Notice

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Notice of decision – Temporary emissions licence

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

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Your reference: EPML00332013

1 Application details

Application for temporary emissions licence (TEL) for the release of water from run-off collection dam Anti-pollution Pond 2 (APP2) located at the coal handling and preparation plant (CHPP) at Collinsville Coal Mine.

2 Decision

Thank you for your application for a temporary emissions licence. Your application, which was received by this office on 10 January 2026, has been **granted as submitted**.

3 Reason for the decision

The department has determined that heavy rainfall associated with the tropical low (12U) currently moving south towards the northeast Queensland Coast will impact run-off collection dam Anti-pollution Pond 2 (APP2) at Collinsville Coal Mine. Should heavy rain persist or be predicted for the week following the TEL period 10 – 15 January 2026 you may apply to extend the TEL period.

4 Human rights

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

5 Review and appeal rights

You may apply to the administering authority for a review of this decision within **10 business days** after receiving this notice. You may also appeal against this internal review decision to the Land Court. Information about your

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review and appeal rights is attached to this notice. This information is guidance only and you may have other legal rights and obligations.

6 Temporary emissions licence

This temporary emissions licence commences on **10 January 2026** and ends at **11:59PM on 15 January 2026**.

The licence permits the following emission:

- **Release of mine affected water from APP2 to Three Mile Creek.**

The licence overrides the following conditions of your environmental authority, approval number EPML00332013:

- Table F5 – Surface water quality monitoring locations
- Condition G6
- Condition G7
- Condition G8
- Condition G9
- Condition G10
- Condition G11
- Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters
- Table G2 – Release water quality criteria
- Table G4 – Mine affected water during flow events
- Table G5 – Receiving waters contaminant trigger levels
- Table G6 – Receiving water upstream background sites and downstream monitoring points

The following conditions apply to this licence:

TEL Table F5 – Surface water quality monitoring locations

Monitoring Locations	**Latitude (decimal degree GDA94)**	**Longitude (decimal degree GDA94)**
Confluence of Corduroy Creek and Pelican Creek	-20.603711	147.812129
Downstream from the confluence of 3 Mile Creek and Pelican Creek	-20.604587	147.743790
Confluence of drainage line from Ramp 11C and Pelican Creek	-20.594148	147.70341
Upstream Three Mile Creek (TEL US1)	**-20.55573**	**147.80170**
Downstream Three Mile Creek (TEL DS1)	**-20.57790**	**147.78438**

TEL G6	**Treated Water Release Conditions** Unless otherwise permitted under the conditions of this environmental authority, the release of mine affected water to waters must only occur from the release points specified in **TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters** and depicted in **Figure 1 – Proposed water release points** and **TEL Figure 1 – TEL monitoring points**.
TEL G7	The release of mine affected water to waters in accordance with condition **TEL G6** must not exceed the release limits stated in **TEL Table G2 – Release water quality criteria**, when measured at the monitoring points specified in **TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters** and depicted in **Figure 1 – Proposed water release points** and **TEL Figure 1 – TEL monitoring points**.
TEL G8	The release of treated waters must be monitored at the locations specified in **TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters** for each of the quality characteristics and the frequency specified in **Table G3 – Release water trigger investigation levels**.
TEL G9	The holder must ensure stream flow gauging stations are installed, operated and maintained to determine and record stream flows at locations and flow recording frequency specified in **TEL Table G4 – Mine affected water release during flow events**.
TEL G10	Notwithstanding any other condition of this environmental authority, the release of treated waters in accordance with condition **TEL G6** must only take place during periods of natural flow in accordance with the receiving water flow criteria for treated water release specified in **TEL Table G4 – Mine affected water release during flow events** for the release point(s) specified in **TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters**.
TEL G11	The daily quantity of treated water releases from each release point must be measured and recorded at the monitoring points in **TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters**.

TEL Table G1 – Mine affected water release points, sources and receiving waters

Release Point (RP)	Latitude (decimal degree, GDA94)	Longitude (decimal degree, GDA94)	Mine affected water source and location	Monitoring point	Receiving waters description
RP1	-20.555770	147.801423	Treatment Plant	End of pipe	Three Mile Creek
RP2	-20.534410	147.791825	Treatment Plant	End of pipe	Powerhouse Creek
RP3	-20.589963	147.723064	Kerale Dam	End of pipe	Pelican Creek
RP4	-20.516448	147.763574	Treatment Plant	End of pipe	Strathmore Creek
TEL RP1	-20.56145	147.79398	APP2	End of pipe	Three Mile Creek

Note: Mine affected water includes water treated through a treatment plant.

TEL Table G2 – Release water quality criteria

Quality characteristic	Monitoring Locations	Release Limits	Monitoring Frequency	Monitoring Technique
Electrical conductivity (µS/cm)	ALL release points in TEL Table G1	Refer Table **G4**	Daily during release*	Continuous data using in-situ instruments. Daily average of continuous data will be used to determine compliance. Instrument readings or grab samples, if continuous data is unavailable, when safe to do so and access permits.
pH (pH Unit)	ALL release points in TEL Table G1 except TEL RP1	6.0 (minimum) 9.0 (maximum)	Daily during release*	
	TEL RP1	**4.0 (minimum) 9.0 (maximum)**	Daily during release*	
Turbidity (NTU)	ALL release points in TEL Table G1	50	Daily during release*	
Sulfate (mg/L)	ALL release points in TEL Table G1	1000	Weekly (for RP3)/ Monthly (for all other RPs) during release*	Grab samples, when safe to do so and access permits.

* First sample within two hours of commencement of release

TEL Table G4 – Mine affected water release during flow events

Receiving waters/ stream	RP	Gauging Station	Gauging Station latitude (decimal degrees, GDA94)	Gauging Station longitude (decimal degrees, GDA94)	Receiving water flow recording frequency	Receiving water flow criteria for discharge	Maximum release rate	Electrical conductivity release limits
Three Mile Creek	**TEL RP1**	USMP 1	147.5878	-20.5623	Continuous (minimum daily)	**300Ml/day**	**35ML/day**	**3000µS/cm**
	RP1					60Ml/day	6ML/day	2000µS/cm
Powerhouse Creek	RP2					>3m^3/s	0.235m^3/s	3000µS/cm
Pelican Creek	RP3					>6m^3/s	0.471m^3/s	
Strathmore Creek	RP4					>10m^3/s	0.784m^3/s	

Note: The release rates are calculated on flow rate in Bowen River only. If the natural flow in Pelican or Strathmore Creek is added then the rate will increase. The co-ordinates of the proposed release and monitoring points are to be confirmed prior to commencement of the planned release.

Table G5 – Receiving waters contaminant trigger levels

Quality characteristic	Monitoring Locations	Release Limits	Monitoring Frequency
Electrical conductivity (µS/cm)	ALL monitoring points in TEL Table G6 except TEL DS1	USMP1 (in the case of releases to Pelican Creek system or USMP2 (in the case of releases to Strathmore Creek system) +200	Continuous data to be monitored during release using in-situ instruments. Daily average of continuous data will be used to determine compliance. Instrument readings or grab samples, if continuous data is unavailable, when safe to do so and access permits.
	TEL DS1	3,000	
pH (pH Unit)	ALL monitoring points in TEL Table G6 except TEL DS1	6.0 (minimum) 9.0 (maximum)	
	TEL DS1	**4.0 (minimum)** **9.0 (maximum)**	Grab samples within two hours of commencement, and daily thereafter.
Suspended Solids (mg/L)	ALL monitoring points in TEL Table G6	1000	Grab samples – monthly when safe to do so and access permits (first sample within two hours of commencement).
Sulfate (mg/L)	ALL monitoring points in TEL Table G6	1000	

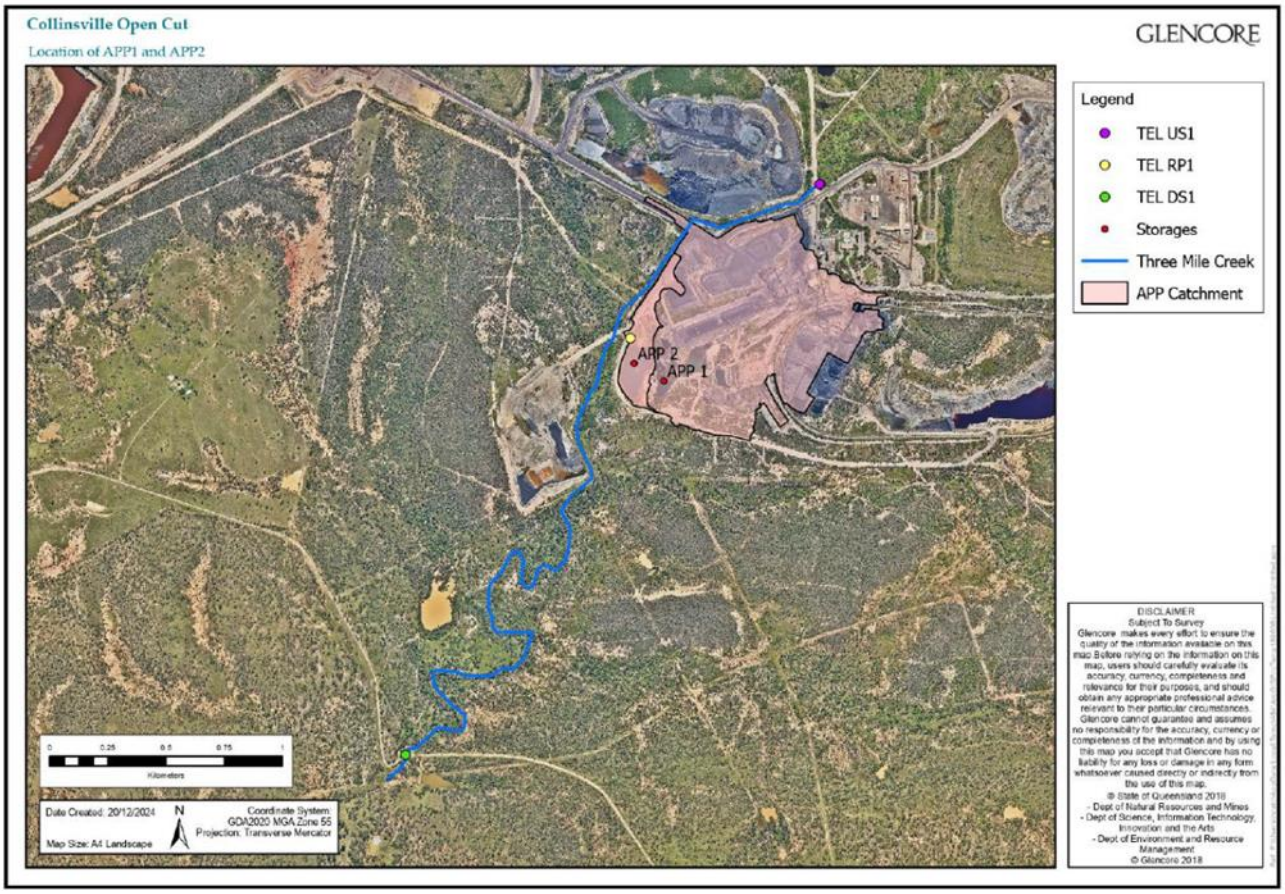
TEL Table G6 – Receiving water upstream background sites and downstream monitoring points

Monitoring Points	Receiving Waters Location Description	Latitude (decimal degree, GDA94)	Longitude (decimal degree, GDA94)
Upstream background monitoring points			
USMP1	Bowen River Upstream of Pelican Creek	147.5878	-20.5623
USMP2*	Bowen River Upstream of Strathmore Creek	147.5804	-20.54905
TEL US1	Three Mile Creek	-20.55573	147.80170
Downstream monitoring points			
DSMP1*	Bowen River Downstream of Pelican Creek	147.5804	-20.54905
DSMP2	Bowen River Downstream of Strathmore Creek	147.5405	-20.47541
TEL DS1	Three Mile Creek	-20.57790	147.78438

Note: The co-ordinates of the proposed monitoring points are to be confirmed prior to commencement of the planned release.

*Same station – progressive flow monitoring D/S of Pelican Creek and U/S of Strathmore Creek

TEL Figure 1 – TEL monitoring points



Should you have any questions about the notice, Alison Cummings on telephone 0436 693 333 would be happy to assist you.

	10 January 2026
Signature	Date

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