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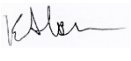
MAC160270RP39	Final	3 February 2020	Kristian Allen		Oliver Muller	

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1 Introduction

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been commissioned by Tomingley Gold Operations Pty Ltd (TGO) to complete a Noise Monitoring Assessment (NMA) for Tomingley Gold Mine ('the mine'), Tomingley, NSW.

The NMA involved quantifying the noise contribution of the mine by direct attended measurements to determine mining noise emissions so that effective management and controls can be implemented where required. The monitoring has been conducted in accordance with the TGO Noise Management Plan and in general accordance with Conditions L4.2 to L4.7 of the EPL at six representative receiver locations. It is noted that this assessment has been completed as part of an internal noise management initiative and does not form part of the annual noise monitoring program to address conditions of the Environmental Protection License (EPL).

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

- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Noise Policy for Industry (NPI) 2017;
- Environment Protection Licence EPL 20169 (EPL); and
- Australian Standard AS 1055:2018 - Acoustics - Description and measurement of environmental noise - General Procedures.

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

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2 Environmental Protection License Noise Limits

Historic assessments for the mine categorise receivers into Noise Assessment Groups (NAGs). The NAGs were derived based on ambient noise data that controlled receiver RBLs.

Table 1 reproduces the operational and sleep disturbance noise limits for assessed receivers referenced from the EPL that have been adopted for this NMA and are consistent with historic EPL monitoring locations.

Table 1 Noise Limits, dBA

Noise Assessment Group	Receivers	Day	Evening	Night	
		$L_{Aeq(15min)}$	$L_{Aeq(15min)}$	$L_{Aeq(15min)}$	$L_{A1(1min)}$
NAG A	R4, R5, R6	35	35	35	45
NAG B	R2	36	35	35	45
NAG C	R3, R29	45	35	35	45
NAG D	R23	43	38	36	46

Note: Refer to figure in Appendix 4 of Project Approval 09-0155 for noise locations. However, these criteria do not apply if the Proponent has an agreement with the relevant owner(s) of these residences / land to generate higher noise levels, and the Proponent has advised the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and EPA in writing of the terms of this agreement.

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3 Methodology

3.1 Locality

TGO is located to the south of the village of Tomingley, NSW. Receivers in the locality surrounding the mine are primarily rural/residential and for consistency the naming conventions for each receiver have been retained from historic noise assessments. The monitoring locations with respect to the mine are presented in the locality plan shown in **Figure 1**.

3.2 Assessment Methodology

The attended noise survey was conducted in general accordance with the procedures described in Australian Standard AS 1055:2018, "Acoustics - Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise" and the EPL. Measurements were carried out using Svantek Type 1, 971 noise analyser between Tuesday 7 January 2020 and Thursday 9 January 2020. The acoustic instrumentation used carries current NATA calibration and complies with AS/NZS IEC 61672.1-2019-Electroacoustics - Sound level meters - Specifications. Calibration of all instrumentation was checked prior to and following measurements. Drift in calibration did not exceed ±0.5dBA.

Both evening and night measurements were of 15 minutes duration. Where possible, throughout each survey the operator quantified the contribution of each significant noise source. Extraneous noise sources were excluded from the analysis to calculate the $LA_{eq(15min)}$ mine noise contribution for comparison against the relevant EPL limit.

Prevailing meteorological conditions for the monitoring period were sourced from TGO's meteorological station and analysed in accordance with Appendix E4 of the NPI to determine the stability category present at the time of each measured sample. This was undertaken to determine applicability of results in accordance with Condition L4.3 of the EPL. Results obtained during non-prevailing meteorological conditions (ie F Class Stability in conjunction with a 2m/s drainage or G Class Stability) are considered not applicable against the EPL criteria.

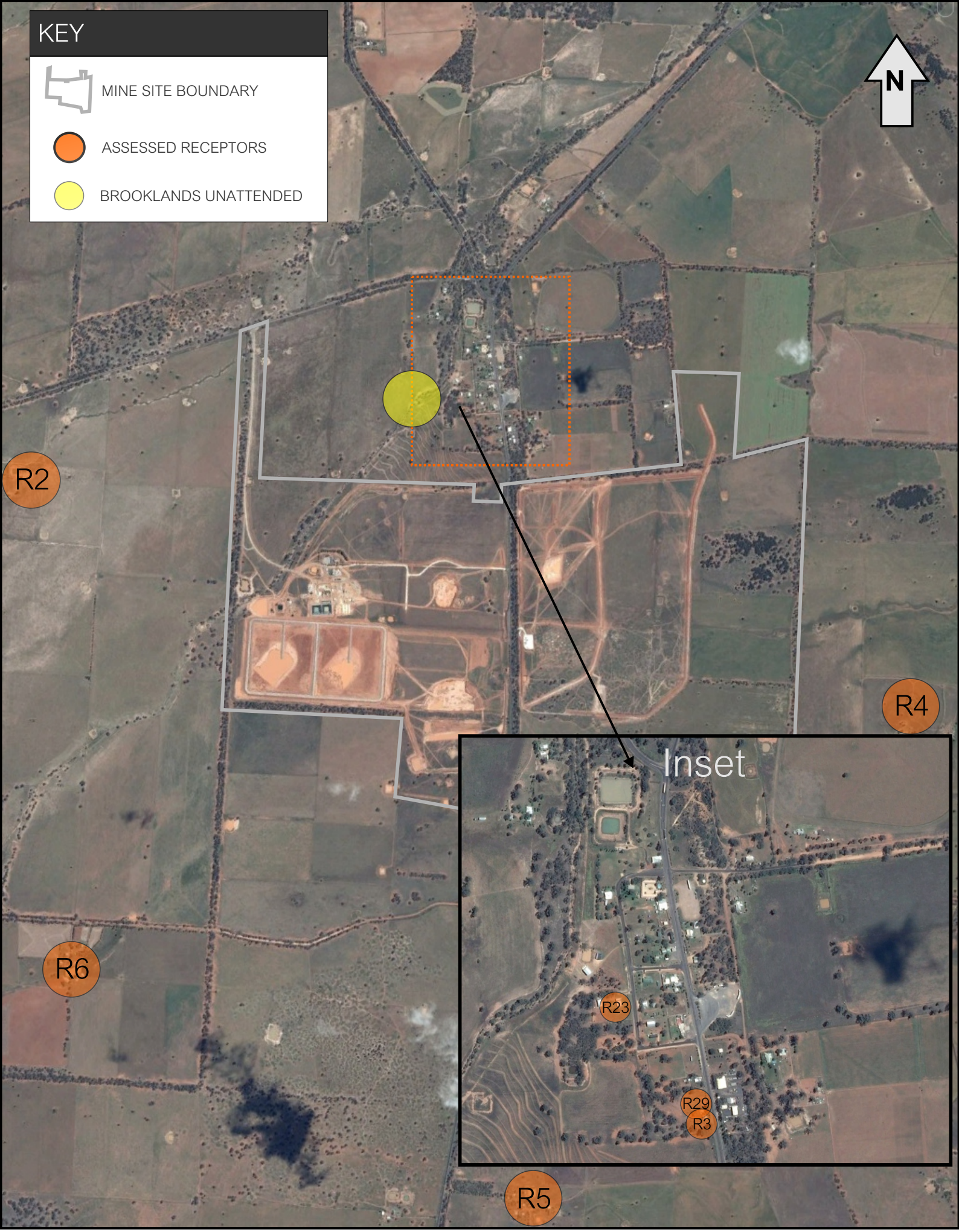

FIGURE 1 - LOCALITY PLAN AND ASSESSMENT LOCATIONS

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4 Results

The monitoring and assessment results are presented in individual tables for each assessment location.

4.1 Assessment Results - Location R2

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R2 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 2** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 2 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R2

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2019 (Evening)	19:34	71	43	24	35	WD: NW WS: <0.5m/s Stab Class: D	Dogs 36-41 Local Traffic 30-71 Birds 30-43 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
07/01/2020 (Night)	22:08	59	52	49	35	WD: NW WS: 3-5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 47-59 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<30
08/01/2020 (Evening)	19:28	49	37	29	35	WD: NW WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 30-49 Birds 27-30 Insects 27-37 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
08/01/2020 (Night)	22:00	53	25	17	35	WD: NW WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: D	Insects 20-30 Dogs 20-25 Operator Vehicle 53 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
09/01/2020 (Evening)	19:28	53	41	28	35	WD: W WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: F	Wind 28-53 Insects <25 Livestock <20 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
09/01/2020 (Night)	22:07	67	56	49	35	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 44-67 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

4.2 Assessment Results - Location R3/R29

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R3/R29 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 3** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 3 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R3/R29

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2020 (Evening)	20:24	84	66	40	35	WD: NW WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 40-84 Birds 40-54 Truck Idle 40-45 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<30
07/01/2020 (Night)	22:54	83	67	42	35	WD: NW WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 37-83 Wind <37-40 Truck Idle <37 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<32
08/01/2020 (Evening)	20:13	85	69	45	35	WD: W WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: F	Highway Traffic 40-85 Birds 37-47 Truck Idle <40 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<35
08/01/2020 (Night)	22:42	88	67	38	35	WD: N WS: <0.5m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 40-88 Truck Idle 38-40 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<30
09/01/2020 (Evening)	20:08	83	63	46	35	WD: NE WS: 3-4m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 45-83 Wind 40-54 Birds 40-56 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<35
09/01/2020 (Night)	22:47	85	64	45	35	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 44-85 Wind 44-56 Site Not Audible
		TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution					<35

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

4.3 Assessment Results - Location R4

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R4 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 4** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 4 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R4

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2020 (Evening)	21:15	48	35	31	35	WD: NW WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: D	Insects 25-30 Highway Traffic 30-37 Wind 25-30 Mine Hum <25 Operator Vehicle 48
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<25
07/01/2020 (Night)	23:43	78	47	43	35	WD: N WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 38-56 Highway Traffic <35 Operator Vehicle 60-78 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<33
08/01/2020 (Evening)	21:06	51	31	25	35	WD: W WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 28-40 Highway Traffic <30 Farm Noise 32-51 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<25
08/01/2020 (Night)	23:34	59	43	32	35	WD: E WS: 2-4m/s Stab Class: F	Wind 28-59 Highway Traffic <25 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<25
09/01/2020 (Evening)	20:58	57	47	41	35	WD: E WS: 2-3m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 36-57 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<31
09/01/2020 (Night)	23:36	72	54	50	35	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 45-63 Operator Vehicle 72 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

4.4 Assessment Results - Location R5

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R5 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 5** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 5 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R5

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2020 (Evening)	21:40	82	62	33	35	WD: N WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 35-82 Wind 32-42 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<25
08/01/2020 (Night)	00:07	80	58	44	35	WD: N WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 44-80 Wind 37-51 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<34
08/01/2020 (Evening)	21:31	83	64	25	35	WD: NW WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 25-83 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<25
08/01/2020 (Night)	23:57	82	63	43	35	WD: E WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 40-82 Wind 37-53 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<33
09/01/2020 (Evening)	21:23	80	60	46	35	WD: NE WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 42-80 Wind 36-58 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35
09/01/2020 (Night)	23:55	84	61	49	35	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 48-84 Wind 44-60 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

4.5 Assessment Results - Location R6

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R6 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 6** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 6 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R6

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2020 (Evening)	20:47	53	31	26	35	WD: NE WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 25-30 Highway Traffic 25-34 Aircraft 28-31 Operator Vehicle 53 TGO Hum <20
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
07/01/2020 (Night)	23:17	63	51	46	35	WD:NE WS: 3.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 42-63 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35
08/01/2020 (Evening)	20:38	80	49	25	35	WD: NE WS: 1.5m/s Stab Class: E	Insects 25-31 Highway Traffic <25 Wind 30-55 Operator Vehicle 80 TGO Hum <20
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
08/01/2020 (Night)	23:06	51	27	22	35	WD: SE WS: 1.0m/s Stab Class: E	Highway Traffic 23-32 Wind 23-28 Operator Vehicle 51 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<20
09/01/2020 (Evening)	20:31	62	49	43	35	WD: NE WS: 3.0m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 39-45 Birds 50-62 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<33
09/01/2020 (Night)	23:10	68	54	49	35	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 45-68 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<35

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

4.6 Assessment Results - Location R23

The results of the attended noise measurements at location R23 for the January 2020 survey are summarised in **Table 7** with the relevant EPL limits, the calculated mining noise contribution and prevailing meteorological conditions at the time of each measurement.

Table 7 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results – Location R23

Date	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			EPL Limit	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}			
07/01/2020 (Evening)	19:56	75	49	39	36	WD: W WS: 2.0m/s Stab Class: D	Birds 38-75 Thunder 48-56 Traffic 40-65 Wind 42-46 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<30
07/01/2020 (Night)	22:36	61	47	41	36	WD: NW WS: 2.5m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 45-61 Wind 38-53 Aircraft <45 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<31
08/01/2020 (Evening)	19:55	72	49	39	36	WD: NW WS: 1-3m/s Stab Class: E	Highway Traffic 38-53 Birds 35-72 Wind 41-52 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<30
08/01/2020 (Night)	22:22	69	44	34	36	WD: NW WS: <0.5m/s Stab Class: F	Highway Traffic 35-69 Truck Idle 30-35 Aircraft 38-41 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<30
09/01/2020 (Evening)	19:50	73	52	43	36	WD: NE WS: 2.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 42-60 Highway Traffic 42-54 Birds 38-73 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<33
09/01/2020 (Night)	22:28	60	50	47	36	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 44-60 Highway Traffic 44-51 Site Not Audible
TGO Site $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ Contribution							<36

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

5 Discussion

5.1 Discussion of Results - Location R2

Monitoring between Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was inaudible during measurements at location R2. The estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 35dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as wind, road traffic, livestock, dogs barking, birds and insects were audible during the survey periods.

5.2 Discussion of Results - Location R3/R29

Monitoring from Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was inaudible during measurements at location R3/23. The estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 35dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as road traffic, idling trucks, birds, and wind were audible during the measurements.

5.3 Discussion of Results - Location R4

Monitoring from Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was audible on one occasion during measurements at location R4. Notwithstanding, the estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 35dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as road traffic, insects, farm noise and wind were audible during the measurements.

5.4 Discussion of Results - Location R5

Monitoring from Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was inaudible during measurements at location R5. The estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 35dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as road traffic and wind were audible during the measurements.

5.5 Discussion of Results - Location R6

Monitoring from Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was audible on two occasions at location R6. Notwithstanding, the estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 35dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as road traffic, birds, wind, aircraft and insects were audible during the measurements.

5.6 Discussion of Results - Location R23

Monitoring between Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020 identified that TGO was inaudible during measurements at location R23. The estimated mining contribution remained below 35dBA. Therefore, the relevant noise limit of 36dB $LA_{eq(15min)}$ was satisfied. Extraneous sources such as road traffic, idling trucks, birds, aircraft and wind were audible during the survey periods.

6 Comparison of Attended and Unattended Monitoring Results

To address Condition 6 of Schedule 3 of the Project Approval, a program to calibrate and validate the real-time noise monitoring results with the attended monitoring results has been completed.

The validation compares monthly attended monitoring results against the closest assessed unattended monitoring location. Currently, TGO has an unattended real-time monitoring terminal installed at the Brooklands property (nearest to R23). Figure 1 identifies the location of the monitor with respect to the attended monitoring locations. It is noted that the Brooklands unattended monitor is situated 600m west of the attended noise monitoring location R23, therefore, background (L_{A90}) noise levels are significantly lower due to offset distance to highway traffic.

A comparison of mine noise contributions between attended and unattended noise monitoring demonstrates a general consistency between attended and unattended results. It was noted that highway traffic noise, birds, and domestic/residential noise influenced measured noise levels for this assessment. Furthermore, for January 2020, results remained below the relevant criteria for both attended and unattended locations.

Table 8 provides a summary comparison of results between the attended and unattended noise surveys for R23.

Table 8 Comparison of Attended and Unattended Results – R23

Assessment Type	Time (hrs)	Descriptor (dBA re 20 µPa)			Criteria	Mine Noise Contribution	Meteorology[1]	Description and SPL, dBA
		L_{Amax}	L_{Aeq}	L_{A90}				
Tuesday 7 January 2020								
Attended	19:56	75	49	39	36	<30	WD: W WS: 2.0m/s Stab Class: D	Birds 38-60 Thunder 48-56 Traffic 40-65
Unattended	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	36	N/A		N/A
Attended	22:36	61	47	41	36	<31	WD: NW WS: 2.5m/s Stab Class: D	Highway Traffic 45-61 Wind 38-53 Aircraft <45
Unattended	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	36	N/A		N/A
Wednesday 8 January 2020								
Attended	19:55	72	49	39	36	<30	WD: NW WS: 1-3m/s Stab Class: E	Highway Traffic 38-53 Birds 35-72 Wind 41-52
Unattended	19:50	59	41	40	36	<30		Wind 39-59 Highway Traffic 40-48
Attended	22:22	69	44	34	36	<30	WD: NW WS: <0.5m/s Stab Class: F	Highway Traffic 35-56 Truck Idle 30-35 Aircraft 38-41
Unattended	22:20	48	35	34	36	<30		Highway Traffic 30-40 Birds 34-48
Thursday 9 January 2020								
Attended	19:50	73	52	43	36	<33	WD: NE WS: 2.5m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 42-60 Highway Traffic 42-54 Birds 38-73
Unattended	19:49	74	54	43	36	<33		Wind 41-65 Birds 41-74
Attended	22:28	60	50	47	36	<36	WD: NE WS: 5+m/s Stab Class: D	Wind 44-68 Highway Traffic 44-51
Unattended	22:34	75	56	49	36	<36		Wind 46-75

Note 1: Meteorological data obtained from TGO's on-site weather station or by direct measurement by the operator.

7 Conclusion

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has completed a Noise Monitoring Assessment on behalf of Tomingley Gold Operations (TGO). The assessment was completed to provide monthly monitoring data so that TGO can actively quantify and manage site noise emissions.

Attended monitoring conducted from Tuesday 7 January 2020 to Thursday 9 January 2020, identified that TGO mine noise was occasionally audible at two of the monitoring locations R4 and R6, the other four locations remained inaudible during the measurement period. Review of monitoring data and operator attended observations determined that TGO contributions generally did not exceed relevant limits during applicable meteorological conditions.

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Appendix A - Glossary of Terms

Several technical terms have been used in this report and are explained in **Table A1**.

Table A1 Glossary of Terms

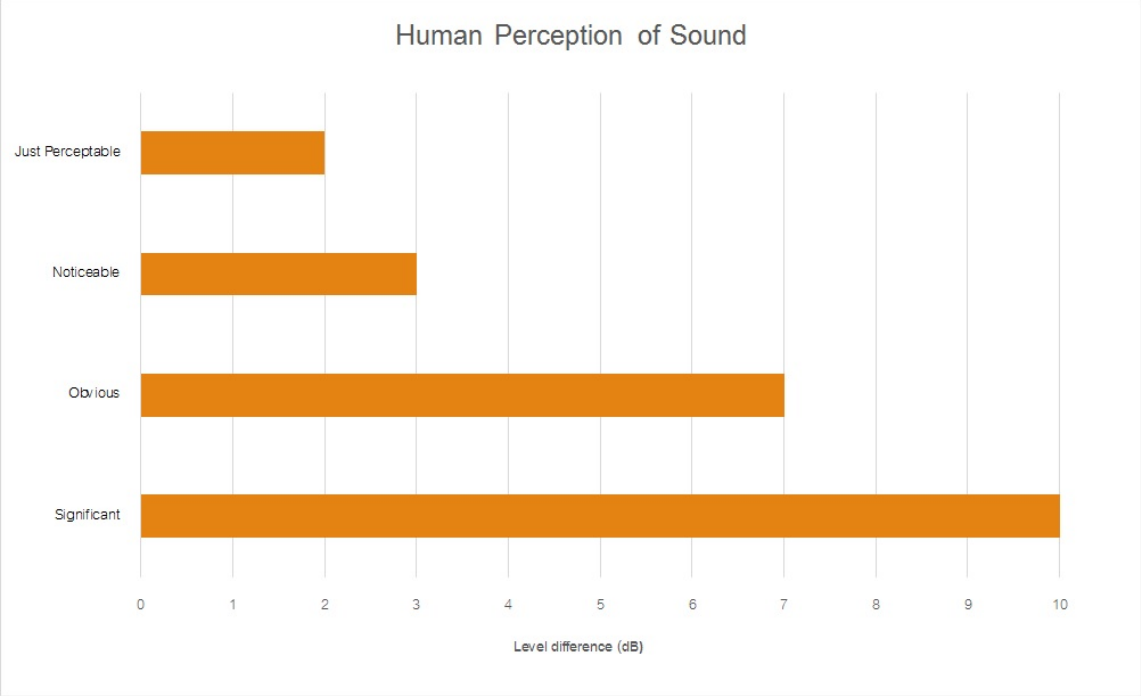
Term	Description
1/3 Octave	Single octave bands divided into three parts
Octave	A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being twice the lower frequency limit.
ABL	Assessment Background Level (ABL) is defined in the NPI as a single figure background level for each assessment period (day, evening and night). It is the tenth percentile of the measured L90 statistical noise levels.
Ambient Noise	The noise associated with a given environment. Typically a composite of sounds from many sources located both near and far where no particular sound is dominant.
A Weighting	A standard weighting of the audible frequencies designed to reflect the response of the human ear to noise.
dBA	Noise is measured in units called decibels (dB). There are several scales for describing noise, the most common being the 'A-weighted' scale. This attempts to closely approximate the frequency response of the human ear.
dB(Z)	Decibels Linear or decibels Z-weighted.
Hertz (Hz)	The measure of frequency of sound wave oscillations per second - 1 oscillation per second equals 1 hertz.
LA10	A noise level which is exceeded 10 % of the time. It is approximately equivalent to the average of maximum noise levels.
LA90	Commonly referred to as the background noise, this is the level exceeded 90 % of the time.
LAeq	The summation of noise over a selected period of time. It is the energy average noise from a source, and is the equivalent continuous sound pressure level over a given period.
LAmax	The maximum root mean squared (rms) sound pressure level received at the microphone during a measuring interval.
RBL	The Rating Background Level (RBL) is an overall single figure background level representing each assessment period over the whole monitoring period. The RBL is used to determine the intrusiveness criteria for noise assessment purposes and is the median of the ABL's.
Sound power level (SWL)	This is a measure of the total power radiated by a source. The sound power of a source is a fundamental location of the source and is independent of the surrounding environment. Or a measure of the energy emitted from a source as sound and is given by : = 10.log10 (W/Wo) Where : W is the sound power in watts and Wo is the sound reference power at 10-12 watts.

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

Table A2 Common Noise Sources and Their Typical Sound Pressure Levels (SPL), dBA

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

Figure A1 – Human Perception of Sound



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