

Notice

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Notice of decision - Temporary emissions licence TEL100824526

This notice is issued by the administering authority pursuant to section 357E of the Environmental Protection Act 1994, to advise you of a decision or action.

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Your reference: TEL100824526

Our reference: C-EATEL-100824525; EPPR00495113

1 Application details

Application for temporary emissions licence (TEL) for rainfall and wind associated with Cyclone Alfred at GELITA Australia, Josephville (Lot 1 RP118424, Lot 2 RP118424 and Lot 3 CP862699), relating to environmental authority EPPR00495113.

2 Decision

Thank you for your application for a temporary emissions licence. Your application, which was received by this office on 04/03/2025, has been granted as submitted.

3 Human rights

A human rights assessment was carried out in relation to this decision and it was determined that the decision is compatible with human rights.

4 Temporary emissions licence

This temporary emissions licence commences on **5 March 2025** and ends on **14 March 2025**.

The licence overrides the following conditions of your environmental authority, EPPR00495113:



Condition number	Condition
P1-A18	Other than as permitted by this environmental authority, the release of a contaminant into the environment must not occur.
P2-C1	Contaminants must not be directly or indirectly released from the approved place to any waters or the bed and banks of any waters except: a) as permitted under the stormwater management schedule; or b) to a sewer as permitted or otherwise agreed from time to time by the relevant Local Government.
P2-C2	All ponds used for the storage or treatment of contaminants or wastes must be installed and maintained so that a minimum freeboard of 0.5 metres is maintained at all times.
P2-E12	The release of contaminants to land must not be carried out if soil moisture conditions are such that water-logging of soils is likely to occur.
P2-E13	When wet weather conditions or soil conditions preclude the application of final treated effluent, the contaminants must be directed to the effluent balancing storage dam.

Conditions of the TEL

The following conditions apply to this licence:

Condition number	Condition
TEL-1	Activities under this temporary emissions licence (TEL) must be conducted in accordance with the following: a) Releases of treated wastewater from the balance storage dam (BSD) to land must be undertaken via irrigation using travelling irrigators utilising the 11 hectares of land indicated in the irrigation area in Appendix 1; and b) Releases of treated wastewater must only occur when BSD water level rising is at a rate that indicates expected overtopping.
TEL-2	Treated wastewater is permitted to be released to land and waters from the activity, where the release to land is through irrigation of: a) a maximum 4 ML of wastewater per day only when the Logan River flow rate is greater than 100m³/s at the Round Mountain gauging station; OR b) a maximum of 3 ML of wastewater per day only when the Logan River flow rate is greater than 50 m³/s but less than 100 m³/s at the Round Mountain gauging station; OR c) a maximum of 2 ML of wastewater per day only when the Logan River flow rate is greater than 20 m³/s but less than 50 m³/s at the Round Mountain gauging station.
TEL-3	Treated wastewater is permitted to be released to land and waters from the activity, where the release to waters is only from passive runoff of irrigated wastewater from the irrigation area authorised under condition TEL-1 (a), from the Gully Discharge Point into Logan River.
TEL-4	The release of contaminants under conditions TEL-1 to TEL-3 must cease if the ammonia concentration in receiving waters (Logan River) exceeds 0.3 mg/L when measured at P2

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	Downstream Gelita as shown and described in Appendix 1, unless safety concerns prohibit the monitoring from being undertaken.													
TEL-5	If the ammonia concentration in receiving waters (Logan River) exceeds 0.3 mg/L when measured at the Downstream Gelita MP as shown in Appendix 1, the holder of this TEL must notify the administering authority's Pollution Hotline as soon as practicable, but within 24 hours, of becoming aware.													
TEL-6	The release of contaminants under condition TEL-2 must not adversely impact the ability to treat or utilise waters in the Logan River for drinking water supply.													
TEL-7	Upon the holder of this TEL becoming aware of a contravention under condition TEL-6, all treated effluent releases conducted under this licence must cease immediately.													
TEL-8	All reasonable and practicable measures must be taken to prevent or minimise environmental harm caused by the activities.													
TEL-9	The holder of this TEL must monitor the following parameters, at the locations, and at the frequency specified in Table 1: TEL Monitoring Requirements until such time as all discharges under this TEL cease, unless safety concerns prohibit the monitoring from being undertaken. <table><tr><th>Parameter</th><th>Commencement and frequency</th><th>Location</th></tr><tr><td>Ammonia (mg/L as N)</td><td rowspan="3">In-situ upon release and daily thereafter</td><td rowspan="3">Discharge Point in Appendix 1; AND Gully discharge monitoring point labelled as "Proposed Gully Discharge Point" in Appendix 1; AND Logan River at P2 Downstream Gelita as shown in Appendix 1; AND Logan River at P1 upstream Gelita at shown in Appendix 1 and GPS locations:</td></tr><tr><td>Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)</td></tr><tr><td>Electrical conductivity (mS/cm)</td></tr><tr><td>Volume (L)</td><td>Continuously for the duration of the release</td><td></td></tr></table>			Parameter	Commencement and frequency	Location	Ammonia (mg/L as N)	In-situ upon release and daily thereafter	Discharge Point in Appendix 1; AND Gully discharge monitoring point labelled as "Proposed Gully Discharge Point" in Appendix 1; AND Logan River at P2 Downstream Gelita as shown in Appendix 1; AND Logan River at P1 upstream Gelita at shown in Appendix 1 and GPS locations:	Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L)	Electrical conductivity (mS/cm)	Volume (L)	Continuously for the duration of the release	
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TEL-10	The holder of this TEL must monitor and record the volume and available freeboard of the balance storage dam daily, unless safety concerns prohibit the monitoring from being undertaken.													
TEL-11	The holder of this TEL must provide the administering authority's Pollution Hotline with a copy of all monitoring results on Friday 14 March 2025.													
TEL-12	The holder of this TEL must: a) Keep all monitoring data for a period of not less than 5 years; and b) Notify the administering authority once discharge of effluent in accordance with the conditions of this TEL have ceased.													
TEL-13	A final report must be provided to the administering authority by 14 business days after the cessation of releases under this temporary emissions licence, summarising:													

	a) An analysis of all monitoring results carried out in accordance with the conditions of this TEL; and b) Whether the releases under the TEL may have caused environmental harm; and c) The actions that were undertaken to comply with the conditions of this TEL.
TEL-14	The holder of this TEL must make reasonable efforts to notify potentially impacted downstream landholders and downstream water users of: a) Temporary changes to emissions permitted under this TEL; b) The reason for the temporary change to emissions; and c) The measures that will be implemented to protect environmental values.
TEL-15	Notwithstanding condition TEL-14, the operator of the weir downstream of the discharge location at GPS point Latitude -28.007351 and Longitude 152.946323 must be notified of this temporary emissions license prior to you undertaking releases under condition TEL-2 of this temporary emissions license.
TEL-16	All monitoring results must be made available to the operator of the weir mentioned in TEL-15 as soon as practicable after each monitoring event.

Definitions for conditions

Applicants should note that where a term is not defined, the definition in the Environmental Protection Act 1994, its regulations or environmental protection policies must be used. If a word remains undefined it has its ordinary meaning.

Activity means the environmentally relevant activities, whether resource activities or prescribed activities, to which the environmental authority relates.

Administering authority means the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation or its successor or predecessors.

Day means any 24 hour period.

Gully Discharge Point into Logan River is the blue point depicted labelled “Gully Discharge into LOGAN River” in Appendix 1 attached to this temporary emissions licence at the following coordinates:

- Latitude: -28.0231466
- Longitude: 152.936137

Irrigation area is the orange polygon depicted in Appendix 1 attached to this temporary emissions licence.

Land means any land, whether above or below the ordinary high-water mark at spring tides (i.e. includes tidal land).

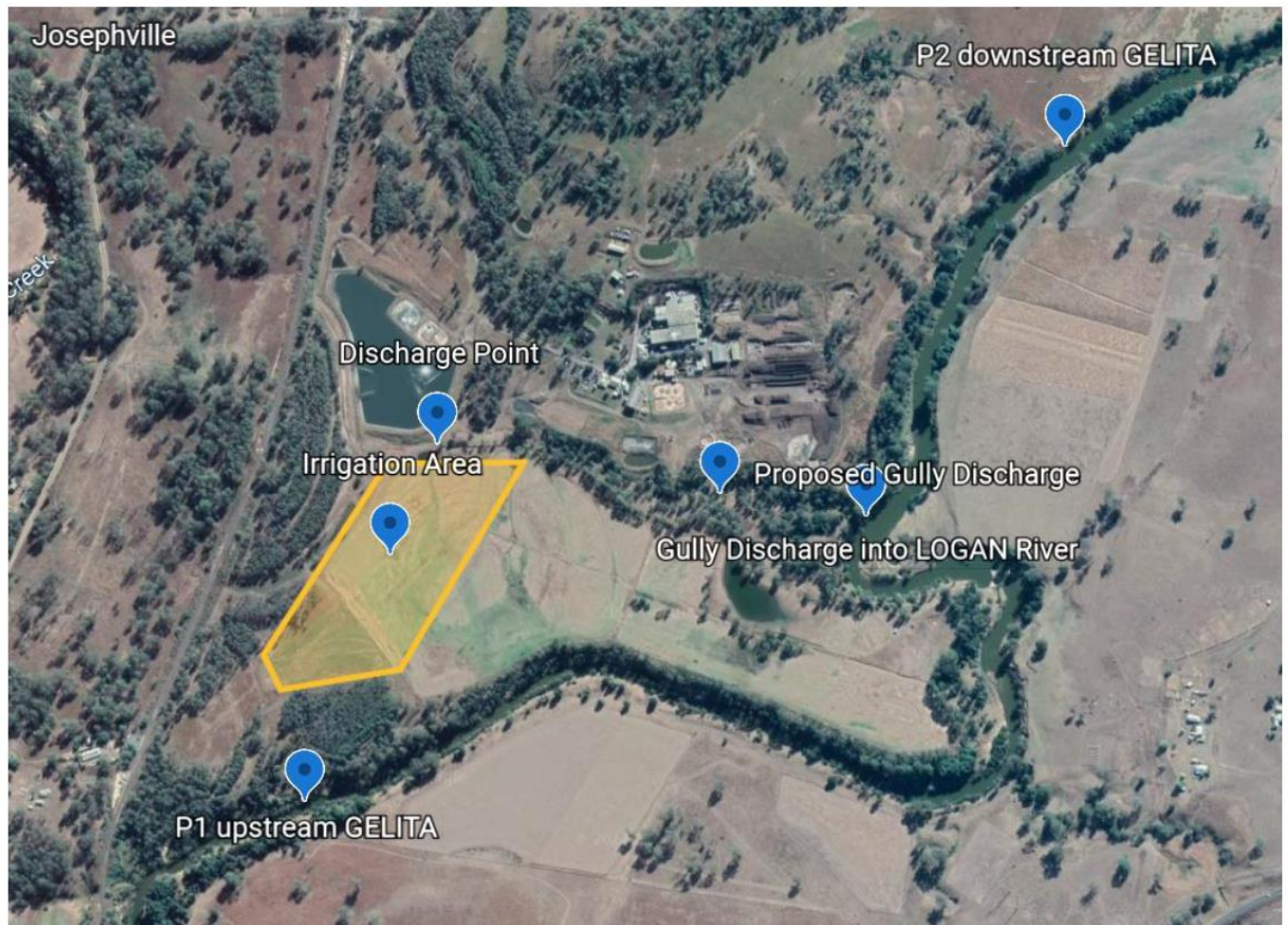
Measures has the broadest interpretation and includes plant, equipment, physical objects, bunding, containment systems, monitoring, procedures, actions, directions and competency.

Release of a contaminant into the environment means to:

- a) deposit, discharge, emit or disturb the contaminant; or
- b) cause or allow the contaminant to be deposited, discharged, emitted or disturbed; or
- c) fail to prevent the contaminant from being deposited, discharged emitted or disturbed; or
- d) allow the contaminant to escape; or
- e) fail to prevent the contaminant from escaping.

Waters includes river, stream, lake, lagoon, pond, swamp, wetland, unconfined surface water, unconfined water, natural or artificial watercourse, bed and bank of any waters, dams, non-tidal or tidal waters (including the sea), stormwater channel, stormwater drain, roadside gutter, stormwater run-off, and groundwater and any part thereof.

Appendix 1



Proposed sampling coordinates:

Location	Latitude	Longitude
P1	-28.0242373	152.926564
P2	-28.0173695	152.939387
Discharge point	-28.0212586	152.926474

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Should you have any queries in relation to this notice, Hayden Woodall on telephone 07 3330 5708 would be happy to assist you.



Signature

05/03/2025

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