²	0	6	6	6	6	6	6
•	more than 1000 m ² but not more than 5000 m ²	1	Comment – 4 4 ha but less				eater than	
•	more than 5000 m ² but not more than 1 ha	2						
•	more than 1 ha but not more than 4 ha	4						
•	more than 4 ha	6						
WATER	WAY DISTURBANCE [6]		1					
•	No disturbance to a watercourse, open drain or channel	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
•	Involves disturbance to a constructed open drain or channel	1	Comment – Appendix D)		natural wat	er courses	(refer	
•	Involves disturbance to a natural watercourse	2						
	ILITATION METHOD [7] Perce ulching (i.e. worst-case revege			to total d	isturbance)	revegetat	ed by seeding	g without
•	not more than 1%	1	1	1	1	1	1	-
			l		ı	i .	i	



Condition (as described by IECA,	Points		Eros	sion Hazard	Score		Trigger
2008)		Amungee Delineation Area	Kalala S1	Kyalla 117 N2	Velkerri 76 S2	Beetaloo W	value
more than 5% but not more than 10%	3						
 more than 10% 	4						
RECEIVING WATERS [8]							
Saline waters only	0	2	2	2	2	2	-
 Freshwater body (e.g. creek or freshwater lake or river) 	2	Comment – (refer to floo Area Land Co	d assessi	ment in the	Amungee		
SUBSOIL EXPOSURE [9]		1					
No subsoil exposure except of service trenches	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
Subsoils are likely to be exposed	2						
EXTERNAL CATCHMENTS [10]							
No external catchment	0	1	1	1	1	1	-
 External catchment diverted around the soil disturbance 	1	Comment – Appendix M		ivil design d	rawings (A	ppendix E to	
 External catchment not diverted around the soil disturbance 	2						
ROAD CONSTRUCTION [11]							
No road construction	0	2	2	2	2	2	-
 Involves road construction works 	2						
pH OF SOILS TO BE REVEGETATED [1	2]				•		
 more than pH 5.5 but less than pH 8 	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
 other pH values, or if soils are untested 	1	Comment – Soil pH 5.5 to 8.0					
Total Sco	re [13]	20	16	20	20	20	

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Table 6: Erosion hazard assessment for EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117 – Shenandoah E&A Program, including the SPCF pad

	dition (as described by	Points		Erosion Hazard Score								
IEC	A, 2008)			Shenandoah South E&A Program								
			South B	South C	South 2 (incl SPCF pad)	North A						
AVE	RAGE SLOPE OF DISTURE	BANCE AREA	A [1]									
•	not more than 3% [3% =33H:1V]	0	0	0	0	0		4				
•	more than 3% but not more than 5% [5% =20H:1V]	1			aphical survey o efer Appendix B		indicated (low relief)					
•	more than 5% but not more than 10% [10% =10H:1V]	2										
•	more than 10% but not more than 15% [15%= 6.7H:1V]	4										
•	more than 15%	6										
SOI	L CLASSIFICATION GROU	P (AS1726)	[2]									
•	GW, GP, GM, GC	0	2	2	2	2		-				
•	SW, SP, OL, OH	1			_		1 - Silty sands, poorly					
•	SM, SC, MH, CH	2	graded sa	and-silt mix	xtures (refer Ap	pendix C).						
•	ML, CL, or if imported fill is used, or if soils are untested	3										
EM	ERSON (DISPERSION) CLA	SS NUMBE	R [3]									
•	Class 4, 6, 7, or 8	0	6	6	4	6		6				
•	Class 5	2	Commen	t – Class 3	or default-							
•	Class 3, (default value if soils are untested)	4	construct	tion traffic		colour stor	fill operations or mwater (i.e. cause					
•	Class 1 or 2	6	tarbiara	non). com	iois to reduce t	arbiarty ar	e required.					
DUI	RATION OF SOIL DISTURE	ANCE [4]										
•	not more than 1 month	0	2	2	2	2		6				
•	more than 1 month but not more than 4 months	2	Commen and 4 mc		g and earthwork	cs are expe	cted to be between 1					
•	more than 4 months but not more than 6 months	4										
•	more than 6 months	6										



Condition (as described by	Points			Erosion Haz	ard Score		Trigger
IECA, 2008)			Sh	enandoah Sout	h E&A Pro	gram	value
		South B	South C	South 2 (incl SPCF pad)	North A		
AREA OF DISTURBANCE [5]	•	•				,	
not more than 1000 m2	0	6	6	6	6		6
 more than 1000 m2 but not more than 5000 m2 	1		t – All expl na of distur		es are great	ter than 4 ha but less	
 more than 5000 m2 but not more than 1 ha 	2						
more than 1 ha but notmore than 4 ha	4						
 more than 4 ha 	6						
WATERWAY DISTURBANCE	[6]						
 No disturbance to a watercourse, open drain or channel 	0	0	0	0	0		2
 Involves disturbance to a constructed open drain or channel 	1	Commen	t – Not nea	ar natural water	courses (r	efer Appendix D).	
Involves disturbance to a natural watercourse	2						
REHABILITATION METHOD [mulching (i.e. worst-case rev		_	relative to	total disturband	ce) reveget	tated by seeding witho	out light
• not more than 1%	1	1	1	1	1		-
more than 1% but notmore than 5%	2		t – topsoil egeneratio		batters to o	commence assisted	
more than 5% but not more than 10%	3						
more than 10%	4	=					
RECEIVING WATERS [8]		ı					ı
Saline waters only	0	2	2	2	2		-
Freshwater body (e.g. creek or freshwater lake or river)	2			ated within the i	-	pathway (refer to	



	ndition (as described by	Points			Erosion Haz	ard Score		Trigger value			
IEC	A, 2008)			Shenandoah South E&A Program							
			South B	South C	South 2 (incl SPCF pad)	North A					
SUE	SSOIL EXPOSURE [9]										
•	No subsoil exposure except of service trenches	0	0	0	0	0		-			
•	Subsoils are likely to be exposed	2									
EXT	ERNAL CATCHMENTS [10]									
•	No external catchment	0	1	1	1	1		-			
•	External catchment diverted around the soil disturbance	1	Commen M)	t – refer to	o civil design dra	wings (App	pendix E to Appendix				
•	External catchment not diverted around the soil disturbance	2									
RO	AD CONSTRUCTION [11]										
•	No road construction	0	2	2	2	2		-			
•	Involves road construction works	2									
рН	OF SOILS TO BE REVEGET	ATED [12]									
•	more than pH 5.5 but less than pH 8	0	0	0	0	0		-			
•	other pH values, or if soils are untested	1									
	Tota	l Score [13]	22	22	20	22					

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5.1.2 Erosion Hazard Assessment for Seismic Surveys

Table 7 presents the results of the assessment for the seismic programs.

Table 7: Erosion hazard assessment for EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117 –seismic survey areas

Condition (as described by IECA, 2008)	Points	Score	Trigger value
		Seismic Survey Areas	value
AVERAGE SLOPE OF DISTURBANCE AREA [1]			
• not more than 3% [3% = 33H:1V]	0	1	4
 more than 3% but not more than 5% [5% = 20H:1V] 	1	Comment - Topographical data of well sites indicated (low relief) with a slope	
 more than 5% but not more than 10% [10% = 10H:1V] 	2	<1-2%. Isolated areas increase to 3% to 5%. Value of 1 adopted as worse as scenario.	
 more than 10% but not more than 15% [15% = 6.7H:1V] 	4		
more than 15%	6		
SOIL CLASSIFICATION GROUP (AS1726) [2]			
• GW, GP, GM, GC	0	2	-
SW, SP, OL, OH	1	Comment – Initial soil testing during the	
• SM, SC, MH, CH	2	baseline survey indicated SM - Silty sands, poorly graded sand-silt mixtures	
 ML, CL, or if imported fill is used, or if soils are untested 	3	(refer EMP).	
EMERSON (DISPERSION) CLASS NUMBER [3]			
• Class 4, 6, 7, or 8	0	4	6
Class 5	2	Comment – Class 3 – Specific testing for	
 Class 3, (default value if soils are untested) 	4	Emerson Class not conducted. Therefore, default value used.	
Class 1 or 2	6		
DURATION OF SOIL DISTURBANCE [4]			
not more than 1 month	0	2	6
more than 1 month but not more than 4 months	2	Comment – Line preparation to rehabilitation will be less than 1-month	
more than 4 months but not more than 6 months	4	duration, however worst-case allowance used.	
more than 6 months	6		
AREA OF DISTURBANCE [5]			
not more than 1000 m²	0	1	6
 more than 1,000 m² but not more than 5,000 m² 	1	Comment – Due to the tread lightly approach of the line preparation using	

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Condition (as described by IECA, 2008)	Points	Score	Trigger value
		Seismic Survey Areas	
 more than 5,000 m² but not more than 1 ha 	2	existing tracks and minimising tree and shrub clearing and the re-instatement of topsoil and vegetation as soon as	
 more than 1 ha but not more than 4 ha 	4	possible after acquisition, results in no more than 5,000 m ² assessed at any one	
 more than 4 ha 	6	time.	
WATERWAY DISTURBANCE [6]	l		
No disturbance to a watercourse, open drain or channel	0	2	2
 Involves disturbance to a constructed open drain or channel 	1	Comment – Activities require crossing of some minor drainage lines. Not	
 Involves disturbance to a natural watercourse 	2	considered to be major works and will be re-instated as completion of acquisition	
REHABILITATION METHOD [7] Percentage of light mulching (i.e. worst-case revegetation m		ive to total disturbance) revegetated by seed	ding without
• not more than 1%	1	1	-
• more than 1% but not more than 5%	2	Comment – Topsoil and vegetated	
 more than 5% but not more than 10% 	3	material to be replaced over disturbance within 2 weeks post activity for natural regeneration.	
more than 10%	4		
RECEIVING WATERS [8]			
Saline waters only	0	2	-
 Freshwater body (e.g. creek or freshwater lake or river) 	2	Comment – Minor drainage lines, with no flowing water at time of acquisition.	
SUBSOIL EXPOSURE [9]			
No subsoil exposure except of service trenches	0	0	-
Subsoils are likely to be exposed	2		
EXTERNAL CATCHMENTS [10]			
No external catchment	0	0	-
External catchment diverted around the soil disturbance	1	Comment – Not considered applicable based on the activities being completed	
External catchment not diverted around the soil disturbance	2	are temporary seismic lines.	
ROAD CONSTRUCTION [11]			
No road construction	0	0	-
Involves road construction works	2		



Condition (as described by IECA, 2008)	Points	Score	Trigger value			
		Seismic Survey Areas				
		Comment – only temporary seismic lines required. No construction of new tracks is necessary. Existing pastoral tracks to be treated post activity.				
pH OF SOILS TO BE REVEGETATED [12]						
• more than pH 5.5 but less than pH 8	0	0	-			
 other pH values, or if soils are untested 	1	Comment – Majority soils recorded within Soil pH range 5.5-8 across exploration area. Some areas recorded outside range but considered minimal risk to seismic program.				
Total Score [13]		15				

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The erosion hazard assessment for the Tamboran permit areas, all report equal to, or just below the point score of 17. Based on the trigger value being met the ESCP is required.

5.2 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 K LS C 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 silt loam)

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 DEPWS 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 is as provided in Table 8. As such, the K-factor has been determined 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%) for sites on the Amungee delineation, Kalala, Kyalla, Velkerri and Beetaloo. The slopes based on the contour information at hand for the Shenandoah South 2, South B, South C, North A (and option 2) are provided in Table 8.

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Based on the reviewed RUSLE soil loss methodology, the Annual Soil Loss estimate using these values is 33 t/ha/yr - 204 t/ha/yr. A combination of Type 3, Type 2 and Type 1 sediment controls will be required based on the RUSLE equation.

All the proposed activities for the exploration program are planned during the dry season (May to September) when the erosion risk rating for rainfall is very low (refer to Table 2 and Table 3). Where activities occur in the wet season, Tamboran's wet weather contingency plan will be implemented (refer Table 12).

Table 8: RUSLE value and factors

Site	R	K Factor	Slope %	LS	С	Р	A (t/ha/yr)
Amungee Delineation	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Kalala	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Kyalla	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Velkerri	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Beetaloo	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Shenandoah S A	6297	0.043	0.5 - 1.0	0.24	1	1.3	84
Shenandoah S B	6297	0.043	0.3 - 0.5	0.24	1	1.3	84
Shenandoah S C	6297	0.017	0.3 - 0.5	0.24	1	1.3	33
Shenandoah S2	6297	0.055	1	0.24	1	1.3	108
Shenandoah N A	6297	0.025	1.5 – 2.0	0.58	1	1.3	204
Shenandoah N A (option 2)	6297	0.025	1.5 - 2.0	0.58	1	1.3	204

5.3 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 2 and Table 3 above) and soil loss (estimated at between 108t/ha/yr and 204t/ha/yr). As indicated in Table 9, the Project has an erosion risk rating of "very low" to "low".

Table 9: 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 region (refer Table 2 and Table 3), the erosion risk rating is considered very low (0 to 30 mm during this time). It is anticipated that at completion of construction the site would be stabilised for normal operation.

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Table 10 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, Type 2and Type 1 erosion and sediment controls, based on the soil loss rate for the site in question. Refer to the results in Table 8 for the soil loss calculations and compare to Table 10, for the type of soil loss controls required.

Table 10: Sediment control standard (adapted from IECA 2008, Table 4.5.1)

	Soil Loss Rate Limit (t/ha/yr)		
Catchment Area (m²)	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 11 provides a range of erosion and sediment controls that can be deployed on the project for each 'Erosion and Sediment Control Type'.

Table 11: Classifications of sediment controls

Type 1	Type 2	Type 3			
Sheet flow	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 Concentrated 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			
Sediment basin (sized in accordance with design standard)	Sediment basin (smaller than the design standard) Filter tube dam Rock filter dam Sediment trench Sediment weir	Coarse sediment trap Modular sediment trap U-shaped sediment trap			
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 Hydro cyclone Portable sediment tank Sediment fence			
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			



The site specific ESCP drawings are provided in Appendix E to Appendix M.

Standard drawings that may be applicable for the Project, including controls for access tracks and stream crossings are provided in Appendix N. 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 DEPWS Land Management Team for review and approval. Tamboran and its civil contractors will be responsible for notifying of any changes.

Standard drawings for erosion and sediment controls are available at: http://www.austieca.com.au/publications/book-6-standard-drawings.

5.3.1 Modifying the ESC Measures

It is possible that some ESC measures will require modification as the project is constructed and in response to the performance of ESC measures or changes in project circumstances. The modifications may be considered minor, moderate or significant. Moderate and minor changes will occur, and it is expected that significant modifications will be the exception. If significant erosion events occur, significant changes to the measures used will be required and should be approved by a CPESC or suitably qualified consulting engineer.

To accommodate the range of circumstances likely to occur, a change management decision matrix is presented in Table 12. Where changes are required, these will be risked assessed through a change management process and kept in a change management register.

Table 12: Change management decision matrix

	Minor	Moderate		Significant	
Authority required	Maintenance of all measures	Removal or relocation of minor temporary controls	Permanent measure relocation	Permanent measure removal/revisions to ESCP	
Tamboran onsite company rep	✓	×	×	×	
Site supervisor	-	✓	*	×	
CPESC	-	-	✓	✓	
Consulting engineer	-	ı	✓	✓	

- ✓ Authorised to undertake
- × Not authorised to undertake
- Denotes that authority level is not required

Examples of different types of sediment controls can be seen in Table 7. Examples of minor temporary controls would fall under Type 3 sediment controls while Type 2 and Type 1 sediment controls provide examples of permanent measures.

It is noted that minor and permanent are not indications of how long the sediment controls are in place. At completion of the activities, the disturbed areas to be restored and/or rehabilitated to pre-disturbed conditions consistent with the surrounding land use.

If ESC measures are observed to be ineffective (e.g. obvious sediment deposition has occurred, or is occurring in a waterway), the source of the sediment must be identified, and corrective ESC measures implemented.

6 Erosion and Sediment Controls

6.1 Well Exploration Areas

Based on the erosion susceptibility of the exploration area, the ESCP measures to be adopted for the exploration programs are summarised in Table 13. These ESCP measures have been considered during the design of the exploration well pads and associated infrastructures, inclusive of the SPCF, and will be implemented by the Tamboran contractors during the construction and maintenance activities.

Table 13: Measures to be implemented for erosion and sediment control – well exploration areas

Activity	Management controls
Land clearing	 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 (May to September) to allow the ground surface to stabilise before the onset of the wet season (October to April).
	 Retain vegetation buffers surrounding streams and creeks, as outlined in the NTG Land Clearing Guidelines 2021.
	 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.

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Activity	Management controls
Access tracks	 Where possible, use existing roads and tracks to access the well sites, and where new tracks are required, they should be located along the most direct and practicable route to the well site (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, Tamboran 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 and Carpentaria 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:
	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, landowners).
	 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.



Activity	Management controls
	Where encounter dispersive / erosive soils they should be stabilised with gypsum or other stabiliser, as determined by laboratory analysis of soils.
	 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).
Placement of gathering lines	Placement and installation of gathering lines in accordance with the Upstream Polyethylene Gathering Networks – CSG Industry Code of Practice (Version 5.0 August 2019) and Appendix P - Land-based pipeline construction (IECA, December 2015).
along access tracks	 Route selection of gathering lines should consider the location of start and end points, well locations and access requirements, hydraulic requirements based on topography, existing services and infrastructure, and current and future land use.
	Gathering line route to be selected such that the pipe can be installed, tested, and operated safely and practically.
	 Gathering line to be placed above ground within the access track corridor (but not within the trafficable area), minimising the need for additional vegetation clearing where possible. Topsoil to be removed to allow gathering line to be placed directly on the subsoil layer to minimise soil disbursement.
	 Extra protection of gathering line to be provided where necessary, particularly to prevent damage from conditions such as traffic and cattle movement and at stream and river crossings (where applicable).
	Allow for trafficable cross banks where gathering line crosses the access tracks. No other area of the gathering line to be trafficable.
	Where gathering line intersects an overland flow path, allow for sheet flow to pass to avoid concentrated flow resulting in scouring.
	 Install sediment controls such as fibre rolls or mulch berms along line to control velocity and capture minor sediment.
	Avoid rocky areas and steep slopes and side slopes if possible.
	Align gathering line straight up and down slopes.
	Contents of pipes to be clearly labelled based on Table 3.3.1 Colour Specification (i.e. yellow for gas, produced formation water purple, etc.).
	Fire protection measures to be employed by reducing fuel loads by up to 5 m either side of the gathering line.
	Regularly inspect, monitor and maintain ESC measures.



Activity	Management controls
Pad construction / maintenance	• 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 N .
	 Use topsoil berms to divert upstream runoff from undisturbed areas ('clean' water) around and away from disturbed areas, and back to the environment.
	Topsoil bunds are to be formed to the profile provided in the sketch below. Bund height (H) is specified on the drawings.
	 Where topsoil bunds are to be utilised for wastewater storage spill containment, topsoil bunds are to be formed to the profile provided in the sketch below. Bund height shall consider the well pad slope and volume of wastewater stored onsite. The typical, low point bund height is specified on the drawings, assuming a 0.2% storage area fall.
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	1 ²
	Topsoil to be compacted to 95% mmdd.
	 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, Tamboran engineers and by a suitably qualified ESC practitioner. It is noted that the expected nominal depth of topsoil across the well pads at locations ranges 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 DEPWS.
	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 / Tamboran.
	• Following completion of activities and within 2 years after the surrender of a lease, the land surrounding or affected by the exploration wells

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Activity	Management controls
	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	, and the second
	 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 ECPs should be approved by DEPWS prior to any disturbance. Should activities pushout to the wet season, the ESCP to be reviewed and updated for wet season conditions. The revision to be reviewed and approved by DEPWS during September to allow implementation of the plan prior to the onset of the wet season. Wet season ESCP to be implemented between 1 October to 30 April.

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Activity	Management controls
Soil and stockpile	Stockpile existing topsoil, where available, so that it can be reused on the site for ESC and future rehabilitation at completion of project.
management	Stockpiles of erodible material that has the potential to cause environmental harm if displaced, must be:
	 Appropriately protected from wind, rain, concentrated surface flow and excessive up-slope stormwater surface flows.
	Located at least 2m from any hazardous area or retained vegetation.
	Located up-slope of an appropriate sediment control system.
	 Provided with an appropriate protective cover (synthetic or vegetative) if the materials are likely to be stockpiled for more than 28 days.
	 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.
	 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	 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:
	 allow stormwater to pass through the site in a controlled manner and at non-erosive flow velocities.
	 minimise soil erosion resulting from rain, water flow and/or wind.
	minimise adverse effects of sediment runoff, including safety issues.
	 prevent, or at least minimise, environmental harm resulting from work-related soil erosion and sediment runoff.
	 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



Activity	Management controls
	 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	 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.
Erosion control	 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. 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; 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	 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-022 in Appendix E). Design details of the sediment pond is provided in NT-2050-20-DD-0030. All reasonable and practicable measures must be taken to prevent, or at least minimise, the release of sediment from the site (section 7.5). 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.
Wet weather contingency	 7-day forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) to be monitored and the civil and water bore construction activities planned around the forecasts. Where forecasts indicate rainfall is likely to result in an event that has potential to limit access to the work area, the civil and water bore

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Activity	Management controls
	contractor will stabilise the current work areas and go into standby mode until such time they can assess the track condition after an event to recommence activities.
	• Emergency response – a post-rainfall/flood damage reconnaissance and assessment will be undertaken as soon as the area becomes accessible. Any damage observed would be repaired as soon as practicable after the event and ensure the controls and measures are in place prior to the next rainfall event.
Site	Following completion of works, disturbed areas are to be restored and/or rehabilitated.
rehabilitation	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.
	Remove and appropriately dispose of all synthetic erosion and sediment control materials.
	 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 channeling and concentrating runoff. All other windrows are to be removed as soon as practicable.
	 The type of ground cover applied to completed earthworks is compatible with the anticipated long-term land use, environmental risk, and site rehabilitation measures.

6.2 2D Seismic Activities

Based on the erosion susceptibility of the exploration areas, the ESCP measures to be adopted for the 2D seismic exploration programs are summarised in Table 14 below. These ESCP measures have been considered during the design of the seismic program and will be implemented by the Tamboran contractors during the construction and maintenance activities.

Table 14: Measures to be implemented for erosion and sediment control – seismic survey areas

Activity	Management controls
Vegetation clearing	 Undertake selective clearing (only clearing areas that are necessary for surveying lines), using lighter machinery such as graders or smaller bulldozers, taking care not to overwork tracks. Overworking the site can lead to the loss of topsoil, compaction, formation of windrows and wheel rutting. Refer to the first dot point in the seismic line preparation and access track and camp establishment/maintenance section below.
	Ground surface to be stabilised before the onset of the wet season (November to March).
	 Undertake clearing for each stage in small units over time, keeping the disturbed areas small and exposure time short, in conjunction with progressive re- vegetation (assisted natural regeneration using available topsoil and removed vegetation).
	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.
	 All vegetation 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 detailed Appendix O.
	Best practice erosion control measures will be implemented in accordance with the ESCP following earthworks and site stabilised prior to anticipated rainfall.
	Disturbed areas will be stabilised in accordance with the Rehabilitation Management Plan, as per Section 7.4.



Activity	Management controls							
Creek and Drainage Line Crossings	Minimise disturbance in the riparian buffers in accordance with the stream order of the encountered drainage line in accordance with the buffers provided below:							
	Riparian class	Stream order	Minimum buffer width (m)	Measured from				
	Drainage depression	Not applicable	25	The outer edge of the drainage depression, which is the extent of the associated poorly drained so and associated vegetation.				
	Intermittent streams	First	25	The outer edge of the riparian vegetation or levee (whichever is greater).				
				If braided channels are present, the edge of the outer most stream channel				
	Intermittent streams	Second	50	As above				
	Creeks	Third and fourth	100	As above				
	Rivers	Fifth and higher	250	As above				
	 No additional material will be used for the seismic acquisition to cross over the creek crossing. Existing crossings will not be altered. The activities shall be completed in a manner that does not cause a: material change to the shape of a waterway, material change to the volume, speed or direction of flow or likely flow of water in or into a waterway, or alteration to the stability of the bed or banks of a waterway, including by removal of vegetation. Ongoing monitoring of creek and drainage crossing condition prior to, during and at completion of rehabilitation. Reinstate the original topography of the creek or drainage bed following seismic acquisition. 							
Seismic line preparation	 The method for line preparation described in the EMP is to use existing pastoral station tracks wherever practicable, or minimise the complete removal of the vegetation, with vehicles to traverse over or around the vegetation instead, leaving as much intact as possible. Assessment of the survey area indicates that in the order of 80 to 90% of the undisturbed areas will be traversed as a blade up exercise Minimising vegetation and soil disturbance is the default position for the seismic program. Wherever possible vegetation and soil shall remove the complete removal of the vegetation and soil disturbance is the default position for the seismic program. 							



Activity	Management controls
	be disturbed when establishing survey lines (i.e. blade up). If disturbance is required, establishment of survey lines which will form a runoff channel is to be avoided.
	Seismic vehicles that enter and exit 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.
	 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.
Site management	All plant and equipment brought to site is to be certified a "free" of weeds, soil pathogens and pests.
	• 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 in Appendix O.
	Land-disturbing activities must:
	 Allow stormwater to pass through the site in a controlled manner and at non-erosive flow velocities. Where this cannot be achieved, reference should be made to installing controls as detailed in the following section.
	Minimise soil erosion resulting from rain, water flow and/or wind.
	Minimise adverse effects of sediment runoff, including safety issues.
	 Prevent, or at least minimise, environmental harm resulting from work-related soil erosion and sediment runoff.
	 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 considers the safety and environmental risks associated with the sediment deposition.
Wet weather	Wet season contingency planning to be conducted where activities extend into the wet season.
contingency	7-day forecast from the Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) to be monitored and the seismic exploration activities planned around the forecasts.
	 Where forecasts indicate rainfall is likely to result in an event that has potential to limit access to the work area, the seismic contractor will stabilise the current work areas and go into standby mode until such time they can assess the track condition after an event to recommence activities.
	• Emergency response - a post-rainfall/flood damage reconnaissance and assessment will be undertaken as soon as area becomes accessible.



Activity	Management controls
	Any damage observed would be repaired as soon as practicable after the event.
Site rehabilitation	 Within 2 weeks of the activities being completed, disturbed areas are to be restored and/or rehabilitated. Reference should be made to Tamboran's Rehabilitation Management Plans.
	 All compacted areas will be ripped and scarified to promote regeneration of vegetation.
	 All disturbed areas will be allowed to naturally regenerate or be revegetated on completion of use.
	 At completion of activities, establish vegetation to the standard of that registered in the pre-assessment, or better.
	• 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 finalized as per the requirements of IECA Table 4.4.7 (Appendix O).
	Stabilise disturbed areas quickly to reduce the potential for erosion.
	 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. This will be confirmed during rehabilitation monitoring activities.
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	Windrows to be removed as soon as practicable.
	 The type of ground cover applied to completed earthworks is compatible with the anticipated long-term land use, environmental risk, and site rehabilitation measures.
	 At completion, the disturbed areas are to be restored and/or rehabilitated to original pre-disturbed condition consistent with surrounding land use.
	 Remove and appropriately dispose of all synthetic erosion and sediment control materials.

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6.3 ESC Treatment Options for Specific Situations

Appendix N to Appendix P contain typical erosion and sediment control measures that are to be applied throughout the project when required. Treatments are identified for specific situations and should be applied appropriately. Five different seismic line treatments are identified below.

- Blade up areas where only wheel tracks will develop no treatments required.
- Surface bladed by grader to smooth out ground surface to allow vehicle movements. No tree
 removal. Topsoil will be bladed off by grader and windrowed for later respreading at completion of
 data recording, to preserve the soil structure. Whoa boys or roll over banks to be provided as per
 details in Appendix P.
 - At the conclusion of activities, or as part of progressive rehabilitation, or the anticipated onset
 of a significant rainfall event which will require the site to be abandoned, topsoil would be
 respread and ripped into the soil surface.
 - Works on grade (>2%)—Surface bladed by grader to smooth out ground surface to allow vehicle movements. No tree removal. Topsoil will be bladed off by grader and windrowed for later respreading at completion of data recording, to preserve the soil structure. Whoa boys or roll over banks to be provided as per details in Appendix P.
 - At the conclusion of activities, or as part of progressive rehabilitation, or the anticipated onset
 of a significant rainfall event which will require the site to be abandoned, topsoil would be
 respread and ripped into the soil surface.
- Wooded communities e.g. Lancewood/Bullwaddy For most of the program wherever practical, activities should be planned to avoid impacts to Lancewood and Bullwaddy vegetation communities. Where this is not possible, the vegetation community would require measures as follows:
 - A survey line of 5 m maximum should be cleared by the dozer removing the trees. Felled trees should be pushed to the side to enable vehicle access through the site.
 - Following clearing the topsoil bladed off by grader and windrowed for later respreading with the vegetated material at completion of data recording.
 - The line preparation will require blading to a sufficient depth, no greater than 150 mm, to
 enable the safe access of the vehicles. The purpose of the blading is to reduce the risk of tyre
 puncture from the Lancewood which is known to snap off at ground level leaving a spike
 protruding.
 - Whoa boys or roll over banks to be provided as per detail in Appendix P.
 - At the conclusion of activities, or as part of progressive rehabilitation, or the anticipated onset
 of a significant rainfall event which will require the site to be abandoned, topsoil would be
 respread at a thickness of 150 mm and ripped into the soil surface.
 - Felled vegetation will be evenly spread over the top soiled area to provide additional protection against erosion.
- Seasonally inundated areas Similar to the wooded communities described above, high clay
 content soils (vertosols) are also found in seasonally inundated areas and in the southern survey
 area. Unlike the wooded areas these clays continue at depth, making the scraping back of topsoil
 less effective in keeping bulldust down and preserving soil structure.

The recommendation in these locations is that line preparation would consist primarily of the vehicles traversing directly of the annual grasses, flattening or slashing for data acquisition i.e. blade up.

7 **Monitoring**

7.1 Construction

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

- At the time of the baseline land condition assessment.
- 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 (refer Section 7.3). It is noted that well sites do not have any sensitive receiving water bodies located in proximity to the sites.

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.

7.2 **Operations**

Visual inspections will be undertaken throughout the seismic survey activities to assess the impact risk level of the regulated activities being undertaken and the likelihood of accelerated erosion occurring. A review of mitigation measures that are implemented throughout the project phase will be conducted regularly to assess the efficacy and that the standard is maintained.

All other areas to be inspected 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.

7.3 **ESC Trigger Action Response Plan**

The following Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) is to be implemented during construction:

- Monitoring requirements:
 - 7-day forecast from Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) to be monitored and construction and ground disturbance activities to planned around the forecast.
 - Daily visual inspection of access track, lease pads and campsite conditions for duration of civil construction activities.
 - Routine visual inspections of the creek and drainage line access track crossings and the wastewater containment system at the camp weekly or following a rainfall event (i.e. greater than 20 mm in 24 hours).



• Review ESC across the site and where required implement maintenance prior to 1 October each year.

Action:

- On establishment of each exploration well pad, undertake jar testing work to determine anticipated settling rate of sediments on site. This will inform flocculent dosing requirements as required.
- Where monitoring has indicated weather condition have impacted the integrity of the erosion and sediment controls, operators must adopt one of the treatment plans from section 6.0 to mitigate the impacts of rainfall and ensure that the ESC devices are reinstated as soon as physically practicable after the event.
- Inspection of all ESC devices across the worksite and physical water quality testing (physical
 parameters only) at the well pad sediment basin should be conducted prior to discharge of
 water offsite. Water quality discharge indicators include:
 - No visible oil, grease or other hydrocarbons
 - pH: Between 6.0 8.0
 - EC: 1,300 μS/cm.

The adopted discharge criteria are based on ANZECC 2000 Table 3.3.4 and Table 3.3.5 default trigger values for pH and conductivity (EC, salinity) indicative of slightly disturbed ecosystems in tropical Australia, as well as consideration of the distance and type of nearby sensitive surface water receptors as ephemeral drainage lines and creeks.

Response:

- Post-rainfall/flood damage reconnaissance and assessment to be undertaken as soon as the area becomes accessible. Any damage observed would be repaired as soon as practicable after the event and ensure the controls and measures are in place prior to the next rainfall event.
- If water quality conditions meet discharge indicators, beneficial reuse of water may be considered for construction activities.
- External NATA accredited laboratory testing of soil/sediment or surface water would only be required for the following triggers:
 - Work area has a known existing contaminating event in the preceding 3 months that could influence stormwater discharge quality (refer to Tamboran's Spill Management Plan appended to the EMP).
 - The visual inspection and physical water quality testing indicated potential contamination.
 - Where there is a sensitive receiving water body within 200 m of the discharge point.

7.4 Rehabilitation

7.4.1 Well Sites including, SPCF, Access Tracks, Gathering Lines, Gravel Pits and Camps

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.

7.4.2 Seismic Line Acquisition

Rehabilitation will be undertaken along all newly cleared survey lines concurrently with the completion of the survey process. Reference should be made to the relevant Rehabilitation Management Plan prepared in support of each EMP. Rehabilitation of all areas must be undertaken in accordance with the methodologies described in the Rehabilitation Management Plan and treatments in Appendix P of this document.

Rehabilitation monitoring will be undertaken before and after the initial wet season and then annually for 5 years 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
- waterways are not materially changed.
- land condition suitable for existing pastoral land use.

7.5 Incident Reporting

The constructor must follow incident reporting requirements covered in the Tamboran 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)
 - 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.

7.6 Records

Records shall be retained demonstrating areas 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.

Minimum records to be retained for each site include:

Location of disturbance	Area of disturbance	Date	Close out
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7.7 ESCP Revisions

Where major changes are required to the proposed controls in the ESCP through Tamboran's change management processes, DEPWS would be advised and a revised ESCP provided. Should any civils be required during the wet season, the wet weather contingency plan outlined in Table 13 will be implement.

7.8 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 during the wet season)
- 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 20 mm in 24 hours.

Once operational, inspections of the site will continue daily while onsite, and before and after the wet season. 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 *Hydro mulching*.

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

	RUSLE soil erodibility K-factor						
	K < 0.02	0.02 <k<0.04< th=""><th>0.04<k<0.06< th=""><th>K > 0.06</th></k<0.06<></th></k<0.04<>	0.04 <k<0.06< th=""><th>K > 0.06</th></k<0.06<>	K > 0.06			
Score	0	1	2	3			

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

Unified Soil	Likely sediment basin classification (%)			Probable soil erodibility K-factor (%) [2]				
Class System	Dry	Wet		Low Moderate		High Very Hig		
	Type C	Type F	Type D	K < 0.02	0.02 <k<0.04< th=""><th>0.04<k<0.06< th=""><th>K > 0.06</th></k<0.06<></th></k<0.04<>	0.04 <k<0.06< th=""><th>K > 0.06</th></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	
СН	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 Clavey sands, poorly graded sand-clay mixtures
- ML Inorganic silts & very fine sands, rock flour, silty or clayey fine sands with slight plasticity
- 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

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Table 3 - Typical properties of various soil groups [1]

Soil Groups	Typical properties [2]
GW, GP	Low erodibility potential.
GM, GC	Low to medium erodibility potential. May create turbid runoff if disturbed as a result of the release of silt and clay particles.
SW, SP	Low to medium erodibility potential.
SM, SC	Medium erodibility potential. May create turbid runoff if disturbed as a result of the release of silt and clay particles.
МН, СН	Highly variable (low to high) erodibility potential. Will generally create turbid runoff if disturbed.
ML, CL	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]

		Embankments					
Unified Soil Class	USC Group	Water retaining	Non- water retaining	Fill	Slope stability	Untreated roads	
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	
Organic silts	OL	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Poor	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	
Inorganic silts	МН	Unsuitable	Poor	Poor	Poor	Unsuitable	
Inorganic clays	СН	Suitable [2]	Average	Unsuitable	Average	Unsuitable	
Organic clays	ОН	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	
Highly organic soils	Pt	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	

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			Embankmen		its		Slope stability	Untreated roads	
Unified Soil Class		USC Group	Water retaining	Non- water retaining	Fill				
Notes:	[1]	Modified	Modified from Hazelton & Murphy (1992)						
	[2]	Suitable o	le 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:

- (a) the removal of ground cover vegetation, mulch or sealed surfaces;
- (b) past land management practices;
- (c) natural conditions.

WARNINGS:

A Sediment Basin will usually be required if the disturbed area exceeds 0.25ha (2500m²) within any subcatchment (i.e. land flowing to one outlet point).

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:

- · 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.

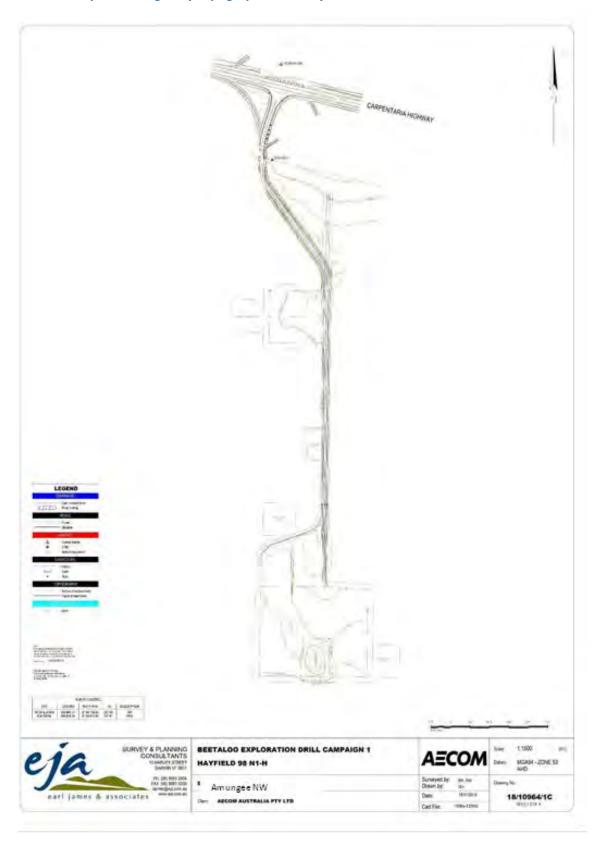
[13] **REQUIREMENTS**:

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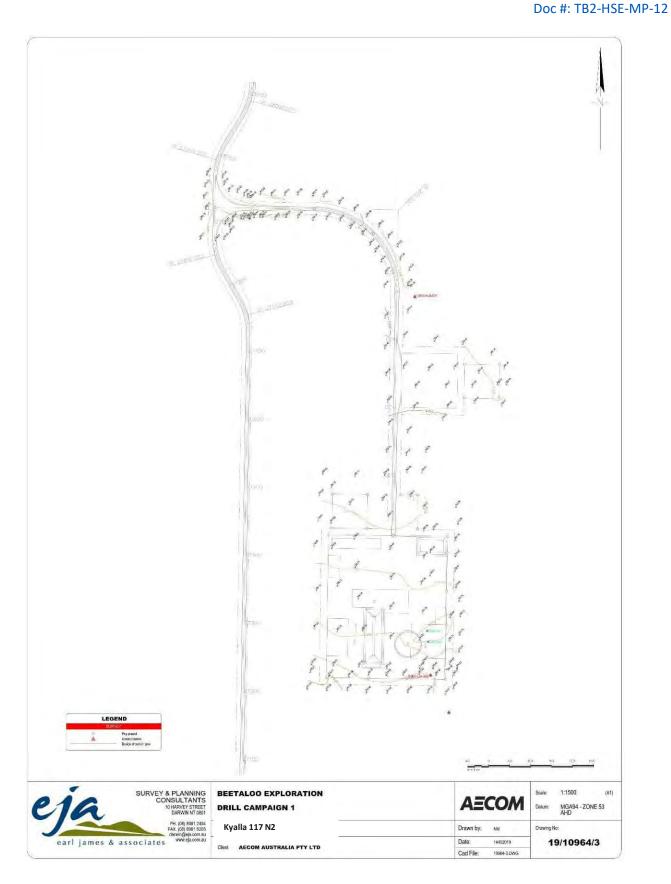


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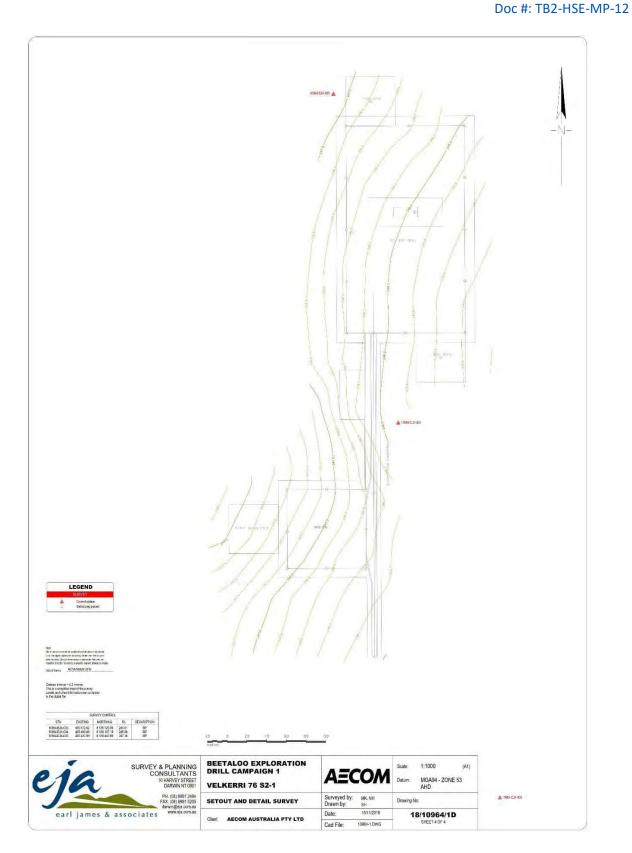
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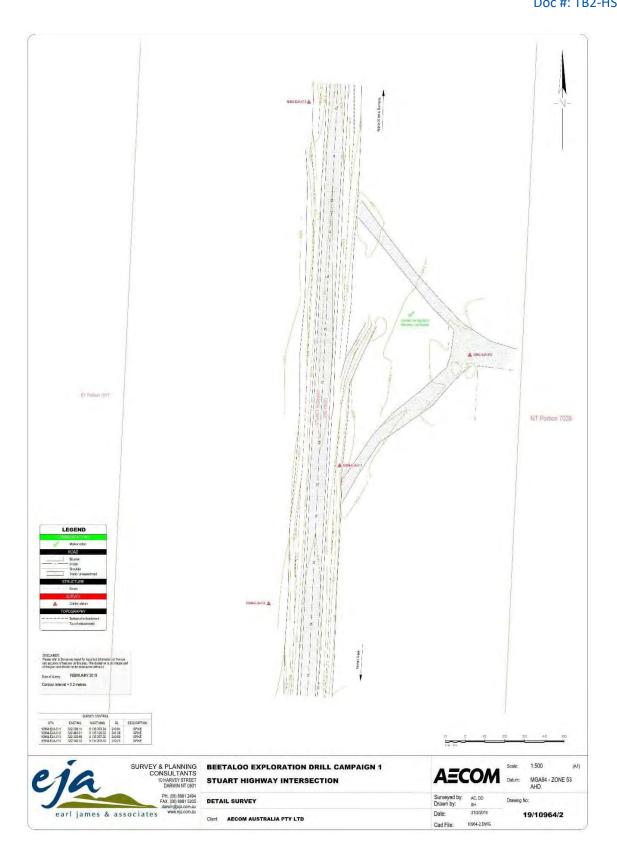






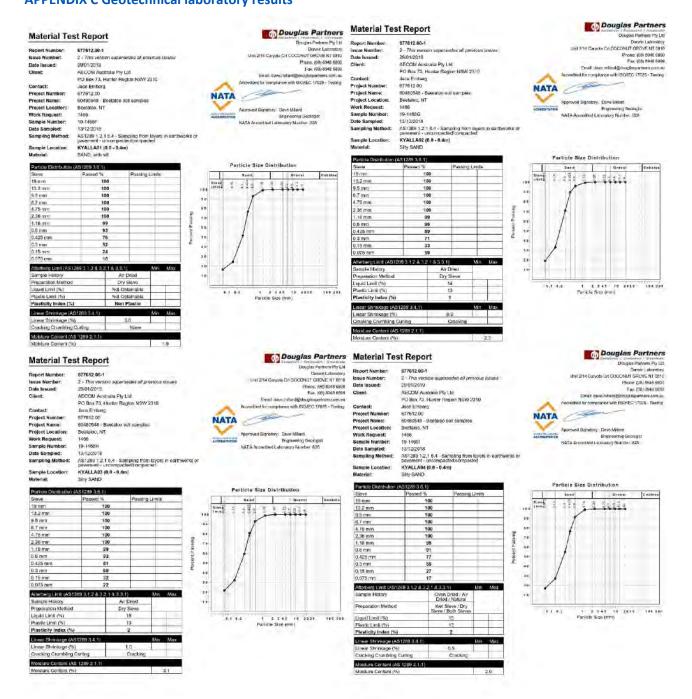




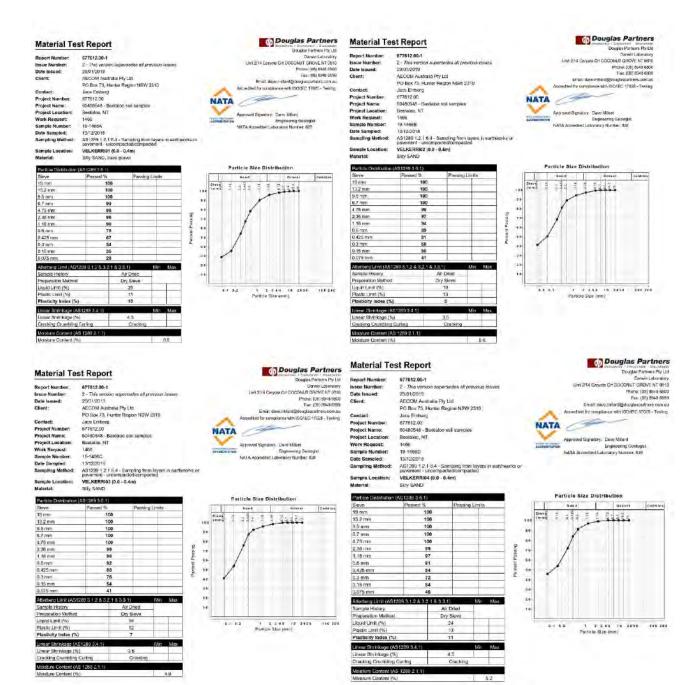




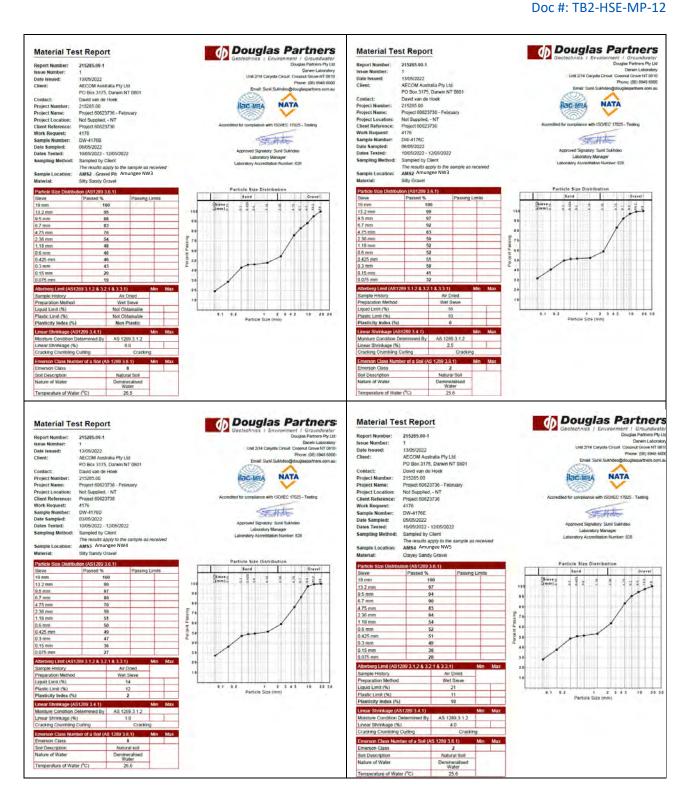
APPENDIX C Geotechnical laboratory results



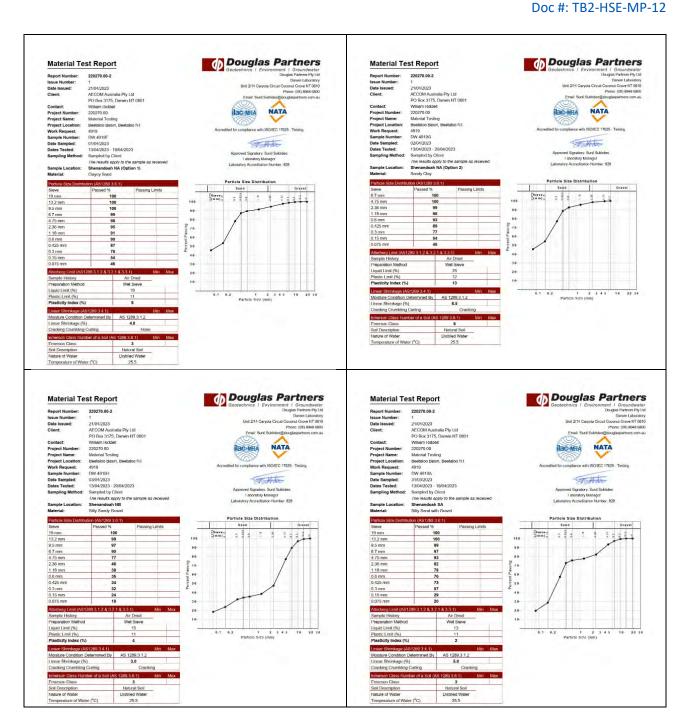




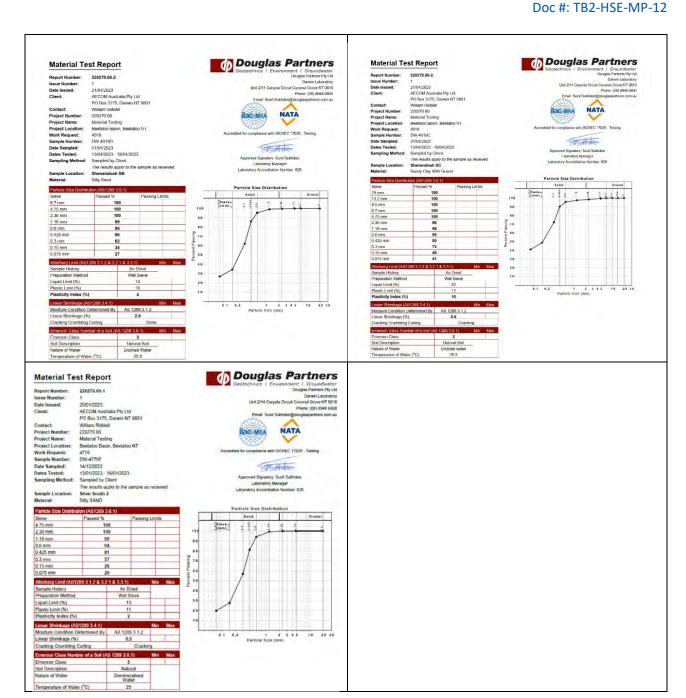






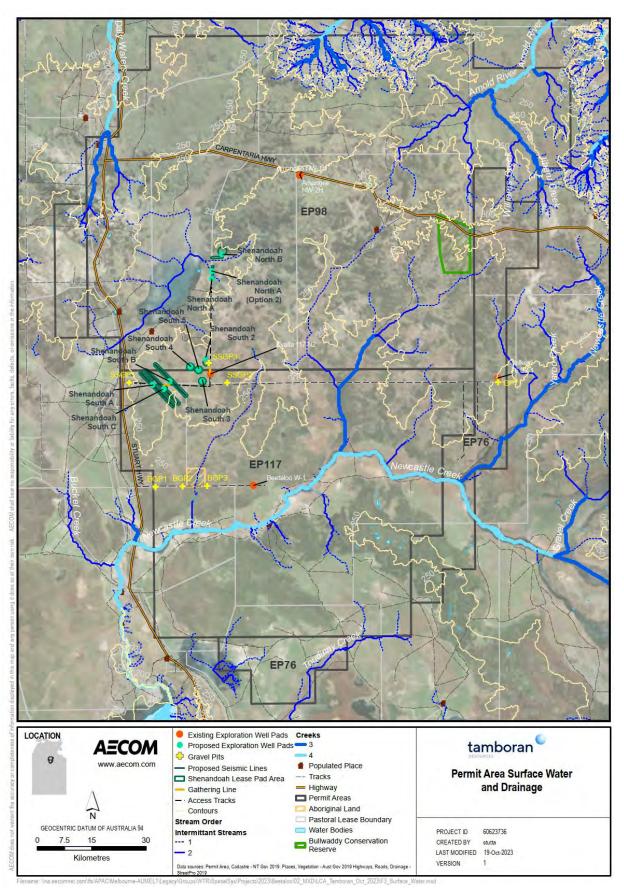




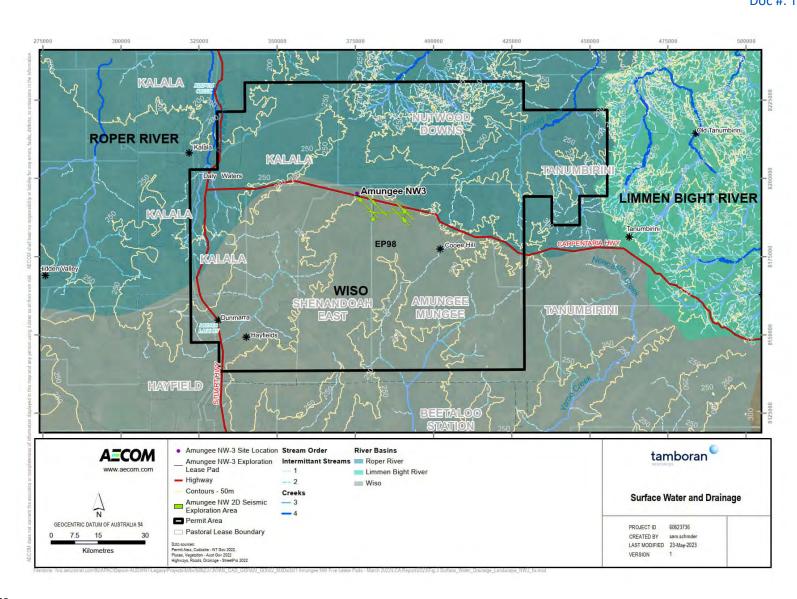




APPENDIX D Permit area surface water







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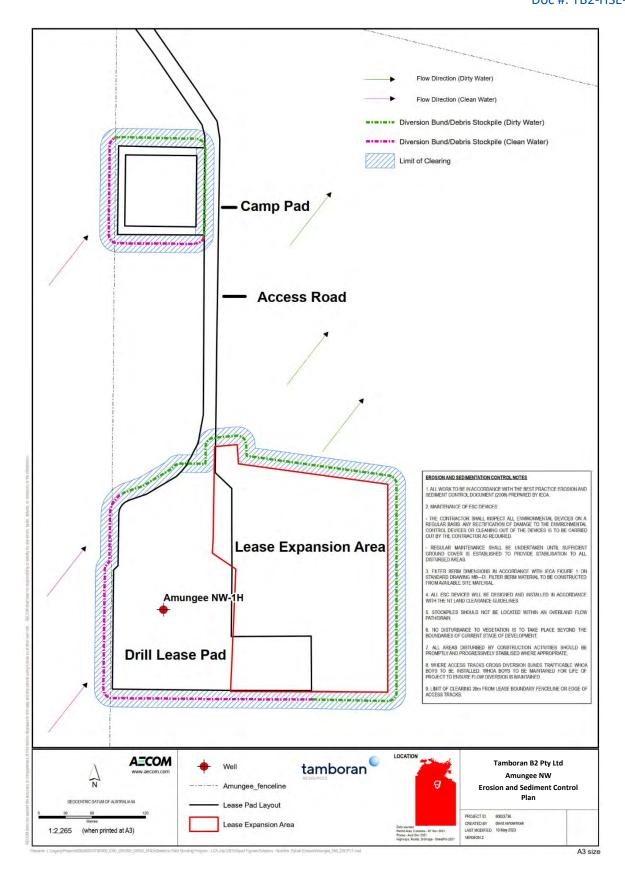
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APPENDIX E Erosion and sediment control plans:

- Amungee NW
- Amungee NW-2
- Amungee NW-3
- Amungee NW-4
- Amungee NW-5
- Shenandoah South A
- Shenandoah South B
- Shenandoah South C
- Shenandoah South 2, including SPCF
- Shenandoah North A
- Shenandoah North A (option 2)

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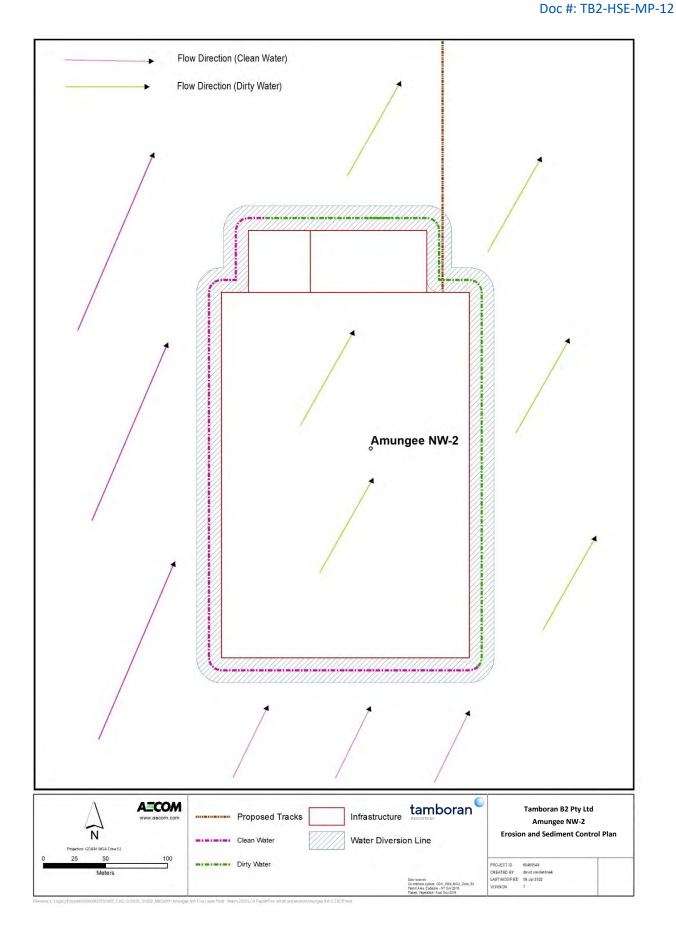




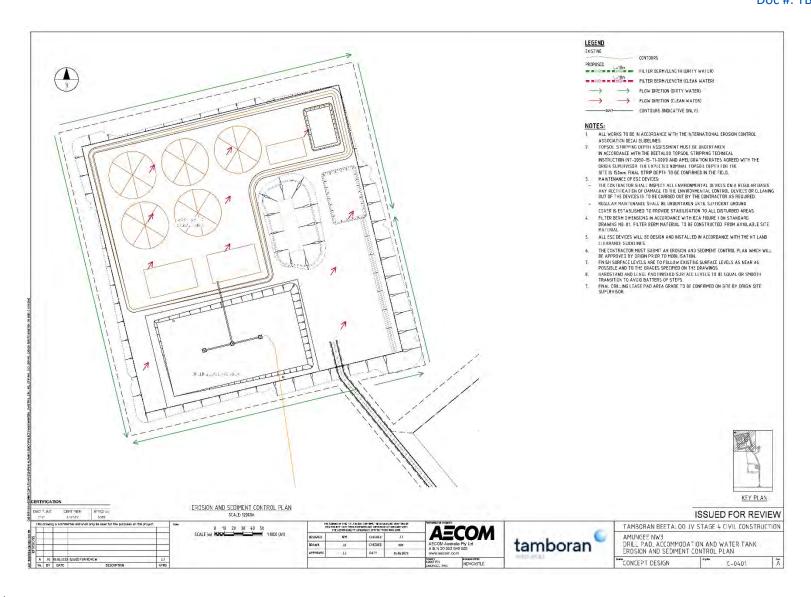
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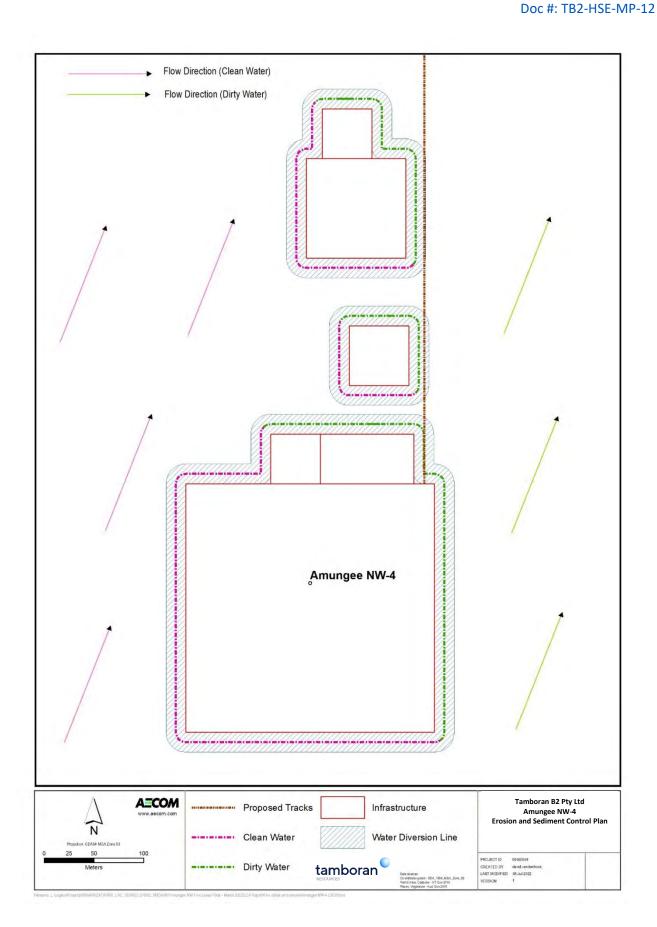






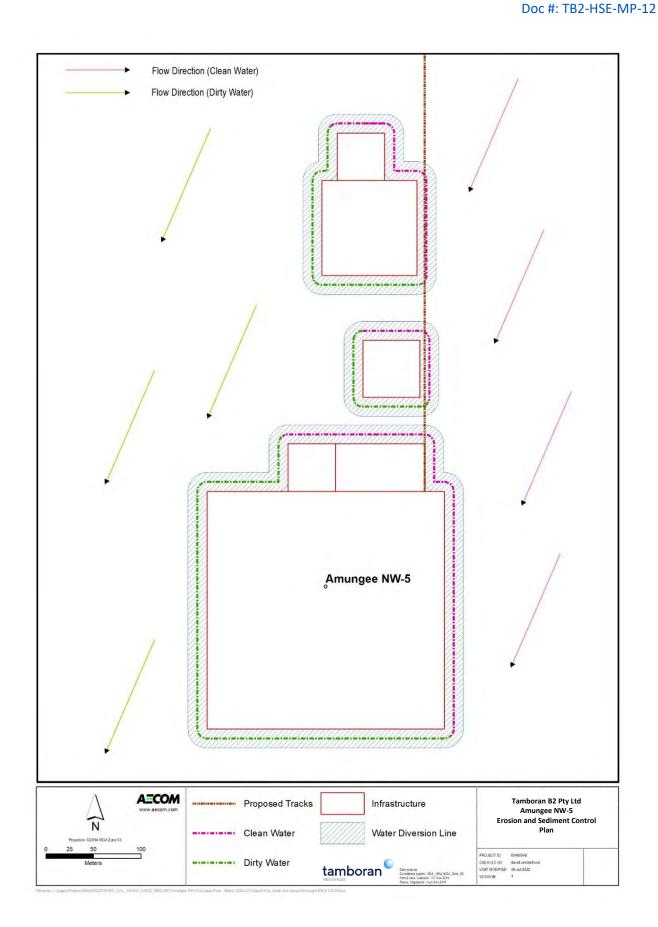


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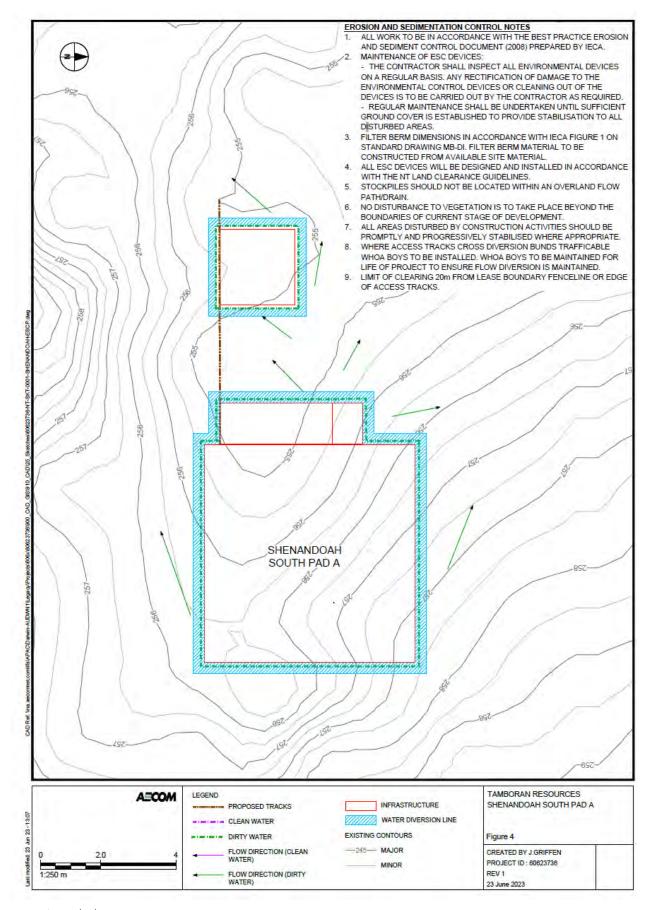




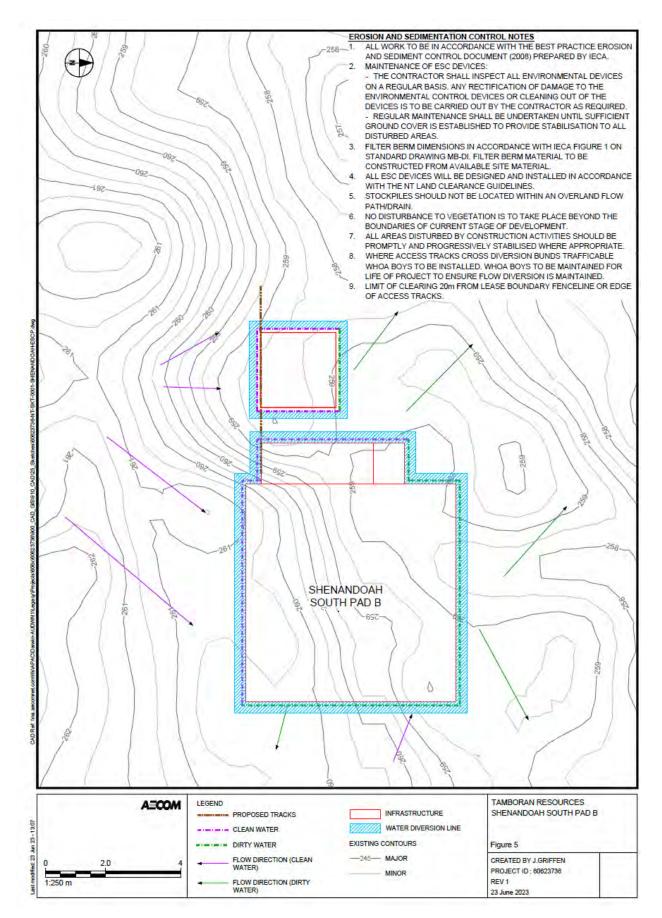
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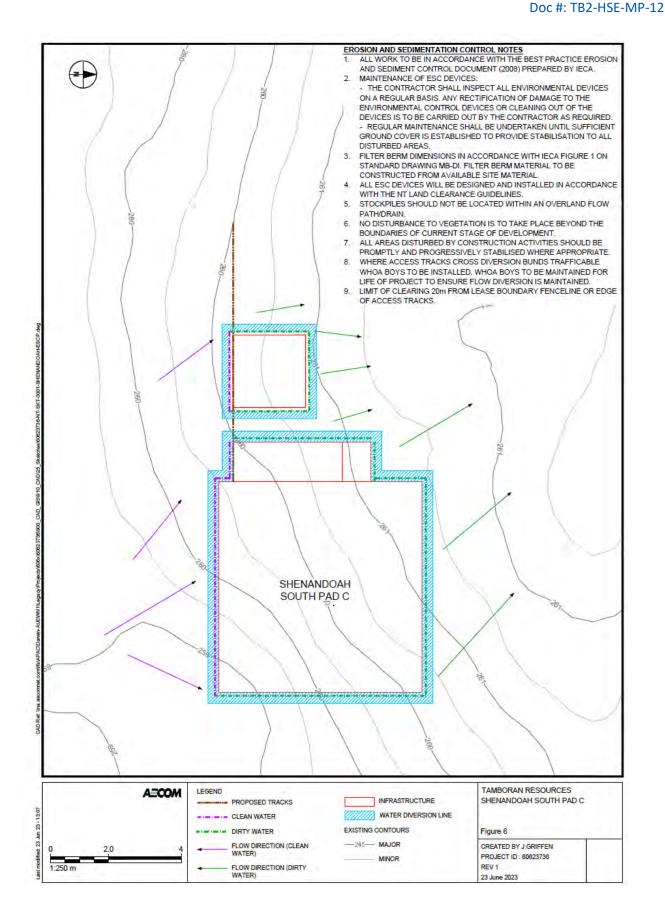








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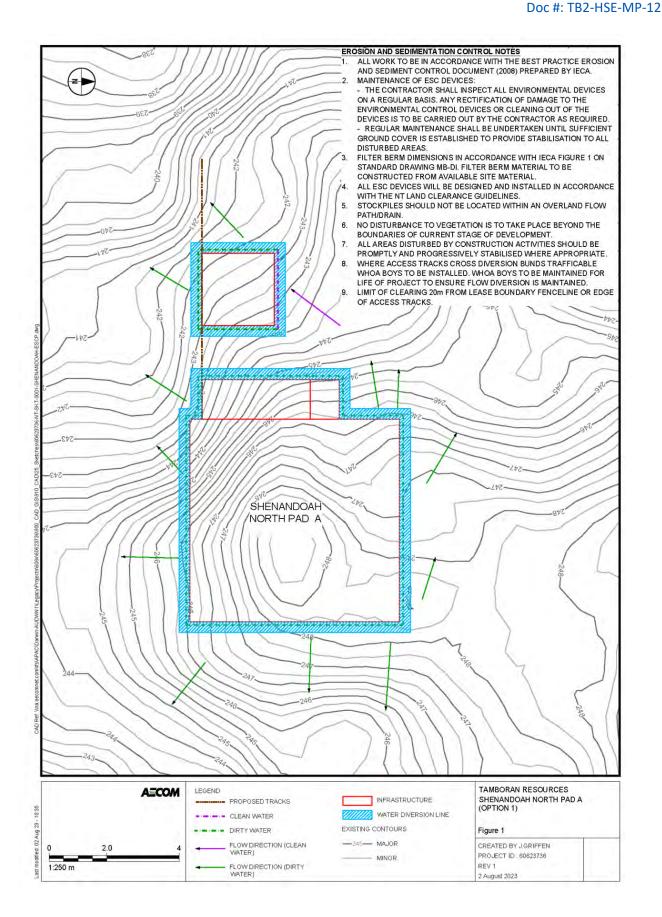




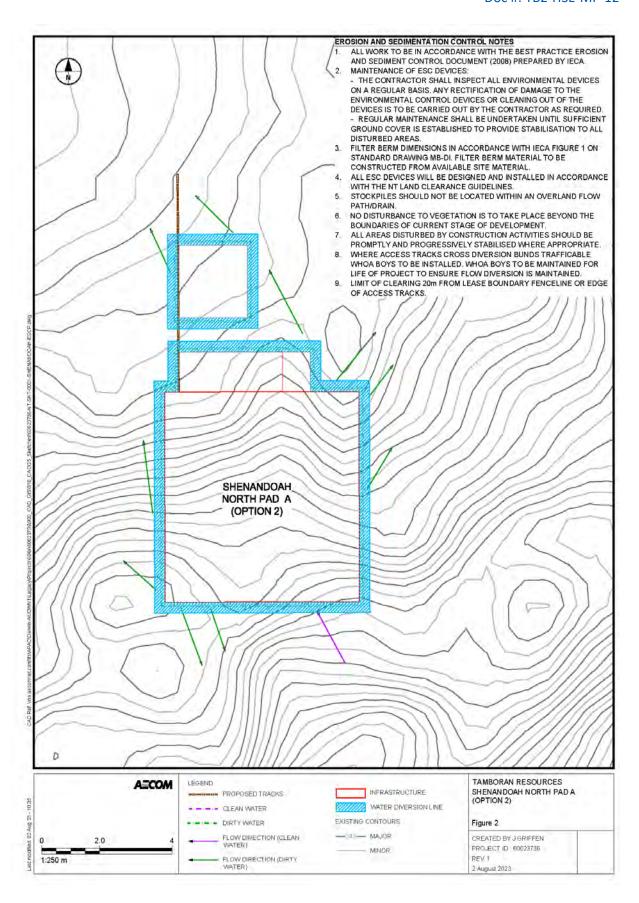
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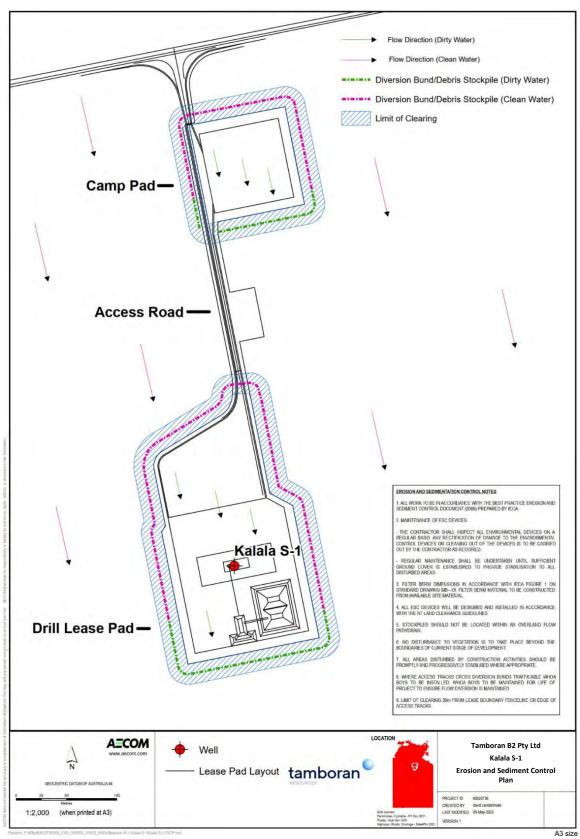






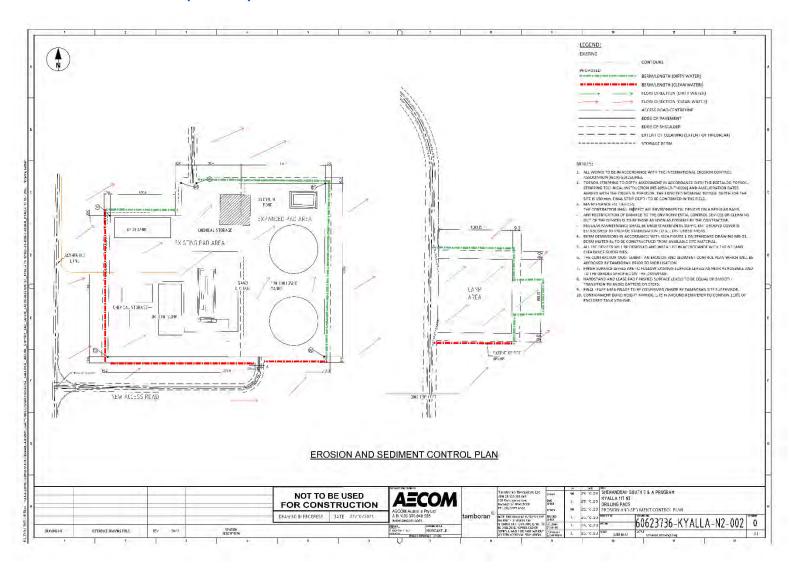


Appendix F Erosion and sediment control plan for Kalala S1

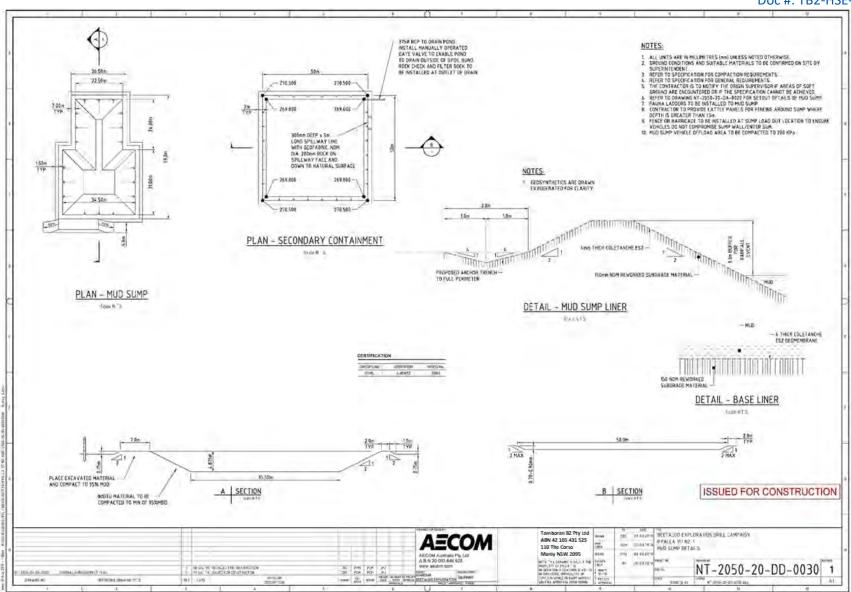




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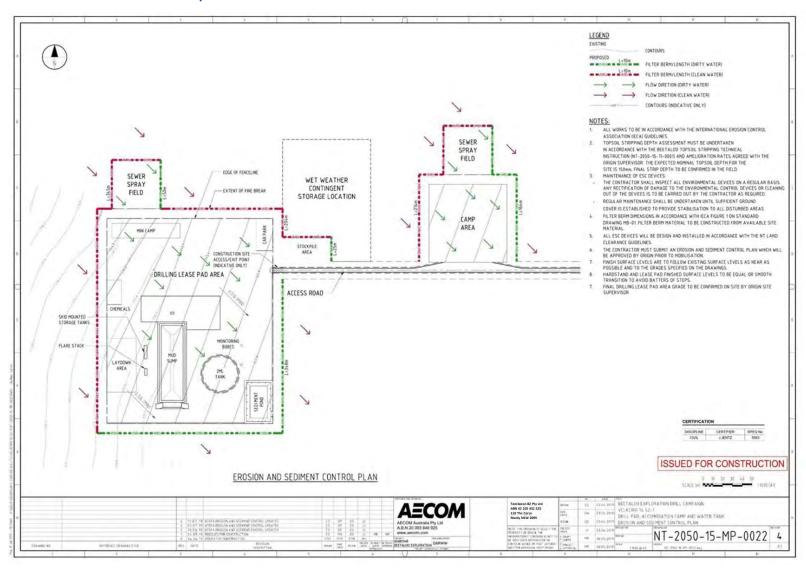




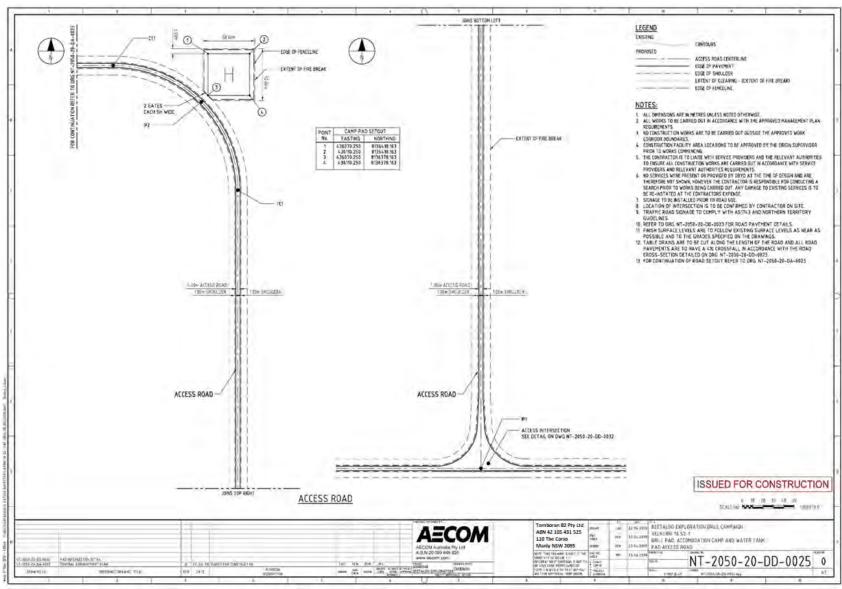




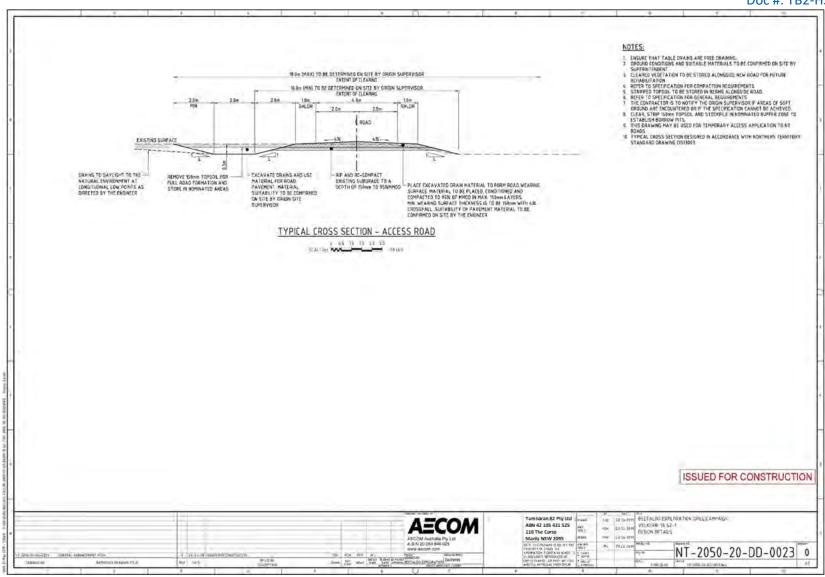
Appendix H Erosion and sediment control plan for Velkerri 76 S2



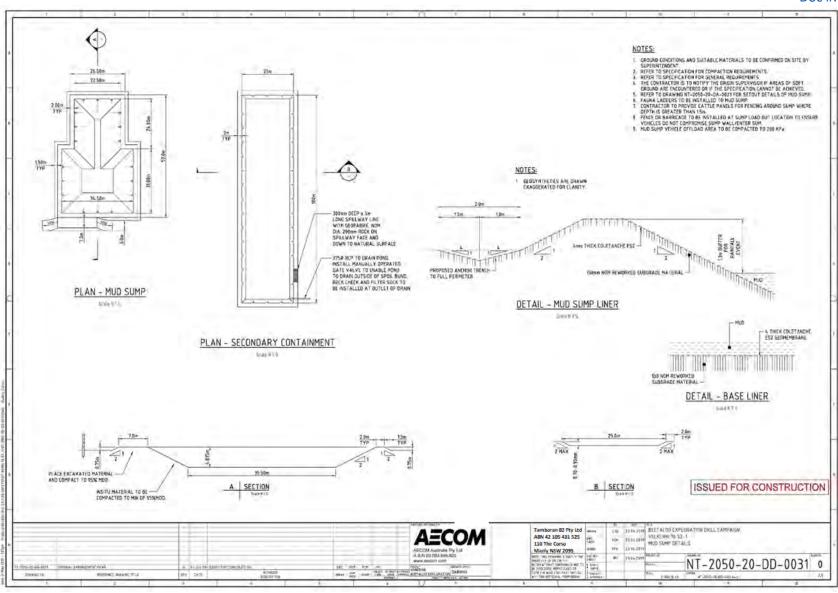






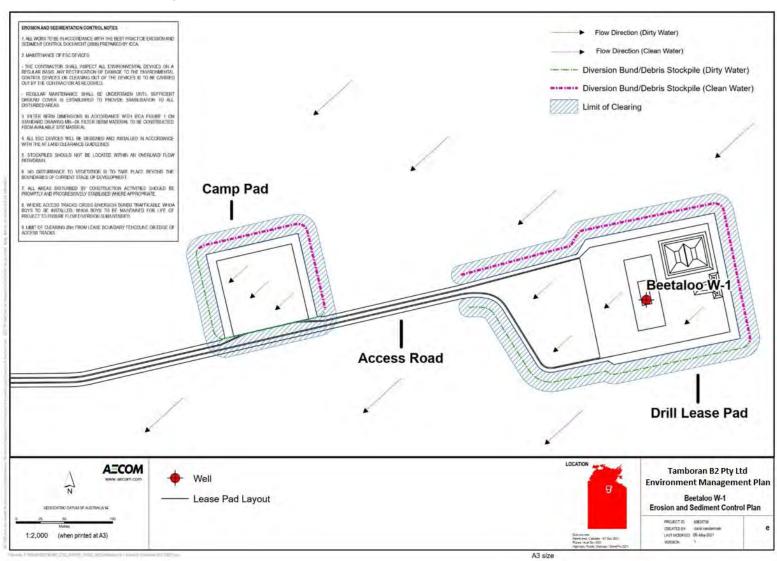






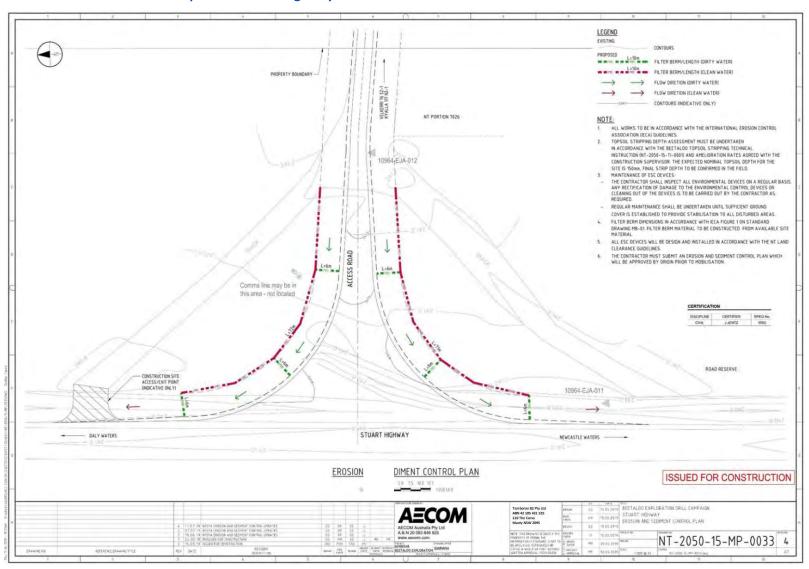


Appendix I Erosion and sediment control plan for Beetaloo W



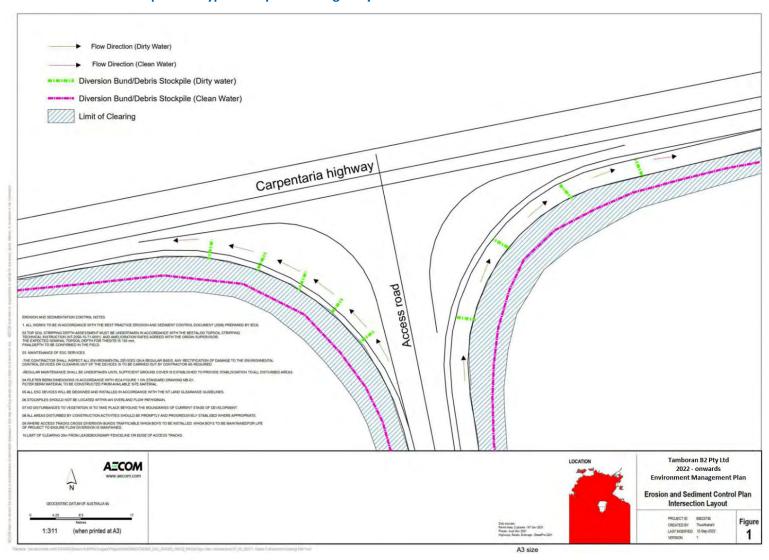


Appendix J Erosion and sediment control plan for Stuart Highway intersection





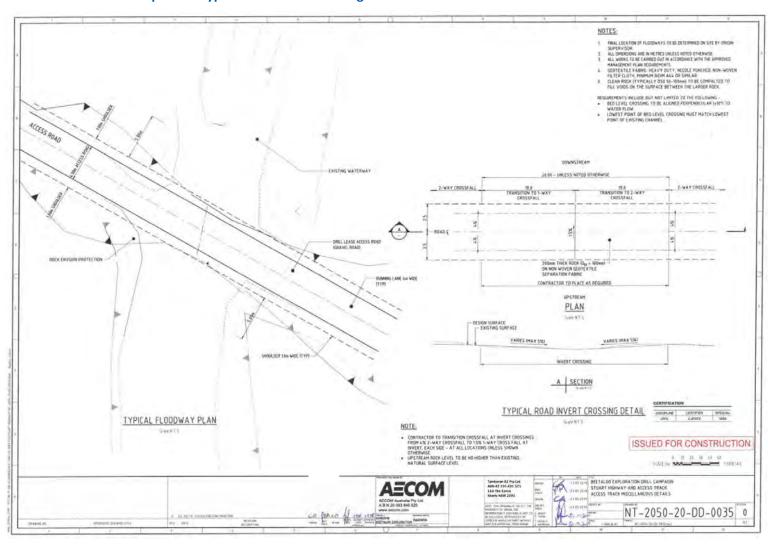
Appendix K Erosion and sediment control plan for typical Carpentaria Highway intersection



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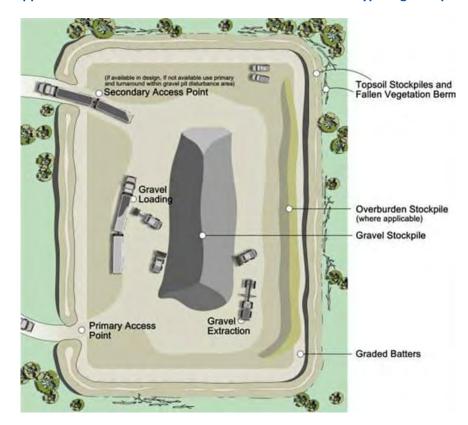


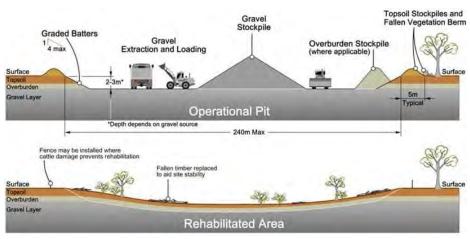
Appendix L Erosion and sediment control plan for typical road invert crossing





Appendix M Erosion and sediment control schematic for typical gravel pit







Appendix N Other IECA standard specifications (as required)

MATERIALS

- (i) MULCH MUST COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF AS4454.
- (ii) MAXIMUM SOLUBLE SALT CONCENTRATION OF 5dS/m.
- (iii) MOISTURE CONTENT OF 30 TO 50% PRIOR TO APPLICATION.

INSTALLATION

- 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.
- 2. WHEN SELECTING THE LOCATION OF A MULCH FILTER BERM, TO THE MAXIMUM DEGREE PRACTICAL, ENSURE THE BERM IS LOCATED:
- (i) TOTALLY WITHIN THE PROPERTY BOUNDARIES;
- (ii) ALONG A LINE OF CONSTANT ELEVATION (PREFERRED, BUT NOT ALWAYS PRACTICAL);
- (iii) AT LEAST 1m, IDEALLY 3m, FROM THE TOE OF A FILL EMBANKMENT:
- (iv) AWAY FROM AREAS OF CONCENTRATED FLOW.
- 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.
- ENSURE THE BERM HAS BEEN PLACED SUCH THAT PONDING UP-SLOPE OF THE BERM IS MAXIMISED.

- 5. ENSURE BOTH ENDS OF THE BERM ARE ADEQUATELY TURNED UP THE SLOPE TO PREVENT FLOW BYPASSING PRIOR TO WATER PASSING OVER THE BERM.
- 6. ENSURE 100% CONTACT WITH THE SOIL SURFACE.
- 7. WHERE SPECIFIED, TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO VEGETATE THE BERM.

MAINTENANCE

- DURING THE CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, INSPECT ALL BERMS AT LEAST WEEKLY AND AFTER ANY SIGNIFICANT RAIN. MAKE NECESSARY REPAIRS IMMEDIATELY.
- 2. REPAIR OR REPLACE ANY DAMAGED SECTIONS.
- 3. WHEN MAKING REPAIRS, ALWAYS RESTORE THE SYSTEM TO ITS ORIGINAL CONFIGURATION UNLESS AN AMENDED LAYOUT IS REQUIRED OR SPECIFIED.
- 4. REMOVE ACCUMULATED SEDIMENT IF THE SEDIMENT DEPOSIT EXCEEDS A DEPTH OF 100mm OR 1/3 THE HEIGHT OF THE BERM.
- 5. DISPOSE OF SEDIMENT IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.

REMOVAL (IF REQUIRED)

20%

- WHEN DISTURBED AREAS UP-SLOPE OF THE BERM ARE SUFFICIENTLY STABILISED TO RESTRAIN EROSION, THE BERM MAYBE REMOVED.
- 2. REMOVE ANY COLLECTED SEDIMENT AND DISPOSE OF IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.
- 3. REHABILITATE/REVEGETATE THE DISTURBED GROUND AS NECESSARY TO MINIMISE THE EROSION HAZARD.

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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 DISLODGMENT 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

- 1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION, EXTENT, AND DIMENSIONAL DETAILS. IF THERE ARE QUESTIONS OR PROBLEMS WITH THE LOCATION, OR EXTENT, CONTACT THE ENGINEER OR RESPONSIBLE ON-SITE OFFICER FOR ASSISTANCE.
- 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 GROUNDCOVER VEGETATION AT A HEIGHT GREATER THAN THE EXPECTED DEPTH OF WATER FLOW AND AT LEAST 50mm.

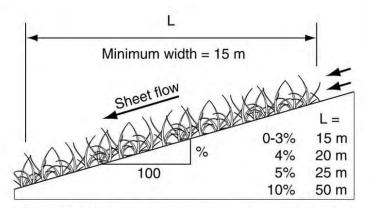
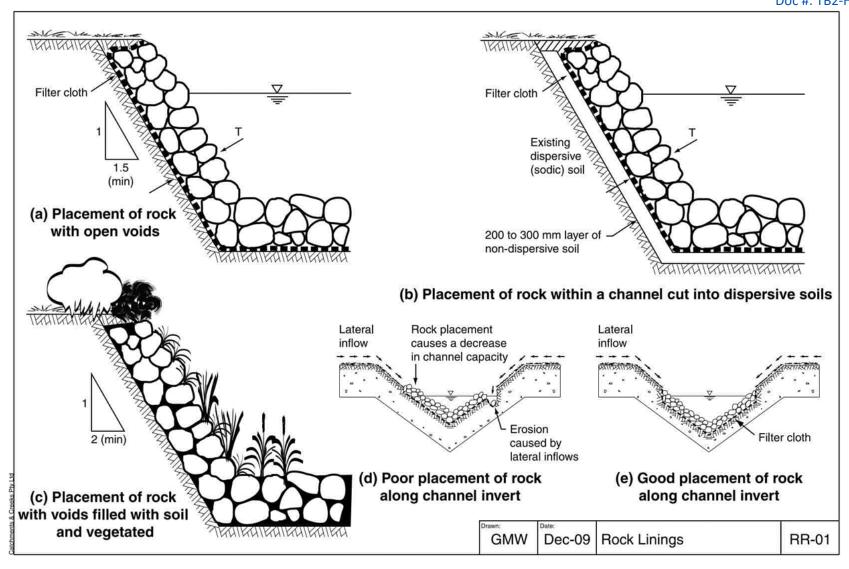


Figure 1 - Minimum dimensional requirements of a grassed buffer zone

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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.

- IF DETAILS ARE NOT PROVIDED ON THE OVERLAPPING THE EXISTING FABRIC A ROCK PLACEMENT, THEN THE PRIMARY ARMOUR ROCK MUST BE EITHER PLACED
- (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 OVER 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

MINIMUM OF 300mm.

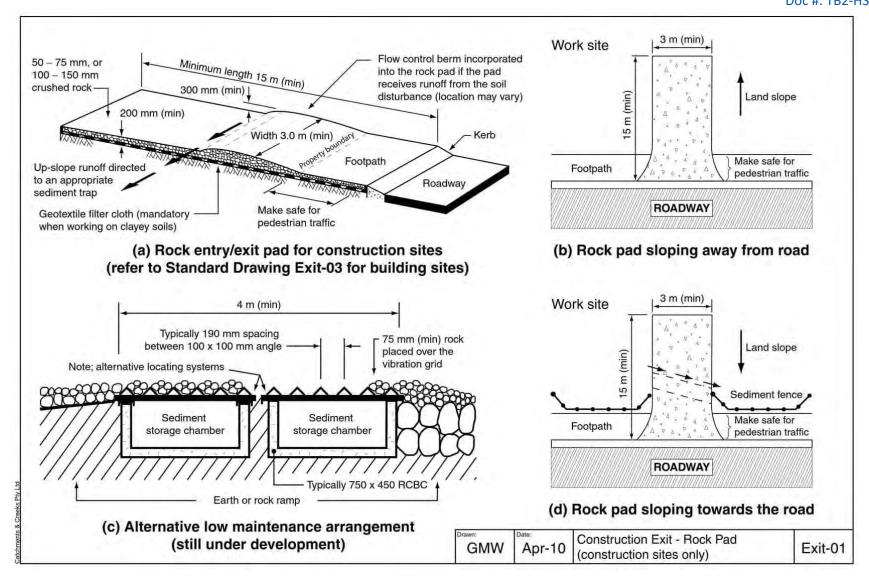
- 9. WHERE NECESSARY, A MINIMUM 100mm LAYER OF FINE GRAVEL, AGGREGATE OR SAND SHOULD BE PLACED OVER THE FABRIC TO PROTECT IT FROM DAMAGE.
- 10. PLACEMENT OF ROCK SHOULD FOLLOW IMMEDIATELY AFTER PLACEMENT OF THE FILTER LAYER. PLACE ROCK SO THAT IT FORMS A DENSE, WELL-GRADED MASS OF ROCK WITH A MINIMUM 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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MATERIALS

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.

FOOTPATH STABILISING AGGREGATE: 25 TO 50mm GRAVEL OR AGGREGATE.

GEOTEXTILE FABRIC: HEAVY-DUTY, NEEDLE-PUNCHED, NON-WOVEN FILTER CLOTH ('BIDIM' A24 OR EQUIVALENT).

INSTALLATION

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

- 4. PLACE THE ROCK PAD FORMING A MINIMUM 200mm THICK LAYER OF CLEAN, OPEN-VOID ROCK.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.

MAINTENANCE

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 5. ENSURE ANY ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE CONTROL MEASURES (e.g. FLOW CONTROL BERM) ARE MAINTAINED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR DESIRED OPERATIONAL CONDITIONS.

6. DISPOSE OF SEDIMENT AND DEBRIS IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT CREATE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.

REMOVAL

- THE ROCK PAD SHOULD BE REMOVED ONLY AFTER IT IS NO LONGER NEEDED AS A SEDIMENT TRAP.
- 2. REMOVE MATERIALS AND COLLECTED SEDIMENT AND DISPOSE OF IN A SUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL NOT CAUSE AN EROSION OR POLLUTION HAZARD.
- 3. RE-GRADE AND STABILISE THE DISTURBED GROUND AS NECESSARY TO MINIMISE THE EROSION HAZARD.

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APPLICATION

- 1. REFER TO APPROVED PLANS FOR LOCATION, EXTENT, AND APPLICATION DETAILS. IF THERE ARE AREA PRIOR TO FORECAST 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 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.

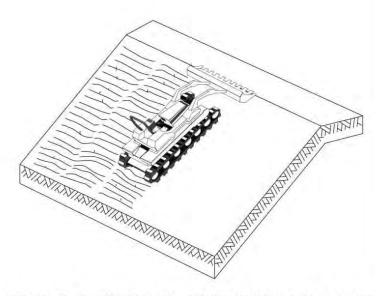


Figure 1 - Application of surface roughening on slope

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Appendix O Table 4.4.7 IECA best practice land clearing and rehabilitation requirements

Risk ¹	Best practice requirements
All cases	 All reasonable and practicable steps taken to apply best practice erosion control measures to completed earth works, or otherwise stabilise such works, prior to anticipated rainfall – including existing unstable, undisturbed, soil surfaces under the management or control of the building/construction works.
Very low	 Land clearing limited to 8 weeks of work if rainfall is reasonably possible. Disturbed soil surfaces stabilised with minimum 60% cover^[2] within 30 days of completion of works if rainfall is reasonably possible. Unfinished earthworks are suitably stabilised if rainfall is reasonably possible, and disturbance is expected to be suspended for a period exceeding 30 days.
Low	 Land clearing limited to maximum 8 weeks of work. Disturbed soil surfaces stabilised with minimum 70% cover^[2] within 30 days of completion of works within any area of a work site. Unfinished earthworks are suitably stabilised if rainfall is reasonably possible and disturbance is expected to be suspended for a period exceeding 30 days. Appropriate protection of all planned garden beds is strongly recommended.
Moderate	 Land clearing limited to a maximum 6 weeks of work. Disturbed soil surfaces stabilised with minimum 70% cover^[2] within 20 days of completion of work within any area of a work site. All planned garden beds protected with a minimum 75mm layer of organic <i>Mulching</i>, heavy <i>Erosion Control Blanket</i>, <i>Rock Mulching</i>, or the equivalent. Staged construction and stabilisation of earth batters (steeper than 6H:1V) in maximum 3m vertical increments wherever reasonable and practicable. The use of turf to form grassed surfaces given appropriate consideration. Soil stockpiles and unfinished earthworks are suitably stabilised if disturbance is expected to be suspended for a period exceeding 10 days.



Risk ¹	Best practice requirements
High	Land clearing limited to a maximum 4 weeks of work.
	Disturbed soil surface stabilised with minimum 75% cover ^[2] within 10 days of completion of works within any area of a work site.
	 All planned garden beds protected with a minimum 75mm layer of organic Mulching, heavy Erosion Control Blanket, Rock Mulching, or the equivalent.
	Staged construction and stabilisation of earth batters (steeper than 6H:1V) in maximum 3m vertical increments wherever reasonable and practicable.
	The use of turf to form grassed surfaces given appropriate consideration.
	Soil stockpiles and unfinished earthworks are suitably stabilised if disturbance is expected to be suspended for a period exceeding 10 days.
Extreme	Land clearing limited to maximum 2 weeks of work.
	Disturbed soil surfaces stabilised with minimum 80% cover ^[2] within 5 days of completion of works within any area of a work site.
	All planned garden beds protected with a minimum 75mm layer of organic Mulching, heavy Erosion Control Blanket, Rock Mulching, or the equivalent.
	Staged construction and stabilisation of earth batters (steeper than 6H:1V) in maximum 2m vertical increments wherever reasonable and practicable.
	High priority given to the use of turf to form grassed surfaces.
	Soil stockpiles and unfinished earthworks are suitably stabilised if disturbance is expected to be suspended for a period exceeding 5 days.

- 1. Erosion risk based on monthly erosivity (Table 4.4.1), average monthly rainfall depth (Table 4.4.2), or soil loss rate (Table 4.4.3) as directed by the regulatory authority.
- 2. Minimum cover requirements may be redirected if the natural cover of the immediate land is less than the nominated value, for example in arid and semi-arid areas or on coastal sand dunes.



Appendix P Erosion and sediment control treatment – seismic lines

Blade up erosion controls

Figure 1 shows the condition of land following blade up traverse of survey area. No treatment required.



Figure 1 Typical condition 'blade up' treatment

Surface bladed by grader (including woodland areas)

Erosion control treatments as follows:

- A diversion bank shall be installed along sections of the survey lines where material has been stripped from the surface (refer Table 12).
- The bank shall be constructed as a cut and push operation. Lines shall be ripped across the area at a grade of 0.3%. A shallow channel should be cut along this line (approximately 0.6 metres deep). Excavated material is dumped on the down slope side of the channel then compacted and smoothed out to form a bank with even batters and a level top (refer Figure 2).
- To aid trafficability, an approach and departure ramp shall be shaped during construction of the bank.
- The bank should direct runoff into undisturbed vegetation or into an existing drain (care needs to taken to ensure that erosion does not occur where the water runs down into the drain).
- Ensure the diversion bank is not eroded by traffic.
- Undertake maintenance as necessary.

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Table 12: Bank spacing requirements (m)

Slope		Diversion bank spacing (m)
%	Gradient	
0.5	1:200	170-180
1	1:100	120-130
2	1:50	90-100
3	1:33	70-80
4	1:25	60-70
5	1:20	55-60
6	1:17	40-45

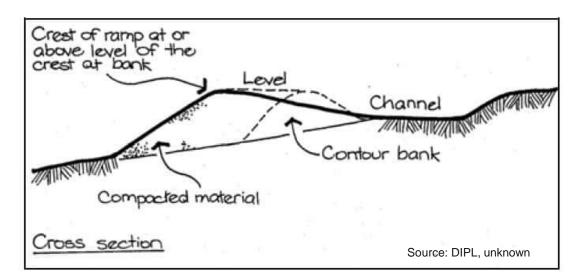


Figure 2 Whoa boys or roll over banks drawing

Woodland area erosion controls

Figure 3 shows the expected final rehabilitation treatment for woodland areas disturbed by the seismic survey activities. In the event of an expected significant rainfall event which will require the site to be abandoned, a similar treatment is to be adopted.

- Step 1. Respread windrowed topsoil of disturbed area and ripped into the soil surface.
- Step 2. Spread vegetation over top soiled area in an even layer.

Felled vegetation will be evenly spread over the top soiled area to provide additional protection against erosion.

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Figure 3 Treatment for woodland areas

Typical offlet drain detail of access tracks

Figure 4 shows the typical offlet drain and table drain block detail, which consists of the following actions:

- 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 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.
- 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.



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• Monitor road conditions to ensure deterioration does not occur. Assist in the maintenance and repair work on roads and tracks used.

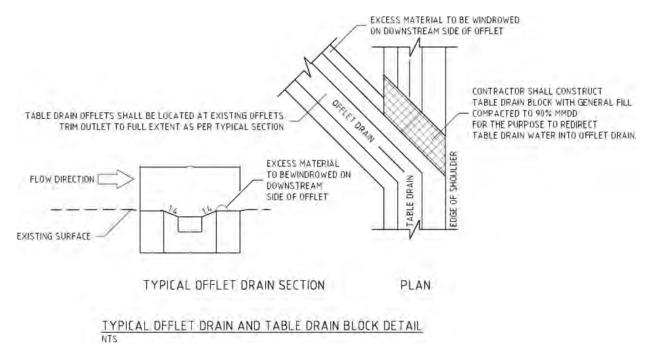


Figure 4 Typical offlet drain and table drain block diagram

Appendix G Methane Emissions Management Plan



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BEETALOO EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Methane Emission Management Plan

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Abbreviations

Acronym	Definition
API	American Petroleum Institute
CRDS	cavity ring-down spectrometer
EMP	Environment Management Plan
EP	Exploration Permit
E&A	Exploration and appraisal
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
m	metres
mm	millimetres
MEMP	Methane Emissions Management Plan
N/A	not applicable
NORSOK	Standards Norway (originally "the Norwegian shelf's competitive position")
ppb	parts per billion
ppm	parts per million
REC	reduced emission completions
SPCF	Sturt Plateau Compression Facility
US EPA	United States Environment Protection Authority



1 Purpose

This Methane Emissions Management Plan (MEMP) is designed to outline the measures as to how the risks of methane emissions associated with Tamboran B2 Pty Ltd's (Tamboran) Beetaloo Basin exploration and appraisal (E&A) activities will be managed. This Plan has been developed in accordance with the *Code of Practice for Petroleum Activities in the Northern Territory* ("the Code").

2 Key Legislation

Key legislation and documents referred to in the development of this plan are provided below. A full list of applicable legislation is provided in the corresponding Environment Management Plan (EMP) for each E&A activity.

- 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 covered by this MEMP are summarised in Table 1. These activities are restricted to Tamboran's E&A activities within exploration permit (EP) areas EP 76, EP 98 and EP 117. This includes the construction and operation of the temporary Sturt Plateau Compression Facility (SPCF), which will enable appraisal gas to be beneficially used rather than flared. The MEMP does not cover any permanent 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 gas within intersected shales brought to surface.	 Drilling is overbalanced, preventing gas influx into well bore. Shale formations have negligible permeability with limited influx of gas from target formations. 	 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 gas to surface.	Well is kept overbalanced to prevent gas influx during and after stimulation. Flowback kept within	N/A
		 Flowback kept within the formation after each stage. 	



Activity	Emission description	Controls	Emission monitoring
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. 	 Well heads are designed in accordance with the Code 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. 	 Personal gas detector during well testing activities. All flared gas measured using flow meters.
Well testing – extended appraisal	 Well continues to flow gas and minor quantities of fluids to surface. All fluids and gas diverted through a separator and into the gathering network to the SPCF. Small volumes (kg/day) of methane is entrained within flowback fluid and will be released to atmosphere via high point vents in water lines. 	 Well heads and gathering network are designed in accordance with the Code and API standards to minimise loss of methane containment. Gathering line commissioning to include pressure testing (hydrotesting). 	Personal gas detector during well testing activities.
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. Routine wellhead maintenance as per the Integrity Management System. Each well and equipment on the well pad to be inspected every 6 months for leaks using the US EPA Method 21 compliance technique. 	 Personal gas detector during well testing activities. 6 monthly leak detection.



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4 Equipment Selection and Activity Design

The uncontrolled emissions of natural gas during exploration and appraisal activities represents a potential hazard to workers and the environment. All equipment will be selected to minimise emissions during exploration and appraisal 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
- The SPCF shall be designed to mitigate leaks in accordance with the relevant standards. These Standards include (but are not limited to):
 - ISO 13631 (Petroleum and natural gas industries Packaged reciprocating gas compressors),
 - AS 3814 (Industrial and commercial gas-fired appliances)
 - AS 5601 (Gas Installations)
- The SPCF will be designed using low emission technology in accordance with the Code, including consideration of low emission compressor rod packing seals and the mandatory use of instrument air powered pneumatic pumps, instrumentation and valves.
- Leak detection for exploration and appraisal activities will be implemented consistent with the relevant Codes of Practice.
- Ongoing well maintenance as per the Well Operations Management Plan.
- Ongoing SPCF maintenance as per the planned maintenance schedule.

5 Emissions Reduction During Appraisal Activities

5.1 Reduced emission completion

Reduced emission completions (REC) shall be used to minimize the amount of venting from each well during exploration and initial appraisal activities, until such time as the SPCF is constructed and commissioned. A REC for the purpose of the Beetaloo exploration and appraisal activities consists of is a separator equipped with a flare. Venting shall only be used where capture or flaring is not possible.

5.2 Extended appraisal

Each E&A well drilled and stimulated on the Shenandoah S2 and Kyalla 117 N2 pads will be put into extended appraisal for a period of up to 36 months. The implementation of the SPCF will enable the extended appraisal gas to be beneficially used rather than flared. The operation of the SPCF will itself result in a significant reduction in Scope 1 greenhouse gas emissions from Tamboran's E&A activities.

The SPCF will compress and dehydrate appraisal gas prior to it being discharged into the proposed Sturt Plateau Pipeline to feed into the AGP for use in the domestic gas market. Following completion of the SPCF, routine flaring of appraisal gas will not be required during SPCF operations. Flaring will only occur during initial plant commissioning, plant breakdowns, emergency situations, and during maintenance. Where extended periods of flaring would otherwise be required due to maintenance or extended plant breakdown, wells will be shut in to reduce the requirement to flare gas.

6 Leak Detection Inspections

A range of leak inspection programs will be implemented during the E&P activities to ensure to integrity and prevent methane leaks, as detailed in Table 2.

Table 2: Leak detection program

Monitoring program	Monitoring methodology	Frequency
Gathering line commissioning	Pressure testing (hydrotesting) of pipeline integrity	During commissioning (i.e. prior to gas being introduced into pipeline)



Monitoring program	Monitoring methodology	Frequency
SCFC commissioning	Pressure testing (hydrotesting) of component integrity	During commissioning (i.e. prior to commencement of gas processing)
Routine operational inspections	Calibrated personal gas detector	During each operational visit
Routine SPCF operations	Gas leak detection system	Ongoing
Mandatory inspections	US EPA Method 21	Quarterly (SPCF)
		6-monthly (well pad equipment)
		Quarterly (low pressure gathering line)

7 Mandatory Inspection Monitoring Methodology

Mandatory inspections will be completed on all surface infrastructure (vents, flanges, valves, connections, drains, pressure relief vents, etc.) in accordance with the US EPA Method 21 requirements or using 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 50 ppm.
- A vehicle mounted CRDS detectors shall have a 10 parts per billion (ppb) minimum detection accuracy with an accuracy of +/- 10 ppb.
- 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 10 ppm 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 500 ppm at the surface of a piece of infrastructure, the leak is to be measured again at 150 mm 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 CSRDS 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 pinpoint leaks. The following procedure shall be followed when conducting vehicle mounted CRDS inspections:

- 1. The vehicle shall be driven within 20 m up and downwind of the infrastructure at a speed below 20 km/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 20 m 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 5 ppm above background, a method 21 inspection shall be undertaken.
- 5. Where enrichment is recorded below 5 ppm, the infrastructure has no material leaks present.

8 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 section 7.4.1 above.



Table 3: Leak classification and remediation summary

Classification	Threshold	Response	Notification	Comments
Minor Leak	>500 ppm measured at the surface of the component in accordance with section 7.4.1.	All minor leaks must be documented and repaired as soon as practicable, but within 30 days. Where 30 days in 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	>5000 ppm (or 10% of the Lower Explosive Limit) when measured at 150 mm above the leak source. Or A Liquid Petroleum (condensate/oil) loss of containment that exceeds 200 L. Or The leak is too large or not safe to measure.	 The activities safety management plan, risk assessment and emergency response requirements must be followed. 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. 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. The leak shall be repaired or made safe as soon as practicable, as follows: the leak must be isolated, repaired if possible, contained or otherwise made safe within 72 hours. Where isolation and repair are not possible, an exclusion zone must be established around the leak and 	In the case of an emergency, DPIR must be notified within 24 hours via the emergency response hotline number 1300 935 250. 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. The landowner or occupier of the property in which these leaks are occurring must be notified in the following circumstances: i) if the leak cannot be repaired immediately; and ii) if the leak is likely to affect any of the landowners or occupiers'	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.

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Classification Threshold	Response	Notification	Comments
	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. 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 (e.g. ensuring an appropriate exclusion zone has been implemented). 6. For leaks identified on well equipment, gathering lines and SPCF equipment, higher order controls such as containment by repair must be implemented wherever possible. 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 landholder/community concerns in relation to the leak.	facilities or activities. 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. 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.	

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9 Reporting

9.1 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 outlined under the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting (Measurement) Determination 2008. This includes:

- Leaks, venting and flaring during flowback activities.
- Equipment blowdowns, system upsets and accidental releases.

9.2 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; and
 - 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,
 - iv. including the date of identification and repair for each leak and those leaks that
 - v. could not be repaired; and
 - vi. 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.