



**Heron Resources Limited
Tarago Operations Pty Limited**

Woodlawn Mine

SML 20

Summary of Environmental Monitoring Data

Environmental Protection Licence Number 20821

Project Approval 07_0143MOD2

Record Update – 31 March 2022



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1. Introduction

1.1 Introduction

Tarago Operations Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Heron Resources Limited, holds Environment Protection Licence 20821 (EPL 20821) issued by the Environment Protection Agency (EPA) under the Protection of the Environment operations Act 1997 (the Act) and operates under the conditions of Project Approval 07_0143MOD2 granted by the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure for the Woodlawn Mine Project. This report has been prepared to satisfy the reporting requirements of the Act as directed by the EPA and also for Condition 11, Schedule 6 of the Project Approval. These documents can be found on the Heron Resources web site.

This report summarises environmental monitoring results for the Woodlawn Mine for the period 1 – March 2022.

On 25 March 2020 Woodlawn Mine suspended operations and entered a period of care and maintenance (C&M). Environmental monitoring and reporting for air quality and will continue during the C&M period. As there are no noise emissions nor blasting operations being undertaken during care and maintenance, no monitoring for these activities was undertaken.

A summary of the EPL information is provided in Table 1. The EPL was first issued on 29 March 2017 and reviewed on 7 May 2018 and 18 January 2019. The EPL was last subject to variation on 16 February 2022. Links to the EPL are shown in [Table 1](#).

Table 1. Licence information

Environment Protection Licence number	20821
Licensee	Tarago Operations Pty Ltd
Licensee address	Woodlawn Mine 507 Collector Road TARAGO NSW 2580
Premises	Woodlawn Mine 507 Collector Road TARAGO NSW 2580
Link to full licence on the EPA website	16 Feb 2022 Version: https://app.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/ViewPOEOLicence.aspx?DOCID=236150&SYSUID=1&LICID=20821 18 Jan 2019 Version: https://app.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/ViewPOEONotice.aspx?DOCID=-1&SYSUID=1&LICID=20821 7 May 2018 Version: https://app.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/ViewPOEONotice.aspx?DOCID=-1&SYSUID=1&LICID=20821 12 May 2017 Initial issue: https://app.epa.nsw.gov.au/prpoeoapp/ViewPOEONotice.aspx?DOCID=-1&SYSUID=1&LICID=20821
Complaints Telephone Number	Woodlawn Office (02) 4816 6318

Table 2 summarises the frequency and units for monitoring data for the reporting period.

Table 2. Supporting information of EPL monitoring requirements

Parameter	Monitoring site	Monitoring frequency	Unit of measure
Air quality monitoring: Deposited Dust (insoluble solids)	DG 22*, DG28*, DG33* DG34	Monthly	g/m ² /month
TSP	HVAS-1	24 hours every six days	µg/m ³
PM10	HVAS-2	24 hours every six days	µg/m ³

*Monitoring undertaken by Veolia

1.2 Explanation of units of measurement

- **mg/m³** = milligrams per cubic metre
- **g/m²/month** = grams per square metre per month
- **µg/m³** = micrograms per cubic metre
- **Day** = 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday and 8am to 6pm Sunday and public holidays
- **Evening** = 6pm to 10pm on any day
- **Night** = 10pm to 7am Monday to Saturday and 10pm to 8am Sunday and public holidays

1.3 Abbreviations

- TOP – Tarago Operations

2. Meteorological Monitoring

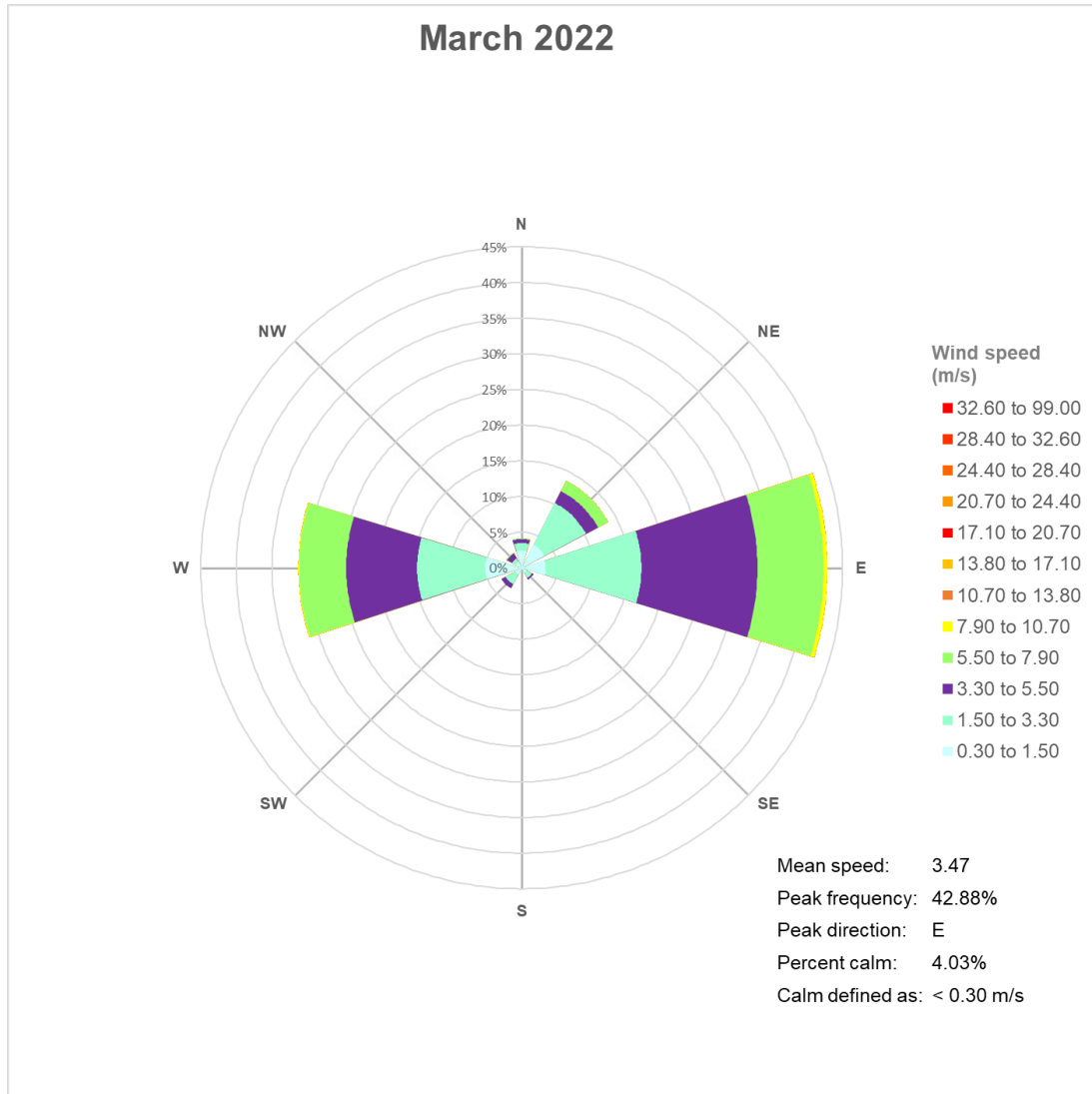
Heron is required to undertake meteorological monitoring on site. Veolia operate the approved weather station (EPA licence 11436, Monitoring Point 9). The detailed March 2022 daily weather data is shown in Table 3.

Table 3. Daily Weather – March 2022

Date	Temp min @ 10m (°C)	Temp max @ 10m (°C)	Rain (mm)	Number of wet days (total)	Weather station - Hours recorded (n)	Avg wind speed (m/s)	Avg wind direction (deg)	Evapo-transpiration (mm)
1	11.59	28.8	0.0		24	3.1	232.9	1.947
2	11	24.3	0.0		24	2.5	205.2	2.174
3	9.61	20.8	0.0		24	2.4	91.6	0.684
4	10.14	24.7	0.0		24	3.2	216.9	1.838
5	11.35	25.8	0.0		24	2.3	207.0	2.496
6	12.03	22.2	11.0		24	2.8	79.6	2.141
7	11.8	28.1	6.5		24	2.1	127.7	0.965
8	14.93	28.2	8.8		24	2.3	204.0	1.411
9	15.7	26.9	14.1		24	3.4	224.0	1.417
10	15.09	24.5	0.5		24	3.1	68.1	2.569
11	16.27	24.2	42.0		24	2.5	69.6	2.45
12	17.08	24.3	2.5		24	1.7	93.0	3.531
13	17.01	28.5	3.5		24	3.7	286.5	3.112
14	10.35	21.1	1.4		24	3.0	119.6	2.981
15	5.194	19.4	2.5		24	1.4	63.0	3.527
16	9.38	18.7	1.0		24	4.1	100.1	3.046
17	11.53	15.4	7.0		24	4.7	98.2	2.167
18	13.45	17.3	4.0		24	5.4	95.9	2.09
19	13.81	18.0	4.5		24	5.3	94.2	3.096
20	14.3	17.1	43.5		24	6.3	100.5	2.191
21	14.22	16.1	12.0		24	6.7	76.7	3.111
22	14.17	15.2	32.0		24	5.5	77.4	2.522
23	13.65	16.3	59.5		24	4.6	123.4	3.715
24	14.61	18.4	0.0		24	6.6	273.9	3.113
25	12.79	20.3	0.0		24	5.0	265.7	0.958
26	9.98	20.2	0.0		24	2.7	260.9	1.16
27	12.14	21.3	0.0		24	3.9	268.9	2.085
28	8.76	20.5	0.0		24	2.2	234.7	1.942
29	8.65	24.0	0.0		24	1.8	209.9	1.549
30	11.37	22.0	0.0		24	2.0	91.9	1.602
31	7.074	25.1	0.0		24	1.3	87.4	1.555
Average/Total	12.2	21.9	256.3	18		3.47		69.1

The wind rose at Figure 1 depicts the wind speed and direction recorded at 10 m above ground level. During the period the dominant wind direction was from the east, although a seasonal shift to westerly winds was observed.

Figure 1. Wind rose data – March 2022



3. Air Quality Monitoring

The Air quality monitoring results for Woodlawn Mine are summarised in the following sections.

3.1 Depositional Dust

Depositional dust monitoring around the Woodlawn site is undertaken on a monthly basis. Four depositional dust gauges DG22, DG28, DG33 and DG34 are present to monitor the levels of depositional dust. They are located on Site as follows:

- DG22 – East side of void
- DG28 – Pylara
- DG33 – MBT plant
- DG34 – Behind core shed

The limits for deposited dust are outlined in the Project Approval. The limits are detailed in Table 4.

Table 4. Deposited dust limits

Pollutant	Averaging period	Maximum increase in deposited dust level	Maximum total deposited dust level (Australian standard Limit)
^c Deposited dust	Annual	^b 2 g/m ² /month	^a 4 g/m ² /month

- ^a Total impact (i.e. Incremental increase in concentrations due to the project plus background concentrations due to all other sources).
- ^b Incremental impact (i.e. incremental increase in concentrations due to the project on its own)
- ^c Deposited dust is to be assessed as insoluble solids as defined by Standards Australia, AS/NZS 3580.10.1:2003: Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Ambient Air – Determination of Particulate Matter – Deposited Matter – Gravimetric Method.

Air quality results derived from the depositional dust gauges for March 2022 are shown in Table 5. The insoluble matter readings in DG34 indicate a high contribution by pollen, and this is consistent with the grass presence surrounding the gauge. The ongoing high rainfall experienced across the region is contributing to very low levels of atmospheric dust. Ash content results of 0.82 g/m²/month confirm that a very low level of mineral matter was deposited in the gauge.

Table 5. March 2022 DDG results

DDG ID	EPL ID	Start date	End date	Insoluble solids (g/m ² /month)	Rolling annual average (g/m ² /month)
DG22	2	2 Mar 22	1 Apr 22	1.1	1.6
DG28	1	2 Mar 22	1 Apr 22	0.7	1.2
DG33	4	3 Mar 22	1 Apr 22	0.4	1.2
DG34	25	3 Mar 22	1 Apr 22	9.7	5.7

3.2 Atmospheric dust – particulate matter

The Project Approval requires monitoring of total suspended particulate (TSP) matter and particulate matter < 10µm (PM₁₀) to ensure particulate matter emissions generated by the project do not exceed the criteria listed at any residence on privately owned land. High volume air sampling (HVAS) equipment for atmospheric monitoring was installed on 16 October 2017 at Pylara, the nearest residence located to the east of Woodlawn Mine. Monitoring commenced on 17 October 2017 and is undertaken for a 24 hour cycle every 6 days.

The limits for TSP and PM₁₀ are outlined in the Project Approval. The limits are detailed in Table 6 and readings for March 22 are shown in Table 7.

Table 6. TSP and PM₁₀ limits

Pollutant	Averaging Period	^d Criterion
Total suspended particulate (TSP) matter	Annual	^a 90 µg/m ³
Particulate matter < 10 µm (PM ₁₀)	Annual	^a 30 µg/m ³
Particulate matter < 10 µm	24 hour	^a 50 µg/m ³

- ^a Total impact (i.e. Incremental increase in concentrations due to the project plus background concentrations due to all other sources).
- ^d Excludes extraordinary events such as bushfires, prescribed burning, dust storms, fog, fire incidents or any other activity agreed by the Director-General.

Table 7. PM₁₀ and TSP results March 2022

Date	PM ₁₀	PM ₁₀ rolling annual average	TSP	TSP Rolling annual average
1 Mar 22	5.2	7.0	10.7	15.1
7 Mar 22	4.4	6.8	8.2	14.8
13 Mar 22	6.1	6.8	9.9	14.8
19 Mar 22	7.3	6.8	14.7	14.9
25 Mar 22	5.1	6.8	10	14.9
31 Mar 22	8.0	6.9	15.1	15.0

Compliance summary:

The PM₁₀ and TSP results for 24 hour period are within the criteria set out in the PA.

The annual average emissions are within the criteria set out in the PA.

4. Noise Monitoring

Following the announcement that Woodlawn mine would enter a period of care and maintenance on 25 March 2020, and that as a consequence there was no operational activity undertaken during April, there were no noise emissions from the site. Consequently noise monitoring was not undertaken during March 2022.

5. Blasting

Following the announcement that Woodlawn mine would enter a period of care and maintenance on 25 March 2020, and that as a consequence there was no operational activity undertaken during April, and there were no blasting activities. Consequently blast vibration monitoring was not undertaken during March 2022.

6. Complaints

No complaints were received during the reporting period.