

**Minutes of the Mount Thorley Warkworth
Community Consultative Committee Meeting Q1 2026**

Date: Wednesday 4 March 2026

Location: MTW

Time: 12:37 – 2:50pm

Attendees

Colin Gellatly (CG - Chair)
Gary Mulhearn (GM)
Cris Shadbolt (CS)
Tim Veness (TV)
Joshua van Bezouwen (JVB)
Ian Hedley (IH)
Stewart Mitchell (SM)
Neville Hodgkinson (NH)
Myree Russell (MR)
Barb Brown (BB)
Kevin Waldock (KW)
Hollie Jenkins (HJ)
Nerida Manley (NM)

Role

Independent Chairperson MTW CCC
MTW Environment & Community Manager
MTW General Manager
MTW Manager Statutory Functions
MTW Environment and Community Advisor
Community Representative
Community Representative
Community Representative (via teleconference)
Community Representative
Community Representative (arrived 12:55pm)
Community Representative
Singleton Council Representative (via teleconference)
Independent Minute Taker (Atlantech)

1. WELCOME

- CG opened the meeting and welcomed CCC members.

2. APOLOGIES

- Nil

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST / CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- **Standing Declarations:** CG is engaged by MTW to provide the services of Independent Chairperson.
- GM referred to the terms of reference which state that recording of meetings is not permitted without the agreement of the Chair and the Committee and that the recordings are for the benefit of committee members only. IH wanted to make sure what is said is recorded as he wants to make sure everything is on record due to what is being said in the meetings. GM spoke on the terms of reference. HJ asked if they can be shared to third parties, GM confirmed that they cannot be shared.
- CG asked the CCC members if there were any new interests to declare. None were declared.

4. BUSINESS ARISING

Action Items arising from the 5th November 2025 Meeting

*Refer to **attached** CCC presentation for previous actions, and relevant response / update made by MTW. Other notes of relevance discussed during the meeting in relation to Business Arising are below.*

GM provided an update of the actions from the previous meeting.

Action 1: KW to provide example video dust observations of what he has observed at the next meeting. KW indicated that action is history and can be closed.

Action 2 MTW to provide process for blast damage claims outlined in the development consents to CCC members. Provided to CCC members by email 15/12/2025.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

- 21/11/2025 - MTW CCC Q4 2025 - Draft Minutes
- 15/12/2025 - MTW CCC Q4 2025 -Final Minutes
- 15/12/2025 - CCC Action: Blast Damage Claims - Property Investigations. Condition in development consent
- 28/01/2026 - MTW Rehabilitation Management Plan –consultation
- 5/02/2025 -MTW VPA 2026 Funding Program - Round 1 - Information and Key Dates
- 9/02/2025 - MTW CCC Q1 2026 - Weds 4 March 2026 - Draft Agenda
- 27/02/2025 - MTW CCC Q1 2026 - Weds 4 March 2026 - Business Papers
- 2/03/2025 - Update on Community Consultative Committees from DPHI to Chairpersons

6. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING'S MINUTES

- Confirmed at the meeting by CG.

7. COMMUNITY MEMBERS – New Enquiries

- IH would like CS to table evidence of IH's bad behaviour. An internal memo was provided to the committee for review. CS highlighted that at a time when psychosocial risk is becoming more prevalent, we cannot tolerate anyone abusing and calling people names in the manner that has been occurring. CS stated he has an obligation to look after and protect members of his site. CS noted that there have been no rights taken away from IH, but complaints will no longer be accepted by staff mobile phones from IH. KW added that calling someone an idiot is part of Australian colloquial language and that the mine should protect the community members as well. CS continued that that type of language would not be accepted if they worked on site. KW mentioned that during the site tour that if an employee didn't follow the procedures on site they would be removed from site. CS said that is surmising, there would be a process followed that would have many stages before that type of outcome, if behaviours did not change. KW believes we should be a little more thick skinned. CS said he does not disagree but that a one off slip of the tongue is ok and we are mature enough to move past that but when it is targeted and repeated over time from 2023 – 2026 that is repeated behaviours is what classifies as bullying and that stands anywhere. CS continued there is more evidence and there is solid evidence and that there is some behaviours here that are not acceptable. IH said that now everything will be recorded. CS said that IH's behaviours are the problem, noting that we can have differences of opinion over different matters, and that is why we have regulators and external audits, and that there is no excuses to start belittling and talking down to people. IH asked JVB about the incident over the road, JVB clarified that it was a conversation, IH asked what the issue was. JVB said he had seen him out in the community and asked if he had seen any issues he was concerned about. IH told CS should have had an obligation to call IH and to talk to him. CS said that IH has no jurisdiction at all to tell him how to do his job and is under no obligation to have direct access to him, noting MTW has a system in place on how complaints can be raised and dealt with. IH said that CS called him, CS showed that he returned his

call as he requested to call him urgently and was harassing him through messages. With IH agreement, CS read out the text message correspondence between himself and IH.

- CG contributed that the internal memo recommends a method going forward for the communications will be followed and IH accepts this. CG noted this is not productive for this committee to go through all this correspondence.
- BB added that she apologises for coming in late but there are bigger issues in the world and the committee needs to find ways to be more positive and she will not sit here further if we not start to act like reasonable people.
- IH added that there has still not been a report on the blast and what went wrong, noting that family members and other members of the community drove through blast dust. CG asked if there was a report. GM added that IH had taken it to the regulator whilst the site had started the investigation as they had advised would occur. Subsequent to starting the investigation MTW was contacted by the regulators and at that point our correspondence is with regulators. We completed that process with regulators and that the regulators findings were that there was no non compliance in relation to MTW's activities, and they indicated the regulators would communicate that finding back to IH. GM gave an overview of the blast road closure including the watch and act road closure, and the specific blast road closure which had zero blast fume. GM noted that watch and act road closures are intended to balance the duration of a road closure to minimise driver interruption, and vehicles moving through the road closure to not be driving through post blast dust emissions at a level that could cause community to call the mine. Regardless of the regulator outcome, MTW has reviewed our watch and act road closure process to further minimise risk of vehicles passing through a post blast dust cloud as an improvement processes, which will minimise community calling about this.
- KW asked to step back and asked what gets done and that it would be a guess around how much dust leaves site and so far this year there has been 37 dust exceedances. GM clarified if he was talking about the health alerts which is a 1 hour recording not a 24 hour average. CS added that the site is more compliant than they've ever been due to dust mitigation projects and that the site is one of the most compliant mines in the Hunter Valley. Site had 5 inspections in 2025 by Bust the Dust on 40 degree days with the EPA on site and not one action came from those inspections. CS said they will continue to mitigate dust and communicate that to the CCC but the committee going around the same issues is taking away time for the committee to do good things.
- IH presentation – one particular incident regarding a ROM hopper from 3 years ago. Continued to show more recent images that he had taken. KW added that the word haze is used in the complaints register 130 times. KW said that the consent says that dust should come down on site. GM said it doesn't, KW added if it doesn't then it should. CS said that there are actions in place so that the ROM hoppers are not like that.
- MR has a question on the 9th of January, the 8th, 9th and 10th were all hitting 40 degrees. Saturday all along was going to be high fire risk and asked if winds are factored in. MR said she was down the farm and has a birds eye view of the mine site and was a bit surprised that there was a blast as it was a north westerly and questioned if the mine considered if the heat and the wind is factored into blasting. CS discussed that heat does not necessarily come into account in relation to a blast but wind does and showed a graph for that exact day and how they consider risks. Environment and community number one, weather factors and go down that list and then the manager makes the decision whether to fire the blast or not. If the wind goes towards Bulga, it is a no blast condition. GM added that these conditions are all included in the blast management plan. MR said that the next day was 10 degrees cooler but the wind had swung around so that would not have been suitable. KW said he is not trying to win points here but the wind was from the west and the dust settled on his house. TV showed the CCC water cart usage for those days in January.

- BB would like to know from IH what he would like to do about this. KW responded that it has to be agreed in some form that the source issue is the problem, he added this committee is to help the site so that there is no complaints and that if we are able to determine, he has invited the site countless times to go to his house to see what he can see. GM added that from vantage points we have it is very similar to what he can see. KW would like someone to come to his place to come and admit dust is an issue. KW spoke to someone in Warkworth that shows their tenancy agreement from a different mine says they are not allowed to complain and that if they do they will lose their tenancy agreements.
- BB redirected her question at IH and asked him what he wanted and he responded that he wants the air quality to be the same as when he was a kid. MR said ideally we would all like it to be like it was prior to mining, but its very different today.
- CG noted from his observation, that the mine is taking it seriously regarding dust issue and is spending a lot of money and is getting things done.
- CS reiterated the amount of money site has spent in relation to their social licence to operate and that the site adheres to the consent plus additional. He added that \$20m is being spent on dust hoods for the South ROM bins and he reiterated that the site is listening.
- HJ asked in relation to the ROM dust hoods if that will mitigate the dust hoods. CS said that as the coal is dropped into the hopper the hoods, there is large sprinkler systems that assists to drop the dust back into the hopper. HJ asked the timeframe and GM said that it is covered in the presentation.
- CG asked IH about the tenant issues at Bulga. GM said that the screening process occurs through the real estate and that the site does not get involved in the screening process. CG asked if the issue can be passed on to the real estate. CS added that he's unsure what the mine can do.
- KW said that if a circle was drawn around the mine 90% of the people in that circle are not allowed to have a direct line of contact to the mine. GM disagreed. KW said that the ability of people to complain to highlight an issue they can't do it unless they write to Baileys who write to the department. GM confirmed the residential tenancy agreement which has a complaints resolution procedure and they have to agree and re sign every 12 months. IH said that the figures of complaints are irrelevant as they don't include those who can't complain. KW continued that there are 11 families in a certain section and they ask him how to complain and he provides them the complaints line number but they don't complain. KW asked if the committee can contact the department to change the consent. CG said no and GM confirmed that the CCC is a consultation committee.
- SM read out a memo regarding dust. NH asked the question if Yancoal has undertaken any dust monitoring at residential properties since the Rio Tinto days. NH continued to read an article from the Newcastle Herald written by a nurse named Peggy Smith at Muswellbrook Hospital.
- GM noted that SM had raised this before, and noted that others including Bulga Coal has done sampling. GM advised he will review if there has been any dust monitoring undertaken at residential properties. KW offered a sample to be analysed. GM said he has locations that they can sample.
- BB asked if the site would be prepared to do coal sampling. GM said he will look into it and what published information is available, as he is aware that some has been done previously perhaps in 2012 through the Upper Hunter Air Quality Advisory Committee. CS added that he does not think that is the sole thing that will show the change. BB added that can we look at something differently. CS said the site is continually looking at doing things differently and are heavily invested in looking at different avenues to show the site cares and are doing something about it.
- MR wanted to extend her thanks again for the site visit from the past meeting as she had never had that opportunity and gave her a better understanding. Also wanted to thank the explanation of the blast. MR

asked about the mine end date. GM advised the development consent runs out to 2037. MR asked about the blast and dust monitoring locations. CS offered to take MR out to see the monitors.

- HJ highlighted that the CCC is a conduit of the community and the mine to raise issues and then also provide information back to the community. HJ wanted to thank CS and GM for taking the issues seriously. HJ would like to see more community activities like a community BBQ because people may not want to ring up and complain there may be complaints around a lease agreement. If people wanted to ring her she is happy to put complaints forward to the complaints line.
- NH raised that the issue at this table are beyond the people at this table and that he sees that the meetings are going on and on over the same issues over the past 20 years and they are raised at the committee and then that is the end of it. NH added the meeting is dysfunctional and is not helping anyone but it needs a resolution and he believes it needs to go to the government to sort it out. CG added that the point was taken.
- KW offered to have a community BBQ at his house.

8. PROPONENT REPORTS AND OVERVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Dust Improvement Projects

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an updated on the projects MTW has been investing in and wanted to be clear that the site is reacting to the feedback from the regulators from 2023 and they have been doing everything they can to move forward from that time.
- MTW has brought forward the purchase of 3 additional CAT 789D watercarts Orders were placed in October 2025 (approximately \$8M each). Expected delivery from Q3 2026.
 - Utilisation tracking of the water carts has proven to be high at >90% at 41 times during 2025.
 - The site will have six of these water carts with the highest utilisation capacity.
- West Pit south visual bunding
 - Planning for the next stage of the West Pit South bunding in Q1 - Q2, as mine disturbance progresses towards the limit of disturbance.
- Static haul road dust suppression system update.
 - Following trials of static dust suppression systems, further engineering investigation / design of automation capabilities was completed in 2025.
 - The Autobahn Haul Road (north of and parallel to Putty Road) system is designed, and planning for installation in 2026.

Water fill points improvements.

Refer to presentation

- GM provided a brief update on the water fill points improvements.
- Upgrades made to the pumping system at the NOOP to deliver water to the tanks at an increased rate of 120ls.
- In 2026 significant upgrades will occur to the remaining water fill points in the form of a new control system.

Dust fogger suppression system.

Refer to presentation

- GM provided a brief update on the dust fogger suppression systems.
- Two dust fogger units were deployed in pit in Q4 as a trial to assist with dust suppression.
- Additional trial being planned, including a water filter system installation in the pipeline to address clogging of jets. Trial planned to commence March 2026.

South-CHPP ROM Dust Hoods

Refer to presentation

- GM provided a brief update on the South CHPP ROM Dust Hoods.
- The South CHPP ROM hoppers use water misting to control the dust created by trucks dumping bulk material.
- MTW is electing to progress ROM Dust Hoods, similar to the North CHPP ROM to improve dust management performance at the South ROM which is a \$22M project.
- Feasibility study completed in 2025. Detailed civil engineering design completed.
- Successfully deconstructed in Jan 2026 at both ROM1 and ROM2 to prepare for piling caps.
- Piles, Pile caps, and Wheel Guides planned for March 2026.
- Structure planned for install during 36hr CHPP shuts in 2026. Completion in 2027.

Improvement Components

Refer to presentation

GM Provided an update on the following.

- Environmental Prestart slide – the slide is presented both day and night so the focus is proactive rather than reactive.
- Environmental Awareness campaign. Posters are displayed around site with the aim of increasing environmental awareness and stewardship.
- Block Review Meetings. The mining team hold a weekly Block Review meeting with each crew to discuss Safety, Health, Environment and Productivity with the Senior Leadership team.
- Waterfill point intrashift reporting – the Intrashift reporting tool provides real-time status of water fill points to anyone on site. Watercart performance is reported in real-time allowing decisions to be made to maximise environmental performance. Post shift reviews are also conducted and shared with the Supervisor team on where opportunity may present. Utilisation has increased >5% since the creation of this report.
- Improved training materials – a site wide all MTW employee annual dust competency was developed and completed by all staff by end of 2025.
- The EPA put out their media statement about the Bust the Dust campaign. There were five unannounced inspection at MTW which the EPA asks to talk to the shift supervisor and dispatch to explain how the pit is being run on that day and the controls in place. They do not speak to the environment department.

MTW Operations

Refer to presentation

- GM provided update on MTW operations and production.
- Mining progressing to the north and west.
- GM made reference that rehabilitation is right up to the edge of where we can possibly undertake rehabilitation up to, noting this is also a dust mitigation measure to minimise the open area as much as we can.

- Coal processing and train loading normal operations.
- EPA conducted five unannounced inspections on site at MTW Sep-Dec 2025. Nil negative feedback was received from the EPA and nil actions required.

North Out Of Pit Dam (NOOP)

Refer to presentation

- GM provided a brief update on the NOOP Dam upgrade status.
- Pumping infrastructure in progress: Mechanical and electrical installation complete. Water supply to CHPP and water fill points completed January 2026.

MTO Discharge Upgrade

Refer to presentation

- GM provided a brief update on the discharge point upgrade status.
- EPL variation approved on the 16 February 2026. Combined discharge flow up to 300 ML/day. Addition of Dam 6S discharge photo.

Exploration

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an update on exploration for 2026.
- GM noted exploration undertaken as shown in the presentation slides as per usual ahead of mining and is scheduled to continue to the end of the year.
- Drilling is expected to continue until October.

Groundwater Monitoring Bores Installation

Refer to presentation

- GM noted 2 new ground water bores, one next to Putty Road. Same rig used for groundwater bore as is used for exploration and noted specifically there is not exploration licence in that area. Signage to be used to state that it is a ground water bore.
- MTW does not hold exploration licences / mining lease in the area near Putty Road and the drilling is purely for groundwater monitoring.

MTW Operations

Refer to presentation – summary of downtime

- GM presented information on equipment downtime and CRO noise assessments completed year to date.
- JVB presented some downtime and noise statistics.

Rehabilitation / Disturbance

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an update on rehabilitation progress and disturbance YTD.
- Rehabilitation planned for 2026 – 89 Ha seeded.
- Progress to the end of February 2025.
- 44.5Ha of dump released for rehabilitation and 28.1ha of this area had been progressed to be bulk shaped.
- 20.7Ha of area seeded / claimed rehabilitation as shown in presentation in yellow.
- Disturbance forecast for 2026 – 18.3Ha. Progress to end of February 2026 0.8Ha.

- GM provided a map of where the MTW offset locations are.

Vertebrate Pest Management

Refer to presentation

- GM advised of control programs completed so far and planned for 2026.
- Pig trapping has continued which has been successful.
- Wild deer ground shoot conducted at Bowditch Biodiversity Area in Autumn.
- Ground baiting program targeting feral pigs.
- Cage trapping onsite for feral pigs.
- 1080 ground baiting programmes targeting wild dogs and foxes at MTW and all Biodiversity Areas has been scheduled for Spring.
- Noisy miner control program at the Goulburn River Biodiversity Areas to assist Regent Honeyeater conservation is continuing.
- Additional programs are undertaken as required.

Weed management

Refer to presentation

- Weeds continued to be targeted.

Offsets Other

Refer to presentation

- GM presented slides showing flora and fauna within the offset areas.

Business Papers

Refer to presentation

- Business papers were provided to CCC members prior to the meeting, including a summary of; Complaints, Incidents, Environmental Monitoring, Rehabilitation, Website Uploads and Community Investment Update. MTW Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report (MEMR) for September 2025 to November 2025 were provided. December 2025 MEMR to be provided at a later date.

Heritage Update

Refer to presentation

- NPWS Land Acquisitions and Dealings Team advised Nov 2024 they have progressed documents relating to the registration of conservation agreements to their legal team for lodgement with Land Registry Service.
- Follow up has occurred Feb, Mar, May, June, Oct, Nov, Dec 2025, and Feb 2026 - awaiting confirmation from NPWS of status with LRS.
- Annual Aboriginal & Historic Heritage compliance inspections completed during November.

Historic Heritage

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an updated on Historic Heritage activities including some additional works undertaken due to vandalism.

- Springwood access upgrade completed early November 2025
 - New alignment constructed.
 - Avoided ACH sites and enabling reliable access for light and medium vehicles.
 - Next works access for tree removal and further stabilisation works. .
 - Undamaged during November storm event. Snapped tree fell away from the house. Rear roofing support undamaged.
- RAAF Cook House
 - Access re-established during late 2025 and early 2026. Culvert crossing rebuilt and tracks cleared by mulching or grading.
 - November storm did not impact building.
 - Next work is asbestos removal from building surrounds.
- Red Brick House
 - Minor roofing repairs completed following November storm event.
 - Installation of curtilage constructed during February to restrict livestock.
 - Identified heritage building consultant no longer available – investigating alternate expert to inform scoping of roof and gutter repairs.
- Community Heritage Advisory Group (CHAG) meeting proposed for May 2026.

Management Plans / Reporting

Refer to presentation

- **Annual Reporting**
 - **Annual Return** for WML submitted to EPA 29/01/2026 required by Environment Protection Licence 1376.
- **Management Plans**
 - MTW submitted several management plans to DPHI:
 - Air Quality Management Plan (25/07/2025, resubmitted to address DPHI comments 21/10/25. Approved 3/11/2025)
 - MTW will progress Management Plan updates for several management plans in 2025:
 - Rehabilitation Management Plan (RMP), consultation with CCC is a requirement of development consent. RMP was provided to CCC for consultation 28 January 2026. Feedback on the content of the RMP is again invited from CCC. RMP is available on MTW website: <https://www.yancoal.com.au/our-sites/mount-thorley-documents/#mgt-docs>
 - Site Water Management Plan, Environmental Management Strategy, Cultural Heritage Management Plans.

9. OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

- GM added that the site is about to translocate the next amount of topsoil of Warkworth sands over to the Northern Biodiversity area. The area will have another 10,000 plants planted in the area.
- BB said that Yancoal didn't participate in the youth project officially but she would like to thank GM for attending the film premiere and that there will be a screening at 5:30 on the 23rd March at the Bulga Hall.

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business MTW - Community Update

Refer to presentation

- GM advised that the Community Support Program. The 2026 was advertised in local media from August – September in 2025 and closed 26 September 2025. 33 applications were received and 26 groups supported.

General Business MTW – MTW Voluntary Planning Agreement

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an update on the contributions made. After January 2026 payment, MTW has contributed \$9.6M (of \$11M total).
- Overview of new VPA Committee members provided.
- Meetings have been completed at Bulga community hall on the 19th February 2026. Council website has minutes and reports of meetings. Applications are open for the next VPA round which close March 2026.

General Business MTW – Bulga Tavern Update

- Bulga Tavern open for business Late December 2025 with a new Licensee after a period of being closed.
- Community feedback regarding the reopening and the standard of service provided has been consistently positive.

General Business MTW – Bulga Service Station/Shop Update

Refer to presentation

- GM advised a DA for demolition, rehabilitation and new construction has been lodged with Singleton Council.
- Tenders have been received back to the project managers .
- The project managers have finalised their tender review against the tender scope and we have their recommendations which meet out budget expectations.
- MTW is currently working through its budgetary process and allocation of capital for 2026 and 2027.
- The project timeframe is approximately a year. This will involve a period when fuel services will not be available. We will be looking at options to continue the ‘general store’ services for the community.
- Feb 2026 – EPA progressed to declaration of “significantly Contaminated Land.” Site added to POEO register of notified sites. A Voluntary Management Plan was submitted to EPA 3 March 2026 (as required by EPA).

General Business MTW – Community Amenity Tank Cleaning

Refer to presentation

- GM provided an update on the Community Amenity Tank Cleaning
- Invitation to participate remains open.
- During 2025 works at 13 residences comprised of:
 - Cleaning of 19 tanks
 - Installation of 3 new filtered water tap sets
 - Installation of 3 new primary filter sets
 - Supply of replacement and spare filters
- Year to date works in 2026 have included:
 - 3 tanks cleaned in 2026
 - 2 filtered water tap sets installed

- 2 primary filters installed
- Replacement filter supply
- Program remains ongoing.

11. NEXT MEETING

Next CCC Meeting: Wednesday 13th May 2025 at 12:30pm.

CG thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

MEETING CLOSED 2:50 pm.

Action 1: GM to review published information on particulate sampling, and if there has been any dust sampling undertaken at residential properties.

Action 2: MTW offer to take MR out to see the blast and dust monitoring locations on site.

Mount Thorley Warkworth (MTW)

Community Consultative
Committee (CCC)

Wednesday 4 March 2026

Time:

12:30pm

Location:

MTW Boardroom

Independent Chairperson:

Col Gellatly

Minutes:

Atlantech (on behalf of Chair)

Reaching new horizons together



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3. Declaration of pecuniary interests / conflicts of interest

Declaration forms all received. All members must declare any new interests.

4.11 Declaration of interests

All committee members must sign a declaration of interest form (see toolkit of supporting material) before they join the committee and keep this up to date. Committee members will have an opportunity to declare any new interests, or interests relevant to the agenda, at the start of each committee meeting.

The declarations include any pecuniary or other interest that may affect committee operations.

Examples of pecuniary or other interests include:

- holding a private contract with the proponent
- holding voluntary acquisition or mitigation rights under the proponent's approval or consent
- receiving sitting fees or payments for personal expenses from the proponent
- if the member represents a stakeholder group, the stakeholder group receiving funding or a grant from the proponent.

4.12 Conflicts of interest

A chairperson should advise the department as soon as possible of any potential or actual conflict of interest that may affect their ability to fulfil their role on the committee.

Committee members should notify the chairperson as soon as possible of any change of interest that may affect their ability to fulfil their role on the committee.

The chairperson may decide that an interest is significant enough conflict that a member should withdraw from discussion on a particular issue.

Source: Community consultative committee guideline, State significant projects (DPE, June 2023)

3. Code of Conduct

Code of Conduct Form - All members must sign CoC form – and annually confirm acceptance of the code of conduct. All members confirmed acceptance at May 2025 meeting.

Department of Planning and Environment



Community Consultative Committee code of conduct for committee members (excluding chairperson)

Application of the code

This code of conduct (the code) applies to all committee members of community consultative committees and should be read in conjunction with the *Community consultative committee Guideline: State Significant Projects 2023*.

Standards of conduct

All committee members must demonstrate appropriate standards of behaviour to support efficient operations of the committee. This code outlines the standards of conduct expected of committee members. It is the personal responsibility of each member to comply with this code.

We have developed this code to ensure members:

- have a clear understanding of their role and responsibilities
- act consistently within the scope and purpose of the committee
- communicate and act in a respectful manner towards all members
- act honestly when carrying out their functions as a committee member
- disclose any interest (pecuniary, non-pecuniary or otherwise) that could conflict with the proper performance of their functions.

Respect and inclusion

Respect and inclusion are fundamental to a harmonious, productive and psychologically safe environment where people feel able to speak up about concerns.

The department has no tolerance for bullying, harassment, victimisation or discrimination.

All committee members are responsible for:

- treating people with dignity and respect, and contributing to a positive and productive space
- advising the chairperson in advance when they cannot attend a meeting
- trying to resolve disputes and following the directions of the chairperson
- making sure other committee members feel valued and can take part fully
- not discriminating against, harassing or victimising anyone on any grounds
- demonstrating inclusive behaviours and language
- not interrupting when another member is speaking
- preventing bullying.

4.13 Conduct of committee members

Chairpersons and all other appointed committee members must sign the code of conduct agreement during the appointment process and before they take part in a committee meeting. Members must confirm acceptance of the code of conduct on an annual basis.

The chairperson must notify relevant members if they witness or become aware of any alleged breach or perceived breach of the code of conduct. The chairperson may give the relevant members a warning. If the alleged breach is severe, the chairperson may refer it to the department for review.

3. MTW CCC Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference has been updated with current CCC members and circulated on behalf of Chairperson – Discussed and confirmed at May 2025 meeting



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Mount Thorley Warkworth Community Consultative Committee - Terms of reference

The Mount Thorley Warkworth (MTW) Community Consultative Committee Terms of Reference is in accordance with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's *Community consultative committee guideline: State Significant Projects 2023*.

Purpose of the community consultative committee

The committee has been established to provide a forum for open discussion between Mount Thorley Warkworth, representatives of the community, stakeholder groups and Singleton Council on issues directly relating to Mount Thorley Warkworth, which includes the Warkworth Continuation Project, the Mount Thorley Continuation Project and exploration licence activities associated with Mount Thorley Operations Pty Ltd.

Purpose and scope

The purpose of this committee is to serve as a forum for ongoing communication about the project and its environmental performance. It is not a decision-making body but performs an advisory and consultative role.

The scope of this committee includes:

- discussing the resolution of community concerns and complaints
- discussing the implementation of any conditions of approval or consent and management plans
- consulting on any proposed amendments or modifications to projects
- reviewing the results of any monitoring, annual reviews or independent audits
- consulting on any community initiatives
- conducting site visits to view the project.

Committee membership

Chairperson

The appointed chairperson is Dr Colin Gellatly.

Committee members

The committee members are:

- Mr. Stewart Mitchell - Community Member
- Mr. Ian Hedley - Community Member
- Ms. Barbara Brown - Community Member
- Ms. Myree Russell - Community Member
- Mr. Kevin Waldoock - Community Member
- Mr. Neville Hodgkinson - Stakeholder Representative (Singleton Shire Healthy Environment Group)
- Cr. Hollee Jenkins - Singleton Council Representative
- Mr. Cris Shadbolt - on behalf of Yancoal MTW, the proponent
- Mr. Gary Mulhearn - on behalf of Yancoal MTW, the proponent
- Mr. Josh van Bezouwen - on behalf of Yancoal MTW, the proponent

4.1 Terms of reference

The procedures and processes for how each committee will operate will be set out in the terms of reference that the committee prepares and approves. The department has prepared a terms of reference template that sets out standard processes and suggested timeframes for operational matters (including meeting frequencies and the distribution of draft agendas and minutes).

Committees must use the template to outline:

- committee purpose and scope
- membership of the committee
- procedures for meeting operations including frequency, format, agendas, papers, minute taking, and extraordinary meetings
- procedures for site visits
- the publication of materials related to the committee
- the production of an annual report
- review processes.

The committee must discuss the terms of reference and the members must confirm them annually, although they can be reviewed at any point by request or when the conditions of consent or approval are modified.

Template for Terms of Reference Source: Community consultative committee guideline, State significant projects (DPE, June 2023)

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4. Business Arising

Action No.	Action	Response/ Update
1	KW to provide example video dust observations of what he has observed at next meeting.	Action item from May 2025 meeting followed up with KW 19/8/25. Item carried forward from August and November meeting.
2.	MTW to provide process for blast damage claims outlined in the development consents to CCC members.	Provided to CCC members by email 15/12/2025.

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- 21/11/2025 - MTW CCC Q4 2025 - Draft Minutes
- 15/12/2025 - MTW CCC Q4 2025 - Final Minutes
- 15/12/2025 - CCC Action: Blast Damage Claims - Property Investigations. Condition in development consent
- 28/01/2026 - MTW Rehabilitation Management Plan – consultation
- 5/02/2025 - MTW VPA 2026 Funding Program - Round 1 - Information and Key Dates
- 9/02/2025 - MTW CCC Q1 2026 - Weds 4 March 2026 - Draft Agenda
- 27/02/2025 - MTW CCC Q1 2026 - Weds 4 March 2026 - Business Papers
- 2/03/2025 - Update on Community Consultative Committees from DPHI to Chairpersons

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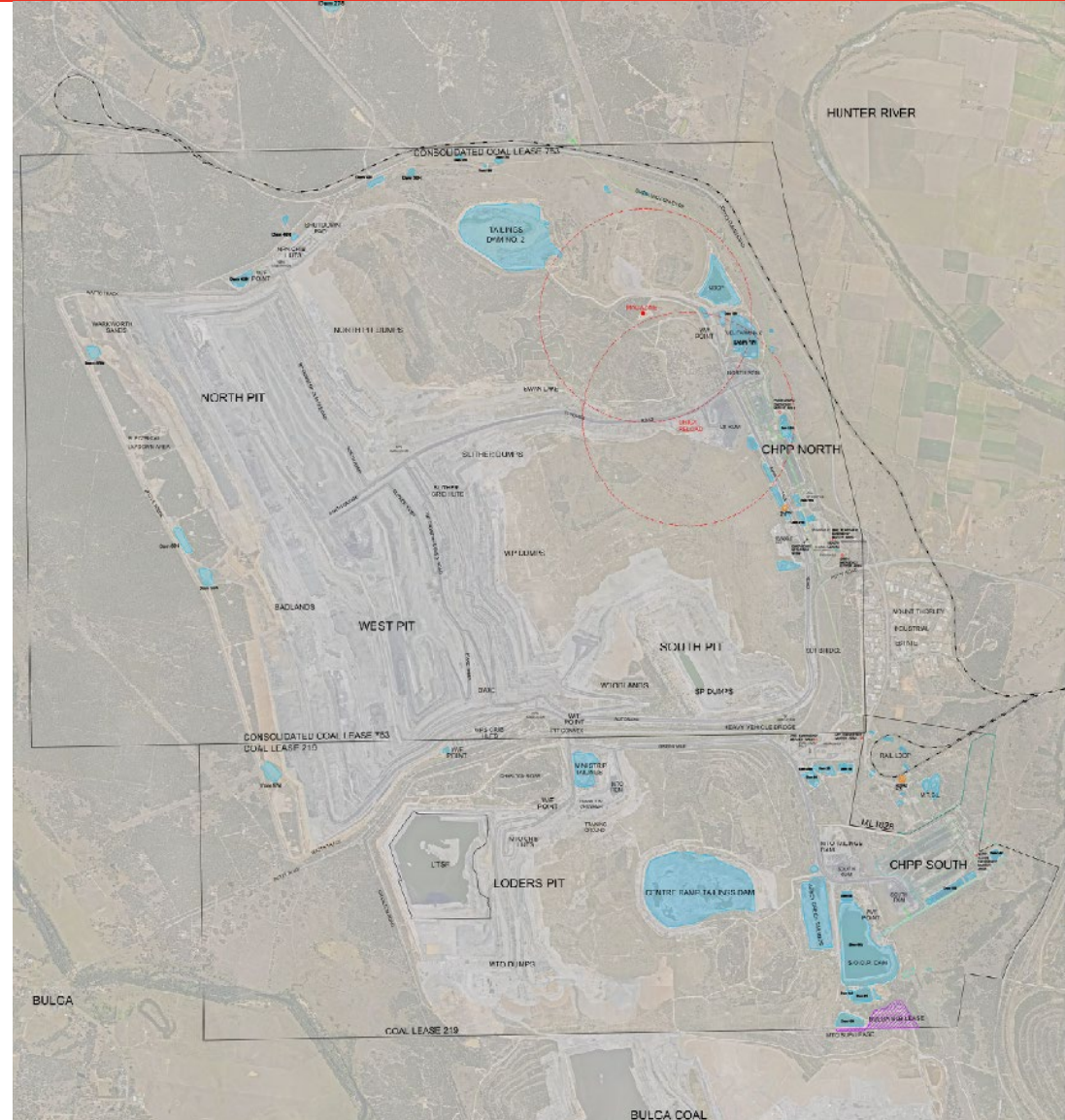
- Opportunity for community members to raise new enquiries earlier in the meeting.

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MTW Operations

- MTO: Coal production ceased at MTO in early 2021. Load and haul waste will continue to be dumped in the pit from the WML. Opportunity for coal in western highwall benches during backfill operations identified.
- WML: DL103 has been working in the lower passes of North Pit while DL 101 is working in the lower passes of West Pit respectively
- WML: Normal load and haul operations have continued.
- Coal processing and train loading normal operations.
- As part of Bust the Dust, EPA conducted **five unannounced inspections on site at MTW Sep-Dec 2025**, including on weekend. Nil negative feedback received from EPA and nil actions required.



MTW Operations – NOOP Dam

NOOP is an approved dam in Warkworth Continuation Project development consent SSD-6464 and will provide improved water security / supply / balance position at MTW.

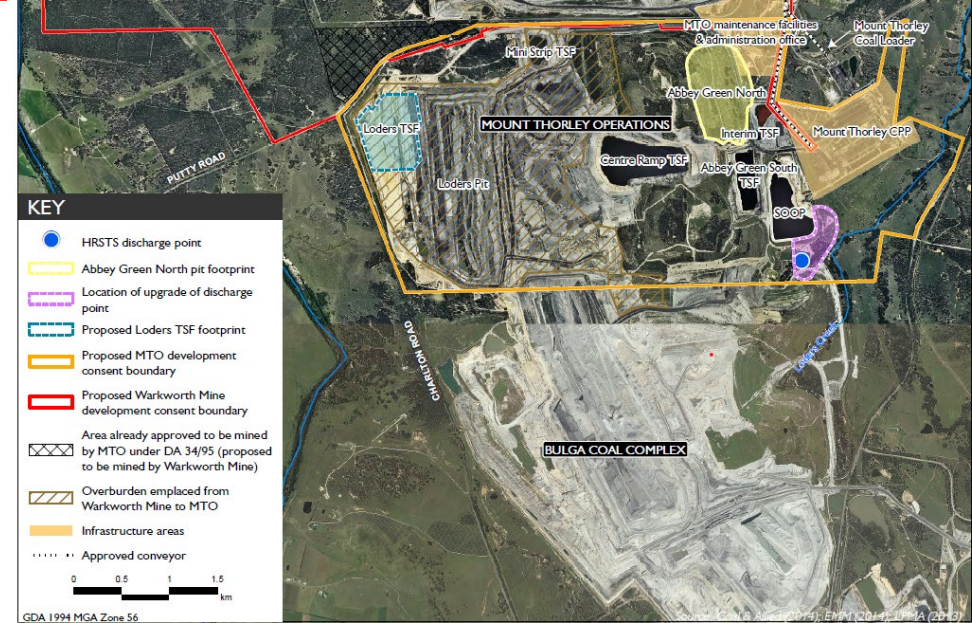
- North Out of Pit (NOOP) Dam main mining excavation completed Q2 2024.
- Pumping infrastructure completed 2025: Mechanical and Electrical installation complete. Water supply to CHPP and water fill points completed January 2026.
- Air photo is 1 March 2026



MTW Operations – MTO Discharge Upgrade

The Mount Thorley Continuation Project development consent SSD-6465 approves an upgrade of the HRSTS discharge point up to 300ML/day. This will improve the ability for MTW to manage water inventory.

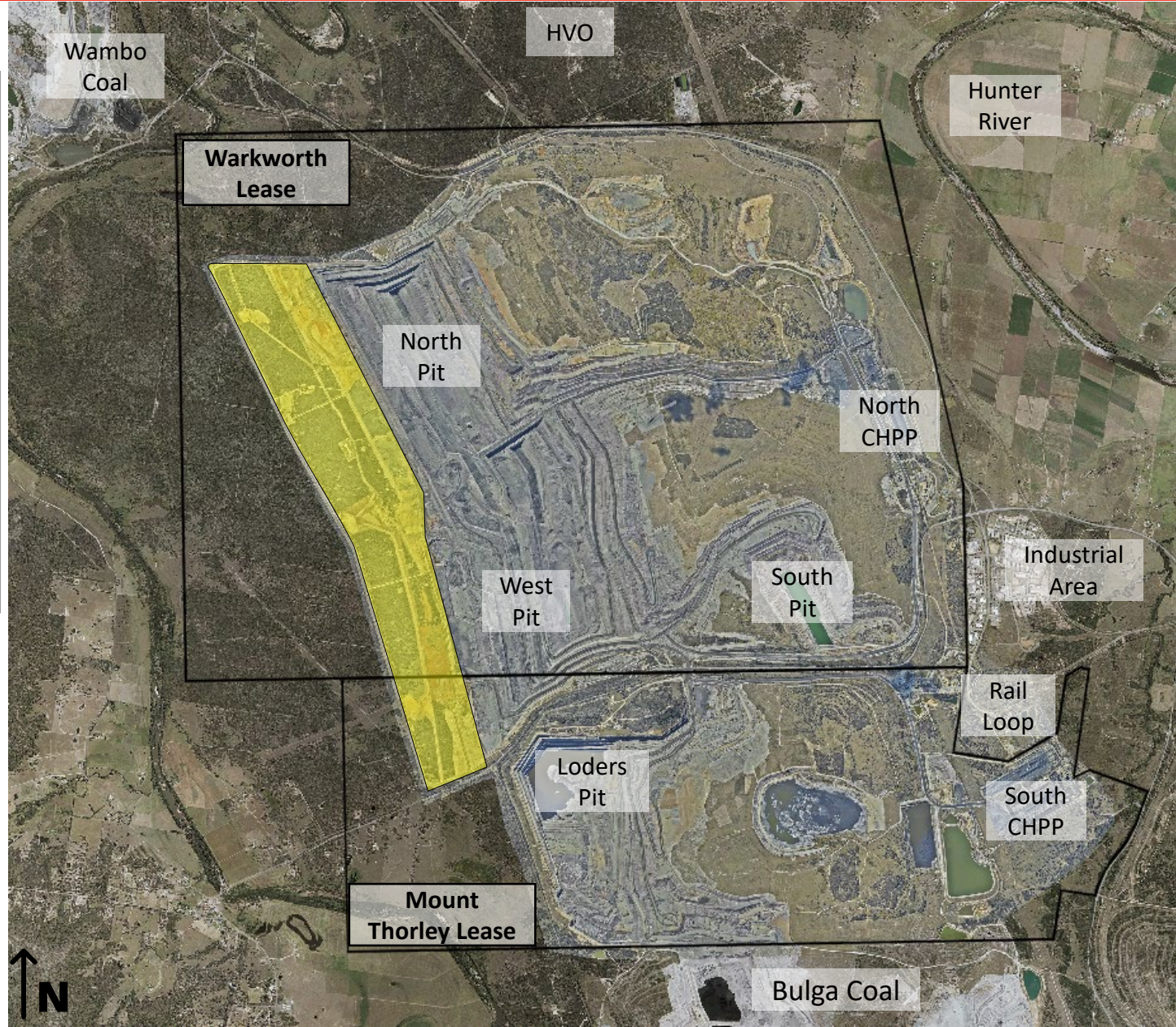
- MTO discharge upgrade works commenced August 2024.
- Civil works and pipeworks Q4 2024.
- Electrical works and systems (SCADA) integration / programming completed July 2025.
- MTO Environment Protection Licence 1976 variation approved by EPA 16 February 2026.
 - Combined discharge flow up to 300 ML/day
 - Addition of Dam 6S discharge point (photo)



The proposal
Mount Thorley Operations 2014
Environmental Impact Statement
Figure 2.4

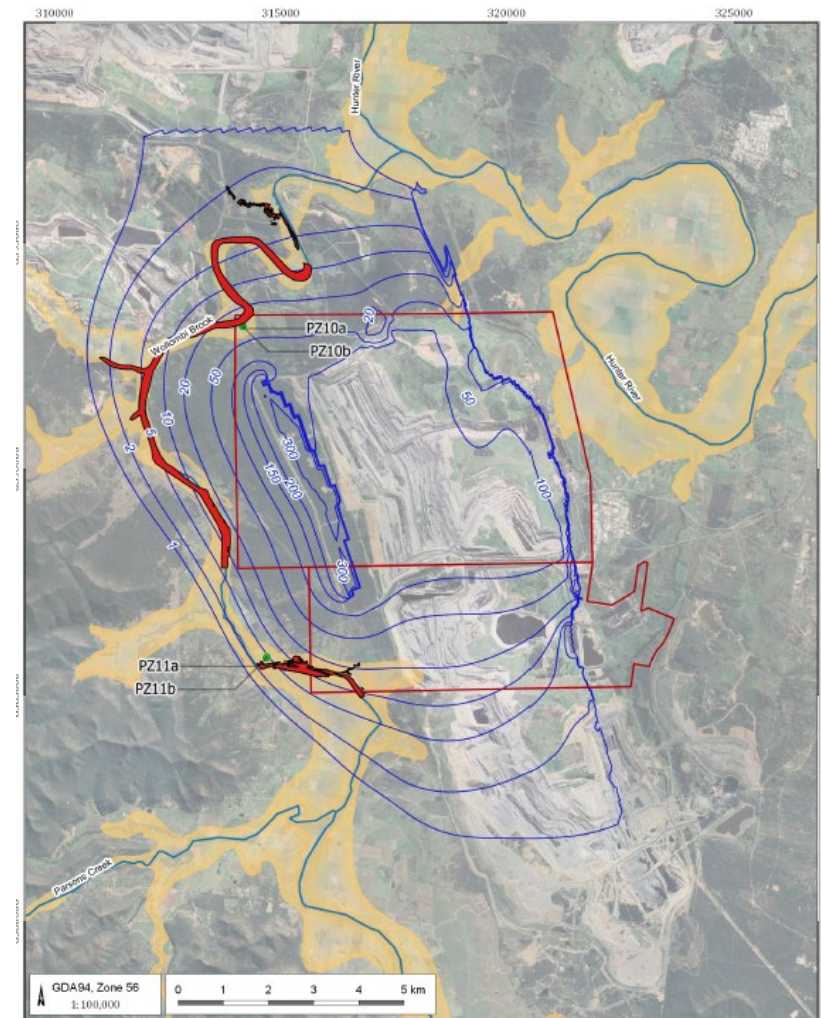
Exploration Drilling 2026

- Exploration drilling started in February 2026 and is currently in progress.
- All exploration sites will be on Yancoal owned land and mining tenements.
- Exploration will be within the yellow polygon and no drilling activities are taking place outside the disturbance limit.
- Drilling is expected to continue until October.



Groundwater Monitoring Bores Installation

- MTW plan to install ground water monitoring installations along the Wollombi Brook at two locations based on groundwater consultant recommendations.
- The groundwater monitoring installations will complement existing monitoring network to monitor potential mining related impacts to surface water or groundwater aquifers nearby MTW.
- A normal exploration style drill rig will be used to complete the drilling and one location will be visible from Putty Road on the north side of the Bulga Bridge.
- **MTW does not hold exploration licence / mining lease in the area near Putty Road** – the drilling is purely for groundwater monitoring. Signage is intended to be placed near the drill rig explaining this.
- Works have been rescheduled to be completed during 2026.

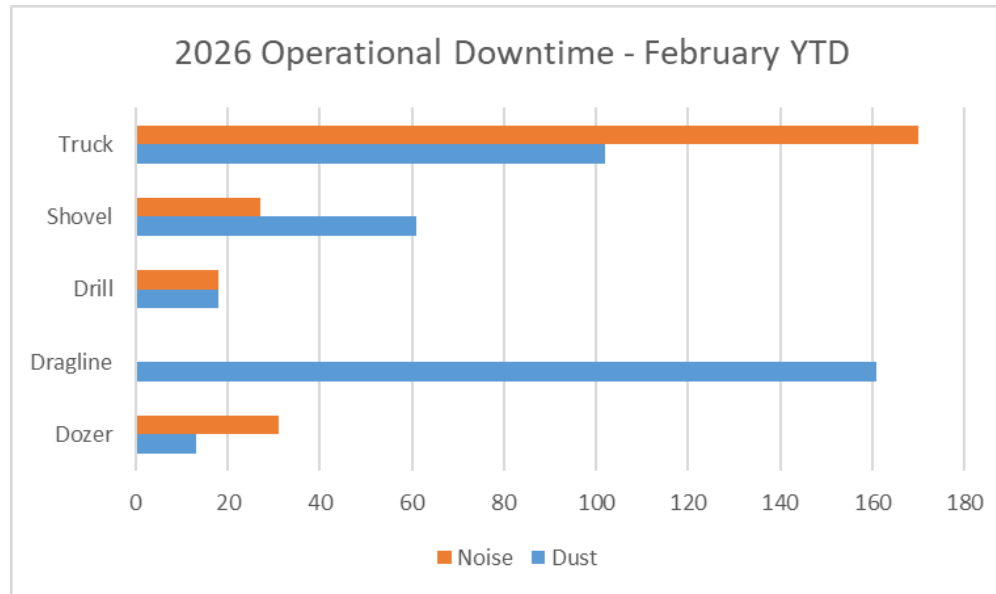


- LEGEND
- Proposed bore locations
 - Major water courses
 - Groundwater drawdown contour (m)
 - ▭ MTW Leases
 - ▭ Quaternary Alluvium
 - ▭ Hunter Valley River Oak Forest

MTW Wollombi Brook monitoring bores (MTW5001.001)

Proposed monitoring locations and predicted drawdown (Mt Arthur Seam)

MTW Operations



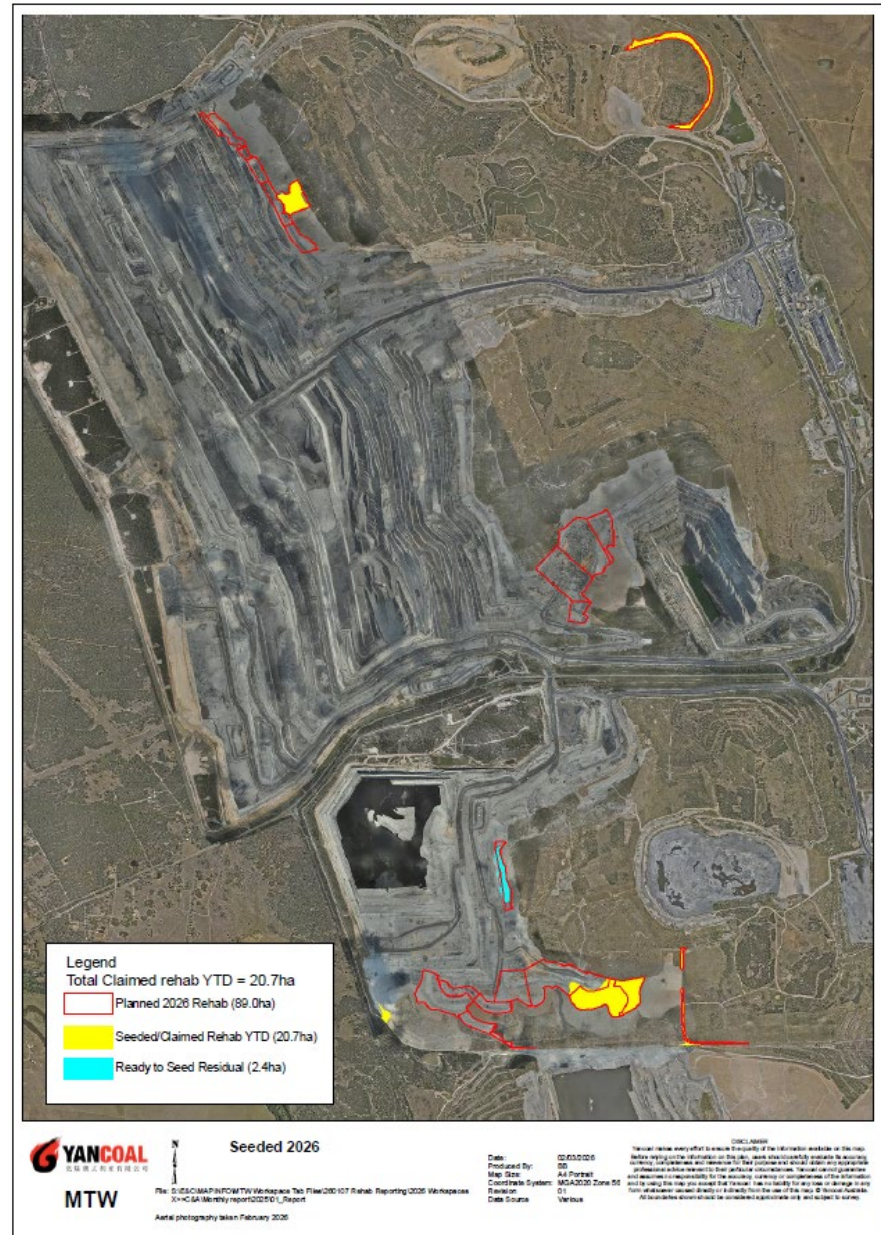
MTW CRO Noise Monitoring YTD			
	# CRO Assessments	# Individual assessment above trigger	# Nights above with assessment above trigger
2026 (YTD)	1197	6	4
2025	8557	157	66
2024	7599	161	81
2023	7293	143	66

MTW Operations – Rehabilitation/ Disturbance

Rehabilitation planned for 2026 – 89Ha seeded (shown in red).

Progress to end February 2025:

- 44.5Ha of dump released for rehab; and 28.1ha of this area had been progressed to be bulk shaped.
- 20.7Ha of area seeded / claimed rehabilitation (shown in yellow).



MTW Operations – Rehabilitation/ Disturbance

Disturbance forecast for
2026 – 18.3Ha

Progress to end of February
2026:

- Disturbed = 0.8 Ha

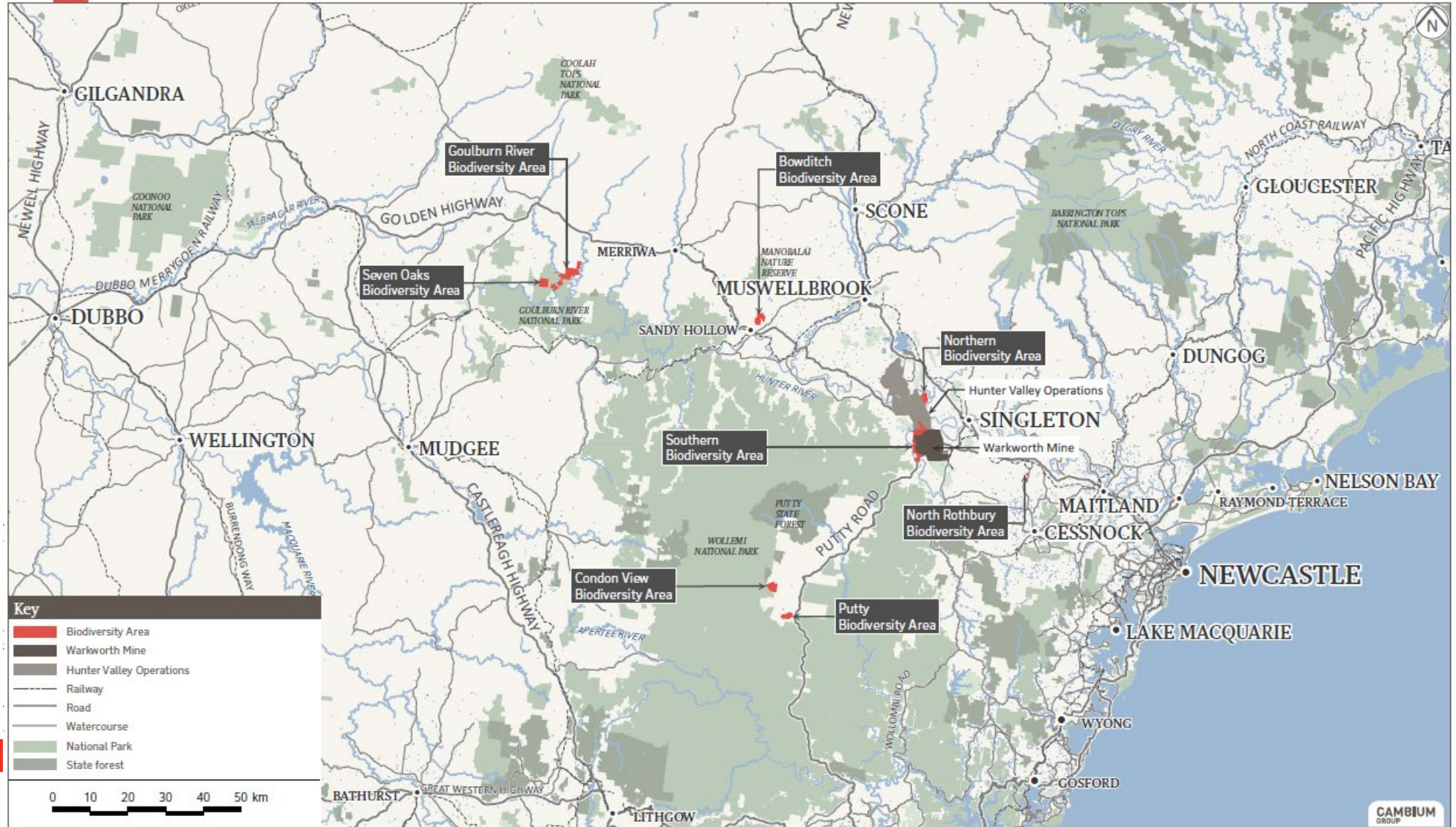


MTW Biodiversity Areas - Location

Location of the Warkworth Mine Biodiversity Areas
Management Plan 2022



Figure 1



MTW Vertebrate Pest Management

2025 programs undertaken:

- Vertebrate pest thermal ground shoot at Goulburn River Biodiversity Area
- Wild deer ground shoot at Bowditch Biodiversity Area
- Hoggone ground baiting program targeting feral pigs at the North CHPP
- Cage trapping program at MTW (onsite) and SBA
- Cage trapping and baiting program at MTW (onsite) and local SBA and NBA
- Two aerial shoots (NPWS) at the Goulburn River and Seven Oaks Biodiversity Areas
- 1080 ground baiting programmes targeting wild dogs and foxes at MTW and all Biodiversity Areas in Autumn and Spring
- Noisy Miner program at the Goulburn River Biodiversity Area

The following 2026 programs have been scheduled:

- 1080 ground baiting programmes targeting wild dogs and foxes at MTW and all Biodiversity Areas in Autumn and Spring
- Noisy Miner programs at the Goulburn River and Bowditch Biodiversity Areas
- Ground shoot at the Biodiversity Areas (Goulburn River and Bowditch)
- Additional programs as required

The 2026 vertebrate pest programs will be coordinated with LLS and other large landholders in the area so programs are undertaken at the same time across the broader Hunter Valley area.

2025 Results

Vertebrate Pest Controlled	Total
Wild dogs and foxes	425
Feral pigs	119
Deer	9
Noisy miners	252



Regent Honeyeater at Thompsons Flat, GRBA

MTW and Local BA Weed Management

Weeds targeted in MTW operational and local Biodiversity Areas in Q4 2025 included:

- African Box Thorn (*Lycium ferocissimum*)
- African Lovegrass (*Eragrostis curvula*)
- Ashwagandha (*Withania somnifera*)
- Bitou Bush (*Chrysanthemoides monilifera*)
- Blue Heliotrope (*Heliotropium amplexicaule*)
- Cats Claw Creeper (*Dolichandra unguis-cati*)
- Creeping Pear (*Opuntia humifusa*)
- Fireweed (*Senecio madagascariensis*)
- Galenia (*Aizoon pubescens*)
- Golden Wreath Wattle (*Acacia saligna*)
- Lantana (*Lantana camara*)
- Mullein (*Verbascum sp.*)
- Paddy Melon (*Cucumis myriocarpus*)
- Prickly Pear (*Opuntia sp.*)
- Stinking Roger (*Tagetes minuta*)
- St John's Wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)
- Telegraph Weed (*Heterotheca grandiflora*)
- Twiggy Mullein (*Verbascum virgatum*)



High volume spraying undertaken at NBA, in 2026 planting area



Cut and paint method targeting African Boxthorn, SBA3



Low volume spraying Lantana, SBA3



Low volume spraying Telegraph Weed and Galenia, SBA3

MTW Weed Management



Bitou Bush treated, South CHPP



St John's Wort treated, MTO East



Acacia Saligna cutting and painting, South CHPP



Paddy Melon treated. Watts Track

Regional BA Weed Management

Weeds targeted in MTW Regional Biodiversity Areas in Q4 2025:

- African Lovegrass (*Eragrostis curvula*)
- African Olive (*Olea europaea*)
- Blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus & anglocandicans*)
- Blue Heliotrope (*Heliotropium amplexicaule*)
- Blue Passion Flower (*Passiflora caerulea*)
- Bridal Creeper (*Asparagus asparagoides*)
- Cadaghi (*Corymbia torelliana*)
- Cats Claw Creeper (*Dolichandra unguis-cati*)
- Creeping Pear (*Opuntia stricta*)
- Fireweed (*Senecio madagascariensis*)
- Galenia (*Galenia pubescens*)
- Green Cestrum (*Cestrum parqui*)
- Jacaranda (*Jacaranda mimosifolia*)
- Lantana (*Lantana camara*)
- Moth Vine (*Araujia sericifera*)
- Mullein (*Verbascum sp.*)
- Narrow-Leaf Cotton Bush (*Gomphocarpus fruticosus*)
- Ochna (*Ochna serrulata*)
- Peppercorn Tree (*Schinus molle*)
- Prickly Pear (*Opuntia stricta*)
- Queensland Wattle (*Acacia podalyriifolia*)
- Robinia (*Robinia pseudoacacia*)
- Sticky Nightshade (*Solanum sisymbriifolium*)
- St John's Wort (*Hypericum perforatum*)
- Thistle (various)
- Trad (*Tradescantia fluminensis*)
- Tree of Heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)
- Whiskey Grass (*Andropogon virginicus*)
- Wild Tobacco (*Solanum mauritianum*)
- Willow (*Salix sp.*)



Whiskey Grass spot sprayed, Putty BA



Cutting and painting Tree of Heaven, GRBA



Bridal Creeper previously spot sprayed. North Rothbury BA



Blue Heliotrope spot sprayed, Bowditch BA

Offsets Other



Large lace monitor, SBA3



Maintenance watering of 2025 NBA plantings



Fallen trees removed from fence following storm event, SBA3



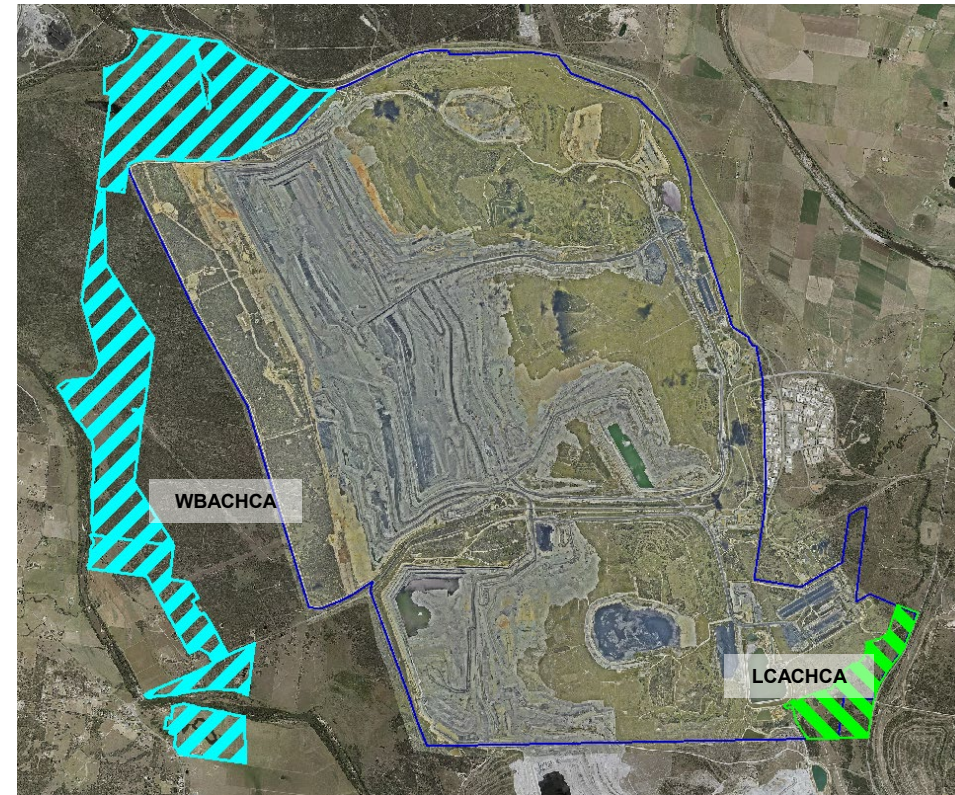
Slashing 2026 planting areas, NBA

MTW Operations - Business Papers

- Business papers provided to CCC prior to meeting
- Includes summary of:
 - Complaints, Incidents, Environmental Monitoring, Rehabilitation, Website Uploads, Community Investment Update
- Appendix A, B, C - MEMR for September 2025, October 2025, November 2025
- Appendix D – December 2025 MEMR to be provided at a later date.

Heritage Update

- Cultural Heritage Conservation Areas
 - NPWS Land Acquisitions and Dealings Team advised 12 Nov 2024 they have progressed documents relating to the registration of conservation agreements to the Deputy Secretary NPWS for signing, after which the documents will be submitted to Land Registry Service for registration.
 - Follow up has occurred Feb, Mar, May, June, Oct, Nov, Dec 2025, Feb 2026 – awaiting confirmation from NPWS of status with LRS
- Annual Aboriginal & Historic Heritage compliance inspections completed during November.



MTW Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Conservation Areas

Historic Heritage

- **Springwood** access upgrade completed November 2025
 - New alignment constructed
 - Avoiding ACH sites & enabling reliable access for light and medium vehicles
 - Next works access for tree removal and further stabilisation works



Pre-construction view with Springwood in distance



New section of access track

Historic Heritage

- **Springwood** undamaged during November storm event
 - Snapped tree fell away from the house
 - Rear roofing support undamaged





Snapped off tree and remaining tree trunk on eastern side of Springwood Homestead.

Historic Heritage

■ RAAF Cook House

- Access re-established during late 2025 & early 2026. Culvert crossing rebuilt and tracks cleared by mulching or grading.
- November storm did not impact building.
- Next work is asbestos removal from building surrounds.



Rebuilt culvert and approaches



Mulched track near between airstrip and Cook House

RAAF Cook House access re-establishment



Overgrown track mulched & graded



Track graded



Rebuilt culvert and approaches

Historic Heritage

■ Red Brick House

- Minor roofing repairs completed following November storm event
- Curtilage fencing constructed during in February to restrict livestock
- Identified heritage building consultant no longer available – investigating alternate expert to inform scoping of roof and gutter repairs.



Roofing repairs being undertaken

Heritage Houses schedule tracking

UPDATED: 03/03/26		Mth / Qtr	25Q1			25Q2			25Q3			25Q4			26Q1			26Q2			26Q3			26Q4			27Q1		
	Status	Comment	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Heritage																													
Springwood Homestead																													
<i>Current objective: stabilise building</i>																													
Structural Engineering Inspection	Complete	Completed April 2024																											
Initial prop & tie of walls	Complete	Completed August 2024																											
Access upgrade (MR truck access)	Complete	Completed November 2025																											
Tree removal	In progress	Sourcing quotes																											
Structural stabilisation works (per Bligh Tanner)	Not Started																												
Scope follow-on works	Not Started																												
RAAF Cook House																													
<i>Current objectives: enable safe access, remove asbestos, stabilise</i>																													
Structural Engineering Inspection	Complete	Completed April 2024																											
Access upgrade (MR truck access)	Complete	Completed February 2026																											
Remove asbestos materials from surrounds	Not Started	Scoping inspection pending																											
Remove tree from roof, surrounding trees	Not Started																												
Initial prop & tie roof	Not Started																												
Remove asbestos from internal footprint	Not Started																												
Scope follow on works (incl. asbestos roof & wall removal)	Not Started																												
Red Brick House																													
<i>Current objective: make weather-tight</i>																													
Structural Engineering Inspection	Complete	Completed April 2024																											
Install curtilage fencing	Complete	New item, completed March 2026																											
Scope roofing & gutter repairs	Not Started	Identifying professional support																											
Roof & gutter repairs	Not started																												
Scope follow on works	Not started																												

Current

Indicative meeting cycle

- CHAG Meeting proposed for May

Meeting	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Community												
CCC		X			X			X			X	
Historic Heritage												
CHAG				X						X		
Heritage Inspection										X		
Cultural Heritage												
PMIG		X			X			X			X	
CHWG			X						X			
ACH Inspection									X			

Annual Reporting

Reporting

- **Annual Return for WML** submitted to EPA 29/01/2026 required by Environment Protection Licence 1376.

Management Plans

Management Plans

- MTW submitted several management plans to DPHI:
 - Air Quality Management Plan (25/07/2025, resubmitted to address DPHI comments 21/10/25. Approved 3/11/2025).

- MTW will progress Management Plan updates for several management plans in:
 - Rehabilitation Management Plan (RMP), consultation with CCC is a requirement of development consent. RMP was provided to CCC for consultation 28 January 2026. Feedback on the content of the RMP is again invited from CCC. RMP is available on MTW website: <https://www.yancoal.com.au/our-sites/mount-thorley-documents/#mgt-docs>
 - Site Water Management Plan, Environmental Management Strategy, Cultural Heritage Management Plans.

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- None requested – New Community member items addressed earlier in meeting.

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General Business - Community update

Community Support Program 2026

The Community Support Program for 2026 was advertised in local media in Aug-Sep 2025, and closed 26 September 2025. There were 33 applications received. The following organisations are being supported in 2026 through the CSP.

Organisation	Project	Sponsorship Amount 2026
Branxton Golf Club Co-Operative	Cylinder mower and edger	\$2,700
Business Singleton	2026 Events Program – Business Awards / IWD Luncheon / 1 x Chamber Breakfast / October Business Luncheon	\$10,000
Glendon Brook Hall	Extension of fencing for childpooft play area	\$3,500
King Street Public School	C-PENS, Support Student Reading	\$5,580
Lochinvar Rural Fire Brigade	Fire Hot spots - thermal imaging drones	\$11,156.44
Mark Hughes Foundation Ridin 4 Mates	Gold sponsorship	\$2,000
Miller Park Bowling Club	Installation of access rails on green	\$3,190
Northern Agriculture Association Inc	Singleton Show and Campdraft 2026	\$6,000
Rotary Club of Singleton on Hunter Inc	Singleton Art Prize 2026	\$10,000
Samaritans Foundation	Christmas Lunch in Singleton 2026	\$5,000
Singleton Council	Christmas on John Street & Firelight 2026	\$15,255
Singleton Council	Singleton Seniors High Tea & Expo 2026	\$5,000
Singleton Family Support Scheme (SMS)	Creating my place Art Hub	\$4,957
Singleton Golf Club Ladies Sub Committee	Ladies Golf Club Open Day 2026	\$1,000
4 Singleton High School P&C Association	Laptops for Literacy Enhancement	\$14,000



General Business - Community update

Community Support Program 2026 (cont.)

Organisation	Project	Sponsorship Amount 2026
Singleton Hospital Auxiliary	Emergency dept trauma stretcher	\$17,030.50
Singleton Junior Touch Football Association	Safe storage - shipping container	\$5,280
Singleton Mountain Bike Club	Adaptive mountain bike loop upgrade	\$10,948
Singleton Netball Association	Netty Hub Clinic	\$4,375
Singleton Rugby Club Ltd	Improved playground seating / table	\$1,902
Singleton Strikers Football Club	Clubhouse PA systems and fittings	\$10,000
Singleton Theatrical Society	2026 Productions	\$2,500
Westpac Rescue Helicopter	Joe Slupik Golf Day – Hole Sponsorship	\$1,500
YWCA Hunter Region Inc	YWCA Encore	\$6,500
University of Newcastle	Science & Engineering Challenge (Year 1 of 3)	\$18,180
University of Newcastle	SMART Science School Tour (Year 1 of 3)	\$19,250
TOTAL		\$196,803.94



General Business - Community update

MTW Voluntary Planning Agreement - Update

- After the January 2026 payment, MTW has contributed \$9.6M (of \$11M total).
- Current MTW VPA Community Committee as endorsed by Council for current Singleton Council period.
 - Community Representatives: Ian Hedley, Pauline Rayner, Neale McCallum, Stirling Keayes, Sarah Purser.
 - MTW representative: Gary Mulhearn
- Meeting held 19 Feb 2026.
- Updates on Projects approved by Singleton Council after recommendations of CSP committee:
 - Restoration of the Old Bulga School now has landowners consent from Crown Lands. Project manager seeking updated quotes and a Funding deed till then be prepared.
 - A cricket pitch resurfacing application was endorsed by Council at 9 Dec 2025 meeting.
 - Recommendations from VPA Community Committee recorded in minutes and put forward to Council for decisions.
- All VPA Community Committee agendas and minutes, and application processes are available on Singleton Council website.
- Applications for next VPA round – **Closes March 2026.**
- <https://www.singleton.nsw.gov.au/Council/Community-Funding-Programs/VPA-Community-Committees/Mount-Thorley-Warkworth-VPA-Community-Committee>

General Business - Community update

Bulga Tavern update

- Bulga Tavern open for business Late December 2025 with a new Licensee after a period of being closed.
- Community feedback regarding the reopening and the standard of service provided has been consistently positive.



General Business - Community update

Bulga Service Station/Shop update

- DA for demolition, remediation and new construction has been lodged with Singleton Council. Notification to EPA regarding contaminated land was made at same time (requirement of *Contaminated Land Management Act*).
- Tenders have been received back to our project managers.
- Our project managers have finalised their tender review against the tender scope and we have their recommendations which meet our budget expectations.
- MTW is currently working through its budgetary process and allocation of capital for 2026 and 2027.
- The project timeframe is approximately a year. This will involve a period when fuel services will not be available. We will be looking at options to continue the 'general store' services for the community.
- Feb 2026 – EPA progressed to declaration of “Significantly Contaminated Land.” Site added to POEO register of notified sites. A Voluntary Management Plan was submitted to EPA 3 March 2026 (as required by EPA).



Community Amenity – Tank Cleaning

- Amenity works recognising air quality contribution by MTW
 - Invitation to participate remains open
- During 2025 works at 13 residences comprised:
 - Cleaning of 19 tanks
 - Installation of 3 new filtered water tap sets
 - Installation of 3 new primary filter sets
 - Supply of replacement and spare filters
- Year to date works in 2026 have included:
 - 3 tanks cleaned
 - 2 filtered water tap sets installed
 - 2 primary filters installed
 - Replacement filter supply
- Program remains ongoing. Please direct enquiries to site.

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General Business – other?

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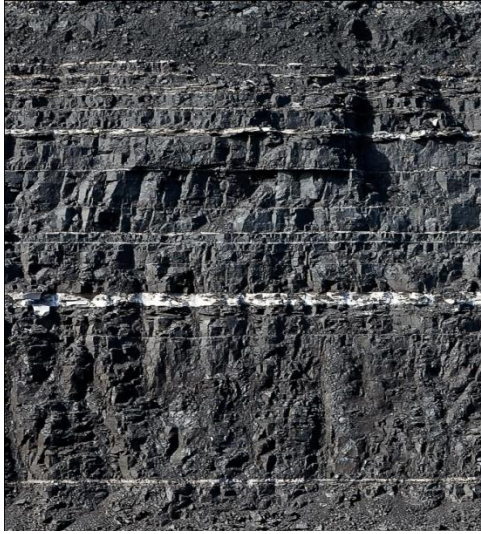
Future Dates

Next Meeting Date

Date: Wednesday – 13 May 2026

Time: 12:30-2:30 PM

Location: Boardroom, North Warkworth Building



Mount Thorley Warkworth Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

BUSINESS PAPERS March 2026

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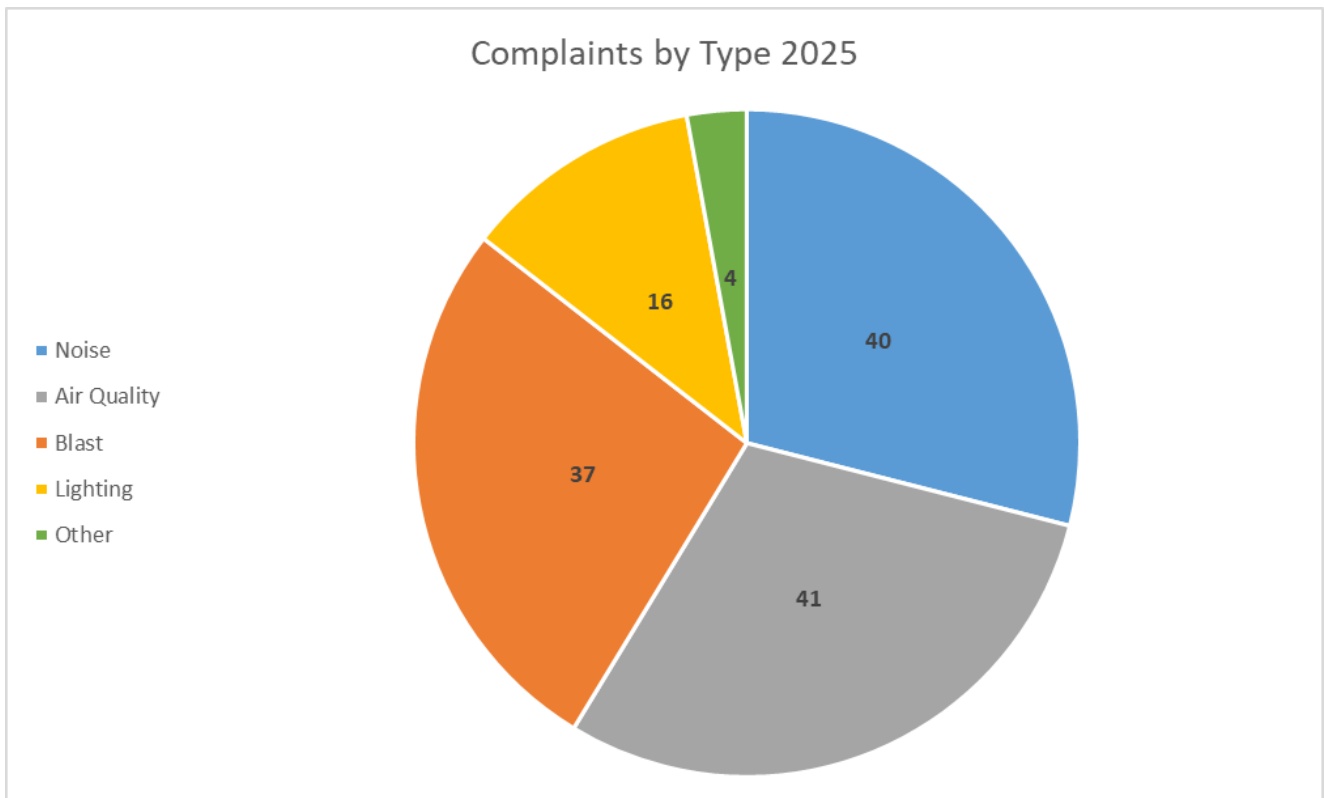
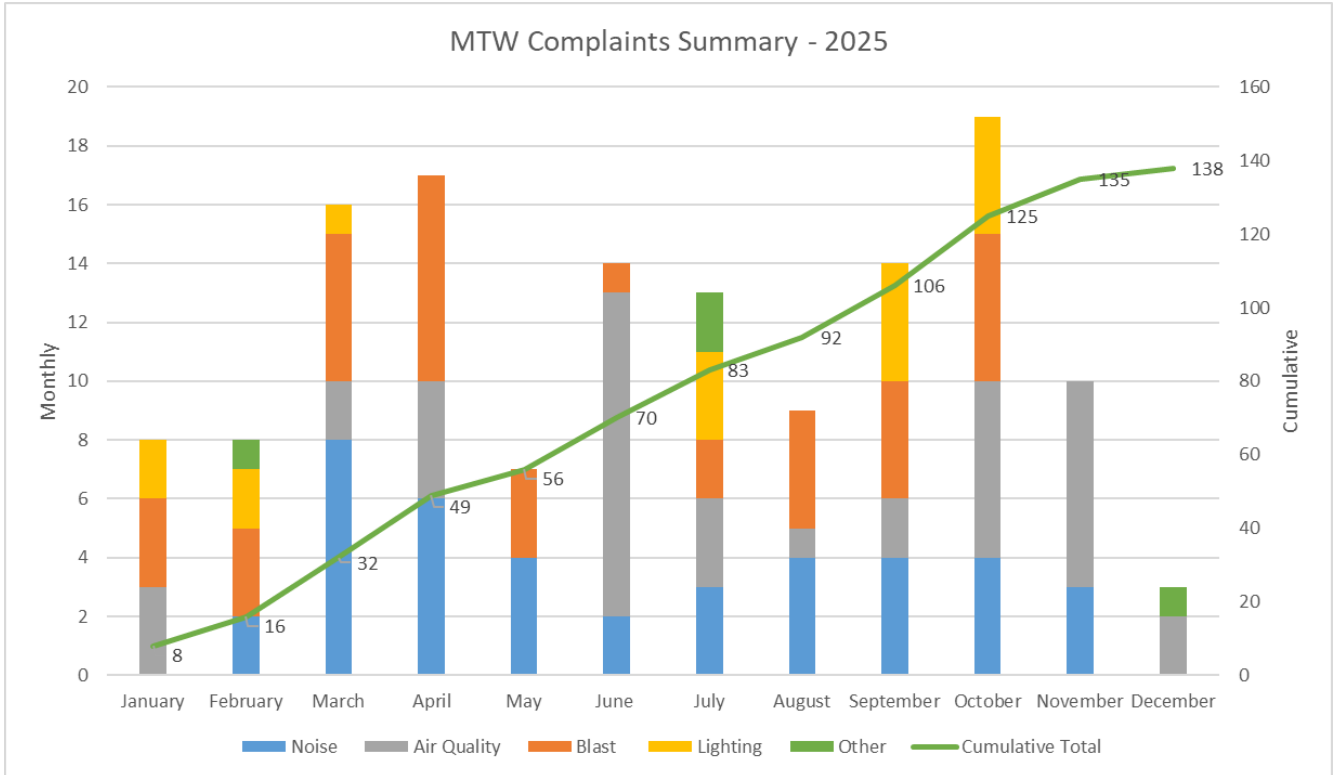
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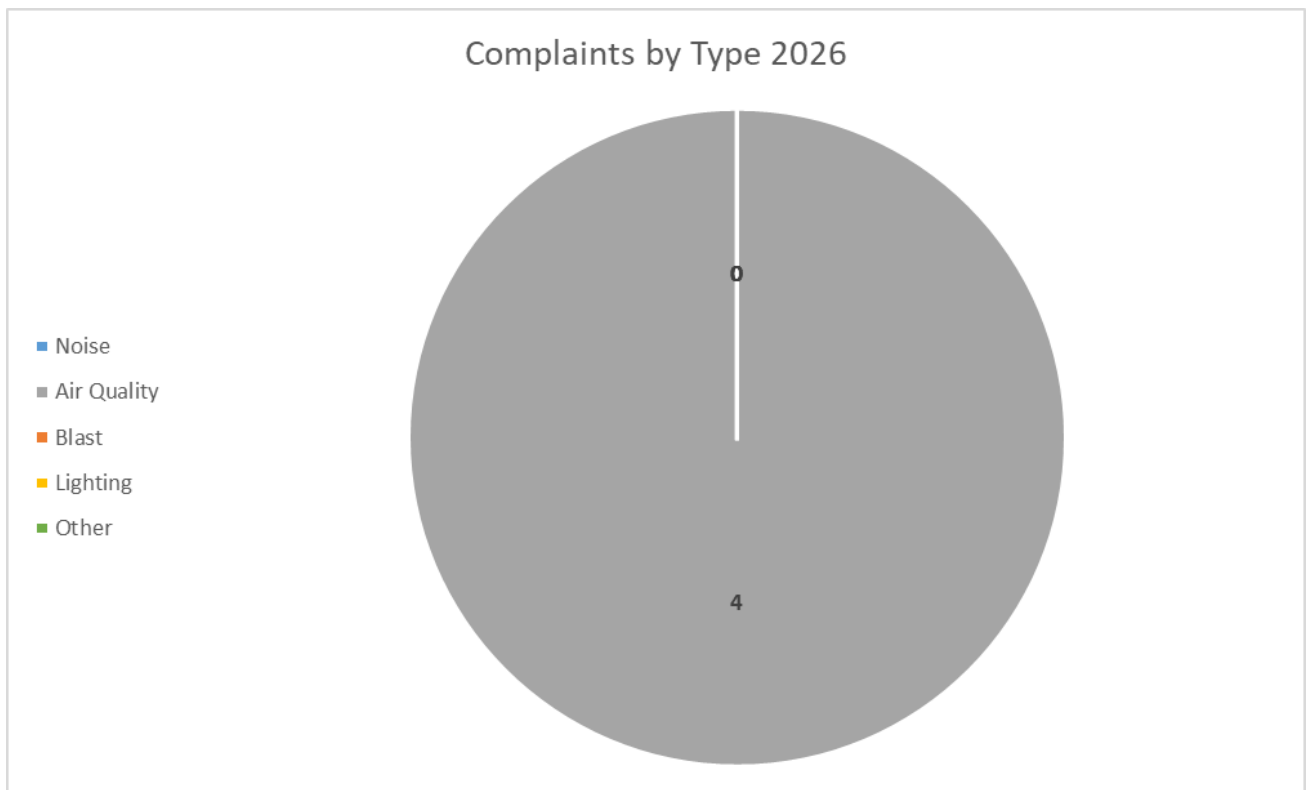
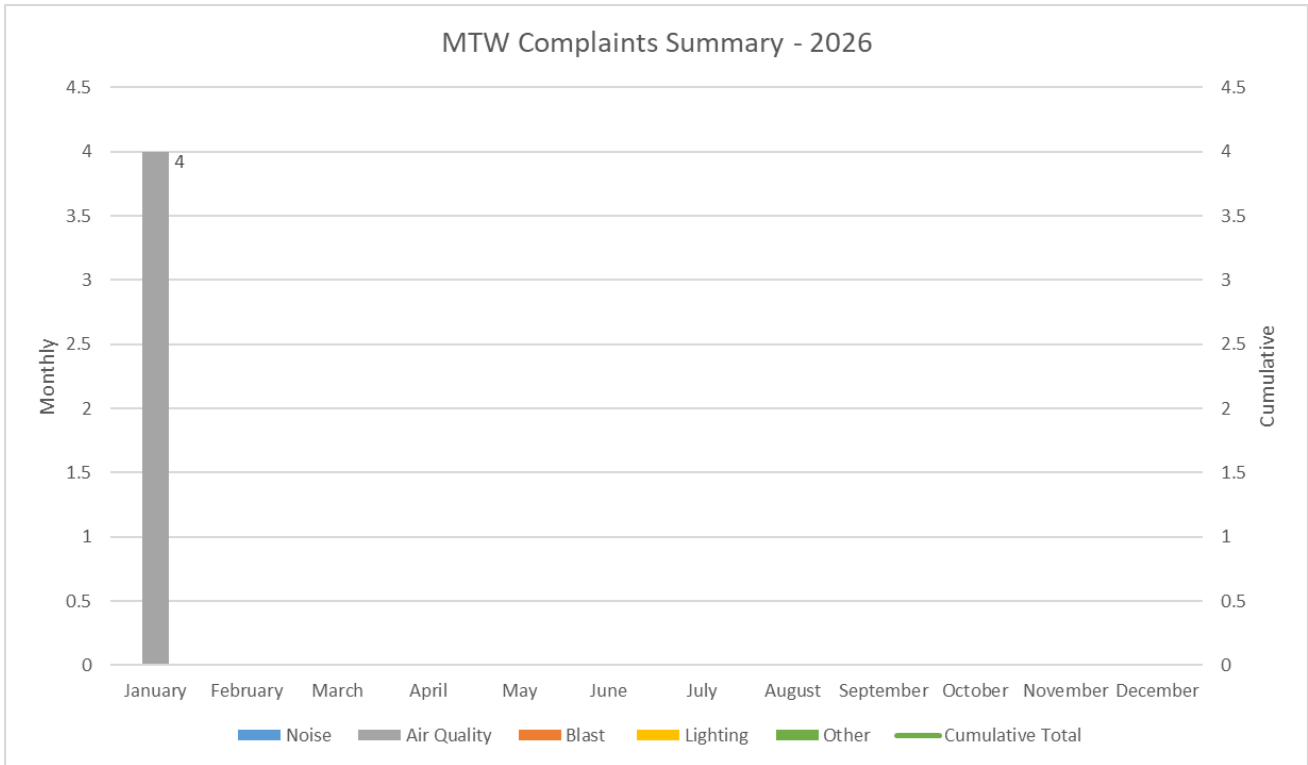
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1 COMPLAINTS

Complaints overview for period – 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025



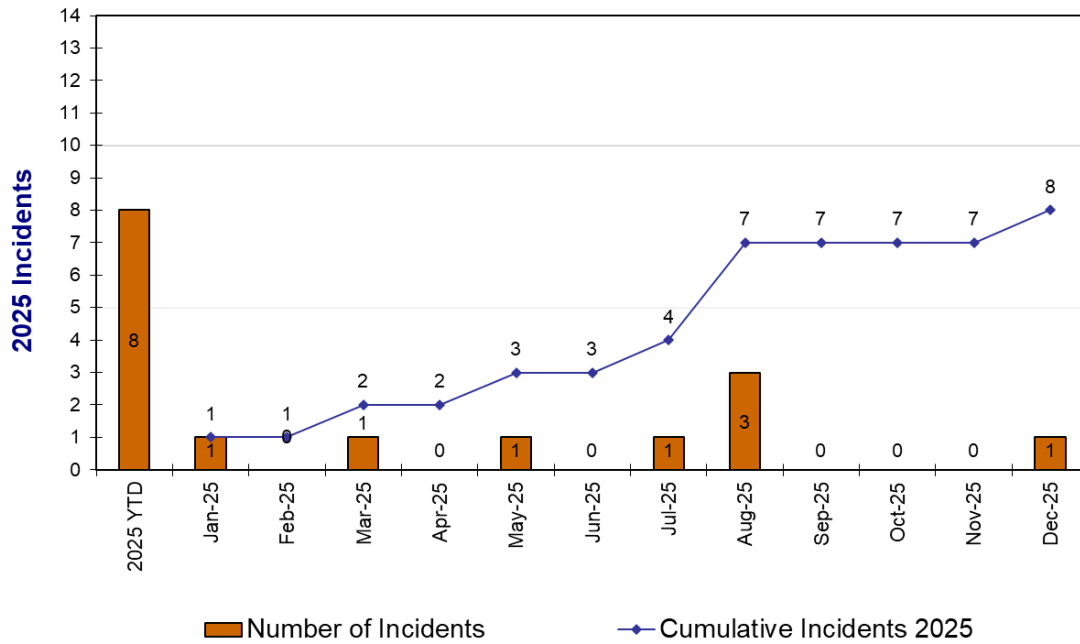
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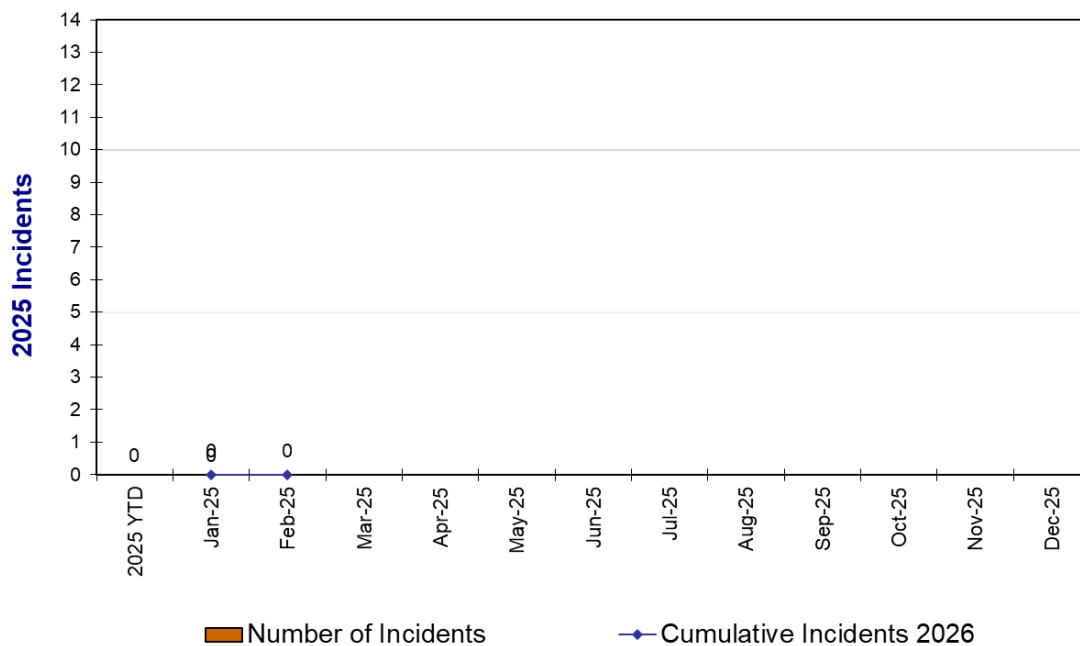
Environmental incidents overview for period – 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

MTW Environmental Incidents 2025



Environmental incidents overview for period – 1 January 2026 to 31 January 2026

MTW Environmental Incidents 2026



Incident Summary for the period 1 October 2025 to 31 January 2026

Date	Details	Key Actions	Aspect
29/12/2025	Spot fire (from adjacent bushfire embers) impacted a small area of vegetation at MTW's Bowditch Biodiversity Area.	RFS accessed the Bowditch Biodiversity Area to complete fire inspection and extinguish fire. MTW staff inspected area the following day and confirmed fire had been extinguished.	Biodiversity

3 ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

Monthly summaries of environmental monitoring:

- **September 2025** - Attached as **Appendix A**
- **October 2025**- Attached as **Appendix B**
- **November 2025** - Attached as **Appendix C**
- **December 2025** - **Appendix D** (to be provided at a later date)

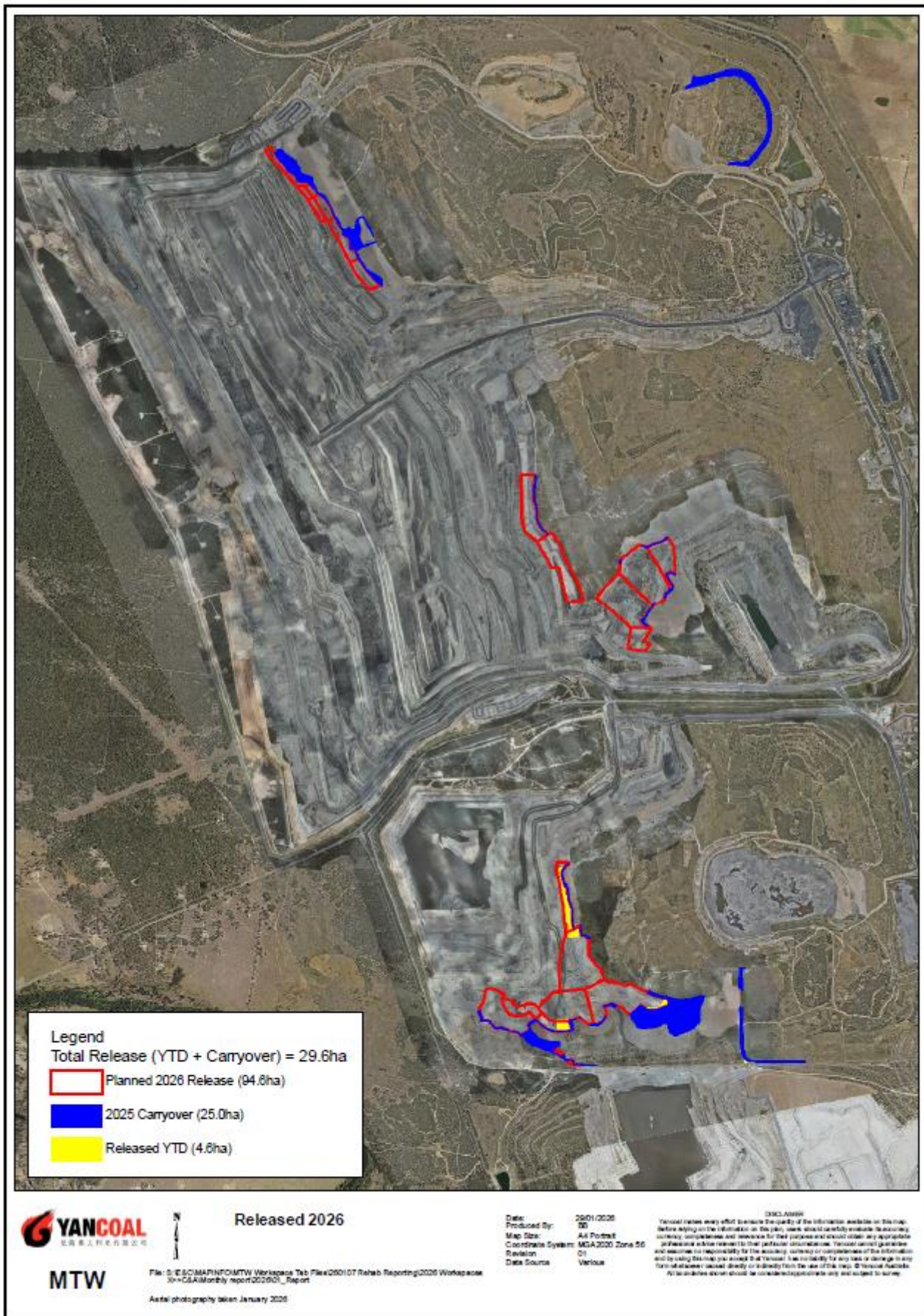
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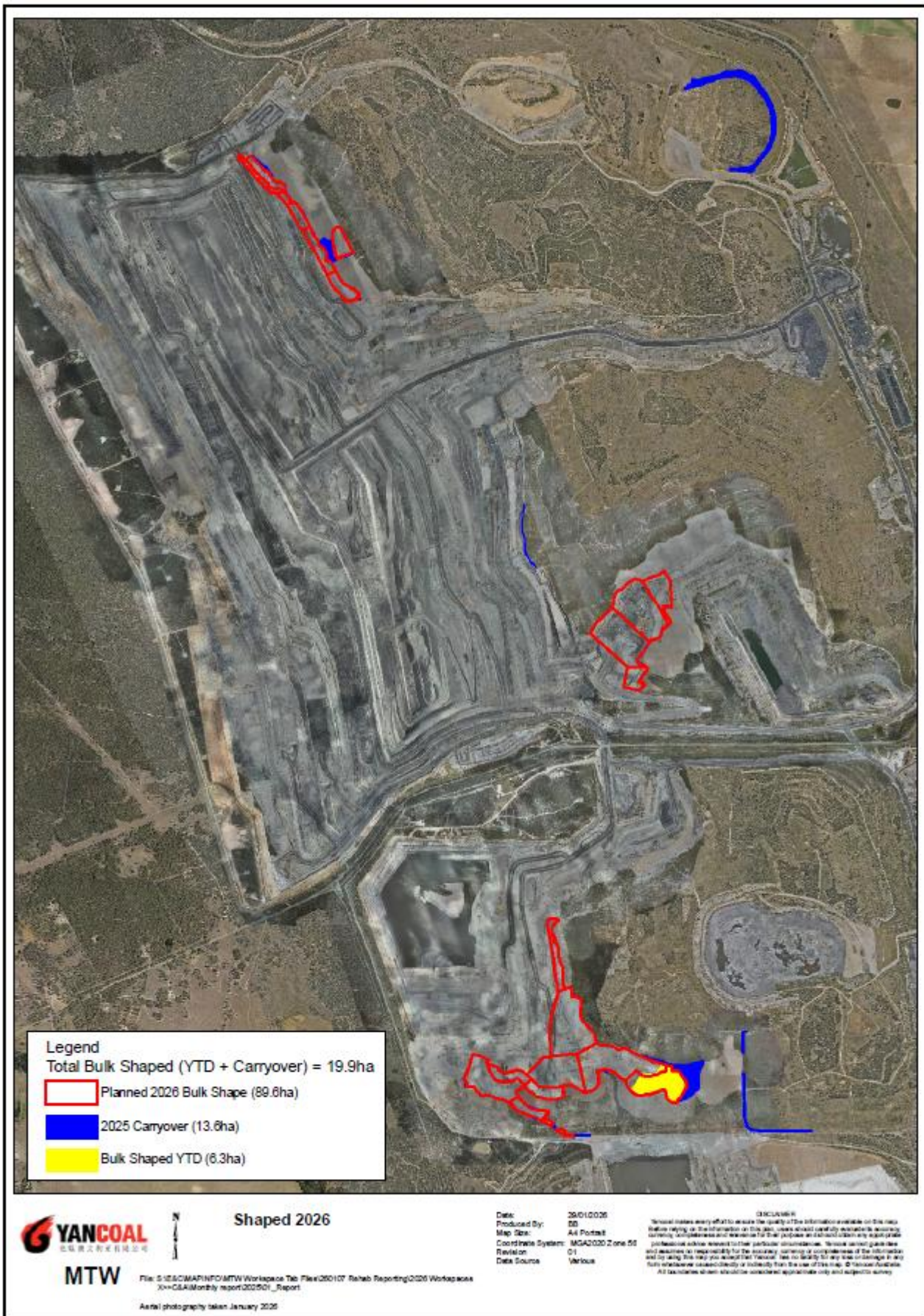
The rehabilitation planned for 2026 is 89ha which is consistent with the Rehabilitation Management Plan target for 2026 (89ha). The planned total disturbance is 18.3ha.

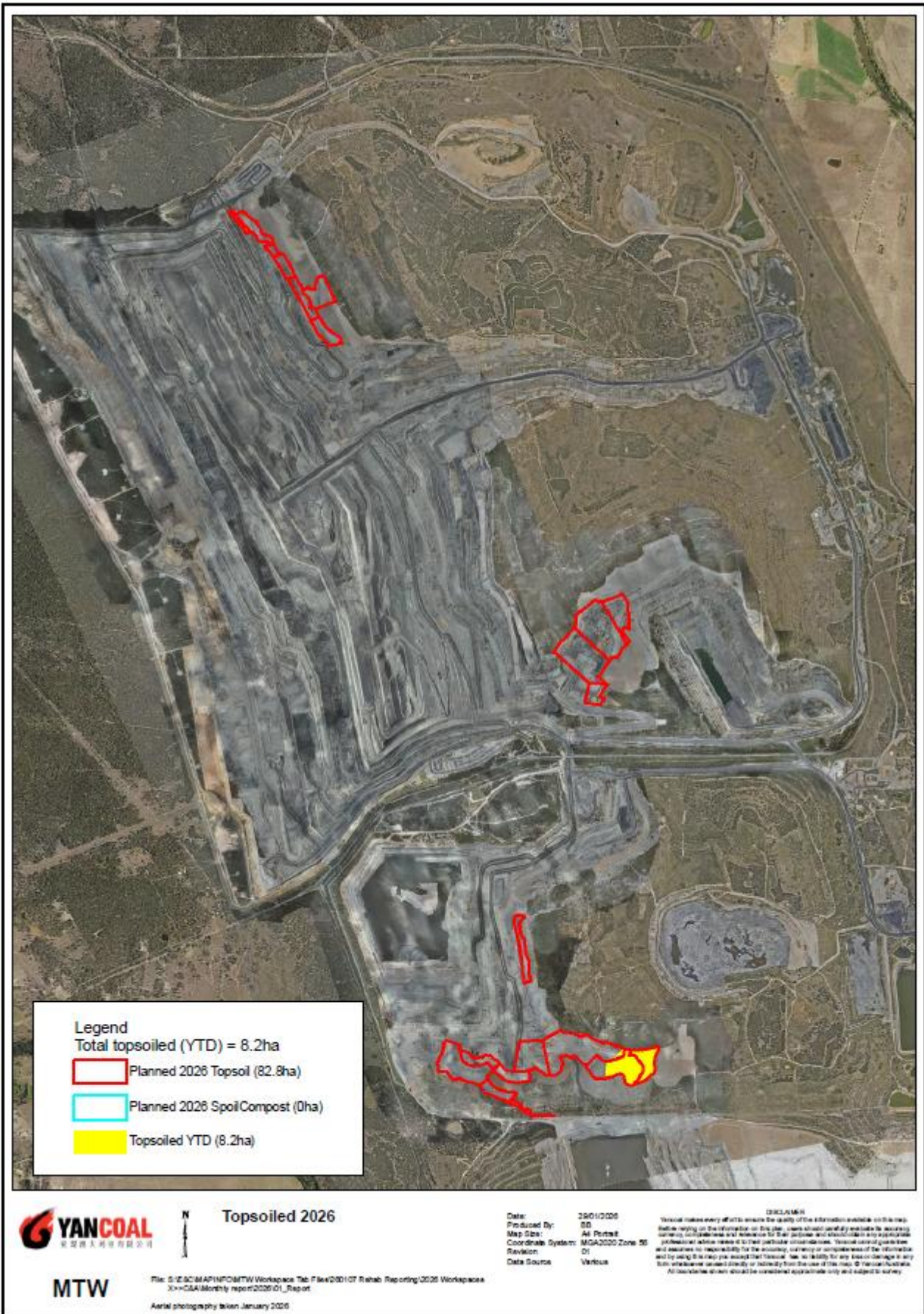
The rehabilitation and disturbance progress to the end of January 2026 are presented in the maps below. There is currently 29.6 ha of dump released for rehab; and 19.9ha of this area had been progressed to be bulk shaped. There has been 1.6 ha of rehab seeded to the end of September and a further 0.5ha is ready to seed.

To the end of January 2026, 0.8ha of land has been disturbed to allow for mine progression in North and West Pits in Warkworth.











Legend
 Total Composted YTD = 0ha
 Planned 2026 Compost (89ha)
 Composted YTD (0ha)



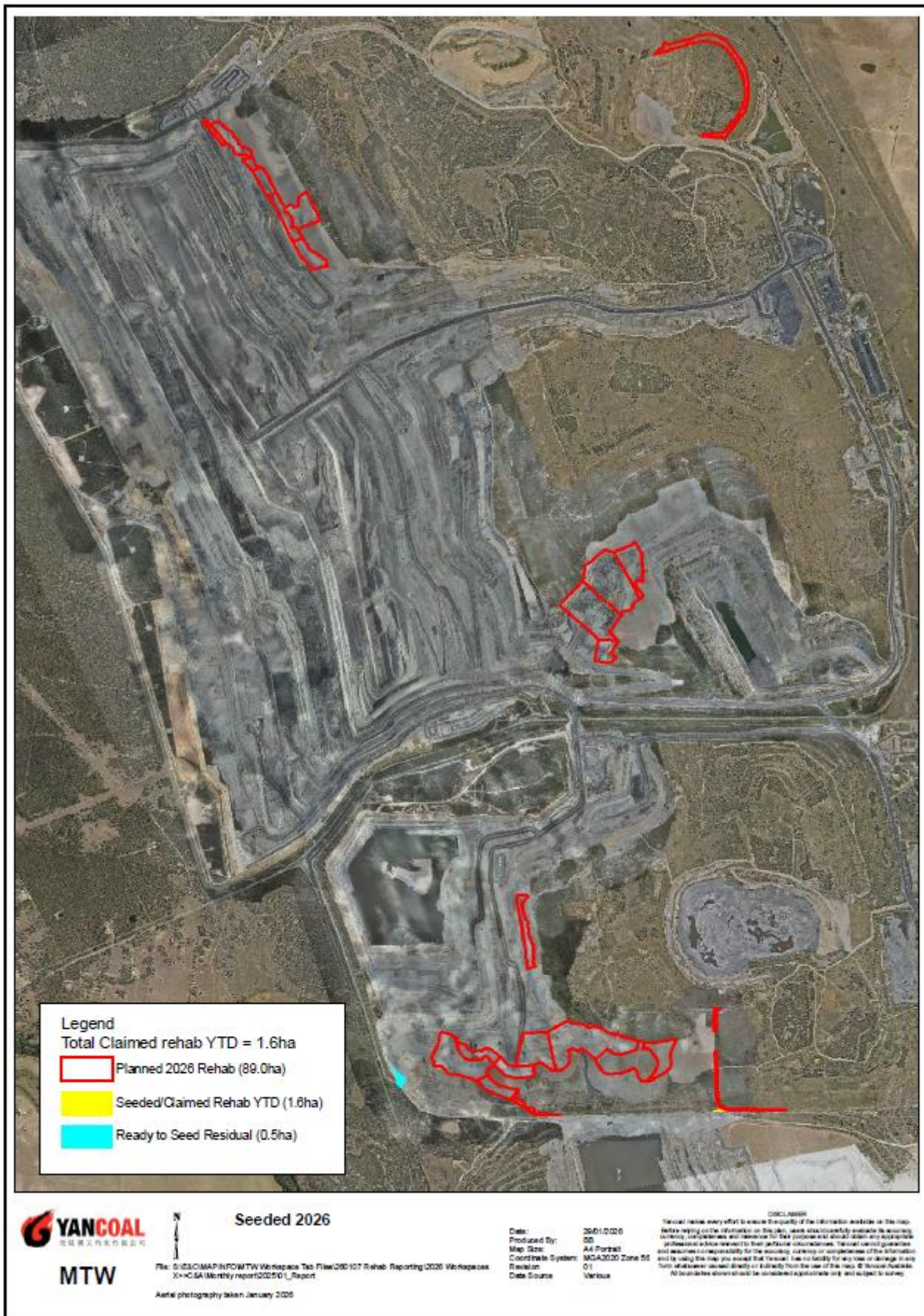
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5 WEBSITE UPLOADS

The table below is a list of all new documents uploaded to the MTW's website from 1 October 2025 to 31 January 2026. Please refer to MTW's new website: <https://www.yancoal.com.au/our-sites/mount-thorley-warkworth/>

Document Title	Upload
EPL Monitoring Reports August 2025	2-Oct-25
Blast Management Plan (BMP)	16-Oct-25
Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report June 2025	27-Oct-25
Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report July 2025	27-Oct-25
Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report August 2025	27-Oct-25
EPL Monitoring Reports September 2025	31-Oct-25
MTW Complaints Register 2025	4-Nov-25
Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP)	10-Nov-25
MTW Complaints Register 2025	1-Dec-25
EPL Monitoring Reports October 2025	2-Dec-25
MTW Community Consultative Committee - 2025 - November	15-Dec-25
EPBC-2002/629 Consolidated Approval	15-Dec-25
Mining Leases (ML)-Warkworth-CCL 753	15-Dec-25
Mining Leases (ML)-Warkworth-CL 219	15-Dec-25
MTW Complaints Register 2025	15-Dec-25
EPL Monitoring Reports November 2025	18-Dec-25
Rehabilitation Management Plan	23-Jan-26
MTW Complaints Register 2025	28-Jan-26

6 YANCOAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM

The CSP invests in community groups working in the areas of health, social and community, environment, education and training. The following organisations are being supported in 2026 through the CSP.

Organisation	Project
Branxton Golf Club Co-Operative Club Co-Operative	Cylinder mower and edger
Business Singleton	2026 Events Program – Business Awards / IWD Luncheon / 1 x Chamber Breakfast / October Business Luncheon
Glendon Brook Hall	Extension of fencing for child proof play area
King Street Public School	C-PENS, Support Student Reading
Lochinvar Rural Fire Brigade	Fire Hot spots - thermal imaging drones
Mark Hughes Foundation Ridin 4 Mates	Gold sponsorship
Miller Park Bowling Club	Installation of access rails on green
Northern Agriculture Association Inc	Singleton Show and Campdraft 2026
Rotary Club of Singleton on Hunter Inc	Singleton Art Prize 2026
Samaritans Foundation	Christmas Lunch in Singleton 2026
Singleton Council	Christmas on John Street & Firelight 2026
Singleton Council	Singleton Seniors High Tea & Expo 2026
Singleton Family Support Scheme (SMS)	Creating my place Art Hub
Singleton Golf Club Ladies Sub Committee	Ladies Golf Club Open Day 2026
Singleton High School P&C Association	Laptops for Literacy Enhancement
Singleton Hospital Auxiliary	Emergency dept trauma stretcher
Singleton Junior Touch Football Association	Safe storage - shipping container
Singleton Mountain Bike Club	Adaptive mountain bike loop upgrade
Singleton Netball Association	Netty Hub Clinic
Singleton Rugby Club Ltd	Improved playground seating / table
Singleton Strikers Football Club	Clubhouse PA systems and fittings
Singleton Theatrical Society	2026 Productions
Westpac Rescue Helicopter	Joe Slupik Golf Day – Hole Sponsorship
YWCA Hunter Region Inc	YWCA Encore
University of Newcastle	Science & Engineering Challenge (Year 1 of 3)
University of Newcastle	SMART Science School Tour (Year 1 of 3)

For information please visit our website at <https://www.yancoal.com.au/our-sites/mount-thorley-documents/> under Community Documents, Community Support Program or email mtw.csp@yancoal.com.au

Appendix A: September 2025 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report

Appendix B: October 2025 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report

Appendix C: November 2025 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report

Appendix D: December 2025 Monthly Environmental Monitoring Report

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