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Introduction

Greencap Pty Ltd (Greencap) was engaged by Department of Education (DoE) to prepare this Interim Site Management Plan (ISMP) for Cringila Public School ('the site'). The site location is indicated on Figure 1.

Background

The site has been used as a public school since the late 1970s. Historical information indicates western and southern sections of the site were levelled with fill containing coal wash around late 1960s and early 1970s¹, before the school buildings were developed.

The site has a history of sub-surface fires associated with the fill material containing coal wash. These events were first observed on-site in 1994 along the southern border of the school (New Environment 2001). In 2002, the areas along the western ridge of the school property were also found to exhibit elevated temperatures. Historical records show a series of investigations and remediation actions were undertaken at these areas during the period 1994-2017.

On 19 September 2017, NSW Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) was notified by Fire and Rescue NSW regarding a sub-surface fire at the west of the site. As a result of this event, NSW EPA has issued a Clean-Up Notice (Notice No. 1557944, dated 25 October 2017, which listed a number of directions to take Clean-Up actions. One of the requirements of this notice was the development of a Conceptual Site Model (CSM) for the site to assess actual or potential risks to human health and the environment, through a contaminant source, pathway and receptor analysis.

The Clean Up Notice also required the site to be subject to a Section B Statutory Site Audit. Consequently, NSW EPA Accredited Site Auditor Chris Jewell (C.M. Jewell & Associates Pty Ltd) has been engaged by the Department of Education to conduct the Site Audit. A Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI) and a Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) were conducted for the site by Greencap in June and July 2018 respectively.

The Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment has demonstrated that trigger levels for CO2 in soil gas have been exceeded, and that further assessment and management of the site are required. This Interim Site Management Plan (ISMP) has been prepared in order to to establish appropriate controls for managing and protecting environmental issues over the site.

3 **Objective**

The purpose of this plan is to ensure the site is properly managed until remedial actions are undertaken and/ or a long term Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for the site has been established.

This will be undertaken by establishing response procedures, addressing management controls at the site and setting up appropriate monitoring programs to ensure there is no health risk to the students and staff of the Cringila Public School due to the on-going subsurface fire on the North West corner of the site. A figure of the site layout with relevant management areas is presented in Figure 2.

Scope

This ISMP establishes the requirements associated with:

- Regular monitoring of indoor air concentrations within the School building;
- Regular monitoring of ground gas;

¹ A former development application approved by Wollongong City Council (D67/144) indicated Australian Iron and Steel Pty. (BHP), a former site owner, had received authorization to import fill material to the site in 1968 (New Environment 2001).







- Regular monitoring of utility pits;
- Regular site inspections;
- Maintenance of the school fence boundary;
- Maintenance of the exclusion zone pertaining to the north western hotspot;
- Emergency actions (inc. evacuation triggers and response procedures); and
- Stakeholder management and consultation.

5 Legislative Framework

Legislation and guidelines relevant to the implementation of the ISMP includes but not limited to the following:

- Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979;
- Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997;
- Contaminated Land Management Act 1997;
- NSW EPA Guidelines for the NSW Site Auditor Scheme (3rd Edition), 2017;
- NEPC NEPM 1999 National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Amendment Measure (2013 amendment);
- NSW EPA Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Sites Impacted by Hazardous Ground Gases:
- Guidelines for the Assessment of On-site Containment of Contaminated Soil (ANZECC 1999);
- SEPP 55: Remediation of Land (notification of consent authority regarding proposed intrusive works requiring reinstatement of containment cell); and
- NSW EPA Guideline for the Preparation of Environmental Management Plans, 2004.

6 Exclusion Zone Requirements

The exclusion zone surrounding the North-West Hot Spot will be maintained. This area is displayed in **Figure 2** and referred to as the "Fenceline of the North-West hotspot". During previous inspections it was noted that no fencing was available between some of the northern residential premises and the north-west corner of the site. Further fencing will be applied to restrict the access of the residents of the properties to the north-west corner of the site.

7 Ongoing Monitoring Requirements

This section details the requirements for ongoing gas monitoring that is carried out under this ISMP.

7.1 Indoor Air Monitoring at the School

Indoor air quality monitoring will be carried out within school buildings on a weekly basis. In this scope, RAE Systems Multi RAE Gas Detectors will be used with a specific sensor configuration to target CO_2 . Measured concentrations will be assessed against the criteria presented in Section 8.1.2, Table 4. This equipment can measure CO_2 concentration in the 400 to 4000 ppm range accurately.

Multi RAE Gas Detectors are set to take readings in 1 minute intervals for 8 hour periods. These readings are recorded by the data logger embedded into the equipment.

Monitoring will continue until the range of concentrations and any dependence on weather conditions can be clearly established.





The room that is targeted for indoor monitoring will be changed in the end of every four week of monitoring. In addition to this monitoring routine, targeted monitoring will be done in case of any concerns by the school staff or other stakeholders.

7.2 Ground Gas Wells

Ground gas monitoring will take place at the ground gas monitoring well locations identified in **Figure 3**. Monitoring will be done on a monthly basis. A calibrated landfill gas meter (GA5000 or equivalent) will be used in monitoring and following parameters will be measured:

- Methane (%v/v);
- Carbon Dioxide (%v/v);
- Oxygen (%v/v);
- Carbon Monoxide (ppm);
- Hydrogen Sulfide (ppm);
- Flow rate (L/hr);
- Relative pressure (mbar); and
- Atmospheric pressure (mbar).

7.3 Service Pits

Service pit monitoring will be undertaken on a monthly basis. Service pits deemed accessible at the time of the preparation of this ISMP are presented on **Figure 3**. If additional pits are found or become accessible, these should also be added to the monitoring regime. Pits will be monitored with a calibrated landfill gas meter (GA5000). Threshold concentrations presented in Section 8 will be used to assess the results. The outcomes of the monitoring will be incorporated into the assessment of the ongoing effectiveness of the existing management controls and inform the preparation of a long term EMP.

7.3.1 Ambient air above service pits

Monitoring of ambient air gas concentrations, 5 cm and 1m above on-site service pits will be undertaken monthly with a calibrated landfill gas meter (GA5000) at surface locations. The outcomes of the monitoring will be incorporated into the assessment of the ongoing effectiveness of the existing management controls and inform the preparation of a long term EMP.

7.4 Air and Temperature Monitoring at the North West Hotspot

Weekly surface gas, ambient air and temperature monitoring at the North West hotspot will continue until the sub-surface fire at this location is extinguished. Temperature is monitored from the thermocouples installed at and near the North West hotspot.

7.5 Site Inspections

A program of monthly inspections of the coal embankment areas (refer to **Figure 2**) will be implemented for early detection of deterioration. A site inspection checklist template is presented in **Appendix A**. This template will be filled up during each monthly inspection.

An inspection report describing the conditions recorded and highlighting any deterioration of the surface layer soils in a coal embankment area will be provided to the Site Manager and Owner within 2 weeks of each inspection. In case of finding of any deterioration a photo will be taken and sent to the Site Manager within 24 hours with the location description.





In addition to monthly inspections, which will be conducted for the entire site, weekly visual inspections will be undertaken to target the North-West hotspot area. In case of finding of any deterioration during weekly inspections at the North-West hotspot, a photo will be taken and sent to the Site Manager within 24 hours with the location description.

7.5.1 Unscheduled Inspections

In addition to the scheduled inspections, event based inspections by qualified on-site staff or their consultants will be carried out to ensure early detection of soil erosion, integrity of the boundaries and exclusion zone and evidence of olfactory odours. These may be based on observations or weather events such as peak rainfall/stormwater flows (erosion potential) or with drought conditions and die back of vegetation.

7.5.2 Maintenance and Rectification Work

Maintenance work should be carried out whenever inspections identify degraded conditions within the boundaries and exclusion area.

7.6 Frequency of Reporting

Frequency of Reporting for the above defined monitoring program is presented in Table 1. The reports will be provided to DoE by the due dates specified in Table 1.

Table 1: Frequency of Reporting				
Regular Monitoring Activity	Reporting Frequency	Report Due		
Indoor Air Monitoring at the School	Weekly	Within one (1) week after monitoring		
Ground Gas Wells	Monthly	Within two (2) weeks after monitoring		
Service Pits	Monthly	Within two (2) weeks after monitoring		
Ambient air above service pits	Monthly	Within two (2) weeks after monitoring		
Air and Temperature Monitoring at the North West Hotspot	Weekly	Within one (1) week after monitoring		
Site Inspections	Monthly	Within two (2) weeks after inspection		





8 Trigger Levels for Further Investigation

This section establishes the trigger levels for further investigation and/ or corrective action. Trigger levels for evacuation are presented in Section 9.2 (under the Emergency Action Plan) with associated response procedures.

8.1 Gas Monitoring Threshold Criteria

8.1.1 Criteria for Ground Gases

Criteria for ground gases in gas monitoring wells is selected based on the threshold levels presented in *Solid Waste Landfills Guideline* (NSW EPA 2016) and presented in Table 2.

Table 2: Threshold Levels for Hazardous Gasses					
Analyte	Threshold level reference	Unit	Threshold Level	Comments	
Methane (CH ₄)	NSW EPA 2016 ⁽¹⁾	% (volume/volume)	1.0	The threshold level for further investigation	
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)		. (1.5	and corrective action	

Note:

 The threshold levels for further investigation and corrective action are detection of methane at concentrations above 1% (volume/volume) carbon dioxide at concentrations of 1.5% (volume/volume) above established natural background levels.

When above levels are exceeded further characterisation through the calculation of gas screening values (GSV) will be made. The method of deriving a GSV and thus ground gas risk will be based on the *Guidelines* for the Assessment and Management of Sites Impacted by Hazardous Ground Gases (NSW EPA 2012).

GSV is the concentration of gas measured in a monitoring well multiplied by the measured borehole flow rate. The GSV is used to calculate the Characteristic Gas Situation (CS) which provides a site ranking system of 1 to 6 based upon which different levels of gas protection are required (1 being the lowest risk level and 6 being the highest). Table 3 presents a summary of the GSV and CS as well as risk classification in accordance with the guideline.

Table 3: GSV and CS and Characterising Landfill Gas Risk (NSW EPA 2012)					
Gas Screening Value Threshold (L/hr)	Characteristic Gas Situation	Risk Classification	Additional Factors		
<0.07	1	Very low risk	Typically methane <1% v/v and/or carbon dioxide <5% v/v, otherwise consider increase to Situation 2		
<0.7	2	Low risk	Borehole flow rate not to exceed 70L/hr otherwise consider increase to Situation 3		
<3.5	3	Moderate risk	-		
<15	4	Moderate to high risk	Consider need for Level 3 risk assessment		
<70	5	High risk	Loyal 2 risk assassment required		
>70	6	Very high risk	Level 3 risk assessment required		





8.1.2 Assessment Criteria for Ambient Air

As demonstrated in Table 4 below, the assessment criteria referenced as part of this project is based on several sources as this monitoring assessment had to consider numerous factors including outside air exposure, indoor air quality exposure and personal worker exposure. These reference sources included Approved Methods for Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in NSW (NSW EPA 2016), Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants (SWA, 2013), ASHRAE Standard 62.1 Ventilation for Acceptable Indoor Air Quality (2016), or equivalent publications as a point of reference.

For the purpose of this assessment, the criteria values highlighted in **bold** in Table 4 will be referenced in the air monitoring reports as they are deemed to be the most conservative levels based on the multifaceted monitoring works undertaken. It is however important to note that WES do not apply to children. Reference to WES is purely for guidance purposes only.

Table 4: Air Quality Monitoring	Assessment Criteria		
Pollutant	Averaging Period	Criteria	Source
			NSW EPA 2016 ^a
Carbon monoxide (CO)	8-hours	9 ppm	ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2016
		30 ppm	SWA 2013 ^b
		5000 ppm (30,000 ppm STEL)	SWA 2013 ^b
Carbon diavida (CO.)	8-hours	1000 ppm (Not greater than 700 ppm above local outdoor concentration levels)	ASHRAE Standard 62.1-2016
Carbon dioxide (CO2)		In general teaching and learning spaces: An average daily concentration of 1000 ppm and a maximum of 1500 ppm.	UK Department for Education (DFE) standard
	24-hours	8 ppm	NSW EPA 2016 ^a
Sulphur dioxide (SO ₂)	8-hours	2 ppm (5 ppm STEL) ^d	SWA 2013 ^b
Hydrogen sulphide (H₂S)	8-hour	10 ppm (15 ppm STEL) d	SWA 2013
Nitric oxide (NO)	8-hour	25 ppm	SWA 2013
Nitrogen dioxide (NO₂)	1-hour	12 ppm	NSW EPA 2016 ^a
	8-hours	3 ppm (5 ppm STEL) ^d	SWA 2013 ^b
Oxygen (O₂)	-	19.5-23.5%	SWA 2011 ^c





Table 4: Air Quality Monitoring Assessment Criteria					
Pollutant	Averaging Period	Criteria	Source		
Volatile organic compounds (VOC)	-	Contaminant specific	-		
Methane (as LEL)	-	<5%	SWA 2011 ^c		

Notes:

- a NSW EPA 2016, Approved methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in New South Wales, NSW Environment Protection Authority.
- b SWA 2013, Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants, Safe Work Australia. These concentrations are based on Time Weighted Averages (TWA) for an 8-hour shift.
- c SWA 2011, Confined Spaces Code of Practice, Safe Work Australia. These concentrations are based on conditions that do not pose an immediate risk to human health.
- d Short term exposure limit (STEL) means the average airborne concentration of a substance calculated over a 15-minute period. The STEL should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight hour working day.





8.2 Notification and Response Plan of Exceedances of Further Investigation Trigger Levels

If an Air Quality Monitoring detection exceeds further investigation and/ or corrective action trigger levels mentioned above but is <u>below</u> the trigger level for evacuation (see Section 9.2, the Emergency Action Plan) the following procedure will be applied:

- Non-emergency detections: Detections that exceed the trigger level for further investigation and/ or corrective action less than 100% (e.g. detection of 1500 ppm daily average for CO₂) and <u>lower</u> than the trigger level for evacuation (see Section 9.2, the Emergency Action Plan) will be reported in the next regular monitoring report with recommendations for further investigation and/ or corrective action.
 - For non-emergency detections following responses will be undertaken:
 - Open windows, and
 - Notify Cringila Public School for the provision and maintenance of appropriate ventilation.
- <u>Detections that may indicate an emergency situation:</u> Detections that are 100% greater than the
 trigger level for further investigation and/ or corrective action but <u>lower</u> than the trigger level for
 evacuation (see Section 9.2, the Emergency Action Plan) will be notified to Cringila Public School,
 DoE, and Greencap (Sydney and Wollongong) via phone immediately and email within 24 hours.
 - For detections that may indicate an emergency situation following responses will be undertaken:
 - Open windows,
 - Notify Cringila Public School for the provision and maintenance of appropriate ventilation, and
 - Seek/ obtain advice for potential additional measures from Greencap project managers (Sydney and Wollongong) via phone immediately and via email within 24 hours.

For critical incidents and emergency detections refer to Section 9 with associated response procedures. It must be noted that evacuation trigger level for CO (9 ppm, peak) is conservatively equal to the trigger level for further investigation/ corrective action. In case of exceedance of 9 ppm for CO, evacuation procedures and critical incident communication protocol shall be implemented.

Ground gas exceedances will be discussed in regular monitoring reports provided with associated further investigation and/ or corrective action requirements.





8.3 Properties of the Bulk Gases of Concern

Relevant properties of the bulk gases of concern are presented on Table 5. The information presented on this table are taken into consideration to establish the evacuation triggers presented in Section 9.2 (under the Emergency Action Plan). This information can also be used to supplement risk communication (when required) with the stakeholders.

Table 5: Properties of the Gases of Concern					
	Explosive range		Toxicity		
Analyte	Lower explosive limit (LEL) (% volume/ volume)	Upper explosive limit (UEL) (% volume/ volume)	Concentration of Exposure	Symptoms	Buoyancy in air
Methane (CH ₄)	5	15	NT ⁽¹⁾	NT	+ve
			3% v/v	Headaches and shortness of breath	
Carbon Dioxide (CO ₂)	NC ⁽²⁾	NC	5% v/v	Severe headache and shortness of breath	-ve
(602)			10% v/v	Loss of consciousness	
			22% v/v	Fatal	
		45.5	20-150 ppm	Watering eyes, blurred vision, shortness of breath, sore throat.	
Hydrogen Sulphide (H₂S)	4.5		400–500 ppm	Pulmonary oedema, headache, dizziness, coma, asphyxiation	-ve
Carbon Monoxide (CO)	12.5	74.2	Symptoms are correlated with be concentration and duration of e Symptoms of mild poisoning incheadaches and flu-like effects (e hours of exposure to 100 ppm C Greater exposure can lead to los consciousness and death (e.g. 20 hour of exposure to 1600 ppm).		-ve (near neutral)

Note:

- 1. NT: Not toxic
- 2. NC: Non-combustible
- 3. +ve: positive pressure (tends to move upward), -ve: negative pressure (tends to settle down)
- 4. Source: NSW EPA Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Sites Impacted by Hazardous Ground Gasses (2012)





9 Emergency Action Plan

9.1 Critical Incident Communication Protocol

A Critical Incident Communication Protocol has been prepared for incidents within the meaning of section 148 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 ("critical incident") and presented in **Appendix B**. This protocol will be triggered when a person (e.g. school staff, field consultants, contractors, workers, visitors or similar) associated with any of the responsible parties (DoE, Cringila Public School, and Greencap) becomes aware of a critical incident. Critical incidents may include but not limited to the following:

- Visual observation of fumes coming out of ground surface or any asset (e.g a service pit);
- Measurement of <u>indoor</u> CO₂ concentration (at the school building) at a level greater than or equal to 5000 ppm (8 hour average) and/ or 30,000 ppm (peak reading);
- Measurement of <u>indoor</u> CO concentration (at the school building) at a level greater than or equal to 9 ppm);
- Fire incidents; and
- Measurement or sensation of unusually high temperatures (> 60 °C) in School's infrastructure (e.g. fences, utility pipes, floors, etc.) where those temperatures are not expected to be encountered. This excludes structures or items where high temperatures are expected (e.g. hot water pipes) and the temperatures measured during days when extreme temperatures are observed (e.g. > 45 50 °C).

9.2 Evacuation Trigger Levels for Indoor Air at School Buildings and Response Procedures

Evacuation trigger levels (refer to Table 6) are conservatively established for CO and CO_2 by taking into account their properties (refer to Table 5 presented in Section 0) and the criteria specified in Section 8.1.2. It should be noted the evacuation trigger levels are highly conservative and well below the levels that may cause human health impacts (refer to Table 5 presented in Section 0).

Table 6: Evacuation Trigger Levels for Indoor Air (only applies to School Buildings)						
Gases of Concern	Criteria (indoor air)	Criteria Based On	Responses			
Carbon monoxide (CO)	9 ppm (peak)	100% of the 8 hour average threshold established by NSW EPA 2016a – a conservative approach for the protection of the school peak values will be used instead of TWA	 Open windows; Evacuate all the staff & students from the room of measurement; Further investigate by taking additional measurements to detect pathways; Starting from adjacent rooms, measure ambient air levels in the rest of the school; Establish an exclusion zone based the results of additional measurements; and Prohibit access until further investigations, corrective actions and their validation are completed. 			
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂)	5,000 ppm (8 hour average)	100% of the 8 hour average threshold established by SWA 2013 ^b	 Open windows; Evacuate all the staff & students from the room of measurement; 			





Table 6: Evacuation Trigger Levels for Indoor Air (only applies to School Buildings)					
Gases of Concern	Criteria (indoor air)	Criteria Based On	Responses		
	30,000 (peak)	100% of the STEL established by SWA 2013 ^b	 Further investigate by taking additional measurements to detect pathways; Starting from adjacent rooms, measure ambient air levels in the rest of the school; Establish an exclusion zone based the results of additional measurements; and Prohibit access until further investigations, corrective actions, and validation are completed. 		

- a NSW EPA 2016, Approved methods for the Modelling and Assessment of Air Pollutants in New South Wales, NSW Environment Protection Authority.
- b SWA 2013, Workplace Exposure Standards for Airborne Contaminants, Safe Work Australia. These concentrations are based on Time Weighted Averages (TWA) for an 8-hour shift.
- c SWA 2011, Confined Spaces Code of Practice, Safe Work Australia. These concentrations are based on conditions that do not pose an immediate risk to human health.
- d Short term exposure limit (STEL) means the average airborne concentration of a substance calculated over a 15-minute period. The STEL should not be exceeded at any time during a normal eight hour working day.

For other gases listed in Table 4 (Section 8.1.2) evacuation procedure will be triggered when the assessment criteria is exceeded. In this case the following responses will be taken:

- Open windows;
- Evacuate all the staff & students from the room of measurement;
- Further investigate by taking additional measurements to detect pathways;
- Starting from adjacent rooms, measure ambient air levels in the rest of the school;
- Establish an exclusion zone based the results of additional measurements; and
- Prohibit access until further investigations, corrective actions, and validation are completed.

<u>Note:</u> The Greencap Consultant who conducts the Air Quality Monitoring is responsible for continuously tracking the gas levels measured by the devices used (by setting up an appropriate alarm system) and initiating (in coordination with School's Staff and Principal) the above-mentioned responses immediately after an evacuation trigger level is measured.





10 Stakeholder Consultation Plan

10.1 Stakeholders

The key stakeholders as part of this ISMP are presented in Table 7.

Table 7: Stakeholders				
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Identified community groups are as follows:

- School staff;
- Children and their parents;
- Residents of the adjacent properties; and
- Cringila community.

10.2 Complaint Handling

- Cringila Public School will establish and operate a telephone complaints line for the purpose of receiving any complaints from members of the public in relation to visual or olfactory evidences of potential subsurface combustion.
- The number of the complaint line will be displayed in the entrance of the school.
- Cringila Public School administration will keep a legible record of all complaints in a register that have been received in relation to the potential pollution incidents.
- At the time of complaint the following details will be recorded:
 - Date and time of complaint;
 - The method by which the complaint was made;
 - Any personal details of the complainant which were provided by the complainant (name, address, contact phone number of complainant) or, if no such details were provided, a note to that effect;
 - Nature of complaint;
 - The action taken (if necessary) by the School in response to the complaint, including follow up contact with the complainant and date; and
 - If no action was taken by the School, the reason why no action was necessary.
- The complaint records will be forwarded by email to the following recipients for technical consideration
 - o <u>DoE:</u> Greg Mott <u>Greg.Mott@det.nsw.edu.au</u>
 - o <u>Greencap Sydney:</u> Matthew Barberson <u>Matthew.Barberson@greencap.com.au</u>
 - o Greencap Wollongong: Rowan Clark Rowan.Clark@greencap.com.au
 - Greencap Sydney: Gary Bagwell Gary.Bagwell@greencap.com.au
 - o <u>Greencap Wollongong: Scott Mcilwain Scott.Mcilwain@greencap.com.au</u>
- Greencap will advise when a notification to NSW EPA or other stakeholders is necessary.
- The records will be kept for the duration of the works and be produced to any Authorised Officer under the POEO Act 1997 who asks to see them.





10.3 Stakeholder Consultation

When there is a demand by the School for an information session, DoE may engage Greencap to communicate the findings of the environmental investigations to the School's staff. The aim of these sessions will be to equip the staff with site specific information, which can help them to answer questions related with the coal wash fill and sub-surface combustion at the North-West hotspot. The outline of such an information session may include:

- Site history;
- Investigations completed;
- Ongoing monitoring network and results;
- Conceptual site model;
- Understanding the risks and how they are managed; and
- Plan for future management of the site.

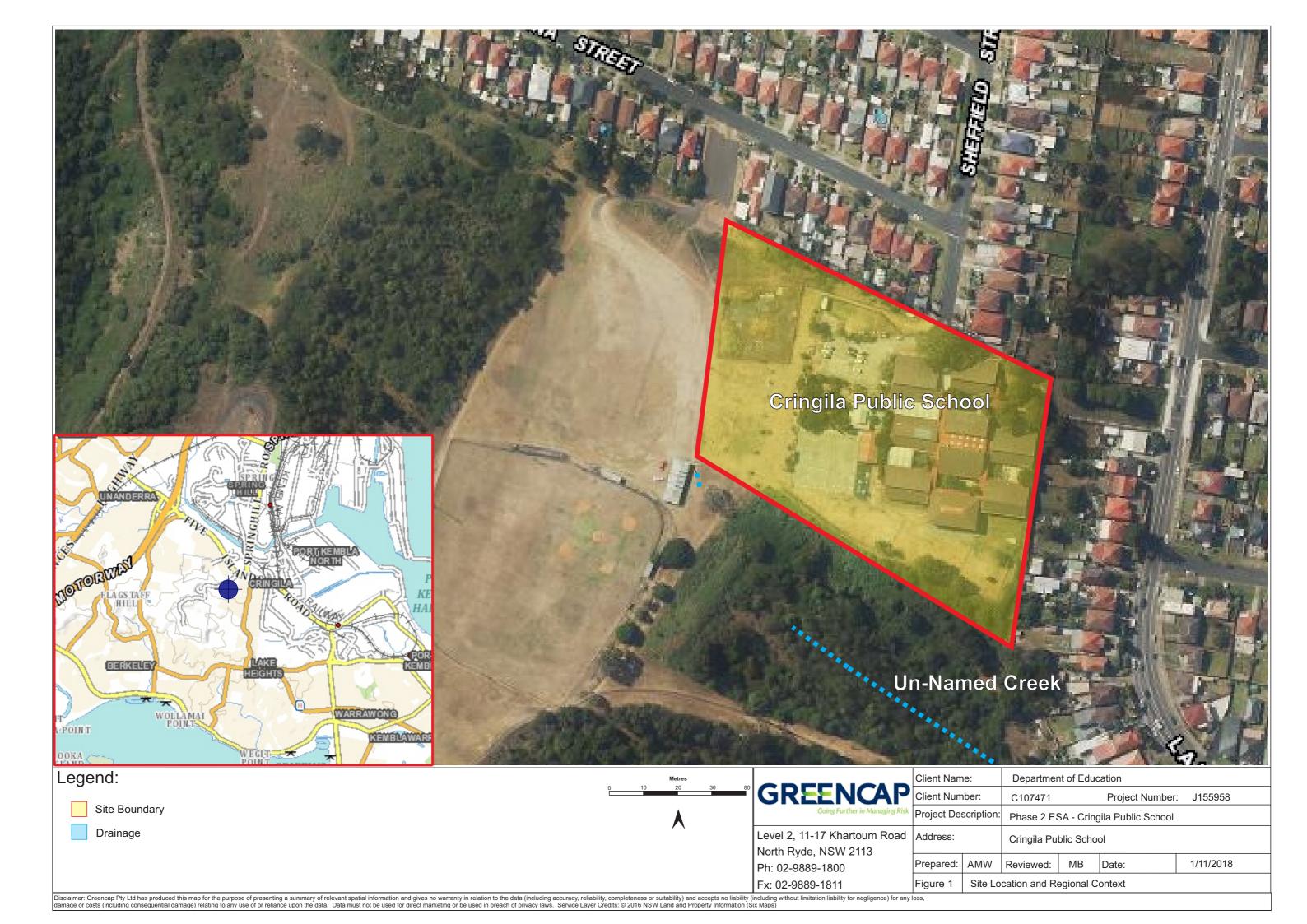


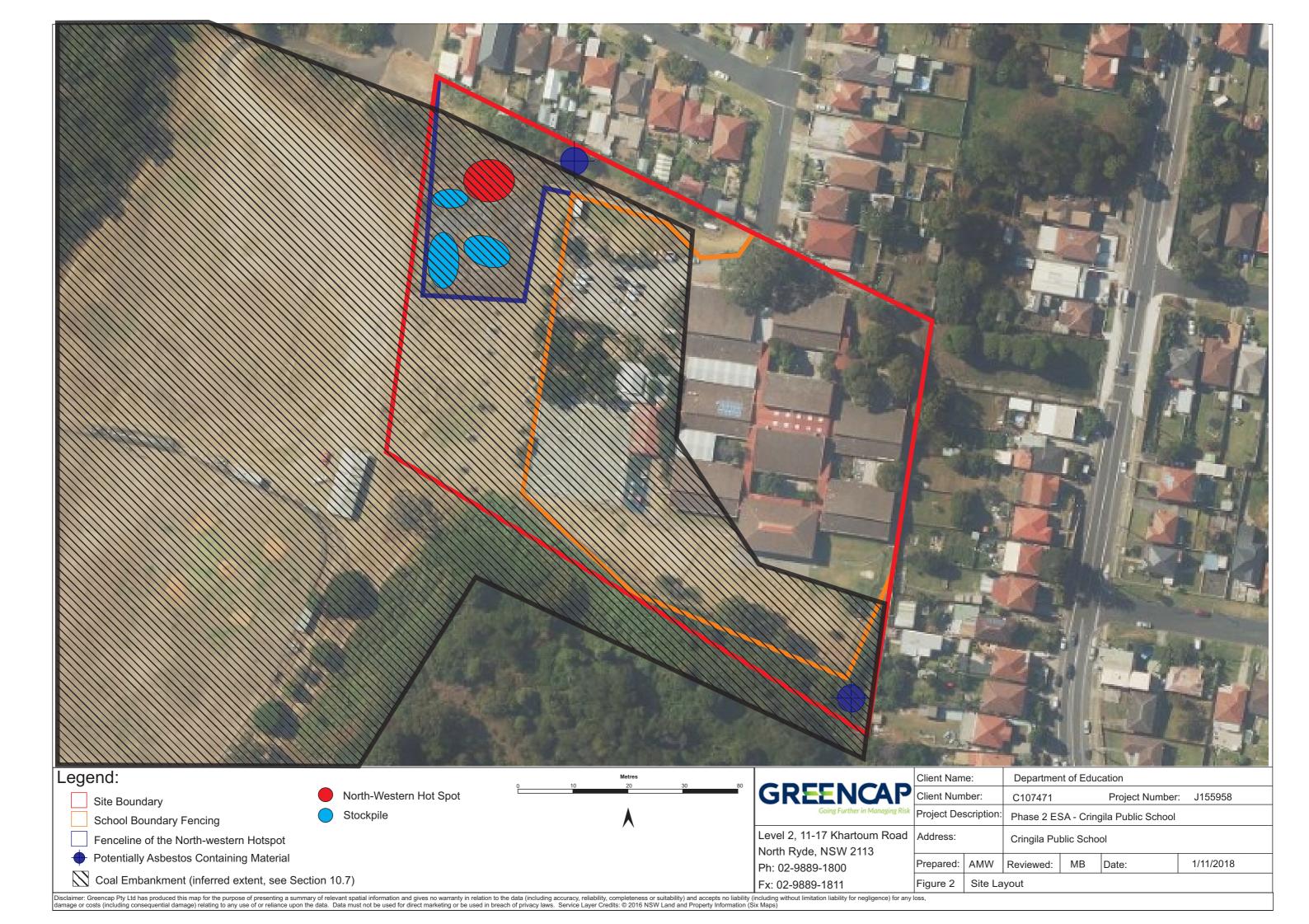


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Figures







Groundwater Well, Gas Well and Service Pit Locations

Figure 3

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Appendix A – Site Inspection Checklist





SITE INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Date:				
Personnel on site:				
Weather:				

Inspection Item	Yes	No	Comment/ Notes	Actions required
Were all sections of the site inspected?— Please tick a box below after inspection. North west hotspot area			Note inaccessible areas (if any):	Take temperature readings on the schools fencing by an infrared temperature gun. Record temperatures below (mark locations on the site layout provided on the next page).
☐ Western batter				Western fence (one point):
☐ Southern playground				Northern fence (two points):
□ Basketball courts□ Car park				Eastern fence (one point):
☐ Remaining open spaces				Southern fence (two points:
☐ Site boundary fences				Exclusion zone fencing (three points):
Was there any evidence of subsidence? (e.g. cracks, depressions, slumping)				If Yes: Take photo, mark location, indicate observations on the site layout provided on the next page, take (note on left) surface gas readings for (CO and CO₂), and inform Greencap Project Managers (Wollongong and Sydney).
Was there any evidence of slope failure?				If Yes: Take photo, mark location, indicate observations on the site layout provided on the next page, and inform Greencap Project Managers (Wollongong and Sydney).
Was there any evidence of deteriorating vegetation?				If Yes: Take photo, mark location, and indicate observation areas on the site layout provided on the next page.
Was there any visual or olfactory evidences of combustion (e.g. fumes, burning smell, smoke)				If Yes: Take photo, mark location, indicate observations on the site layout provided on the next page, take (note on left) surface gas readings for (CO and CO ₂), and inform Greencap Project Managers (Wollongong and Sydney).
Was exclusion zone fencing intact?				If No: Take photo, mark location, and indicate observation areas on the site layout provided on the next page, and inform School Principal.

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Appendix B – Critical Incident Communication Protocol



Critical Incident Communication Protocol

Critical Incident Communication Protocol ("the protocol") will be triggered when a person (e.g. school staff, field consultants, contractors, workers, visitors or similar) associated with any of the responsible parties (Department of Education (DoE), Cringila Public School ("the School"), and Greencap) becomes aware of a pollution incident at or near the site within the meaning of section 148 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 ("critical incident"). The protocol includes the following steps:

- 1. The member of the party who observed the critical incident ("the witness") will seize work, take a photograph of the incident (if possible), and immediately notify the Principal of the School, Amanda Giles ("the Principal"). The notifications will be made through the reception of the School, where a written incident report will also be prepared.
 - a) Immediately after being aware of a critical incident, the Principal of the school (or her delegate to be authorised in her absence) will ensure:
 - The area of the incident is evacuated and isolated from student/staff and public access;
 - All students, school staff, and public are at a safe distance from the area of incident;
 - For Air Quality Monitoring detections exceeding evacuation trigger levels, responses presented in Table 6 are immediately implemented;
 - Greencap Sydney and Wollongong offices are notified through phone calls from numbers provided in Table 7; and
 - o Initial immediate recommendations provided by Greencap are implemented.
- 2. Incident reports will be in the form of an email and include the following details about the recorded incident:
 - Time and date of the incident.
 - Name of the person who observed the incident.
 - Location of the incident (to be marked on a Site Layout Map)—Site Layout Maps will be available at the reception of the School.
 - Description of the incident.
 - Type of contaminant and its concentration (if recorded/applicable).
 - Definition of the associated trigger level (guideline criteria) that is comparable with the contaminant concentration (if recorded/ applicable).
 - Observed potential or existing hazards associated with the incident.
 - Immediate contingency measures undertaken (if any).
 - Photo evidence of the incident.
 - Other relevant details.
- 3. The incident reports will be forwarded by the Principal (AMANDA.GILES@det.nsw.edu.au) to the following recipients in email form:

To:

- <u>DoE:</u> Greg Mott <u>Greg.Mott@det.nsw.edu.au</u>
- <u>NSW EPA:</u> Craig Patterson <u>Craig.Patterson@epa.nsw.gov.au</u>
- NSW Health: Glendon Lee Glendon.Lee@health.nsw.gov.au
- Wollongong City Council: Glen Isbester Glsbester@wollongong.nsw.gov.au



- Greencap Sydney: Matthew Barberson Matthew.Barberson@greencap.com.au
- <u>Greencap Wollongong:</u> Rowan Clark <u>Rowan.Clark@greencap.com.au</u>

Copy of correspondence:

- <u>DoE:</u> Scott Buscombe Scott.Buscombe2@det.nsw.edu.au, Alan Smith alan.l.smith@det.nsw.edu.au, Nicole Bates Nicole.L.Bates@det.nsw.edu.au, Terry Stevens terry.stevens7@det.nsw.edu.au, Tony Stavely Tony.Stavely@det.nsw.edu.au
- <u>Greencap Sydney:</u> Gary Bagwell Gary.Bagwell@greencap.com.au
- <u>Greencap Wollongong:</u> Scott Mcilwain Scott.Mcilwain@greencap.com.au
- 4. Within 24 hours of this notification, Greencap (on behalf of DoE) will advise if any additional immediate contingency measures are required. Specific responses for detections exceeding evacuation trigger levels are presented in Table 6. These responses will immediately be implemented (without waiting for Greencap's inputs).
- 5. Within 7 days of this notification, Greencap (on behalf of DoE) will submit a plan for further investigation and/or remediation of the potential environmental and human health impacts of the reported incident.
- 6. All reports, external correspondences, and/ or actions for further investigation and/ or remediation will be done within the knowledge and/ or approval of the Site Auditor.
- 7. If the critical incident was observed during afterhours or a weekend, the witness will email the items listed in Step 2 to the Principal (AMANDA.GILES@det.nsw.edu.au) within 24 hours following the observation.

Definitions

<u>Critical Incident:</u> Pollution incidents causing or threatening material harm to the environment within the meaning of section 148 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. Critical incidents may include but not limited to the following:

- Visual observation of fumes coming out of ground surface or any asset (e.g a service pit),
- Measurement of <u>indoor</u> CO₂ concentration (at the school building) at a level greater than or equal to 5000 ppm (8 hour average) and/ or 30,000 ppm (peak reading),
- Measurement of <u>indoor</u> CO concentration (at the school building) at a level greater than or equal to 9 ppm),
- Fire incidents,
- Measurement or sensation of unusually high temperatures (> 60 °C) in School's infrastructure (e.g. fences, utility pipes, floors, etc.) where those temperatures are not expected to be encountered. This excludes structures or items where high temperatures are expected (e.g. hot water pipes) and the temperatures measured during days when extreme temperatures are observed (e.g. > 45 50 °C).

Responsible parties: DoE, the School, and Greencap

Witness: School staff, field consultants, contractors, workers, visitors or similar.

Duty to report

As stated in the NSW EPA Solid waste landfills guidelines 2016; "the landfill occupier must notify the EPA of pollution incidents causing or threatening material harm to the environment within the meaning of section 148 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997."

Notes:

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- i. This protocol does <u>not</u> replace the need to contact <u>000</u> in case of an emergency (e.g. <u>fire</u>). In case of an emergency, <u>000</u> must be called before initiating this protocol.
- ii. Minor incidents or observations that are not causing and threatening material harm to the environment (e.g. encountering coal particles on surface, declined vegetation, observations made within exclusion zones, measurements taken within ground gas wells etc.) do not trigger duty to notify the EPA; therefore, are outside the scope of this protocol.