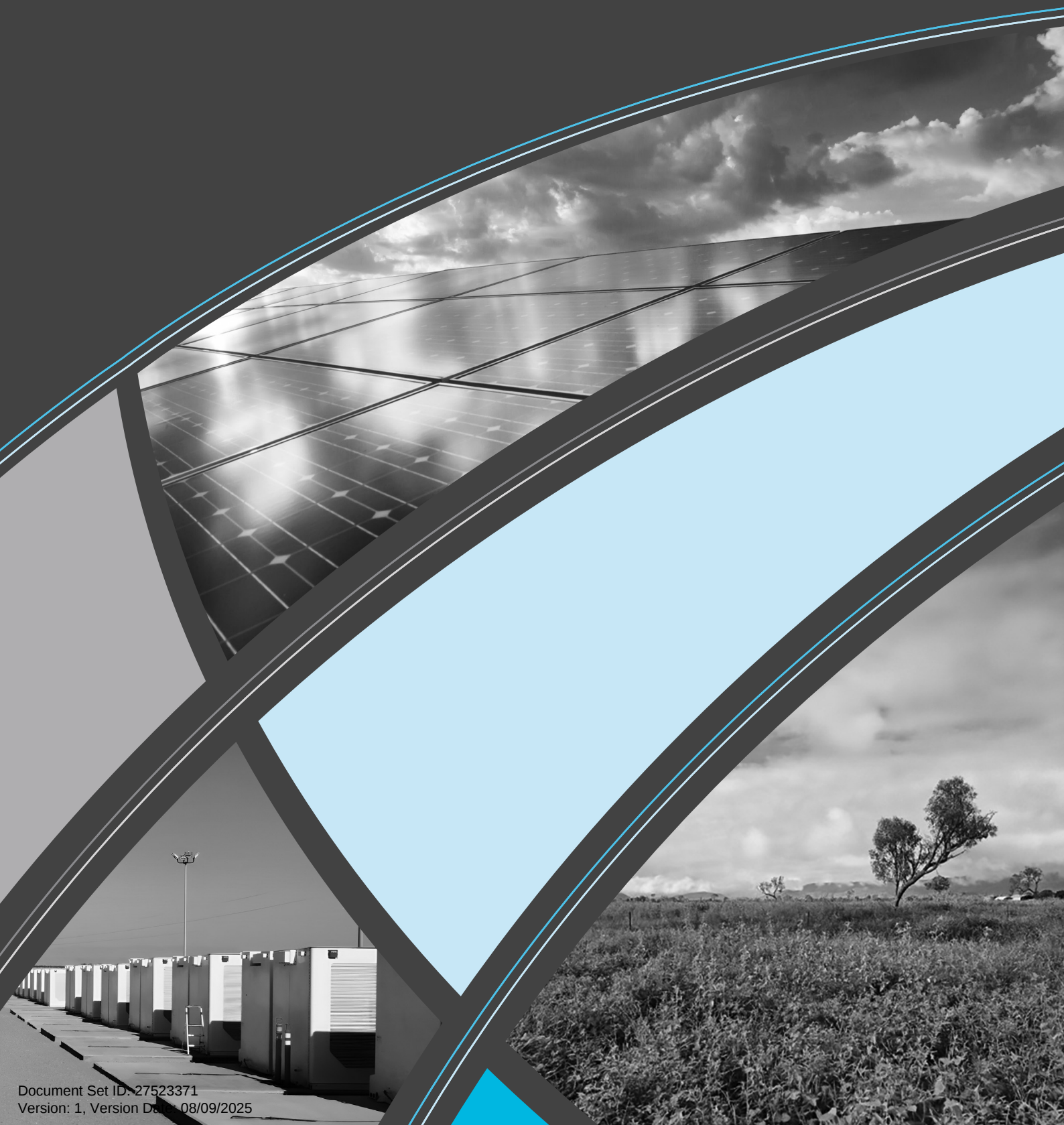


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Noise impact assessment



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Executive Summary

Solquartz, a wholly owned portfolio company of funds managed by Quinbrook Infrastructure Partners (Quinbrook), and Private Energy Partners Pty Ltd (PEP), an affiliate enterprise of Quinbrook and Quinbrook's dedicated development, delivery and operations service provider, are proposing to develop a BESS, substation and transmission lines to facilitate electricity supply for future Metallurgical Silicon (MG-Si) and Polysilicon (Poly-Si) manufacturing facilities as part of the broader Northern Quartz Campus (NQC) project (prescribed project).

To support the overall program delivery, various components were defined and broken into a four package delivery based on project schedule drivers, investor confidence, and risk profiles:

1. BESS, transmission line and NQC substation (assessed within this impact assessment)
2. Biochar processing facility (Phase 1) (to be assessed within a future application to TCC)
3. A Metallurgical Silicon (MG-Si) plant and Biochar processing facility (Phase 2) (to be assessed within a future application to TCC)
4. Polysilicon plant (to be assessed within a future application to TCC).

This impact assessment accompanies the development application for Package 1 BESS, transmission line and substation (the Project). The Project involves the construction, operation and maintenance of up to 780 MW BESS and substation facility which will be supported by enabling infrastructure including roads, parking, switchgear, transformers, site offices and onsite storage areas. A 275 kV transmission line is proposed between the NQC substation and the Powerlink Calcium substation, the length of this transmission line is 2658 m and includes 21 transmission towers. The Powerlink Calcium substation does not form part of this assessment though the connection of the transmission lines into it does. The BESS is expected to run 24 hours, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

This Noise Impact Assessment (NIA) has been prepared by EMM as part of the Project's Development Application. The NIA assesses the potential noise and vibration impacts from the construction and operation of the Project in accordance with the with relevant guidelines and standards.

Baseline background noise monitoring was undertaken to establish existing ambient noise levels in the absence of construction and operational activities. This data provides a reference point against which potential noise impacts from the proposed works can be assessed. The monitoring was carried out in accordance with relevant guidelines and standards to ensure the accuracy and reliability of the collected data.

Noise modelling was undertaken using SoundPLAN 3D modelling software (Version 9.1), to predict noise emissions from the construction and operation of the Project.

Noise from construction of the Project was predicted to exceed noise objectives at four nearby sensitive receptors prior to adoption of mitigation measures.

The road traffic noise associated with the construction of the Project was predicted to comply with the project specific road traffic noise objectives at all sensitive receptors

Noise modelling predictions indicated adverse impacts during the operation of the Project at surrounding sensitive receptors during the night-time period at three nearby sensitive receptors.

No construction and operational vibration impacts are anticipated given the distance between the nearest sensitive receivers to the Project.

All reasonable and feasible mitigation strategies to minimise construction and operational noise and vibration impacts are presented in Section 8.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Background

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The premises which form the development application is on part of Lot 19 SP321818 and part of Lot 87 on RP911426, near Woodstock in TCC local government area. The development includes the proposed overhead transmission line which traverses south along the western edge of the project premises and connect into the future Powerlink Calcium substation.

1.2 Report purpose and assessment requirements

This Noise Impact Assessment (NIA) supports the development application for Package 1 of the NQC. It documents the existing environment, applicable impact assessment criteria, and sources of noise. The assessment is demonstrated through noise modelling of the Project's associated operational, construction, and traffic activities, and evaluates these impacts relative to criteria.

This NIA has been prepared with the specific objectives to:

- model the noise emissions of the proposed operational and construction impacts for the development.
- assess road traffic noise as a result of construction and operational related vehicles on public roads.
- discuss compliance against relevant criteria and provide noise mitigation measures where relevant.

This NIA has been prepared in general accordance with the guidelines specified in:

- Australian Standards *AS 1055.2018 Acoustics - Description and measurement of environmental noise*
- DES 2020, *ESR/2015/1838 - Application requirements for activities with noise impacts*
- DES 2020, *Noise Measurement Manual, 2020 (NMM)*
- DESI 2024, *ESR/2020/5305 – Noise and vibration—EIS information guideline*
- DTMR 2023, *Transport Noise Management Code of Practice: Volume 2 – Construction Noise and Vibration*
- Environmental Protection Policy (Noise), 2019 (EPP)
- Environmental Protection Regulation, 2019 (EPR)
- NSW EPA (2017), *Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI)*
- QLD Environmental Protection Act, 1994 (EP Act)
- *Vegetation Management Act 1999 (Qld)*.

1.3 Scope of works

The scope of work undertaken by EMM for this assessment is summarised below:

Baseline noise monitoring

- Initial desktop review to identify the study area for the assessment and the key noise-sensitive receptors within approximately 4 km of the Project site.
- Desktop review of the surrounding environment using aerial imagery to identify existing or potential noise-sensitive receptors.
- Review of information provided by the client detailing the proposed construction staging, equipment, traffic generation, and operational activities.
- Site survey to confirm noise monitoring locations. Unattended noise monitoring was conducted for a minimum period of one week at two locations representative of the local environment (e.g. nearest residential dwellings) to determine background noise levels at the nearest sensitive receptors.
- Assessment and filtering of invalid noise data due to extraneous noise or adverse weather conditions.

Construction noise impact assessment

- Develop construction scenarios based on construction staging and duration.
- Determine project noise criteria for the key sensitive receptors in the study area based on the relevant noise guidelines.
- Develop a 3D construction noise model to predict impacts at the identified sensitive receptors for each construction scenario.
- Assess predicted noise levels against the relevant construction noise criteria.
- Provide reasonable and feasible noise management and mitigation measures to minimise impacts on the community.
- Assess noise associated with increased road traffic on nominated traffic routes for all construction stages. Recommend mitigation measures, where required, to manage traffic noise impacts.
- Provide in-principle, reasonable, and feasible noise mitigation measures to reduce noise levels to compliant levels, if required.

Operational noise impact assessment

- Review design details and assumptions provided for noise-generating equipment, including any built-in attenuation measures.
- Determine project noise criteria for the key sensitive receptors in the study area based on the relevant noise guidelines.
- Develop a 3D noise model incorporating all key project noise sources, based on provided noise source data and drawings (as agreed).
- Predict noise levels at key sensitive receptors, including consideration of background noise creep, sleep disturbance, and traffic noise.

- Compare predicted operational noise levels with the project noise criteria and identify any exceedances.
- Assess noise impacts associated with increased road traffic from operational deliveries and maintenance staff on nominated traffic routes.
- Where project noise criteria are exceeded, identify feasible and reasonable noise mitigation measures.

1.4 Assumptions and exclusions

The following assumptions and exclusions were relied upon in preparation of the NIA:

- Sensitive receptors were identified using aerial photography and land use planning and may not include all existing or future receptors in the Project area, but are considered representative of receptors.
- Key construction scenarios have been considered in this assessment. Assumed equipment scenarios and noise levels are provided in Section 7.
- Construction noise is assessed assuming that each piece of construction equipment is operating concurrently for each scenario.
- Construction plant and equipment is assumed to operate at maximum sound power.
- Sound power levels for all fixed plant operating onsite were obtained from manufacturer data wherever possible. Where this was not possible, sound power levels were sourced from EMM's database of equivalent equipment unit sizes.
- Given the constant nature of the fixed plant noise sources, it has been assumed that L_{eq} values are equivalent to L_{max} levels, therefore assessment of sleep disturbance impacts was not required.
- All fixed BESS plant items are assumed to operate at 100 % duty load. BESS units are expected to run simultaneously and complete one charge and discharge operation per day per unit.
- All fixed BESS units have been modelled at the 480 minute charge cycle point. This was assessed to be the worst case emission scenario.
- All fixed BESS plant items are assumed to operate 24 hours per day.
- All fixed BESS plant items were modelled as individual industrial buildings and point sources, appropriately accounting for unit height, source directivity, and 1/3 octave-band sound power levels to enable a robust assessment of potential annoying noise characteristics.
- Due to the substantial source-to-receptor distance (598 m to the nearest sensitive receptor), vibration impacts are expected to be negligible and have therefore not been assessed as part of this assessment.

1.5 Key Terminology

Some definitions of terms and abbreviations which may be used in this report are provided in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1 Terminology and abbreviations

Term/descriptor	Definition
dB(A)	Noise level measurement units are decibels (dB). The “A” weighting scale is used to approximate how humans hear noise.
L _{Amax}	The maximum root mean squared A-weighted noise level over a time period.
L _{A1}	The A-weighted noise level which is exceeded for 1% of the time.
L _{AX,1hour}	The A-weighted noise level which is exceeded for X% of the specified time period of one hour.
L _{A10}	The A-weighted noise level which is exceeded for 10% of the time.
L _{Aeq}	The energy average A-weighted noise level.
L _{A90}	The A-weighted noise level exceeded for 90% of the time, also referred to as the “background” noise level and commonly used to derive noise limits.
L _{Amin}	The minimum A-weighted noise level over a time period.
L _{Ceq}	The energy average C-weighted noise energy during a measurement period. The “C” weighting scale is used to take into account low-frequency components of noise within the audibility range of humans.
Hertz (Hz)	The frequency of fluctuations in pressure, measured in cycles per second. Most sounds are a combination of many frequencies together.
AWS	Automatic weather station used to collect meteorological data, typically at an altitude of 10 m
Day	Means the period after 7:00 am on a day to 6:00 pm on the day.
Evening	Means the period after 6:00 pm on a day to 10:00 pm on the day.
Night	Means the period after 10:00 pm on a day to 10:00 pm on the next day.
The Project	Relating to the total project encompassing all four packages of development stages of the Northern Quartz Campus.
BESS	Battery Energy Storage Solution. Typically discussed in units or as a facility.
PCU	Power Conversion Unit
LEIP	Lansdown Eco-Industrial Precinct
SWL	Sound Power Level, typically depicted as dB or dB(A)

2 Project description

2.1 Overview

The development site is at 132 Bidwilli Road, Calcium Townsville, approximately 40 km south of Townsville within the LEIP (Figure 2.1 and Figure 2.2). The Project is proposed to be located centrally on part of Lot 19 on SP321818 and part of Lot 87 on RP911426.

The development involves the construction and operation of a 780 MW BESS and substation facility which will be supported by enabling infrastructure including roads, parking, switchgear, transformers, site offices and onsite storage areas. The BESS will provide firming for the electricity supply provided to the MG-Si and Poly-Si manufacturing facilities as part of the larger NQC project. A 275 kV transmission line is proposed between the NQC substation and the Powerlink Calcium substation, the length of this transmission line is 2658 m and includes 21 transmission towers. The Powerlink Calcium substation does not form part of this application though the connection of the transmission lines into it does.

Access to the premises during both construction and operation phases will be via the northern LEIP access intersection point which includes Flinders Highway via Glenn Road and Jones Road. The proposed site access on Bidwilli Road will act as a new left-in/right-out driveway as all vehicles will arrive and depart from/to the north. This access will be used during construction and operation.

The BESS components are full encased within a battery storage container similar to a shipping container, with approximate dimensions of 2.4 m wide, 6.1 m long, and 2.9 m high. The dimensions and number of containerised batteries is subject to the choice of provider.

The BESS will link in with the NQC substation, which will include equipment such as switchgear and circuit breakers, protection and control systems and metering and communication systems. The proposed design includes 2 x 2.6 km 275 kV double circuit overhead transmission powerlines between the NQC substation and Calcium substation. The transmission line is proposed to be above ground within the proposed easement with a minimum width of 100 m. The transmission line includes 21 lattice towers standing at a height of 51.1 m and a connection span length of 300 m maximum.

2.2 Site description

The land within, and immediately adjacent to, the Project is predominately rural and agricultural, currently used for fodder crops and cattle grazing. Ambient noise levels would be controlled by natural elements and limited human activity. Limited localised mounds and hills surrounding the Project area provide minimal acoustic shielding between the Project and nearby sensitive receptors. There are 108 non-associated receptors within 4 km of the study area, generally localised in the township of Woodstock and along Flinders Highway.

Much of the land the Project is located on has been cleared of vegetation and is dominated by grasses, grazed grassy land, and some non-remnant vegetation in the northern section. The Project encompasses one homestead, approximately 20 m west of the proposed BESS. This homestead will be removed in the construction of the BESS. There are no waterways within the premises. Four Mile Creek is approximately 200 m south of the premises and considered as “least concern – Remnant” in accordance with the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* (Qld) status.

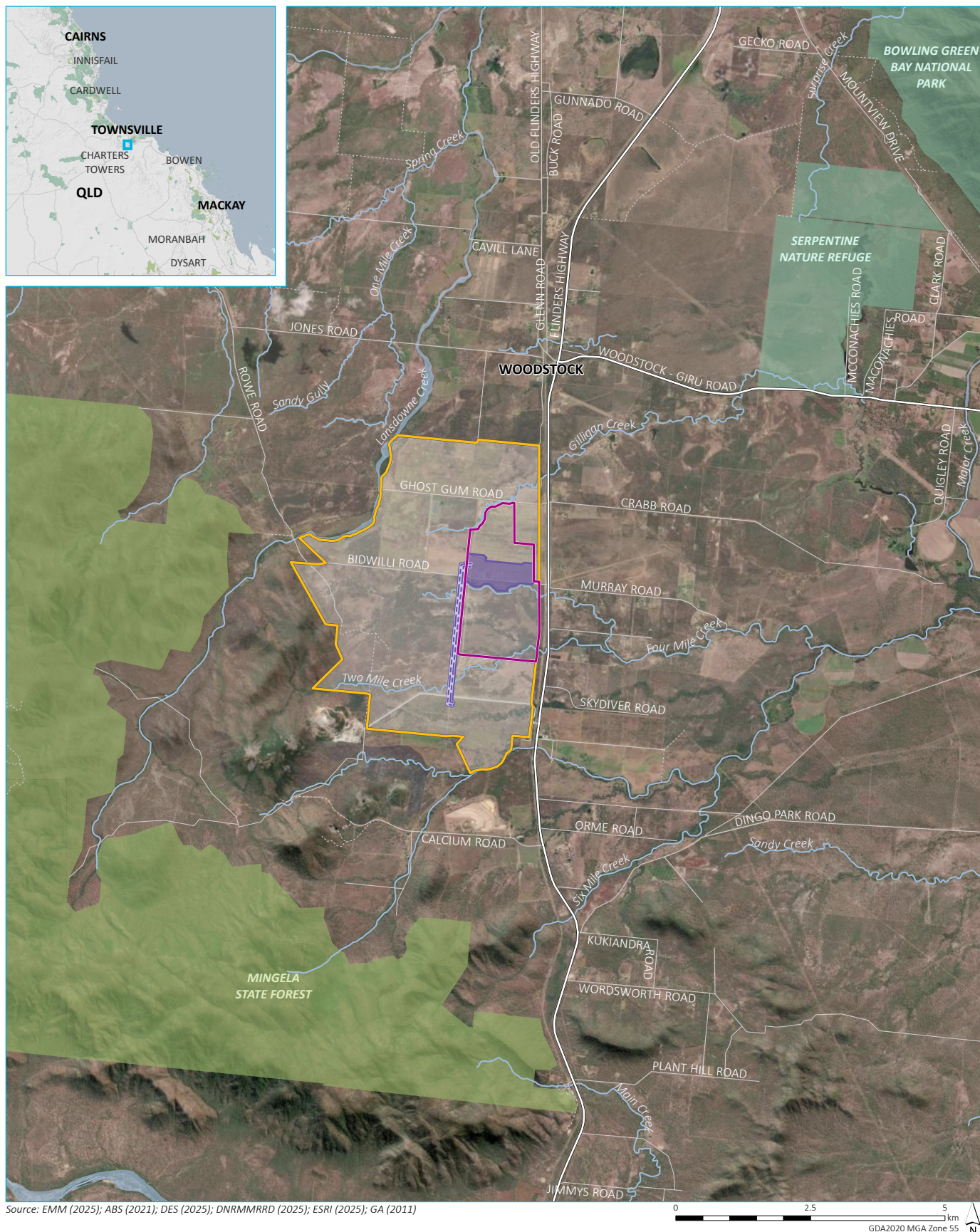
2.3 Hours of operation

2.3.1 Proposed operational hours

The BESS facility is expected to operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year.

2.3.2 Proposed construction hours

Construction activities are proposed to occur Monday to Saturday, between 6:30 am and 6:30 pm. Audible building works will not be permitted outside these hours.

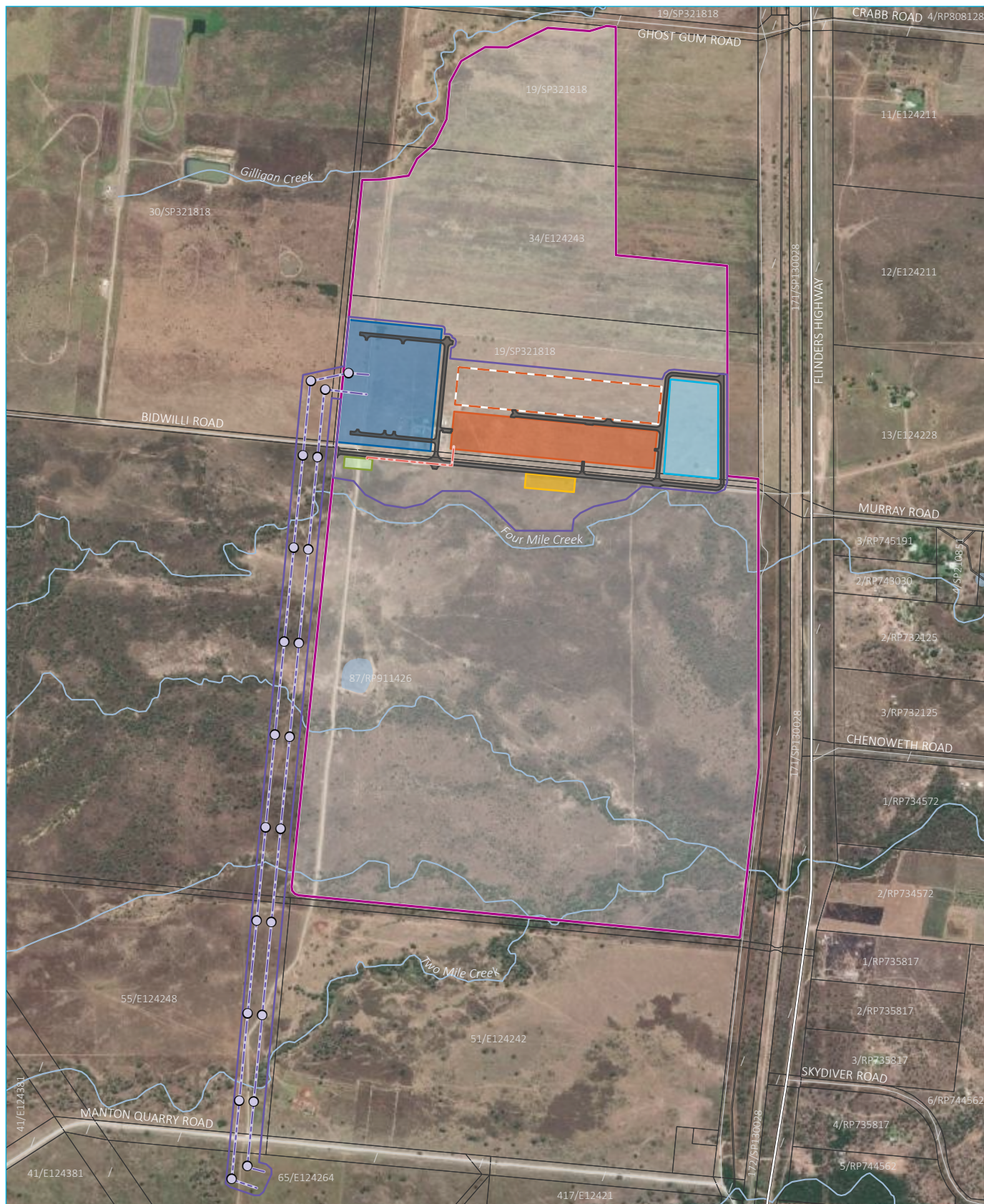


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| Lansdown Eco-Industrial Precinct | Existing environment |
| Northern Quartz Campus | Major road |
| Package 1- Premises | Minor road |
| Package 1- Transmission line | Vehicular track |
| | Named watercourse |
| | Named waterbody |
| | National park/nature reserve |
| | State forest |

Regional context

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1- BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure 2.1



Source: EMM (2025); DES (2025); DNRMMRRD (2025); ESRI (2025); GA (2011)

KEY

 Northern Quartz Campus	 Package 1 proposed site layout	 Fire water pipeline
 Package 1- Premises	 BESS	 Transmission line
Existing environment	 BESS expansion area	 Transmission pole
 Major road	 Substation	
 Minor road	 Construction laydown area	
 Watercourse/drainage line	 Water management area	
 Waterbody	 Fire water pad	
 Cadastral boundary	 Internal road	

Development site

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1- BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure 2.2

3 Sensitive receptors

There are five isolated residences within 1 km of the BESS boundary. The nearest residence is located 598 m to the east of the premises, across Flinders Highway.

Woodstock State School, CWA Hall and Donnington Airpark are located approximately 3.4 km, 3.6 km, and 3.1 km north of the BESS respectively. Manton Cemetery is located approximately 2.1 km south of the BESS. Sensitive receptor details are provided in Table 3.1 with locations shown in Figure 3.1.

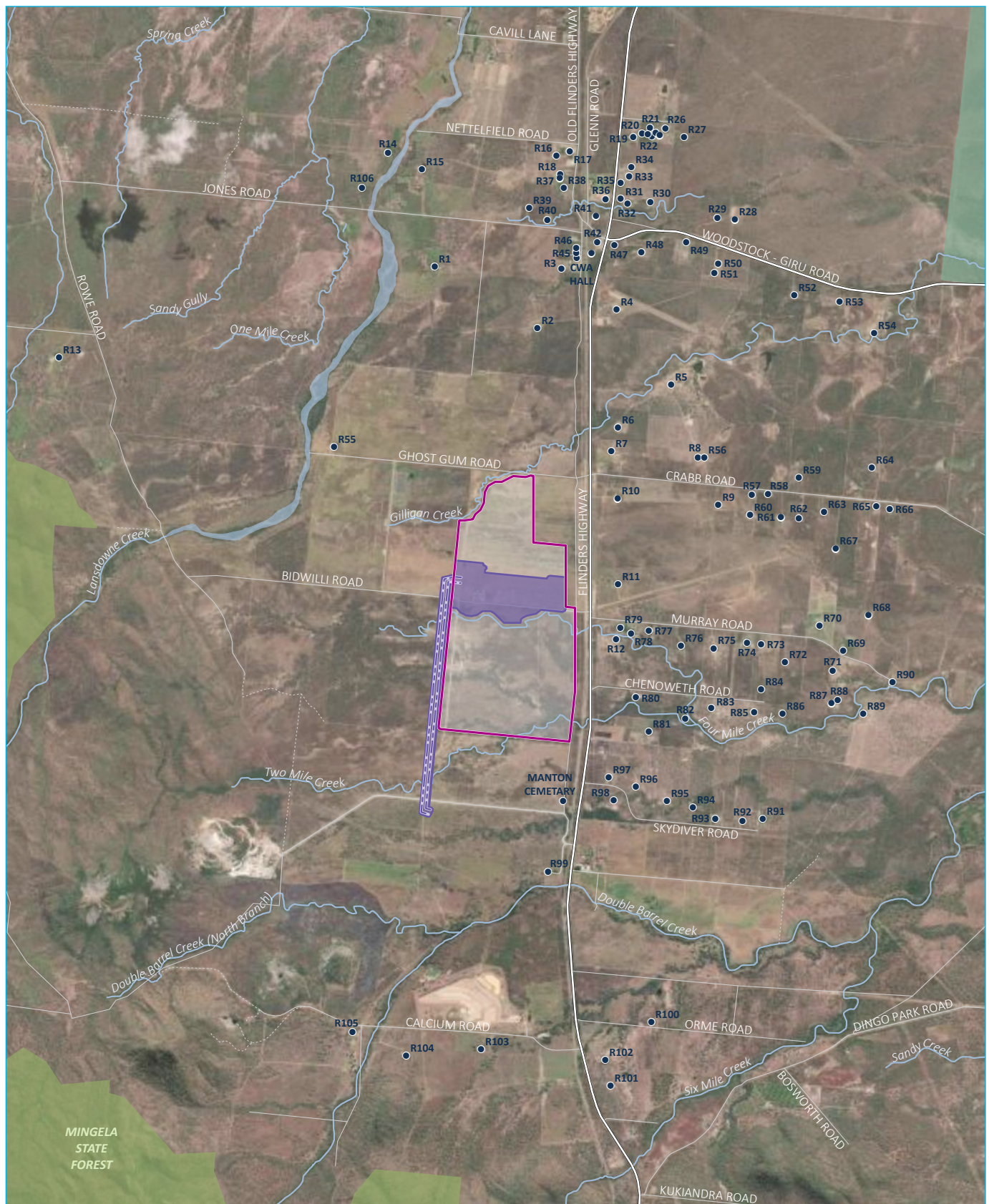
Table 3.1 Sensitive receptor assessment locations

Receptor no.	Receptor address	Receptor type	Coordinates (MGA 55)		Approximate distance to BESS boundary (m)
			Easting	Northing	
R1	105 Jones Road, Woodstock	Residential	481136	7833043	3319
R2	112 Woodstock Avenue, Woodstock	Residential	482274	7832361	2704
R3	Woodstock State School, Woodstock	Educational	482542	7833016	3403
R4	3467 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Commercial	483153	7832565	3149
R5	3597 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Residential	483757	7831735	2562
R6	3599 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Residential	483167	7831258	1888
R7	7 Crabb Road, Woodstock	Residential	483095	7830998	1619
R8	129 Crabb Road, Woodstock	Residential	484055	7830928	2087
R9	140 Crabb Road, Woodstock	Residential	484280	7830400	1951
R10	3663 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Residential	483164	7830468	1167
R11	3787 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Residential	483169	7829523	598
R12	3821 Flinders Highway, Woodstock	Residential	483147	7828907	661
R13	791 Rowe Road, Woodstock	Residential	476970	7832037	4998
R14	179 Nettlefields Rd, Woodstock	Residential	480617	7834304	4637
R15	147 Nettlefields Rd, Woodstock	Residential	480994	7834119	4404
R16	25 Nettlefields Rd, Woodstock	Residential	482484	7834272	4620
R17	107 Old Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482633	7834319	4694
R18	81 Old Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482527	7834069	4428
R19	124 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483337	7834479	5035
R20	132 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483434	7834519	5105
R21	142 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483523	7834582	5195
R22	148 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483544	7834490	5114
R23	148 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483500	7834512	5122
R24	150 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483586	7834526	5157
R25	156 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483630	7834499	5140

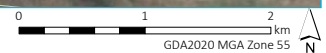
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			Easting	Northing	
R26	158 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483693	7834572	5225
R27	172 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483901	7834482	5187
R28	3420 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484465	7833563	4515
R29	3458 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484270	7833579	4451
R30	24 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483527	7833759	4395
R31	20 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483197	7833795	4344
R32	20 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483275	7833740	4320
R33	54 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483291	7834041	4607
R34	56 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483317	7834149	4718
R35	40 Field Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483198	7833973	4512
R36	30 Glenn Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483031	7833787	4281
R37	81 Old Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482523	7834023	4382
R38	73 Old Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482569	7833919	4288
R39	62 Jones Rd, Woodstock	Residential	482183	7833691	4000
R40	38 Jones Rd, Woodstock	Residential	482385	7833559	3900
R41	24 Old Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482924	7833603	4073
R42	3380 Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482938	7833310	3800
R43	3382 Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	482873	7833190	3666
R44	36 Woodstock Av, Woodstock	Residential	482707	7833212	3636
R45	38 Woodstock Av, Woodstock	Residential	482705	7833195	3619
R46	30 Woodstock Av, Woodstock	Residential	482706	7833249	3671
R47	3553 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483129	7833278	3837
R48	3555 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483427	7833201	3829
R49	3467 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483925	7833311	4075
R50	3433 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484279	7833076	3995
R51	3433 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484237	7832974	3885
R52	3341 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485124	7832728	4146

Receptor no.	Receptor address	Receptor type	Coordinates (MGA 55)		Approximate distance to BESS boundary (m)
			Easting	Northing	
R53	3291 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485624	7832655	4419
R54	3380 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	486008	7832307	4463
R55	3251 Woodstock - Giru Rd, Woodstock	Residential	480019	7831046	1909
R56	Landsdown 234 Bidwilli Rd, Calcium	Residential	484125	7830925	2136
R57	129 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484652	7830510	2332
R58	184 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484831	7830517	2495
R59	196 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485173	7830700	2883
R60	219 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484632	7830290	2222
R61	184 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484975	7830262	2534
R62	212 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485174	7830251	2719
R63	236 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485453	7830321	3007
R64	262 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485983	7830813	3670
R65	315 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	486032	7830383	3581
R66	320 Crabb Rd, Woodstock	Residential	486180	7830355	3717
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R74	188 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484598	7828869	2056
R75	178 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484230	7828809	1710
R76	134 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483867	7828839	1352
R77	96 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483509	7829003	963
R78	64 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483313	7828975	783
R79	46 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483195	7829039	651
R80	30 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483366	7828268	1248
R81	44 Chenoweth Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483509	7827882	1642
R82	3933 Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	483915	7828026	1805
R83	80 Chenoweth Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484203	7828144	1961

Receptor no.	Receptor address	Receptor type	Coordinates (MGA 55)		Approximate distance to BESS boundary (m)
			Easting	Northing	
R84	138 Chenoweth Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484755	7828353	2354
R85	188 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484678	7828098	2392
R86	170 Chenoweth Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484992	7828084	2679
R87	194 Chenoweth Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485536	7828199	3139
R88	240 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485605	7828232	3193
R89	240 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	485887	7828084	3507
R90	351 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	486212	7828434	3725
R91	Lamington Park 406 Murray Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484773	7826914	3196
R92	213 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484549	7826891	3063
R93	191 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	484247	7826920	2854
R94	163 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483999	7827044	2611
R95	133 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483710	7827115	2401
R96	109 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483365	7827273	2109
R97	59 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483066	7827375	1915
R98	29 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483120	7827122	2174
R99	22 Skydiver Rd, Woodstock	Residential	482392	7826326	2898
R100	81 Orme Rd, Woodstock	Residential	483538	7824661	4664
R101	4321 Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	483085	7823956	5291
R102	4295 Flinders Hwy, Woodstock	Residential	483026	7824243	5000
R103	66 Calcium Rd, Calcium	Residential	481651	7824365	4920
R104	Lime Hills 113 Calcium Rd, Calcium	Residential	480820	7824287	5037
R105	Lime Hills 113 Calcium Rd, Calcium	Residential	480224	7824552	4876
R106	212 Jones Rd, Woodstock	Residential	480329	7833917	4318
CWA HALL	42 Woodstock Ave, Woodstock	Commercial	482711	7833141	3569
Manton Cemetery	132 Bidwilli Rd, Calcium	Park/Garden	482559	7827117	2102



Source: EMM (2025); DES (2025); DNRMMRRD (2025); ESRI (2025)



KEY

- Northern Quartz Campus
- Package 1 - Premises
- Package 1 - Transmission line
- Sensitive receptor
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Vehicular track
- Named watercourse
- Named waterbody
- National park/nature reserve
- State forest

Sensitive receptor locations

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Figure 3.1



4 Existing acoustic background

4.1 General methodology

An ambient noise survey was conducted to characterise and quantify the existing acoustical environment in the area surrounding the Project site.

The ambient noise monitoring consisted of continuous unattended noise logging undertaken from 29 May 2025 to 11 June 2025.

Unattended noise measurements were undertaken using Type 1 Acoustic Research Laboratories NGARA environmental noise loggers. These instruments record data that can be processed to provide L_{Amin} , L_{A90} , L_{A10} , L_{A1} , L_{Amax} and noise descriptors and can be processed to generate 1/3 octave sound pressure levels.

Noise levels have been established in general accordance with the DESI (2024). Meteorological data was taken from Mount Stuart's Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) Automatic Weather Station (AWS ID 32195). Periods of wind greater than 3 m/s and precipitation greater than 0.3 mm/h have been excluded from the assessment.

Field calibrations were checked by EMM immediately before and after each set of measurements using a SVAN SV36 calibrator (serial number 154613). In all cases, pre and post calibration checks were within the acceptable range of 94 dB +/- 0.5 dB.

All instrumentation used during noise measurements comply with the requirements of AS IEC 61672.1-2013 *Electroacoustics – Sound Level Meters – Specifications*, IEC 60942:2017 *Electroacoustics: sound calibrators* and carry current NATA or manufacturer calibration certificates. Calibration certificates for the sound level meters used during the monitoring period are attached in Attachment A.

4.2 Monitoring locations

EMM conducted background noise monitoring in the winter period of 2025 at two monitoring locations on the Project area:

- Location 1, along Bidwilli Road represents a location that would be impacted by nearby traffic noise from the Flinders Highway.
- Location 2 is located further away from Flinders Highway and is representative of a location more dominated by natural sources of sound.

The noise monitoring locations are detailed in Table 4.1 and shown in Figure 4.1.

Table 4.1 **Noise monitoring locations**

Monitoring location	Sound level meter Type/Serial No.	Coordinates (MGA 55)		Picture
		Easting	Northing	
Location 1 - Bidwilli Rd	ARL NGARA noise logger/ sn. 878123	482546	7830236	
Location 2 - No-Name Rd	ARL NGARA noise logger / sn. 878017	481502	7829753	

4.3 Unattended noise monitoring results

Background noise levels in the vicinity of the Project and greater regional context show seasonal fluctuations and increased evening noise levels. A general reduction in noise across all periods during the winter period implies that natural sources of noise dominate the region. Acoustic descriptors show a generally higher average in locations that are greater affected by other significant sources of noise, such as traffic along Flinders Highway. The trends observed in the background noise levels of the region are typical of a rural setting that is dominated by natural sources with limited industrial sources.

A summary of the meteorologically filtered background and statistical noise levels is summarised in Table 4.2 and Table 4.3. The unattended noise monitoring data are presented in charts in Attachment B which show periods of data exclusion.

Table 4.2 Unattended noise summary – Winter 2025

Assessment Location	Overall ambient noise levels, $L_{Aeq}(\text{period})$			Rating Background Level (dB(A)) 90 th percentile $L_{A90}(15\text{min})$		
	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night
Location 1 - Bidwilli Rd	47	52	48	29	34	25 ²
Location 2 - No-Name Rd	43	41	40	26	28	25 ²

Notes:

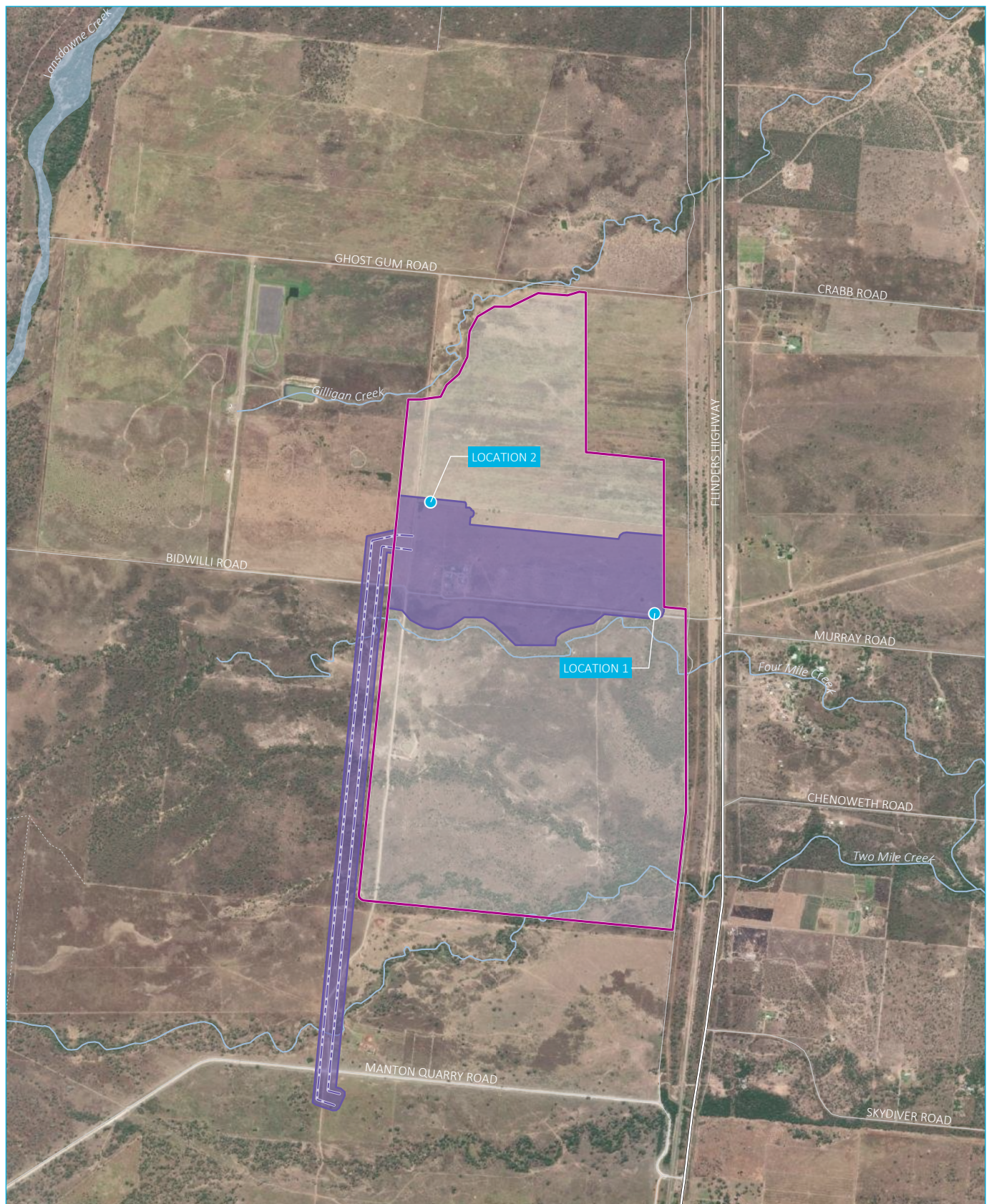
1. The energy averaged noise level over the measurement period and representative of general ambient noise. The rating background level is the median of the assessment background levels recorded over the monitoring period and has been established in accordance with the NMM.

2. The Rating Background Levels for each of the monitoring locations were at or below 25 dB(A) for the night period. The DEHP Guideline: Noise Planning for Noise Control (2016) sets a minimum background noise level threshold of L_{A90} 25 dB(A) for the determination of noise criteria.

Table 4.3 Recorded statistical noise levels – Winter 2025

Location	Acoustic Descriptor, (dB(A))	Period	Minimum	Maximum	Average
Bidwilli Rd	L_{A1}	Day	38	73	56
		Evening	46	69	59
		Night	<25	68	57
	L_{A10}	Day	35	59	50
		Evening	39	60	54
		Night	<25	63	50
	L_{Aeq}	Day	32	57	47
		Evening	37	57	51
		Night	<25	63	47
	L_{A90}	Day	26	45	35
		Evening	<25	55	47
		Night	<25	62	42
No-Name Rd	L_{A1}	Day	34	72	57
		Evening	29	68	51
		Night	25	67	46
	L_{A10}	Day	30	58	44
		Evening	26	49	42
		Night	<25	49	38
	L_{Aeq}	Day	28	62	45
		Evening	25	53	42
		Night	<25	54	37

Location	Acoustic Descriptor, (dB(A))	Period	Minimum	Maximum	Average
	L _{A90}	Day	<25	39	30
		Evening	<25	47	39
		Night	<25	42	32



Source: EMM (2025); DES (2025); DNRMRRD (2025); ESRI (2025)

KEY

- | | |
|---|--|
| Northern Quartz Campus | — Existing environment |
| Package 1 - Premises | Major road |
| Package 1 - Transmission line | Minor road |
| ● Noise monitoring location | Vehicular track |
| | — Named watercourse |
| | Named waterbody |

Noise monitoring locations

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Figure 4.1

5 Noise guidelines

5.1 Environmental Protection Regulation (2019)

Under Schedule 8, Part 3, Division 1 of the EP Reg, the Project must be operated in a way that protects the environmental values of the acoustic environment by achieving the performance outcomes for nearby sensitive receptors:

- sound from the activity is not audible at a sensitive receptor, or
- the release of sound to the environment from the activity is managed so that adverse effects on environmental values, including health and wellbeing and sensitive ecosystems, are prevented or minimised.

5.2 Environmental Protection Act (1994)

The *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (EPA 1994) defines the unreasonable or likely interference of noise due to an environmentally relevant activity as an environmental nuisance. Section 440R of the EP Act regulates noise from the construction phase / building work, as follows:

The EP Act default noise standards thus regulate hours for construction works but does not limit the level of noise from the construction work.

440R Building work

(1) A person must not carry out building work in a way that makes an audible noise—

- (a) on a business day or Saturday, before 6.30 am or after 6.30 pm; or*
- (b) on any other day, at any time.*

(2) The reference in subsection (1) to a person carrying out building work—

- (a) includes a person carrying out building work under an owner-builder permit; and*
- (b) otherwise does not include a person carrying out building work at premises that are the person's principal place of residence.*

5.3 Environmental Protection Policy (Noise) (2019)

To meet the objectives of the EP Reg and minimise sources of environmental nuisances for sensitive receptors, the Environmental Protection Policy (Noise) provides guidelines on protecting the acoustic environment that pertain to values of:

- the protection of health and biodiversity of ecosystems; and
- the protection of human health and wellbeing, ensuring a suitable environment for an individual to—
 - sleep
 - study or learn
 - be involved in recreation, including relaxation and conversation

- the protection of the amenity of the community.

Schedule 1 of the EPP (Noise) defines the acoustic quality objective for sensitive receptors type and the relevant sections are reproduced in Table 5.1.

Table 5.1 **Schedule 1 Acoustic quality objectives**

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3			Column 4
Sensitive receptor	Time of day	Acoustic quality objectives (measured at the receptor) dB(A)			Environmental value
		L _{Aeq} , adj, 1hr	L _{A10} , adj, 1hr	L _{A1} , adj, 1hr	
residence (for outdoors)	daytime and evening	50	55	65	health and wellbeing
residence (for indoors)	daytime and evening	35	40	45	health and wellbeing
	night-time	30	35	40	health and wellbeing, in relation to the ability to sleep
library and educational institution (including a school, college and university) (for indoors)	when open for business or when classes are being offered	35			health and wellbeing
school or playground (for outdoors)	when the children usually play outside	55			health and wellbeing, and community amenity
commercial and retail activity (for indoors)	when the activity is open for business	45			health and wellbeing, in relation to the ability to converse
park or garden that is open to the public (whether or not on payment of an amount) for use other than for sport or organised entertainment	anytime	the level of noise that preserves the amenity of the existing park or garden			community amenity

Condition 9 of the EPP (Noise) also states the following in relation to background noise creep:

9 Management intent for noise

(1) This section states the management intent for an activity involving noise that affects, or may affect, an environmental value to be enhanced or protected under this policy.

Note— See section 35 of the Environmental Protection Regulation 2019.

(2) To the extent it is reasonable to do so, noise must be dealt with in a way that ensures—

(a) the noise does not have any adverse effect, or potential adverse effect, on an environmental value under this policy; and

(b) background creep in an area or place is prevented or minimised.

(3) Despite subsection (2)(b), if the acoustic quality objectives for an area or place are not being achieved or maintained, the noise experienced in the area or place must, to the extent it is reasonable to do so, be dealt with in a way that progressively improves the acoustic environment of the area or place.

(4) In this section—background creep, for noise in an area or place, means a gradual increase in the total amount of background noise in the area or place as measured under the document called the ‘Noise measurement manual’ published on the department’s website.

5.4 DTMR Transport Noise Management Code of Practice Volume 1 – Road Traffic Noise (2013)

The EPP (Noise) acoustic quality objectives specifically do not apply to “noise from the ordinary use of a public road or State-controlled road. The EPP (Noise) does not provide any assessment criteria relevant to the impact of public road noise from a specific use.

Construction and operational traffic require consideration for potential noise impacts. Road traffic noise has been assessed under the general guidance of the DTMR Transport Noise Management Code of Practice Volume 1 – Road Traffic Noise (2013). Table 5.2 reproduces the categories and criteria for road traffic noise at sensitive receptors relevant to the construction and operation of the Project.

Table 5.2 Road traffic noise criteria at sensitive receptors

Categories	Existing Residences (façade corrected) L_{A10} (18hr) dB(A)	Educational, Community, and Health Buildings (façade corrected) L_{A10} (1hr) dB(A)	Outdoor Educational and Passive Recreational Areas (including Parks) (free field) L_{A10} (12hr) dB(A)
Existing Road – No Roadworks	68	65	63
Upgrading existing road			
Exposure of Second Row of Buildings	65	60	N/A

6 Project specific noise objectives

6.1 Legislative and policy context to the NIA

Noise criteria for this assessment have been developed in accordance with guidelines and definitions outlined in the EPR, EPA (1994) and EPP (Noise).

The documents used to determine the project specific noise objectives are summarised in Table 6.1 and are detailed in the following sections.

Table 6.1 Guidelines summary used to determine assessment criteria

Impact	Document
Construction airborne noise	Environmental Protection Act 1994 (EPA 1994) Environmental Protection Policy (Noise) (2019) DESI (2024).
Operational airborne noise	Environmental Protection Policy (Noise) (2019) NSW EPA Noise Policy for Industry (NPfI) Environmental Protection Regulation (2019)
Construction and operational road traffic	Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) Transport Noise Management Code of Practice Volume 1 – Road Traffic Noise (2013) Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) 2023, Transport Noise Management Code of Practice: Volume 2 – Construction Noise and Vibration, Queensland Government.

6.2 Construction noise objectives

The EPA (1994) default noise standards thus regulate hours for construction works but does not limit the level of noise from the construction work.

Although not applicable to building work / construction noise, the EPP (Noise) acoustic quality objectives for dwellings, as outlined in Section 5.3, have been applied in this assessment for the purpose of screening potential noise amenity impacts and identifying the need for non-standard noise management measures. The construction acoustic quality objectives are not mandatory and are used solely for noise management purposes.

Construction noise limits are based on the acoustic quality objectives outlined in the EPP (Noise). Construction is expected to run between Monday-Saturday from 6:30 am to 6:30 pm with audible building work not permitted outside of these hours as per Section 440R of the EPA (1994 current as at 27 September 2024) *Building work under the noise standard*. Noise limits for this assessment have been adopted from the daytime and evening acoustic quality objectives outlined in the EPP (Noise), given the majority of construction work will occur within this period. The L₁ noise objectives approximate louder, instantaneous events that are unlikely to occur simultaneously with external developments or over an extended period.

Construction noise limits are provided in Table 6.2. The more stringent, indoor criteria for noise at receptors have been adopted and adjusted by 7 dB to account for the attenuation loss across a façade as per DESI (2024).

Table 6.2 Construction noise objectives

Sensitive Receptor	L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A) ¹	L _{A1, adj, 1hr} project noise emission objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)
R1	42	52
R2	42	52
R3 (School)	42	-
R4 (Commercial)	52	-
R5	42	52
R6	42	52
R7	42	52
R8	42	52
R9	42	52
R10	42	52
R11	42	52
R12	42	52
R13	42	52
R14	42	52
R15	42	52
R16	42	52
R17	42	52
R18	42	52
R19	42	52
R20	42	52
R21	42	52
R22	42	52
R23	42	52
R24	42	52
R25	42	52
R26	42	52
R27	42	52
R28	42	52
R29	42	52
R30	42	52
R31	42	52

Sensitive Receptor	L _{Aeq} , adj, 1hr project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A) ¹	L _{A1} , adj, 1hr project noise emission objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)
R32	42	52
R33	42	52
R34	42	52
R35	42	52
R36	42	52
R37	42	52
R38	42	52
R39	42	52
R40	42	52
R41	42	52
R42	42	52
R43	42	52
R44	42	52
R45	42	52
R46	42	52
R47	42	52
R48	42	52
R49	42	52
R50	42	52
R51	42	52
R52	42	52
R53	42	52
R54	42	52
R55	42	52
R56	42	52
R57	42	52
R58	42	52
R59	42	52
R60	42	52
R61	42	52
R62	42	52
R63	42	52

Sensitive Receptor	L _{Aeq} , adj, 1hr project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A) ¹	L _{A1} , adj, 1hr project noise emission objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)
R64	42	52
R65	42	52
R66	42	52
R67	42	52
R68	42	52
R69	42	52
R70	42	52
R71	42	52
R72	42	52
R73	42	52
R74	42	52
R75	42	52
R76	42	52
R77	42	52
R78	42	52
R79	42	52
R80	42	52
R81	42	52
R82	42	52
R83	42	52
R84	42	52
R85	42	52
R86	42	52
R87	42	52
R88	42	52
R89	42	52
R90	42	52
R91	42	52
R92	42	52
R93	42	52
R94	42	52
R95	42	52

Sensitive Receptor	L _{Aeq} , adj, 1hr project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A) ¹	L _{A1} , adj, 1hr project noise emission objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)
R96	42	52
R97	42	52
R98	42	52
R99	42	52
R100	42	52
R101	42	52
R102	42	52
R103	42	52
R104	42	52
R105	42	52
R106	42	52
CWA HALL	52	.. ²
Manton Cemetery	.. ²	.. ²

Notes:

1. As per the Noise and Vibration EIS Information Guideline, an outdoor-to-indoor attenuation value of 7 dB, appropriate for typical Queensland buildings with open windows, has been applied to the indoor objectives to determine the outdoor noise objectives for the Project.
2. “..” no applicable noise objectives for time period or receptor type.

6.3 Operational noise objectives

6.3.1 Acoustic quality objectives

Operational project noise objectives are set based on the acoustic quality objectives outlined in the EPP (Noise). The limits are described as the more stringent objective for day and evening periods, between 7am-10pm.

The more stringent, night-time limits have been adopted and have been adjusted by 7 dB to account for attenuation across building façades.

Given the BESS is expected to operate 24 hours, seven days a week, the more stringent nighttime criteria have been adopted as the noise quality objectives for this assessment.

The resultant noise objectives are provided in Table 6.3.

Table 6.3 **Operational noise objectives**

Sensitive Receptor	L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)		L _{A1, adj, 1hr} project noise objective (measured at the receptor) dB(A)	
	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹
R1	42	37	52	47
R2	42	37	52	47
R3 (School)	42	-	-	-
R4 (Commercial)	52	-	-	-
R5	42	37	52	47
R6	42	37	52	47
R7	42	37	52	47
R8	42	37	52	47
R9	42	37	52	47
R10	42	37	52	47
R11	42	37	52	47
R12	42	37	52	47
R13	42	37	52	47
R14	42	37	52	47
R15	42	37	52	47
R16	42	37	52	47
R17	42	37	52	47
R18	42	37	52	47
R19	42	37	52	47
R20	42	37	52	47
R21	42	37	52	47
R22	42	37	52	47
R23	42	37	52	47
R24	42	37	52	47
R25	42	37	52	47
R26	42	37	52	47
R27	42	37	52	47
R28	42	37	52	47
R29	42	37	52	47
R30	42	37	52	47

	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹
R31	42	37	52	47
R32	42	37	52	47
R33	42	37	52	47
R34	42	37	52	47
R35	42	37	52	47
R36	42	37	52	47
R37	42	37	52	47
R38	42	37	52	47
R39	42	37	52	47
R40	42	37	52	47
R41	42	37	52	47
R42	42	37	52	47
R43	42	37	52	47
R44	42	37	52	47
R45	42	37	52	47
R46	42	37	52	47
R47	42	37	52	47
R48	42	37	52	47
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R55	42	37	52	47
R56	42	37	52	47
R57	42	37	52	47
R58	42	37	52	47
R59	42	37	52	47
R60	42	37	52	47
R61	42	37	52	47
R62	42	37	52	47
R63	42	37	52	47

	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹
R64	42	37	52	47
R65	42	37	52	47
R66	42	37	52	47
R67	42	37	52	47
R68	42	37	52	47
R69	42	37	52	47
R70	42	37	52	47
R71	42	37	52	47
R72	42	37	52	47
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R82	42	37	52	47
R83	42	37	52	47
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R86	42	37	52	47
R87	42	37	52	47
R88	42	37	52	47
R89	42	37	52	47
R90	42	37	52	47
R91	42	37	52	47
R92	42	37	52	47
R93	42	37	52	47
R94	42	37	52	47
R95	42	37	52	47
R96	42	37	52	47

	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹	Day and evening ¹	Night ¹
R97	42	37	52	47
R98	42	37	52	47
R99	42	37	52	47
R100	42	37	52	47
R101	42	37	52	47
R102	42	37	52	47
R103	42	37	52	47
R104	42	37	52	47
R105	42	37	52	47
R106	42	37	52	47
CWA HALL	52	52	-	-
Manton Cemetery	-	-	-	-

Notes :

1. As per the Noise and Vibration EIS Information Guideline, an outdoor-to-indoor attenuation value of 7 dB, appropriate for typical Queensland buildings with open windows, has been applied to the indoor objectives to determine the outdoor noise objectives for the Project.
2. “-” no applicable noise objectives for time period or receptor type.

6.3.2 Assessment of background creep

The acoustic quality objectives may not be appropriate noise criteria for the long-term planning assessment of amenity impacts from sources that generate a ‘steady-state’ noise, such as the proposed BESS, at sensitive receptors in locations with low ambient noise levels.

The EPP (Noise) requires background creep of noise in any area to be prevented or minimised where it is reasonable to do so. The EPP (Noise) provides provisions around the management of background noise creep but does not prescribe specific noise criteria to achieve the intent of the policy.

By virtue of the rezoning of the LEIP to a High impact industrial region, it would be unreasonable to maintain the existing acoustic environment, and there is an expectation for the acoustic characteristic of the area to change. In such an instance, protection of existing land use surrounding the Project must be managed through the separate levels of planning controls.

Additionally, the EPP (Noise) allows for the progressive achievement of acoustic quality objectives, whereby in the context of the staged development of this project and subsequent infancy of the operational design of the whole project, progressive achievement and maintenance should be considered.

6.3.3 Annoying characteristics

Where a noise source contains certain characteristics, such as tonality, intermittency, irregularity or dominant low frequency content, there is evidence to suggest that it can cause greater annoyance than other noise at the same noise level.

Annoying characteristics of noise must be prevented in accordance with Qld noise guidelines and regulations. It is noted that Qld guidelines do not provide a prescriptive method for identifying annoying characteristics for low frequency.

Evaluation of annoying characteristics per the NSW EPA NPfI was included in this assessment. Fact Sheet C of the NPfI outlines procedures for assessing annoying characteristics of noise such as tonality (consistent with AS 1055.2018 method 1), intermittency or the low frequency component to determine if correction factors are required to be applied.

These correction factors, also referred to as modifying factors, are applied to predicted or measured noise levels at the assessment location before comparison with relevant noise limits, to account for the additional annoyance caused by these noise characteristics.

6.4 Road traffic noise objectives

The construction and operational road traffic noise objective from the DTMR Transport Noise Management Code of Practice Volume 1 – Road Traffic Noise (2013) at sensitive receptors relevant to the construction and operation of the Project are provided in Table 6.4.

Table 6.4 Road traffic noise criteria at sensitive receptors

Receptors	Receptor type	Road	Criteria
R1, R2, R5 to R106	Residential	Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	Upgrading Existing Road – No Roadworks 68 LA ₁₀ (18hr) dB(A)
		Jones Road	Exposure of Second Row of Buildings 65 LA ₁₀ (18hr) dB(A)
		No-Name Road	
R3	School	Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	Upgrading Existing Road – No Roadworks 65 LA ₁₀ (1h)
		Jones Road	
		No-Name Road	
R4, CWA Hall	Commercial	Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	Upgrading Existing Road – No Roadworks 65 LA ₁₀ (1h)
		No-Name Road	Exposure of Second Row of Buildings 60 LA ₁₀ (1h)
		Jones Road	
Manton Cemetery	Outdoor recreational area	Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	Upgrading existing road – 63 LA ₁₀ , (12Hr)
		Jones Road	
		No-Name Road	

7 Impact assessment

Assessment of the proposed BESS generally follows the guidelines in the DES (2024), Application requirements for activities with noise impacts DES ESR/2015/1838 and the Department of Environment and Resource Management (2020) “Noise Measurement Manual”.

Operational and construction noise levels were predicted using a computer-generated model using SoundPLAN 9.1 modelling software and ISO 9613-2 (1996) standards. It considers factors that influence noise propagation such as geometry of the modelled area, sources, receptors, atmospheric absorption, ground effects, topography, and meteorological conditions that enhance noise propagation. The model calculates total noise levels at sensitive receptors from concurrent operation of multiple noise sources.

The model was populated with 3-D topography of the study area and surrounds, extending out past the nearest sensitive receptors. Plant and equipment representing the range of proposed operation scenarios were placed at locations which would represent worst case noise levels throughout the construction and operational scenarios.

7.1 Construction noise

7.1.1 Noise prediction methodology

The construction noise model inputs and assumptions for this assessment are provided in Table 7.1.

Table 7.1 Construction noise modelling parameter

Modelling component	Assumption
Noise model	SoundPLAN version 9.1
Prediction algorithm	ISO 9613-2 (1996)
Terrain	5 m digital elevation model
Modelling period	Typical worst case 1 hour period of operation where each item of equipment is running at full power
Ground absorption coefficient	G = 0.6 for construction zone G = 1 for beyond the construction zone and at receptor locations
Atmospheric absorption	As detailed in Section 7.1.3
Receptor heights	1.5 m above building ground level (ground floor)
Source height	An area source 2 m above ground level. Total sound power located in one point.

7.1.2 Equipment sound power levels

The construction noise impact assessment adopted sound power levels from the EMM database and the UK Department of Environment, Food, and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) for plant and equipment items used for similar works. The proponent has provided an indicative timeline of construction over approximately 18 months. The first six months will be dominated by earthworks, construction of foundational infrastructure, and installation of the first 390 BESS units and 78 PCU's, followed by 12 months of the installation of 780 BESS units and 156 PCU's over two stages. Plant and equipment items, sound power levels and quantities adopted in the noise modelling are summarised in Table 7.2.

Phases have been estimated for the construction of the BESS based on typical scenarios and requirements.

1. Phase 1 is predominately concerned with site establishment including clearing of land and roadworks.
2. Phase 2 concerns the installation of the foundational infrastructure for the BESS units.
3. Phase 3 is concerned with the delivery and installation of the BESS units.

The assumed list of equipment for each phase of construction is representative of a worst-case period of activity for construction of this nature, the plant and equipment quantities may vary from time-to-time to cater for the requirements of the Project's construction. If the actual fleet of plant and equipment required varies significantly from that assumed within Table 7.2, a risk assessment of the proposed works will be undertaken to determine the likelihood of noise impacts on surrounding sensitive receptor locations. Appropriate management and mitigation measures will be used, where required.

Table 7.2 Construction equipment sound power levels

Phase	Equipment	Units	Sound power dB(A) ¹	Overall sound power for Phase dB(A)
Phase 1 – Site establishment and earth works	Bulldozer ²	2	116	119
	Grader ²	1	105	
	Excavator ³	2	105	
	Roller ²	1	103	
	Scraper ²	1	114	
	Hand tools ³	2	97	
	Light vehicles ²	3	103	
Phase 2 – Installation of foundational infrastructure	Bulldozer ²	2	116	120
	Grader ²	1	105	
	Excavator ³	2	105	
	Scrapers ²	1	114	
	Loaders ³	2	110	
	Dump Trucks ³	2	110	
	Compactors ³	1	108	
Phase 3 – Installation of BESS infrastructure	Low loaders ³	2	107	110
	Slew Cranes ³	1	102	
	Light vehicles ²	3	103	
	Hand tools ³	2	97	

Notes:

1. Sound power includes total number of units.
2. Sound power levels are taken from internal EMM database
3. Sound power levels are taken from DEFRA (UK)

Construction noise will be characterised by a combination of continuous and intermittent activities. Penalties for intermittent activities have not been accounted for as it is expected for the total noise from construction to be conglomerated and intermittent noise reduced.

To account for annoying characteristics, a 5 dB(A) penalty can be applied to the noise source sound power level for plant items that have special audible characteristics. Plant items and activities that have proven to be particularly annoying to nearby residents include:

- Use of ‘beeper’ style reversing or movement alarms, particularly at night-time
- Use of power saws, such as used for cutting timber, rail lines, masonry, road pavement or steel work
- Grinding metal, concrete or masonry
- Rock drilling
- Line drilling
- Vibratory rolling
- Rail tamping and regulating
- Bitumen milling or profiling
- Jackhammering, rock hammering or rock breaking
- Impact piling.

Since the proposed construction works do not include any of the previously mentioned annoying activities or equipment, no specific plant items have had penalties applied to the sound power levels presented in Table 7.2.

7.1.3 **Noise enhancing meteorology**

Construction is proposed to occur Monday to Saturday, 6:30am to 6:30pm and has been modelled under ISO 9613-2 (1996).

The noise modelling undertaken considered meteorological conditions as per the methodology of the ISO 9613-2 (1996) standard, with a temperature of 18 degrees Celsius and 78% humidity (2024 annual average winter weather data obtained from Mount Stuart BOM AWS), a temperature inversion and the following wind conditions as per the adverse meteorological assumptions of ISO 9613:

Downwind propagation conditions for the method specified in this part of ISO 9613 are as specified in section 5 of ISO 1996-2:1996, namely

- *Wind direction within an angle of + 45° of the direction connecting the centre of the dominant sound source and the centre of the specified receiver region, with the wind blowing from source to receiver, and*
- *Wind speed between approximately 1m/s and 5m/s, measured at a height of 3m to 11m above the ground.*
- *These formulae also hold, equivalently, for average propagation under a well-developed moderate ground-based temperature inversion, such as commonly occurs on clear, calm nights.*

As such, given the above adverse meteorological assumptions, it is considered that the noise modelling represents the resultant noise levels of the proposed development during noise propagation enhancing meteorological conditions.

7.1.4 Construction noise prediction results

Construction noise has been modelled using the equipment and phases outlined in Section 7.1. Construction noise is modelled at the worst-case position for each receptor. Predicted levels for each receptor are presented in Table 7.3 with exceedances of the noise objectives shown in red and bold. Construction noise contour maps are provided in Attachment D.

Results presented in Table 7.3 indicate:

- Phase 1 construction predicted noise levels are compliant with project noise objectives at the majority of sensitive receptors. However, a negligible exceedance of 2 dB(A) is predicted at receptor locations R11, R12, and R79, respectively.
- Phase 2 construction noise levels are predicted to comply with project noise objectives at the majority sensitive receptors. However, a marginal exceedance of 4 dB(A) and 3 dB(A) are predicted at receptor locations R11 and R12 respectively; a marginal exceedance of 3 dB(A) is predicted at receptor R79; and a negligible exceedance of 1 dB(A) is predicted at receptor R78.
- Phase 3 construction predicted noise levels are compliant with project noise objectives at all sensitive receptors.
- Reasonable and feasible mitigation strategies to minimise construction noise impacts are presented in Section 8.1.

It should be noted, although not applicable to building work / construction noise, the EPP (Noise) acoustic quality objectives for dwellings, have been applied in this assessment for the purpose of screening potential noise amenity impacts and identifying the need for non-standard noise management measures. The construction acoustic quality objectives are not mandatory and are used solely for noise management purposes.

Table 7.3 Noise prediction from construction activities associated with Package 1

Receptor	Receptor type	Acoustic Quality Objective ($L_{Aeq, adj, 1hr}$)	Predicted results $L_{Aeq, 1hr}$ dB(A)			Compliance?		
			Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
R1	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R2	Residential	42	25	28	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R3	School	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R4	Commercial	52	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R5	Residential	42	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R6	Residential	42	30	32	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R7	Residential	42	33	34	25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R8	Residential	42	28	30	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor type	Acoustic Quality Objective ($L_{Aeq, adj, 1hr}$)	Predicted results $L_{Aeq, 1Hr}$ dB(A)			Compliance?		
			Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
R9	Residential	42	29	31	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R10	Residential	42	37	39	28	Yes	Yes	Yes
R11	Residential	42	44	46	35	No	No	Yes
R12	Residential	42	44	45	34	No	No	Yes
R13	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R14	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R15	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R16	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R17	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R18	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R19	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R20	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R21	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R22	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R23	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R24	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R25	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R26	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R27	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R28	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R29	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R30	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R31	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R32	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R33	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R34	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R35	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R36	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R37	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R38	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R39	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor type	Acoustic Quality Objective ($L_{Aeq, adj, 1hr}$)	Predicted results $L_{Aeq, 1Hr}$ dB(A)			Compliance?		
			Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
R40	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R41	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R42	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R43	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R44	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R45	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R46	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R47	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R48	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R49	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R50	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R51	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R52	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R53	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R54	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R55	Residential	42	31	33	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R56	Residential	42	28	30	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R57	Residential	42	26	28	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R58	Residential	42	25	27	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R59	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R60	Residential	42	27	29	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R61	Residential	42	<25	27	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R62	Residential	42	<25	26	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R63	Residential	42	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R64	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R65	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R66	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R67	Residential	42	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R68	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R69	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R70	Residential	42	<25	26	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor type	Acoustic Quality Objective ($L_{Aeq, adj, 1hr}$)	Predicted results $L_{Aeq, 1Hr}$ dB(A)			Compliance?		
			Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
R71	Residential	42	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R72	Residential	42	25	27	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R73	Residential	42	27	29	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R74	Residential	42	28	30	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R75	Residential	42	31	33	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R76	Residential	42	35	36	26	Yes	Yes	Yes
R77	Residential	42	39	40	30	Yes	Yes	Yes
R78	Residential	42	42	43	32	Yes	No	Yes
R79	Residential	42	44	45	34	No	No	Yes
R80	Residential	42	36	38	28	Yes	Yes	Yes
R81	Residential	42	32	34	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R82	Residential	42	27	29	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R83	Residential	42	26	28	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R84	Residential	42	26	28	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R85	Residential	42	25	28	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R86	Residential	42	<25	26	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R87	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R88	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R89	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R90	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R91	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R92	Residential	42	<25	25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R93	Residential	42	<25	26	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R94	Residential	42	25	27	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R95	Residential	42	26	29	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R96	Residential	42	28	31	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R97	Residential	42	30	32	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R98	Residential	42	25	27	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R99	Residential	42	<25	26	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R100	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R101	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor type	Acoustic Quality Objective ($L_{Aeq, adj, 1hr}$)	Predicted results $L_{Aeq, 1hr}$ dB(A)			Compliance?		
			Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3
R102	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R103	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R104	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R105	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
R106	Residential	42	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
CWA HALL	CWA HALL	52	<25	<25	<25	Yes	Yes	Yes
Manton Cemetery	Manton Cemetery	-	30	32	<25	N/A	N/A	N/A

7.2 Operational noise

Operational noise associated with Package 1 of the Project will principally be from fixed plant and equipment including battery cubicles, PCUs, and High Voltage (HV) transformers.

7.2.1 Noise prediction methodology

The operational noise model inputs and assumptions for this assessment are provided in Table 7.4.

Table 7.4 Operational noise modelling parameter

Modelling component	Assumption
Noise model	SoundPLAN version 9.1
Prediction algorithm	ISO 9613-2 (1996)
Terrain	5 m digital elevation model
Modelling period	Typical worst case 1 hour period of operation where each item of equipment is running at full power
Ground absorption coefficient	G = 0.3 for BESS site G = 0.6 for project boundary G = 1 for outside of the Project site at receptor locations
Atmospheric absorption	As detailed in Section 7.2.3
Receptor heights	1.5 m above building ground level (ground floor)
Source heights	BESS units constructed as industrial buildings 2.89 m above ground level. All BESS units modelled as individual industrial buildings taking into account directionality PCU units constructed as point sources 2.89 m above ground level. Transformers constructed as point sources 7 m above ground level.

Modelling component	Assumption
All three nodes (1170 BESS units +234 inverters)	All operating simultaneously
All BESS duty load	100%

7.2.2 Equipment specifications

Noise impacts from the operation of the Project were considered at the sensitive receptors outlined in Table 3.1. The specific design of noise-generating infrastructure of the BESS will consider the distance to nearby sensitive receptors. Where practicable, this design will minimise operational noise impacts from the Project.

The operation of the BESS at a 780 MW capacity requires 1170 BESS container units, 234 PCUs, and 3 HV transformers, with sound power data being provided by the client in third- and single-octave bands. It is expected the BESS will operate at 100% utilisation including the concurrent operation of batteries, PCUs, and transformers and has been modelled at 100% load. The specific sound power levels are outlined in Table 7.5. Third- and single-octave data can be found in Attachment C.

Solquartz has advised that data for the proposed 8-hour BESS units for the site are still in the development phase. Sound power data for these units has therefore been based off the nearest operable system. It has been noted that the units proposed to be used by Solquartz will be significantly quieter than those modelled. Additional data will be available early 2026. Solquartz is confident that the proposed units with mitigation (as required) will meet the relevant criteria .

Table 7.5 Operational noise source sound power levels

Noise Source	No. of units	Sound power level, dB(A)	
		Single	Combined Total
BESS Units (silenced) ¹	1170	90	120
PCUs ¹	234	83	107
HV Transformer ²	3	97	102

Notes: 1. Sound power spectrum data provided by Solquartz.

2. Sound power spectrum data sourced from EMM internal database.

7.2.3 Transmission line operational noise

Modelling was not performed for the transmission line, as it was assumed that the only noise generated by the proposed line would be due to the corona effect. This noise is characterised by a low-frequency tone accompanied by crackling or buzzing, and typically worsens under adverse weather conditions such as rain, fog, and high humidity. Reported noise levels under these conditions are of the order of L_{Aeq} 50–54 dB(A) at a distance of 15 m from a 400 kV transmission line (Engel & Wszolek, 1995). Historical data for the project region indicate relative humidity peaked at 99% during the 2024 calendar year and averaged 78%. Corona noise should therefore be considered under worst-case conditions.

Under good weather conditions, transmission line noise usually fluctuates within the range of L_{Aeq} 34–36 dB(A) at 15 m from a 400 kV line. However, local variations can occur, with levels sometimes reaching L_{Aeq} 45 dB(A) at 15 m (Engel & Wszolek, 1995).

The potential noise level will be significantly attenuated with distance. The closest sensitive residential receptor to the proposed transmission line is 1,472 m away. Based on the worst-case corona noise levels (L_{Aeq} 50–54 dB(A)) and transmission line noise under normal conditions (L_{Aeq} 45 dB(A)) at 15 m, a distance calculation (notwithstanding additional attenuation factors) was applied from the noisiest point-source ‘bundles’ of the transmission lines and generated the following:

- Corona noise levels L_{Aeq} <25 dB(A) at the nearest sensitive receiver under worst-case conditions, and
- Transmission line noise levels L_{Aeq} <25 dB(A) at the nearest sensitive receiver under normal conditions.

Therefore, at all nearby sensitive residential receptor locations, noise levels due to the corona effect are predicted to remain well below both day/evening and night-time acoustic quality objectives. Corona noise contributions would be considered negligible in relation to total site noise levels.

It is noted that the predicted corona noise levels were based on a 400 kV transmission line, which is a higher voltage than the proposed 275 kV lines. Corona noise can also vary with the age of the transmission lines, dust build-up over time, and the material design of the lines. The basis of this assessment has therefore been conservative, and corona noise impacts at sensitive receptors are expected to be lower than predicted.

7.2.4 Noise enhancing meteorology

The noise modelling undertaken considered meteorological conditions as per the methodology of the ISO 9613 (1996) standard, with a temperature of 18 degrees Celsius and 78% humidity (2024 annual average winter weather data obtained from Mount Stuart BOM AWS), a temperature inversion and the following wind conditions as per the adverse meteorological assumptions of ISO 9613:

Downwind propagation conditions for the method specified in this part of ISO 9613 are as specified in section 5 of ISO 1996-2:1996, namely

- *Wind direction within an angle of $+45^\circ$ of the direction connecting the centre of the dominant sound source and the centre of the specified receiver region, with the wind blowing from source to receiver, and*
- *Wind speed between approximately 1m/s and 5m/s, measured at a height of 3m to 11m above the ground.*

These formulae also hold, equivalently, for average propagation under a well-developed moderate ground-based temperature inversion, such as commonly occurs on clear, calm nights. As such, given the above adverse meteorological assumptions, it is considered that the noise modelling represents the resultant noise levels of the proposed development during noise propagation enhancing meteorological conditions.

7.2.5 Operational noise prediction results

Concurrent operations of the BESS are modelled at the worst-case position for each receptor. Individual results for each receptor are presented in Table 7.6. The operational noise contour maps are provided in Attachment D.

The BESS and its associated infrastructure are characterised by a steady-state noise source and are unexpected to have loud, instantaneous noise events. As such, results have only been established for a 1-hour period and the L_{A1} has been assumed to be equivalent to the L_{Aeq} . Predictions highlighted in red and bolded indicate sensitive receptors where the acoustic quality objectives have been exceeded.

Results presented in Table 7.6 indicate:

- Operational BESS predicted noise levels are compliant with day/evening project noise objectives at all sensitive receptors.

- Operational BESS predicted noise levels are compliant with night project noise objectives at the majority of sensitive receptors. However, a marginal exceedance of 4 dB(A) is predicted at receptor locations R11; a marginal exceedance of 3 dB(A) is predicted at receptor R12; and a negligible exceedance of 1 dB(A) and 2 dB(A) is predicted at receptor R77 and R78 respectively.
- Reasonable and feasible mitigation strategies to minimise operational noise impacts are presented in Section 8.2.

Table 7.6 Noise prediction from operational activities associated with Package 1

Receptor	Receptor Type	Acoustic Quality Objectives L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)		Predicted noise levels L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)	Annoying characteristics trigger		Compliance?	
		Day/evening	Night		Tonal?	Low Frequency?	Day/evening	Night
R1	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R2	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R3	School	42	-	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R4	Commercial	52	52	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R5	Residential	42	37	27	No	No	Yes	Yes
R6	Residential	42	37	31	No	No	Yes	Yes
R7	Residential	42	37	32	No	No	Yes	Yes
R8	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R9	Residential	42	37	30	No	No	Yes	Yes
R10	Residential	42	37	34	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
R11	Residential	42	37	39	No	Yes	Yes	No
R12	Residential	42	37	38	No	Yes	Yes	No
R13	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R14	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R15	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R16	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R17	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R18	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R19	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R20	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R21	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R22	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R23	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R24	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor Type	Acoustic Quality Objectives		Predicted noise levels L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)	Annoying characteristics trigger		Compliance?	
		L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)			Tonal?	Low Frequency?	Day/evening	Night
		Day/evening	Night					
R25	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R26	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R27	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R28	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R29	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R30	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R31	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R32	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R33	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R34	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R35	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R36	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R37	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R38	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R39	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R40	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R41	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R42	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R43	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R44	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R45	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R46	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R47	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R48	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R49	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R50	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R51	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R52	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R53	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R54	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R55	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor Type	Acoustic Quality Objectives		Predicted noise levels L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)	Annoying characteristics trigger		Compliance?	
		L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)			Tonal?	Low Frequency?	Day/evening	Night
		Day/evening	Night					
R56	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R57	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R58	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R59	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R60	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R61	Residential	42	37	27	No	No	Yes	Yes
R62	Residential	42	37	27	No	No	Yes	Yes
R63	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R64	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R65	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R66	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R67	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R68	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R69	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R70	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R71	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R72	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R73	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R74	Residential	42	37	30	No	No	Yes	Yes
R75	Residential	42	37	31	No	No	Yes	Yes
R76	Residential	42	37	33	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
R77	Residential	42	37	36	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
R78	Residential	42	37	37	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
R79	Residential	42	37	38	No	Yes	Yes	No
R80	Residential	42	37	34	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
R81	Residential	42	37	32	No	No	Yes	Yes
R82	Residential	42	37	30	No	No	Yes	Yes
R83	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R84	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R85	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R86	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes

Receptor	Receptor Type	Acoustic Quality Objectives L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)		Predicted noise levels L _{Aeq, adj, 1hr} dB(A)	Annoying characteristics trigger		Compliance?	
		Day/evening	Night		Tonal?	Low Frequency?	Day/evening	Night
R87	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R88	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R89	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R90	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R91	Residential	42	37	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R92	Residential	42	37	26	No	No	Yes	Yes
R93	Residential	42	37	27	No	No	Yes	Yes
R94	Residential	42	37	27	No	No	Yes	Yes
R95	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R96	Residential	42	37	30	No	No	Yes	Yes
R97	Residential	42	37	31	No	No	Yes	Yes
R98	Residential	42	37	29	No	No	Yes	Yes
R99	Residential	42	37	28	No	No	Yes	Yes
R100	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R101	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R102	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R103	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R104	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R105	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
R106	Residential	42	37	<25	No	No	Yes	Yes
CWA HALL	Commercial	52	52	25	No	No	Yes	Yes
Manton Cemetery	Park/Garden	-	-	31	No	No	Yes	Yes

Notes:

- As per the Noise and Vibration EIS Information Guideline, an outdoor-to-indoor attenuation value of 7 dB, appropriate for typical Queensland buildings with open windows, has been applied to the indoor objectives to determine the outdoor noise objectives for the Project.
- “-” no applicable noise objectives for time period or receptor type.

The operational noise prediction results presented in Table 7.6 were analysed for annoying characteristics such as tonality and low frequency. The assessment was in line with the guidelines set out in the NPfI in the absence of Queensland specific guidance. Operational noise was determined to trigger low frequency annoying characteristics at 8 sensitive receptors, R10, R11, R12, R76, R77, R78, R79, and R80. Tonality was not identified at any sensitive receptor location.

Given the infancy of the project, and with the Solquartz still in the design phase of the proposed BESS units, any exceedances of the following condition in the *Noise Policy for Industry* “where any of the one-third octave noise levels in Table C2 are exceeded by up to and including 5 dB and cannot be mitigated, a 2 dB(A) positive adjustment to measured/predicted A-weighted levels applies for the evening/night period” are expected to be addressed and mitigated during the construction and testing phase of the units.

Solquartz has advised that data for the proposed 8-hour BESS units for the site are still under development. Accordingly, sound power data for the current assessment has been based on the nearest operable system. It has been noted that the units ultimately proposed for use by Solquartz will be significantly quieter than those modelled. Updated data is expected to be available in early 2026. Solquartz remains confident that the proposed units, with the application of appropriate mitigation where required, will comply with the relevant noise criteria.

Given the novelty of the BESS equipment, it is considered feasible to re-assess associated noise emissions at a later stage of development when more accurate data becomes available. Based on the current assessment, it is recommended that the general mitigation measures outlined in Section 8.2.3 be considered to reduce noise impacts from the Project and to ensure compliance with the relevant criteria. Furthermore, it is recommended that Solquartz continue sourcing low-emission equipment to minimise the potential for low frequency impacts during future stages of development.

It is further noted that, under the *Noise Policy for Industry*, the project noise trigger level provides a benchmark or objective for assessing a proposal or site. It is not intended to be applied as a mandatory requirement. Rather, the project noise trigger level represents a level that, if exceeded, would indicate a potential noise impact on the community and therefore ‘trigger’ a management response, such as further investigation of appropriate mitigation measures.

The 1/3 octave noise prediction results for each receptor location are presented in Attachment E.

7.3 Road traffic noise

Road traffic noise predictions were carried out using the UK Department of Transport, Calculation of Road Traffic Noise (CoRTN 1988) algorithms incorporated in the SoundPLAN (Version 9.1) noise modelling software. The modelling allows for traffic volume and mix, type of road surface, vehicle speed, road gradient, reflections off building surfaces, ground absorption and shielding from ground topography and physical barriers.

7.3.1 Noise prediction methodology

The construction and operational noise model inputs and assumptions for this assessment are provided in Table 7.7.

Table 7.7 Road traffic noise modelling parameters

Modelling component	Assumption
Noise model	SoundPLAN 9.1
Prediction algorithm	CoRTN
Terrain	5 m digital elevation model
Traffic parameters	As detailed in Section 7.3.2
Road Surface	Flinders Highway: Modelling has assumed a pavement surface of dense grade asphalt indicating a correction factor of 0 dB(A) to be applied to all modelling scenarios Local no name road: +4 dB unsealed roads Jones Road: +4 dB(A) chip sealed

Modelling component	Assumption
Ground Absorption	G = 0.3 for BESS site G = 0.6 for project boundary G = 1 for outside of the Project site at receptor locations
Correction to CoRTN for Australian Conditions	-1.7 dB(A) CoRTN correction for Australian conditions (for facade corrected receiver points located within 1 metre of a receiver building)
Façade correction	+ 2.5 dB(A)
Receiver Height	1.5 m above ground level
Road source height	0.5 m above pavement level

7.3.2 Traffic volumes

Road traffic movements with construction and operation of the Project have been referenced from the Traffic Impact Assessment (EMM 2025) and adapted to suit DMTR assessment requirements.

Construction workforce vehicles are anticipated to originate primarily from regional centres Woodstock and Townsville, Qld. They are expected to travel to the development along Flinders Highway and arrive prior to, and leave post, each construction shift. The following peak construction vehicle movements are anticipated to occur in month 11 of the construction phase. Vehicle movements are characterised by:

- up to 93 light vehicles per day (93 in and 93 out) during the construction phase; and
- up to 10 heavy vehicles per day (10 in and 10 out) during the construction works phase.

The operational workforce will comprise 1-2 people. The construction activities thus provide a worst-case scenario for road traffic impacts from the development site and as such, operational activity has not been modelled.

The traffic volume data that has been used in the assessment of road traffic by the Project is summarised in Table 7.8.

Table 7.8 Traffic data adjacent to project

Scenario	Road segment/name	Sign posted Speed (km/h)	AADT	Heavy vehicles %	18 Hours (6:00 am to 12:00 pm)		
					Total	Light vehicles	Heavy vehicles
Existing (2023)	14A - Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	110	2570	27	2416	1763.7	652.3
	Jones Road	100	45	13	450	391.5	58.5
	Local Road (No-name)	50	-	-	-	-	-
Existing (2023) + construction	14A - Flinders Highway (Townsville-Charter Towers)	110	2776	26	2622	1940.3	681.7
	Jones Road	100	251	13	580	504.6	75.4

Scenario	Road segment/name	Sign posted Speed (km/h)	AADT	Heavy vehicles %	18 Hours (6:00 am to 12:00 pm)		
					Total	Light vehicles	Heavy vehicles
	Local Road (No-name)	50	206	10	206	185.4	20.6

Notes: 1. 18 hour traffic volumes assumed to equal to AADT x 94%
2. AADT traffic volumes assumed to equal peak hourly x 10.

7.3.3 Traffic noise prediction results

Road traffic noise levels from the Project have been assessed by calculating existing and existing plus Project traffic at sensitive receptors using the CoRTN method.

The results of road traffic noise calculations are provided in Table 7.9. The road traffic noise contour maps are provided in Attachment D.

Table 7.9 Road traffic noise prediction from construction activities associated with Package 1

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)		Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)		Noise Criteria				Compliance?	
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)
R1	Residential	35	38	38	40	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R2	Residential	37	39	39	40	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R3	School	43	44	45	46	-	65	-	N/A	Yes	N/A
R4	Commercial	42	43	44	44	-	65	-	N/A	Yes	N/A
R5	Residential	32	33	34	35	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R6	Residential	34	35	35	36	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R7	Residential	34	35	35	36	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R8	Residential	30	31	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R9	Residential	26	27	27	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R10	Residential	31	33	33	34	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R11	Residential	27	30	28	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R12	Residential	29	31	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R13	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R14	Residential	32	33	34	35	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R15	Residential	33	35	36	37	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R16	Residential	43	44	45	46	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R17	Residential	45	45	47	47	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)		Noise prediction, L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)		Noise Criteria			Compliance?		
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)
R18	Residential	45	45	46	47	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R19	Residential	54	54	55	55	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R20	Residential	50	51	52	52	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R21	Residential	48	49	50	50	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R22	Residential	48	48	49	49	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R23	Residential	49	49	50	50	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R24	Residential	47	47	48	49	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R25	Residential	46	46	47	48	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R26	Residential	45	45	46	47	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R27	Residential	42	42	43	44	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R28	Residential	36	37	38	38	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R29	Residential	37	38	39	40	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R30	Residential	46	47	48	48	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R31	Residential	58	59	60	60	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R32	Residential	53	53	55	55	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R33	Residential	54	54	55	56	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R34	Residential	53	54	55	55	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R35	Residential	60	60	61	62	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R36	Residential	58	58	59	60	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)		Noise prediction, L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)		Noise Criteria			Compliance?		
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)
R37	Residential	45	46	47	47	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R38	Residential	46	47	48	49	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R39	Residential	47	49	50	51	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R40	Residential	53	55	56	58	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R41	Residential	54	55	56	57	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R42	Residential	55	56	57	58	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R43	Residential	49	50	51	52	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R44	Residential	48	48	50	51	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R45	Residential	47	48	49	50	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R46	Residential	48	49	51	52	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R47	Residential	53	54	55	56	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R48	Residential	45	46	47	48	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R49	Residential	41	41	43	44	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R50	Residential	37	38	39	40	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R51	Residential	37	37	39	39	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R52	Residential	31	32	33	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R53	Residential	29	30	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R54	Residential	31	32	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R55	Residential	27	29	28	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)		Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)		Noise Criteria			Compliance?		
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)
R56	Residential	30	31	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R57	Residential	28	29	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R58	Residential	29	30	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R59	Residential	30	31	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R60	Residential	25	26	26	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R61	Residential	25	27	27	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R62	Residential	27	29	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R63	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R64	Residential	28	29	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R65	Residential	25	26	27	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R66	Residential	25	26	27	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R67	Residential	27	28	28	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R68	Residential	26	27	28	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R69	Residential	26	28	28	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R70	Residential	27	29	29	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R71	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R72	Residential	28	29	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R73	Residential	29	31	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R74	Residential	29	30	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)		Noise prediction, L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)		Noise Criteria			Compliance?		
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 18hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 1hr dB(A)	L ₁₀ , 12hr dB(A)
R75	Residential	30	31	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R76	Residential	29	31	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R77	Residential	30	32	32	33	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R78	Residential	29	31	31	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R79	Residential	29	31	30	32	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R80	Residential	28	29	29	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R81	Residential	28	29	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R82	Residential	26	28	28	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R83	Residential	28	30	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R84	Residential	28	29	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R85	Residential	28	30	30	31	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R86	Residential	27	29	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R87	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R88	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R89	Residential	26	27	28	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R90	Residential	25	27	27	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R91	Residential	27	28	28	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R92	Residential	27	28	28	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R93	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A

Receptor	Receptor Type	Noise prediction, L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)		Noise prediction, L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)		Noise Criteria			Compliance?		
		Without Construction	With Construction	Without Construction	With Construction	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 18hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 1hr} dB(A)	L _{10, 12hr} dB(A)
R94	Residential	27	28	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R95	Residential	27	29	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R96	Residential	26	28	28	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R97	Residential	27	29	29	30	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R98	Residential	26	27	27	29	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R99	Residential	<25	25	<25	26	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R100	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R101	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R102	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R103	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R104	Residential	<25	27	<25	28	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R105	Residential	<25	<25	<25	<25	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
R106	Residential	32	34	35	36	68	-	-	Yes	N/A	N/A
CWA HALL	Commercial	46	47	49	50	-	65	-	N/A	Yes	N/A
Manton Cemetery	Park/Garden	<25	27	26	29	-	-	58	N/A	N/A	Yes ¹

Notes: 1. Compliance was assessed against the predicted L_{10,1hr} dB(A), assuming that traffic flows are evenly distributed and the 1-hour value is consistent and therefore representative of the 12-hour daytime period.

8 Noise mitigation and management

8.1 Construction mitigation and management

Construction noise levels are predicted to exceed the relevant guidelines at the closest residential receivers; therefore, additional noise mitigation measures are required.

It should be noted that, although not applicable to building work or construction noise, the acoustic quality objectives for dwellings outlined in the EPP (Noise) have been applied in this assessment to screen potential noise amenity impacts and identify the need for non-standard noise management measures. These construction acoustic quality objectives are not mandatory and are used solely for noise management purposes.

Notwithstanding this, the potential for noise emissions will be minimised through consideration of the following general strategies (but not limited to), as detailed in Table 8.1.

Table 8.1 General construction noise mitigation and management strategies

Strategy	Measure	Method
Universal Work Practices	Minimise avoidable noise	Train workers, include noise clauses in contracts, display noise-related approvals
	Reduce behavioural noise	Avoid shouting, radios, slamming doors, idling, PA overuse
	Minimise night-time disruption	Avoid impulsive/metallic noise, reduce reversing, schedule trucks away from sensitive areas
Consultation and Notification	Inform affected community	Letterbox drops, signage, multilingual notices, websites, newsletters
	Maintain communication	Appoint liaison officer, toll-free line, on-site info board, community meetings
	Manage complaints	Accessible contact point, escalation procedure, response tracking and resolution
Plant and Equipment	Use quieter work methods	Hydraulic splitters, chemical cracking, delayed load-out
	Choose quieter equipment	Compare noise-labelled tools, rent/buy low-noise models, use silencers and dampers
	Operate efficiently	Idle reduction, reduce throttle, line bins with damping material
	Maintain equipment	Check mufflers, enclosures, seals; repair or return noisy hired plant
On-site Location and Barriers	Maximise plant separation	Locate plant/vehicle entrances away from receptors, restrict mobile plant areas
	Avoid reversing alarms	Site layout planning, smart/multi-frequency alarms (OH&S compliant)
	Shield noise sources	Use sheds, stockpiles, enclosures, natural landforms; retain existing structures
Work Scheduling	Schedule to reduce impact	Work during high ambient noise periods or when receptors are absent

Strategy	Measure	Method
Transmission Path	Optimise logistics	Amalgamate loads, designate routes/times, provide off-site truck holding areas
	Block direct noise pathways	Erect solid barriers (hoardings, containers, site sheds) without gaps
	Increase shielding effectiveness	Build barriers early, address multi-storey impacts, consult on mitigation effectiveness

8.2 Operational mitigation and management

Predicted operational noise levels have exceeded the nighttime acoustic quality objectives at three sensitive receptor locations under the provided current operational capacity, equipment list, and sources of noise for Package 1 of the Project.

8.2.1 Hierarchy of management

To ensure operational activities comply with the adopted acoustic quality objectives, recommendations have been made in accordance with the noise management hierarchy outlined in the EPP (Noise). In the following preference, noise should be managed by:

1. The avoidance of noise by not locating an industrial activity near a sensitive receptor.
2. The minimisation of noise through careful design of a project, including:
 - a) facing noisy equipment away from sensitive receptors
 - b) the selection of the best equipment available.
3. The management of noise through construction of barriers and using heavy equipment during daytime only.

8.2.2 Recommended noise mitigation strategies

Operational noise is expected to exceed the acoustic quality objectives at three sensitive receptors under Package 1 prior to mitigation (and based on units modelled to date). Solquartz has advised that specifications for the BESS units are not currently available and have therefore not been assessed; however, it is likely that their noise emissions will be lower than those currently modelled. It is recommended that Solquartz continue sourcing low-emission equipment to minimise the potential for noise impacts during future stages of development.

Given the novelty of the BESS equipment, it is feasible to re-assess associated noise emissions at a later stage of development when more accurate data becomes available. Based on the current assessment of the BESS, it is recommended to consider the general mitigation measures outlined in Section 8.2.3 to reduce noise impacts from the Project to meet relevant criteria.

8.2.3 General considerations

General strategies can include:

- Sourcing low-emission equipment.
- Regular audits of transmission lines to ensure dust build up is kept at a minimum.

- Reorienting or relocating BESS units to direct noise away from sensitive areas, particularly in centralised layouts.
- Acoustic enclosures and louvres help reduce emissions while maintaining ventilation.
- Localised noise barriers
- Variable fan speeds can lower noise, especially at night, though this requires detailed thermal and weather analysis.
- Collaboration with manufacturers allows for early-stage acoustic improvements, such as quieter components or redesigns.
- Rescheduling charge/discharge to avoid night-time operation may help but often compromises project feasibility.
- Regulatory relief may be pursued based on the Project's strategic importance.
- Weather-adaptive noise management involving weather monitoring and conditional shutdowns may be needed where adverse conditions are frequent, demanding complex modelling and operational flexibility.

9 Conclusion

This NIA has been prepared to support Package 1 of the development application for the Northern Quartz Campus 3 km south of the township of Woodstock, Qld.

This assessment has led to the conclusions below, which are subject to the limitations outlined in Section 1.

9.1 Modelled outcomes

Noise models were quantified potential impacts of the construction and operation of Package 1 BESS on nearby sensitive receptors. A conservative approach was taken to each modelling scenario, and it is likely that noise impacts at sensitive receptors will be less than predicted.

9.1.1 Construction noise

Construction activities associated with Phase 1 are predicted to exceed at the three sensitive receptors R11, R12, and R79. Construction activities associated with Phase 2 of construction activities are predicted to exceed at the four sensitive receptors R11, R12, R78, and R79. All other sensitive receptors are predicted to comply with noise objectives related to construction activities. Construction activities associated with Phase 3 of construction are predicted to comply with noise objectives at all sensitive receptors.

Activities were predicted under a worst-case scenario and noise impacts at receptors are expected to be lower. Fluctuations in construction activities as the site requires, should therefore not result in considerable changes to impacts at sensitive receptor locations.

9.1.2 Operational noise

Operational noise exceeds the acoustic quality objectives outlined in the EPP (Noise) at three sensitive receptor locations R11, R12 and R79. Operational noise incorporates fixed equipment that include 1170 battery containers, 234 PCU's, and three HV transformers. The impacts were predicted under noise-enhancing conditions and represent a worst-case scenario. It is anticipated that noise levels at sensitive receptors will be lower.

9.1.3 Road traffic noise

Construction road traffic from peak construction activities was modelled against current traffic from the AADT. Construction traffic is expected to include an additional 93 light vehicles and 10 heavy vehicles per day. The addition of construction vehicles will have negligible, if any, change on the noise impacts from Flinders Highway on nearby sensitive receptors. Additional traffic is predicted to comply with noise objectives at all sensitive receptors.

9.2 Mitigation and recommendations

Noise mitigation measures have been recommended based on the modelled outcomes of Package 1. Recommendations have been made in accordance with the noise management hierarchy in the EPP (Noise). These include the consideration of equipment specifications, location, orientation, and noise barriers to minimise noise propagation to sensitive receptors. These recommendations have been made with the consideration to potential future development within NQC project area.

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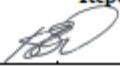
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Sound Level Meter
IEC 61672-3:2013
Calibration Certificate
Calibration Number **C24877**

Client Details		EMM Consulting Suite 9.10, Level 9, 454 Collins Street Melbourne VIC, 3000	
Equipment Tested/ Model Number :		ARL Ngara	
Instrument Serial Number :		878017	
Microphone Serial Number :		21991	
Pre-amplifier Serial Number :		27806	
Firmware Version :		v12.6	
Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions		Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions	
Ambient Temperature : 24.7 °C		Ambient Temperature : 24.8 °C	
Relative Humidity : 48.4 %		Relative Humidity : 48.2 %	
Barometric Pressure : 101.25 kPa		Barometric Pressure : 101.22 kPa	
Calibration Technician : Jeff Yu		Secondary Check: Cooper Sallway	
Calibration Date : 20 Nov 2024		Report Issue Date : 25 Nov 2024	
Approved Signatory :		 Ken Williams	
Clause and Characteristic Tested		Result	
12: Acoustical Sig. tests of a frequency weighting		Pass	
13: Electrical Sig. tests of frequency weightings		Pass	
14: Frequency and time weightings at 1 kHz		Pass	
15: Long Term Stability		Pass	
16: Level linearity on the reference level range		Pass	
Clause and Characteristic Tested		Result	
17: Level linearity incl. the level range control		N/A	
18: Toneburst response		Pass	
19: C Weighted Peak Sound Level		N/A	
20: Overload Indication		Pass	
21: High Level Stability		Pass	

The sound level meter submitted for testing has successfully completed the class 1 periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013, for the environmental conditions under which the tests were performed.

However, no general statement or conclusion can be made about conformance of the sound level meter to the full requirements of IEC 61672-1:2013 because evidence was not publicly available, from an independent testing organisation responsible for pattern approvals, to demonstrate that the model of sound level meter fully conformed to the requirements in IEC 61672-1:2013 and because the periodic tests of IEC 61672-3:2013 cover only a limited subset of the specifications in IEC 61672-1:2013.

Uncertainties of Measurement -			
Acoustic Tests		Environmental Conditions	
125Hz	±0.13 dB	Temperature	±0.1 °C
1kHz	±0.13 dB	Relative Humidity	±1.9 %
8kHz	±0.14 dB	Barometric Pressure	±0.11 kPa
Electrical Tests	±0.13 dB		

All uncertainties are derived at the 95% confidence level with a coverage factor of 2.



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Sound Level Meter
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Calibration Certificate
Calibration Number **C23794**

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Instrument Serial Number :		878123	
Microphone Serial Number :		20271	
Pre-amplifier Serial Number :		28217	
Firmware Version :		V12.5	
Pre-Test Atmospheric Conditions		Post-Test Atmospheric Conditions	
Ambient Temperature : 25.3 °C		Ambient Temperature : 25.3 °C	
Relative Humidity : 38.9 %		Relative Humidity : 36.8 %	
Barometric Pressure : 99.95 kPa		Barometric Pressure : 100.01 kPa	
Calibration Technician : Max Moore		Secondary Check: Dhamsh Bonu	
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Approved Signatory 		Ken Williams	
Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result	Clause and Characteristic Tested	Result
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13: Electrical Sig. tests of frequency weightings	Pass	18: Toneburst response	Pass
14: Frequency and time weightings at 1 kHz	Pass	19: C Weighted Peak Sound Level	N/A
15: Long Term Stability	Pass	20: Overload Indication	Pass
16: Level linearity on the reference level range	Pass	21: High Level Stability	Pass

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CERTIFICATE NO: **C54254**

EQUIPMENT TESTED : Acoustic Calibrator

Make & Model: Svantek SV 36 **Serial No:** 154613
Class: 1
Owner: EMM Consulting
The Forum, Level 10/201 Pacific Hwy
St Leonards NSW 2065
Tests Performed: Measured Output Pressure level, Frequency & Distortion
Comments: See Details and Class Tolerance overleaf.

CONDITION OF TEST:

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Temperature	21 °C ± 1 °C	Date of Calibration :	16/06/2025
Relative Humidity	41 % ± 5 %	Date of Issue :	16/06/2025

Acu-Vib Test AVP02 (Calibrators)
Procedure: Test Method: AS IEC 60942 - 2017

CHECKED BY: A. Nowosadzka **AUTHORISED H. Soe**
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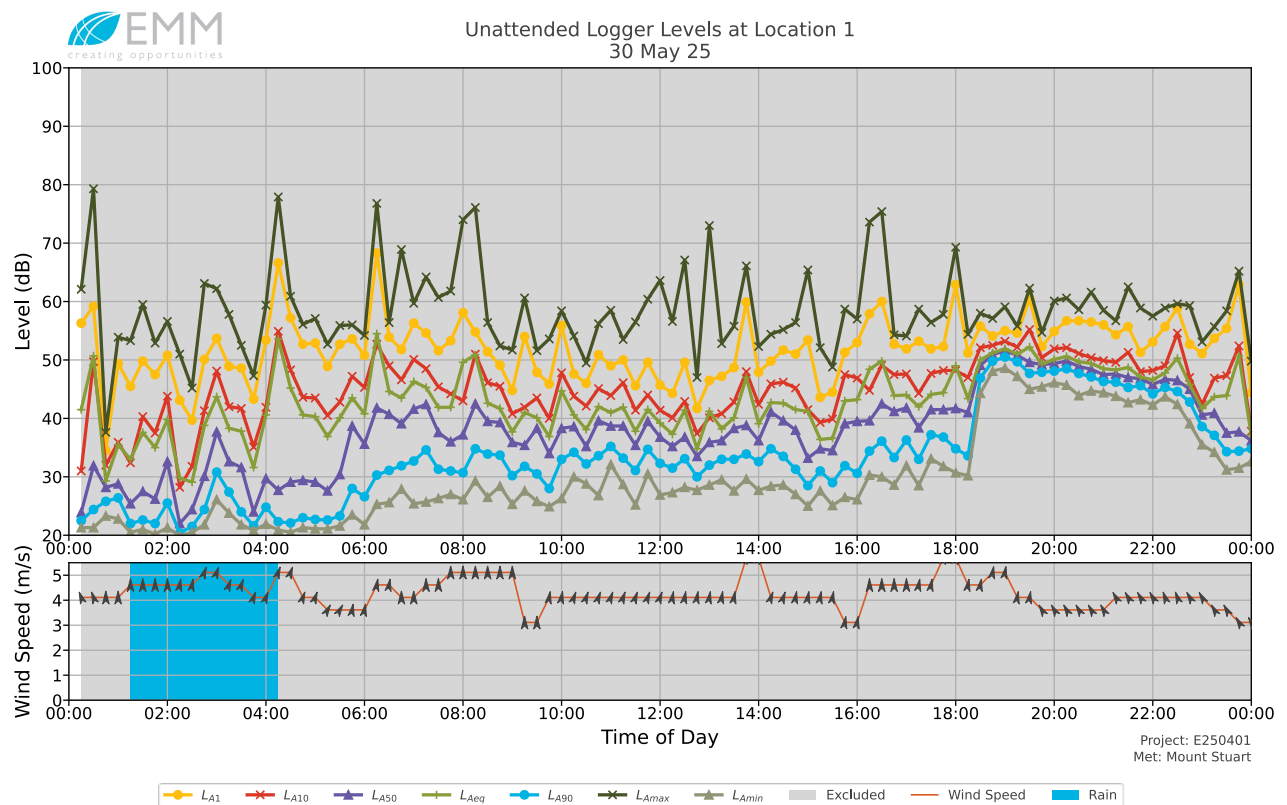
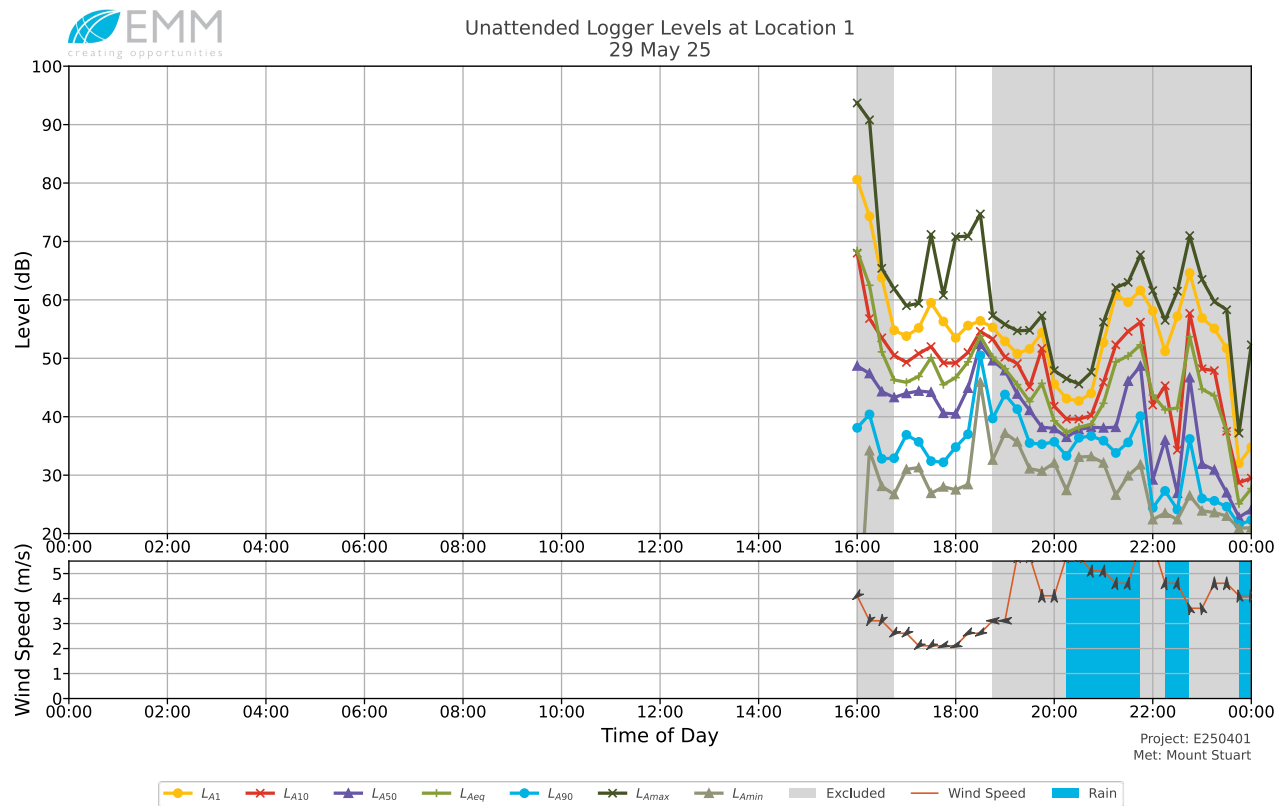
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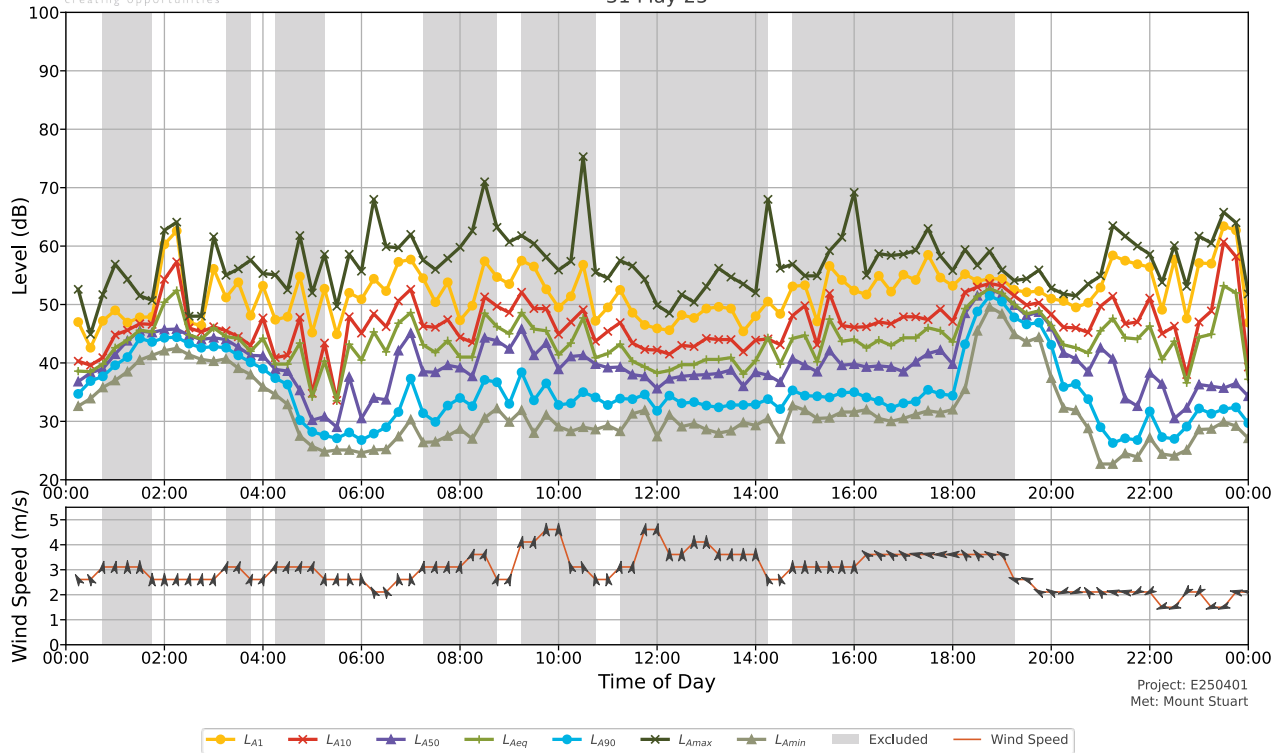
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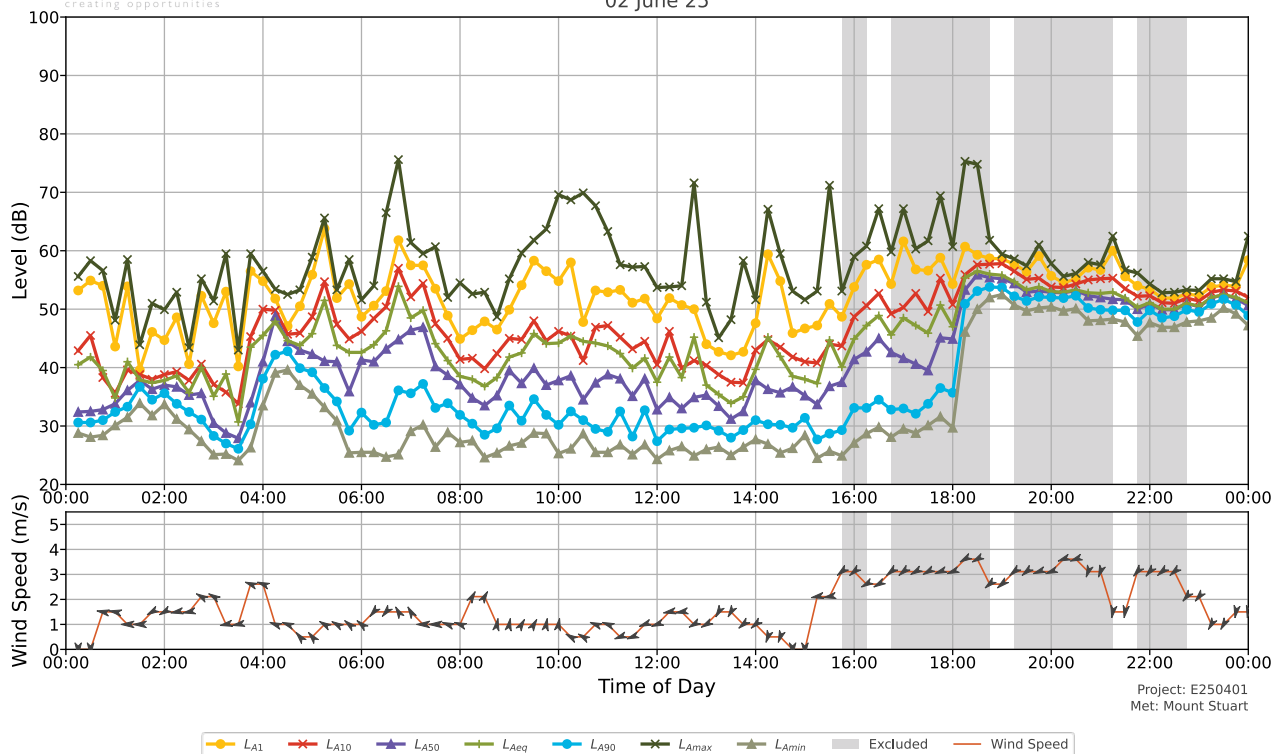
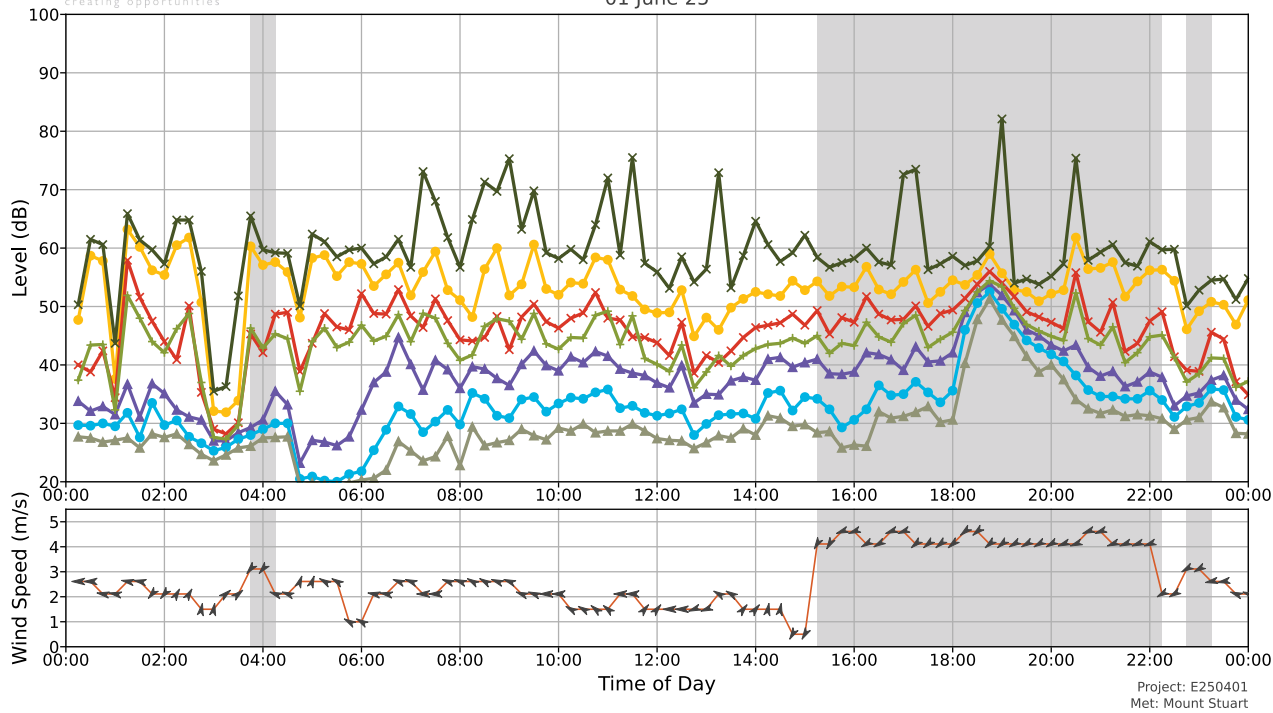
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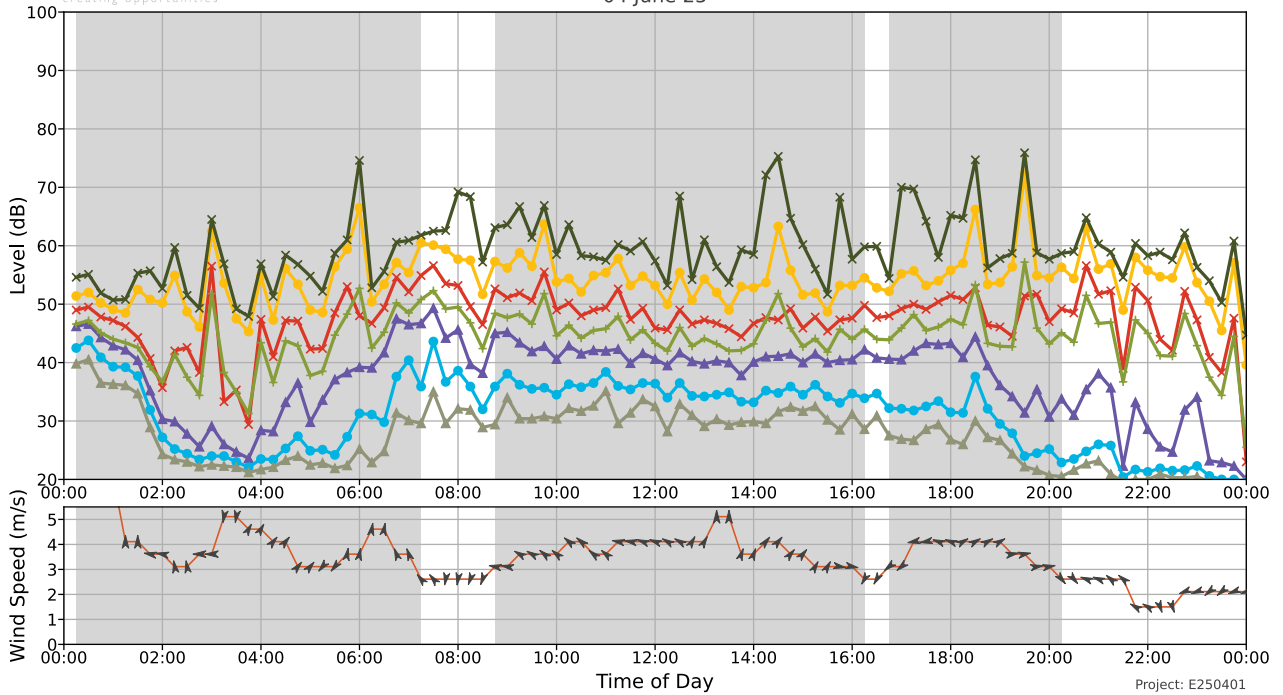
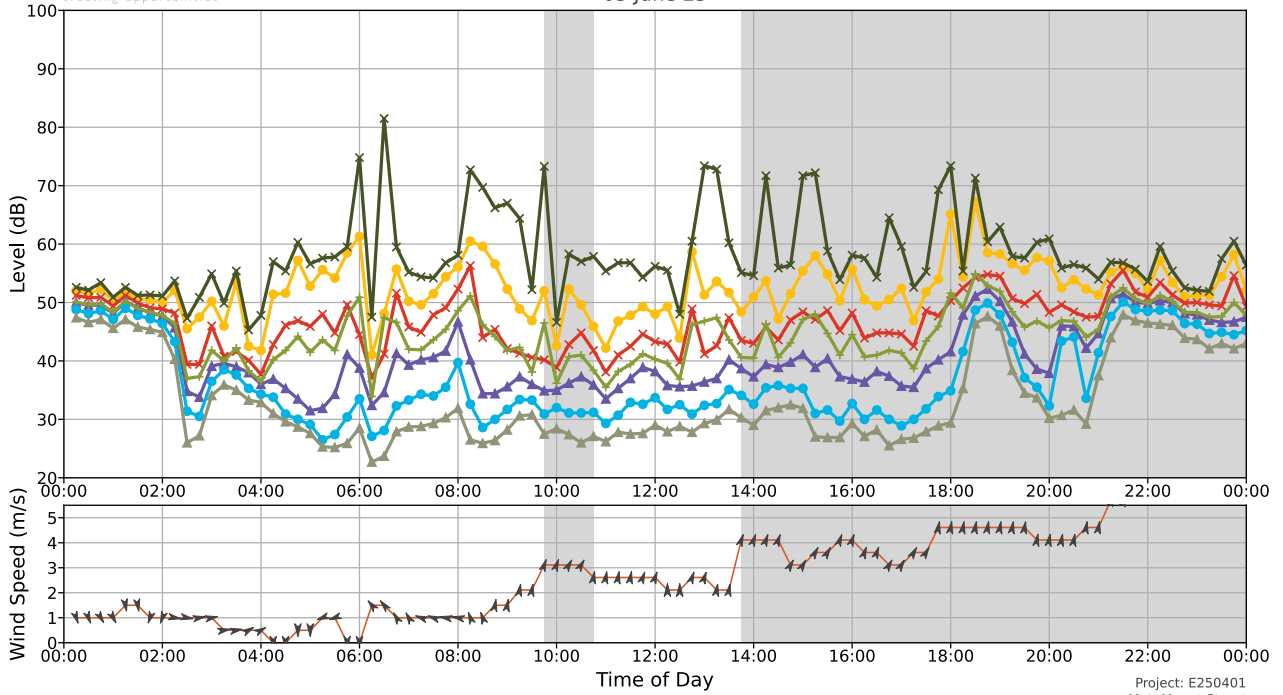
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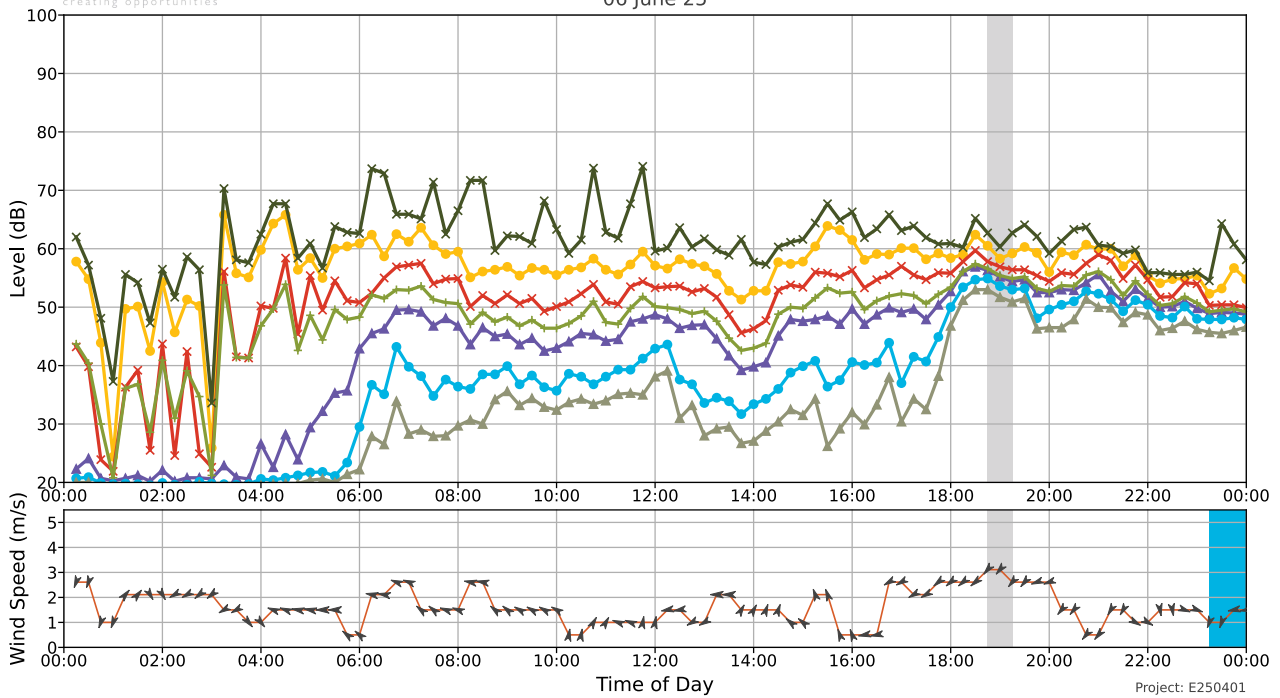
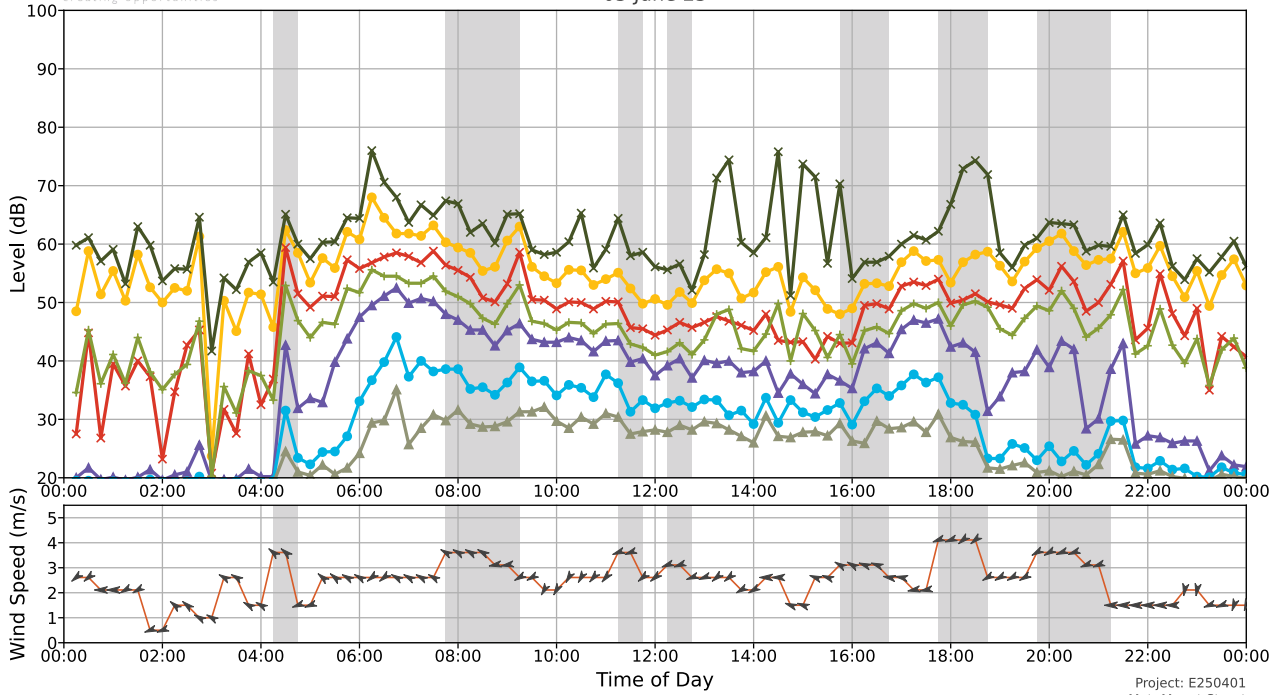
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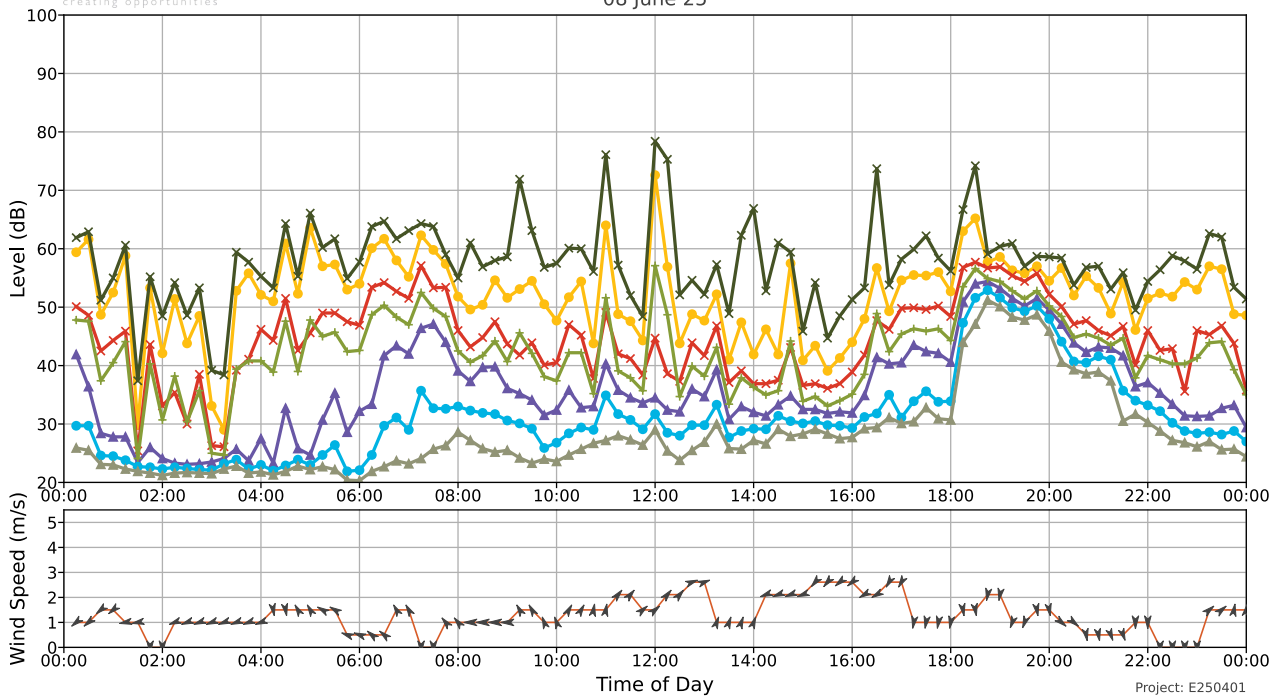
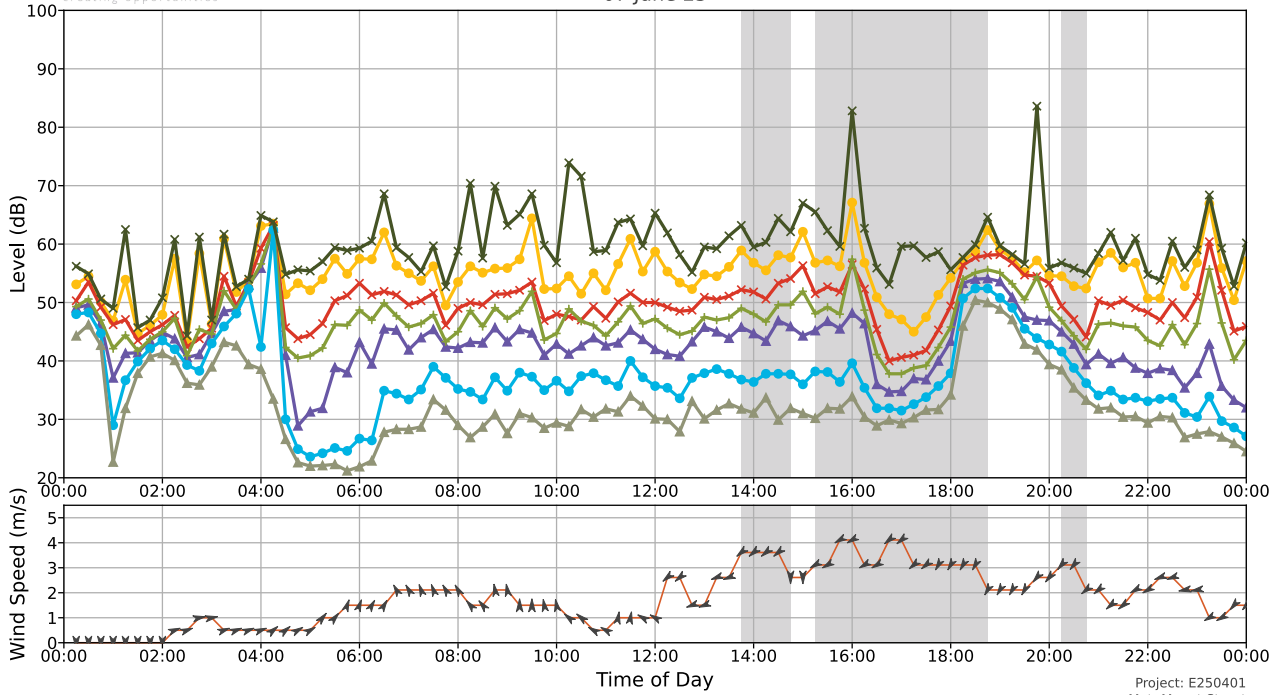


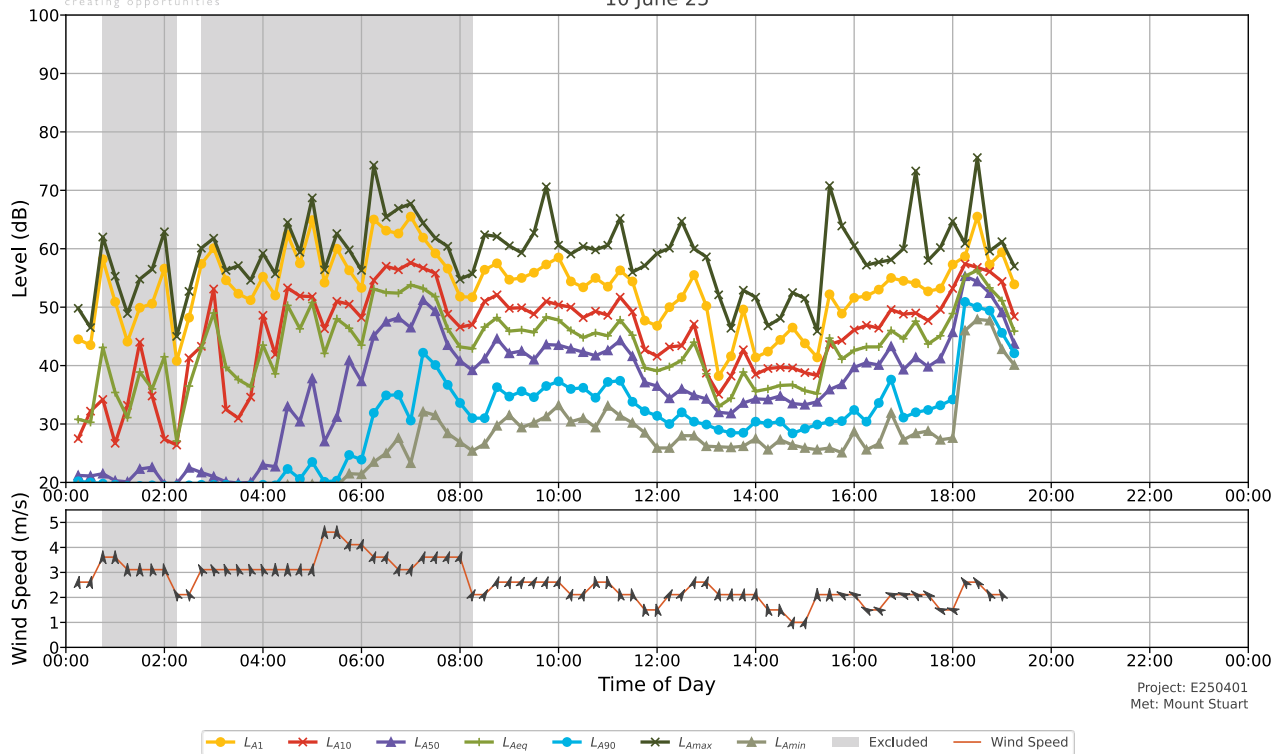
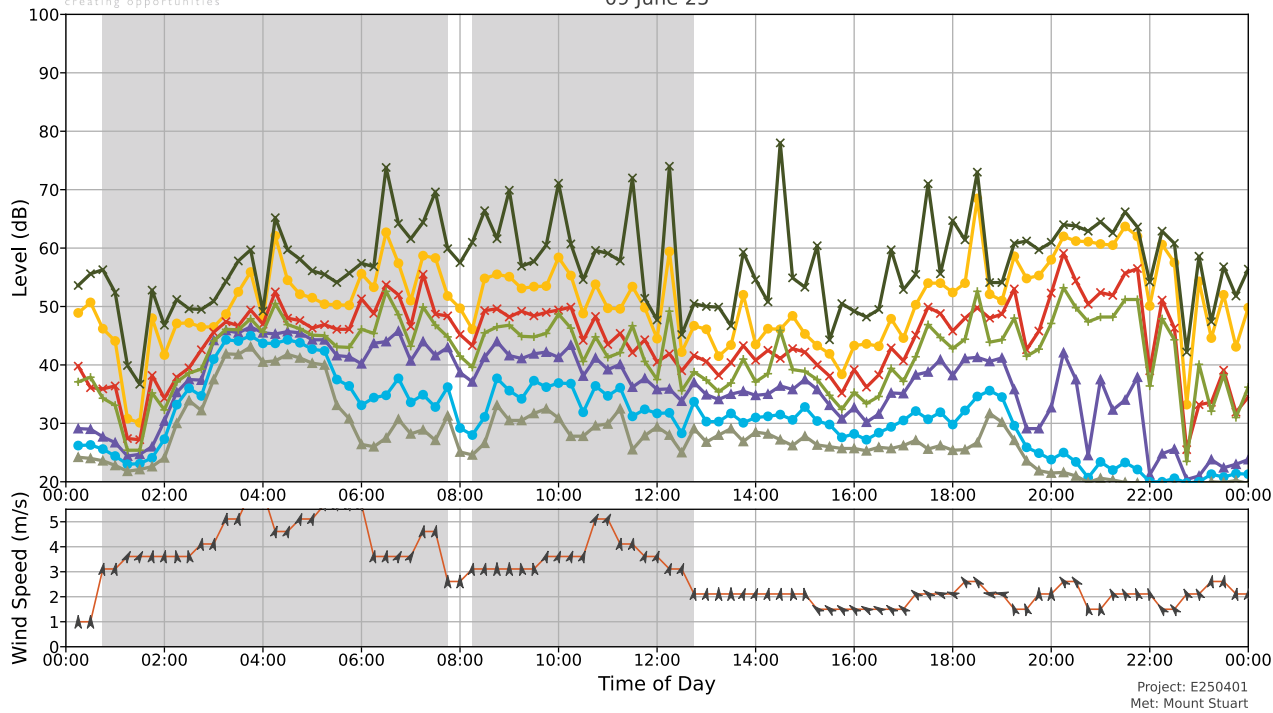




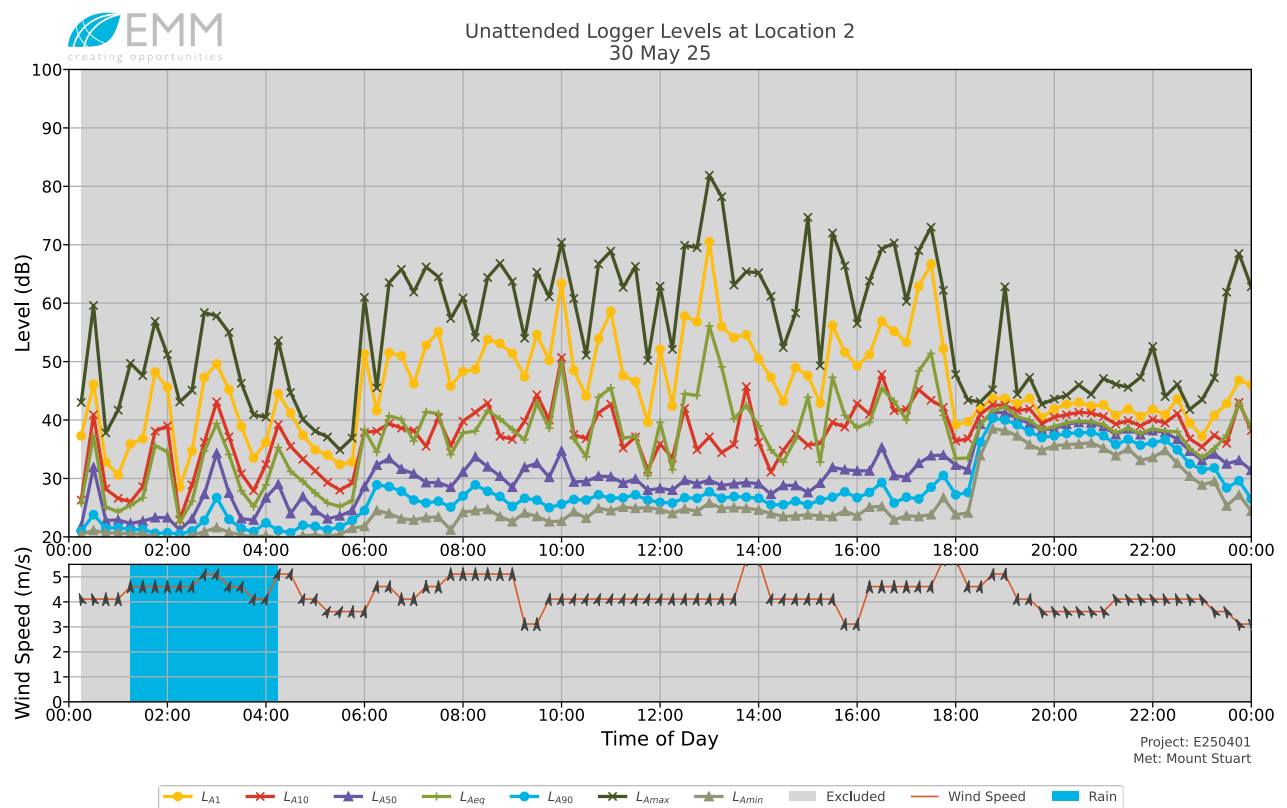
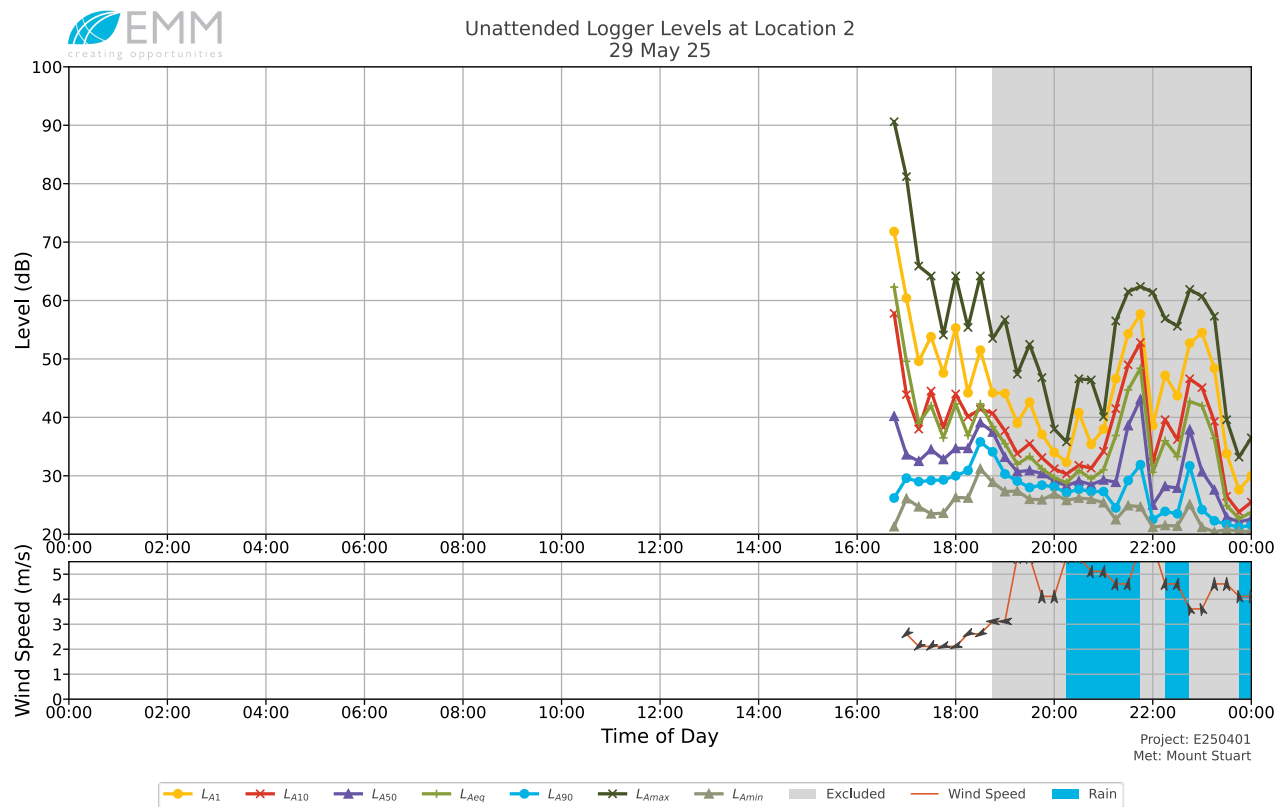




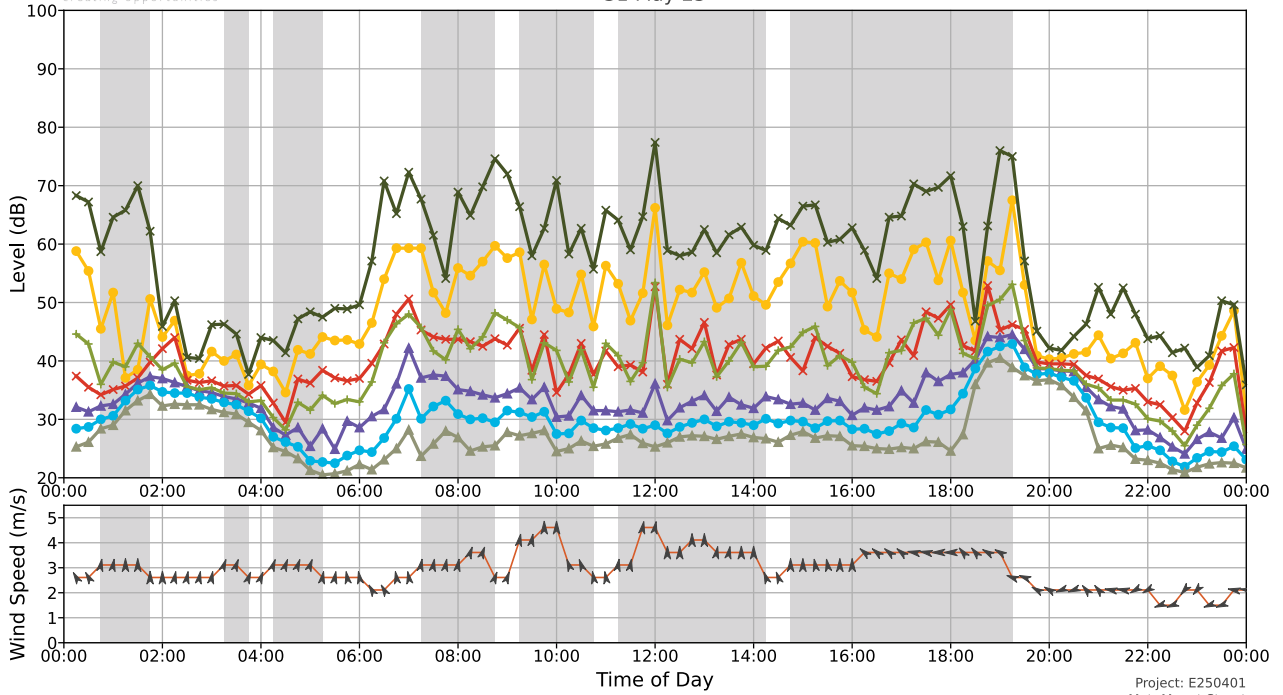




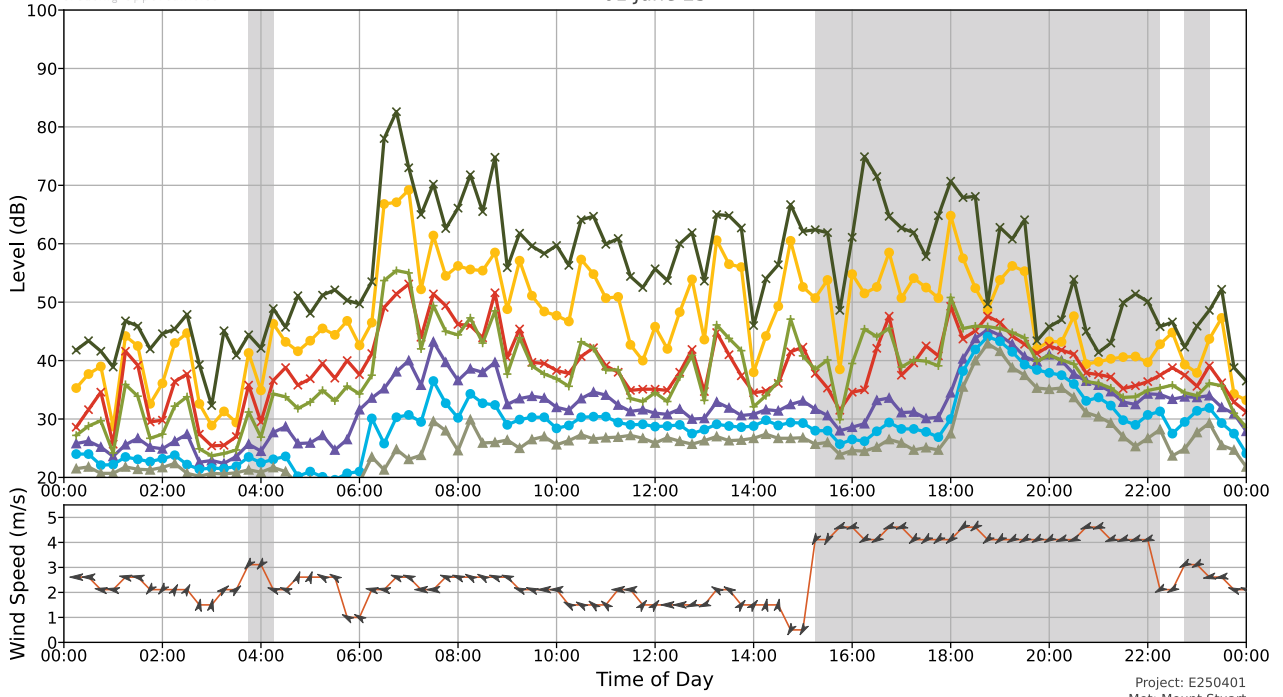
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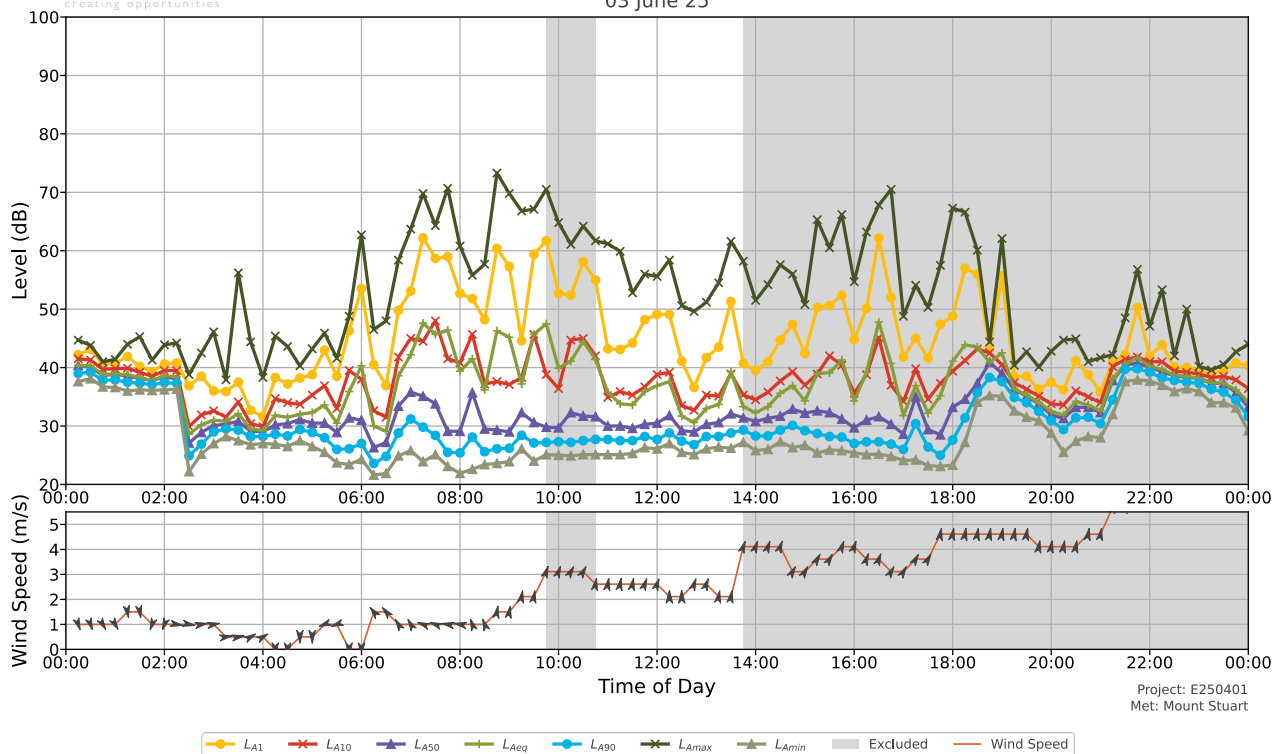
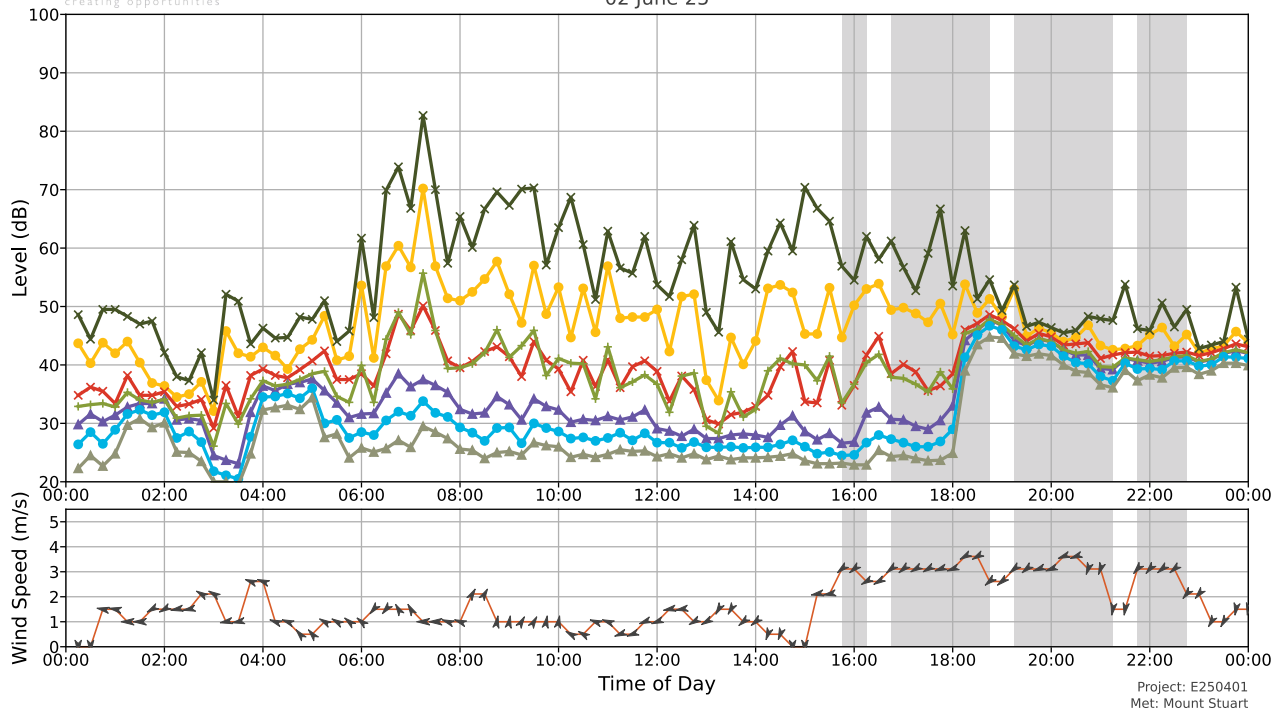


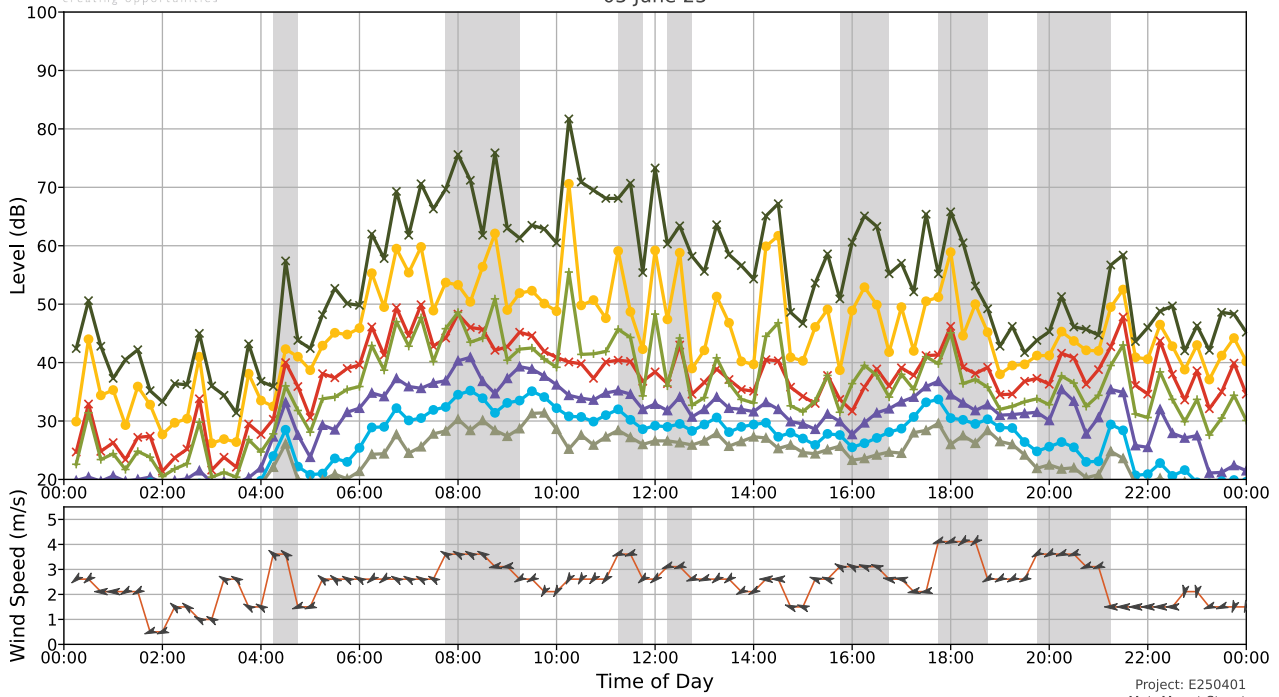
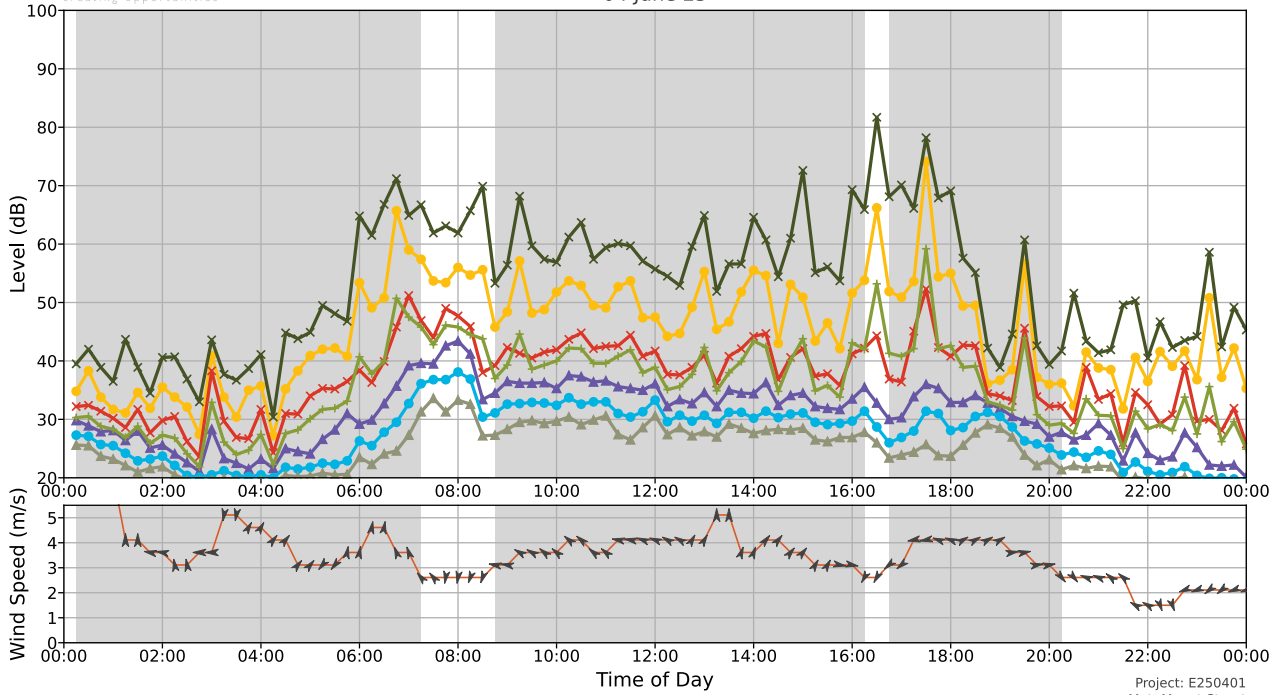
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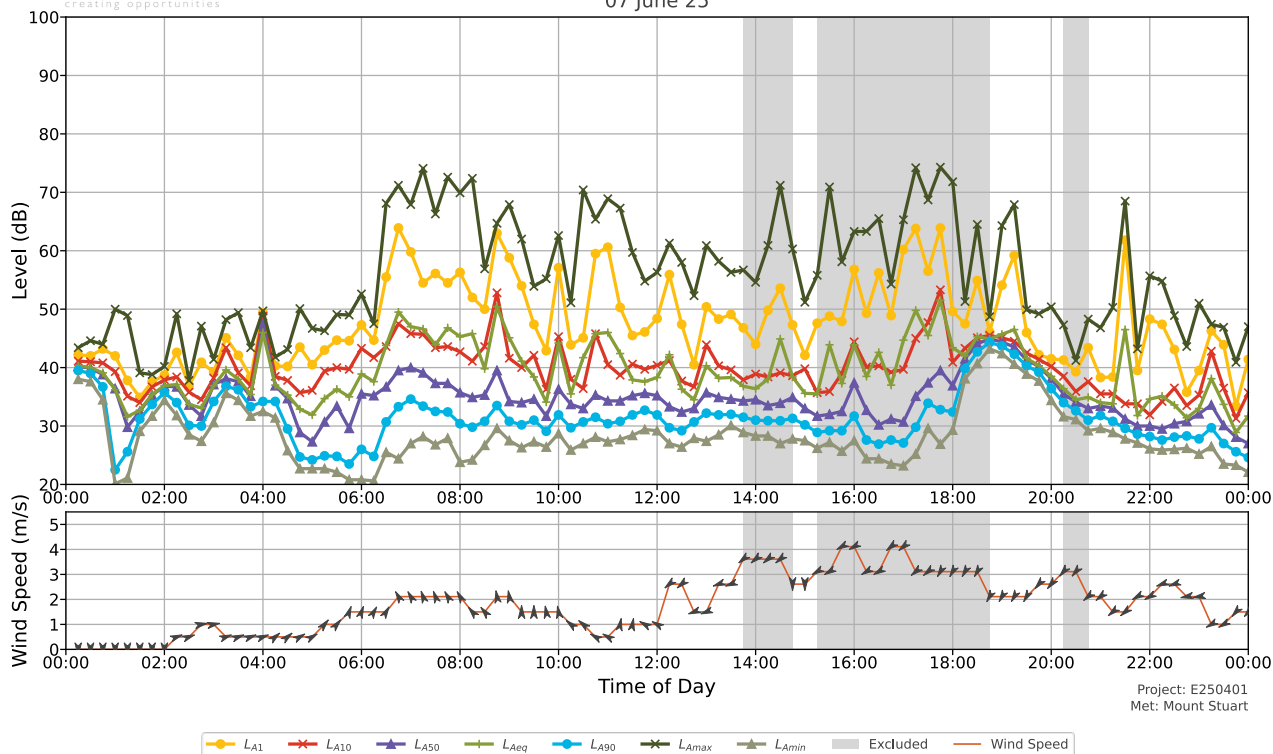
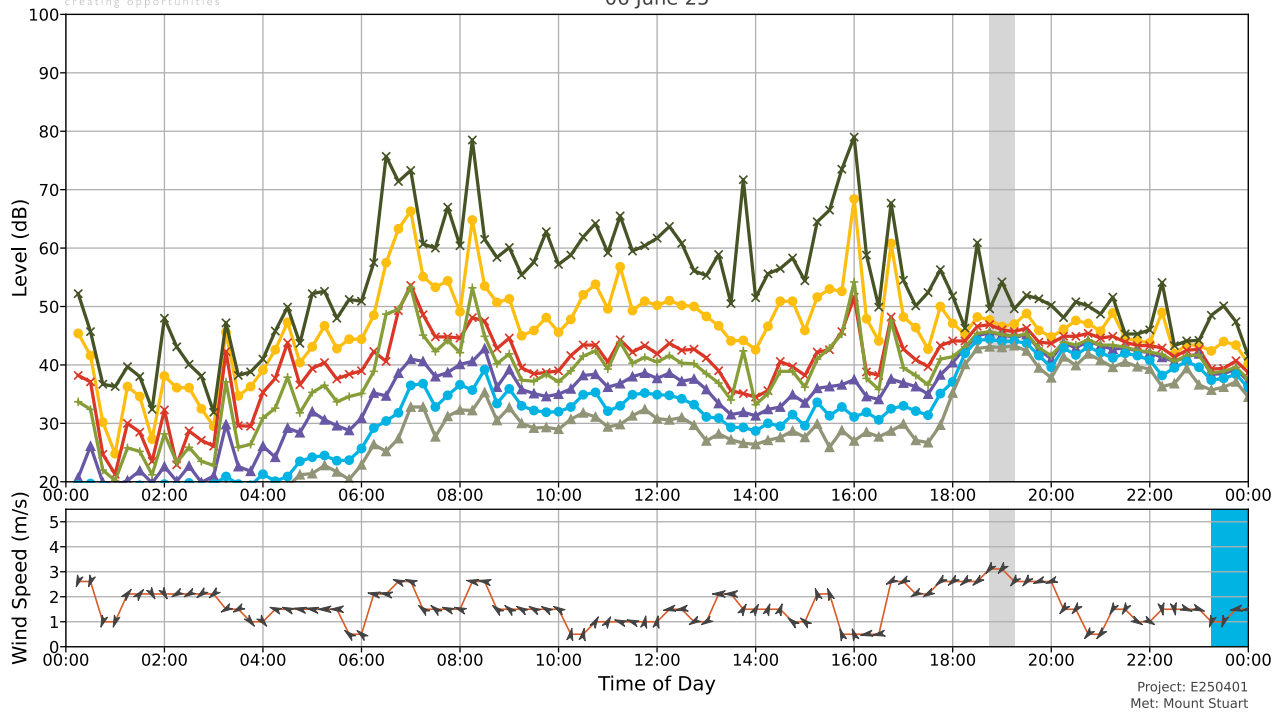


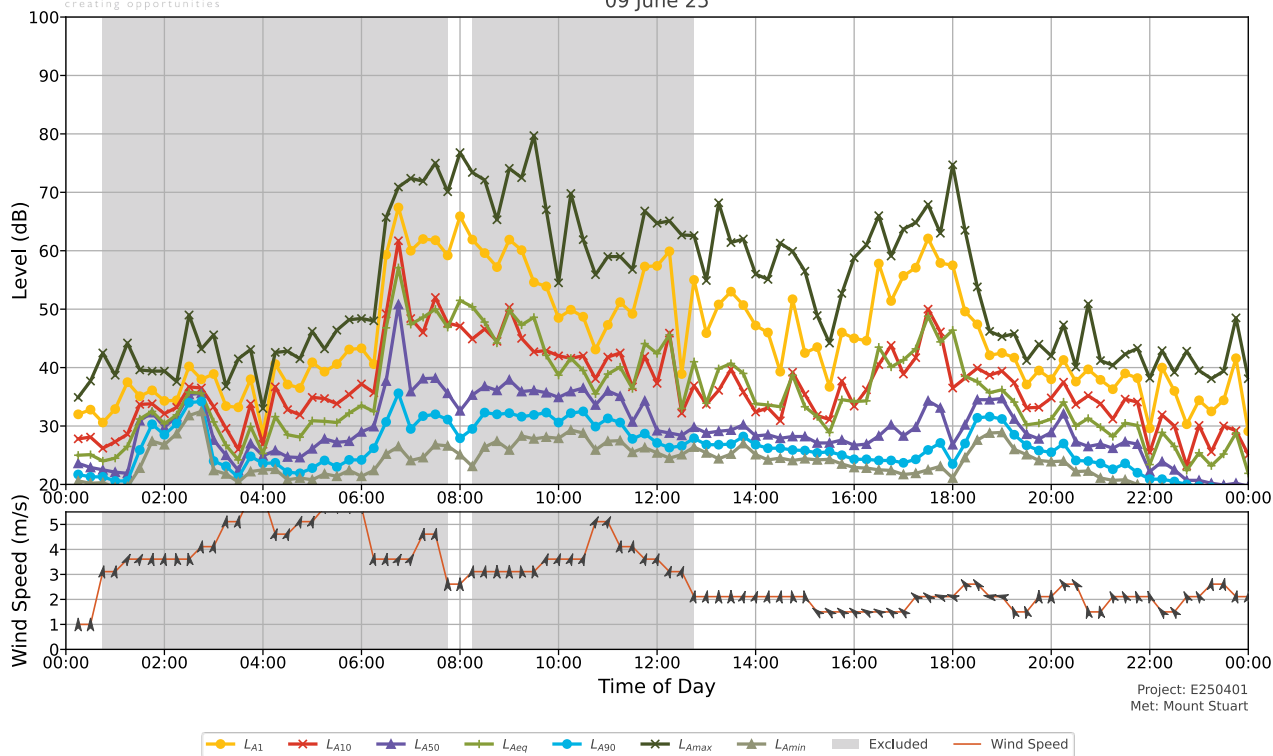
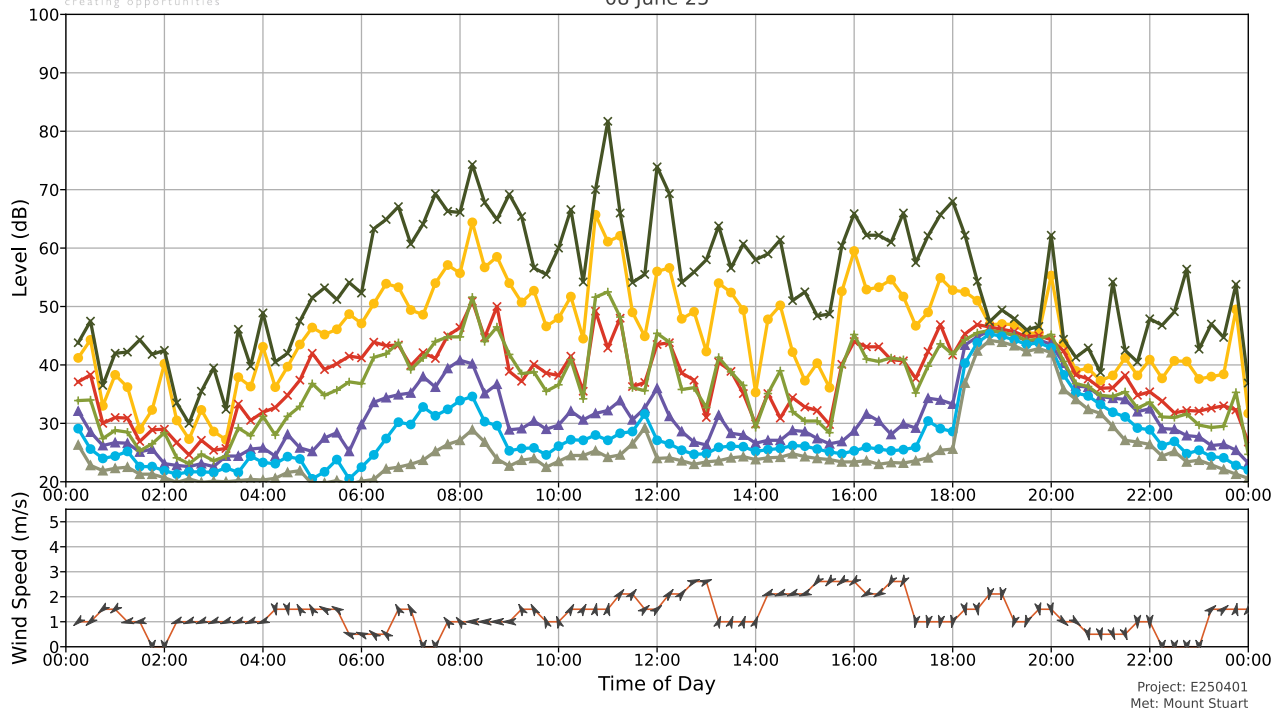
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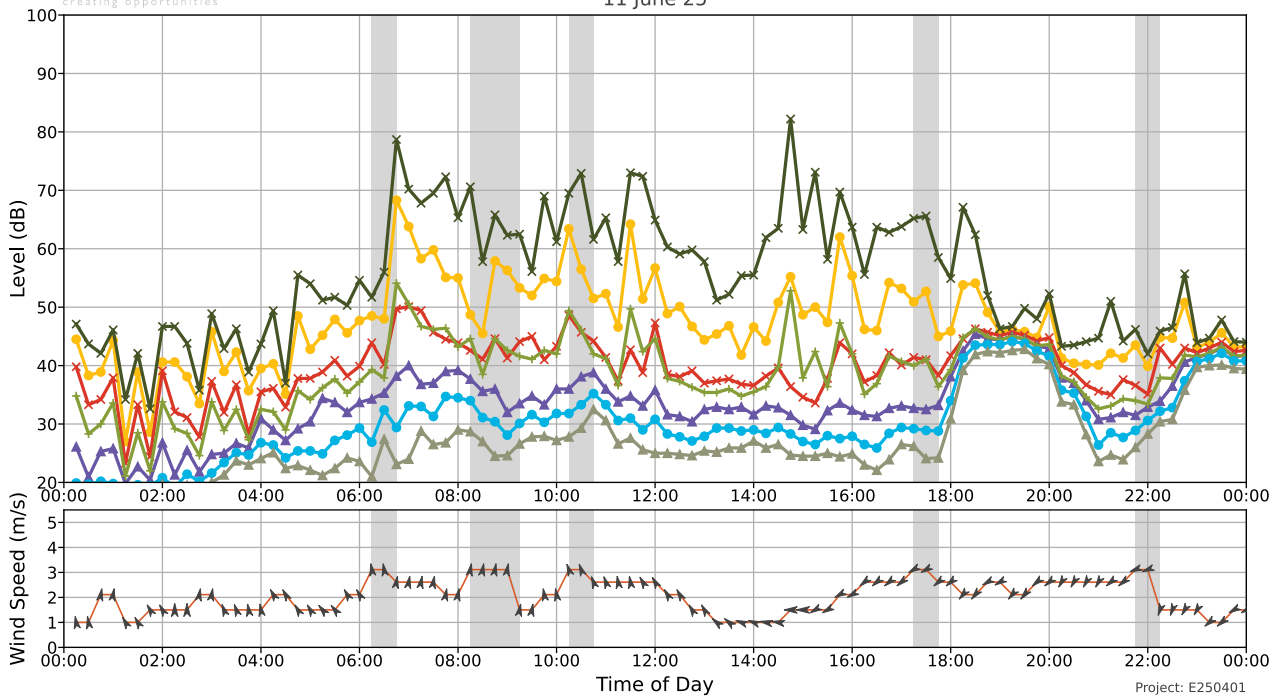
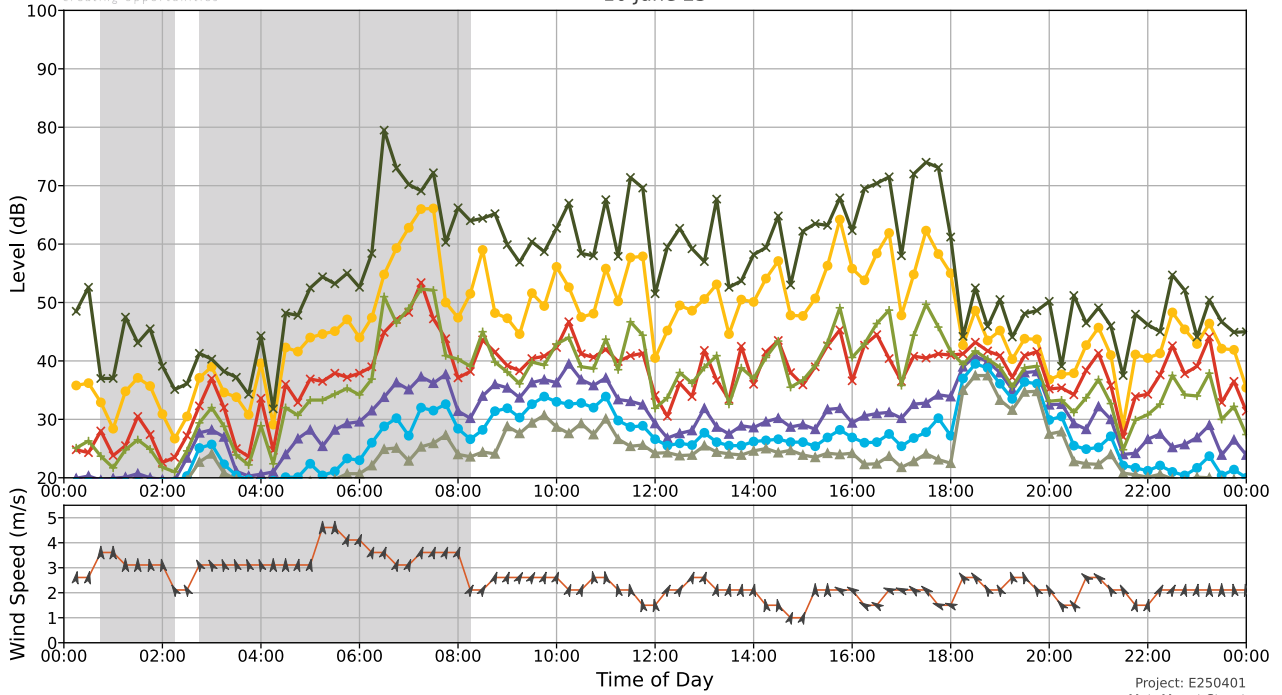












Attachment C

Equipment sound power levels

C.1 Construction and operational sound power levels

The sound power levels utilised in the construction and operational noise predictions are presented in Table C.1 and Table C.2, respectively.

Table C.1 Construction 1/1 octave sound power levels

Construction Phase	Description	Plant equipment	Number of Units	1/1 octave sound power levels L_{Aeq} dB(A)								
				63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	Total dB(A)
Phase 1	Site establishment of BESS	Bulldozer	2	82	101	97	103	113	112	105	97	116
		Grader	1	72	88	97	99	101	98	91	83	105
		Excavator	2	86	92	96	98	101	98	92	86	105
		Roller	1	71	86	92	96	100	94	87	94	103
		Scraper	1	76	101	99	104	108	110	100	87	114
		Hand tools	2	47	51	60	73	86	95	90	88	97
		Light vehicles	3	35	65	81	90	97	100	94	82	103
		Total		88	104	104	108	115	115	107	100	119
Phase 2	Installation of foundation for BESS	Bulldozer	2	82	101	97	103	113	112	105	97	116
		Grader	1	72	88	97	99	101	98	91	83	105
		Excavator	2	86	92	96	98	101	98	92	86	105
		Scrapers	1	76	101	99	104	108	110	100	87	114
		Loaders	2	92	97	99	106	104	102	96	87	110
		Dump Trucks	2	93	99	97	101	106	104	100	90	110
		Compactors	1	81	95	90	100	106	99	96	94	108
		Total		96	106	106	111	116	115	108	100	120

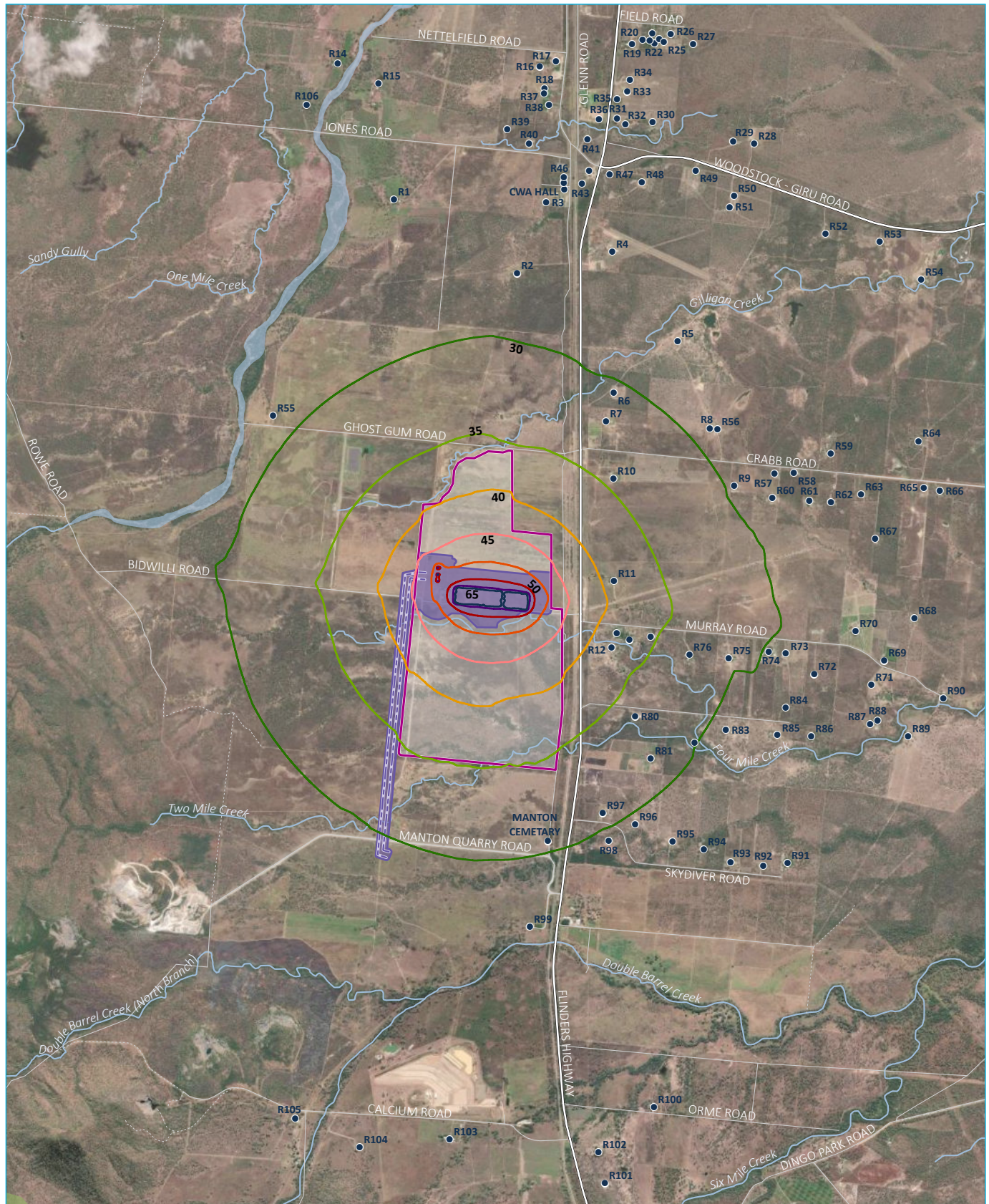
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				63 Hz	125 Hz	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	4000 Hz	8000 Hz	Total dB(A)
Phase 3	Installation of BESS infrastructure	Low loaders	2	89	94	96	103	101	99	93	84	107
		Slew Cranes	1	72	88	94	95	97	96	91	80	102
		Light vehicles	3	35	65	81	90	97	100	94	82	103
		Hand tools	2	47	51	60	73	86	95	90	88	97
		Total		89	95	98	104	104	104	98	91	110

Table C.2 **Operational 1/3 octave sound power levels**

Frequency (Hz)	1/3 octave sound power levels L_{Aeq} dB(A)		
	BESS Unit (silenced)	PCU	HV Transformer
25	57	31	-
31.5	63	39	-
40	66	43	-
50	68	52	71
63	70	55	75
80	74	57	74
100	75	65	94
125	77	59	74
160	78	59	70
200	78	63	90
250	78	65	76
315	78	70	87
400	77	64	88
500	77	64	82
630	80	65	79
800	79	64	72
1000	78	64	72
1250	78	61	70
1600	78	59	65
2000	74	58	63
2500	74	72	61
3150	73	81	58
4000	71	61	56
5000	69	64	57
6300	70	74	59
8000	63	66	57
10000	61	66	57
Total dB(A)	90	83	97

Attachment D

Noise contour maps



Source: EMM (2025); DES (2025); DNRMRRD (2025); ESRI (2025)

KEY

- Northern Quartz Campus
- Package 1 - Premises
- Package 1 - Transmission line
- Sensitive receptor

- Operational noise contour dB(A)
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- 35
- 40
- 45
- 50
- 55
- 60
- 65

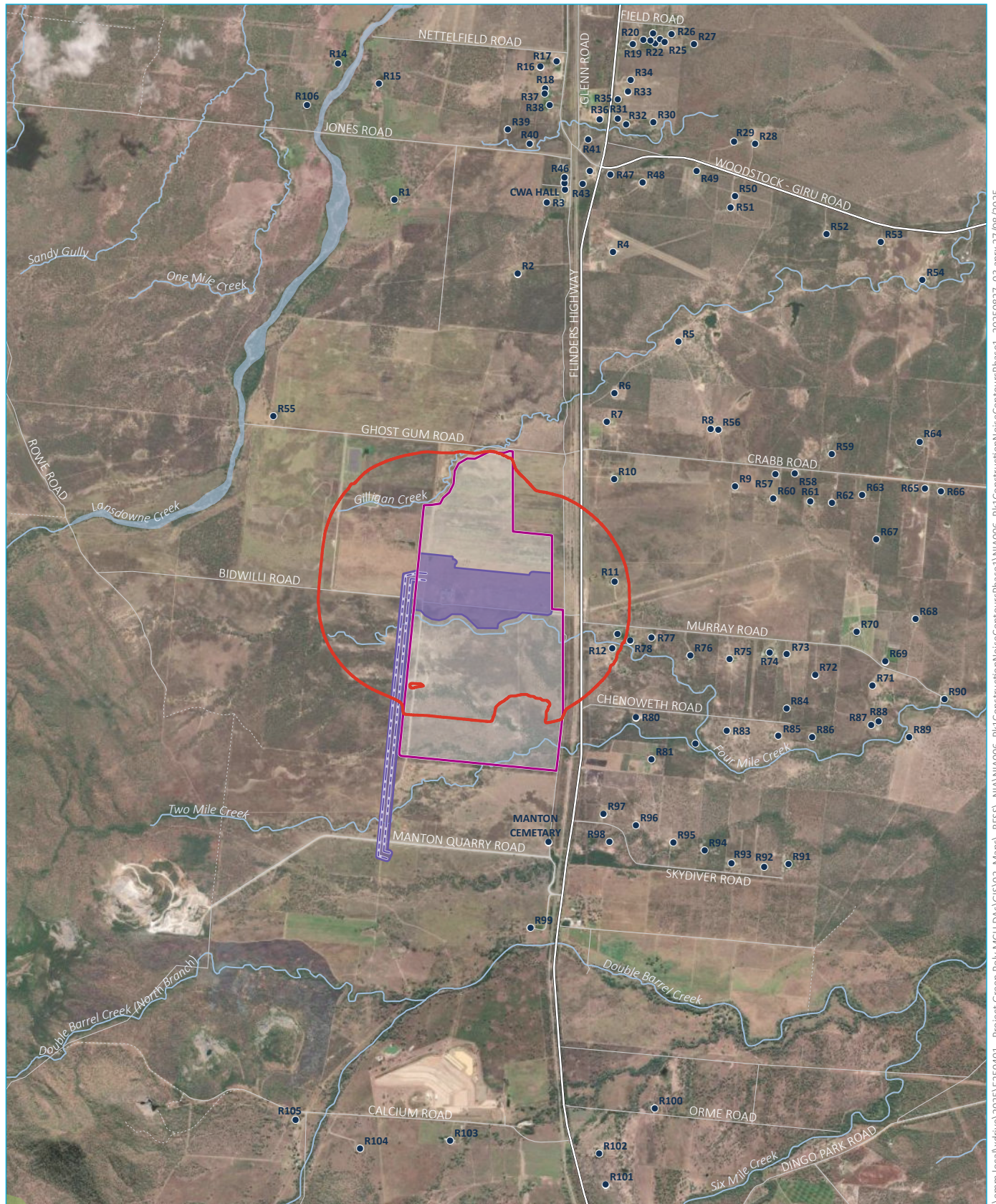
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Vehicular track
- Named watercourse
- Named waterbody
- State forest

Operational noise contours

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1 - BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure D.1



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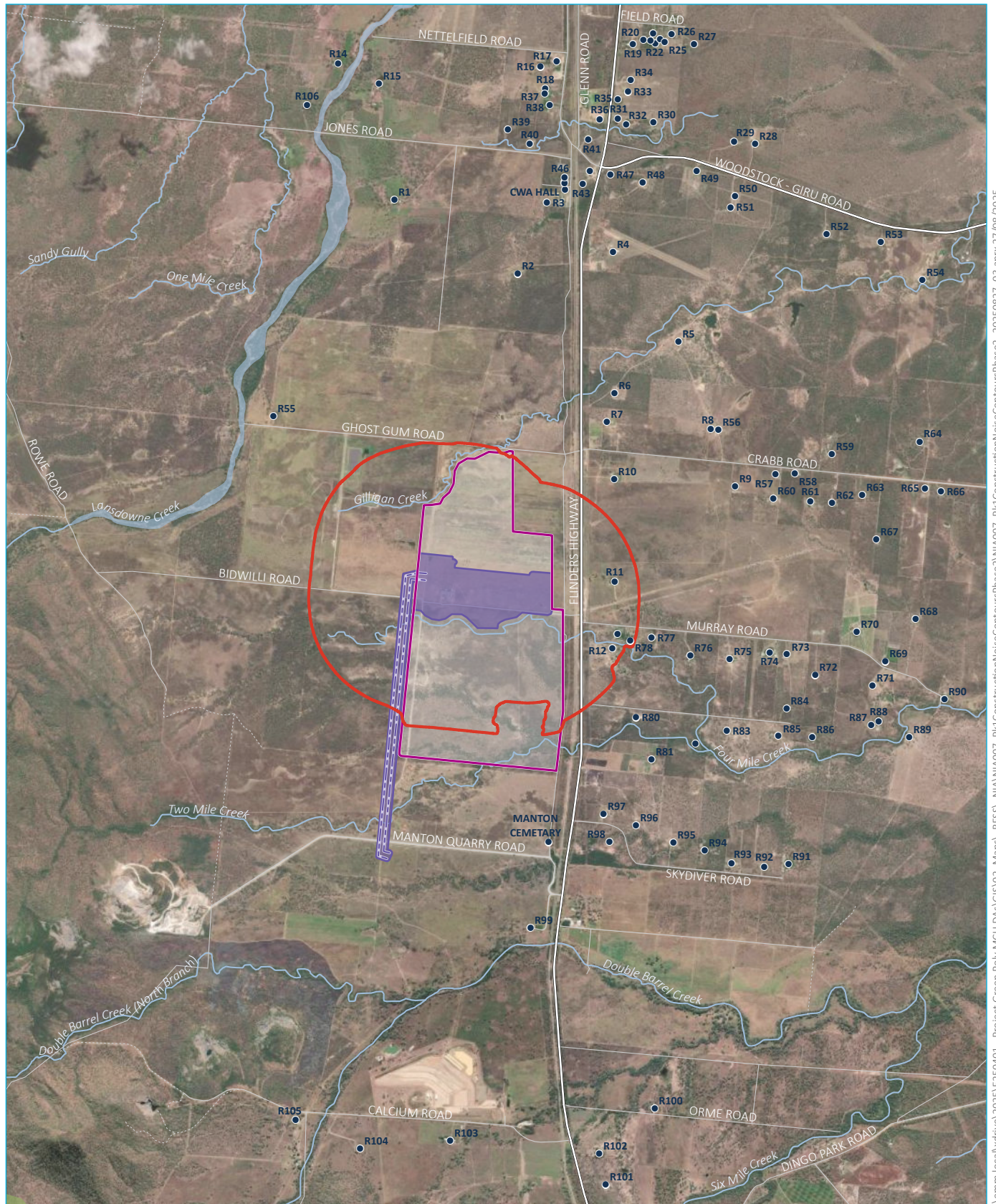
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|--|---|
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| Package 1 - Transmission line | Minor road |
| ● Sensitive receptor | Vehicular track |
| Construction noise contour dB(A) | Named watercourse |
| 42 | Named waterbody |
| | State forest |

Construction noise contours - Phase 1

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1 - BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure D.2



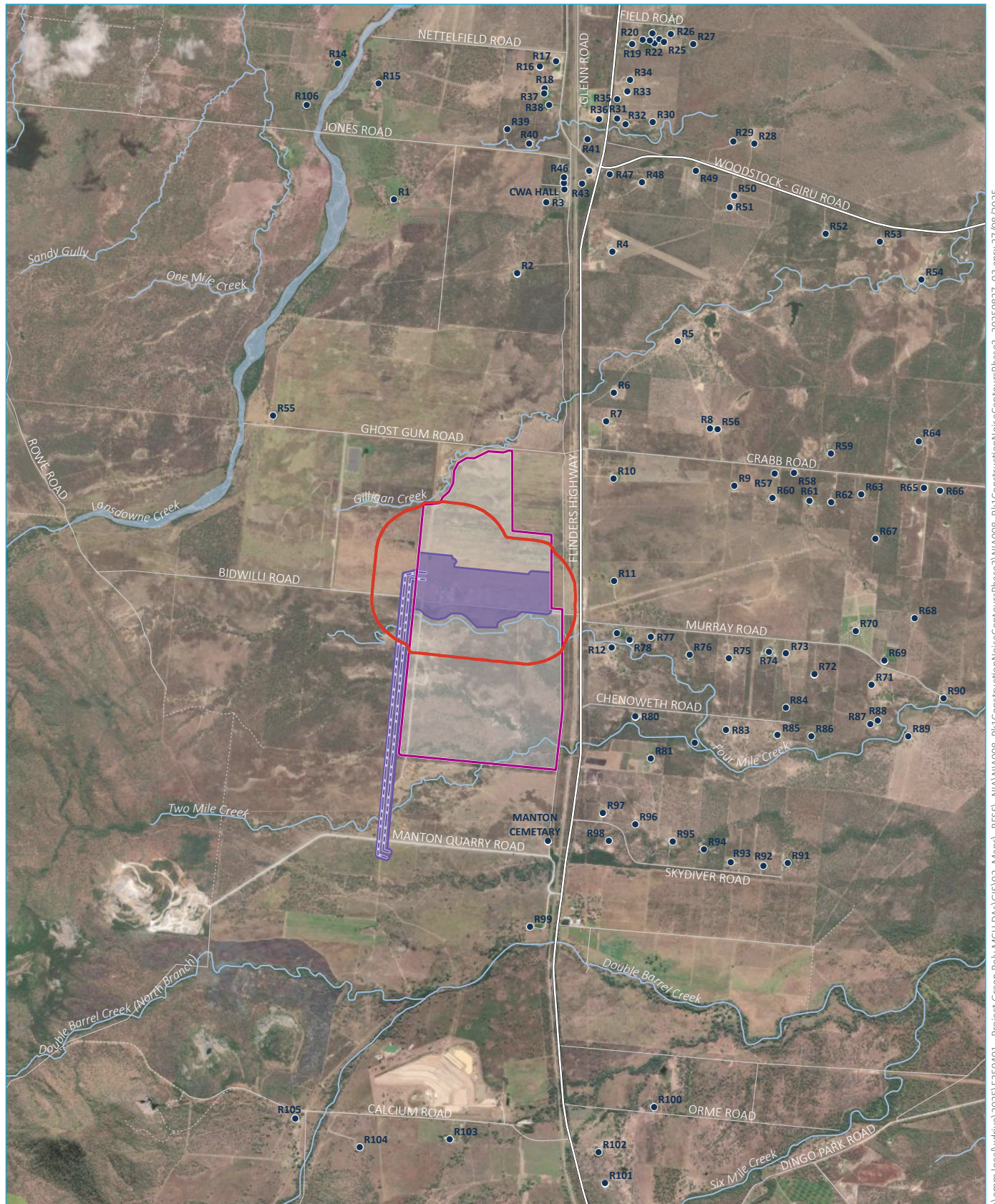
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- Northern Quartz Campus
- Package 1 - Premises
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- Sensitive receptor
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- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Vehicular track
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- Named waterbody
- State forest

Construction noise contours - Phase 2

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Noise Impact Assessment
Figure D.3



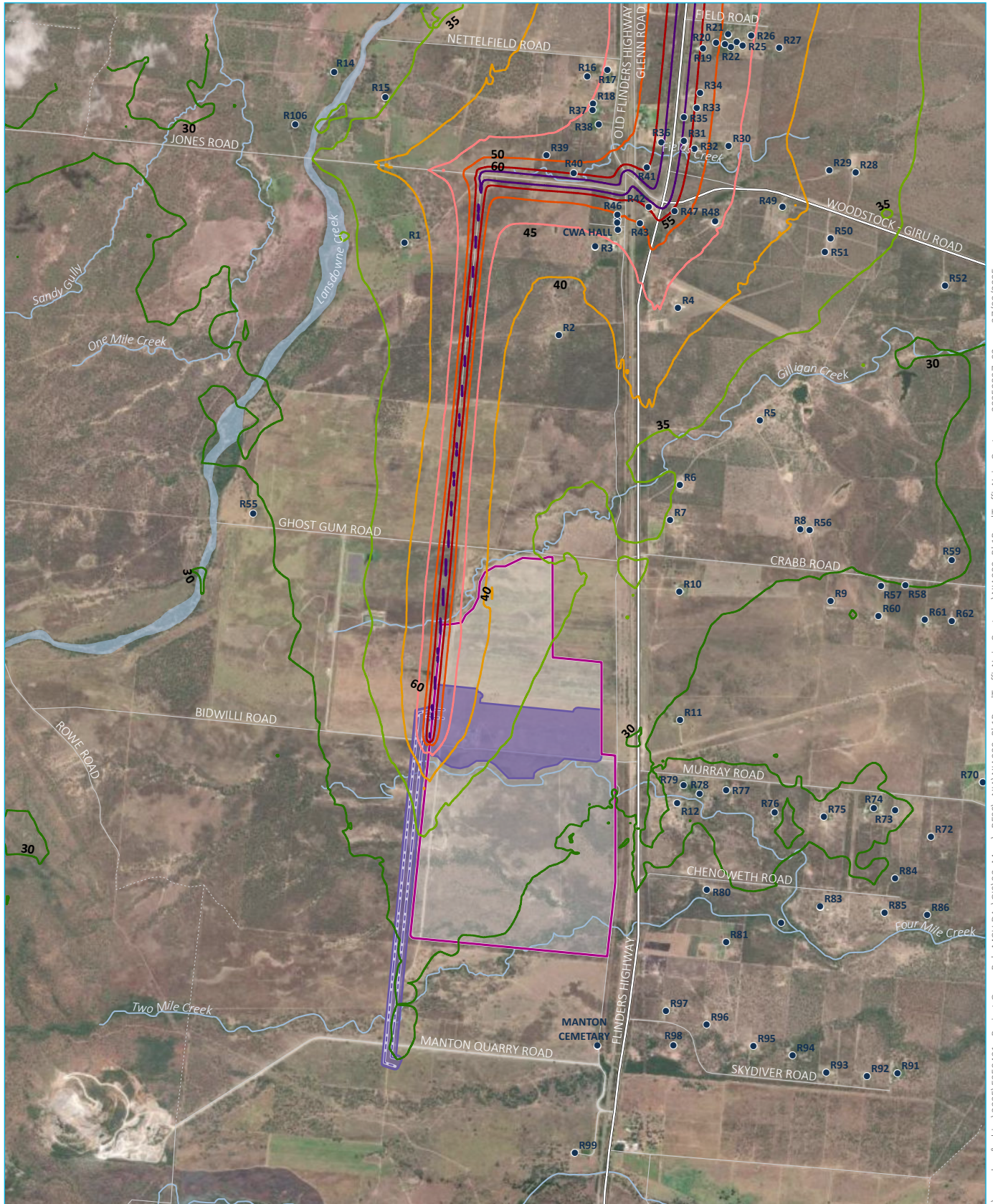
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- Construction noise contour dB(A)
- 42
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Vehicular track
- Named watercourse
- Named waterbody
- State forest

Construction noise contours
- Phase 3

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1 - BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure D.4



Source: EMM (2025); DES (2025); DNRMRRD (2025); ESRI (2025)

KEY

- Northern Quartz Campus
- Package 1 - Premises
- Package 1 - Transmission line
- Sensitive receptor

- Road traffic noise contour dB(A)
- 30
- 35
- 40
- 45
- 50
- 55
- 60

- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Vehicular track
- Named watercourse
- Named waterbody

Road traffic noise contours
- with construction

Northern Quartz Campus
Package 1 - BESS, transmission line and substation
Noise Impact Assessment
Figure D.5



Attachment E

Operational noise prediction tonality and low frequency check

E.1 1/3 octave operational noise prediction results - Linear frequency contributions

Table E.1 1/3 octave operational noise prediction results

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R1	47.9	48	45.8	43.9	41.8	41.4	32.7	30.6	28.4	23.2	19.5	16.5	13	9.8	8.1	5.1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
R2	50.8	50.7	48.5	46.5	44	43.7	35	32.9	30.9	25.9	22.5	19.9	16.9	14.2	13.1	10.9	6.4	3.4	0.2	-	-	-	-
R3	48.3	48.4	46.2	44.3	42.1	41.7	32.9	30.8	28.6	23.5	19.8	16.8	13.4	10.2	8.6	5.6	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-
R4	49.8	49.8	47.5	45.1	42.9	42.6	33.7	31.6	29.5	24.4	20.9	18.1	15	12.1	10.7	8.3	3.5	0.1	-	-	-	-	-
R5	50.1	50.2	48	46.1	44	43.7	35.1	33	30.9	26	22.7	20	16.9	14.1	13	10.3	5.8	2.7	-	-	-	-	-
R6	53.3	53.2	50.9	48.7	46.6	46.3	37.8	35.8	33.9	29.1	26.1	23.8	21.1	18.9	18.3	16.8	12.8	10.3	8.3	1	-	-	-
R7	54.3	54.1	51.9	49.8	47.7	47.4	39	37.1	35.1	30.4	27.5	25.3	22.7	20.6	20.3	19	15.2	13	11.3	4.5	0.8	-	-
R8	52	52	49.7	47.5	45.4	45.1	36.5	34.5	32.5	27.8	24.6	22.1	19.4	17.3	16.7	15	10.7	8.1	5.5	-	-	-	-
R9	52.2	52.2	50	47.8	45.7	45.4	36.9	34.9	33	28.2	25	22.7	20.1	18	17.7	16.1	12	9.5	6.9	-	-	-	-
R10	56	56	53.8	51.7	49.6	49.3	41	39.2	37.4	32.8	29.9	27.9	25.4	23.7	23.7	22.7	19.1	17.4	16.2	10.1	7.4	4.6	-
R11	59.8	59.8	57.5	55.6	53.4	53.2	44.7	42.9	41.4	36.5	33.8	31.9	29.5	28.4	28.9	28.5	25.4	24.2	23.5	18.1	16.4	15.1	2
R12	59.2	59.2	56.9	54.8	52.7	52.4	44.3	42.5	40.8	36.1	33.2	31.3	28.7	26.9	27.1	26.6	23.8	22.3	21.2	15.7	14.5	14.7	-
R13	32.6	31.9	28.7	25.9	22.8	21.5	12.5	9.3	5.9	1.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R14	45.3	45.3	43.1	41.2	39.1	38.6	29.7	27.5	25	19.5	15.4	11.8	7.8	3.8	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R15	45.7	45.8	43.6	41.7	39.5	39.1	30.3	28	25.6	20.2	16.1	12.6	8.6	4.7	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R16	45.7	45.7	43.5	41.6	39.4	39	30.1	27.8	25.4	20	15.9	12.4	8.3	4.3	1.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R17	46	46	43.8	41.8	39.4	39	30	27.7	25.3	19.9	15.8	12.4	8.4	4.5	2.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R18	46.9	46.8	44.6	42.5	40	39.6	30.6	28.3	26	20.6	16.6	13.4	9.6	5.9	3.7	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R19	45.7	45.7	43.4	41.3	39	38.5	29.4	27.1	24.7	19.2	15	11.4	7.3	3.2	0.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R20	45.4	45.5	43.2	41.1	38.8	38.4	29.3	27	24.5	19	14.8	11.2	7.1	3	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R21	45.2	45.3	43	40.9	38.7	38.2	29.1	26.8	24.3	18.8	14.6	10.9	6.8	2.6	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R22	45.2	45.2	43	41	38.8	38.3	29.3	27	24.5	19	14.8	11.1	7	2.9	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R23	45.3	45.3	43.1	41	38.8	38.3	29.3	27	24.5	19	14.8	11.1	7	2.9	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R24	45.1	45.2	42.9	40.9	38.7	38.2	29.2	26.9	24.4	18.9	14.7	11	6.9	2.7	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R25	45.1	45.1	42.9	40.9	38.7	38.2	29.2	26.9	24.4	18.9	14.7	11	6.9	2.8	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R26	45.1	45.1	42.8	40.8	38.6	38.1	29.1	26.7	24.2	18.7	14.5	10.8	6.6	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R27	45.6	45.6	43.3	40.9	38.6	38.2	29.1	26.8	24.3	18.8	14.6	10.9	6.8	2.7	0.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R28	45.8	45.8	43.6	41.7	39.6	39.2	30.2	27.9	25.5	20.1	16.1	12.7	8.7	4.8	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R29	45.9	46	43.7	41.8	39.7	39.3	30.3	28.1	25.7	20.3	16.3	12.8	8.8	5	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R30	46.5	46.6	44.3	42.2	40	39.6	30.7	28.4	26.1	20.7	16.8	13.4	9.7	6	3.9	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R31	46.3	46.4	44.1	42.2	40.1	39.7	30.8	28.6	26.2	20.9	16.9	13.6	9.8	6.1	4	0.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R32	46.4	46.4	44.2	42.3	40.2	39.8	30.9	28.6	26.3	20.9	17	13.7	9.9	6.3	4.2	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R33	45.9	46	43.8	41.8	39.6	39.2	30.3	28	25.6	20.2	16.2	12.7	8.9	5	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R34	46	46.1	43.8	41.8	39.5	39	30	27.8	25.4	19.9	15.9	12.4	8.5	4.6	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R35	46	46	43.8	41.9	39.8	39.4	30.4	28.2	25.8	20.4	16.4	13	9.2	5.4	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R36	46.4	46.4	44.2	42.3	40.2	39.8	30.9	28.7	26.3	21	17	13.7	10	6.3	4.2	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R37	47.1	47	44.8	42.7	40.1	39.7	30.7	28.4	26.1	20.7	16.8	13.5	9.8	6.1	4	0.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R38	47.2	47.1	44.9	42.8	40.3	39.9	30.9	28.6	26.3	21	17.1	13.8	10.1	6.4	4.3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R39	47.5	47.4	45.2	43.2	40.8	40.3	31.4	29.3	27	21.7	17.9	14.8	11.3	7.9	6	2.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R40	48	47.8	45.6	43.6	41.1	40.7	31.7	29.5	27.3	22	18.3	15.2	11.7	8.3	6.5	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R41	46.8	46.8	44.6	42.7	40.6	40.2	31.3	29.1	26.8	21.5	17.6	14.3	10.6	7.1	5.1	1.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R42	47.4	47.4	45.2	43.3	41.2	40.8	32	29.8	27.6	22.3	18.5	15.4	11.9	8.5	6.7	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R43	47.6	47.7	45.5	43.6	41.5	41.1	32.3	30.2	27.9	22.7	19	15.9	12.5	9.1	7.4	4.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R44	48.6	48.7	46.4	44.2	41.7	41.4	32.4	30.3	28	22.9	19.2	16.2	12.7	9.5	7.8	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R45	48.6	48.6	46.3	44.1	41.8	41.4	32.4	30.3	28.1	22.9	19.2	16.2	12.8	9.5	7.8	5.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R46	48.5	48.5	46.3	44.1	41.6	41.2	32.3	30.2	27.9	22.8	19	16	12.6	9.3	7.6	4.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R47	47.3	47.4	45.2	43.3	41.2	40.8	31.9	29.8	27.5	22.3	18.4	15.3	11.7	8.3	6.5	3.2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R48	47.3	47.3	45.1	43.2	41.1	40.8	31.9	29.7	27.4	22.2	18.4	15.3	11.8	8.4	6.6	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R49	47.5	47.5	45.2	42.9	40.7	40.3	31.2	29.1	26.8	21.5	17.7	14.5	10.9	7.4	5.5	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R50	47.4	47.3	45	43	40.7	40.3	31.3	29.2	26.9	21.6	17.9	14.8	11.2	7.7	5.9	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R51	47.7	47.6	45.3	43.2	40.9	40.5	31.6	29.4	27.1	21.9	18.2	15.1	11.6	8.2	6.4	3.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R52	46.3	46.4	44.2	42.3	40.1	39.7	30.8	28.6	26.3	20.9	17.1	13.8	10	6.5	4.6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R53	45.8	45.8	43.6	41.7	39.6	39.1	30.2	28	25.6	20.3	16.3	12.8	8.9	5.3	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R54	45.7	45.7	43.5	41.6	39.4	39	30.1	27.8	25.4	20.1	16.1	12.6	8.6	5.2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R55	51.1	51.2	49	47.1	45.1	44.8	36.5	34.5	32.5	27.6	24.2	21.7	18.8	16.4	15.6	13.4	9.1	6.3	3.5	-	-	-	-
R56	51.8	51.8	49.6	47.3	45.2	44.9	36.3	34.3	32.3	27.6	24.3	21.9	19.1	17	16.4	14.6	10.3	7.7	5	-	-	-	-
R57	51	50.9	48.7	46.5	44.5	44.1	35.5	33.5	31.6	26.7	23.3	20.9	18.1	15.8	15.2	13.5	9.1	6.3	3.3	-	-	-	-
R58	50.2	50.1	47.9	46	44	43.6	35	32.9	31.1	26.1	22.7	20.2	17.3	14.9	14.3	12.4	8	5	1.7	-	-	-	-

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R59	48.8	48.9	46.7	44.8	42.7	42.4	33.7	31.6	29.6	24.6	20.9	18	14.7	11.9	10.7	7.7	2.9	-	-	-	-	-	-
R60	51.9	51.9	49.7	47.6	45.5	45.1	35.9	33.9	32	27.1	23.8	21.3	18.5	16.4	15.8	14.1	10	7.3	4.5	-	-	-	-
R61	50.1	50	47.8	45.9	43.8	43.5	34.9	32.8	30.9	25.9	22.5	19.9	16.9	14.7	14	12	7.6	4.7	1.5	-	-	-	-
R62	49.6	49.5	47.3	45.4	43.3	42.9	34.3	32.3	30.3	25.3	21.9	19.2	16	13.8	13	10.8	6.2	3.2	-	-	-	-	-
R63	48.9	48.8	46.6	44.6	42.6	42.2	33.5	31.4	29.5	24.4	20.8	18	14.7	12.4	11.3	9	4.2	0.9	-	-	-	-	-
R64	47	47.1	44.9	43	40.9	40.5	31.7	29.6	27.5	22.2	18.3	15.1	11.5	8.4	6.9	3.6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R65	47.2	47.2	45	43.1	41.1	40.7	32	29.8	27.7	22.5	18.6	15.4	11.7	8.8	7.2	3.9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R66	46.9	47	44.8	42.9	40.8	40.4	31.7	29.5	27.4	22.1	18.2	15	11.2	8.3	6.7	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R67	48.9	48.8	46.5	44.6	42.5	42.1	33.4	31.3	29.4	24.2	20.7	17.9	14.6	12.1	11.3	8.8	4	0.5	-	-	-	-	-
R68	50.1	49.6	46.7	44.2	42.1	41.6	32.7	30.6	28.6	23.4	19.7	16.9	13.5	11	10.1	7.7	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-
R69	50.9	50.3	47.9	45.8	43.7	43.3	33.3	31.2	29.2	24	20.4	17.5	14	11.2	10.4	7.8	3.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
R70	53.4	53.1	50.2	47.2	44.9	44.5	34.1	32	30.1	25	21.5	18.8	15.6	13.1	12.5	10.4	5.9	2.5	-	-	-	-	-
R71	50.2	50.1	47.8	45.8	43.7	43.3	33.5	31.4	29.4	24.3	20.7	17.8	14.3	11.6	10.6	8	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
R72	51.5	51.5	49.2	47.2	45.1	44.7	35	33	31.1	26.1	22.7	20	16.7	14.3	13.6	11.4	7.1	3.9	0.7	-	-	-	-
R73	52.7	52.5	50.2	48.2	46.1	45.8	36	34	32.2	27.2	23.9	21.3	18.2	15.9	15.5	13.6	9.6	6.6	3.9	-	-	-	-
R74	53.1	53	50.6	48.6	46.6	46.2	36.6	34.6	32.8	27.9	24.6	22.1	19	16.8	16.5	14.7	10.8	8	5.4	-	-	-	-
R75	53.9	53.9	51.6	49.7	47.6	47.2	37.9	36	34.3	29.4	26.3	23.9	20.9	18.9	18.7	17	13.3	10.9	8.6	1.2	-	-	-
R76	55	55	52.7	50.8	48.7	48.4	39.6	37.7	36	31.3	28.2	26	23.2	21.3	21.1	19.8	16.4	14.2	12.4	5.7	2.2	-	-
R77	57.3	57.3	55	53.1	51	50.8	41.9	40	38.4	33.7	30.8	28.7	25.9	24.2	24.3	23.4	20.3	18.4	17.1	11	8.6	6.9	-
R78	58.3	58.3	56.1	54.1	52.1	51.8	43.2	41.4	39.7	35	32.2	30.1	27.4	25.7	25.8	25	22	20.3	19.1	13.5	11.7	11.3	-

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R79	59.3	59.4	57.1	55.2	53.2	52.9	44.3	42.5	40.9	36.1	33.3	31.3	28.6	27	27.2	26.6	23.7	22.2	21.2	15.7	14.2	14.3	-
R80	55.3	55.3	53.1	50.9	48.8	48.6	40.4	38.6	36.7	32.2	29.2	27.3	24.5	22.5	22.3	21	17.6	15.6	14.1	8	5.4	3.2	-
R81	53.8	53.8	51.4	49.3	47.2	46.9	38.6	36.7	34.8	30.1	27.2	25.1	22.2	20	19.6	18.1	14.3	12.1	10.3	3.5	-	-	-
R82	52.2	52.3	50.1	48.2	46.2	45.9	37.6	35.7	33.7	29	25.8	23.4	20.4	17.8	17.1	15	11.2	8.5	6.2	-	-	-	-
R83	51.7	51.8	49.6	47.6	45.6	45.3	36.9	34.9	33.1	28.2	24.9	22.4	19.4	16.8	16.1	14	10.1	7.2	4.5	-	-	-	-
R84	52.4	52.4	50.1	48.1	45.9	45.5	35.5	33.5	31.6	26.7	23.3	20.7	17.6	15.1	14.3	12.3	8.1	5.3	2.2	-	-	-	-
R85	51.8	51.8	49.4	47.3	45.1	44.6	35.4	33.4	31.5	26.5	23.1	20.6	17.5	14.9	14.2	12.2	8.1	5	1.8	-	-	-	-
R86	51.2	51.2	48.9	46.9	44.8	44.4	34.5	32.4	30.5	25.5	22	19.3	16	13.3	12.4	10.2	5.9	2.6	-	-	-	-	-
R87	49.9	49.9	47.6	45.7	43.6	43.2	33.2	31.1	29.1	24	20.3	17.4	14	11.1	9.9	7.3	2.5	-	-	-	-	-	-
R88	49.9	49.9	47.6	45.6	43.5	43.1	33.1	31	29	23.8	20.2	17.2	13.8	10.9	9.6	7	2.1	-	-	-	-	-	-
R89	48.4	48.3	46	44	41.9	41.4	32.3	30.2	28.1	22.9	19.1	16.1	12.5	9.4	7.9	5.1	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
R90	46.9	46.9	44.7	42.8	40.7	40.3	31.7	29.6	27.5	22.1	18.2	14.9	10.9	7.5	5.9	2.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R91	48.5	48.5	46.3	44.3	42.2	41.8	33.2	31.1	28.9	23.9	20.4	17.8	14.3	11.3	9.9	7.2	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
R92	49	49	46.7	44.7	42.6	42.2	33.6	31.5	29.3	24.4	20.9	18.4	14.9	12	10.7	8.1	3.3	-	-	-	-	-	-
R93	49.6	49.5	47.3	45.3	43.2	42.8	34.2	32.2	30	25.1	21.9	19.3	15.9	13.1	11.9	9.5	4.8	1.6	-	-	-	-	-
R94	50.3	50.2	48	46	43.9	43.5	35	33	30.9	26	22.9	20.4	17.1	14.4	13.3	11.1	6.6	3.6	0.8	-	-	-	-
R95	50.9	50.9	48.7	46.7	44.6	44.3	35.8	33.8	31.8	26.9	24	21.5	18.3	15.6	14.5	12.6	8.3	5.4	3.1	-	-	-	-
R96	51.9	51.9	49.7	47.7	45.7	45.4	37	35.1	33.1	28.3	25.6	23.1	20	17.3	16.4	14.7	10.8	8	6.1	-	-	-	-
R97	52.9	52.8	50.6	48.6	46.6	46.3	38.1	36.1	34.2	29.6	26.8	24.4	21.3	18.8	18	16.7	12.9	10.4	8.6	1.6	-	-	-
R98	51.5	51.6	49.4	47.5	45.5	45.2	37	35	33	28.3	25.4	22.7	19.3	16.4	15.2	13	9.2	6.4	4.3	-	-	-	-

Receptor	Frequency (Hz)																						
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150	4000
R99	50.4	50.3	48	46	43.9	43.6	35	33	30.9	26.4	23	20.3	17	14	12.7	11.3	6.8	3.8	0.9	-	-	-	-
R100	46.1	46	43.7	41.8	39.6	39.2	30.3	28.1	25.7	20.6	16.8	13.4	9.2	5.2	2.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R101	45.2	45.1	42.8	40.8	38.7	38.2	29.2	26.9	24.5	19.2	15.1	11.5	7.1	2.9	0.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R102	45.6	45.5	43.3	41.3	39.2	38.7	29.8	27.5	25.1	20	15.9	12.4	8.1	4	1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R103	45.5	45.6	43.3	41.4	39.3	38.9	30	27.8	25.3	20	15.8	12.3	8.1	4	1.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R104	45.7	45.6	43.3	41.3	39.2	38.7	29.8	27.5	25.1	19.7	15.6	12.2	8.1	4.1	1.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R105	45.8	45.7	43.5	41.5	39.3	38.9	29.9	27.6	25.3	19.9	15.8	12.5	8.3	4.4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R106	45.8	45.8	43.6	41.7	39.6	39.1	30.3	28.1	25.6	20.2	16.2	12.7	8.8	4.9	2.7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CWA HALL	48.6	48.7	46.4	44.2	41.8	41.5	32.6	30.4	28.2	23	19.4	16.4	13	9.7	8.1	5.3	0.2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manton Cemetery	52.8	52.7	50.5	48.4	46.3	46	37.8	35.9	33.9	29.6	26.5	24.1	20.9	18.3	17.5	16.4	12.5	10.3	8.3	0.8	-	-	-

E.2 Low frequency analysis

In accordance with the NPfI, Low frequency has been triggered where the L_{Ceq} minus the L_{Aeq} value is greater than 15, and the frequency contribution exceeds the threshold values in Table E.2 :

Table E.2 Threshold values for low frequency penalty

Hz/dB (Z)	One-third octave $L_{Zeq, 15 \text{ minute}}$ threshold level								
Frequency (Hz)	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160
dB (Z)	69	61	54	50	50	48	48	46	44

Table E.3 Low frequency linear dB contribution

Receptor	$L_{Ceq} - L_{Aeq}$	Frequency (Hz)								
		25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160
R1	26	48	48	46	44	42	41	33	31	28
R2	26	51	51	49	47	44	44	35	33	31
R3	26	48	48	46	44	42	42	33	31	29
R4	26	50	50	48	45	43	43	34	32	30
R5	26	50	50	48	46	44	44	35	33	31
R6	25	53	53	51	49	47	46	38	36	34
R7	25	54	54	52	50	48	47	39	37	35
R8	26	52	52	50	48	45	45	37	35	33
R9	25	52	52	50	48	46	45	37	35	33
R10	25	56	56	54	52	50	49	41	39	37
R11	24	60	60	58	56	53	53	45	43	41
R12	24	59	59	57	55	53	52	44	43	41
R13	29	33	32	29	26	23	22	13	9	6
R14	27	45	45	43	41	39	39	30	28	25
R15	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R16	27	46	46	44	42	39	39	30	28	25
R17	27	46	46	44	42	39	39	30	28	25
R18	27	47	47	45	43	40	40	31	28	26
R19	27	46	46	43	41	39	39	29	27	25
R20	27	45	46	43	41	39	38	29	27	25
R21	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	24
R22	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	25

Receptor	$L_{Ceq} - L_{Aeq}$	Frequency (Hz)								
		25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160
R23	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	25
R24	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	24
R25	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	24
R26	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	24
R27	27	46	46	43	41	39	38	29	27	24
R28	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R29	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R30	27	47	47	44	42	40	40	31	28	26
R31	26	46	46	44	42	40	40	31	29	26
R32	26	46	46	44	42	40	40	31	29	26
R33	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R34	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	25
R35	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R36	26	46	46	44	42	40	40	31	29	26
R37	27	47	47	45	43	40	40	31	28	26
R38	27	47	47	45	43	40	40	31	29	26
R39	27	48	47	45	43	41	40	31	29	27
R40	27	48	48	46	44	41	41	32	30	27
R41	26	47	47	45	43	41	40	31	29	27
R42	26	47	47	45	43	41	41	32	30	28
R43	26	48	48	46	44	42	41	32	30	28
R44	27	49	49	46	44	42	41	32	30	28
R45	27	49	49	46	44	42	41	32	30	28
R46	27	49	49	46	44	42	41	32	30	28
R47	26	47	47	45	43	41	41	32	30	28
R48	26	47	47	45	43	41	41	32	30	27
R49	27	48	48	45	43	41	40	31	29	27
R50	27	47	47	45	43	41	40	31	29	27
R51	27	48	48	45	43	41	41	32	29	27
R52	26	46	46	44	42	40	40	31	29	26
R53	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R54	27	46	46	44	42	39	39	30	28	25

Receptor	$L_{Ceq} - L_{Aeq}$	Frequency (Hz)								
		25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160
R55	25	51	51	49	47	45	45	37	35	33
R56	26	52	52	50	47	45	45	36	34	32
R57	26	51	51	49	47	45	44	36	34	32
R58	26	50	50	48	46	44	44	35	33	31
R59	26	49	49	47	45	43	42	34	32	30
R60	26	52	52	50	48	46	45	36	34	32
R61	26	50	50	48	46	44	44	35	33	31
R62	26	50	50	47	45	43	43	34	32	30
R63	26	49	49	47	45	43	42	34	31	30
R64	26	47	47	45	43	41	41	32	30	28
R65	26	47	47	45	43	41	41	32	30	28
R66	26	47	47	45	43	41	40	32	30	27
R67	26	49	49	47	45	43	42	33	31	29
R68	27	50	50	47	44	42	42	33	31	29
R69	27	51	50	48	46	44	43	33	31	29
R70	28	53	53	50	47	45	45	34	32	30
R71	27	50	50	48	46	44	43	34	31	29
R72	26	52	52	49	47	45	45	35	33	31
R73	26	53	53	50	48	46	46	36	34	32
R74	26	53	53	51	49	47	46	37	35	33
R75	26	54	54	52	50	48	47	38	36	34
R76	25	55	55	53	51	49	48	40	38	36
R77	25	57	57	55	53	51	51	42	40	38
R78	25	58	58	56	54	52	52	43	41	40
R79	24	59	59	57	55	53	53	44	43	41
R80	25	55	55	53	51	49	49	40	39	37
R81	25	54	54	51	49	47	47	39	37	35
R82	25	52	52	50	48	46	46	38	36	34
R83	25	52	52	50	48	46	45	37	35	33
R84	26	52	52	50	48	46	46	36	34	32
R85	26	52	52	49	47	45	45	35	33	32
R86	26	51	51	49	47	45	44	35	32	31

Receptor	$L_{Ceq} - L_{Aeq}$	Frequency (Hz)								
		25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160
R87	27	50	50	48	46	44	43	33	31	29
R88	27	50	50	48	46	44	43	33	31	29
R89	26	48	48	46	44	42	41	32	30	28
R90	26	47	47	45	43	41	40	32	30	28
R91	26	49	49	46	44	42	42	33	31	29
R92	26	49	49	47	45	43	42	34	32	29
R93	26	50	50	47	45	43	43	34	32	30
R94	26	50	50	48	46	44	44	35	33	31
R95	26	51	51	49	47	45	44	36	34	32
R96	25	52	52	50	48	46	45	37	35	33
R97	25	53	53	51	49	47	46	38	36	34
R98	25	52	52	49	48	46	45	37	35	33
R99	26	50	50	48	46	44	44	35	33	31
R100	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
R101	27	45	45	43	41	39	38	29	27	25
R102	27	46	46	43	41	39	39	30	28	25
R103	27	46	46	43	41	39	39	30	28	25
R104	27	46	46	43	41	39	39	30	28	25
R105	27	46	46	44	42	39	39	30	28	25
R106	27	46	46	44	42	40	39	30	28	26
CWA HALL	27	49	49	46	44	42	42	33	30	28
Manton Cemetery	25	53	53	51	48	46	46	38	36	34

E.3 Tonal analysis

In accordance with the NPfI, tonality has been triggered where the level of one-third octave bands exceeds the level of the adjacent bands on both sides by:

- 5 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 500-10,000 Hz, or
- 8 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 160–400 Hz, or
- 15 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 25–125 Hz.

Table E.4 Tonal assessment receptor

	Frequency Range (Hz)																					
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150
R1	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R2	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R3	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No		-	-	-	-	-
R4	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R5	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R6	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-
R7	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-
R8	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R9	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R10	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R11	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
R12	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R13	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R14	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R15	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R16	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R17	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R18	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R19	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R20	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R21	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R22	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R23	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R24	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R25	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R26	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R27	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R28	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R29	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R30	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Frequency Range (Hz)																					
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150
R31	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R32	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R33	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R34	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R35	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R36	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R37	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R38	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R39	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R40	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R41	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R42	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R43	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R44	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R45	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R46	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R47	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R48	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R49	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R50	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R51	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R52	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R53	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R54	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R55	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R56	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R57	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R58	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R59	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R60	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R61	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R62	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-

	Frequency Range (Hz)																					
	25	31. 5	40	50	63	80	10 0	12 5	16 0	20 0	25 0	31 5	40 0	50 0	63 0	80 0	10 00	12 50	16 00	20 00	25 00	31 50
R63	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R64	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R65	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R66	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R67	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R68	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R69	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R70	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R71	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R72	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R73	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R74	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R75	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-
R76	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-
R77	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R78	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R79	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R80	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-
R81	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-
R82	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R83	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R84	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R85	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R86	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R87	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R88	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R89	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R90	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R91	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R92	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
R93	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-
R94	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-

	Frequency Range (Hz)																					
	25	31.5	40	50	63	80	100	125	160	200	250	315	400	500	630	800	1000	1250	1600	2000	2500	3150
R95	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R96	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R97	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-
R98	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R99	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-
R100	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R101	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R102	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R103	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R104	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R105	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R106	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CWA HALL	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mant on Cemetery	-	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	-	-	-

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