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#### 1 Introduction

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been engaged by ITP Development Pty Ltd (ITP) to complete a Noise Assessment (NA) for the proposed Burrundulla Mini Sustainable Energy Park (also referred to as Mudgee 1C3C Solar Farm) near Mudgee, NSW (the 'project'). This report presents the methodology and findings of the NA for the construction and operation of the project.

#### 1.1 Purpose and Objectives

A NA is required as part of the Statement of Environmental Effects (SEE) to be submitted to Mid-Western Regional Council as part of the Development Application (DA). The purpose of the NA is to quantify potential environmental noise emissions associated with the construction and operation of the project. Where impacts are identified, the assessment includes recommendations for potential noise mitigation and management measures.

#### 1.2 Scope of the Assessment

The NA includes the following key tasks:

- review construction and operating activities to identify key noise generating plant, equipment,
   machinery or activities proposed to be undertaken as part of the project;
- identify the closest and/or potentially most affected receivers situated within the area of influence to the project;
- determine project-specific construction Noise Management Levels (NMLs), and operational noise criteria;
- undertake 3D noise modelling to predict levels that may occur as a result of the construction and operation of the project at the closest and/or potentially most affected receivers;
- provide a comparison of predicted noise levels against relevant construction and operational criteria;
- assess the potential noise impacts associated with construction and operational aspects of the project;
- assess the potential noise impacts associated with road traffic noise during construction; and
- provide feasible and reasonable noise mitigation and management measures, and monitoring options, where criteria may be exceeded.



The assessment has been undertaken in accordance with the following documents:

- NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECCW), NSW Interim Construction
   Noise Guideline (ICNG), July 2009;
- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Noise Policy for Industry (NPI), 2017;
- NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW), NSW Road Noise Policy (RNP), March 2011;
- Australian Standard AS 1055:2018 Acoustics Description and measurement of environmental noise – General Procedures; and
- International Standard ISO 9613:1996 Acoustics Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors.

A glossary of terms, definitions and abbreviations used in this report is provided in Appendix A.



# 2 Project Description

# 2.1 Background

ITP propose to construct and operate a 10 Megawatt (MW) solar farm using photovoltaic (PV) technology at 38 Sydney Road, Burrundulla near Mudgee, NSW. The site is on the Castlereagh Highway approximately 3km east of Mudgee, NSW.

# 2.2 Description of Proposed Construction Works

The project includes installation of groups of north facing PV modules (approximately  $2m \times 1m$ ) on mounting structures up to approximately 2.5m in height. An estimated 30,000 PV panels will be installed using a single axis tracking system, tilted +/-  $60^{\circ}$  along the north-south axis. The PV mounting structure would comprise steel posts driven up to approximately 1.5m below ground using a small pile driver. Additional support structures would be attached to the piles, which would then support the PV panels.

Earthworks will primarily involve trenching which is required for cabling of each PV array/module to inverters and a substation. Other minor earthworks would be completed for the preparation of the site and in most cases a concrete slab would be required to support the ancillary infrastructure. Most of the infrastructure would be pre-fabricated off-site, delivered and assembled on-site.

It is anticipated that the solar farm would be constructed in one-hectare stages, with up to 10 stages in construction at any one time over a three month period during standard construction hours.

All vehicles would access the project via Sydney Road (Castlereagh Highway B55) during construction and operational phases.

During construction, traffic generated by the project would include employee and delivery vehicles. During the peak construction period, the daily traffic volume is expected to be up to four heavy vehicles (semi-trailers or b-doubles) per hour and 20 light commercial vehicles or equivalent mini buses for worker transport during the morning and afternoon peaks.

# 2.3 Description of Proposed Operation

PV infrastructure on site will comprise of groups of PV panels installed in rows running north to south. Each row of PV modules will rotate to track the sun across the sky from east to west each day. There is approximately 6m spacing between each row. The hub height of each tracker is 1.5m with the peak of the modules reaching a height of 2.5m when the array is fully tilted.



Electrical cabling would be attached beneath the modules and would connect the individual PV modules to each other. Inverters will be located centrally to groups of PV panels and connected to each other by underground cables. The PV modules will be on a single axis tracker system which will follow the sun and move in an east to west direction.

The project will be contained solely within the site as shown in Figure 1. Project layout drawings are presented in Appendix B.

The project would operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, with no permanent staff on site. During operation, the PV panels would generate electricity which would be fed into the power grid via the adjacent existing powerline. Key noise emissions from the operation of the project are associated with the inverter and transformer(s). It is noted that emissions from these sources are anticipated to be acoustically insignificant compared to ambient background noise levels at assessed receivers.

When required, maintenance activities will occur during standard working hours (except for emergencies) and are expected to include:

- panel cleaning;
- repairs or replacement of infrastructure, as required; and
- land management including mowing to control vegetation as required.

Typical noise sources associated with maintenance activities would include light vehicle movements on site and maintenance of equipment.

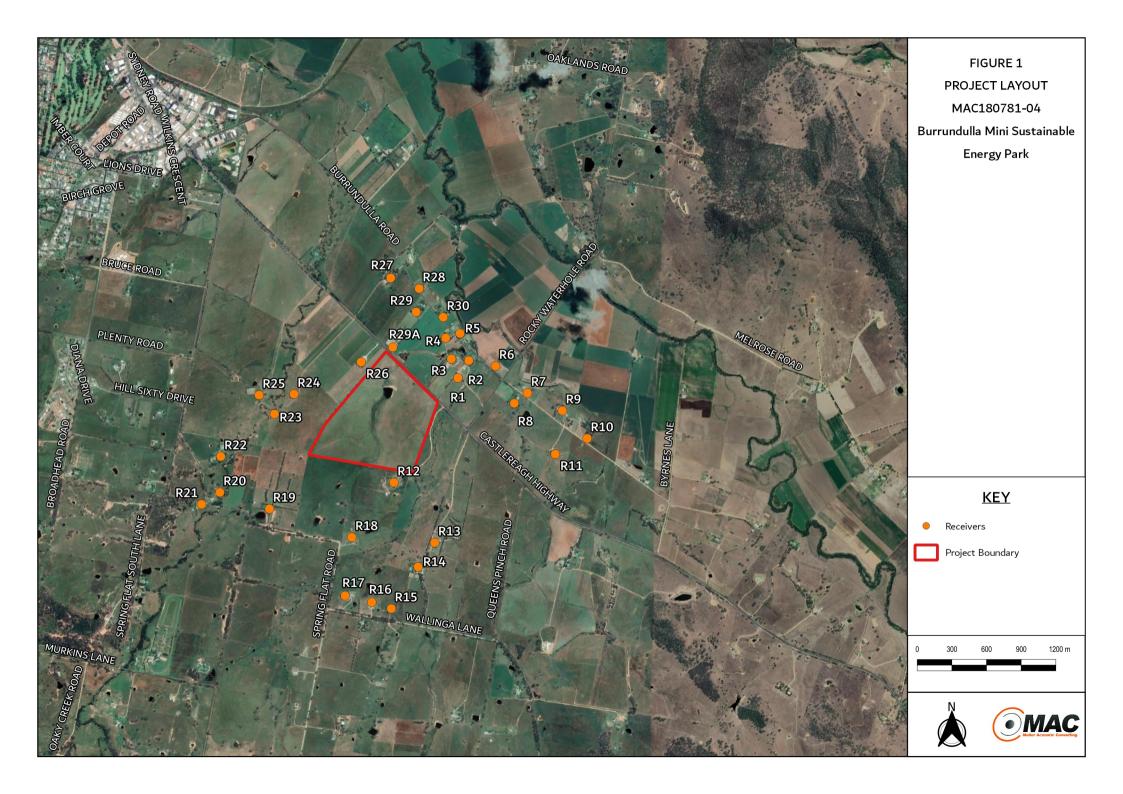
#### 2.4 Receiver Review

Using aerial photography, geospatial information and other project design information, MAC has identified the following potentially sensitive receivers that may be affected by noise from operation or construction activities and project related road traffic. Table 1 presents a summary of receiver identification, type, address and coordinates. These are reproduced visually in Figure 1.



Table 1 Noise S	Sensitive Receivers				
15	Description (Art.)	Coordinate	Coordinates (MGA 55)		
ID	Description/Address	Easting	Northing		
R1	446 Rocky Waterhole Road	746734	6386721		
R2	354 Burrundulla Road	746828	6386871		
R3	328 Burrundulla Road	746678	6386886		
R4	322 Burrundulla Road	746628	6387068		
R5	327 Burrundulla Road	746752	6387106		
R6	371 Burrundulla Road	747060	6386824		
R7	447 Burrundulla Road	747336	6386590		
R8	404 Burrundulla Road	747222	6386502		
R9	447 Burrundulla Road	747638	6386439		
R10	473 Burrundulla Road	747853	6386198		
R11	452 Burrundulla Road	747577	6386062		
R12	312 Castlereagh Highway	746180	6385816		
R13	344 Castlereagh Highway	746533	6385296		
R14	83 Wallinga Lane	746390	6385086		
R15	55 Wallinga Lane	746157	6384726		
R16	39 Wallinga Lane	745988	6384779		
R17	13 Wallinga Lane	745757	6384837		
R18	411 Spring Flat Road	745815	6385343		
R19	345 Spring Flat Road	745103	6385588		
R20	281 Spring Flat Road	744673	6385731		
R21	282 Spring Flat Road	744514	6385628		
R22	217 Spring Flat Road	744681	6386041		
R23 <sup>1</sup>	3B Sydney Road	745146	6386409		
R24 <sup>1</sup>	3B Sydney Road	745315	6386582		
R25 <sup>1</sup>	3B Sydney Road	745012	6386573		
R26 <sup>1</sup>	3B Sydney Road	745897	6386859		
R27	252 Burrundulla Road	746152	6387586		
R28	275 Burrundulla Road	746398	6387494		
R29	243 Castlereagh Highway	746373	6387293		
R29A	243 Castlereagh Highway	746123	6387003		
R30	297 Burrundulla Road	746607	6387247		





# 3 Noise Policy and Guidelines

#### 3.1 Interim Construction Noise Guideline

The ICNG sets out procedures to identify and address the impacts of construction noise on residences and other sensitive land uses. This section provides a summary of noise objectives that are applicable to the assessment. The ICNG provides two methodologies for the assessment of construction noise emissions:

- Quantitative, which is suited to major construction projects with typical durations of more than three weeks; and
- Qualitative, which is suited to short term infrastructure maintenance (< three weeks).</li>

The qualitative assessment methodology is a more simplified approach that relies on noise management strategies. This study has adopted a quantitative assessment approach which is summarised in Figure 2. The quantitative approach includes identification of potentially affected receivers, derivation of the construction noise management levels, quantification of potential noise impact at receivers via predictive modelling and, provides management and mitigation recommendations.



Are the predicted levels below the relevant noise management levels at each Yes No and mitigation measures that are feasible and reasonable and can be applied to minimise No Yes No Are predicted levels below the highly noise-affected level? Yes The proponent should communicate with the impacted residents by clearly explaining the duration and noise level of the works, and inform of any respite

Figure 2 Quantitative Assessment Processes for Assessing and Managing Construction Noise

Source: Department of Environment and Climate Change, 2009.



# 3.1.1 Standard Hours for Construction

Table 2 summaries the ICNG recommended standard hours for construction works.

Table 2 Recommended Standard Hours for Construction				
Daytime Construction Hours				
Monday to Friday	7am to 6pm			
Saturdays	8am to 1pm			
Sundays or Public Holidays	No construction			

These recommended hours do not apply in the event of direction from police, or other relevant authorities, for safety reasons or where required in an emergency to avoid the loss of lives, property and/or to prevent environmental harm.

Construction activities are anticipated to be undertaken during standard construction hours.

#### 3.1.2 Out of Hours Construction

Works conducted outside of recommended standard hours are considered out of hours work (OOH). The ICNG suggests that any request to vary the hours of construction activities as identified above shall be:

- considered on a case by case basis or activity-specific basis;
- accompanied by details of the nature and need for activities to be undertaken during the varied construction hours:
- accompanied by written evidence that activities undertaken during the varied construction hours are strongly justified;
- appropriate consultation with potentially affected receivers and notification of the relevant regulatory authorities has occurred; and
- all practicable and reasonable mitigation measures will be put in place.



# 3.1.3 Construction Noise Management Levels

Section 4 of the ICNG (DECC, 2009) details the quantitative assessment method involving predicting noise levels and comparing them with the Noise Management Level (NML) and are important indicators of the potential level of construction noise impact. **Table 3** reproduces the ICNG Noise Management Level (NML) for residential receivers. The NML is determined by adding 10dB (standard hours) or 5dB (OOH) to the Rating Background Level (RBL) for each specific assessment period.

Time of Day	Management Level	How to Apply		
	LAeq(15min) <sup>1</sup>	Том 67 дру		
Recommended standard	Noise affected	The noise affected level represents the point above which the		
hours: Monday to Friday	RBL + 10dB	may be some community reaction to noise.		
7am to 6pm Saturday		Where the predicted or measured LAeq(15min) is greater that		
8am to 1pm No work on		the noise affected level, the proponent should apply all feasible		
Sundays or public		and reasonable work practices to meet the noise affected lev		
holidays.		The proponent should also inform all potentially impacted		
		residents of the nature of work to be carried out, the expecte		
		noise levels and duration, as well as contact details.		
	Highly noise affected	The highly noise affected level represents the point above		
	75dBA	which there may be strong community reaction to noise.		
		Where noise is above this level, the relevant authority (conse		
		determining or regulatory) may require respite periods by		
		restricting the hours that the very noisy activities can occur		
		taking into account times identified by the community when		
		they are less sensitive to noise such as before and after scho		
		for work near schools, or mid-morning or mid-afternoon for		
		work near residences; and if the community is prepared to		
		accept a longer period of construction in exchange for		
		restrictions on construction times.		
Outside recommended	Noise affected	A strong justification would typically be required for work		
standard hours.	RBL + 5dB	outside the recommended standard hours.		
		The proponent should apply all feasible and reasonable wor		
		practices to meet the noise affected level.		
		Where all feasible and reasonable practices have been appli-		
		and noise is more than 5dBA above the noise affected level		
		the proponent should negotiate with the community.		
		For guidance on negotiating agreements see section 7.2.2.		

Note 1: The Rating Background Level (RBL) is an overall single figure background level representing each assessment period over the whole monitoring period. The RBL is used to determine the construction noise management levels for noise assessment purposes and is the median of the ABL's.



#### 3.1.4 Construction Sleep Disturbance

Section 4.3 of the ICNG (DECC, 2009) states that a sleep disturbance assessment is required where construction activities are planned to occur for more than two consecutive nights. Given that construction activities are anticipated to occur during standard construction hours, sleep disturbance has not been considered in this assessment.

# 3.2 Noise Policy for Industry

The EPA released the Noise Policy for Industry (NPI) in October 2017 which provides a process for establishing noise criteria for consents and licenses enabling the EPA to regulate noise emissions from scheduled premises under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.

The objectives of the NPI are to:

- provide noise criteria that is used to assess the change in both short term and long-term noise levels;
- provide a clear and consistent framework for assessing environmental noise impacts from industrial premises and industrial development proposals;
- promote the use of best-practice noise mitigation measures that are feasible and reasonable
   where potential impacts have been identified; and
- support a process to guide the determination of achievable noise limits for planning approvals and/or licences, considering the matters that must be considered under the relevant legislation (such as the economic and social benefits and impacts of industrial development).

The policy sets out a process for industrial noise management involving the following key steps:

- Determine the Project Noise Trigger Levels (PNTLs) (ie criteria) for a development. These are
  the levels (criteria), above which noise management measures are required to be considered.
  They are derived by considering two factors: shorter-term intrusiveness due to changes in the
  noise environment; and maintaining the noise amenity of an area.
- Predict or measure the noise levels produced by the development with regard to the presence
  of annoying noise characteristics and meteorological effects such as temperature inversions
  and wind.
- 3. Compare the predicted or measured noise level with the PNTL, assessing impacts and the need for noise mitigation and management measures.



- 4. Consider residual noise impacts that is, where noise levels exceed the PNTLs after the application of feasible and reasonable noise mitigation measures. This may involve balancing economic, social and environmental costs and benefits from the proposed development against the noise impacts, including consultation with the affected community where impacts are expected to be significant.
- 5. Set statutory compliance levels that reflect the best achievable and agreed noise limits for the development.
- 6. Monitor and report environmental noise levels from the development.

#### 3.2.1 Project Noise Trigger Levels (PNTL)

The policy sets out the procedure to determine the PNTLs relevant to an industrial development. The PNTL is the lower (ie, the more stringent) of the **Project Intrusiveness Noise Level** (PINL) and **Project Amenity Noise Level** (PANL) determined in accordance with Section 2.3 and Section 2.4 of the NPI.

# 3.2.2 Rating Background Level (RBL)

The Rating Background Level (RBL) is a determined parameter from noise monitoring and is used for assessment purposes. As per the NPI, the RBL is an overall single figure background level representing each assessment period (day, evening and night) over the noise monitoring period.

#### 3.2.3 Project Intrusiveness Noise Level (PINL)

The PINL (LAeq(15min)) is the RBL + 5dB and seeks to limit the degree of change a new noise source introduces to an existing environment. Hence, when assessing intrusiveness, background noise levels need to be measured.

#### 3.2.4 Project Amenity Noise Level (PANL)

The PANL is relevant to a specific land use or locality. To limit continuing increases in intrusiveness levels, the ambient noise level within an area from all combined industrial sources should remain below the recommended amenity noise levels specified in Table 2.2 (of the NPI). The NPI defines two categories of amenity noise levels:

- Amenity Noise Levels (ANL) are determined considering all current and future industrial noise within a receiver area; and
- Project Amenity Noise Level (PANL) is the recommended level for a receiver area, specifically focusing the project being assessed.



Additionally, Section 2.4 of the NPI states: "to ensure that industrial noise levels (existing plus new) remain within the recommended amenity noise levels for an area, a project amenity noise level applies for each new source of industrial noise as follows":

**PANL** for new industrial developments = recommended **ANL** minus 5dBA.

The following exceptions apply when deriving the PANL:

- areas with high traffic noise levels;
- proposed developments in major industrial clusters;
- existing industrial noise and cumulative industrial noise effects; and
- greenfield sites.

Where relevant this assessment has considered influences of traffic with respect to amenity noise levels (ie areas where existing traffic noise levels are 10dB greater than the recommended amenity noise level).

The recommended amenity noise levels as per Table 2.2 of the NPI are reproduced in Table 4.



Table 4 Amenity Noise Levels				
Receiver Type	Noise Amenity Area	Time of day	Recommended amenity noise level dB LAeq(period)	
		Day	50	
	Rural	Evening	45	
		Night	40	
		Day	55	
Residential	Suburban	Evening	45	
		Night	40	
		Day	60	
	Urban	Evening	50	
		Night	45	
Hotels, motels, caretakers'			5dB above the recommended amenity	
quarters, holiday	See column 4	See column 4	noise level for a residence for the	
accommodation, permanent	Coo column 1		relevant noise amenity area and time	
resident caravan parks.			of day	
School Classroom	All	Noisiest 1-hour	35 (internal)	
School Classroom	All	period when in use	45 (external)	
Hospital ward				
- internal	All	Noisiest 1-hour	35	
- external	All	Noisiest 1-hour	50	
Place of worship	All	When in use	40	
- internal	All	When in use	40	
Passive Recreation	All	When in use	50	
Active Recreation	All	When in use	55	
Commercial premises	All	When in use	65	
Industrial	All	When in use	70	

Notes: The recommended amenity noise levels refer only to noise from industrial noise sources. However, they refer to noise from all such sources at the receiver location, and not only noise due to a specific project under consideration. The levels represent outdoor levels except where otherwise stated.

Types of receivers are defined as rural residential; suburban residential; urban residential; industrial interface; commercial; industrial – see Table 2.3 and Section 2.7 of the NPI.

Note: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.



#### 3.2.5 Maximum Noise Assessment Trigger Levels

The potential for sleep disturbance from maximum noise level events from a project during the night-time period needs to be considered. The NPI considers sleep disturbance to be both awakenings and disturbance to sleep stages.

Where night-time noise levels from a development/premises at a residential location exceed the following criteria, a detailed maximum noise level event assessment should be undertaken:

- LAeq(15min) 40dB or the prevailing RBL plus 5dBA, whichever is the greater, and/or
- LAmax 52dB or the prevailing RBL plus 15dBA, whichever is the greater.

A detailed assessment should cover the maximum noise level, the extent to which the maximum noise level exceeds the rating background noise level, and the number of times this happens during the night-time period. Other factors that may be important in assessing the impacts on sleep disturbance include:

- how often the events would occur;
- the distribution of likely events across the night-time period and the existing ambient maximum events in the absence of the development;
- whether there are times of day when there is a clear change in the noise environment (such as during early morning shoulder periods); and
- current understanding of effects of maximum noise level events at night.

#### 3.3 Road Noise Policy

The road traffic noise criteria are provided in the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water NSW (DECCW), Road Noise Policy (RNP), 2011. The policy sets out noise criteria applicable to different road classifications for the purpose of quantifying traffic noise impacts. Road noise criteria relevant to this assessment are presented in detail in Section 4.5.



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# 4 Noise Assessment Criteria

Background noise monitoring has not been conducted for this project and hence, the minimum applicable Rating Background Levels (RBL) of 35dBA for the daytime period and 30dBA for the evening and night time periods have been adopted in accordance with NPI methodology.

# 4.1 Construction Noise Criteria

The relevant Noise Management Levels (NMLs) for standard construction hours are presented in Table 5.

Table 5 Construction Noise Management Levels					
Receiver Type	Assessment Period <sup>1</sup>	Adopted RBL	NML		
Noociver Type	7.00035/110/117 0/100	dB LA90	dB LAeq(15min)		
Urban Residential	Standard Hours	35	45 (RBL+10dBA)		
Suburban Residential	Standard Hours	35	45 (RBL+10dBA)		
Rural Residential	Standard Hours	35	45 (RBL+10dBA)		
Educational	When in use	N/A	45 (internal)		
Educational	Wileit iii use	IN/A	55 (external) <sup>2</sup>		
Hospital Wards	When in use	in use N/A	45 (internal)		
1 lospital Walds	when in use		55 (external) <sup>2</sup>		
Place of Worship	When in use	N/A	45 (internal)		
	When in age	19/7 (	55 (external) <sup>2</sup>		
Active Recreation Areas	When in use	N/A	65 (external)		
Passive Recreation Areas	When in use	N/A	60 (external)		
Industrial Premises	When in use	N/A	75 (external)		
Community Centres	When in use	N/A	Refer to AS2107 for maximum		
	Wileit ill use	IN/A	internal levels and specific use		
Commercial Premises	When in use	N/A	70 (external)		

Note 1: See Table 2 for Standard Recommended Hours for Construction.

Note 2: External level based on 10dB with windows open for adequate ventilation (ICNG).



#### 4.2 Construction Vibration

Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) 2006, Assessing Vibration: A Technical Guideline (the 'Guideline') provides guidance on determining effects of vibration on buildings occupants. The guideline does not address vibration induced damage to structures, blast induced vibration effects or structure borne noise effects.

The Construction Noise & Vibration Strategy (CNVS, V4.1 Transport for NSW, 2019) sets out safe working distances to achieve the human response criteria for vibration. The key vibration generating source proposed to be used is small pile driver used to drive the piles into the ground on which the PV mounting structures are mounted and vibratory roller for road construction. The CNVS sets a safe working distance of 50m for a hammer piling rig and 100m for a large vibratory roller to achieve the residential human response criteria for continuous vibration. Therefore, as the nearest non project related receivers to the project are greater than 100m from the project boundary, human exposure to vibration is anticipated to be minimal. Furthermore, where the human response criteria are satisfied, the structural or cosmetic criteria for sensitive receivers will be achieved. Therefore, vibration impacts are not considered to be a significant issue and have not been considered further in this assessment.

#### 4.3 Operational Noise Criteria

#### 4.3.1 Project Intrusiveness Noise Levels

The PINLs for the project are presented in **Table 6** and have been determined based on the RBLs +5dBA.

Table 6 Project Intrusiveness Noise Levels				
Receiver	Period <sup>1</sup>	Adopted RBL	PINL	
Receivei	reliod	dB LA90(period)	dB LAeq(15min)	
	Day	35	40	
All Residential Receivers	Evening	30	35	
	Night	30	35	

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.



# 4.3.2 Project Amenity Noise Levels

The PANL for residential receivers and other receiver types (ie non-residential) potentially affected by the project are presented in **Table 7**.

Receiver Type	Noise Amenity Area	Assessment Period <sup>1</sup>	Recommended  ANL  dB LAeq(period)	ANL  dB LAeq(period) <sup>2</sup>	PANL dB LAeq(15min) <sup>3</sup>
		Day	50	50	53
Residential	Rural	Evening	45	45	48
		Night	40	40	43
		Day	55	55	58
Residential	Suburban	Evening	45	45	48
		Night	40	40	43
		Day	60	60	63
Residential	Urban	Evening	50	50	53
		Night	45	45	48
Hotels Motels	Rural/Urban/ - Suburban -	Day	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB
		Evening	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB
		Night	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB
Educational		When in use	35 (internal 1 hr)	30 (internal 1 hr)	33 (internal 1 hr) 43 (external 1 hr)
Hospits	al Wards	When in use	35 (internal 1 hr)	30 (internal 1 hr)	33 (internal 1 hr)
Ποδριιά	ai waius	When in use	50 (external 1 hr)	45 (external 1 hr)	48 (external 1 hr)
Place of worship		When in use	40 (internal)	35 (internal 1 hr)	38 (internal 1 hr) 48 (external 1 hr)
Passive Recreation		When in use	50	50	53
Active Recreation		When in use	55	55	58
Commercial		When in use	65	65	68
Indu	ıstrial	When in use	70	70	73
Industrial Interface		When in use	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB	ANL +5dB

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods. Note 2: Project Amenity Noise Level equals the Amenity Noise Level as there is no other industry in the area.



Note 3: Includes a +3dB adjustment to the amenity period level to convert to a 15-minute assessment period as per Section 2.2 of the NPI.

Note 4: External level based on 10dB loss through partially open window.

# 4.3.3 Project Noise Trigger Levels

The PNTLs are the lower of either the PINLs or the PANLs. **Table 8** presents the derivation of the PNTLs in accordance with the methodologies outlined in the NPI. For this assessment the night time PNTL of 35dB LAeq(15min) is the limiting criteria for residential receivers.

Table 8 Project Noise Trigger Levels						
Catalamant	Assessment	PINL	PANL	PNTL		
Catchment	Period <sup>1</sup>	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)		
Residential	Day	40	53	40		
Receivers	Evening	35	48	35		
(Rural)	Night	35	43	35		
Industrial	When in use		68	68		

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.

#### 4.4 Maximum Noise Assessment Trigger Levels

The maximum noise trigger levels shown in **Table 9** are based on night time RBLs and trigger levels as per Section 2.5 of the NPI. The trigger levels will be applied to transient noise events that have the potential to cause sleep disturbance.

Table 9 Maximum Noise Trigger Level				
Residential Receivers				
52dB LAmax or RBL + 15dB				
Trigger	52			
RBL 30+15dB 45				
Highest	52			

Note: Monday to Saturday; Night 10pm to 7am. On Sundays and Public Holidays Night 10pm to 8am. Note: NPI identifies that maximum of the two values is to be adopted which is shown in bold font.

#### 4.5 Road Traffic Noise Criteria

It is acknowledged that the functional classification of roads connecting to arterial roads such as major highways are 'Collector Roads' in accordance with the Roads and Maritime Noise Criteria Guideline (April 2015). However, the Road Noise Policy does not provide separate noise criteria for Collector Roads but applies the sub-arterial category to all roads that are not classified as local roads and hence, the 'sub arterial road' category has been adopted for collector roads. The relevant road traffic noise criteria are provided in the RNP and are presented in Table 10 for residential receivers.



		Assessment Criteria – dBA		
Road category	Type of project/development	Day (7am to 10pm)	Night (10pm to 7am)	
	Existing residences affected by			
Freeways/arterial/	additional traffic on freeways/arterial/sub-	00 ID I A (45)	EE ID I A (OL)	
sub-arterial Roads	arterial roads generated by land use	60dB LAeq(15hr)	55dB LAeq(9hr)	
	developments			
	Existing residences affected by			
Local roads	additional traffic on local roads	55dB LAeq(1hr)	50dB LAeq(1hr)	
	generated by land use developments			
Cabaal Classesses		40dB LAeq(1hr)	N/A	
School Classrooms		(internal) when in use	IN/A	
Llagrital Wards	<del>-</del>	35dB LAeq(1hr)	35dB LAeq(1hr)	
Hospital Wards		(internal)	(internal)	
Diagon of Worship	-	40dB LAeq(1hr)	40dB LAeq(1hr)	
Places of Worship		(internal)	(internal)	
Open Space	_	60dB LAeg(1hr)	N/A	
(active use)	_	ouab LAeq(IIII)	IN/A	
Open Space	Proposed road projects and traffic	55dP   Apg(1hr)	N/A	
(passive use)	generating developments	55dB LAeq(1hr)	IV/A	
Isolated residences				
in commercial or		Refer to AS2107 for internal level		
industrial zones				
Mixed Use		Each component to be	considered congretate	
development	_	Lacii component to be	considered separately	
	_	Sleeping rooms 35dl	B LAeq(1hr) (internal)	
Childcare Facilities		Indoor play areas 40d	dB LAeq(1hr) (internal)	
		Outdoor play areas 55	dB LAeq(1hr) (external)	

Additionally, the RNP states where existing road traffic noise criteria are already exceeded, any additional increase in total traffic noise level should be limited to 2dBA, which is generally accepted as the threshold of perceptibility to a change in noise level.



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# 5 Modelling Methodology

A computer model using DGMR (iNoise, Version 2019) noise modelling software was used to quantify noise emissions from the project. iNoise is an intuitive and quality assured software for industrial noise calculations in the environment. 3D noise modelling is considered industry best practice for assessing noise emissions from projects.

The model incorporated a three-dimensional digital terrain map giving all relevant topographic information used in the modelling process. Additionally, the model uses relevant noise source data, ground type, attenuation from barrier or buildings and atmospheric information to predict noise levels at the nearest potentially affected receivers. Where relevant, modifying factors in accordance with Fact Sheet C of the NPI have been applied to calculations.

The model calculation method used to predict noise levels was in accordance with ISO 9613-1 'Acoustics - Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors. Part 1: Calculation of the absorption of sound by the atmosphere' and ISO 9613-2 'Acoustics - Attenuation of sound during propagation outdoors. Part 2: General method of calculation' including corrections for meteorological conditions using CONCAWE<sup>1</sup>. The ISO 9613 standard from 1996 is the most used noise prediction method worldwide. Many countries refer to ISO 9613 in their noise legislation. However, the ISO 9613 standard does not contain guidelines for quality assured software implementation, which leads to differences between applications in calculated results. In 2015 this changed with the release of ISO/TR 17534-3. This quality standard gives clear recommendations for interpreting the ISO 9613 method. iNoise fully supports these recommendations. The models and results for the 19 test cases are included in the software.

#### 5.1 Construction Assessment Methodology

Construction activities are proposed to be progressive (trenching, piling and assembly) and will occur at several locations simultaneously. Noise emissions were modelled for the following four scenarios:

- earthworks for internal roads and compound construction including the stripping of topsoil and unsuitable soil and the placement and compaction of road base for internal roads;
- earthworks involving trenching for cabling;
- piling of panel supports; and
- assembly of the panels.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Report no. 4/18, "the propagation of noise from petroleum and petrochemical complexes to neighbouring communities", Prepared by C.J. Manning, M.Sc., M.I.O.A. Acoustic Technology Limited (Ref.AT 931), CONCAWE, Den Haag May 1981



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It is envisaged that all four construction scenarios have the potential to occur simultaneously at up to two key locations across the site. Noise emission data and assumptions used in this assessment are summarised in Table 11. All significant noise generating construction activities will be limited to standard construction hours. Where low intensity construction activities are required to be undertaken outside standard construction hours, such as cabling, minor assembly, use of hand tools etc, they will be managed such that they are not audible at any residential receivers.

Table 11 Construction Equ	ipment Sound Power Le	vels, Lw dBA (re 10	-12 Watts)	
Noise Source/Item	Utilisation %	Quantity	Lw/Item	Total Lw
	Trenching 8	Earthworks		
Backhoe	80	1	104	103
Light vehicle	25	2	76	73
Total – Trenching & Earthworks	5			103
	Pil	ing		
Piling Rig (hydraulic)	80	1	113	112
Tele-handler	75	1	106	105
Light vehicle	25	2	76	73
Total – Piling				113
	Asse	embly		
Mobile Crane/HIAB	75	1	104	103
Tele-handler	75	1	106	105
Light vehicle	25	2	76	73
Hand tools/Power tools	50	1	102	99
Welder	50	1	105	102
Total – Assembly				109
	Transpor	t (on site)		
Heavy vehicle	40	1	104	101
Tele-handler	50	1	106	103
Total – Transport				105



#### 5.2 Operational Assessment Methodology

For this assessment, noise predictions were modelled for a typical worst-case operational scenario over a 15-minute assessment period based on the assumptions and sound power levels in **Table 12**. Plant noise emission data used in modelling for this assessment were obtained from manufacturers data or the MAC database. Where relevant, modifying factors in accordance with Section 3.3 and Fact Sheet C of the NPI have been applied to calculations.

Table 12 Operational Equipment Sound Power Levels, Lw dBA (re 10 <sup>-12</sup> Watts)					
Noise Source/Item Activity Quantity Lw/Item Total Lw					
PV Panel Tracking Motor <sup>1, 2</sup>	All tracking motors in operation	300-400	78	87	
	1 minute per 15-minute period				
2.5MW Inverter <sup>2</sup> Constant		4	81	97	
5MVA Transformer <sup>2</sup>	Constant	2	77	90	

Note 1: Tracking motor is situated underneath the PV panel, -5dB attenuation applied to account for shielding provided by the panel.

#### 5.2.1 Meteorological Analysis

Noise emissions can be influenced by prevailing weather conditions. Light stable winds (<3m/s) and temperature inversions have the potential to increase noise at a receiver.

Fact Sheet D of the NPI provides two options when considering meteorological effects:

- adopt the noise enhancing conditions for all assessment periods without an assessment of how often the conditions occur – a conservative approach that considers a source to receiver winds for all receivers and F class temperature inversions with wind speeds up to 2m/s at night; or
- determine the significance of noise enhancing conditions. This requires assessing the significance of temperature inversions (F and G Class stability categories) for the night time period and the significance of light winds up to 3m/s for all assessment periods during stability categories other than E, F or G.

Standard meteorological conditions and noise-enhancing meteorological conditions as defined in Table D1of the NPI are reproduced in Table 13.



Note 2: Modifying factor penalty of +5dB added for low frequency and +5dB added for tonality.

Table 13 Standard and Noise-Enhancing Meteorological Conditions				
Meteorological Conditions Meteorological Parameters				
Ctandard Matacralagical Canditions	Day/evening/night: stability categories A-D with wind speed up to 0.5m/s			
Standard Meteorological Conditions	at 10m AGL.			
	Daytime/evening: stability categories A-D with light winds (up to 3 m/s at 10m			
Noise Enhancing Meteorological	AGL).			
Conditions	Night-time: stability categories A-D with light winds (up to 3m/s at 10m			
	AGL) and/or stability category F with winds up to 2m/s at 10 m AGL.			

A detailed analysis of the significance of noise enhancing conditions has not been undertaken and hence, the (worst case) NPI noise enhancing meteorological conditions have been applied to the noise modelling assessment and are presented in Table 14.

Table 14 Modelled Meteorological Parameters						
Assessment	Assessment Temperature		Relative Humidity	Stability Class <sup>2</sup>		
Condition <sup>1</sup>	remperature	Direction	relative Flumbury	Otability Olass		
Day	20°C	3m/s all directions	50%	D		
Evening	10°C	3m/s all directions	50%	D		
Night	10°C	2m/s all directions	50%	F		

Note 1: Day 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.

Note 2: Implemented using CONCAWE meteorological corrections.

# 5.3 Road Traffic Noise Assessment Methodology

Due to the low traffic volume generated by the project over a typical day during the construction phase, road traffic noise calculation methods such as Calculation of Road Traffic Noise (CRTN - ISBN 0 11 550847 3) by Department of Transport (UK) 1988 or Traffic Noise Model (TNM) by the United States Department of Transport, Federal Highway Administration are not considered appropriate as they are primarily intended to calculate noise emissions from motorways and highways. Whilst each method has a low volume correction, the project traffic volume is out of the scope of these methods. Therefore, road traffic noise has been modelled using iNoise modelling software using ISO 9613-1 and ISO 9613-2 calculation methods, representing the road traffic as "moving sources" along the transport route using the parameters presented in Table 15.

Table 15 Road Traffic Noise Modelling Parameters						
Noise Source/Item Lw dBA re 10 <sup>-12</sup> W Movements/hr Speed, km/h Source Height, r						
Heavy vehicle	104	8	50	1.5		
(rigid, semi trailer or b-double)	104	Ü	30	1.5		
Light Vehicle	96	20	50	0.75		

Note 1: Height above ground level.



# 6 Noise Assessment Results

# 6.1 Construction Noise Assessment

Noise levels were predicted to all identified receivers at 1.5m above ground level for typical construction activities for standard construction hours. **Table 16** summarises the predicted noise level range and maximum predicted noise level for each of the construction scenarios (trenching, piling and assembly) at identified receivers.

		Predicted Noise	Highest Predicted	NML Standard	
Receiver	Description/Address	Level Range	Noise Level	Hours	Compliance
		dB LAeq(15min) <sup>1</sup>	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	Achieved
R1	446 Rocky Waterhole Road	43-52	48	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R2	354 Burrundulla Road	39-49	46	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R3	328 Burrundulla Road	40-51	47	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R4	322 Burrundulla Road	37-49	47	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R5	327 Burrundulla Road	35-47	45	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R6	371 Burrundulla Road	35-46	44	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R7	447 Burrundulla Road	32-43	42	45	Yes
R8	404 Burrundulla Road	34-45	43	45	Yes
R9	447 Burrundulla Road	28-40	38	45	Yes
R10	473 Burrundulla Road	22-36	34	45	Yes
R11	452 Burrundulla Road	28-40	39	45	Yes
R12	312 Castlereagh Highway	30-57	51	45	No <sup>2</sup>
R13	344 Castlereagh Highway	27-45	43	45	Yes
R14	83 Wallinga Lane	22-42	41	45	Yes
R15	55 Wallinga Lane	19-38	37	45	Yes
R16	39 Wallinga Lane	19-39	38	45	Yes
R17	13 Wallinga Lane	19-37	36	45	Yes
R18	411 Spring Flat Road	23-44	43	45	Yes
R19	345 Spring Flat Road	20-43	40	45	Yes
R20	281 Spring Flat Road	18-40	37	45	Yes
R21	282 Spring Flat Road	16-36	35	45	Yes
R22	217 Spring Flat Road	18-41	41	45	Yes
R23	3B Sydney Road	23-48	48	45	Yes <sup>2,3</sup>
R24	3B Sydney Road	24-49	50	45	Yes <sup>2,3</sup>
R25	3B Sydney Road	21-45	45	45	Yes <sup>2,3</sup>
R26	3B Sydney Road	31-56	57	45	Yes <sup>2,3</sup>
R27	252 Burrundulla Road	28-44	43	45	Yes



Table 16 Predicted Construction Noise Levels						
		Predicted Noise	Highest Predicted	NML Standard	Compliance	
Receiver	Description/Address	Level Range	Noise Level	Hours	Achieved	
		dB LAeq(15min) <sup>1</sup>	dB LAeq(15min)	dB LAeq(15min)	Achieved	
R28	275 Burrundulla Road	30-45	43	45	Yes	
R29	243 Castlereagh Highway	33-48	46	45	No <sup>2</sup>	
R29A	243 Castlereagh Highway	43-53	53	45	No <sup>2</sup>	
R30	297 Burrundulla Road	34-47	45	45	No <sup>2</sup>	

Note 1: Noise levels from construction activities vary due to their location across the project site.

Noise levels at six receivers are expected to exceed the NMLs when works are nearest to those locations. The exceedance would be temporary, and of short duration and is primarily due to piling and trenching activities, particularly at R12. However, it is likely that the effect of construction noise at receivers R1 to R4, R29 and R29A will be reduced or possibly inaudible due to the masking noise from the Castlereagh Highway. Notwithstanding, noise control recommendations during construction are provided in Section 7.1 for consideration.



Note 2: Noise levels exceed NMLs when construction activities are at their nearest point to receivers.

Note 3: Project related receiver.

# 6.2 Operational Noise Assessment

Noise levels were predicted all identified receivers at 1.5m above ground level for all operational sources and are presented in **Table 17**. Noise levels are expected to satisfy the PNTLs at all receivers.

	5	Predicted Noise Level	PNTL dB LAeq(15min)	Compliance
Receiver	Description/Address	dB LAeq(15min)	Day/Eve/Night <sup>1</sup>	Achieved
R1	446 Rocky Waterhole Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R2	354 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R3	328 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R4	322 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R5	327 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R6	371 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R7	447 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R8	404 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R9	447 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R10	473 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R11	452 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R12	312 Castlereagh Highway	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R13	344 Castlereagh Highway	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R14	83 Wallinga Lane	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R15	55 Wallinga Lane	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R16	39 Wallinga Lane	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R17	13 Wallinga Lane	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R18	411 Spring Flat Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R19	345 Spring Flat Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R20	281 Spring Flat Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R21	282 Spring Flat Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R22	217 Spring Flat Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R23	3B Sydney Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R24	3B Sydney Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R25	3B Sydney Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R26	3B Sydney Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R27	252 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R28	275 Burrundulla Road	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R29	243 Castlereagh Highway	<30	40/35/35	Yes
R29A	243 Castlereagh Highway	<30	40/35/35	Yes

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.



#### 6.3 Maximum Noise Level Assessment

A detailed maximum noise level assessment is not required as predicted noise levels for night time operations do not exceed the maximum noise trigger levels of 40dB LAeq(15min) and there are no operational noise sources that generate significant maximum noise events.

#### 6.4 Road Traffic Noise Assessment

The route via Castlereagh Highway would be the major transport route for all vehicles to the project site. During construction, traffic generated by the project include employee/subcontractor and delivery vehicles. The traffic volume over a typical day for standard construction hours is expected to be up to four heavy vehicles (semi-trailers or B-doubles) per hour and 20 light commercial vehicles or equivalent mini buses for worker transport during the morning and afternoon peak hour periods.

Predicted noise levels from project related construction traffic has been calculated at the closest receiver (80m from the road) situated along Sydney Road (Castlereagh Highway B55) using the methodology described in Section 5.3 and the parameters presented in Table 15. The results presented in Table 18 show the calculated noise levels as LA<sub>eq(1hr)</sub> for local roads and LA<sub>eq(15hr)</sub> for arterial/sub arterial roads to align with RNP categories and assessment periods.

Table 18 Predicted Construction Road Traffic Noise Levels					
Road Type/Name	Offset Distance to	Predicted Noise Level	RTN Criteria	Compliance	
	Receiver	Fredicted Noise Level	KIN Ciliella	Achieved	
Sydney Road (B55)	80m	<40dB LAeq(15hr)	60dB LAeq(15hr)	Yes	

Results demonstrate that project construction traffic noise levels would comply with the relevant RNP criteria.



#### 7 Recommendations

#### 7.1 Construction Noise Recommendations

It is noted that construction noise emissions are anticipated to exceed the relevant NMLs depending on the type of construction and proximity of activities to receivers. The following noise mitigation measures should be considered during the construction phase to reduce emissions to the surrounding community:

- a construction noise management protocol to minimise noise emissions, manage out of hours
   (minor) works to be inaudible, and to respond to potential concerns from the community;
- where possible use localised mobile screens or construction hoarding around plant to act as barriers between construction works and receivers, particularly where equipment is near the site boundary and/or a residential receiver including areas in constant or regular use (eg unloading and laydown areas);
- operating plant in a conservative manner (no over-revving), shutdown when not in use, and be parked/started at farthest point from relevant assessment locations;
- selection of the quietest suitable machinery available for each activity;
- avoidance of noisy plant/machinery working simultaneously where practicable;
- minimise impact noise wherever possible;
- utilise a broadband reverse alarm in lieu of the traditional high frequency type reverse alarm;
- provide toolbox meetings, training and education to drivers and contractors visiting the site during construction so they are aware of the location of noise sensitive receivers and to be cognisant of any noise generating activities;
- signage is to be placed at the front entrance advising truck drivers of their requirement to minimise noise both on and off-site; and
- utilise project related community consultation forums to notify residences within close proximity of the site with project progress, proposed/upcoming potentially noise generating works, its duration and nature and complaint procedure.

The reduction achieved from the mitigation measures will depend on the specific measures implemented. Monitoring with and without the measures in place will provide an indication of the reduction achieved.



# 7.2 Operational Noise Recommendations

Operational noise predictions identify that relevant noise criteria would be satisfied at all receivers. Notwithstanding, it is recommended that the proponent actively minimise potential noise emissions from the project. To assist in noise management for the project it is recommended that a one-off noise validation monitoring assessment be completed to quantify operational noise emissions from site and to confirm emissions meet relevant criteria. The monitoring assessment would consist of operator attended noise measurements during normal operation to determine the noise contribution from the project.



#### 8 Discussion and Conclusion

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been engaged by ITP Development Pty Ltd (ITP) to complete a Noise Assessment (NA) for the proposed Burrundulla Mini Sustainable Energy Park near Mudgee, NSW. The assessment has quantified potential noise emissions associated with the construction and operation of the project.

The results of the Noise Assessment demonstrate that construction noise levels have potential to exceed relevant construction NMLs at several receiver locations. However, the effect is likely to be overestimated at five of those receivers as masking noise from the Castlereagh Highway has not been assessed. The effect at the sixth location would occur when activities are at their closest proximity to receivers. Recommendations have been provided to minimise the potential noise impacts from construction, albeit of a temporary nature during the daytime over a three month construction period.

The results of the Noise Assessment demonstrate that emissions from the project would satisfy the operational PNTLs at all identified receivers.

Furthermore, sleep disturbance is not anticipated, as there are no operational noise sources that generate significant maximum noise events and noise emissions from the project are predicted to satisfy the EPA maximum noise level criteria.

Road noise emissions associated with the project are anticipated to satisfy the relevant RNP criteria at all receivers along the proposed transportation route.

A qualitative assessment of potential vibration impacts has been completed. Due to the nature of the works proposed and distances to potential vibration sensitive receivers, vibration impacts from the project would be negligible.

Based on the Noise Assessment results, the project satisfies the relevant requirements of the Noise Policy for Industry and the Road Noise Policy and supports the Statement of Environmental Effects.



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# Appendix A – Glossary of Terms



A number of technical terms have been used in this report and are explained in Table A1.

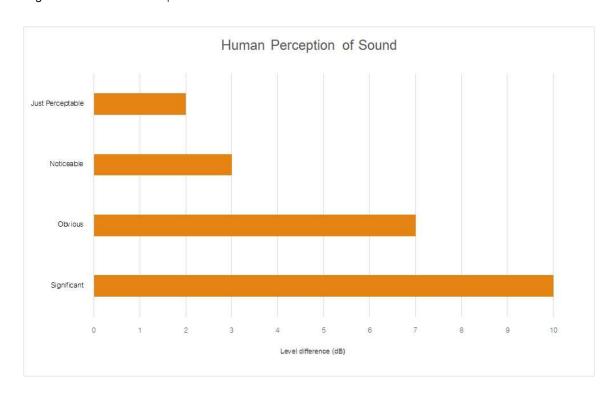
Term	Description
1/3 Octave	Single octave bands divided into three parts
Octave	A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being
	twice the lower frequency limit.
ABL	Assessment Background Level (ABL) is defined in the NPI as a single figure background
	level for each assessment period (day, evening and night). It is the tenth percentile of the
	measured L90 statistical noise levels.
Ambient Noise	The total noise associated with a given environment. Typically, a composite of sounds from all
	sources located both near and far where no particular sound is dominant.
A Weighting	A standard weighting of the audible frequencies designed to reflect the response of the
	human ear to sound.
Background Noise	The underlying level of noise present in the ambient noise, excluding the noise source under
	investigation, when extraneous noise is removed. This is usually represented by the LA90
	descriptor
dBA	Noise is measured in units called decibels (dB). There are several scales for describing
	noise, the most common being the 'A-weighted' scale. This attempts to closely approximate
	the frequency response of the human ear.
dB(Z), dB(L)	Decibels Z-weighted or decibels Linear (unweighted).
Extraneous Noise	Sound resulting from activities that are not typical of the area.
Hertz (Hz)	The measure of frequency of sound wave oscillations per second - 1 oscillation per second
	equals 1 hertz.
LA10	A sound level which is exceeded 10% of the time.
LA90	Commonly referred to as the background noise, this is the level exceeded 90% of the time.
LAeq	Represents the average noise energy or equivalent sound pressure level over a given period
LAmax	The maximum sound pressure level received at the microphone during a measuring interval.
Masking	The phenomenon of one sound interfering with the perception of another sound.
	For example, the interference of traffic noise with use of a public telephone on a busy street.
RBL	The Rating Background Level (RBL) as defined in the NPI, is an overall single figure
	representing the background level for each assessment period over the whole monitoring
	period. The RBL, as defined is the median of ABL values over the whole monitoring period.
Sound power level	This is a measure of the total power radiated by a source in the form of sound and is given by
(Lw or SWL)	10.log10 (W/Wo). Where W is the sound power in watts to the reference level of $10^{-12}$ watts.
Sound pressure level	the level of sound pressure; as measured at a distance by a standard sound level meter.
(Lp or SPL)	This differs from Lw in that it is the sound level at a receiver position as opposed to the sound
	'intensity' of the source.



Table A2 provides a list of common noise sources and their typical sound level.

Table A2 Common Noise Sources and Their Typical Sound Pressure Levels (SPL), dBA Source Typical Sound Pressure Level Threshold of pain 140 Jet engine 130 Hydraulic hammer 120 Chainsaw 110 Industrial workshop 100 90 Lawn-mower (operator position) Heavy traffic (footpath) 80 70 Elevated speech Typical conversation 60 Ambient suburban environment 40 Ambient rural environment 30 20 Bedroom (night with windows closed) 0 Threshold of hearing

Figure A1 – Human Perception of Sound





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## Appendix B – Project Layout



## BURRUNDULLA MINI SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PARK

**Sheet List Table** 

LOCATION PLAN

SITE ELEVATIONS

FENCING DETAILS
GATE DETAILS

ACCESS PATH DETAILS

NEXTRACKER ARRAY DETAILS

INVERTER STATION DETAILS

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GENERAL ARRANGEMENT PLAN

INVERTER FOOTING DETAILS

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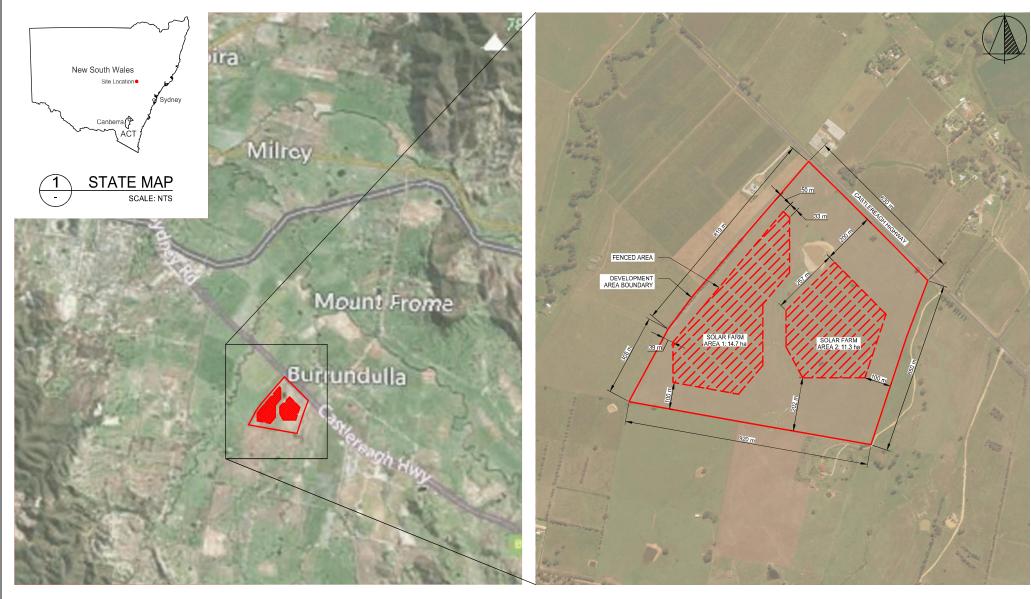
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SITE INFORMATION								
LOT / DP	6/1069441							
ADDRESS	3B SYDNEY ROAD, BURRUNDULLA, NSW 2850							
LGA	MID-WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL							
LAT / LONG	-32.6337 / 149.625628							
LOT AREA	67.4 ha							
FENCED AREA	26.0 ha (A: 14.7 ha, B: 11.3 ha)							
DNSP	ESSENTIAL ENERGY							

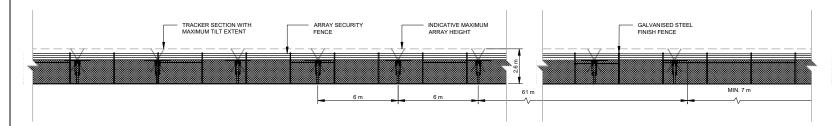
	PROJECT	INFORMATION
	AC CAPACITY	5.0 MW
	INVERTERS	2 x 3.0 MW AC
9	TRACKER SPACING (N-S)	MIN. 1 m
P	ARRAY PITCH	6.25 m
	CONNECTION VOLTAGE	22 kV
	CONNECTION FEEDER	ESSENTIAL ENERGY MUD62
18	CONNECTION SUBSTATION	ESSENTIAL ENERGY MUDGEE
Ø,	SECURITY FENCE SETBACK	MIN. 10 m FROM OPTION BOUNDARY
Ø	ARRAY SETBACK	MIN. 10 m FROM SECURITY FENCE
	ACCESS PATH WIDTH	6.0 m & 4.0 m

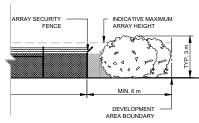


### GENERAL ARRANGEMENT PLAN

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3	UPDATED FOR DA RESUBMISSION	30/09/2020				ALL MEASUREMENTS IN MM UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.	CLIENT	ITP DEVELOPMENT	SHEET SIZE A3
4	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION	17/12/2021			RENEWABLES	USED BY CLIENTS OF ITP OR THOSE	ADDRESS	3B SYDNEY ROAD BURRUNDULLA, NSW 2850	ORIG. DATE 13/1/21
5	DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION	30/06/2022			P:+61 2 6257 3511 PO BOX 6217	WHO HAVE RECEIVED EXPRESS PERMISSION FROM ITP. THE USE OF THIS DRAWING SHALL NOT EXTEND		BURRUNDULLA, NSW 2850	REV. DATE 30/6/22
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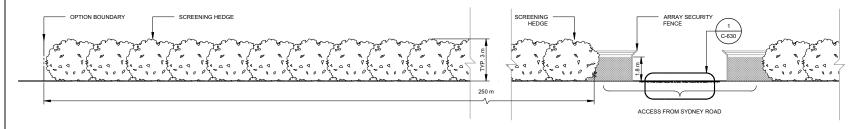


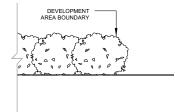


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#### SITE ELEVATION - INSIDE SOUTH BOUNDARY

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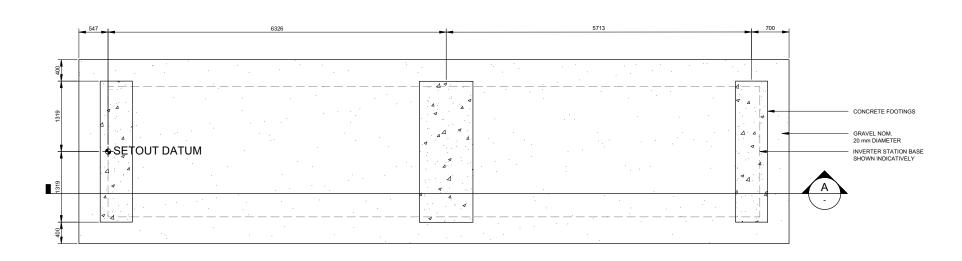


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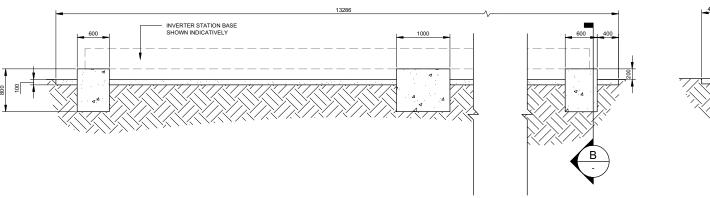
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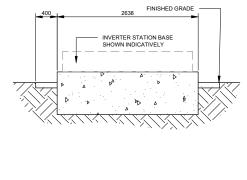
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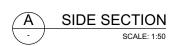
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2	UPDATED EMERGENCY EXIT	11/10/2019			Ith 1	DO NOT SCALE.	PROJECT	BURRUNDULLA MINI SUSTAINABLE ENERGY PAR	SCALE AS NOTED
3	UPDATED ACCESS ROAD & EMERGENCY EXIT	12/10/2020				ALL MEASUREMENTS IN MM UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.	CLIENT	ITP DEVELOPMENT	SHEET SIZE A3
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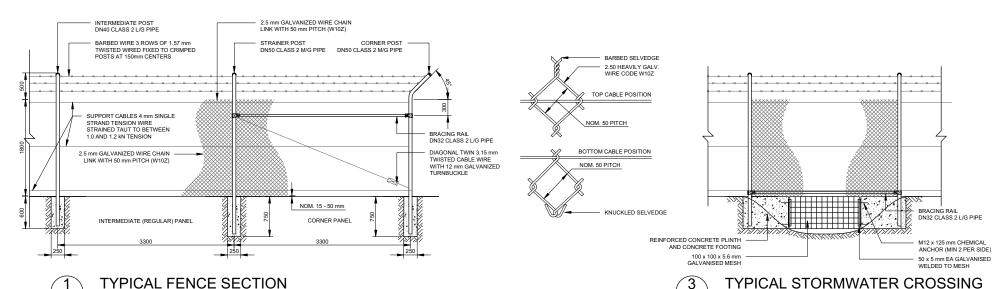


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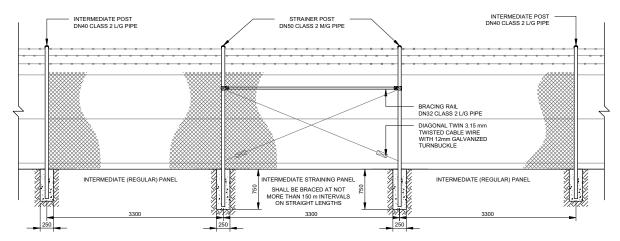
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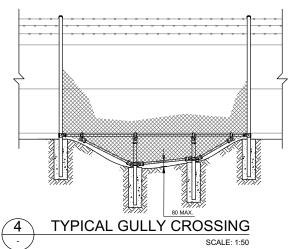
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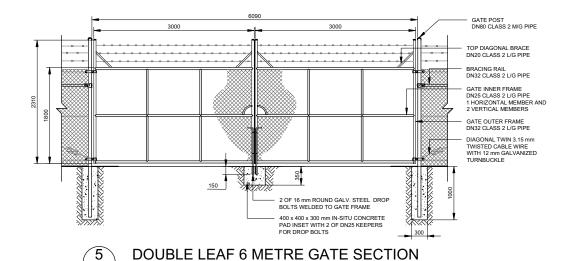
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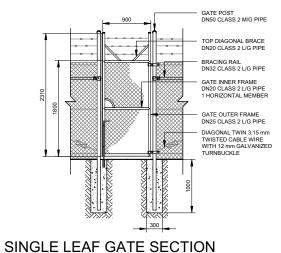


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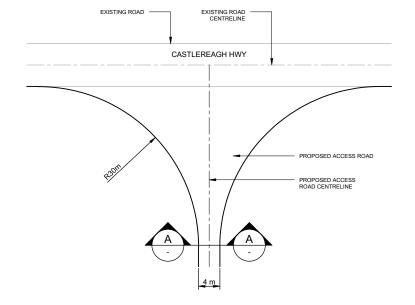


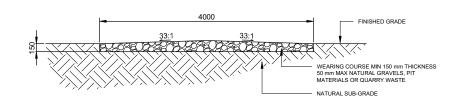
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#### INDICATIVE TURNING DETAIL PLAN

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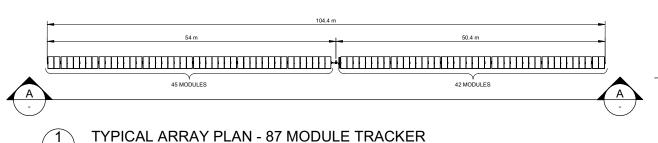
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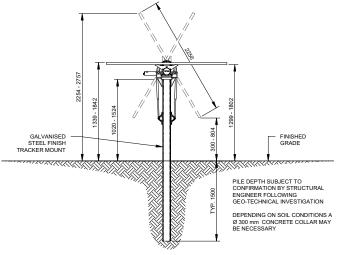
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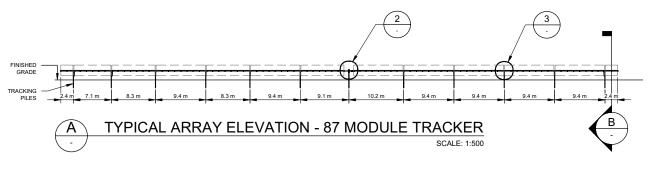
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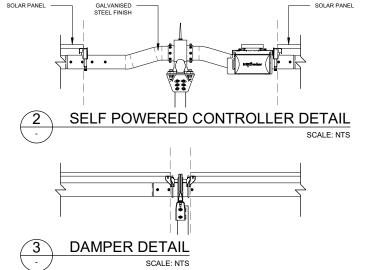


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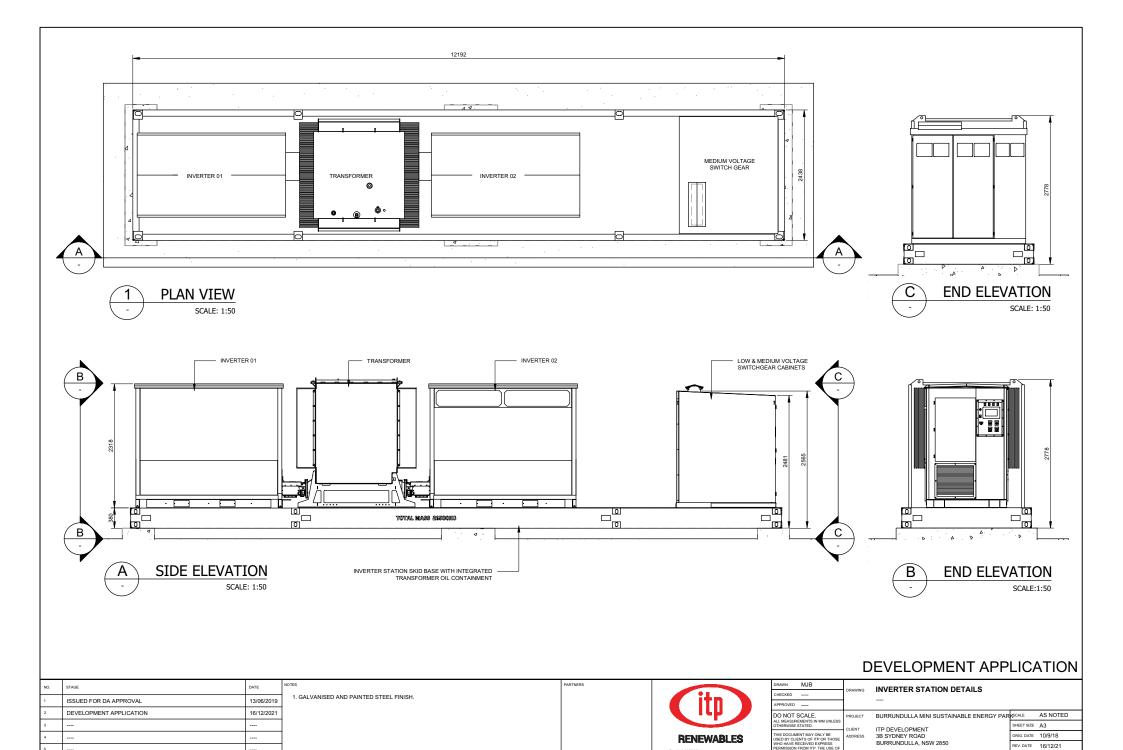


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