

# Maxwell Infrastructure Environmental Monitoring Data Quarter 2 2020

# 1 INTRODUCTION

Maxwell Infrastructure (formerly Drayton Mine) is owned by Malabar Coal. This report has been compiled to present environmental monitoring data for Maxwell Infrastructure in accordance with Schedule 5, Condition 11 (b) and (c) of Project Approval 06\_0202.

This report covers the reporting period 1 April to 30 June 2020. Summaries of historic environmental monitoring data (prior to this report) can be found in the Annual Environmental Management Reports located on the Malabar Coal website.

# 2 MONITORING RESULTS

Deposited dust monitoring results are provided in Table 1.

Continuous TEOM PM<sub>10</sub> monitoring results are provided in **Figure 1**.

Surface water quality monitoring results are provided in Table 2.

Groundwater quality results are provided in **Table 3**.

Groundwater level results are provided in Table 4.

Noise monitoring results are provided in **Table 5**.

Locations of monitoring sites are shown in Appendix 1 to 4.

Table 1: Deposited dust monitoring results for Quarter 2.

Gauge		Insoluble Solids Result (g/m²/month)	Annual Mean Limit	2020 Annual Mean			
	April	Мау	June	(g/m²/month)	(g/m²/month)		
2175	2.0	2.1	1.2	4.0	2.4		
2230	1.7	1.5	1.2	4.0	2.1		



2235	1.5	1.5	1.1	4.0	2.0
2247	1.4	1.9	1.0	4.0	2.5

Note: Relative to levels in Q1, deposited dust results were lower during Q2, reflecting the increased rainfall throughout the region and the end to the bushfire season. The year-to-date mean of results recorded at all gauges remain below the annual mean limit.



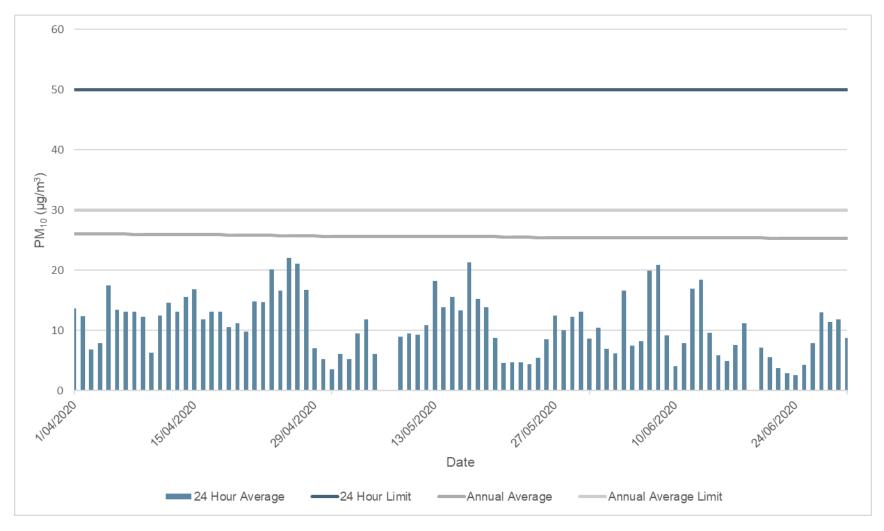


Figure 1: TEOM PM<sub>10</sub> monitoring results for Quarter 2.



### Notes:

- All 24-hour averages during Quarter 2 were below the 24-Hour Limit. Any future exceedences will be provided in Maxwell Infrastructure's Annual Environmental Management Report.
- An invalid 24-hour PM10 result was recorded on 19 June 2020 due to the scheduled quarterly calibration of the TEOM occurring on that day by monitoring contractors.
- An invalid 24-hour PM10 result was recorded at the TEOM on 7&8 May 2020. This was due to the TEOM being swapped out with a replacement while the unit was taken away for assessment on 7 May. The replacement unit failed to record results until the 8 May. Insufficient data was available to calculate a valid result on both days.



Table 2. Surface water quality monitoring results for Quarter 2 (2020 average shown)

Site	Month	Bicarbonate (CaCO₃) (mg/L)	Calcium (mg/L)	Chloride (mg/L)	EC (µS/cm)	Magnesium (mg/L)	рН	Potassium (mg/L)	Sodium (mg/L)	Sulphate (SO <sub>4</sub> ) (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	TDS (mg/L)
Access Rd Dam (2081)	Jun	99	618	1180	8370	793	8.6	96	939	5120	5	9280
	Average	80	659	1240	10257	847	9	104	1023	5150	10	10460
DC2 Dam (2109)	Jun	39	56	404	2210	80	6.5	6	323	624	5	1590
	Average	97	114	1221	6550	260	7	11	1063	1836	62	5080
Rail Loop	Jun	87	81	116	1310	57	7.8	6	114	470	5	894
Dam (2114)	Average	132	130	340	2893	143	8	15	321	1111	13	2165
Industrial	Jun	106	360	769	5650	457	8.2	53	598	3040	6	5570
Dam (1969)	Average	71	381	814	6850	498	9	59	663	3323	13	6320
OPC Dam	Jun	95	79	79	1130	56	8.4	8	77	407	5	842
	Average	109	144	277	2547	143	9	20	216	1030	22	2001
V Notch	Jun	337	444	1390	8400	418	7.8	15	1500	3990	5	8650
ES Void	Jun	242	540	840	6420	559	8.0	74	604	3790	5	7040
	Average	220	561	865	7643	606	8	79	647	3983	29	7470



### Notes:

The February 2020 revision of the Water Management Plan (approved 19 February 2020) included a reduction in the frequency of surface water monitoring from monthly to quarterly to align with the post-closure monitoring program summary in the 2016 Mining Operations Plan (incorporating the Mine Closure and Final Void Management Plans).

Average is for 2020 (January – June 2020), consisting of samples taken in January, February and June. Samples in March were not taken due to COVID-19 restrictions; the sampling frequency then reverted to quarterly as per the revised Water Management Plan.

Maxwell Infrastructure is a closed water management system with all water maintained on-site for use in operational activities.



Table 3: Groundwater quality monitoring results for Quarter 2 (samples taken June). See notes for further details.

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Site	Arsenic	Barium	Beryllium	Bicarbonate Alkalinity as CaCO3	Boron	Cadmium	Calcium	Chloride	Chromium	Cobalt	Copper	Electrical conductivity	Lead	Magnesium	Manganese	Nickel	pH value
DS1	0.001	0.01	0.001	302	0.06	0.0002	506	826	0.002	0.007	0.001	6470	0.001	309	1.82	0.02	6.5
DS1 2020 avg	0.001	0.01	0.001	291	0.06	0.0002	511	844	0.002	0.007	0.001	7532	0.001	315	1.82	0.02	6.4
R4241	0.002	0.046	0.001	752	0.12	0.0001	174	790	0.005	0.006	0.004	4220	0.008	250	0.145	0.02 6	7.0
F1162								Bore	dry								
F1164								Too low t	o sample								
GW01D	0.001	0.066	0.001	573	0.33	0.0001	411	1260	0.001	0.007	0.001	4850	0.001	167	0.25	0.02	6.9
GW01S								Too low t	o sample								
GW02D	0.006	0.140	0.001	1530	0.24	0.0001	44	744	0.007	0.005	0.010	7540	0.008	12	0.24	0.02	7.3
GW02S	0.001	0.035	0.001	898	0.14	0.0001	424	1040	0.002	0.006	0.001	7660	0.001	515	0.58	0.02	6.9



### Table 3 continued

Site	Potassium	Selenium	Sodium	Sulfate as SO4 - Turbidimetric	Suspended Solids (SS)	Total Dissolved Solids @180°C	Vanadium	Zinc	Nitrite as N	Nitrate as N	Mercury	Ammonia as N	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen as N	Total Nitrogen as N	Total Phosphorus as P	Reactive Phosphorus as P
DS1	22	0.01	980	3330	160	6420	0.01	0.026	0.01	0.01	0.0001	0.12	0.2	0.2	0.07	0.02
DS1 2020 average	22	0.01	1010	3433	241	6586	0.01	0.026	0.01	0.01	0.0001	0.12	0.20	0.20	0.07	0.02
R4241	14	0.01	469	930	41	3050	0.01	0.122	0.01	0.83	0.0001	0.76	1.20	2.00	0.22	0.01
F1162								В	ore dry							
F1164								Too lo	w to sam	ple						
GW01D	20	0.01	546	610	52	3790	0.01	0.066	0.01	0.21	0.0001	0.62	0.60	0.80	0.01	0.01
GW01S								Too lo	w to sam	ple						
GW02D	17	0.01	2130	2270	1440	5810	0.01	0.046	0.10	0.12	0.0001	4.48	8.70	8.90	3.10	0.01
GW02S	36	0.01	1160	3510	896	7620	0.01	0.019	0.01	0.02	0.0002	0.04	0.10	0.10	0.04	0.01

### Notes:

- Sites GW01D, GW01S, GW02D and GW02S were added in February 2020 to provide further data to monitor groundwater surrounding the pit, further details are provided in the Water Management Plan (revised in February 2020).
- In addition, nutrients and total and dissolved metals were added to the suite of parameters analysed for all sites to provide further data on groundwater quality. These included:
  - Total and dissolved metals (Arsenic, Boron, Barium, Beryllium, Cadmium, Chromium, Cobalt, Copper, Manganese, Nickel, Lead, Selenium, Vanadium, Zinc, Mercury); and
  - o Total nitrogen, nitrate, nitrite, ammonia, total Kjeldahl nitrogen, reactive phosphorus and total phosphorus).

Total metals and nutrients were not monitored during March 2020 due to accessibility issues attributed to restrictions associated with Covid-19.



Averages shown are for 2020 (January–June 2020), hence for Q2 results are presented for June only, with the exception of DS1 for which monthly samples are taken for specified analytes, and hence the average presented is the average of all samples taken during 2020.

All results are in mg/L except Conductivity (µS/cm) and pH (in pH units).



Table 4. Reduced standing groundwater levels (mAHD) for Quarter 2. Q1 values shown for reference.

Site	January	February	June	2020 Average
DS1	223.30	223.53	223.09	223.22
R4241	174.57	174.85	174.43	174.62
F1162	121.27	121.24	Bore dry	121.26
F1164	119.30	119.27	Too low to sample	119.29
GW01D	199.25	197.98	198.32	198.52
GW01S	197.80	197.04	197.03	197.29
GW02D	187.52	137.63	146.16	157.10
GW02S	187.72	188.34	187.86	187.97



Table 5. Noise monitoring results for Quarter 2

	Day (L <sub>A e</sub>	q (15 minute) <b>)</b>	Evening (L	A eq (15 minute) <b>)</b>	Night (LA	eq (15 minute) <b>)</b>	Night (L	1 (1 minute) <b>)</b>	Φ	Su
Sampling point	Criteria	Noise Level	Criteria	Noise Level	Criteria	Noise Level	Criteria	Noise Level	Exceedance (yes/no)	Observations
R12	35	-	35	-	39	-	47	-	-	
R13	35	-	35	-	36	-	45	-	-	
R14	35	-	35	-	37	-	47	-	-	
R16*	35	-	35	-	38	-	47	-	-	
R17	35	-	35	-	38	-	47	-	-	
R18	35	-	35	-	40	-	47	-	-	
R19	35	-	35	-	41	-	47	-	-	
R20	35	-	35	-	41	-	45	-	-	
R21	35	-	36	-	41	-	45	-	-	
R22	35	-	36	-	42	-	45	-	-	
R23	35	-	37	-	40	-	47	-	-	
R25	35	-	37	-	41	-	47	-	-	
R26	36	-	36	-	35	-	47	-	-	
R27	36	-	36	-	36	-	47	-	-	
R28	36	-	37	-	37	-	47	-	-	
R29	36	-	37	-	38	-	47	-	-	
R31	36	-	37	-	39	-	47	-	-	
R32	36	-	37	-	42	-	47	-	-	
R33	37	-	38	-	36	-	45	-	-	
R34	38	-	38	-	38	-	45	-	-	
R35	38	-	38	-	38	-	45	-	-	



R37	38	-	39	-	38	-	45	-	-				
R42	39	-	40	-	39	-	45	-	-				
R61*	<b>39</b>		40	-	39	-	45	-	-				
R69	40	-	39	-	39	-	47	-	-				
R70	40	-	40	-	39	-	47	-	-				
R71	41	-	41	-	39	-	47	-	-				
R72*	35	-	35	-	35	-	47	-	-				
R75*	35	-	35	-	35	-	47	-	-				
R76*	35	-	35	-	35	-	47	-	-				
R86	35	-	35	-	35	-	45	-	-				
All Other Privately- Owned Land	35	-	35	-	35	-	45	-	-				
		·		Add	itional Inform	nation							
Date of Final Rep	oort	N/A											
Date Sampled		N/A											
Weather Condition	ons	N/A											
Notes		Noise monitoring is conducted 6-monthly in March and September; therefore no results are provided for Quarter 2 2020.  * Measured: R16 (Doherty), R35 (Wilson), R61 (Skinner), R72 (Robertson), R75 (Shaman), and R76 (Holder). The noise levels at all other locations are determined by noise modelling or extrapolation.											



# **APPENDIX 1 – AIR QUALITY LOCATIONS**



# **APPENDIX 2 - BLAST LOCATIONS**





# **APPENDIX 3 – SURFACE AND GROUNDWATER LOCATIONS**





# **APPENDIX 4 - NOISE LOCATIONS**



