

# METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303

## EXTRACTION PLAN



## ATTACHMENT 2

## RELEVANT CONSULTATION RECORDS

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**Table A2-1  
Consultation with Landholders**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>The State of New South Wales (Crown Lands Nowra District Office)</b>		
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal*	Letter (dated 14 July 2016) providing information on the development of the Extraction Plan and consideration of subsidence effects and potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences on Crown Land.
18/07/2016	Email from Crown Lands Nowra District Office	Request for the Nowra District Office to be supplied with a copy of or link to the Extraction Plan component studies, and provision of relevant contact details.
24/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Sought clarification as to whether NSW Crown Lands would like to receive a copy of the Extraction Plan on submission to the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) or following DP&E approval.
24/08/2016	Email from Crown Lands Nowra District Office	Clarification provided (a copy of the Extraction Plan on submission to the DP&E).
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Letter (dated 17 October 2016) advising that Metropolitan Coal had further shortened Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex, with provision of revised Longwalls 301-303 layout.
<b>The State of New South Wales (Garawarra State Conservation Area – NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service)</b>		
15/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	To advise of proposed mining of Longwalls 301- 303 and upcoming correspondence in relation to the Extraction Plan.
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal*	Letter (dated 14 July 2016) providing information on the development of the Extraction Plan and consideration of subsidence effects and potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences on the Garawarra State Conservation Area.
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Letter (dated 17 October 2016) advising that Metropolitan Coal had further shortened Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex, with provision of revised Longwalls 301-303 layout.
<b>Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association</b>		
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal*	Letter (dated 14 July 2016) providing information on the development of the Extraction Plan and consideration of subsidence effects and potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences on the Crown Land that is used for the club's activities.
15/07/2016	Email from Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association	Advised that Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association has no queries regarding Longwalls 301 – 303 given the distance of the longwalls from the club house and air strip. Requested information regarding Longwalls 304, 305 and 306.

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Consultation with Landholders**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association (Continued)</b>		
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Advised that Longwall 304 on would be the subject of a new Extraction Plan, with offer to meet to discuss the future mining plans.
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Letter (dated 17 October 2016) advising that Metropolitan Coal had further shortened Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex, with provision of revised Longwalls 301-303 layout.
<b>Robert and Carolyn Stewart</b>		
28/06/2016	Informal meeting (Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services and Robert Stewart)	Discussed proposed mining of Longwalls 301- 303 and proposed correspondence in relation to the Extraction Plan.
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal*	Letter (dated 14 July 2016) providing information on the development of the Extraction Plan and consideration of subsidence effects and potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences on land owned by Robert and Carolyn Stewart.
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Letter (dated 17 October 2016) advising that Metropolitan Coal had further shortened Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex, with provision of revised Longwalls 301-303 layout.
<b>The Trustees of the Macedonian Orthodox Monastery</b>		
15/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	To advise of proposed mining of Longwalls 301- 303 and upcoming correspondence in relation to the Extraction Plan.
15/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal*	Letter (dated 14 July 2016) providing information on the development of the Extraction Plan and consideration of subsidence effects and potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences on land owned by The Trustees of the Macedonian Orthodox Monastery.
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Letter (dated 17 October 2016) advising that Metropolitan Coal had further shortened Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex, with provision of revised Longwalls 301-303 layout.

\* Letter attached to the email was subsequently mailed to the recipient.

**Table A2-2  
Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Contact Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Endeavour Energy</b>		
10/06/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Endeavour Energy meeting	Discussed performance to date for Longwalls 22- 27, proposed mining of Longwalls 301-303 and Extraction Plan preparation. DRE representative attended meeting, NSW Principal Subsidence Engineer. Set framework for expectations in the upcoming Longwalls 301-303 BFMP-Endeavour Energy.
18/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report in relation to Endeavour Energy assets, with proposed agenda for meeting.
2/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of revised Subsidence Letter Report, updated to include Endeavour Energy's distribution poles nearby Garrawarra Facility.
4/08/2016 – 8/08/2016	Series of emails between Metropolitan Coal and Endeavour Energy	Emails to arrange risk assessment meeting for the Built Features Management Plan (BFMP) – Endeavour Energy.
19/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Endeavour Energy meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – Endeavour Energy.
21/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Endeavour Energy (Version A) for review/comment.
21/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Endeavour Energy.
28/10/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Feedback from Endeavour Energy re: BFMP – Endeavour Energy indicating that no issues with BFMP as drafted and that Endeavour Energy would provide a letter supporting the BFMP – Endeavour Energy.
<b>Nextgen</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Nextgen assets, and confirmation of relevant contact.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Nextgen assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
4/08/2016 – 11/08/2016	Series of emails between Metropolitan Coal and Nextgen	Emails to arrange timing and attendees for meeting.
11/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Nextgen representative meeting	Telstra representative to also represent Nextgen. [Risk assessment meeting held for Telstra assets, applicable to Nextgen assets.]
2/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Nextgen Group (Version A) for review/comment.
16/09/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Nextgen.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Nextgen (Continued)</b>		
24/10/2016	Email from Nextgen	Provision of a draft Nextgen Management Plan Agreement for inclusion in the BFMP, including risk assessment.
26/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of a revised draft BFMP – Nextgen (Version B) and comments on the draft Nextgen Management Plan Agreement.
26/10/2016	Email from Nextgen	Provision of a revised draft Nextgen Management Plan Agreement for inclusion in the BFMP.
7/11/2016	Email from Nextgen	Feedback from Nextgen re: BFMP – Nextgen email indicating agreeance with the BFMP (Version B) and will sign off by 5 <sup>th</sup> December when their field manager returns from leave.
<b>TransGrid</b>		
31/05/2016	Metropolitan Coal and TransGrid meeting	Discussed performance to date for Longwalls 22-27, proposed mining of Longwalls 301-303 and Extraction Plan preparation. DRE representative attended meeting - NSW Principal Subsidence Engineer. Set framework for expectations in the upcoming Longwalls 301-303 BFMP-TransGrid.
18/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for TransGrid assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
19/08/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	To discuss arrangements for meeting (timing and attendees).
26/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and TransGrid meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – TransGrid.
21/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – TransGrid (Version A) for review/comment.
24/10/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – TransGrid. Modifications made to BFMP.
24/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – TransGrid (Version B) for review/comment.
2/11/2016	Email from TransGrid	Feedback from TransGrid re: BFMP – TransGrid indicating one minor change to be made to wording in a table to finalise the document. Amendment incorporated in final version of BFMP.
<b>Optus</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Optus assets, and confirmation of relevant contact.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Optus assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Optus (Continued)</b>		
1/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	To organise meeting (timing and attendees).
12/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Optus meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – Optus.
8/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Optus (Version A) for review/comment.
6/10/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Optus. Verbally Optus mentioned that no changes were required, but still had a couple of other Optus managers to return their feedback.
28/10/2016	Follow-up email from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking draft Optus Access Agreement for inclusion in the BFMP – Optus.
2/11/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Feedback from Optus re: BFMP – Optus indicating no changes to BFMP and that access agreement would not be available for timeline of publishing the BFMP.
<b>Telstra</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Telstra assets, and confirmation of relevant contact.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Telstra assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
4/08/2016 – 8/08/2016	Series of emails between Metropolitan Coal and Telstra	To organise arrangements for meeting (timing and attendees).
11/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Telstra meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – Telstra.
31/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Telstra (Version A) for review/comment.
16/09/2016	Follow-up call from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Telstra.
20/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Telstra.
21/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up email from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback from Telstra on draft BFMP – Telstra.
24/10/2016	Email from Telstra	Provision of a draft Telstra Management Plan Agreement for inclusion in the BFMP, including risk assessment.
26/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of revised draft BFMP – Telstra (Version B) and comments on the draft Telstra Management Plan Agreement.
26/10/2016	Email from Telstra	Provision of revised draft Telstra Management Plan Agreement for inclusion in the BFMP.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Telstra (Continued)</b>		
7/11/2016	Telephone conversation	Feedback from Telstra re: BFMP – Telstra indicating agreement with BFMP, awaiting one final comment from Telstra engineer on tilt meter orientation/location for Pole tower to finalise the Management Plan Agreement.
11/11/2016	Email from Telstra	Provision of draft Management Plan Agreement. As still to be finalised, not included in final version.
<b>Roads and Maritime Services</b>		
16/06/2016	Technical Committee meeting at Roads and Maritime Services (RMS)	Presentation regarding Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan to RMS Technical Committee.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for RMS assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
19/08/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	To organise risk assessment meeting (timing and attendees).
25/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and RMS meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – Telstra.
31/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of additional subsidence prediction details for the Cawley Road Overpass and proposed timeframe/key tasks for BFMP-RMS preparation.
8/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee (risk facilitator)	Provision of draft risk assessment report.
8/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – RMS (Version A) for review/comment.
11/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
12/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
14/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
15/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
15/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Comments/clarification regarding RMS feedback and BFMP-RMS structure.
19/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
20/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
20/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Comments/clarification between Technical Committee members in relation to the draft BFMP – RMS.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Roads and Maritime Services (Continued)</b>		
21/09/2016 – 22/09/2016	Series of emails between Metropolitan Coal and RMS	To arrange Technical Committee meeting to discuss amendments to draft BFMP – RMS.
22/09/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provision of tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
10/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – RMS (Version B) with reconciliation table.
12/10/2016	Technical Committee meeting at RMS	Discussed RMS Technical Committee review comments (reconciliation table) and agreed changes.
13/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of tracked changes to the BFMP-RMS (Version B) with edits and additions discussed at the meeting (on 12 October 2016), and proposed timing for BFMP-RMS finalisation.
19/10/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee member	Provided tracked edits in draft BFMP – RMS.
20/10/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee (risk facilitator)	Provided revised draft risk assessment report.
21/10/2016	Email from RMS	Summary of Technical Committee meeting outcomes circulated to attendees.
21/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of review comments on revised risk assessment report.
21/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – RMS (Version C).
7/11/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee (risk facilitator)	Provision of risk assessment report.
8/11/2016	Email from RMS Technical Committee (risk facilitator)	Provision of final risk assessment report, incorporating an additional amendment to the version sent on 7 November 2016.
11/11/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of BFMP – RMS (Version D) to be submitted to DP&E in Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.
<b>Sydney Trains</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Sydney Trains assets, and confirmation of relevant contact.
25/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Sydney Trains assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
4/08/2016 – 11/08/2016	Series of emails and telephone conversations between Metropolitan Coal and Sydney Trains	To arrange timing and attendees for meeting
18/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Sydney Trains meeting	Meeting and risk assessment for the BFMP – Sydney Trains.



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Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Sydney Trains (Continued)</b>		
13/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Sydney Trains (Version A) for review/comment.
20/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Sydney Trains.
21/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up email from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback from Sydney Trains on draft BFMP – Sydney Trains.
3/11/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Seeking feedback on BFMP – Sydney Trains. Unable to get in contact.
<b>Wollongong City Council</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager-Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Wollongong City Council (WCC) assets, and confirmation of relevant contacts.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for WCC assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
29/07/2016 – 4/08/2016	Series of emails and telephone conversations between Metropolitan Coal and Wollongong City Council	To arrange timing and attendees for meeting.
15/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Wollongong City Council meeting	Risk assessment held for BFMP - Garrawarra Cemetery.
15/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Wollongong City Council meeting	Risk assessment held for BFMP – WCC Old Princes Highway.
30/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Requested latest version of Wollongong City Council Conservation Management Plan for the Garrawarra Cemetery.
30/08/2016	Email from Wollongong City Council	Provision of latest version of Wollongong City Council Conservation Management Plan for the Garrawarra Cemetery.
15/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP –WCC Old Princes Highway (Version A) for review/comment.
15/09/2016	Email from Wollongong City Council	Feedback from WCC re: BFMP – WCC Old Princes Highway indicating the BFMP was suitable as drafted apart from changing the position title of key contact.
16/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery (Version A) for review/comment.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>Wollongong City Council (Continued)</b>		
29/09/2016	Telephone conversation	Follow up call from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback from WCC regarding BFMP – Waterfall General Cemetery. WCC advised that there were no comments but were waiting for staff to return from leave before providing a formal response.
6/10/2016	Email message from Wollongong City Council	Email indicating the Commercial Business Manager was satisfied with the BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery (and confirmed again on 2 November 2016).
20/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up call from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback from WCC regarding BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery (heritage section).
27/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up call from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback from WCC regarding BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery (heritage section).
2/11/2016	Email message from Wollongong City Council	Email indicating the Strategic Project Officer - Heritage agreed with the Commercial Business Manager that the BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery details the matters discussed at the 15 August 2016 meeting. Suggested the NSW Heritage Branch be provided with a copy of the BFMP – Garrawarra Cemetery for their information.
<b>Sydney Water</b>		
19/07/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager - Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Sydney Water assets, and confirmation of relevant contacts.
19/07/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Sydney Water assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
4/08/2016	Telephone conversation	To arrange timing and attendees for meeting.
15/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Sydney Water meeting	Risk assessment held for BFMP – Sydney Water.
8/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Sydney Water (Version A) for review/comment.
4/10/2016	Email from Sydney Water	Advised that Sydney Water require no amendments to draft BFMP – Sydney Water.

**Table A2-2 (Continued)**  
**Consultation with Infrastructure Owners**

Date	Contact Type	Description
<b>NSW Health</b>		
June / July 2016	Multiple site visits to Garrawarra and meetings with Garrawarra General Manager	Introductory calls and visits to establish contacts in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for NSW Health assets at the Garrawarra Centre Complex. Detailed walk through of site to resolve questions on ownership of certain infrastructure, protocols for Metropolitan coal engineers to access site for assessments and status of each building.
31/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for NSW Health assets at the Garrawarra Centre Complex, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
6/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	To arrange timing and attendees for meeting
17/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provided background information and agenda for risk assessment.
20/10/2016	Metropolitan Coal and NSW Health meeting	Risk assessment held for BFMP - Garrawarra.
25/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of the draft BFMP – Garrawarra (Version A) and Preliminary Structural Inspection Report.
11/11/2016	Email from NSW Health	Advised that NSW Health require no amendments to draft BFMP – Garrawarra.
<b>Axicom</b>		
5/08/2016	Telephone call from Metropolitan Coal Manager - Technical Services	Introductory call in relation to the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMP for Axicom assets, and confirmation of relevant contacts.
5/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Email explaining the preparation of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan and associated BFMPs, provision of draft Subsidence Letter Report for Axicom assets, and proposal to meet to discuss the subsidence predictions and conduct a risk assessment.
11/08/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Emailed revised version of draft Subsidence Letter Report regarding Axicom assets.
26/08/2016	Metropolitan Coal and Axicom meeting	Risk assessment held for BFMP – Axicom.
19/09/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Provision of draft BFMP – Axicom (Version A) for review/comment.
20/10/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up call from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Axicom.
21/10/2016	Email from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up email from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Axicom.
2/11/2016	Telephone message from Metropolitan Coal	Follow up email from Metropolitan Coal seeking feedback on draft BFMP – Axicom . Unable to get in contact with representative.



## Planning & Environment

### Planning Services

### Resource Assessments

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Dear Mr Degotardi

### Metropolitan Coal Project Longwalls 301 to 303 Extraction Plan

I refer to your letter dated 1 June 2016, requesting endorsement of experts to prepare the Extraction Plan for Longwalls 301 to 303 at the Metropolitan Coal Project, in accordance with condition 6 in Schedule 3 of Project Approval 08\_0149.

The Department has reviewed the information you provided and is satisfied that the nominated experts are suitably experienced and qualified to prepare the Extraction Plan.

Accordingly, the Secretary has endorsed the following experts to prepare the Extraction Plan for Longwalls 301 to 303:

- Mr Peter De Bono – Subsidence;
- Mr Lindsay Gilbert – Water;
- Dr Noel Merrick – Groundwater;
- Dr Colin Bower – Flora;
- Dr David Goldney – Fauna;
- Mr Jamie Reeves – Heritage; and
- Mr Joshua Hunt – Land Management.

The Department supports Metropolitan Coal's approach to include the relevant post-mining requirements of the two previously approved Extraction Plan's (Longwalls 20 to 22 and Longwalls 23 to 27) in the proposed Longwalls 301 to 303 Extraction Plan, as recommended by the *Draft Guidelines for the Preparation of Extraction Plans*.

If you have any further enquiries about this matter, please contact Paul Freeman on the above contact details.

Yours sincerely

Clay Preshaw  
**A/Director**  
**Resource Assessments**  
as nominee for the Secretary

15 August 2016

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**Attention: Mr Mike Young, Director, Resource Assessments  
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Dear Mike/Clay,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal Pty Ltd (Metropolitan Coal) is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW). Metropolitan Coal was granted Project Approval (08\_0149) for the Metropolitan Coal Project (the Project) on 22 June 2009 by the NSW Minister for Planning under section 75J of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*.

Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Land Management Plan in consultation with the Sydney Catchment Authority (SCA) (now WaterNSW) and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E), to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on cliffs and overhangs, steep slopes and land in general.

Land Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of the cliffs and overhangs, steep slopes and land in general subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Land Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DP&E's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan. Please note that Appendix 1 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan is a considerably large document, and as such will be provided on a CD. A hard copy can be provided if required.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 9 September 2016.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan to WaterNSW and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan by 9 September 2016.

Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jon Degotardi". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jon" being more prominent than the last name "Degotardi".

**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services

15 August 2016

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**Attention: Mr Mike Young, Director, Resource Assessments  
Mr Clay Preshaw, A/Director, Resource Assessments**

Dear Mike/Clay,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal Pty Ltd (Metropolitan Coal) is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW). Metropolitan Coal was granted Project Approval (08\_0149) for the Metropolitan Coal Project (the Project) on 22 June 2009 by the NSW Minister for Planning under section 75J of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*.

Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Heritage Management Plan in consultation with the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and relevant Aboriginal groups, to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on Aboriginal heritage sites or values.

Heritage Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of the Aboriginal heritage sites subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Heritage Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for your review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan. Please note that Appendix 1 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan is a considerably large document, and as such will be provided on a CD. A hard copy can be provided if required. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 9 September 2016.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan to the OEH (Heritage Branch) and relevant Aboriginal groups and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan by 9 September 2016.

For your information, Aboriginal groups that have been sent a copy of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan for review and comment include:

- Cubbitch Barta Native Title Claimants.
- Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Korewal Elouera Jerrungurah Tribal Elders Corporation.
- Mr Gary Caines.
- La Perouse Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation.
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- Northern Illawarra Aboriginal Collective (including representatives from Wadi Wadi Coomaditchie Aboriginal Corporation).
- Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council.
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Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries in relation to the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan.

Yours faithfully,

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**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services



9 September 2016

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SYDNEY NSW 2001**Attention: Mr Mike Young, Director, Resource Assessments  
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Dear Mike/Clay,

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Water Management Plan in consultation with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), Sydney Catchment Authority (now WaterNSW) and NSW Office of Water (now the Department of Primary Industries – Water [DPI-Water]), and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on water resources and watercourses.

Water Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in consultation with the abovementioned departments in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of water resources and watercourses subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Water Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DP&E's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan. Please note that Appendices 1 to 4 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan are consistent with those previously provided in the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 Water Management Plans and are provided on CD. A hard copy of these Appendices can be provided if required. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 30 September 2016.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan to the OEH, WaterNSW and DPI-Water, and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan by 30 September 2016.

Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Biodiversity Management Plan in consultation with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and Division of Resources and Energy - Fisheries (now the Department of Primary Industries – Fishing [DPI-Fishing]), and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna, with a specific focus on swamps.

Biodiversity Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in consultation with the abovementioned departments in 2010 and 2013, respectively. The draft Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Biodiversity Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DP&E's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 12 October 2016.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan to the OEH and DPI-Fishing, and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan by 12 October 2016.

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Dear Mike and Clay,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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Condition 6(g), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Public Safety Management Plan in consultation with the Division of Resources and Energy (DRE) and the Dams Safety Committee (DSC), and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E), to ensure public safety within the mining area as part of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Public Safety Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of public safety aspects subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Public Safety Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DP&E's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 31 October 2016.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan to the DRE, DSC and WaterNSW and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan by 31 October 2016.

Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr Clay Preshaw, A/Director, Resource Assessments**

Dear Mike/Clay,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Further to our correspondence dated 15 August 2016 and provision of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan (Version A), please find enclosed Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan, which has been updated in consideration of comments received on Version A and to reflect a recent revision to the layout of Longwalls 302 and 303.

Metropolitan Coal recently committed to the further shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened.

A summary of the amendments made to the Heritage Management Plan is provided in Table 1.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan to the Office of Environment and Heritage (Heritage Branch) and the following Aboriginal groups:

- Cubbitch Barta Native Title Claimants.
- Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Korewal Elouera Jerrungurah Tribal Elders Corporation.
- Mr Gary Caines.
- La Perouse Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation.
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**Table 1**  
**Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan Amendments**

Section Reference	Amendment
4.1 (Table 2)	Schedule updated to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.
4.2, 6 and 10.2.2	Text added to recognise that all Aboriginal heritage sites are considered to be culturally significant to the Aboriginal people who have a traditional connection to Country.
4.3	Text updated and footnote 3 added to indicate Longwalls 302 and 303 were shortened subsequent to the Environmental Risk Assessment.
4.4.1	Text updated to reflect the number of heritage sites predicted to experience a slight increase in the maximum predicted vertical subsidence has reduced from eight to five as a result of the shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303. Subsidence predictions in Table 4 updated to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303. The subsidence predictions for the Extraction Plan layout changed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FRC 85 (predicted 50 mm subsidence reduced to &lt; 20 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 86 (predicted 70 mm subsidence reduced to 60 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 90 (predicted 70 mm subsidence reduced to 30 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 91 (predicted 50 mm subsidence reduced to &lt; 20 mm subsidence).</li> </ul>
9	Text updated to reflect the maximum predicted subsidence at sites at the completion of Longwall 303 extraction is 125 mm at site FRC 76, with predicted subsidence being 60 mm or less at all other sites (as detailed in Table 4 in Section 4.4.1).
10.2.2	Text added to clarify that reference to sites of particular cultural significance was based on previous consultation with representatives of the Aboriginal community during surveys and inspections for the Project Environmental Assessment (Kayandel Archaeological Services, 2008). Aboriginal heritage sites that have previously been identified as being of special cultural interest or of particular cultural significance within the Project underground mining area are described in Appendix H of the Project EA. It is noted that at the time of the Project EA no sites or areas of particular cultural significance were identified within the area bound by the Longwalls 301-303 35 degree angle of draw and/or predicted 20 mm subsidence contour.
Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Mr West,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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Condition 6(g), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Public Safety Management Plan in consultation with the Division of Resources and Energy (DRE) to ensure public safety within the mining area as part of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Public Safety Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of public safety aspects subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Public Safety Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DRE's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 31 October 2016.

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**Attention:** Mr Peter Dupen, Manager Mining

Dear Peter,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Land Management Plan in consultation with the Sydney Catchment Authority (SCA) (now WaterNSW), to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on cliffs and overhangs, steep slopes and land in general.

Land Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of the cliffs and overhangs, steep slopes and land in general subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Land Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for WaterNSW's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan. Please note that Appendix 1 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan is a considerably large document, and as such will be provided on a CD. A hard copy can be provided if required.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 9 September 2016. Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

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Please note that Metropolitan Coal will also provide WaterNSW with the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan and draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan for WaterNSW's review and comment in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Peter,

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Water Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in consultation with the abovementioned departments in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of water resources and watercourses subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Water Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

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Yours sincerely,



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Public Safety Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of public safety aspects subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Public Safety Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

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Dear Peter,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 DRAFT SUBSIDENCE REPORT,  
WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Further to WaterNSW's request, please find enclosed the Draft Subsidence Report for the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan, which reflects the recently shortened Longwalls 302 and 303. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened. Please note the Draft Subsidence Report may be further revised in relation to built features to reflect the outcomes of ongoing consultation with the various asset owners.

Please also find enclosed Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan and Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan to reflect the revised longwall layout. A summary of the amendments made to these plans is provided in Tables 1 and 2, respectively.

Yours sincerely,

**JON DEGOTARDI**

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**Table 1**  
**Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan Amendments**

Section Reference	Amendment
5.1 (Table 4)	Schedule updated to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.
5.2	Text updated and footnote 6 added to indicate Longwalls 302 and 303 were shortened subsequent to the Environmental Risk Assessment.
7.2.1	Footnote 10 added to indicate Longwalls 302 and 303 were shortened subsequent to the completion of the Hydro Engineering & Consulting (2016b) report.
7.3.3	Text updated to reflect revised distances between Longwalls 301-303 and groundwater bores based on the revised longwall layout.
Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

**Table 2**  
**Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan Amendments**

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Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

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Dear John,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Further to our correspondence dated 9 September 2016 and provision of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan (Version A), Metropolitan Coal has recently committed to the further shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened.

Please find enclosed Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan to reflect the revised longwall layout. A summary of the amendments made to the Water Management Plan is provided in Table 1.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
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Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.



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Dear Mr Love

### **Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan**

I refer to your letter of 9 September 2016 inviting the Department of Primary Industries – Water (DPI Water) to comment on the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan (WMP).

I understand that DPI Water had asked for an extension to respond to your initial referral due to a request for further information to which the company responded. I thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

While the Draft WMP includes a monitoring program that appears to be reasonable there are still some matters of uncertainty. DPI Water reiterates a comment made as part of the Department's response to the Review of the Draft Water Management Plan – Longwalls 23-27, dated 1 October 2013. Metropolitan Coal has not demonstrated that it has adequately considered the accounting of water take from different water sources as outlined in the Aquifer Interference Policy (2012). While Metropolitan Coal has indicated, it has two water access licences, WAL 36475 and WAL 25410, neither of these WALs account for the incidental take of water as described in the Policy. Metropolitan Coal will be required to demonstrate how it will account for this incidental take.

Prior to DPI Water endorsing the WMP the following matters need to be addressed, with further explanation outlined in **Attachment A**.

1. Inclusion of groundwater baseline data, or otherwise relied upon, to support the future development in the report. An Appendix, appropriately cross-referenced in the text, can be used for the summary data, with all detailed data presented in accompanying electronic files. This data should include:
  - measured groundwater levels and pressures,
  - groundwater level and flow data for swamps,
  - water quality data, and
  - mine groundwater inflow data.
2. Re-commencement of the water quality assessment for deep strata groundwater consistent with previous monitoring.
3. A plan to address or replace poorly performing Vibrating Wire Piezometers (VMP).

4. A plan to address the potential loss of deep monitoring bores (F6GW4A, 9EGW2A, PHGW2A, PHGW1B, PM02, PM01(9DGW1B)).
5. A plan to address groundwater monitoring to the east and north-east of the proposed LWs.

DPI Water also recommends that attention to the following matters would improve the quality of the WMP.

6. Charts 12 to 20 inclusive need to be made consistent; for example, in plotting Lake Woronora, explaining the term “floor”, plotting hydrographs wherever possible at constant time intervals (currently there are 3, 6, 9 and 12 month gaps not uniformly applied) to aid clarity in comparison, consider plotting individual data points.
7. Clarify the data/WMP behaviour plotted for Bore PHGW2A (Chart 16), which is approximately 2.5 km away from present mining in LW27, and compare it to the discussion presented for Bore PM02 (Chart 20) where no impact is claimed for a similarly located bore.
8. The use of, and historical development of, the numerical groundwater model (NGM) needs to be clarified. The Conditions of Approval require that the NGM be developed and used in the mining; a clear statement of how it is to be used and updated and the outcomes from this program need to be stated.
9. The veracity of the NGM with respect to mine groundwater inflows and pressure predictions for LW23-27 needs to be stated so that the adequacy of Charts 2 -11 can be assessed.
10. For increased clarity, it would be appropriate for the bore census to be updated and related key information to be restated. Show relevant bore locations on appropriate Figures.

For further information please contact John Galea, Water Regulation Officer, Parramatta Officer, telephone 8838 7520 or email [john.galea@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:john.galea@dpi.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Irene Zinger, Regional Manager - Metro  
Water Regulation

## Attachment A

Some of the matters previously commented upon by DPI Water in respect of LW 23-27 are relevant to this review. Some of the matters were addressed, or are better reported, and thus are reflected in the current report, e.g. considerable deep strata monitoring has now been established/or is reported: however, the baseline data has not been included here so cannot be evaluated.

The WMP is deficient in reporting data that is relevant to developing a proper understanding of the baseline situation being impinged upon. The Proponent has this data, e.g. water levels and pressures, mine groundwater inflows, groundwater quality data, swamp flow variations but has not provided it with the report.

In comparison much surface geomorphological information is provided. Chart 2 (Section 5.4.2) is relevant because it reports modelled, future, mine groundwater inflows; however, with no data about historical inflows, and no comparison to assess the veracity of previous modelling predictions, the Chart is of limited value.

Historic groundwater inflow data, which is important for assessing impacts, is not presented. In Section 8.8.3.1 it is stated that these data will be used to assess against “performance indicators and performance measures”. The groundwater inflow data, and related water budget data, needs to be included in the WMP so that a proper baseline for assessment is available.

To aid the assessment of this WMP a consideration of the information provided against the relevant CoA i.e. #2(d) has been made.

<p>(d) include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• detailed baseline data of the existing surface and groundwater resources in the project area;</li> <li>• a program for the ongoing development and use of appropriate surface and groundwater models for the project; and</li> <li>• a program to:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- monitor and assess any impacts of the project on the quantity and quality of surface and ground water resources in the project area, and in particular the catchment yield to the Woronora Reservoir; and</li> <li>- validate and calibrate the surface and groundwater models.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Baseline groundwater data is not presented with the WMP, and thus not readily available for assessment.</p> <p>This matter is unsatisfactory.</p> <p>In Section 4.2 it is reported that the groundwater model (NGM) was recalibrated in 2012 and reporting thereon is currently in-hand. Since that time, a revised LW design has been notified. The updated NGM information is not included in the current WMP; furthermore, there is no obvious discussion as to how the NGM is to be used to assist examination and interpretation of impacts.</p> <p>This matter is unsatisfactory.</p> <p>Groundwater quality data for deeper strata is only available until February 2014, and is not presented with the WMP. Mine groundwater inflow, and swamp groundwater flow and quantity data are not presented with the WMP.</p> <p>These matters are unsatisfactory.</p>
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There are some inconsistencies in the graphical depiction of water pressure data. This is key information as it especially relates to the behaviour of groundwater in the deeper strata:

- groundwaters in these strata are generally said by the Proponent to not be impacted, and
- deeper aquiclude strata maintain their integrity and function despite subsidence impacts.

In particular, Charts 12 – 20 don't all show the same information in respect of the Woronora Reservoir e.g. level and floor. The concept of "floor" is not properly defined. The data presented includes some from VWP that are subsequently discussed as performing unsatisfactorily – these data should be eliminated. In addition, currently there are 3, 6, 9 and 12 month gaps not uniformly applied to various data plots; to aid clarity in comparison, consideration should be given to plotting individual data points and plots referenced to the same time frame.

The Proponent states that not all VMP are behaving correctly and that some data is thus not relevant – e.g. see Section 8.8.3.2, notes to Chart 18 (Bore 9EGW2A) and Chart 19 (Bore PM01/9DGW1B). This data should be removed – but apparently has not been. There is no reported plan to address/replace poorly performing VWPs. The matter was apparent in the WMP relating to previous LWs23-27.

DPI Water does not agree with the statement in relation to Chart 20 (Bore PM02) concerning the "cone of depression":

Bore PM02 is located approximately 2.5 km north-west of Longwall 303. Being far from historical and recent mining, it would not be expected to show any dramatic response to mining but could show a slight slow decline in heads as the groundwater "cone of depression" extends radially away from the area of mining. Chart 20 indicates that all potentiometric heads are high and within 40 m of the

The contention is not supported by similar performance in Bore PHGW2A (Chart 16) which is approximately 2.5 km away from present mining in LW27, despite unexplained, erratic behaviour in the VWP. The matter needs clarification.

One of the important arguments is that there is no permeability connectivity developed across the Bald Hill Claystone. Analysis of this matter is stated to have occurred (section 4.2, p29), but there is no supporting evidence for this. Importantly, that evidence related to groundwater quality and "fingerprinting"; but the data isn't included – see following discussion.

On the basis of data provided by the Proponent, groundwater quality assessment at the mine seems to have been discontinued in February 2014. This is regarded as unsatisfactory as information potentially relevant to assessing the impacts in the deeper strata is not available. The Proponent reports the existence of a supporting "Water Fingerprinting Monitoring Program" (Section 4.2) – but there is no detail available. The CoA requires attention to this matter.

#### Replacement bores.

The future mining will directly impact on existing monitoring bores – detailed in the following Table. The Proponent needs to address how the potential loss of data from these bores will affect monitoring and evaluation of impacts. A consideration for replacement or extension of monitoring needs to be made.

Bore	Bottoms in
F6GW4A	Bulli Coal
9EGW2A	Bulli Coal
PHGW2A	Bulli Coal
PHGW1B	Bulli Coal
PM02	Scarborough Sandstone
PM01 (9DGW1B)	Coal Cliff Sandstone

Generally, monitoring to the east and northeast of the proposed LWs is deficient and additions to the monitoring bore network should be considered in this location.

In Section 4.2 it is reported that the groundwater model (NGM) was recalibrated in 2012 and reporting thereon is currently in-hand. The fact that updating is in-hand is stated in several places. Since that time, a revised LW design has been notified (to DPI Water in October 2016). There is insufficient updated NGM information included in the current WMP and there is no obvious discussion as to how the NGM is to be used to assist examination and interpretation of impacts.

There are isolated instances of an assessment of the modelled and actual situations, including Chart 2 with respect to groundwater inflows. The projected groundwater pressures in response to mining LW 301-303 presented in Charts 3-11. However, there is no comparative discussion as to the prediction performance of the NGM in respect of previous mining e.g. LW27. Hence there is no basis for assessing the veracity of the modelling in this regard.

Previous work by the Proponent includes a bore census. In Section 4.2 the location of nearby registered bores is recoded and 3 of these are shown in Figure 9. However, there is a reference to 7 relevant bores, stated to be in Table 2 of Appendix B of a 2008 report (HCPL): accordingly it would be useful to aid the WMP if the bore census was updated, and together with related key bore information, restated in the WMP.

**End of Attachment A**



20 September 2016

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Dear Scott,

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Biodiversity Management Plan in consultation with the Division of Resources and Energy - Fisheries (now the Department of Primary Industries – Fishing [DPI-Fishing]) and Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna, with a specific focus on swamps.

Biodiversity Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in consultation with the abovementioned departments in 2010 and 2013, respectively. The draft Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of aquatic and terrestrial flora and fauna subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Biodiversity Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DPI-Fishing's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 12 October 2016. Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours faithfully,



**STEPHEN LOVE**

Environment & Community Coordinator

14 October 2016

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Dear Scott,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Further to our correspondence dated 20 September 2016 and provision of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan (Version A), Metropolitan Coal has recently committed to the further shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened.

Please find enclosed Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan to reflect the revised longwall layout. A summary of the amendments made to the Biodiversity Management Plan is provided in Table 1.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services

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Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

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Dear Lachlan and James,

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Water Management Plan in consultation with the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH), Sydney Catchment Authority (now WaterNSW) and NSW Office of Water (now the Department of Primary Industries – Water [DPI-Water]), and to the satisfaction of the Director-General (now Secretary) of the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on water resources and watercourses.

Water Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in consultation with the abovementioned departments in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of water resources and watercourses subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Water Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for OEH's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan. Please note that Appendices 1 to 4 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan are consistent with those previously provided in the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 Water Management Plans and are provided on CD. A hard copy of these Appendices can be provided if required.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 30 September 2016. Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours sincerely,



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Dear Ms Pietrini,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 DRAFT SUBSIDENCE REPORT,  
BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER MANAGMENT PLAN**

Further to our email (dated 6 October 2016) and in response to the Office of Environment and Heritage's request, please find enclosed the Draft Subsidence Report for the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan, which reflects the recently shortened Longwalls 302 and 303. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened. Please note the Draft Subsidence Report may be further revised in relation to built features to reflect the outcomes of ongoing consultation with the various asset owners.

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Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you require further information.

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**Table 2**  
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7.3.3	Text updated to reflect revised distances between Longwalls 301-303 and groundwater bores based on the revised longwall layout.
Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

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**Attention: Ms Pauline McKenzie, Executive Director – Heritage Branch**

Dear Ms McKenzie,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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Condition 6(f), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Heritage Management Plan in consultation with the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) and relevant Aboriginal groups, to manage the potential environmental consequences of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan on Aboriginal heritage sites or values.

Heritage Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains which were provided to the OEH and relevant Aboriginal groups for consultation in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan includes post mining monitoring and management of the Aboriginal heritage sites subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Heritage Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the OEH's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan. Please note that Appendix 1 of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan is a considerably large document, and as such will be provided on a CD. A hard copy can be provided if required.

Please note that we have also sent a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan to the relevant Aboriginal groups and have requested they provide comments on the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan by 9 September 2016.



For your information, Aboriginal groups that have been sent a copy of the draft Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan for review and comment include:

- Cubbitch Barta Native Title Claimants.
- Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Korewal Elouera Jerrungurah Tribal Elders Corporation.
- Mr Gary Caines.
- La Perouse Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation.
- Woronora Plateau Gundungara Elders Councils.
- Northern Illawarra Aboriginal Collective (including representatives from Wadi Wadi Coomaditchie Aboriginal Corporation).
- Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Wodi Wodi Elders Corporation.

It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 9 September 2016.

Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries in relation to the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jon Degotardi', is written in a cursive style.

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Dear Ms McKenzie,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 HERITAGE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Further to our correspondence dated 15 August 2016 and provision of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan (Version A), please find enclosed Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan, which has been updated in consideration of comments received on Version A and to reflect a recent revision to the layout of Longwalls 302 and 303.

Metropolitan Coal recently committed to the further shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex. As a result of the revised longwall layout, the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened.

A summary of the amendments made to the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan is provided in Table 1.

For your information, Aboriginal groups that have been sent a copy of Version B of the Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan include:

- Cubbitch Barta Native Title Claimants.
- Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Korewal Elouera Jerrungurah Tribal Elders Corporation.
- Mr Gary Caines.
- La Perouse Botany Bay Aboriginal Corporation.
- Woronora Plateau Gundungara Elders Councils.
- Northern Illawarra Aboriginal Collective (including representatives from the Wadi Wadi Coomaditchie Aboriginal Corporation).
- Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council.
- Wodi Wodi Elders Corporation.

**Table 1**  
**Draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan Amendments**

Section Reference	Amendment
4.1 (Table 2)	Schedule updated to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.
4.2, 6 and 10.2.2	Text added to recognise that all Aboriginal heritage sites are considered to be culturally significant to the Aboriginal people who have a traditional connection to Country.
4.3	Text updated and footnote 3 added to indicate Longwalls 302 and 303 were shortened subsequent to the Environmental Risk Assessment.
4.4.1	Text updated to reflect the number of heritage sites predicted to experience a slight increase in the maximum predicted vertical subsidence has reduced from eight to five as a result of the shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303. Subsidence predictions in Table 4 updated to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303. The subsidence predictions for the Extraction Plan layout changed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FRC 85 (predicted 50 mm subsidence reduced to &lt; 20 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 86 (predicted 70 mm subsidence reduced to 60 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 90 (predicted 70 mm subsidence reduced to 30 mm subsidence).</li> <li>• FRC 91 (predicted 50 mm subsidence reduced to &lt; 20 mm subsidence).</li> </ul>
9	Text updated to reflect the maximum predicted subsidence at sites at the completion of Longwall 303 extraction is 125 mm at site FRC 76, with predicted subsidence being 60 mm or less at all other sites (as detailed in Table 4 in Section 4.4.1).
10.2.2	Text added to clarify that reference to sites of particular cultural significance was based on previous consultation with representatives of the Aboriginal community during surveys and inspections for the Project Environmental Assessment (Kayandel Archaeological Services, 2008). Aboriginal heritage sites that have previously been identified as being of special cultural interest or of particular cultural significance within the Project underground mining area are described in Appendix H of the Project EA. It is noted that at the time of the Project EA no sites or areas of particular cultural significance were identified within the area bound by the Longwalls 301-303 35 degree angle of draw and/or predicted 20 mm subsidence contour.
Figures	Revised to reflect shortened Longwalls 302 and 303.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services

10 October 2016

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**Attention:** Mr Bill Ziegler, Manager Mining Projects

**Also by email:** [bill.ziegler@damsafety.nsw.com.au](mailto:bill.ziegler@damsafety.nsw.com.au)

Dear Bill,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 PUBLIC SAFETY MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal Pty Ltd (Metropolitan Coal) is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW). Metropolitan Coal was granted Project Approval (08\_0149) for the Metropolitan Coal Project (the Project) on 22 June 2009 by the NSW Minister for Planning under section 75J of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*.

Condition 6(g), Schedule 3 of the Project Approval requires Metropolitan Coal to prepare a Public Safety Management Plan in consultation with the Dams Safety Committee (DSC) to ensure public safety within the mining area as part of the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Public Safety Management Plans were prepared for the Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27 mining domains in 2010 and 2013, respectively. This draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan includes post-mining monitoring and management of public safety aspects subject to the two previously approved Metropolitan Coal Public Safety Management Plans for Longwalls 20-22 and Longwalls 23-27.

Please find enclosed for the DSC's review and comment, a copy of the draft Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan. It would be appreciated if you would kindly provide any comments to the undersigned by 31 October 2016.

Please note that the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan mining layout is consistent with the mining layout endorsed by the DSC (dated 5 August 2014), with some minor variations (e.g. to the length of Longwalls 302 and 303). We will be in contact shortly with the DSC in relation to these variations.

Metropolitan Coal looks forward to your input and invites you to contact us with any queries.

Yours sincerely,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services



28 October, 2016

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Jon Degotardi  
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HELENSBURGH NSW 2508

Dear Sir,

**Metropolitan Mine  
Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan**

I refer to your correspondence of the 10<sup>th</sup> October 2016 wherein you requested comments on the above mentioned Management Plan.

The Committee has no comments on the issues addressed in the PSMP. The Plan does not cover issues relevant to the DSC's jurisdiction, which is the safety of Woronora Dam and its stored waters.

If you have any queries in this regard please contact Bill Ziegler on 02 9842 8077.

Yours faithfully,

*for* Steve Knight  
Executive Engineer  
Dams Safety Committee

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25 July 2016

Mine Subsidence Board  
PO Box 488G  
Newcastle NSW 2571**Attention: Ms Katherine McInnes, Chief Executive Officer****Also by email:** C/- Ms Joanne Pilkington, Chief Executive Officer Personal Assistant  
(j.pilkington@minesub.nsw.gov.au)

Dear Ms McInnes,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 EXTRACTION PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW) (Figure 1). Metropolitan Coal is one of the earliest established and longest continually running coal mining operations in Australia, with a history dating back to the 1880s.

Metropolitan Coal was granted Project Approval (08\_0149) for the Metropolitan Coal Project (the Project) on 22 June 2009 by the NSW Minister for Planning under section 75J of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*. The Project comprises the continuation, upgrade and extension of underground coal mining operations and surface facilities at Metropolitan Coal. The underground mining longwall layout is shown on Figure 1. The Metropolitan Coal Environmental Management Structure is shown on Figure 2.

In accordance with Condition 6, Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, Metropolitan Coal prepares Extraction Plans for specific mining domains as mining progresses. Metropolitan Coal is currently preparing an Extraction Plan for the next area of longwall mining, namely Longwalls 301-303.

The anticipated start date for Longwall 301 is April 2017. The provisional extraction schedule commencement and completion dates for Longwalls 301-303 are provided in Table 1.

**Table 1**  
**Provisional Extraction Schedule for Longwalls 301 to 303**

Longwall	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Duration	Estimated Completion Date
LW301	April 2017	6 months	September 2017
LW302	November 2017	7 months	May 2018
LW303	July 2018	8 months	February 2019

The Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan will outline the proposed management, mitigation, monitoring and reporting of potential subsidence impacts and environmental consequences from the secondary extraction of Longwalls 301-303.

The Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan will include (but not be limited to) the following management plans and monitoring programs:

- Longwalls 301-303 Water Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Biodiversity Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Built Features Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Public Safety Management Plan.
- Longwalls 301-303 Subsidence Monitoring Program.

A title search has been conducted of land within 600 metres of Longwalls 301-303, the owners of which have been identified as The State of New South Wales (Crown Land), The State of New South Wales (Garrawarra State Conservation Area), WaterNSW, Health Administration Corporation, Robert and Carolyn Stewart, and The Trustees of the Macedonian Orthodox Monastery. The location of each lot and landholder in relation to Longwalls 301-303 is shown on Figure 3. Metropolitan Coal will consult with each landholder in relation to the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Metropolitan Coal will also consult with each infrastructure owner in relation to the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan. Potential impacts to built features will be managed in accordance with the relevant Longwalls 301-303 Built Features Management Plans being prepared in consultation with infrastructure owners including Endeavour Energy, TransGrid, Nextgen, Optus, Telstra, Vodafone, Ausgrid, Roads and Maritime Services, Sydney Water, Sydney Trains, South Eastern Sydney Illawarra Area Health Service (for the Garrawarra Centre) and Wollongong City Council (for the management of roads and the Waterfall General [Garrawarra] Cemetery).

Survey control marks are also located in the vicinity of Longwalls 301-303. In accordance with the NSW Government's (2015) *Surveyor General's Directions No. 11 Preservation of Survey Infrastructure*, Metropolitan Coal has notified the Senior Surveyor, Land & Property Information (LPI) NSW of the likely impacts of Longwalls 301-303 to survey control marks.

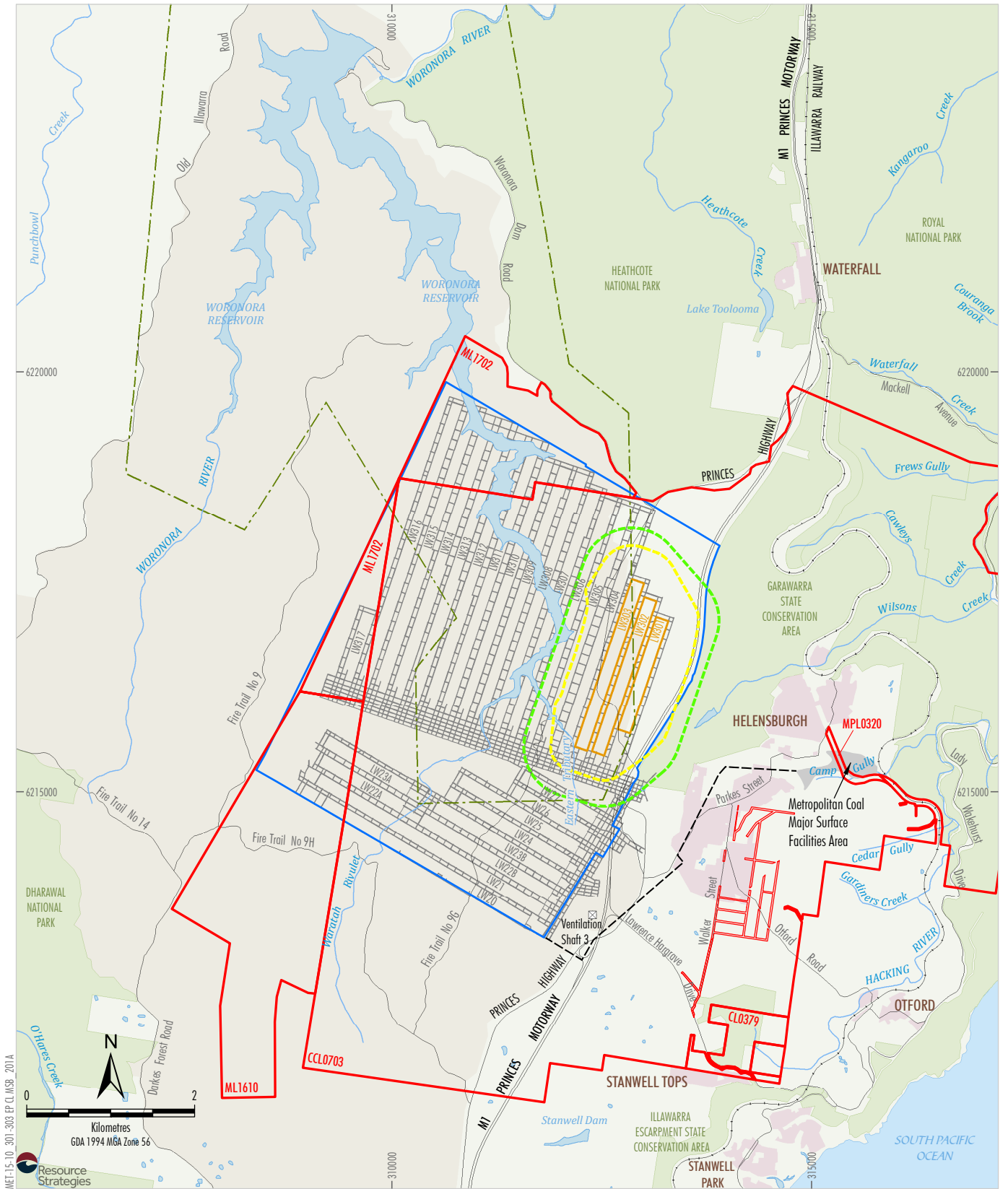
It would be appreciated if the Mine Subsidence Board could contact the undersigned on (02) 4294 7233 should the Mine Subsidence Board require further consultation in relation to the Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Yours faithfully,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services





**LEGEND**

- Mining Lease Boundary
- Woronora Special Area
- Railway
- Project Underground Mining Area  
Longwalls 20-27 and 301-317
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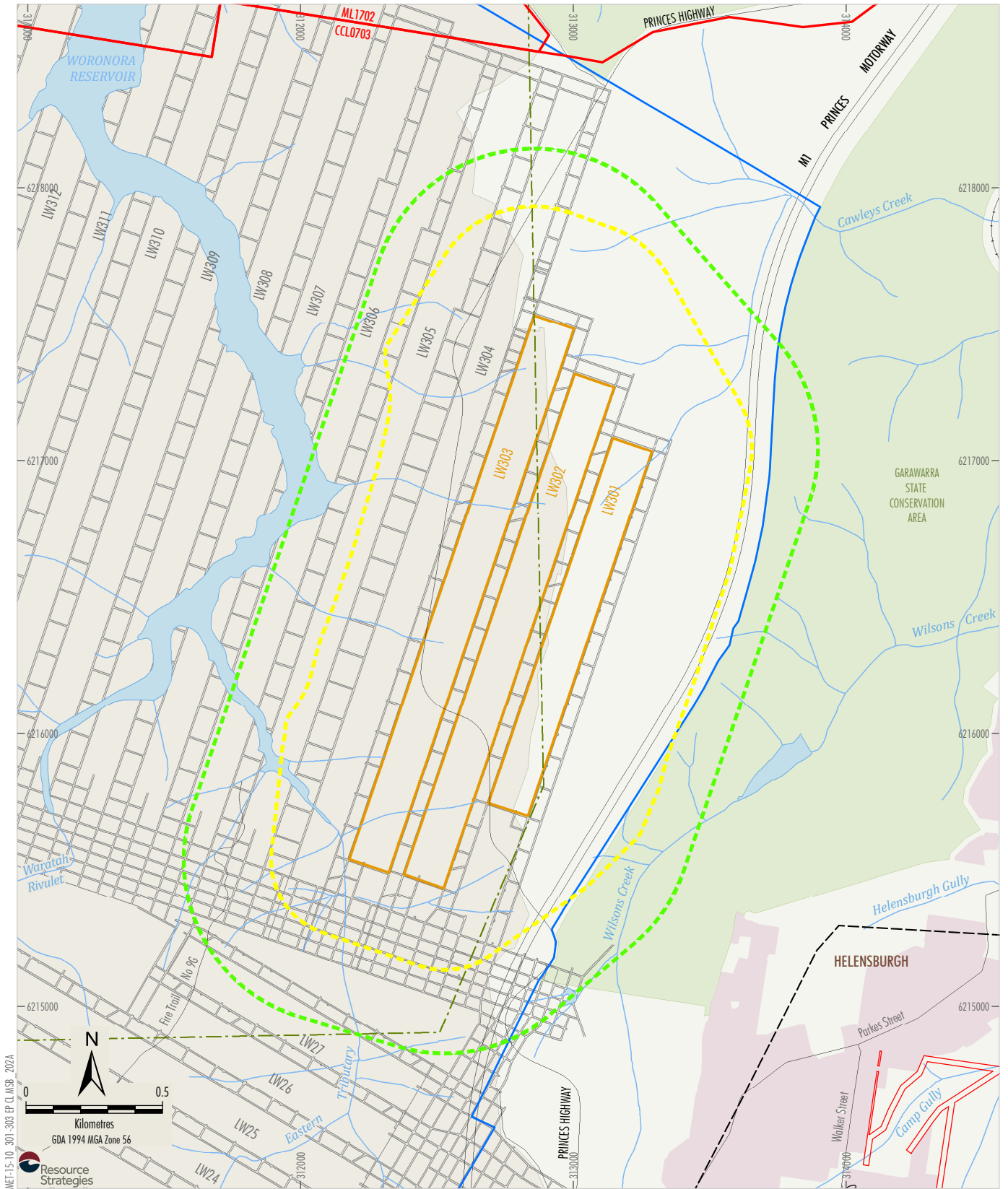
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**METROPOLITAN COAL**  
Project Longwalls 20 - 27 and  
Longwalls 301 - 317 Layout

**Figure 1**



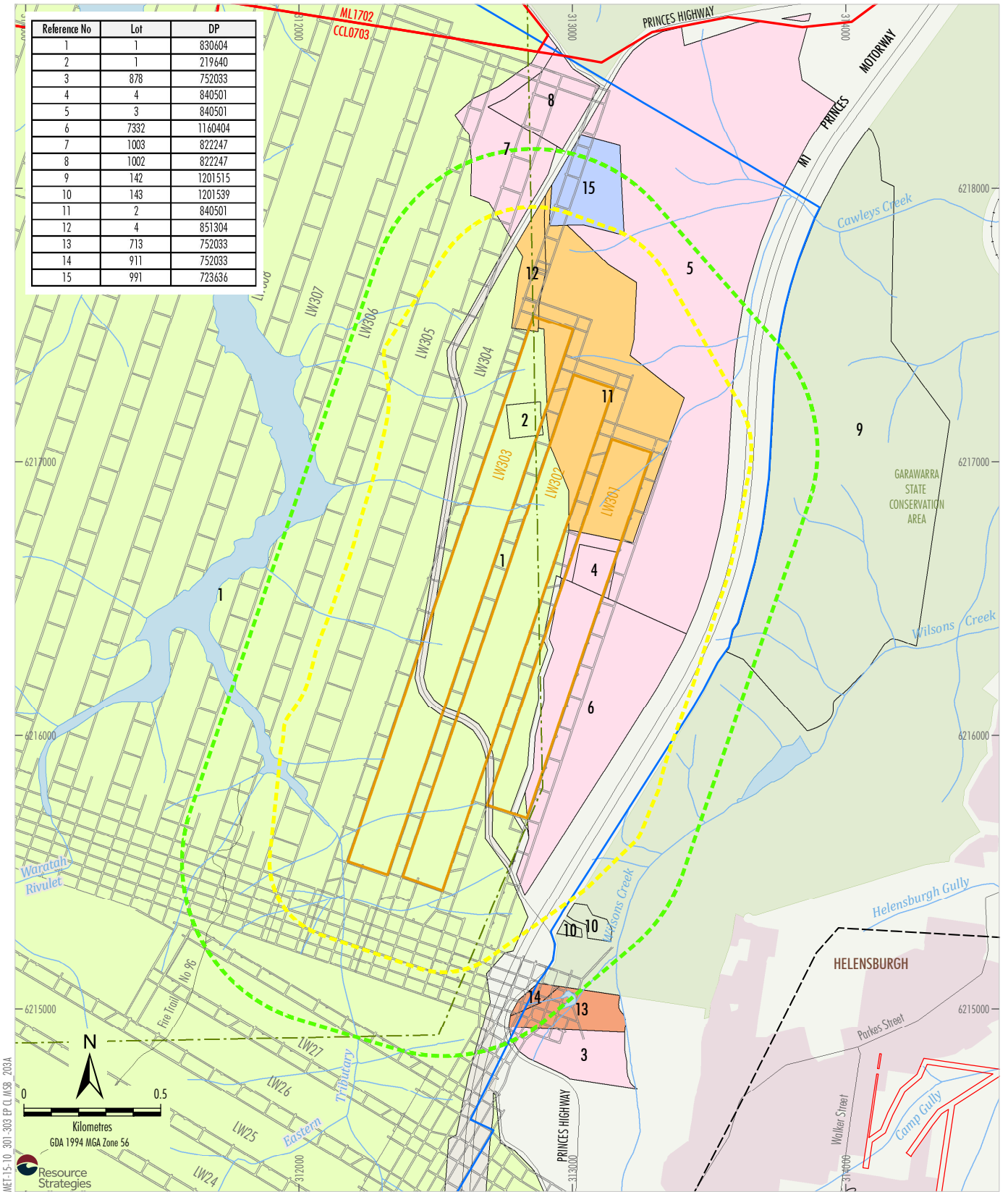


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Longwalls 301 - 303 Layout

**Figure 2**



- LEGEND**
- Mining Lease Boundary
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- Landholder**
- WaterNSW
  - The State of New South Wales (Crown Land)
  - The State of New South Wales (Garawarra State Conservation Area)
  - Health Administration Corporation
  - The Trustees of the Macedonian Orthodox Monastery
  - R & C Stewart

Source: Land and Property Information (2015, 2016); Department of Industry (2015); Metropolitan Coal (2016); MSEC (2016)

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Land Ownership Within  
600 m of Longwalls 301 - 303

**Figure 3**



Mr Jon Degotardi  
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Via email: [jdegotardi@peabodyenergy.com](mailto:jdegotardi@peabodyenergy.com)

Dear Mr Jon Degotardi,

### **Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan**

Thankyou for your email and accompanying letter dated 25 July 2016 concerning the proposed Extraction Plan for Longwalls LW301 to 303.

The Mine Subsidence Board notes the requirements of Project Approval 08\_0149 as determined by the NSW Minister of Planning. To enable the Mine Subsidence Board (MSB) to review and comment on the Extraction Plan please forward a copy. MSB will be interested in;

- Any surface improvements likely to be impacted by subsidence.
- Detailed performance indicators, ensuring surface improvements will remain safe, serviceable and repairable.
- Current predictions of the potential subsidence effects and impacts (in respect of surface improvements).
- Measures to ensure compliance with the performance measures.
- Extent of subsidence monitoring in respect of surface development.

On receipt of this information the MSB will be able to provide comment.

Should Metropolitan Colliery require further consultation in relation to this matter please contact Mr Peter Evans (Technical Manager) ph 0249084391.

Yours sincerely

**Peter Evans**  
Technical Manager  
Mine Subsidence Board

31 July 2016

17 October 2016

Mine Subsidence Board  
PO Box 488G  
Newcastle NSW 2300

**Attention: Mr Peter Evans, Technical Manager**

**Also by email:** [p.evans@minesub.nsw.gov.au](mailto:p.evans@minesub.nsw.gov.au);

Dear Peter,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 EXTRACTION PLAN**

Further to our correspondence dated 14 July 2016, Metropolitan Coal has recently committed to the further shortening of Longwalls 302 and 303 to reduce impacts to the Garrawarra Centre Complex.

As a result of the revised longwall layout (Figure 1), the predicted subsidence effects generally reduce at the northern end of Longwalls 302 and 303 where the panels have been shortened. In summary, the panel void length of Longwall 302 was reduced from 1,954 m to 1,775 m and the panel void length of Longwall 303 was reduced from 2,122 m to 1,788 m.

The anticipated start date for Longwall 301 is April 2017. The provisional extraction schedule commencement and completion dates for Longwalls 301-303 have been amended to reflect the revised longwall layout and are provided in Table 1.

**Table 1  
Provisional Extraction Schedule for Longwalls 301 to 303**

<b>Longwall</b>	<b>Estimated Start Date</b>	<b>Estimated Duration</b>	<b>Estimated Completion Date</b>
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LW302	November 2017	7 months	May 2018
LW303	June 2018	7 months	December 2018

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

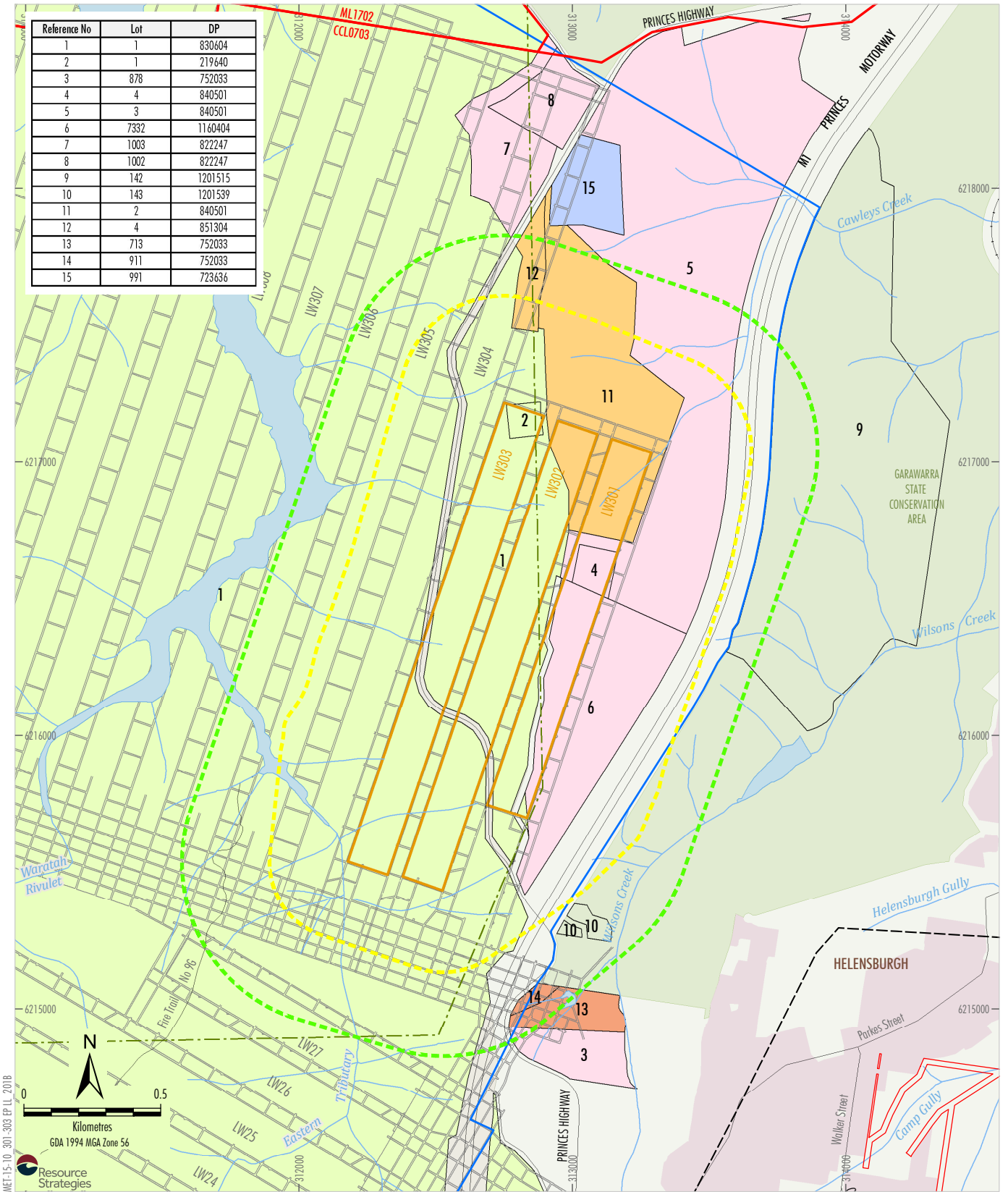
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**JON DEGOTARDI**

Manager – Technical Services

c.c. Ms Katherine McInnes, Chief Executive Officer  
C/- Ms Joanne Pilkington, Chief Executive Officer Personal Assistant  
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Source: Land and Property Information (2015, 2016); Department of Industry (2015);  
Metropolitan Coal (2016); MSEC (2016)

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Land Ownership Within  
600 m of Longwalls 301 - 303

**Figure 1**

25 July 2016

Environment Protection Authority  
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**Attention: Mr Andrew Couldridge, Senior Operations Officer**

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Dear Andrew,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 EXTRACTION PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW) (Figure 1).

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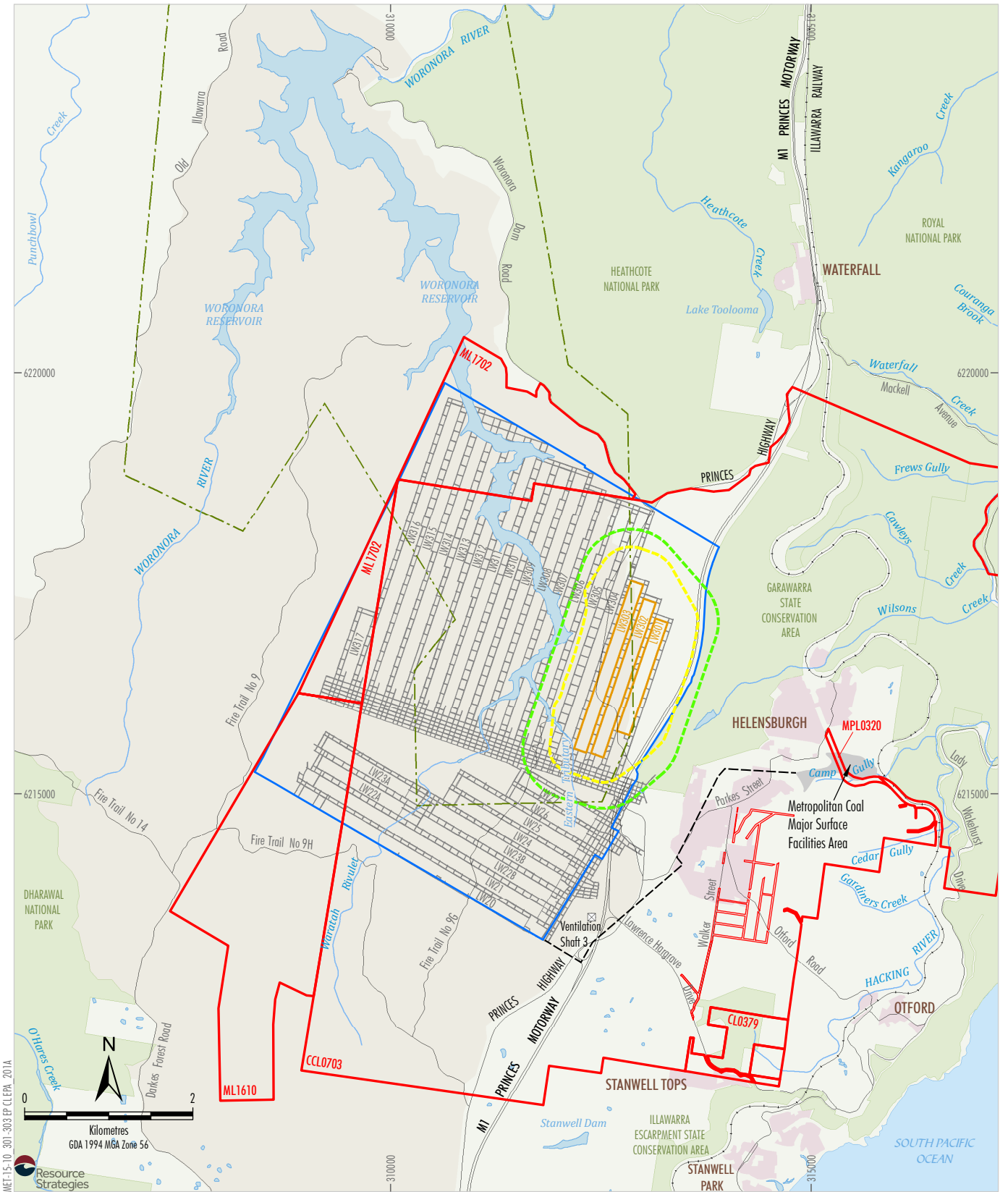
Condition 6, Schedule 3 of the Project Approval does not specifically require consultation with the Environment Protection Authority in regard to the Extraction Plan. It would be appreciated if you could advise Metropolitan Coal of the Environment Protection Authority's consultation requirements in relation to the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on (02) 4294 7233 should you have any queries or wish to discuss.

Yours faithfully,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services



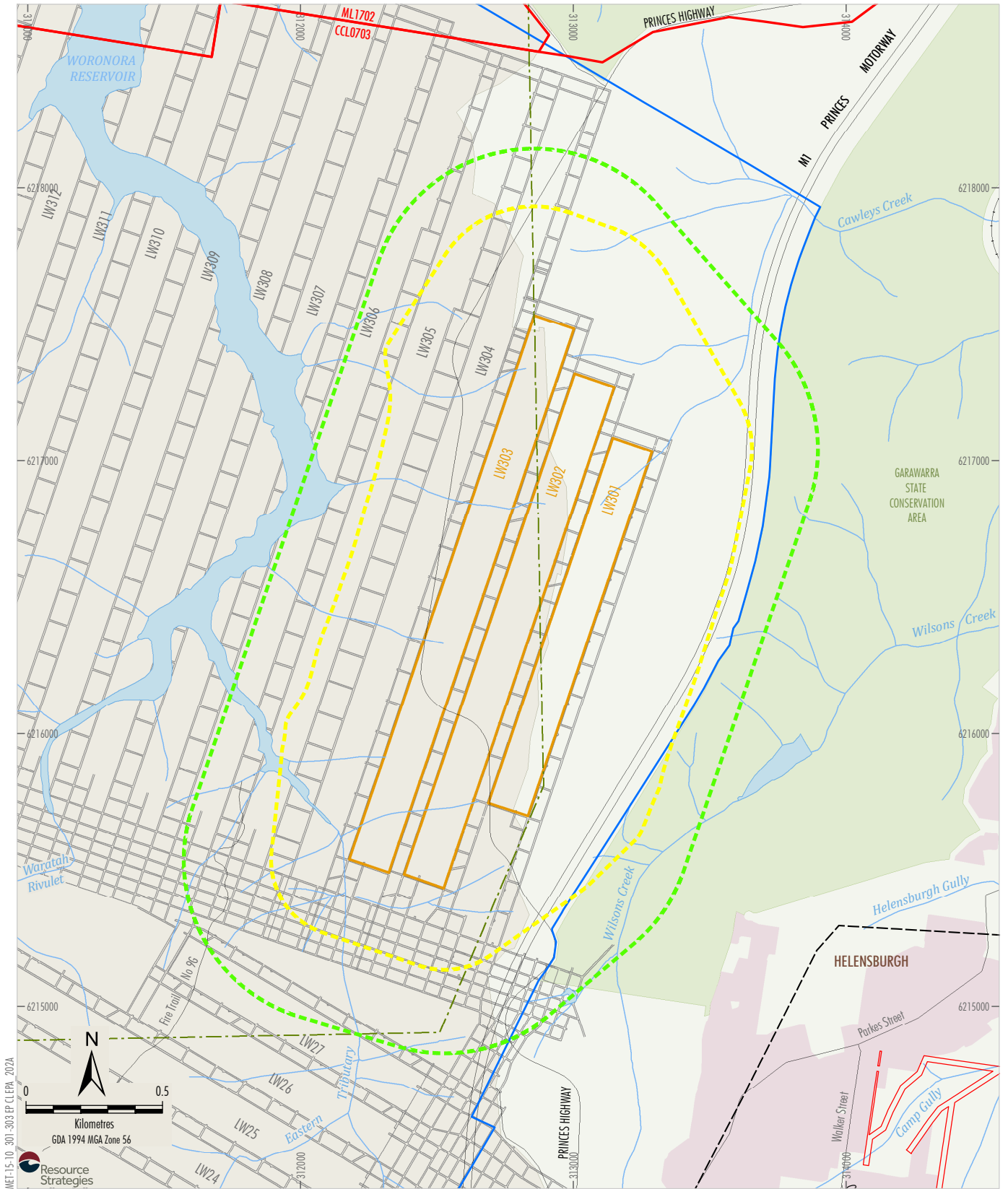
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Project Longwalls 20 - 27 and  
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**Figure 1**





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METROPOLITAN COAL  
Longwalls 301 - 303 Layout

**Figure 2**

20 July 2016

Senior Surveyor  
Land & Property Information (LPI) NSW  
Department of Lands  
PO Box 488G  
Newcastle NSW 2300

Dear Sir/Madam,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 EXTRACTION PLAN – SURVEY MARKS**

Metropolitan Coal is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW) (Figure 1).

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In accordance with Condition 6, Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, Metropolitan Coal prepares Extraction Plans for specific mining domains as mining progresses. Metropolitan Coal is currently preparing an Extraction Plan for the next area of longwall mining, namely Longwalls 301-303.

In accordance with the procedure described in Section 4.3 of the *Surveyor General's Directions No. 11 Preservation of Survey Infrastructure*, Metropolitan Coal has conducted a thorough search of the Survey Control Information Management System (SCIMS) and prepared the attached Diagram 1 showing the area to be affected by longwall mining and the permanent marks, trigonometrical stations, reference marks and miscellaneous survey marks in the vicinity.

Based on subsidence predictions by Mine Subsidence Engineering Consultants (MSEC) using their calibrated Incremental Profile Method, the survey control marks within the defined Study Area (refer Diagram 1) could experience the full range of predicted subsidence movements (and therefore consequential impacts on the survey control mark accuracy) due to the extraction of each of the longwalls as summarised in Table 1 below.

**Table 1**  
**Maximum Predicted Incremental Conventional Subsidence, Tilt and Curvature**  
**Resulting from the Extraction of Each of the Longwalls 301 to 303**

Longwall	Subsidence (mm)	Tilt (mm/m)	Hogging Curvature (km <sup>-1</sup> )	Sagging Curvature (km <sup>-1</sup> )
Due to LW301	75	< 0.5	< 0.01	0.02
Due to LW302	650	5.0	0.06	0.15
Due to LW303	650	5.5	0.08	0.10

Source: MSEC (2016)

The subsidence effect at the surface occurs in the form of a wave, which moves across the ground at approximately the same speed as the longwall face retreats within the longwall panel. It is noted that the subsidence at the surface does not occur suddenly but develops progressively as the coal is extracted within the area of influence of the extracted longwall panel and a point on the surface will be affected by the extraction of several adjacent panels.

There are survey control marks that are located outside the defined Study Area that are likely to experience either small amounts of subsidence (less than 20 millimetres) or far-field horizontal movements as the longwalls are mined. Far-field horizontal movements have been measured up to distances of approximately 3.9 kilometres from active longwalls, however almost all of the measured data beyond 2.5 kilometres is within the order of survey tolerance or accuracy.

The anticipated start date for Longwall 301 is April 2017. The provisional extraction schedule commencement and completion dates for Longwalls 301-303 are provided in Table 2.

**Table 2**  
**Provisional Extraction Schedule for Longwalls 301 to 303**

Longwall	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Duration	Estimated Completion Date
LW301	April 2017	6 months	September 2017
LW302	November 2017	7 months	May 2018
LW303	July 2018	8 months	February 2019

During mining, Metropolitan Coal would forward relevant notification details to *The Manager Survey Services*, LPI NSW in accordance with "Appendix C" of the *Surveyor General's Directions No.11 Preservation of Survey Infrastructure* (refer Attachment 1).

Following the completion of the longwalls, when the ground has stabilised, the survey control network would be re-established in consultation with the Department of Lands (and Mine Subsidence Board).

Contact details for the relevant Metropolitan Coal personnel are provided below:

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It is understood that the Senior Surveyor will liaise with Metropolitan Coal and the Mine Subsidence Board regarding the re-establishment and/or replacement of permanent marks on completion of subsidence. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any queries or require further information.

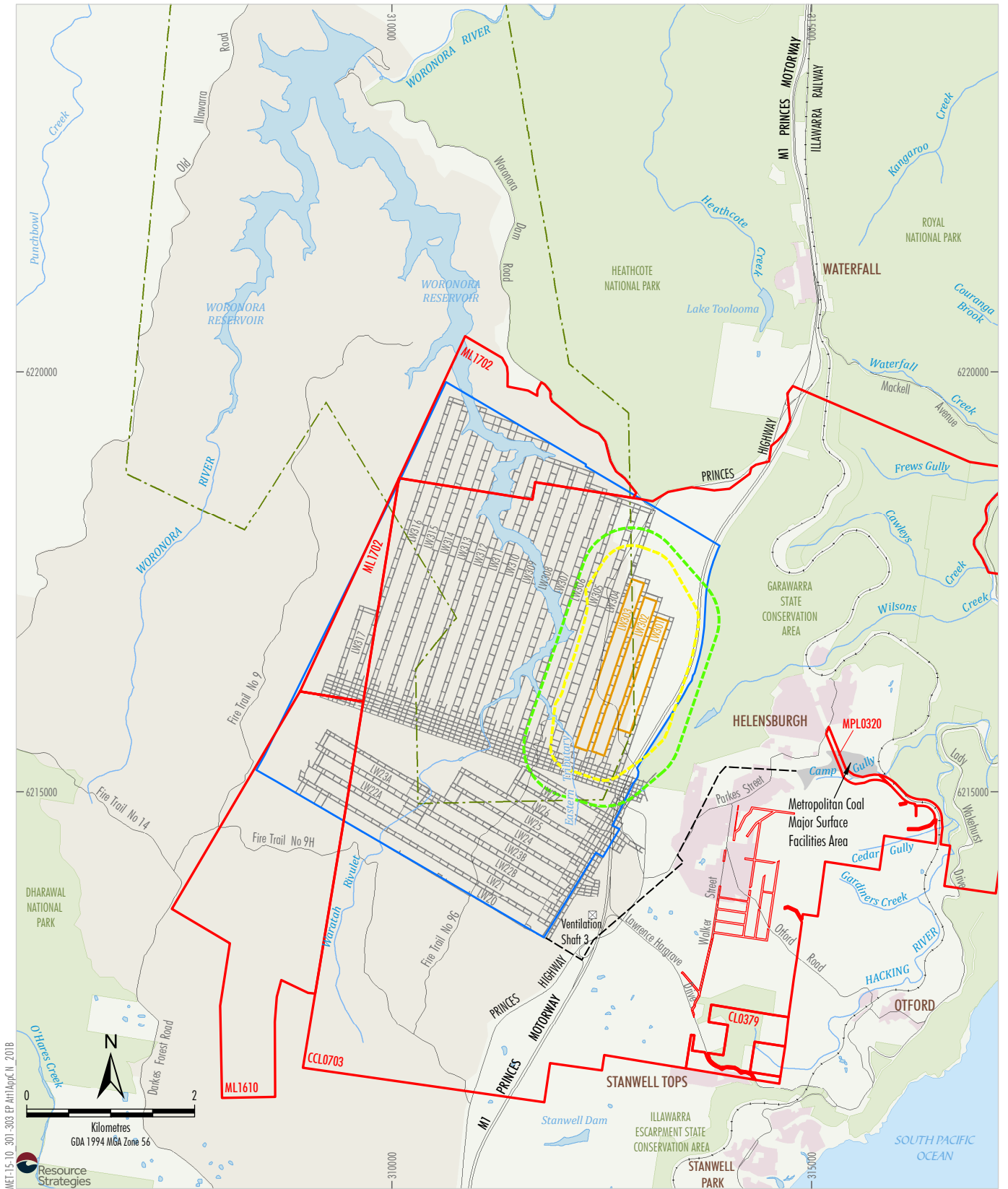
Yours faithfully,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
Manager – Technical Services

FIGURE 1

PROJECT LONGWALLS 20-27 AND LONGWALLS 301-317 LAYOUT



- LEGEND**
- Mining Lease Boundary
  - Woronora Special Area
  - Railway
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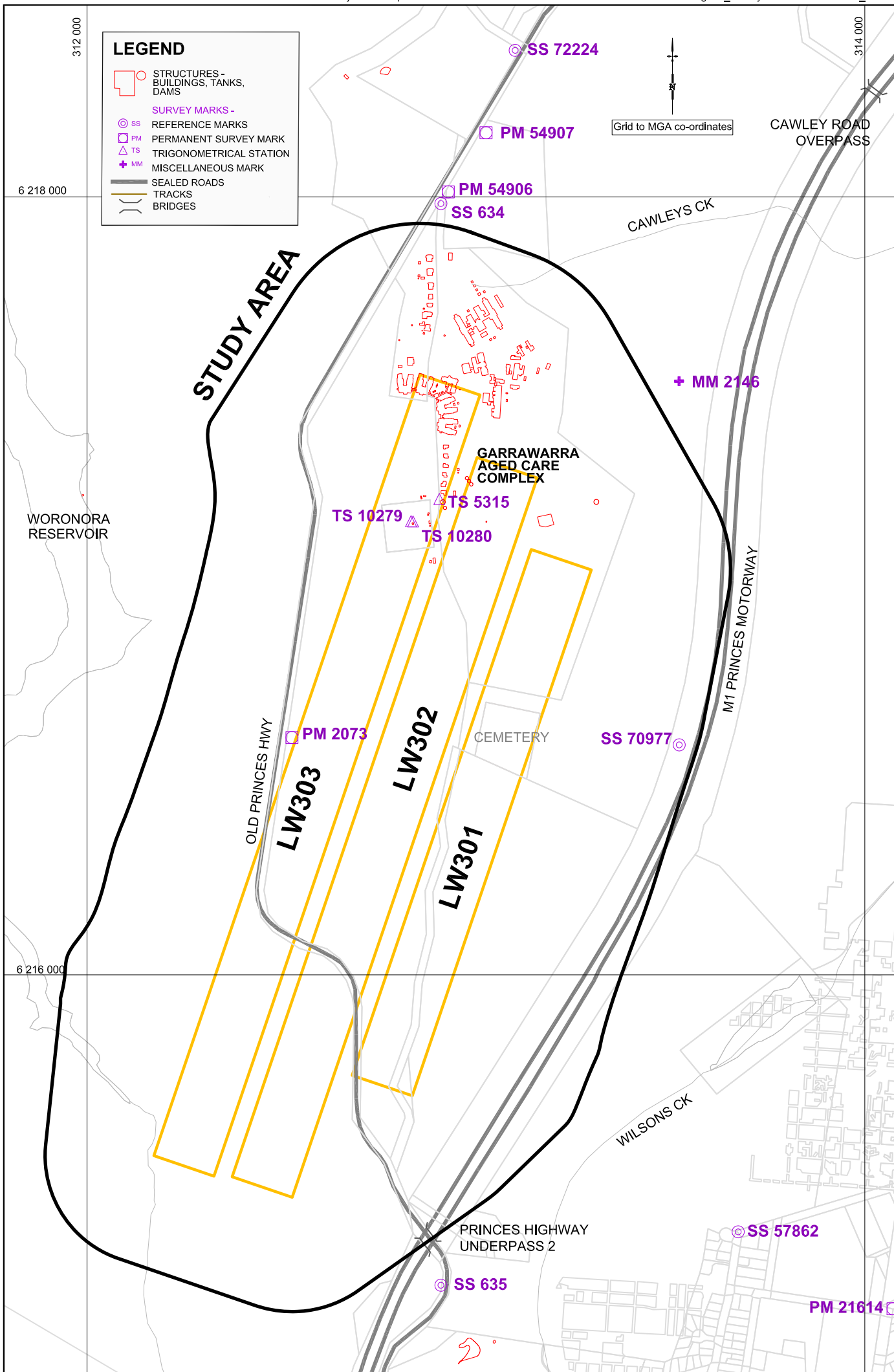
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Project Longwalls 20 - 27 and  
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**Figure 1**

DIAGRAM 1  
SURVEY MARKS





**LEGEND**

- STRUCTURES - BUILDINGS, TANKS, DAMS
- SURVEY MARKS -**
- SS REFERENCE MARKS
- PM PERMANENT SURVEY MARK
- TS TRIGONOMETRICAL STATION
- MM MISCELLANEOUS MARK
- SEALED ROADS
- TRACKS
- BRIDGES

**STUDY AREA**

WORONORA RESERVOIR

GARRAWARRA AGED CARE COMPLEX

CEMETERY

CAWLEY ROAD OVERPASS

CAWLEYS CK

M1 PRINCES MOTORWAY

WILSONS CK

PRINCES HIGHWAY UNDERPASS 2

SS 72224

PM 54907

PM 54906

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PM 21614

Grid to MGA co-ordinates

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ATTACHMENT 1

“APPENDIX C” NOTIFICATION OF THE DESTRUCTION OF SURVEY MARKS  
PERMANENT MARKS AND REFERENCE MARKS





### Notification of the Destruction of Survey Marks Permanent Marks & Reference Marks

(Please show sufficient information to identify the survey mark)

*Mark Details*

Mark Name:	
Description: TS PM SSM	No.
Reference Mark: <i>(Type / Description)</i>	
Deposited Plan:	
Location:	
Road / Street Name:	
LGA:	
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Coordinates: MGA E:	
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15 August 2016

Tharawal Local Aboriginal Land Council  
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PICTON NSW 2571

**Attention: Ms Denise Ezzy**

Dear Ms Ezzy,

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Lot 878, DP 752033

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The majority of Lot 3, DP 840501 (Reference Number 5 on Figure 1) is located to the north of Longwalls 301-303. A small section at the southern end of the lot is located above Longwall 301.

Predicted subsidence parameters for Lot 3, DP 840501 include 875 mm of subsidence, 5.0 mm/m conventional tilt, and  $0.04 \text{ km}^{-1}$  and  $0.15 \text{ km}^{-1}$  of hogging and sagging curvature, respectively (Mine Subsidence Engineering Consultants, 2016).

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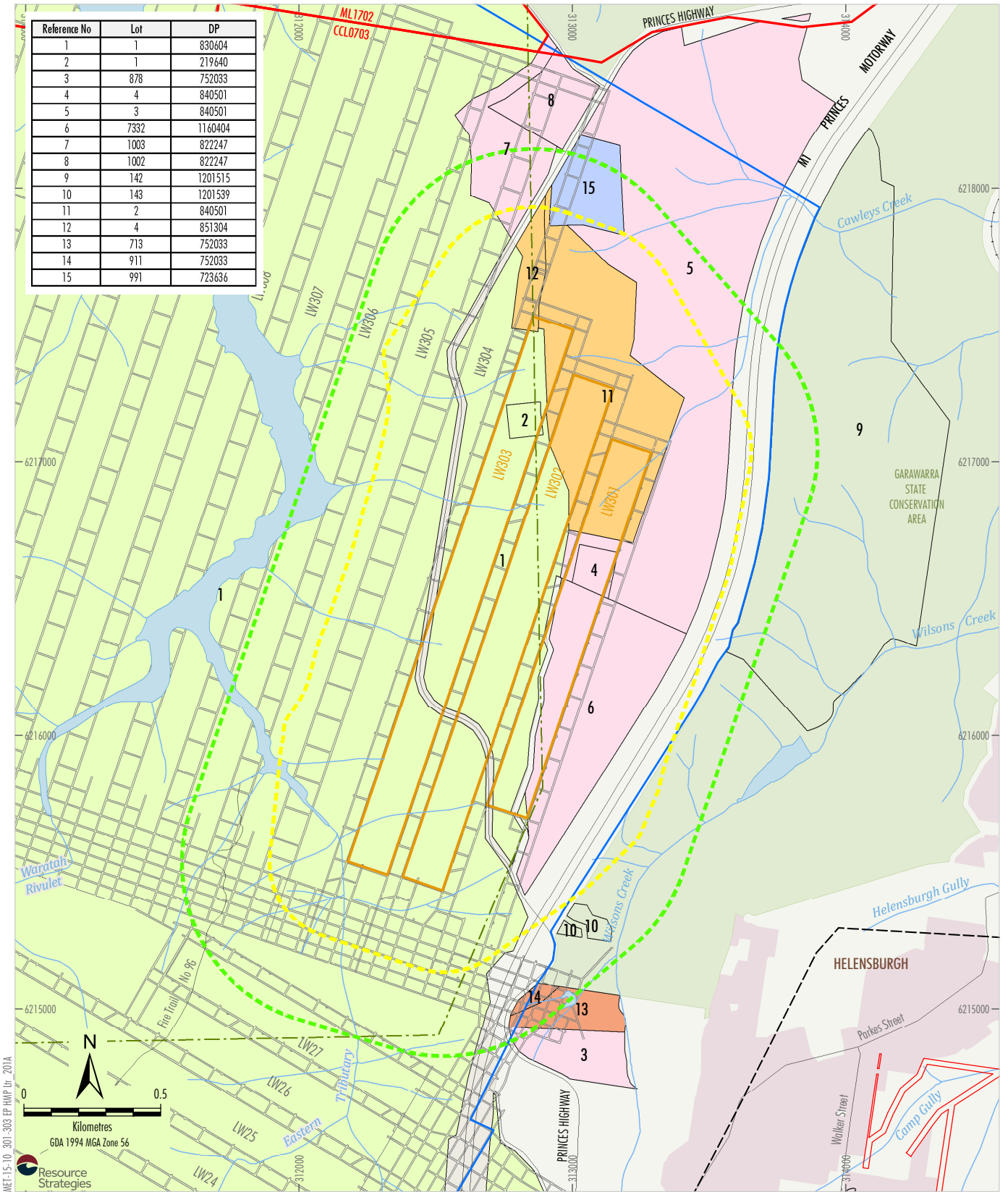
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**Figure 1**

18 October 2016

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14 July 2016

Crown Lands Nowra District Office  
NSW Department of Primary Industries – Lands  
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In accordance with Condition 6, Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, Metropolitan Coal prepares Extraction Plans for specific mining domains as mining progresses. Metropolitan Coal is currently preparing an Extraction Plan for the next area of longwall mining, namely Longwalls 301-303.

A title search of land within 600 metres (m) of Longwalls 301-303 identified Lot 878, DP 752033, Lot 4, DP 840501, Lot 3, DP 840501, Lot 7332, DP 1160404 and Lot 1003, DP 822247, the owner of which was identified as The State of New South Wales (Crown Land). The location of these lots in relation to Longwalls 301-303 is shown on Figure 3.

We understand that the majority of these lots are undeveloped, with no building structures present. The Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association club house and airstrip are located on Lot 1003, DP 822247. A copy of our correspondence to the Sutherland Shire Sport Flying Association is provided for your information in Attachment 1.

Other built features are present on Lot 3, DP 840501 (including transmission lines, fibre optic lines, four wheel drive tracks and sewer mains) and on Lot 7332, DP 1160404 (including transmission lines, fibre optic lines and four wheel drive tracks).

The Waterfall General (Garrawarra) Cemetery managed by Wollongong City Council is located on Lot 4, DP 840501.



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**Lot 878, DP 752033 and Lot 1003, DP 822247**

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Subsidence Parameter Predictions (MSEC, 2016)**

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- Longwalls 301-303 Land Management Plan.
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- Longwalls 301-303 Heritage Management Plan.
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- Longwalls 301-303 Subsidence Monitoring Program, including a Coal Resource Recovery Plan.

Potential impacts to built features on Lot 4, DP 840501, Lot 3, DP 840501 and Lot 7332, DP 1160404 will be managed in accordance with the relevant Longwalls 301-303 Built Features Management Plans being prepared in consultation with infrastructure owners (including Endeavour Energy, Nextgen, Optus, Sydney Water, Telstra and TransGrid) and Wollongong City Council (for the management of the Waterfall General [Garrawarra] Cemetery).

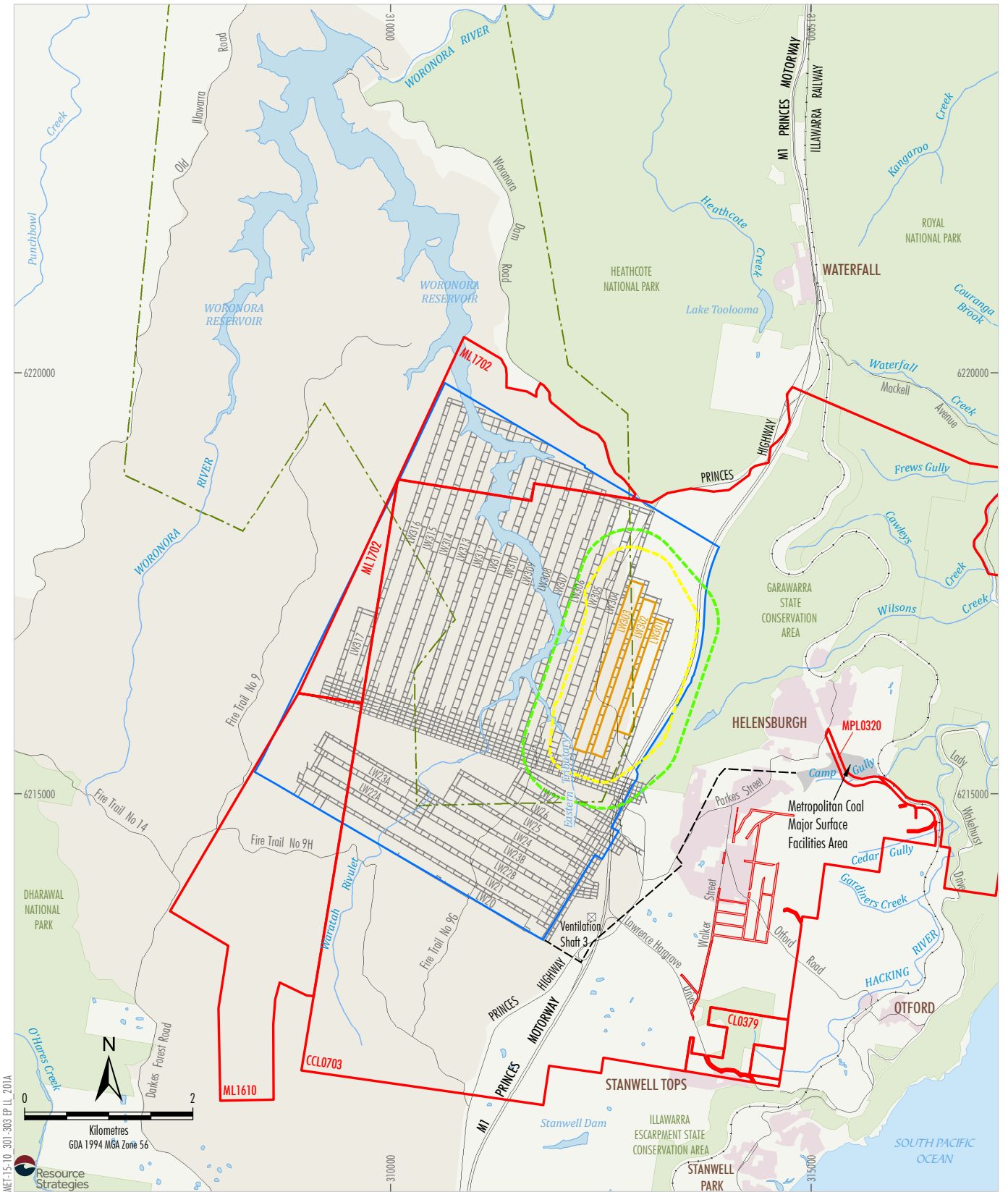
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Metropolitan Coal would also appreciate being advised if there are any landusers associated with the crown land that you consider may wish to be consulted in regard to the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan. For example, we understand that Lot 3, DP 840501 and Lot 878, DP 752033 are subject to current Aboriginal land claims.

Yours faithfully,



**JON DEGOTARDI**  
 Manager – Technical Services



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**Figure 1**

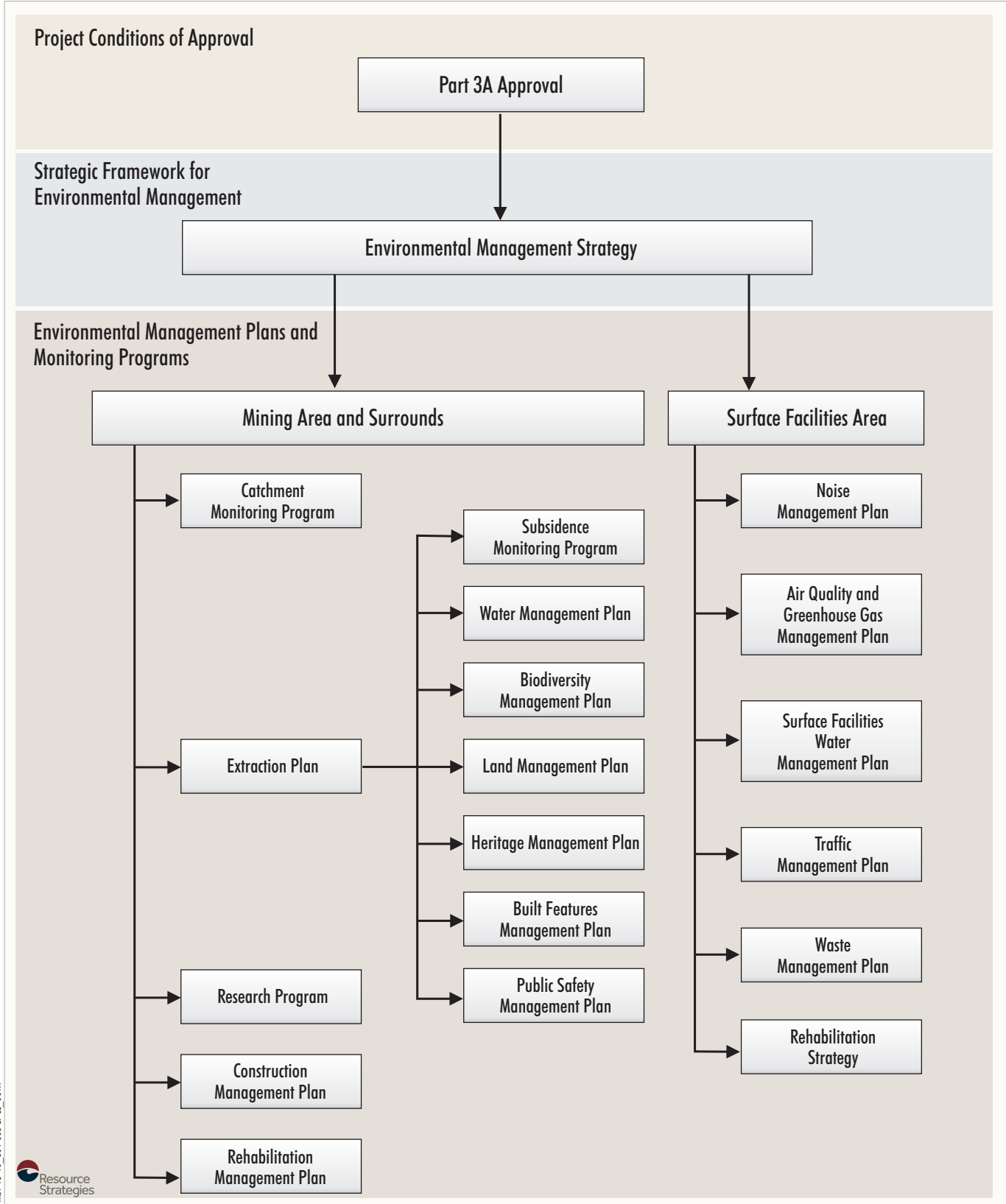
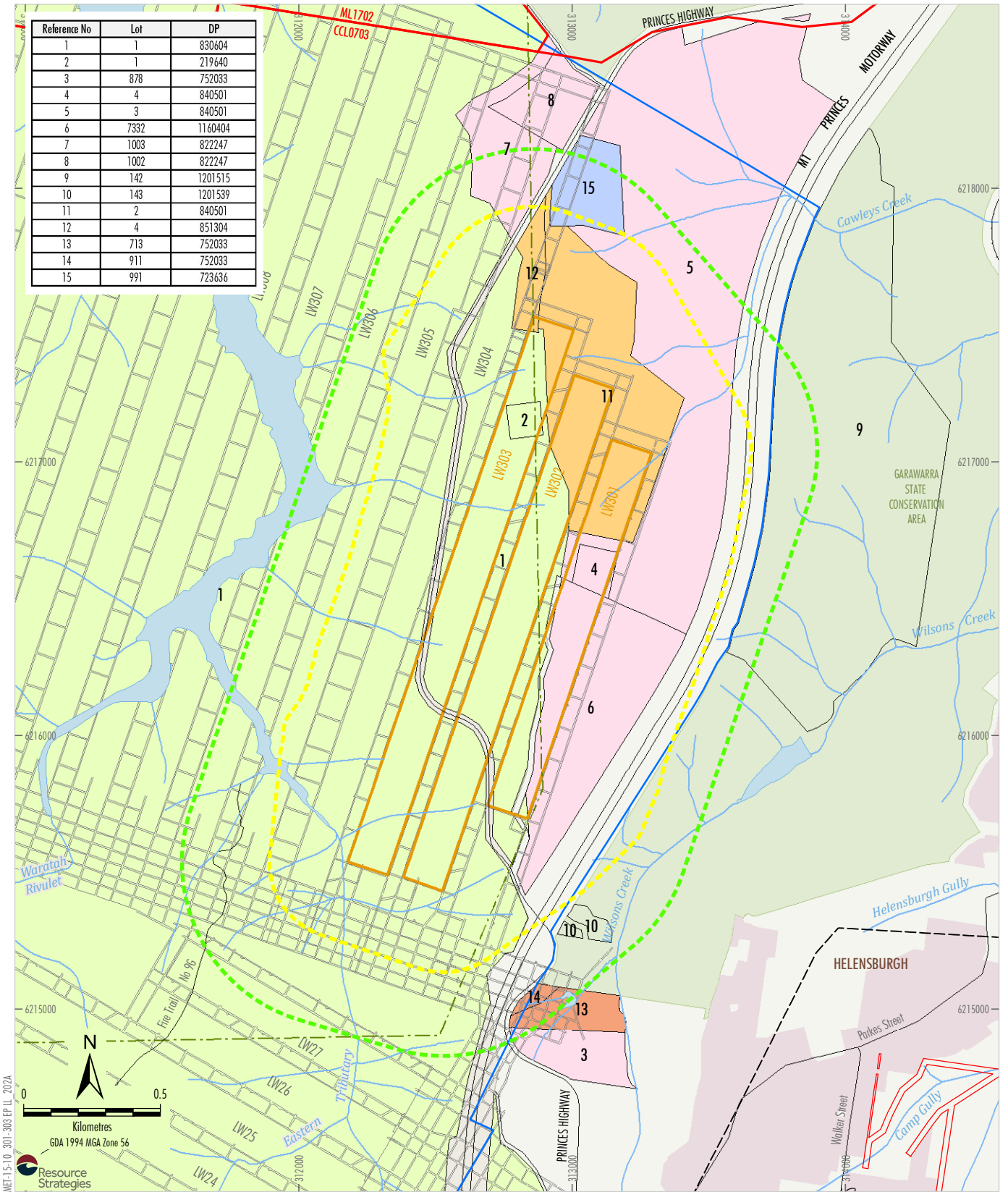


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**Figure 3**

ATTACHMENT 1

LETTER TO SUTHERLAND SHIRE SPORT FLYING ASSOCIATION



**COPY**

14 July 2016

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Secretary  
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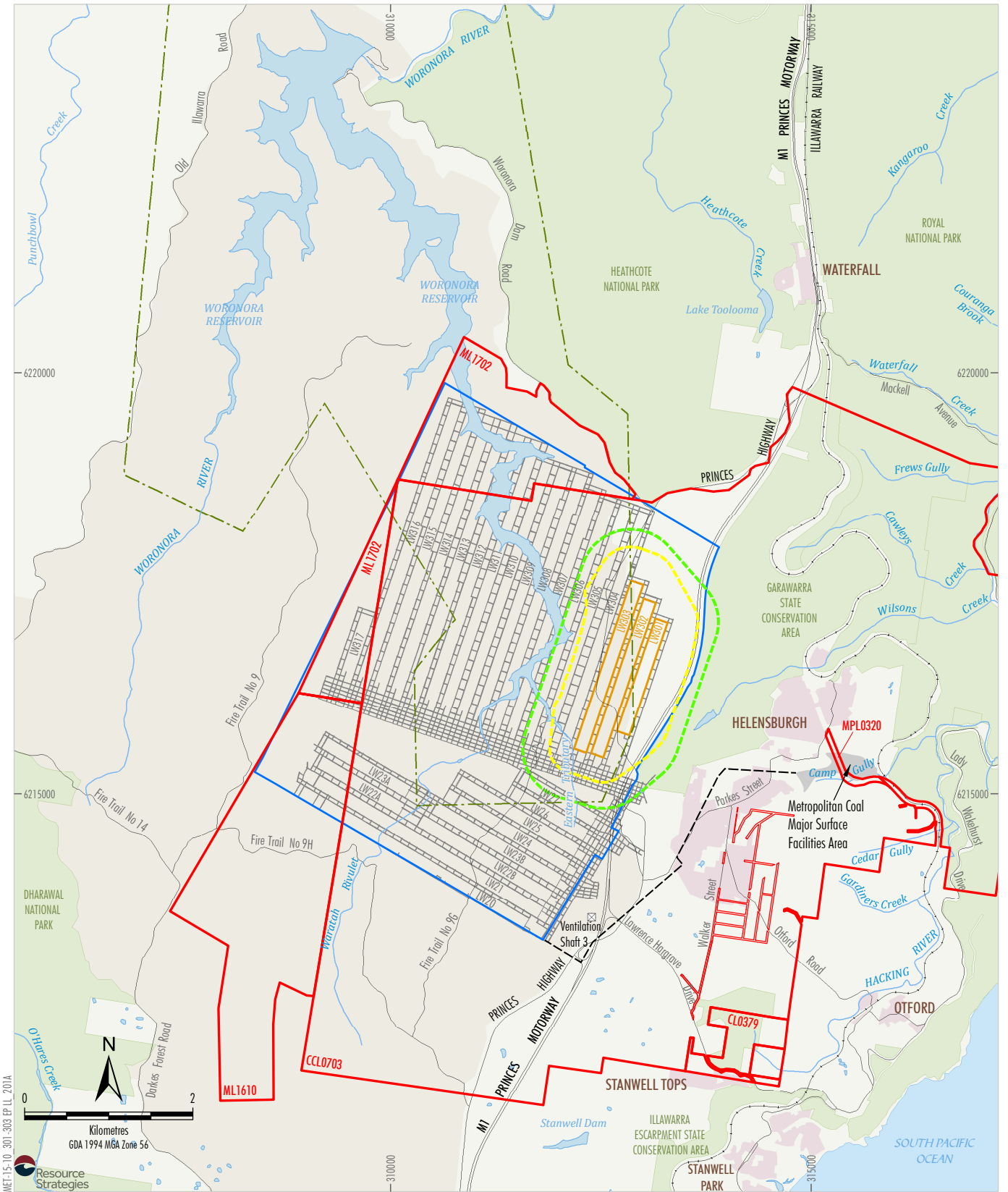
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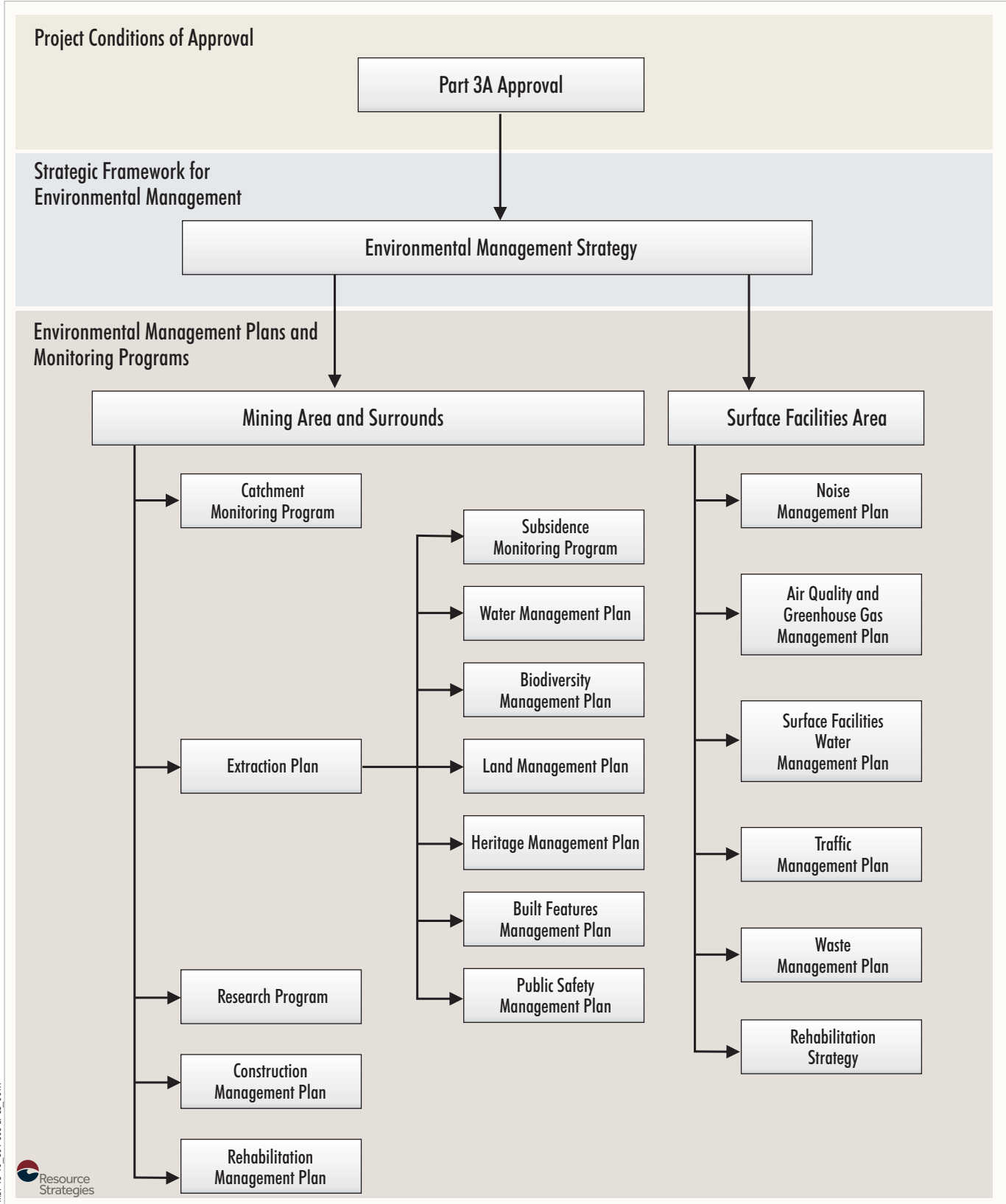
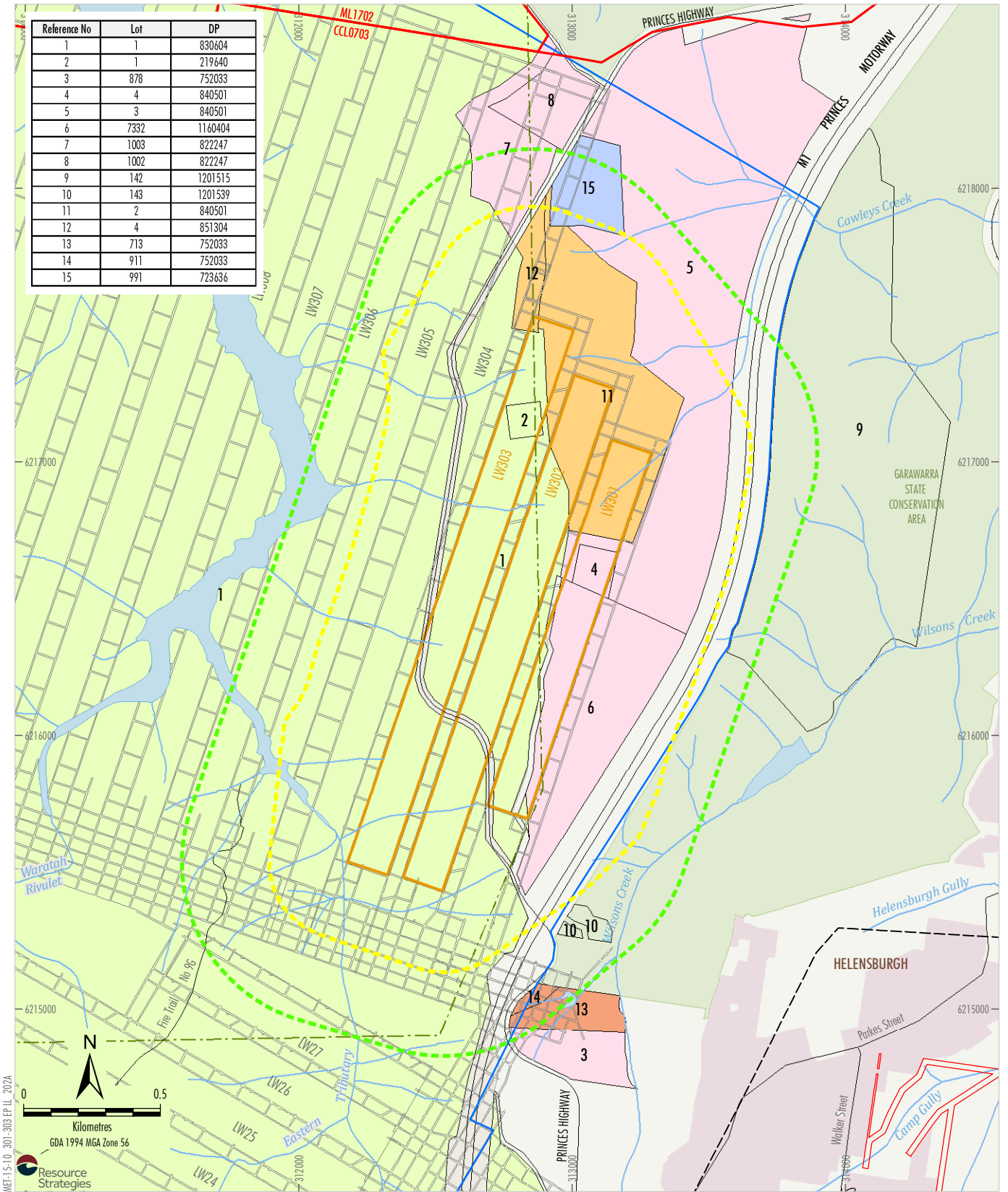


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**Figure 3**

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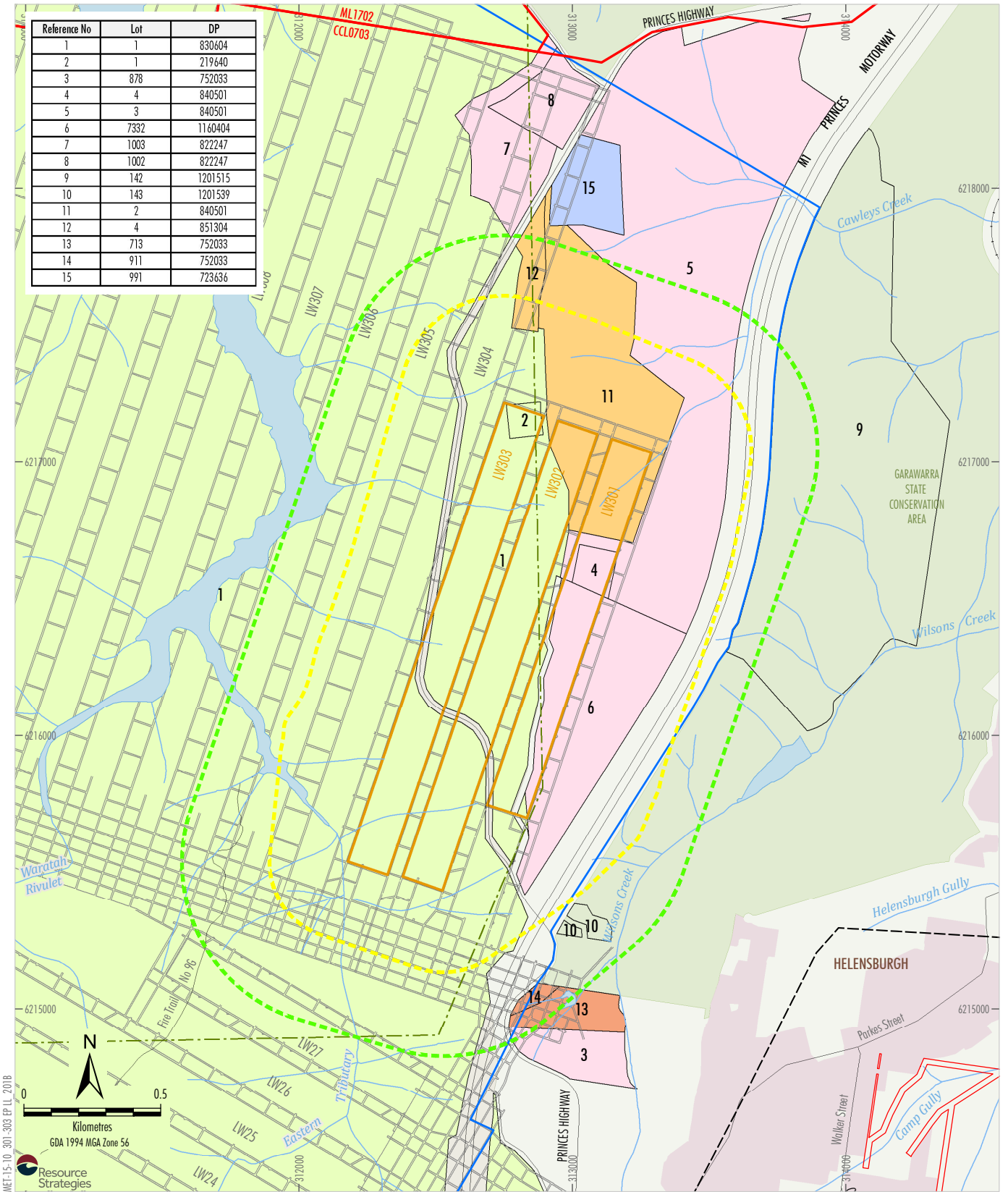
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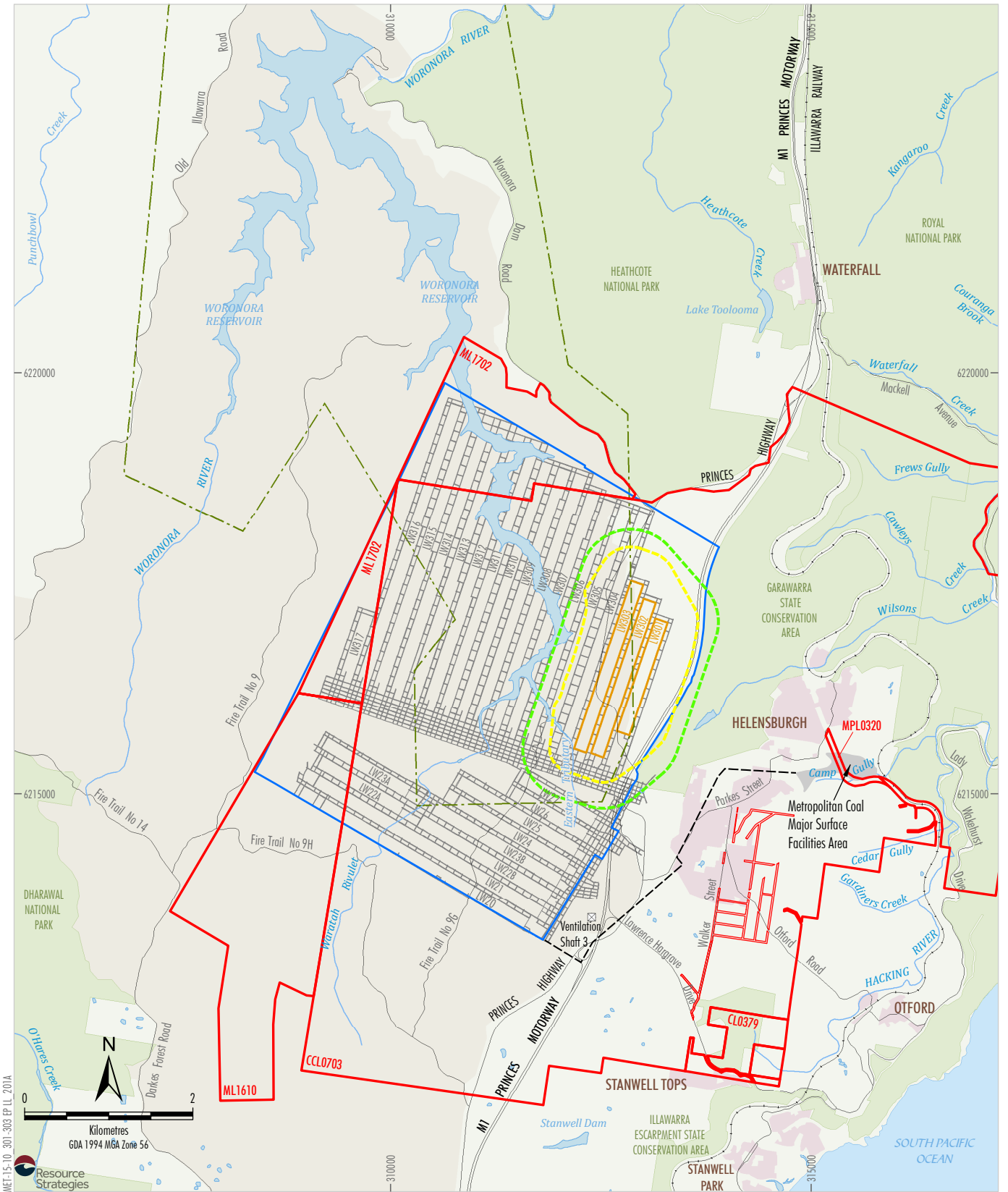
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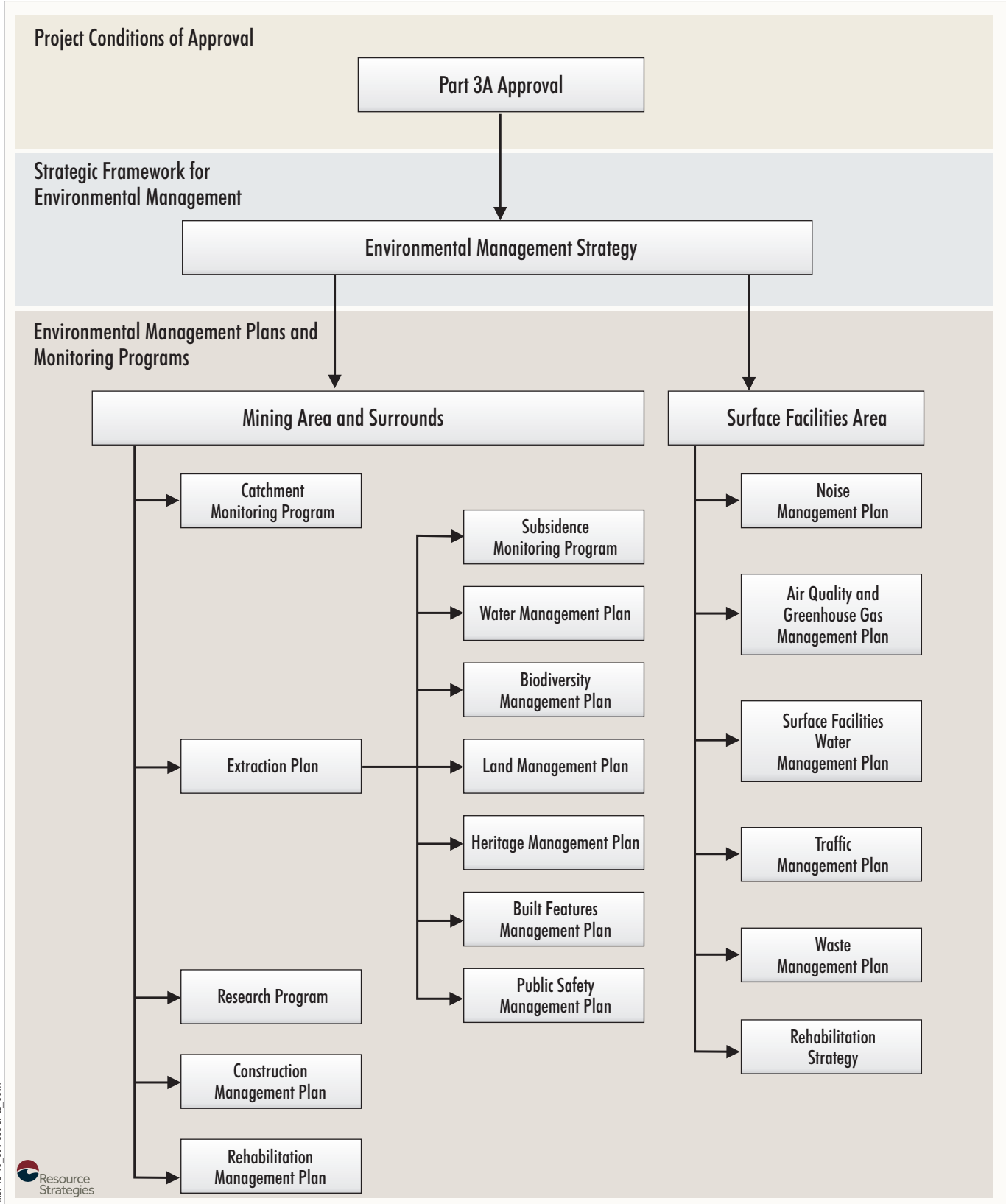
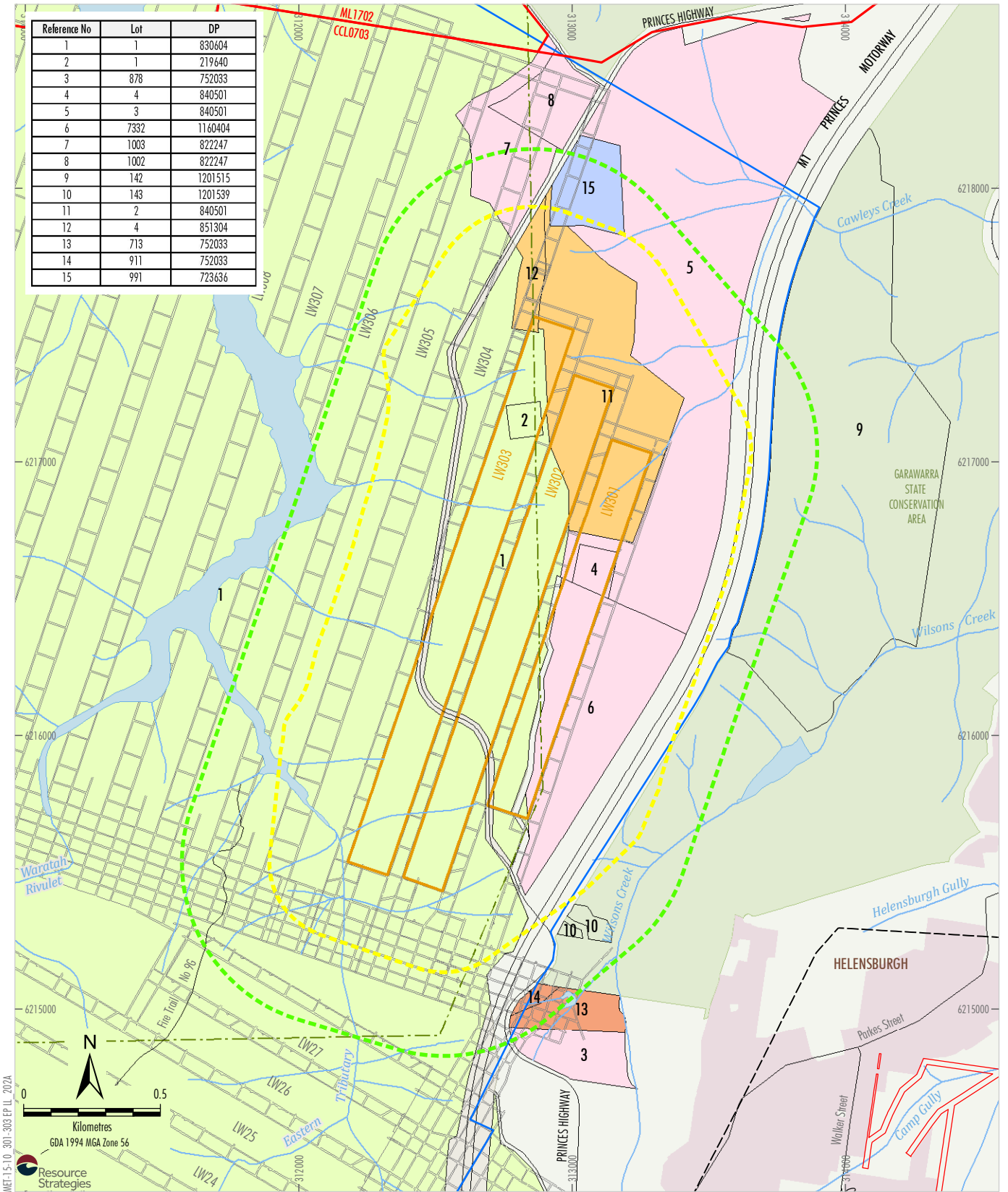


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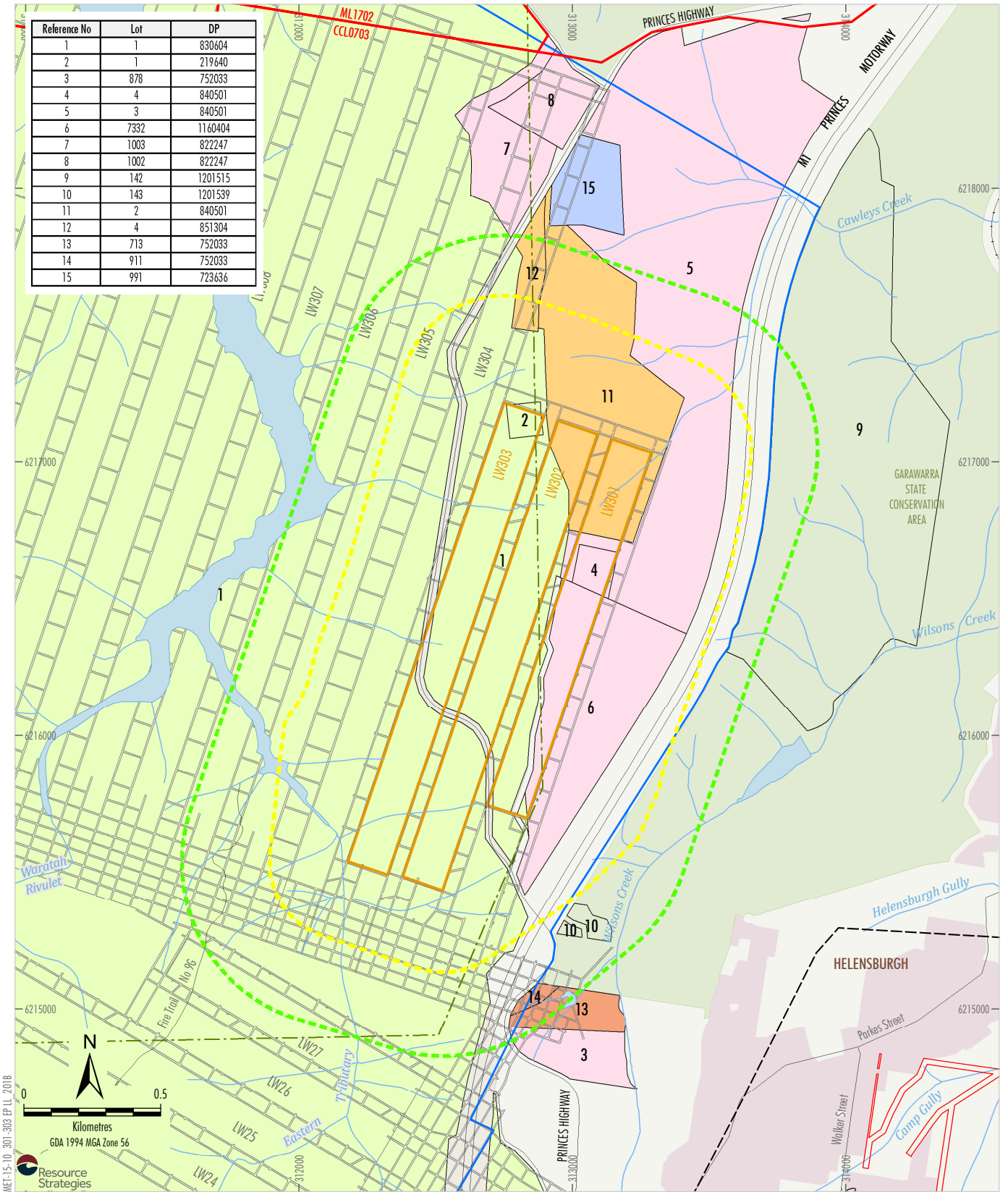
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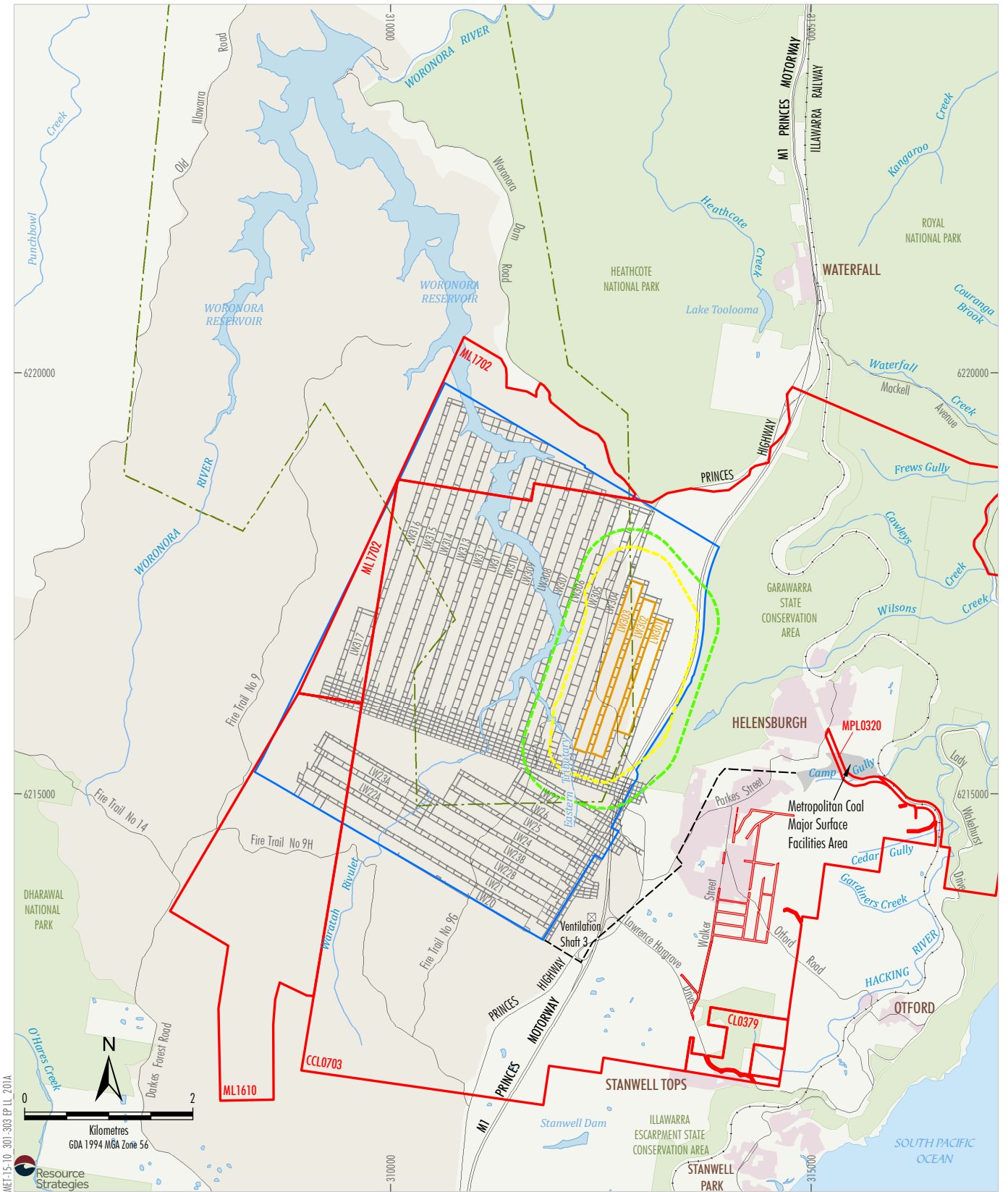
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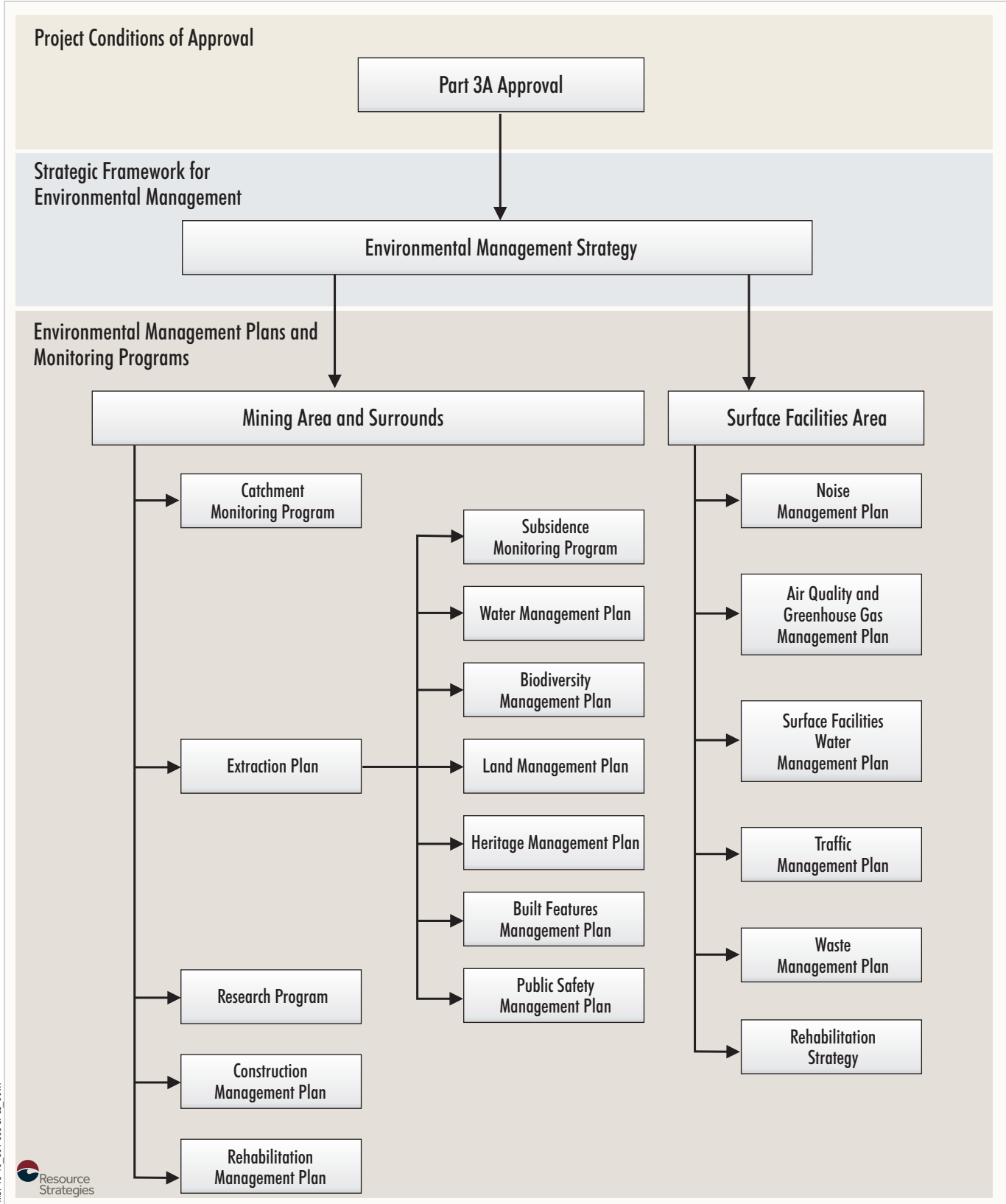
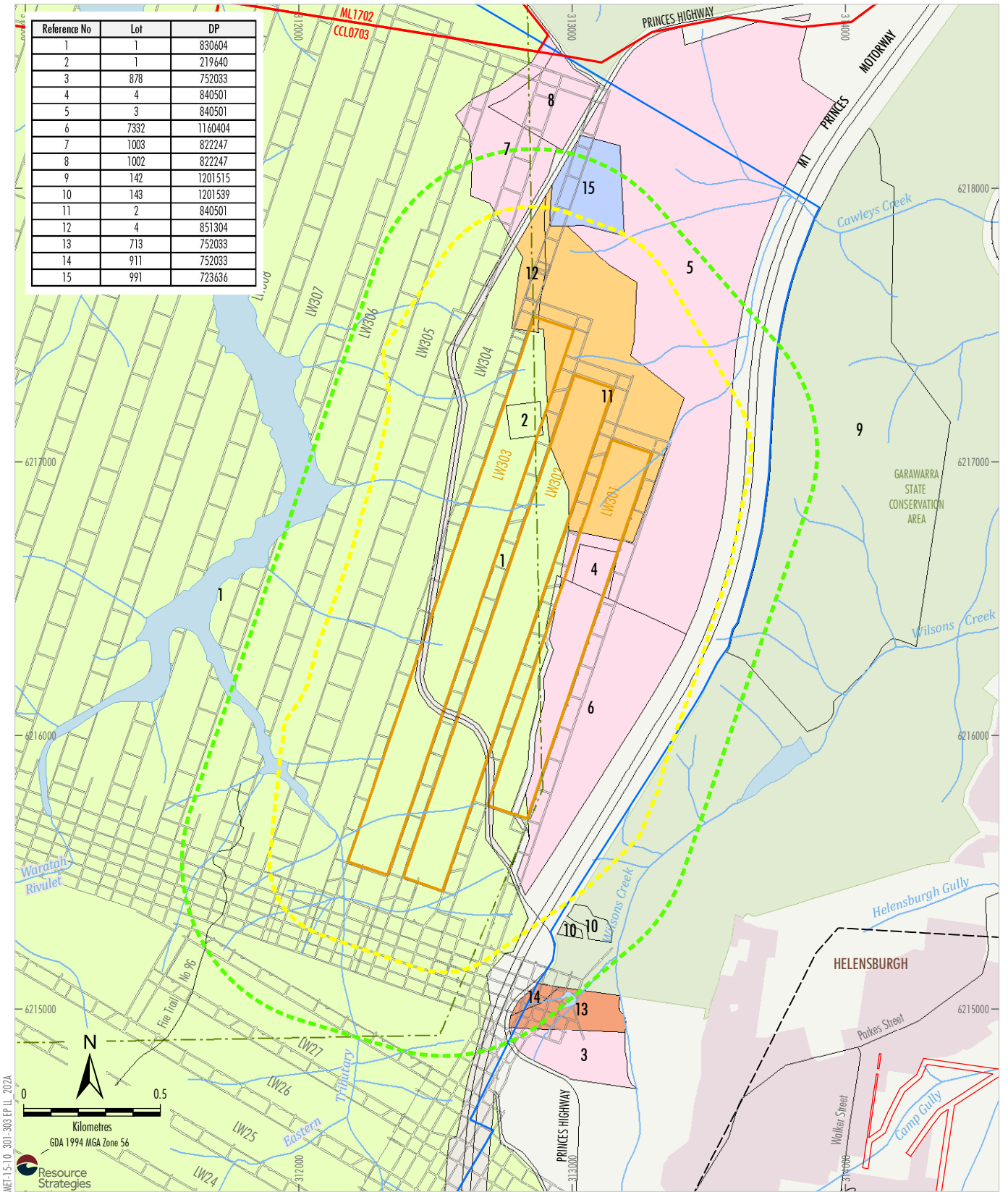


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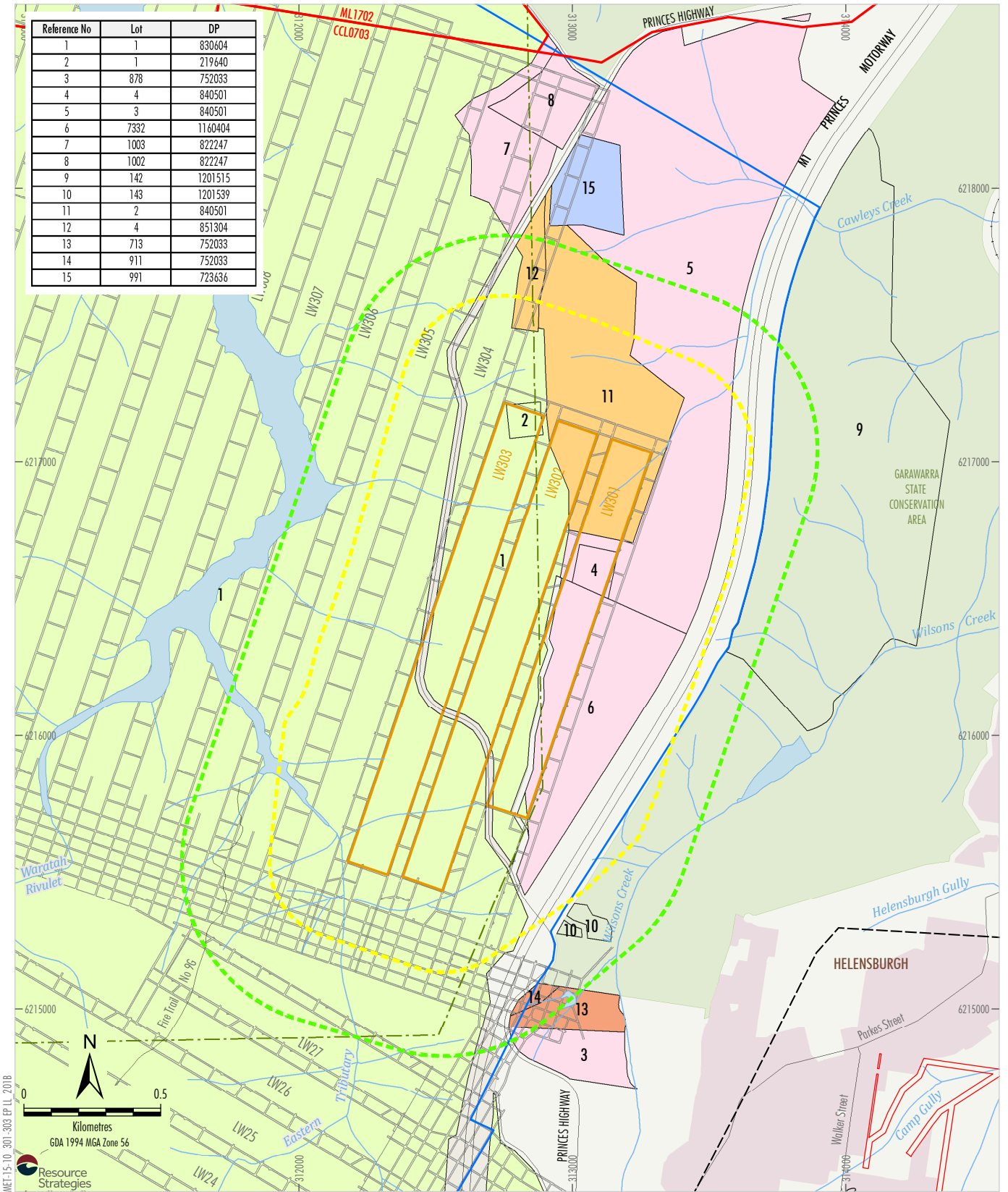
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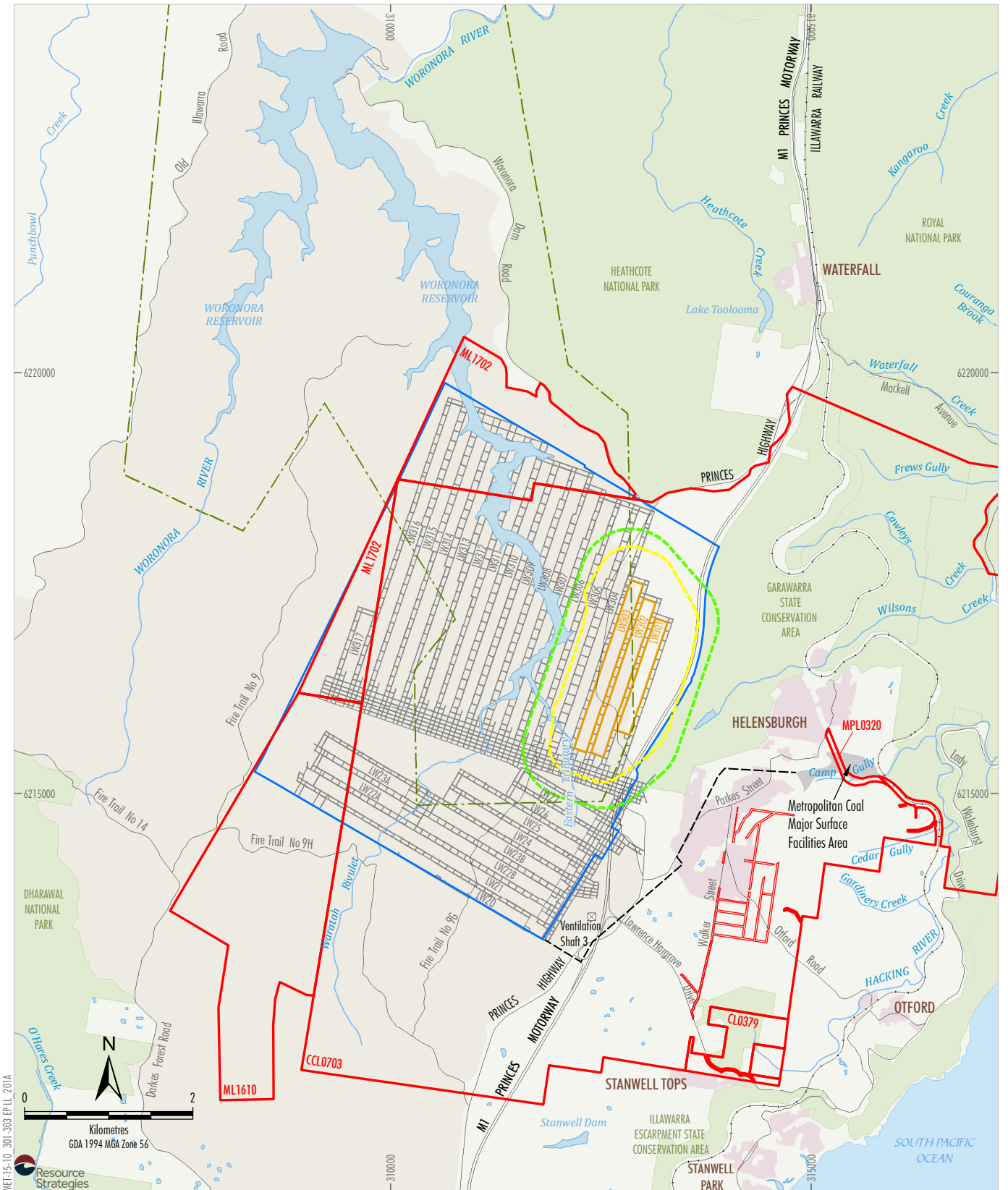
Metropolitan Coal would also appreciate being advised if there are any landusers associated with this property that you consider may wish to be consulted in regard to the Longwalls 301-303 Extraction Plan.

Yours faithfully,



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Manager – Technical Services





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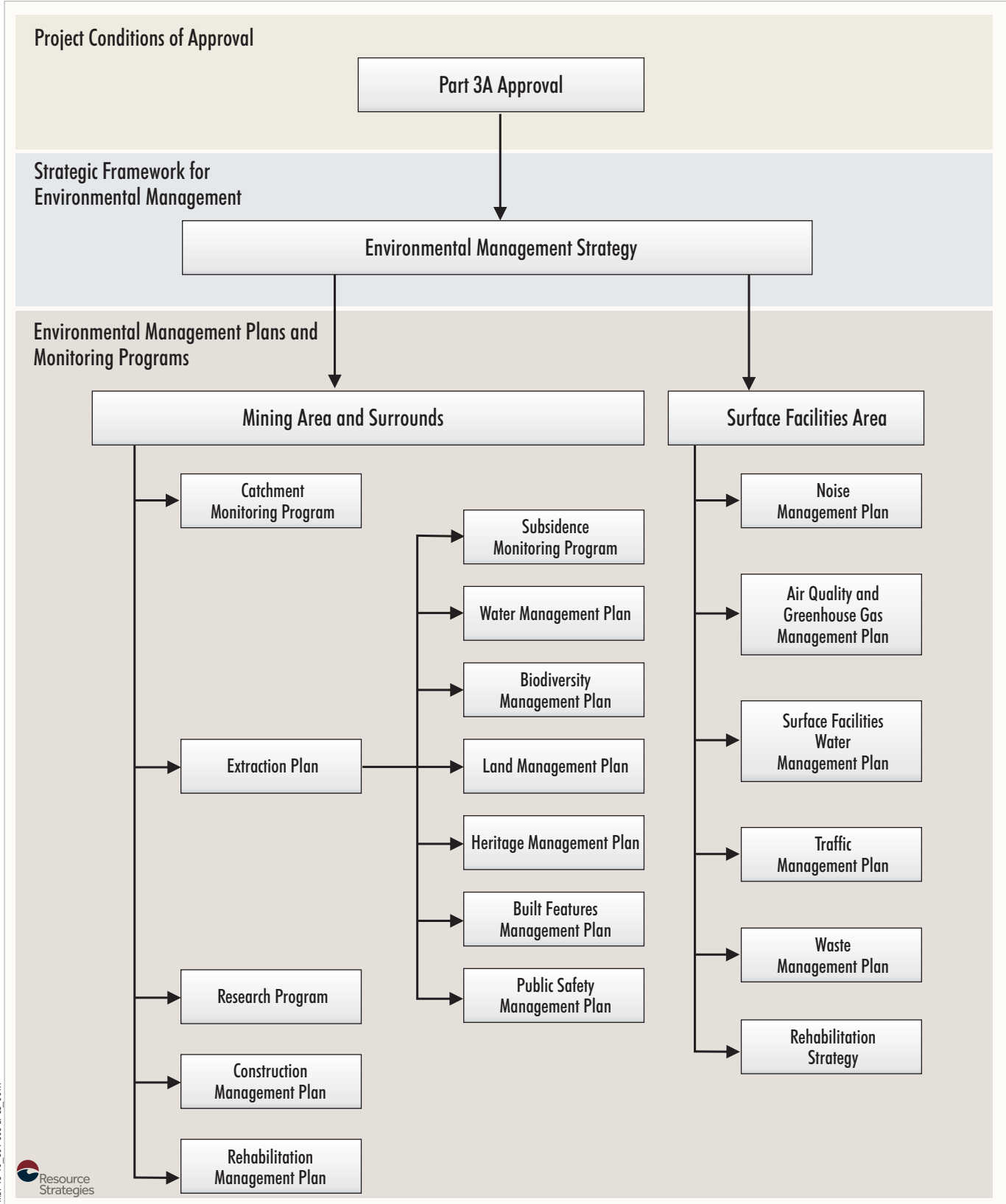
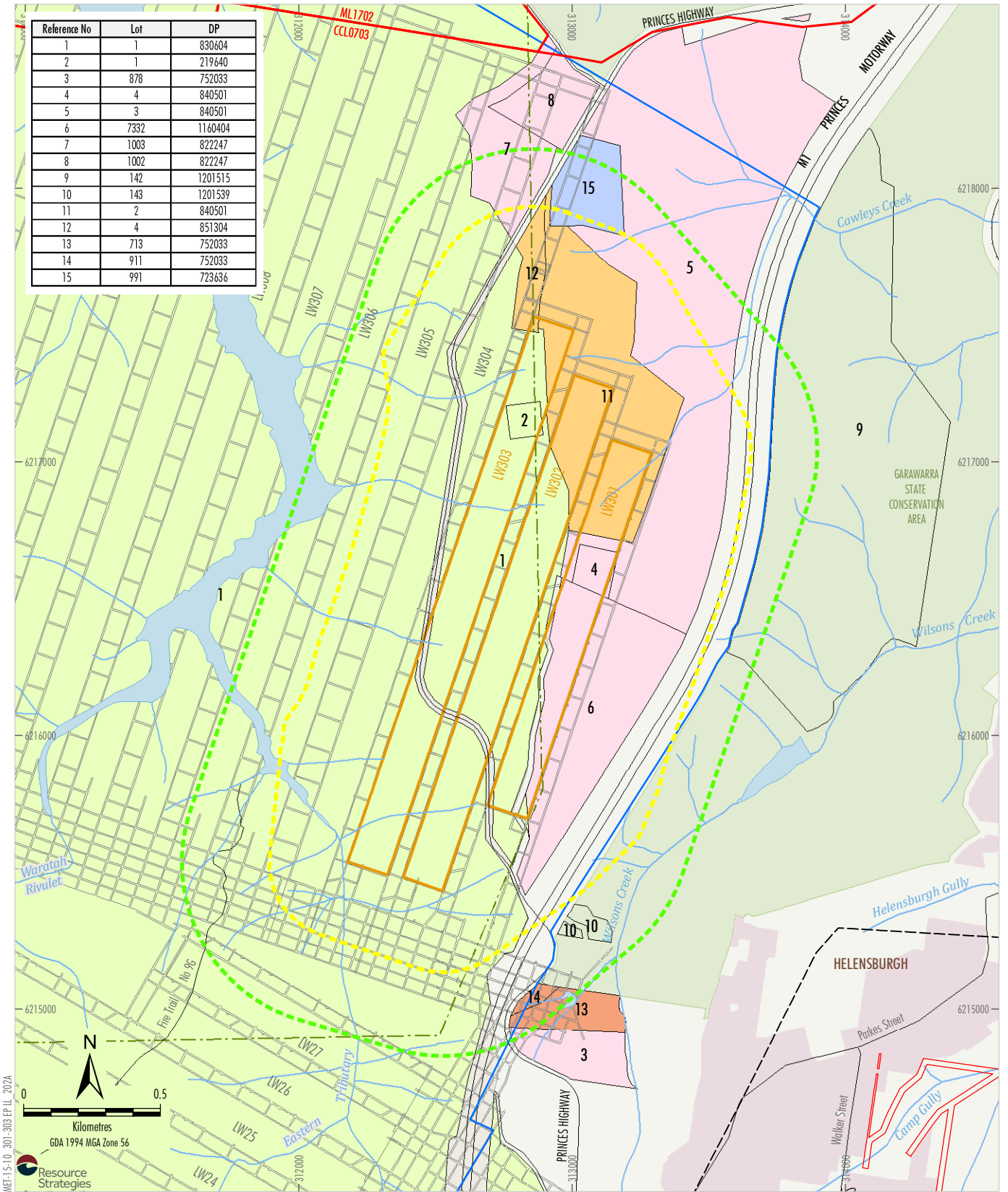


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**Figure 3**



17 October 2016

Mr Boris Vrtkovski  
Secretary  
Macedonian Orthodox Community of The City of Greater Wollongong  
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Dear Mr Vrtkovski,

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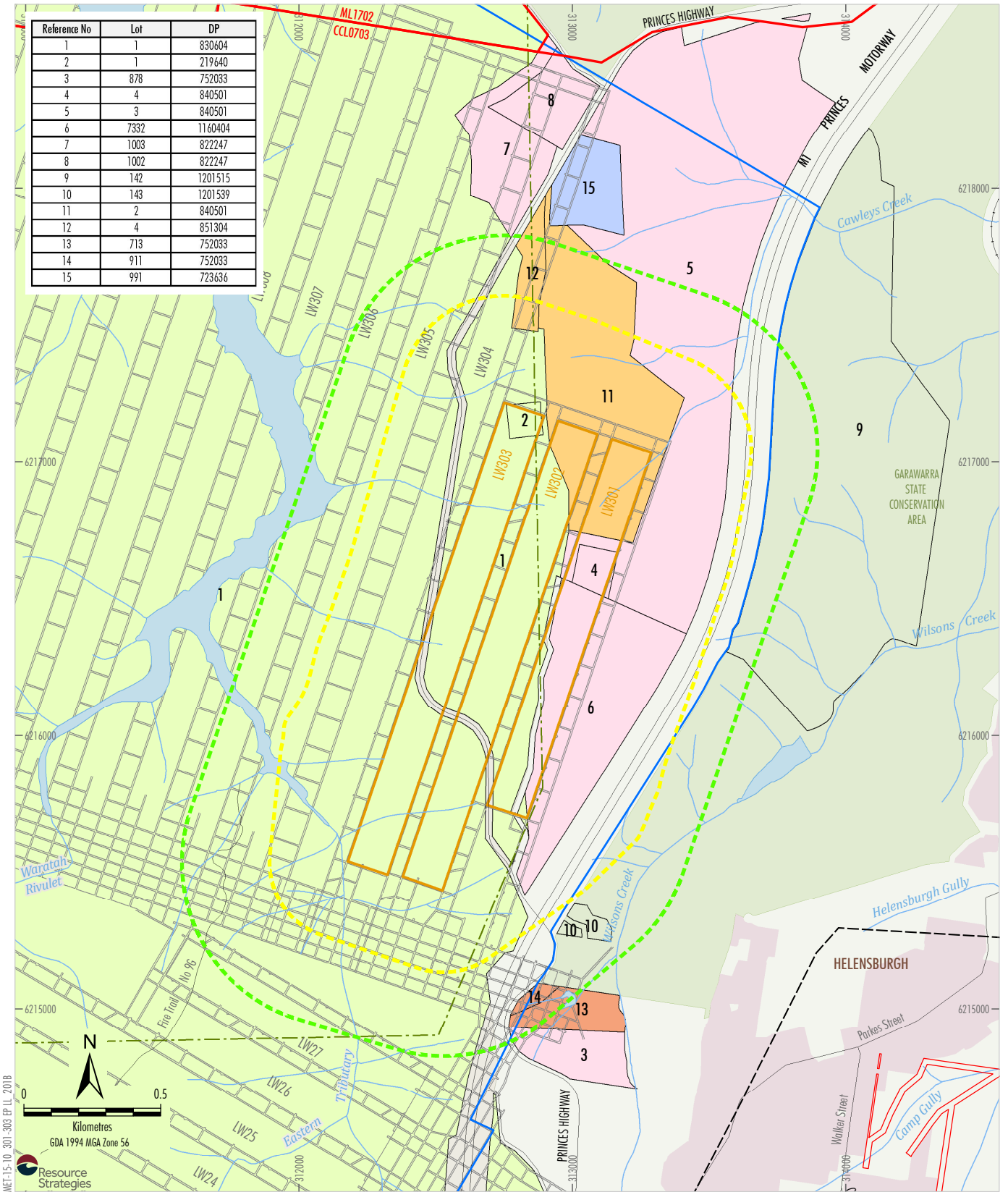
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Dear Robert and Carolyn,

**RE: METROPOLITAN COAL LONGWALLS 301-303 EXTRACTION PLAN**

Metropolitan Coal is wholly owned by Peabody Energy Australia Pty Ltd, and is located adjacent to the township of Helensburgh and approximately 30 kilometres north of Wollongong in New South Wales (NSW) (Figure 1). Metropolitan Coal is one of the earliest established and longest continually running coal mining operations in Australia, with a history dating back to the 1880s.

Metropolitan Coal was granted Project Approval (08\_0149) for the Metropolitan Coal Project (the Project) on 22 June 2009 by the NSW Minister for Planning under section 75J of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979*. The Project comprises the continuation, upgrade and extension of underground coal mining operations and surface facilities at Metropolitan Coal. The underground mining longwall layout is shown on Figure 1. The Metropolitan Coal Environmental Management Structure is shown on Figure 2.

In accordance with Condition 6, Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, Metropolitan Coal prepares Extraction Plans for specific mining domains as mining progresses. Metropolitan Coal is currently preparing an Extraction Plan for the next area of longwall mining, namely Longwalls 301-303.

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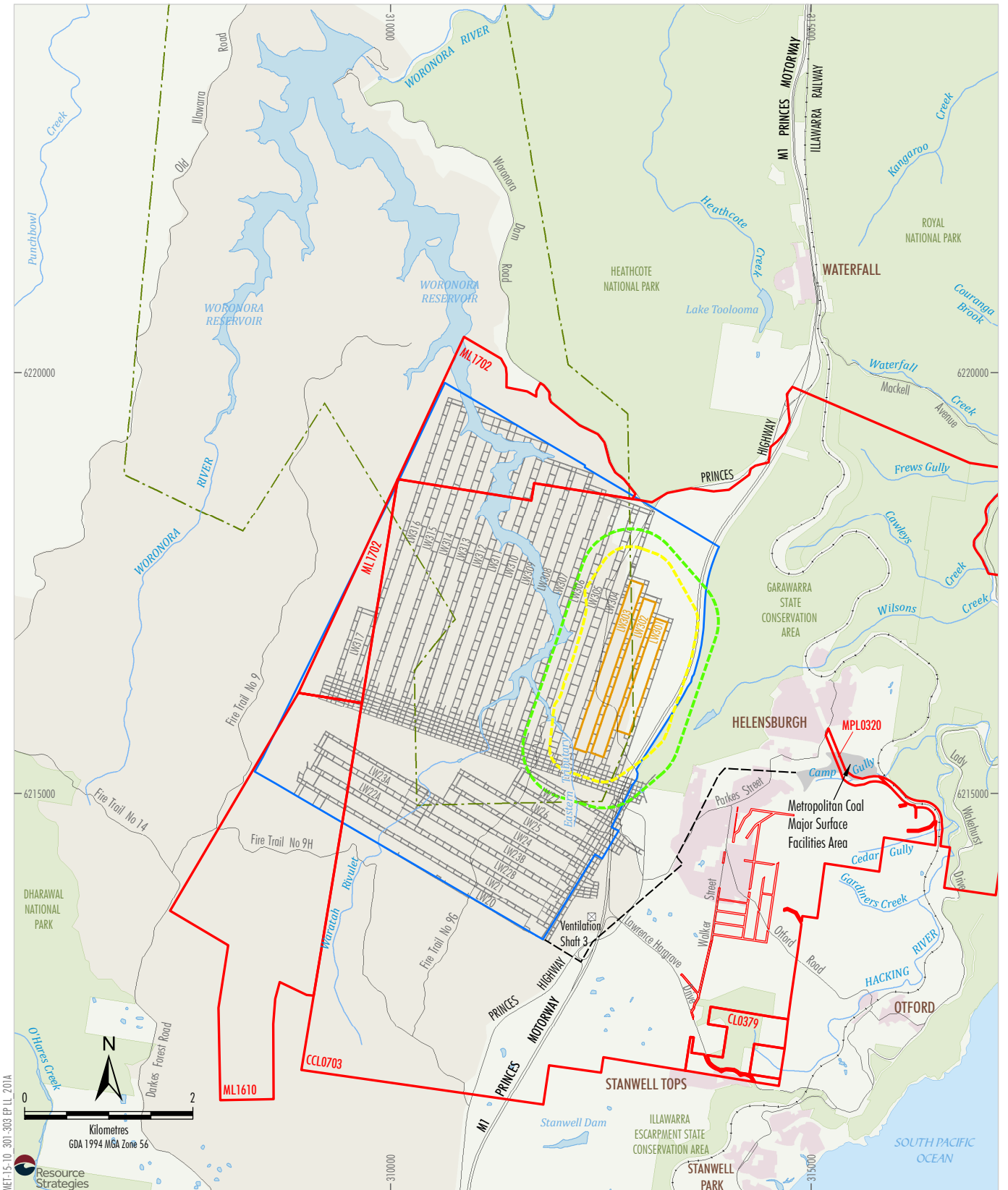
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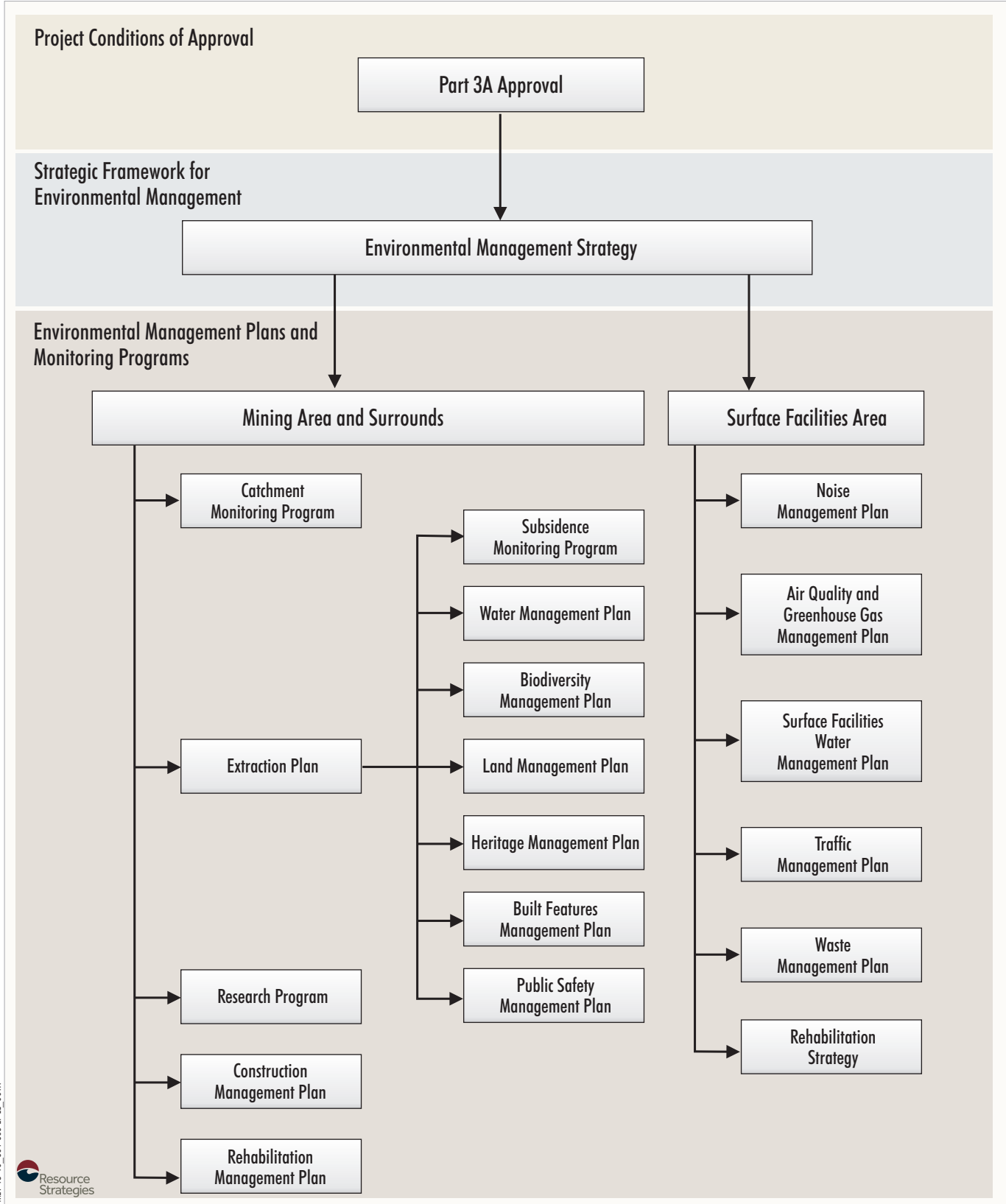


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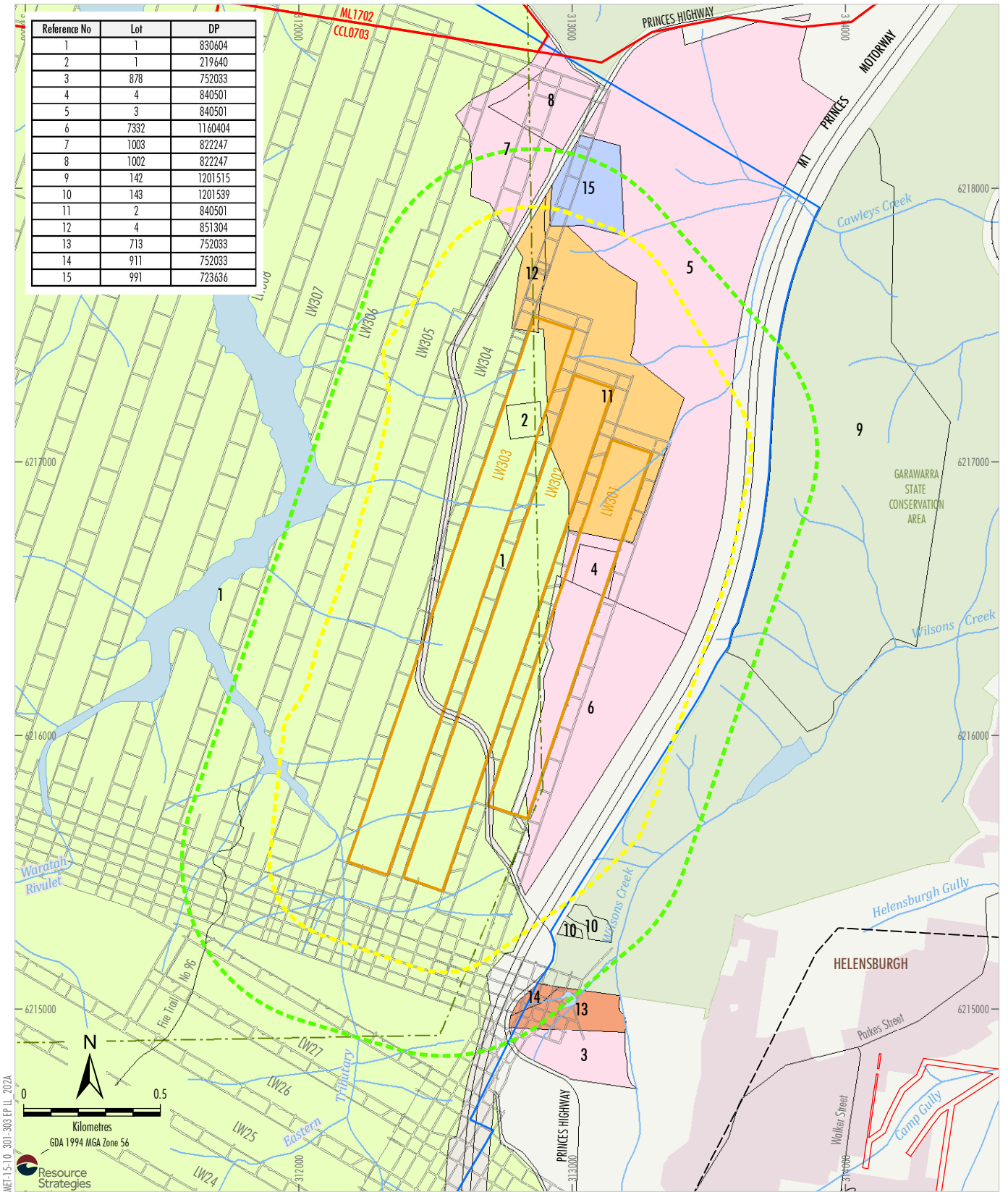


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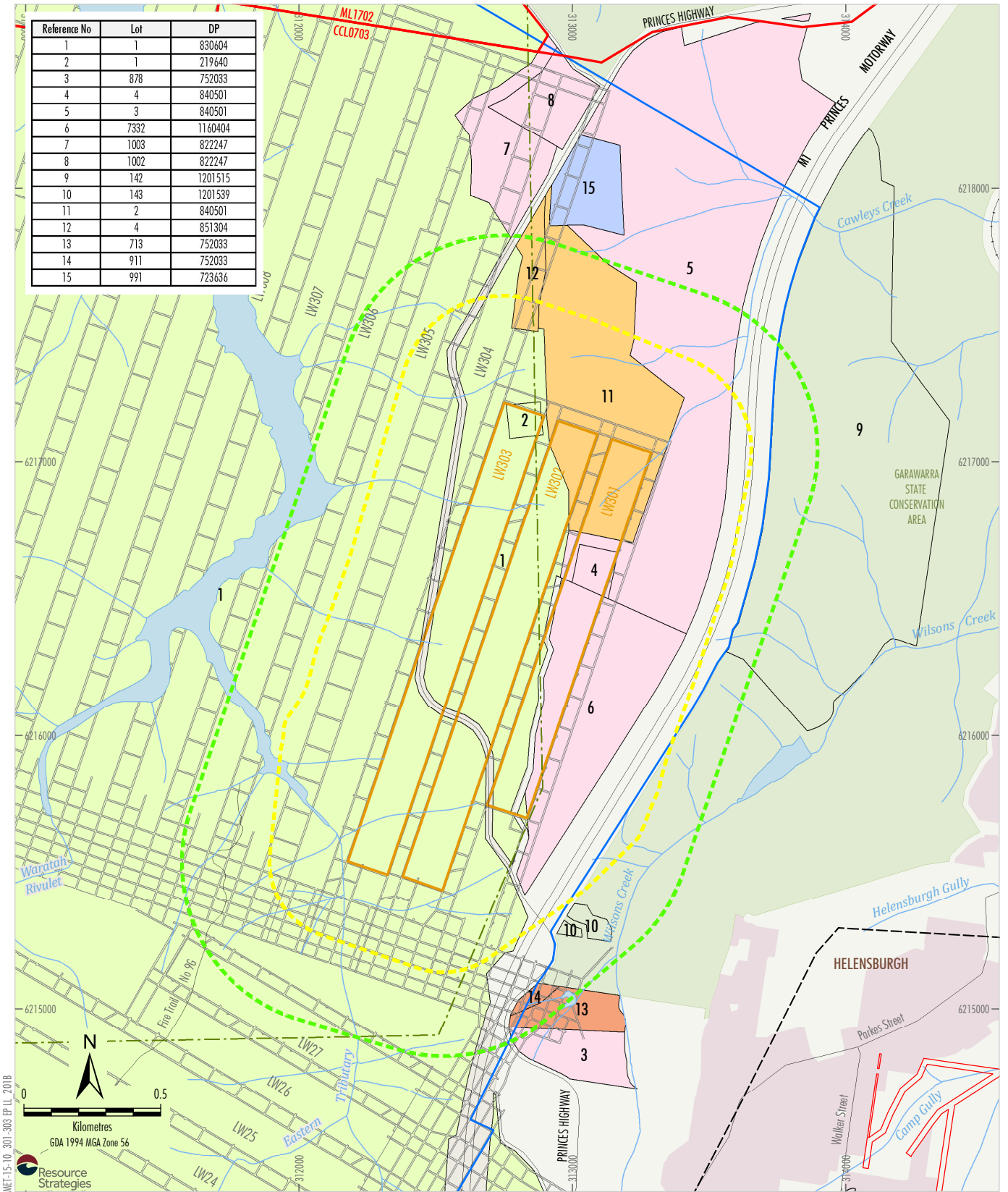
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