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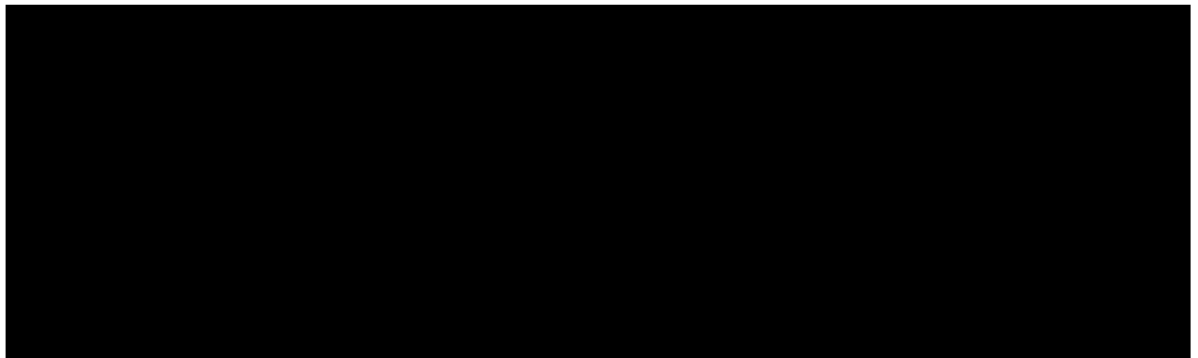
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ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

Acronym	Definition
AVTG	<i>Assessing Vibration – a technical guideline</i>
BS	British Standard
CCS	Community Communication Strategy
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CHMP	Construction Heritage Management Sub-plan
CNVMP	Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan
CNVG	Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline (TfNSW)
CNVIS	Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement
CoA	Conditions of Approval
Construction	Includes all work required to construct the Project as described in the EIS and Rts (NSW CoA A1) including commissioning trials of equipment and temporary use of any part of the Project but excluding Low Impact Work which is carried out or completed before approval of the CEMP.
Continuous vibration	From uninterrupted sources, e.g., machinery, steady road traffic, continuous construction activity
DAWE	Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment
dB(A)	A-weighted decibel
DCCEEW	Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water (formerly DAWE)
DPIE	Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (now DPE)
EHC Act	<i>Environmentally Hazardous Chemicals Act 1985 (NSW)</i>
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EMP	Environment Management Plans
EP&A Act	<i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i>
EPA	NSW Environment Protection Authority
EPBC Act	<i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Commonwealth)</i>
EPL	Environment Protection Licence
ER	Environmental Representative
EWMS	Environmental Work Method Statements
Highly noise intensive works	Work which is defined as annoying under the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009) including: (a) use of power saws, such as used for cutting timber, rail lines, masonry, road pavement or steel work; (b) grinding metal, concrete or masonry; (c) rock drilling; (d) line drilling; (e) vibratory rolling; (f) bitumen milling or profiling; (g) jackhammering, rock hammering or rock breaking; and (h) impact piling.
Highly noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be strong community reaction to noise. The <i>Interim Construction Noise Guideline</i> specifies that the highly noise affected level is 75 dB(A)

Acronym	Definition
Human exposure	Disturbance to building occupants: Vibration in which the occupants or users of the building are inconvenienced or possibly disturbed
ICNG	<i>Interim Construction Noise Guideline</i>
Impulsive vibration	Up to three instances of sudden impact per monitoring period e.g., occasional dropping of heavy equipment, occasional loading and unloading
Infrastructure Approval	SSI 10053 or NSW CoA
Intermittent vibration	From drilling, compacting or activities that will result in continuous vibration if operated continuously
INP	Industry Noise Policy
LCC	Liverpool City Council
Low Impact Work	As defined in the Infrastructure Approval, and which Includes activities like survey work, investigative drilling, minor clearing, installation of mitigation measures etc. The low impact work described in this definition becomes construction when the Construction Environmental Management Plan is approved. This also applies to low impact work that has already commenced.
MARW	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
MIP	Moorebank Intermodal Precinct which includes Moorebank Precinct East (MPE) and Moorebank Precinct West (MPW)
Monitoring Program	Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program
MPE	Moorebank Precinct East
MPE Site	Comprises the MPE Stage 1 Project as approved by SSD 14-6766 for the development of the intermodal terminal facility (IMT) at Moorebank and MPE Stage 2 as approved under SSD 7628 (as modified) and MPE Concept Approval (MP 10_0193) for the construction and operation of warehousing and distribution facilities and upgrades to approximately 2.1 kilometres of Moorebank Avenue.
MPW	Moorebank Precinct West
MPW Site	Comprises the MPW Stage 2 Project which is the second stage of development under the MPW Concept Approval (SSD 5066) and SSD 7709. The Project involves the construction and operation of a multi-purpose intermodal terminal facility, Rail link connection, warehousing and upgraded intersection on Moorebank Avenue.
National Intermodal	National Intermodal Corporation
NML	Noise Management Level
Noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be some community reaction to noise. The noise affected level is calculated by adding 10 dB(A) to the RBL for standard ICNG hours.
NPfi	Noise Policy for Industry
NVIA	Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment
OEH	NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (now NSW EES, a part DPIE)
OOHW	Out-of-hours works
Planning Secretary	Secretary to the DPE
POEO Act	<i>Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (NWS)</i>
POEO Regulations	<i>Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2014</i>

Acronym	Definition
Project Site	Refers to the construction footprint area which is approximately 18.96 hectares and includes access for the construction of road embankments and cuttings, temporary and permanent fencing, temporary and permanent water quality control basins, ancillary facilities, access roads and construction side roads. It is generally bounded by the Defence Joint Logistics Unit (DJLU), MPE, Boot Land and the Sydney Trains owned land adjacent to the East Hills Railway.
RBL	Ratings Background Level
REMMs	Revised Environmental Management Measures
RMS	Roads and Maritime Services
RNP	NSW Road Noise Policy
RtS	Response to Submissions
SSI	State significant infrastructure
TPA	Tonnes per annum
TfNSW	Transport for NSW
The Project	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
VDVs	Vibration does values

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Context

This Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP) forms part of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) for the Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works (MARW) (the Project).

This CNVMP has been prepared to address the requirements of the NSW Minister's Conditions of Approval (CoA), Commonwealth CoA, the Revised Environmental Management Measures (REMMs) detailed in the Response to Submissions (RtS) and the applicable legislation.

1.2 Background and Project Description

National Intermodal Corporation (National Intermodal) plans to realign and upgrade a section of Moorebank Avenue. The Project involves the realignment of an existing two-kilometre section of Moorebank Avenue, from a point approximately 130 meters south of the Anzac Road/Moorebank Avenue intersection to a point immediately north of the East Hills Railway. Moorebank Avenue currently divides the Moorebank Intermodal Precinct (MIP) into the Moorebank East Precinct (MPE site) and the Moorebank West Precinct (MPW site) (see Figure 1.1).

The Project is about three kilometres of additional road which ties in with the existing Moorebank Avenue at the northern and southern extremities. From its northernmost point, the realigned Moorebank Avenue follows the northern boundary of the MPE site, before continuing south along the MPE Site eastern boundary. This section of the realignment comprises four lanes (i.e. two lanes in each direction). At the south-western corner of the MPE Site, the new road section merges to become a dual lane road (i.e. one lane in each direction) before continuing in a south-west direction, crossing Anzac Creek, and re-joining the existing Moorebank Avenue alignment near the East Hills Railway (refer to Figure 1.1). At completion and commissioning of the realigned road section, the public through traffic using Moorebank Avenue will be redirected onto the upgraded alignment. The existing road alignment will be decommissioned and modified to function as a restricted access to the MIP.

The Project Site is approximately 18.96 hectares and includes access for the construction of road embankments and cuttings, temporary and permanent fencing, temporary and permanent water quality control basins, ancillary facilities, access roads and construction side roads. It is generally bounded by the Defence Joint Logistics Unit (DJLU), MPE, Boot land and the Sydney Trains owned land adjacent to the East Hills Railway (refer to Figure 1.1).

A detailed description of the Project is provided in Section 2 of the CEMP and is also shown on Figure 1.2.

The Project will not be staged but is anticipated to be undertaken in phases. Construction is expected to take approximately 16 months to complete.

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Project was prepared in March 2021 to describe and assess the Project and recommend management measures to address impacts. The EIS was exhibited by the then NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) from 17 March 2021 to 13 April 2021 to give the community and stakeholders the opportunity to provide comment. A RtS was submitted in May 2021 to address the identified issues.

The Project was approved by the NSW Minister for Planning on 14 October 2021 as State Significant Infrastructure (SSI-10053) (Infrastructure Approval) under Division 5.2 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act). The Project is also a controlled action under Section 130(1) and 133(1) of

the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and was approved by the Minister for the Environment on 7 December 2021 (EPBC Approval 2020-8839).

The EIS assessed the noise and vibration impacts resulting from the construction of the Project. As part of EIS development, a detailed Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment Report (NVIA) was prepared in accordance with the legislation. The NVIA was prepared to address the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) issued by the then DPIE and the Commonwealth EIS Guidelines issued by the then Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment (DAWE). The NVIA was included as Appendix E in the EIS.

Revised Environmental Management Measures (REMMs) were provided within the RtS. Where applicable, the REMMs from the RtS have been included in this CNVMP (Section 7.5.1 and Appendix C).

1.3 Scope of the Plan

This CNVMP is applicable to the construction stage of the Project and describes how the potential noise and vibration impacts will be managed during construction. Operational noise and vibration impacts do not fall within the scope of this CNVMP and therefore are not included within the processes contained within the CNVMP.

Low impact works as defined by the Infrastructure Approval, can be carried out prior to the CEMP and CNVMP being approved by the Planning Secretary. Once the CEMP and CNVMP are approved, low impact work is considered construction and is then governed by the CEMP and Sub-plans.

1.4 Environmental Management System Overview

The environmental management framework for the Project is described in Section 3 of the CEMP. This CNVMP forms part of the framework for the Project. The requirements of the NSW CoA's and the REMMs identified in this CNVMP will be complied with during construction.

Management measures identified in this CNVMP may also be incorporated into site or activity specific Environmental Work Method Statements (EWMS). EWMS incorporate appropriate mitigation measures and controls and identify key procedures to be used during construction activities. A template EWMS for use is provided in Appendix E of the CEMP.

1.5 CNVMP Endorsement and Approval

This CNVMP has been prepared to satisfy the NSW and Commonwealth CoA's in relation to noise and vibration management during construction of the Project.

This CNVMP will be reviewed by the Project Manager / Delivery Team and will be endorsed by the Environmental Representative (ER) (refer to Appendix B) and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval, and the Department of Climate Change, Energy, Environment and Water (DCCEEW) for information, no later than one month prior to commencement of construction. It should be noted that the Out-of-Hours Work Protocol (Appendix D) and Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program (Appendix E) will be submitted with the CNVMP to the Planning Secretary for approval.

Construction of the Project will not commence prior to the approval of the CNVMP by the Planning Secretary. The final approved CNVMP will be available on the MIP and/or National Intermodal website within 20 business days of approval by the Planning Secretary in accordance with Commonwealth CoA 15.

The ER can approve minor amendments to this CNVMP if they do not increase impacts to nearby receivers, do not comprise updating, are administrative nature and are consistent with the conditions of the Infrastructure Approval. This does not include any modifications to the Infrastructure Approval.

1.5.1 Interactions with Other Management Plans

This CNVMP has the following interrelationships with other management plans and documents:

- Sensitive Area Plans (SAP) identify adjacent residential and other receivers (refer to Appendix D of the CEMP)
- Community Communication Strategy (CCS) details procedures and processes for community notification, consultation and complaints management
- Construction Traffic and Transport Management Plan (CTTMP) provides details of traffic movements to be carried out during construction including approved haulage routes.

1.6 Consultation

Liverpool City Council (LCC) will be consulted with during the development of this CNVMP.

A summary of the outcomes of this consultation is provided in Table 1.1. Supplementary information demonstrating the consultation undertaken is included in Appendix A.

Table 1.1: Consultation Summary

Agency	Date	Person Contacted	Comment	Status
Liverpool City Council	22/12/2022	LCC Representative	Emailed LCC introducing the Project.	Closed
	24/03/2022	DPE portal	CNVMP submitted through DPE portal. Consultation to close Thursday 20 April 2023.	
	20/04/2023	LCC Representative	Response received via email. No comments were provided on the CNVMP. LCC reiterated the comments LCC provided during the Response to Submissions (RtS) should be considered for the development. These comments were addressed in the RtS report.	
	20/04/2023	N/A	Consultation closed. No comments were received on the CVNMP. Appendix A includes and addresses LCC's comments for the development.	

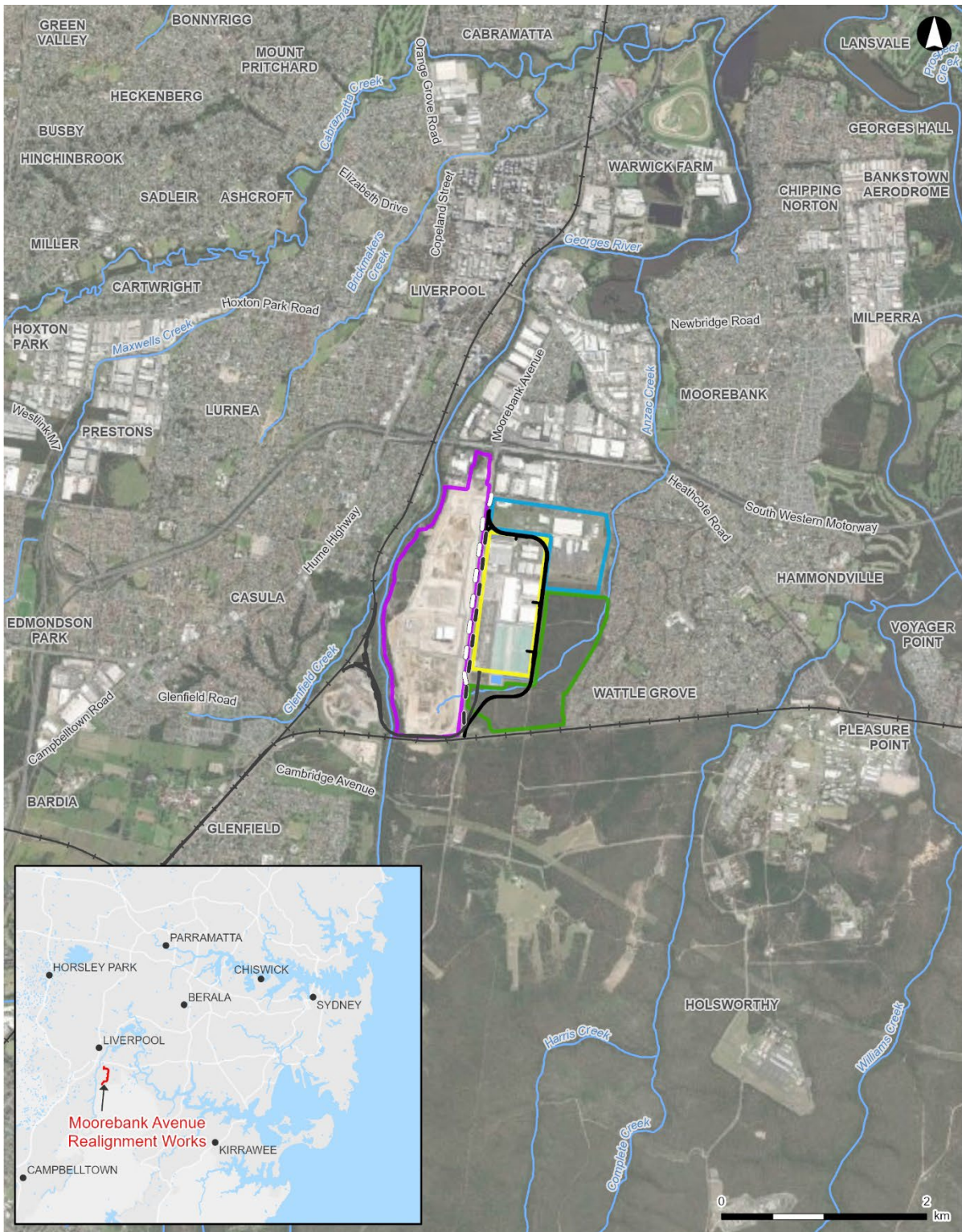
1.6.1 Ongoing Consultation during Construction

Consultation with stakeholders, the community and relevant agencies regarding the management of noise and vibration impacts will be undertaken during the construction of the Project as required. The process for the consultation will be documented in the Community Communication Strategy (CCS).

During construction of the Project, it may be necessary to undertake work outside standard construction hours. On becoming aware of the need for out-of-hours works, the ER, the Planning Secretary and the EPA

will be notified of the reasons for such work. Prior to carrying out such works, best endeavours will be made to notify all affected sensitive receivers of the likely impact and duration of the emergency works.

Consultation will be carried out with the Community Consultative Committee with regards to selecting and implementing mitigation measures for residual out of hours impacts in accordance with the consultation requirements prescribed by NSW CoA E21(c).



Legend

- Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
 - MIP Rail link
 - Previous Moorebank Avenue
 - Moorebank Avenue diversion road
 - Watercourse
 - Railway
 - Moorebank Precinct West
 - Moorebank Precinct East
 - Boot Land boundary*
 - Defence Joint Logistics Unit
 - On-site detention
- *relates to the parcel of land known as the Boot Land, does not indicate biobanking boundaries



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Figure 1.1: Project location



Legend

- Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
- Construction footprint
- Construction compound
- Watercourse
- Railway



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Figure 1.2: Project layout

2 PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

2.1 Purpose

The purpose of this CNVMP is to describe how noise and vibration impacts will be minimised and managed during the construction of the Project.

2.2 Objectives

The objective of the CNVMP is to ensure that noise and vibration impacts are managed appropriately throughout the construction of the Project and consider the mitigation and management measures referred to in:

- NSW Minister's Infrastructure Approval dated 14 October 2021 (SSI-10053)
- Federal Minister for the Environment Approval dated 7 December 2021 (EPBC 2020-8839)
- *Moorebank Avenue Realignment Environmental Impact Statement Volume 1 and Volume 2* prepared by EMM for Sydney Intermodal Terminal Alliance dated March 2021 (EIS)
- *Moorebank Avenue Realignment Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment* prepared by EMM dated February 2021 (NVIA)
- *Moorebank Avenue Realignment Response to Submissions* prepared for Sydney Intermodal Terminal Alliance dated May 2021 (RtS).

2.3 Targets

Table 2.1 details the following targets established for the management of noise and vibration impacts during construction of the Project.

Table 2.1: Project environmental targets for noise and vibration

Objective	Target	Timeframe	Responsibility
Ensure compliance with relevant NSW CoA and applicable legislation	No written warnings or infringement notices Zero non-compliance	Throughout construction	Construction Contractor
Avoid, minimise or manage potential adverse noise impacts within and adjacent to the Project Site	No exceedances of construction noise management levels detailed in the ICNG (DECC, 2009) No complaints from adjacent land users (e.g. MPE warehouse operators)	Throughout construction	Construction Contractor
Avoid, minimise or manage potential adverse vibration impacts within and adjacent to the Project Site	No exceedance of the vibration criteria established using the <i>Assessing vibration: a technical guidelines</i> (DEC, 2006) (for human exposure)	Throughout construction	Construction Contractor

Objective	Target	Timeframe	Responsibility
Avoid, minimise or manage vibration impacts on structures to minimise structural damage (in particular on heritage buildings)	No exceedance of the vibration criteria established by the British Vibration Standard (BS 7385) and the German DIN Standard (DIN 4150-3).	Throughout construction	Construction Contractor
Minimise impacts to nearby sensitive receivers.	No complaints from nearby sensitive receivers.	Throughout construction	Construction Contractor

3 ENVIRONMENTAL REQUIREMENTS

3.1 Relevant Legislation and Guidelines

3.1.1 Legislation

All legislation relevant to the Project is included in Appendix B of the CEMP. Legislation considered during the development of this CNVMP includes:

- *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (EP&A Act)
- *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act)
- Protection of the Environment Operations (Noise Control) Regulation 2017.

3.1.2 Additional Approvals, Licences, Permits and Requirements

Refer to Section 4.3.2 and Appendix B of the CEMP.

3.1.3 Guidelines and Standards

The main guidelines, specifications and policy documents relevant to this CNVMP include:

Construction noise

- TfNSW QA Specification G36 – Environmental Protection (Management System)
- *Interim Construction Noise Guideline* (ICNG) (Department of Environment and Climate Change 2009)
- *Construction Noise and Vibration Guidelines* (TfNSW 2016)
- *Draft Construction Noise and Vibration Guidelines* (TfNSW 2019)
- *Road Noise Policy*, Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water 2011.

Construction vibration

- TfNSW QA Specification G36 – Environmental Protection (Management System)
- *Assessing Vibration – a technical guideline* (AVTG), Department of Environment and Conservation 2006
- *German Standard DIN4150-1999 Structural vibration Part 3: Effects of vibration on Structures* (Deutsches Institute fur Normung, 1999)
- British Standard 7385: Part 2 '1993 'Evaluation and measurement of vibration in buildings Part 2 (BSI, 1993)
- Australian Standard AS/NZS 2107:2000 Acou-tics - Recommended design sound levels and reverberation times for building interiors.

Construction sleep disturbance guidance

- *Road Noise Policy*, Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water 2011
- *Noise Policy for Industry* (NPfl), Environment Protection Authority 2017.

3.2 Commonwealth Approval

The Project is considered a controlled action under the EPBC Act and is therefore subject to Commonwealth CoA's. There are no Commonwealth CoA related to noise and vibration management.

3.3 NSW Infrastructure Approval

The requirements of the Infrastructure Approval relevant to the development of this CNVMP are detailed in Table 3.1. These are defined as 'primary CoA' and specifically relate to the development of this CNVMP. Secondary CoA relevant to, but not specific to the development of this CNVMP, have been listed in Appendix C. A cross reference is also included to indicate where the CoA is addressed in this CNVMP or other Project plans.

Table 3.1: Primary NSW CoA relevant to the CNVMP

No.	Requirements	Document reference
A5	Where the terms of this approval require a document or monitoring program to be prepared or a review to be undertaken in consultation with identified parties, evidence of the consultation undertaken must be submitted to the Planning Secretary with the document. The evidence must include:	Table 1.1 Appendix A
(a)	documentation of the engagement with the party identified in the condition of approval that has occurred before submitting the document for approval;	Appendix A
(b)	a log of the dates of engagement or attempted engagement with the identified party;	Table 1.1 Appendix A
(c)	documentation of the follow-up with the identified party where engagement has not occurred to confirm that they do not wish to engage or have not attempted to engage after repeated invitations;	Table 1.1 Appendix A
(d)	outline of the issues raised by the identified party and how they have been addressed; and	Table 1.1 Appendix A
(e)	a description of the outstanding issues raised by the identified party and the reasons why they have not been addressed.	Table 1.1 Appendix A
C6	CEMP Sub-plans as identified in documents listed in Condition A1 must be prepared in consultation with relevant government agencies and stakeholders. Relevant government agencies and stakeholders must be nominated in the risk assessment matrix submitted to the Planning Secretary in accordance with Condition A14 or A19. Details of all information requested by an agency during consultation must be provided to the Planning Secretary as part of any submission of the relevant CEMP Sub-plan, including copies of all correspondence from those agencies as required by Condition A5.	This CNVMP Section 1.6 Appendix A
C7	The CEMP Sub-plans must state how:	
(a)	the environmental performance outcomes identified in the documents listed in Condition A1 will be achieved;	Table 8.1 Sections 2.2 Section 2.3
(b)	the mitigation measures identified in the documents listed in Condition A1 will be implemented;	Table 8.1
(c)	the relevant terms of this approval will be complied with; and	Table 3.1 and Table 3.2
(d)	issues requiring management during construction (including cumulative impacts), as identified through ongoing environmental risk analysis, will be managed through SMART principles.	Section 7.5.1 Table 8.1, Table 8.2. Section 10.1 Appendix C

No.	Requirements	Document reference
C12	A Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must accompany the Noise and Vibration Management Sub-plan when it is lodged for endorsement or approval in accordance with Conditions C9 and C10. The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must be prepared in consultation with the relevant council(s) to compare actual performance of construction of the SSI against the performance predicted in the documents listed in Condition A1 or in the relevant CEMP.	Appendix E Section 1.6
C13	The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must provide:	Appendix E
(a)	details of baseline data available;	Section 2 of Appendix E
(b)	details of baseline data to be obtained and when;	Section 2 of Appendix E
(c)	details of all monitoring of the project to be undertaken;	Section 4 of Appendix E
(d)	the parameters of the project to be monitored;	Section 5 Appendix E
(e)	the frequency of monitoring to be undertaken;	Section 4 of Appendix E
(f)	the location of monitoring;	Table 4.1 and Table 4.2 Section 4.1 and Section 6 of Appendix E
(g)	the reporting of monitoring results and analysis results against relevant criteria;	Section 6 of Appendix E
(h)	details of the methods that will be used to analyse the monitoring data;	Section 4 of Appendix E
(i)	procedures to identify and implement additional mitigation measures where the results of the monitoring indicate unacceptable project impacts;	Section 5 of Appendix E
(j)	a consideration of SMART principles;	Section 7.5.1 Section 10.1 Appendix B2 REMMs Section 1.1 of Appendix E
(k)	any consultation to be undertaken in relation to the monitoring programs;	Section 1.6
(l)	any specific requirements outlined in the terms of this approval; and	Table 3.1 Table 3.2
(m)	Details of all information requested by an agency during consultation, including copies of all correspondence from those agencies as required by Condition A5.	Section 1.6 Appendix A
C14	Unless expressly nominated by the Planning Secretary to be endorsed by the ER, the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval.	Section 1.5
C15	Unless otherwise agreed with the Planning Secretary, construction must not commence until the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program has been approved by the Planning Secretary, and all relevant baseline data for the specific construction activity has been collected.	Section 1.5
C16	The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program, including any minor amendments approved by the ER must be implemented for the duration of construction and for any longer period set out in the monitoring program or specified by the Planning Secretary, whichever is the greater.	Appendix E

3.4 Revised Environmental Management Measures

The REMMs relevant to the development of this CNVMP, defined as 'primary REMMs', are detailed in Table 3.2. A cross reference is also included to indicate where the REMM is addressed in this CNVMP or other Project management documents. Secondary REMMs relevant to, but not specific to the development of this CNVMP, have been listed in Appendix C.

Table 3.2: Primary REMMs relevant to the development of this CNVMP

No.	Requirements	Timing	Document reference
NVI01	A noise and vibration management plan (NVMP) will be developed for the Project post-approval and will be encompassed within the CEMP.	Pre-construction and construction	This CNVMP
	The NVMP will provide details for the ongoing management and maintenance of noise and vibration management and mitigation measures during the construction phase of the Project.		Table 8.1
	The NVMP will include training and procedures for promoting noise awareness by construction workers and personnel; a complaint lodgement procedure to ensure that members of the public and local residents are able to report noise issues; and an ongoing review process and plan for responding to noise complaints.		Section 9.2 Community Communication Strategy

4 EXISTING ENVIRONMENT

4.1 Key References

The sources of data and information used to develop this CNVMP are Section 7.5 and Appendix E of the Project EIS and Section 4.8 of the Project RtS.

The Project boundary and relevant noise and vibration impacts are shown on the Sensitive Area Plans included in Appendix D of the CEMP.

Key components of the NVIA methodology included:

- Unattended noise surveys and operator-attended aural observations to establish the existing ambient noise environment of the area. Assessment locations are outlined in Section 4.2.2
- Modelling of road traffic noise.

The following sections summarise existing noise environment within and adjacent to the Project Site.

4.2 Environmental Aspects

4.2.1 Sensitive Receivers

The Project is located within Liverpool Local Government Area, and primarily within an industrial area. The suburb of Wattle Grove is located to the east, and the suburbs of Casula and Glenfield are located to the west and south respectively. These suburbs generally comprise Low-Density Residential and Medium Density Residential.

According to the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (ICNG) (DECC, 2009), sensitive receivers have been categorised into the following noise-sensitive land uses:

- Residential
- Classrooms (educational institutes)
- Hospital wards
- Places of worship
- Active recreation areas
- Passive recreation areas
- Commercial premises
- Industrial premises.

The nearest representative noise sensitive locations to the Project Site were identified as being commercial, industrial and residential and were used for the purpose of assessing potential noise and vibration impacts for operation of the additional roadway and construction activities.

Locations were selected to represent the range and extent of noise impacts from the Project. Details are provided in Table 4.1 and their locations are shown in Figure 4.1.

Table 4.1: Assessment locations

ID	Address	Classification	Easting	Northing
COM1	Defence Building 1	Commercial	308640	6241780
IN1	Defence Building 2	Industrial	308764	6241755
IN2	Defence Building 3	Industrial	308764	6241623
R1(NM2)	26 Brickendon Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309349	6241227
R2 ¹ (NM3)	25 Exford Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309290	6240862
R3 (NM4)	25 Yallum Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	308920	6240179

4.2.2 Ambient Noise

Noise monitoring was conducted at three locations in the vicinity of the assessment locations identified in Table 4.1 and considered to be representative of the range of noise levels likely to be experienced by residential receivers in the vicinity of the site. A summary of existing background and ambient noise levels is given in Table 4.2.

Existing traffic noise levels are based on the unattended noise monitoring conducted at NM1.

Table 4.2: Summary of existing background and ambient noise

Monitoring location	Period ¹	Rating background level (RBL) ² , dB(A)	Measure L _{Aeq, period} noise level ³ , dB(A)
NM1 – Moorebank Avenue	Day	54	65
	Evening	51	69
	Night	43	60
NM2 ² – 26 Brickendon Court, Wattle Grove	Day	36	52
	Evening ⁴	34 (42)	50
	Night ⁴	31 (38)	46
NM3 ^{3,4} – 23 Exford Court, Wattle Grove	Day	35	54
	Evening	34	51
	Night	31	47

¹ R2 for RBL and ambient noise monitoring are in adjacent properties i.e., 25 Exford Street and 23 Exford Street respectively. For the purposes of this CNVMP, it has been assumed that they are the same property, monitoring will be undertaken at either location depending upon accessibility.

² NM2 is equivalent to R1 as shown in Figure 4.1

³ NM3 is equivalent to R2 as shown in Figure 4.1

⁴ NM3 for RBL and ambient noise monitoring are in adjacent properties i.e., 25 Exford Street and 23 Exford Street respectively. For the purposes of this CNVMP, it has been assumed that they are the same property, monitoring will be undertaken at either location depending upon accessibility.

Monitoring location	Period ¹	Rating background level (RBL) ² , dB(A)	Measure L _{Aeq, period} noise level ³ , dB(A)
NM4 ⁵ – 25 Yallum Court, Wattle Grove	Day	36	52
	Evening	36	49
	Night	31	44

Notes:

1. Day: 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday; 8 am to 6 pm Sundays and public holidays; Evening: 6 pm to 10 pm; Night: 10 pm to 7 am, Sunday to Friday and 10 pm to 8 am Saturday and public holidays.
2. The RBL is a Noise Policy for Industry 2017 (NPI) term and is used to represent the background noise level. In accordance with the NPI, minimum thresholds were adopted given measured values were lower. Measured noise levels are provided in brackets () where relevant.
3. The energy averaged noise level over the measurement period and representative of general ambient noise.
4. Evening noise level cannot be greater than day and night not greater than evening. Ambient levels appear affected by localised noise source accordingly levels for NM3 were adopted for assessment purposes. Measured levels in brackets ().

⁵ NM4 is equivalent to R3 as shown in Figure 4.1.

5 NOISE CRITERIA

5.1 Construction Noise Assessment Objectives

The ICNG provides guidelines for the assessment and management of construction noise. The ICNG focuses on applying a range of work practices to minimise construction noise impacts rather than focusing on achieving numeric noise levels.

The main objectives of the ICNG are to:

- Identify and minimise noise from construction works
- Focus on applying all 'feasible' and 'reasonable' work practices to minimise construction noise impacts
- Encourage construction during the recommended standard hours only, unless approval is given for works that cannot be undertaken during these hours
- Reduce time spent dealing with complaints at the project implementation stage
- Provide flexibility in selecting site-specific feasible and reasonable work practices to minimise noise impacts.

5.2 Construction Noise Assessment Criteria

Construction noise assessment goals presented in the ICNG are referenced to noise management levels (NML) for residential, sensitive land uses and commercial/ industrial premises.

5.2.1 Residential Land Use

Table 5.1 (reproduced from Table 2 of the ICNG) sets out the NMLs for residences. The rating background level (RBL) is used as the basis for determining NMLs. The RBL is the overall single-figure background noise level measured in each relevant assessment period (during or outside the recommended standard hours). The term RBL is described in detail in the *Noise Policy for Industry* (EPA, 2017).

For work during standard construction hours:

- The 'noise affected level' represents the point above which there may be some community reaction to noise. The noise affected level is calculated by adding 10 dB(A) to the RBL
- The 'highly noise affected level' represents the point above which there may be strong community reaction to noise. The ICNG specifies that the highly noise affected level is 75 dB(A).

For work outside of standard construction hours:

Considering the possibility of work outside standard construction hours, additional Project construction NMLs for these times have also been determined. For these periods, the construction NML is calculated by adding 5 dB(A) to the RBL.

For assessing the potential for sleep disturbance, the *Noise Policy for Industry* (EPA, 2017) outlines night-time noise levels at a residential location should not exceed the prevailing RBL plus 15 dB(A) or 52 dB_LAm_{ax}, whichever is greater.

Table 5.1: Residential construction NML guideline

Time	L_{Aeq} (15 min)
Recommended standard construction hours <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday to Friday: 7 am to 6 pm Saturdays: 8 am to 1 pm No work on Sundays or public holidays 	Noise affected: RBL + 10 dB(A) Highly noise affected: 75 dB(A)
Outside standard construction hours	Noise affected: RBL + 5 dB(A)
Sleep disturbance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday to Saturday: 10 pm to 7 am Sundays and public holidays: 10 pm to 8 am 	Noise affected: RBL + 15 dB(A) or 52 dB L_{Amax} , whichever is greater

5.2.2 Non-Residential Land Use

Other sensitive land uses, such as schools and offices, typically find noise from construction to be disruptive when the properties are being used (such as during work and school times).

Consultation with non-residential land use occupants likely to be affected by noise from the Project will be undertaken to schedule construction activities and work hours to achieve a reasonable noise outcome.

5.3 Working Hours

5.3.1 Standard Construction Hours

In accordance with NSW CoA E18, work will be undertaken during the following standard construction hours:

- 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday to Friday
- 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday
- At no time on Sunday or public holidays.

Any works to be undertaken outside of standard construction hours will be subject to an out of hours approval (refer to the OOHW Protocol provided in Appendix D).

Construction hours will be identified as part of the induction for contractors and subcontractors (refer to NV1 Table 8.1).

5.3.2 Highly Noise Intensive Works

As required by NSW CoA E19, except as permitted by an EPL, highly noise intensive works that result in an exceedance of the applicable noise management level (NML) at the same receiver must only be undertaken:

- Between 8:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday to Friday
- Between 8:00am to 1:00pm Saturday
- No work Sundays and public holidays.

Where highly noise intensive works will be carried out in continuous blocks this will not exceed three hours each, with a minimum respite of at least one hour between ceasing and recommencing each block of work. 'Continuous' includes any period during which there is less than a one-hour respite between ceasing and recommencing the work.

Highly noise intensive works are defined as annoying under the ICNG (DECC, 2009) and include:

- Use of power saws, such as used for cutting timber, rail lines, masonry, road pavement or steel work
- Grinding metal, concrete or masonry
- Rock drilling
- Line drilling
- Vibratory rolling
- Bitumen milling or profiling
- Jackhammering, rock hammering or rock breaking; and
- Impact piling.

All conditions relating to construction hours outlined in the Project EPL will be complied with.

5.3.3 Variation to Working Hours

Works outside of the standard construction hours identified in Section 5.3.1 may be undertaken in the following circumstances as permitted by NSW CoA E20. The process for seeking approval for out-of-hours construction works will be included in the induction for contractors and subcontractors, and is also detailed in Appendix D and Appendix E:

- **Safety and emergencies** including:
 - For the delivery of materials required by the NSW Police Force or other authority for safety reasons or
 - Where it is required in an emergency to avoid injury or the loss of life, to avoid damage or loss of property, or to prevent environmental harm.

On becoming aware of the need for emergency work in accordance with the above, prior to work being undertaken the Construction Contractor Project Manager would liaise with the National Intermodal Principal's Representative who would notify National Intermodal, the ER, the Planning Secretary and the EPA of the reasons for such work. This would include notification to affected sensitive land user(s) of likely noise and vibration impacts and duration of those work.

- **Low impact:**
 - Construction that causes $LA_{eq(15\ min)}$ noise levels
 - No more than 5 dB(A) above the rating background level at any residence in accordance with the ICNG
 - No more than the 'Noise affected' NMLs specified in Table 3 of the ICNG at other sensitive land user(s)
 - Construction that causes:
 - Continuous or impulsive vibration values, measured at the most affected residence, and are no more than those for human exposure to vibration, specified for residences in Table 2.2 of Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006) and
 - Intermittent vibration values, measured at the most affected residence, and are no more than the preferred values for human exposure to vibration, specified in Table 2.4 of Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006)

- **By approval:**

- Where different construction hours are permitted or required under an EPL in force in respect of the SSI; or
- Work which is **not** subject to an EPL that are approved under an Out-of-Hours Work Protocol as required by NSW CoA E21; or
- Negotiated agreements with directly affected residents and sensitive land user(s).

5.3.4 Out Of Hours Work

The OOHW Protocol (Appendix D) outlines how assessment, approval and management of works outside of standard construction hours (refer to Section 5.3.1), and **not** the subject of an EPL, will occur.

The OOHW Protocol has been prepared to address the requirements of NSW CoA E21 and will include, but not be limited to:

- The process for obtaining approval for OOHW
- The details to be provided in any OOHW application, including information on the nature and need and justification for activities to be conducted during the varied construction hours
- Requirements for consultation with potentially affected receivers and local Councils.

The OOHW Protocol (Appendix D) will be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval before commencement of the OOHW. Any minor amendments to the OOHW Protocol will be sent to the ER for consultation and approval.

5.3.5 Negotiated Agreements

Works outside of standard hours that do not meet the circumstances listed in NSW CoA E20(a), E20(b), E20(c)(i) or E20(c)(ii) may be undertaken if agreement between the Project and the directly affected noise sensitive receivers has been reached in accordance with NSW CoA E20(c)(iii). The community agreements between the Principal's Representative and the directly affected residents and sensitive land users will be:

- Prepared in writing and a copy of the agreement(s) kept on the premises for the duration of the OOHW
- Made available to DPE for the duration of the agreement (personal details of noise sensitive receivers will be omitted).

Where a community agreement has been attained by phone, the following may apply:

- Phone script used to describe the proposed agreement is to be provided to the Principal's Representative with the community agreement for approval
- Phone script to include a description of the proposed works, the likely impacts and benefits for the community and a clear question requesting receiver agreement to the proposal
- Detailed records are to be maintained for the duration of the community agreement
- Any noise sensitive receiver, who requests a copy of the phone agreement will be supplied with one.

It is noted that where negotiated agreements are used to undertake OOHW not subject to an EPL under E20(c)(iii), then agreements must be reached with 100% of the directly affected residents and sensitive land users.

In accordance with NSW CoA E23, noise generating work in the vicinity of potentially affected community, religious, educational institutions, noise and vibration-sensitive businesses, and critical working areas (such as theatres, laboratories and operating theatres), resulting in noise levels above the NMLs will not be scheduled within sensitive periods, unless the Principal's Representative (and National Intermodal) and the

potentially affected institution or business have made other arrangements. These arrangements will be implemented at no cost to the affected institution.

5.4 Adopted Construction NML

The construction NMLs have been derived based on the guidance outlined in the ICNG. The NMLs that are applicable are based on the land use for each identified sensitive receiver. The NML adopted are based on the principle that the characteristic activities for each of these land uses will not be unduly disturbed. The adopted Project construction NMLs for residential receivers are provided in

Table 5.2 and construction NMLs for non-residential receivers are provided in Table 5.3.

5.4.1 Residential NML

As required by the *Noise Policy for Industry* (NPfl) when setting project construction NMLs, the evening NML will be no greater than the daytime NML. Likewise, the night-time NML will be no greater than the day or evening NML.

Table 5.2 sets out the adopted Project construction NMLs for residential receivers.

Table 5.2: Residential Construction NMLs ⁶

Receiver type/ Monitoring Location	NML $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ – dB(A)			
	Standard construction hours dB(A)	Out-of-hours RBL + 5dB(A)		
		Day	Day	Evening
R1 (NM2)	46	41	39	36
R2 (NM3)	45	40	39	36
R3 (NM4)	46	41	41	36

Note:

1. Day: 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday; 8 am to 6 pm Sundays and public holidays;
2. Evening: 6 pm to 10 pm;
3. Night: All other periods.

5.4.2 Non-Residential NML

Construction NMLs for the non-residential receivers identified in the assessment are fixed target levels provided in the ICNG and summarised in Table 5.3. The construction NMLs for non-residential receivers apply when land is occupied and in use.

Table 5.3: Non-residential sensitive land uses noise management levels

Land use ⁷	Noise assessment location	NML ($L_{Aeq(15min)}$) ³
Classrooms at schools and other educational institutions	Internal	45
Places of worship and hospitals		
Passive recreation areas ¹	External	60

⁶ Sleep disturbance criteria will be assessed during preparation of a CNVIS where required.

Land use ⁷	Noise assessment location	NML (L _{Aeq} (15min)) ³
Active recreation areas ²	External	65
Industrial premises ⁴	External	75
Office, retail outlets ⁵	External	70

Notes:

1. Passive recreation areas characterised by contemplative activities that generate little noise and where benefits are compromised by external noise intrusion.
2. Active recreation areas are characterised by sporting activities and activities which generate their own noise or focus for participants, making them less sensitive to external noise intrusion.
3. Applies only when properties are being used
4. Defence Buildings 2 and 3 are classified as industrial refer to Table 4.1
5. Defence Building 1 is classified as commercial refer to Table 4.1
6. AS/NZS 2107:2016 Acoustics – Recommended design sound levels and reverberation times for building interiors
7. No community centres within the vicinity of the Project Site

6 VIBRATION CRITERIA

6.1 Construction Vibration Assessment Objectives

The following construction vibration goals apply for the Project:

- For structural damage to heritage structures, the vibration limits are as set out in the German Standard *DIN 4150-3: Structural Vibration - effects of vibration on structures* (German DIN Standard)
- For damage to other buildings and/or structures, the vibration limits are as set out in the British Standard *BS 7385-1:1990 - Evaluation and measurement for vibration in buildings – Guide for measurement of vibration and evaluation of their effects on buildings* (British Vibration Standard)
- For human exposure, the acceptable vibration values are set out in *Assessing Vibration: A Technical Guideline* (DEC, 2006). (Vibration Guideline (DEC, 2006))

6.2 Vibration Assessment Criteria

Effects of ground vibration on buildings resulting from construction can be classified as follows:

- Human exposure – disturbance to building occupants: Vibration in which the occupants or users of the building are inconvenienced or possibly disturbed
- Effects on building contents: Vibration where the building contents may be affected
- Effects on building structures: Vibration in which the integrity of the building or structure itself may be prejudiced.

6.2.1 Human Comfort

Assessment of potential disturbance from tactile vibration on human occupants of buildings is made in accordance with the Vibration Guideline (DEC, 2006). The guideline provides criteria which are based on the British Vibration Standard. Sources of vibration are defined as either 'continuous', 'impulsive' or 'intermittent':

- Continuous vibration – from uninterrupted sources, e.g., machinery, steady road traffic, continuous construction activity
- Impulsive vibration – up to three instances of sudden impact per monitoring period e.g., occasional dropping of heavy equipment, occasional loading and unloading
- Intermittent vibration – such as from drilling, compacting or activities that will result in continuous vibration if operated continuously.

Maximum and preferred values for continuous and impulsive vibration are defined in Table 6.1. Application of the continuous and impulsive vibration criteria considers the level, duration of exposure, time of day, and varies for land uses.

Table 6.1: Continuous and impulsive vibration acceleration (m/s^2) 1-80 Hz

Location	Assessment period ¹	Preferred values		Maximum values	
		z-axis	x- and y-axis	z-axis	x- and y-axis
Continuous vibration					
Critical areas ²	Day or night-time	0.0050	0.0036	0.010	0.0072
Residences	Daytime	0.010	0.0071	0.020	0.014
	Night-time	0.007	0.005	0.014	0.010
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship	Day or night-time	0.020	0.014	0.040	0.028
Workshops	Day or night- time	0.04	0.029	0.080	0.058
Impulsive vibration					
Critical areas ²	Day or night-time	0.0050	0.0036	0.010	0.0072
Residences	Daytime	0.30	0.21	0.60	0.42
	Night-time	0.10	0.071	0.20	0.14
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship	Day or night-time	0.64	0.46	1.28	0.92
Workshops	Day or night- time	0.64	0.46	1.28	0.92

Notes:

1. Daytime is 7.00am to 10.00pm and night-time is 10.00pm to 7.00am
2. Such as hospital operating theatres or precision laboratories.

Intermittent vibration impact is assessed using vibration dose values (VDVs). The VDV method is more sensitive to peaks in the acceleration waveform and makes corrections to the criteria based on the exposure duration. The acceptable VDVs for intermittent vibration are defined in Table 6.2.

Table 6.2: Acceptable vibration dose values ($m/s^{1.75}$) for intermittent vibration

Location	Daytime ¹		Night-time ¹	
	Preferred values	Maximum values	Preferred values	Maximum values
Critical areas ²	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.02
Residences	0.20	0.40	0.13	0.26
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship	0.40	0.80	0.40	0.80
Workshops	0.80	1.60	0.80	1.60

Notes:

1. Daytime is 7.00am to 10.00pm and night-time is 10.00pm to 7.00am
2. Includes operating theatres, precision laboratories and other areas where vibration sensitive activities may occur.

6.2.2 Structural damage

The standards by which building damage from construction-induced vibration is assessed are British Vibration Standard and the German DIN Standard.

British Vibration Standard

BS 7385 is used as a guide to assess the likelihood of building damage from ground vibration. BS 7385 suggests levels at which 'cosmetic', 'minor' and 'major' categories of damage might occur, where the categories of structural damage are defined as:

- **Cosmetic:** The formation of hairline cracks on drywall surfaces, or the growth of existing cracks in plaster or drywall surfaces; in addition, the formation of hairline cracks in mortar joints of brick/ concrete block construction
- **Minor:** The formation of large cracks or loosening of plaster or drywall surfaces, or cracks through bricks/concrete blocks
- **Major:** Damage to structural elements of the building, cracks in supporting columns, loosening of joints, splaying of masonry cracks, etc.

The levels for structural damage outlined in the standard refer to non-continuous vibration sources and are considered 'safe limits' up to which no damage due to vibration effects are expected to occur for the various building types. Where vibration is continuous these levels may be reduced by up to 50% and additional assessment against the standard will be necessary.

BS 7385 is based on peak particle velocity and specifies damage criteria for frequencies within the range 4 Hz to 250 Hz, being the range usually encountered in buildings. Table 6.3 sets out the BS 7385 criteria for cosmetic, minor and major damage.

Table 6.3: BS 7385 structural damage criteria

Group	Type of structure	Damage level	Peak component particle velocity ¹ (mm/s)		
			4 – 15 Hz	15 – 40Hz	≥40Hz
1	Reinforced or framed structures Industrial and heavy commercial buildings	Cosmetic	50	50	50
		Minor ²	100	100	100
		Major ²	200	200	200
2	Un-reinforced or light framed structures Residential or light commercial type buildings	Cosmetic	15 - 20	20 - 50	50
		Minor ²	30 - 40	40 - 100	100
		Major ²	60 - 80	80 - 200	200

Notes:

1. Peak Component Particle Velocity is the maximum Peak particle velocity in any one direction (x, y, z) as measured by a tri-axial vibration transducer.
2. Minor and major damage criteria established based on BS 7385 Part 2 (1993) Section 7.4.2

German DIN Standard

DIN 4150-3 provides recommended maximum levels of vibration that reduce the likelihood of building damage caused by vibration and are generally recognised to be a more stringent criteria set than that of BS 7385. DIN 4150-3 presents the recommended maximum limits over a range of frequencies (Hz), measured in any direction, and at the foundation or in the plane of the uppermost floor of a building or structure.

Where heritage structures are impacted, DIN 4150-3 vibration criteria will be applied. The criteria applicable to heritage buildings are identified in

Table 6.4. Based on DIN 4150-3, a measured value exceeding those listed in

Table 6.4 will not necessarily lead to damage if it is significantly exceeded, however, further investigations may be necessary.

Table 6.4: DIN 4150-3 vibration guidelines for heritage buildings

Type of structure	Guideline values for vibration velocity (mm/s)			
	Vibration at the foundation at a frequency of			Vibration at the horizontal plane of the highest floor at all frequencies
	1 - 10 Hz	10 - 50 Hz	50 - 100 Hz ¹	
Heritage buildings	3	3 - 8	8 - 10	8

Notes:

1. P1PAT frequencies above 100 Hz the values given in this column may be used as minimum values.

6.2.3 Safe Working Distances

Where vibration intensive plant such as rock breakers and vibratory rollers are used, vibration must be managed to minimise disturbance to building occupants and to avoid damage to buildings and other structures. Table 6.5 indicates the safe working distances recommended by the CNVG for typical items of vibration intensive plant that will be adopted.

Table 6.5: Safe working distances for vibration intensive plant (TfNSW 2019)

Plant item	Rating/description	Safe working distance		
		Cosmetic damage (British Std 7385) – Light framed structures	Cosmetic damage (DIN 4150) Heritage and other sensitive structures	Human response (EPA's vibration guideline)
Vibratory roller	<50 kN (typically 1-2 t)	5 m	14 m	15 m to 20 m
	<100 kN (typically 2-4 t)	6 m	16 m	20 m
	<200 kN (typically 4-6 t)	12 m	33 m	40 m
	<300 kN (typically 7-13 t)	15 m	41 m	100 m
	>300 kN (typically 13-18 t)	20 m	54 m	100 m
	>300 kN (> 18 t)	25 m	68 m	100 m
Small hydraulic hammer	300 kg – 5 to 12 t excavator	2 m	5 m	7 m
Medium hydraulic hammer	900 kg – 12 to 18t excavator	7 m	19 m	23 m
Large hydraulic hammer	1600 kg – 18 to 34 t excavator	22 m	60 m	73 m
Vibratory pile driver	Sheet piles	20 m	50 m	100 m
Pile boring	≤800 mm	2 m (nominal)	5 m	7 m
Jackhammer	Handheld	1 m (nominal)	2 m	3 m

The safe working distances presented in Table 6.5 are indicative and will vary depending on the item of plant (particularly its power rating) and local geotechnical conditions. The cosmetic damage thresholds apply to typical buildings under typical geotechnical conditions and vibration monitoring is recommended at specific sites. Where structures are more sensitive such as heritage items, more stringent conditions may be applicable.

In relation to human response, the safe working distances relate to continuous vibration. For most construction activities, vibration emissions are intermittent and higher vibration levels over shorter periods are acceptable. Additional assessment will be undertaken where the human response criteria are exceeded.

7 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

7.1 Construction Activities

Section 2.3 of the CEMP provides an overview of the construction activities that have the potential for environmental impact. The potential risks have been identified based on the outcomes of the risk assessment provided in Appendix C of the CEMP.

Appendix D (OOHW Protocol) outlined work activities that may require scheduled OOHW.

The Project will involve a range of activities incorporating various heavy machinery, plant and equipment that will operate in a number of locations across the Project Site. In order to assess the level of potential impact on noise and vibration sensitive receivers, the broad categories of construction activity likely to interact with these receivers include:

- Site establishment and decommissioning
- Construction compounds (carparks, office buildings, laydown areas)
- Clearing and grubbing
- Demolition
- Utilities and drainage
- Earthworks
- Material haulage
- Road works
- Piling
- Paving and concrete saw cutting
- Finishing works (road furnishing and landscaping).

The potential for noise and vibration impacts on sensitive receivers or structures will depend on several factors including:

- Type of equipment in use
- Number of equipment simultaneously in use
- Ground conditions
- Topography and other physical barriers
- Proximity to sensitive receivers
- Condition of sensitive receivers
- Hours/duration of construction works
- Proximity of heavy traffic areas.

Scheduling of construction activities will be undertaken by the Construction Contractor Construction Manager and potential noise and vibration impacts will be considered as part of this process. Requirements for noise and vibration management, including consultation with the local community, will form part of the regular Project Construction Meetings. Outcomes of the planning will be communicated to the wider construction force through training and daily pre-start meetings (refer to Section 9.2).

7.2 Construction Noise Impacts

7.2.1 Residential Construction Noise Impacts

The NVIA modelled a worst-case construction scenario (road construction) considering operation of 50% of all plant and equipment including vehicles operating continuously over a 15-minute period.

The result of the modelling for road construction indicates that the highly noise affected levels will be satisfied, but that NMLs will be exceeded at the residential reference locations, (Table 7.1). It is noted that these exceedances are limited to road construction and have been modelled for daytime only. In accordance with NSW CoA E26, a Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement (CNVIS) must be prepared for any work that may exceed the noise management levels or vibration criteria specified in NSW CoA E22 at any residence outside construction hours identified in NSW CoA E18, or where receivers will be highly noise affected.

It is noted that during the preparation of the NVIA although construction noise levels are predicted to be greater than the NML, in some circumstances, they are less than or equal to the ambient noise level. Exceedance of NMLs during standard hours is typical of such construction projects where residences are in proximity. Notwithstanding, implementation of the management measures detailed in Section 7.5.1 and REMMs will minimise noise impacts during construction.

Table 7.1: Predicted Worst Case Scenario Noise Levels (Road Construction)

Location	NML $L_{Aeq,15min}$, dB(A)	Highly noise affected level	Predicted level	Exceedance
R1 (NM2)	46	75	51	+5
R2 (NM3)	45	75	52	+7
R3 (NM4)	46	75	55	+9

Noise contours were identified in the NVIA to evaluate the potential impacts to sensitive receivers to the north-east of the Project Site. Construction noise levels in the order of $L_{Aeq,15min}$ 45-48 dB(A), and therefore up to 2 dB(A) above NMLs were identified (Figure 7.1).

7.2.2 Non-Residential Construction Noise Impacts

The result of the modelling for a non-residential scenario during worst case scenario (road construction) identifies that construction noise levels satisfy the ICNG noise management levels at the reference commercial and industrial assessment locations (Table 7.2).

Table 7.2: Predicted Worst Case Scenario Noise Levels (Road Construction)

Location	NML $L_{Aeq,15min}$, dB(A)	Highly noise affected level	Predicted level	Exceedance
COM	70	-	66	0
IN1	75	-	62	0
IN2	75	75	66	0

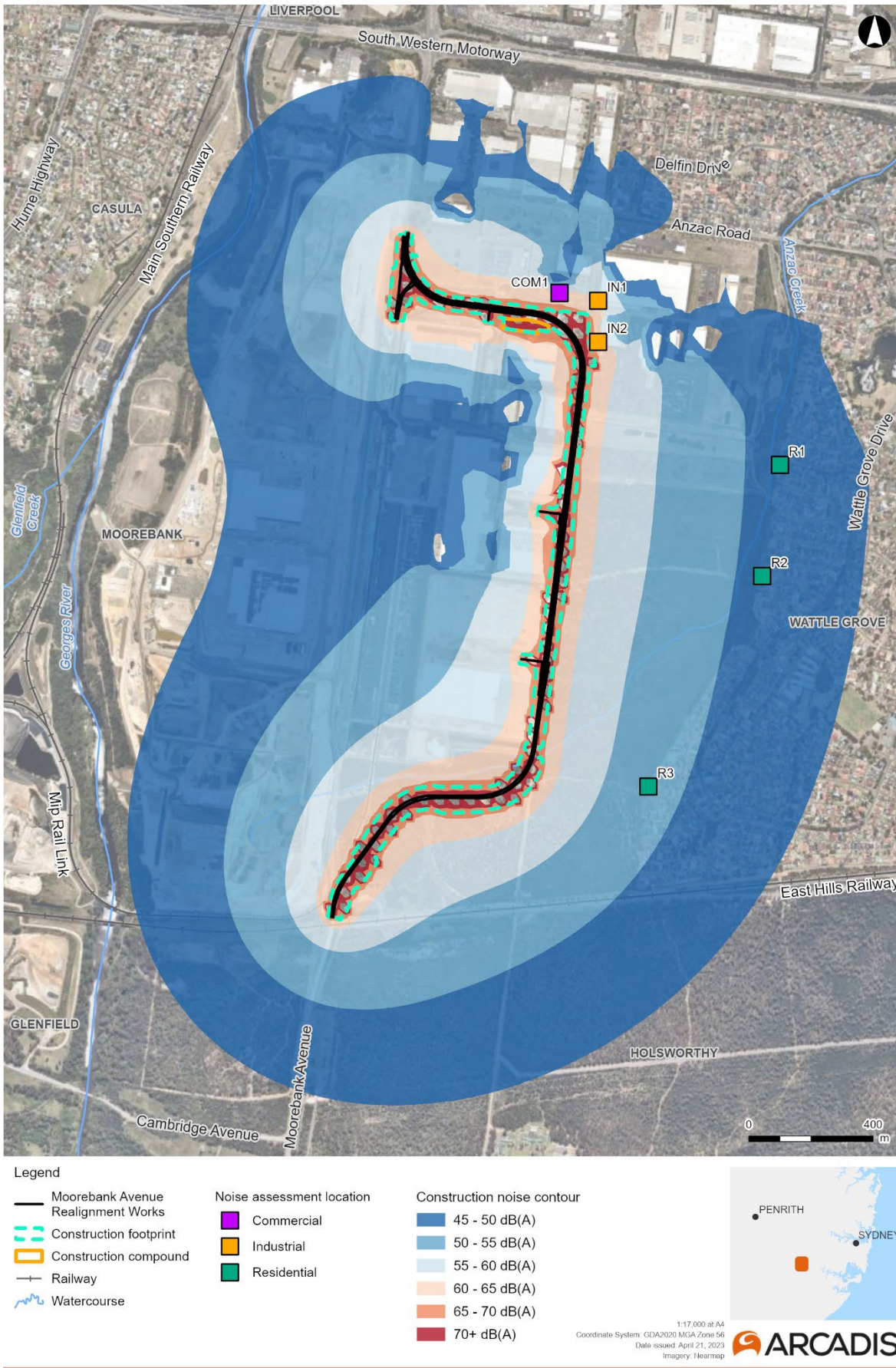


Figure 7.1: Modelled Construction Noise Contours (NVIA)

7.2.3 Construction Traffic Noise Impacts

Construction will generate heavy vehicle movements associated with transporting construction machinery, equipment, and materials to the Project Site. Light vehicle movements will be related to site personnel, visitors and smaller deliveries.

7.3 Construction Vibration Impacts

7.3.1 Construction Vibration Assessment

Potential vibration impacts to residents and buildings will be managed during construction of the Project. The main sources of construction vibration include:

- Vibratory rollers
- Rock breaking
- Hydraulic hammers
- Vibratory pile drivers
- Pile boring
- Jackhammers.

The main sources of vibration during construction of the Project will be associated with the use of vibratory rollers and rock breakers. A large vibratory roller produces noticeable vibration and is likely to be used throughout the construction of the Project. It is expected that vibration impacts will be able to be controlled to avoid cosmetic and structural damage to all structures. Where works are within the minimum working distances of structures, a detailed review of the required construction methods will be completed and attended vibration measurements will be required at the start of the works to determine the risk of exceeding the vibration objectives.

The distance between the construction works and the nearest sensitive receivers is generally sufficient for most buildings not to suffer cosmetic damage. Distance to the nearest structures is as follows:

- Residential: approximately 350 metres from the construction footprint
- Industrial (existing): approximately 20 metres from the construction footprint
- Industrial (i.e. MPE site): adjacent to the construction footprint
- Infrastructure (East Hills Bridge): adjacent to the construction footprint.

Where works are within the minimum working distances and considered likely to exceed the cosmetic damage objectives, construction works will not proceed unless:

- A different construction method with lower source vibration levels is used, where feasible
- Attended vibration measurements are carried out at the start of the works to determine the risk of exceeding of the vibration objectives.

Vibration impacts (structural damage and human comfort) are not anticipated during construction as all identified residential and industrial structures and heritage items are located beyond minimum safe working distances for vibration intensive activities and no further construction vibration mitigation measures are proposed. However, some receivers may be able to perceive vibration impacts at times when vibration generating equipment is in use. Where impacts will be perceptible, they will likely only be apparent for relatively short durations when equipment such as rock-breakers or vibratory rollers are in use nearby.

Vibration impacts on adjacent infrastructure (East Hills Bridge) has the potential to occur for tie-in works into the existing road. Implementation of the management measures detailed in Section 7.5.1 will minimise vibration impacts during construction.

7.3.2 Construction Ground-Borne Noise

Construction works can cause ground-borne noise impacts in nearby buildings when vibration generating equipment is in use. The majority of receivers are sufficiently distant from the works for ground-borne noise impacts on be minimal. Where residential receivers are located near construction works, airborne noise levels will typically be dominant over the ground-borne component.

7.4 Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements

In accordance with NSW CoA E26, and as detailed in Section 7.2 and Section 7.2.3, a CNVIS will be prepared for any work that may exceed the noise management levels (Section 5.4) or vibration criteria (Section 6.2) at any residence outside construction hours (Section 5.3) or where receivers will be highly noise affected.

The CNVIS will be prepared by the Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor and/or a qualified acoustic consultant (Section 9.1 of the CNVMP) depending on the scale of the construction activities being undertaken. The CNVIS will include, but not limited to:

- An overview of the proposed construction works, including a list of equipment likely to be used and duration of the works
- Noise and/or vibration assessment methodology to determine the potential noise impacts
- Predicted construction noise and/or vibration results from the modelling
- Identification of the affected sensitive receivers during the construction activities
- Identification of reasonable and feasible mitigation measures to reduce noise and/or vibration levels, including those identified through consultation with affected sensitive land user(s). The identified mitigation measures must be implemented for the duration of the work.

A copy of the CNVIS will be issued to the ER at least two weeks prior to proposed works commencing and may be provided to the Planning Secretary for information.

7.5 Cumulative Impacts

Cumulative noise and vibration impacts may arise from the interplay between construction activities associated with the Project, and other approved or proposed projects that are likely to occur within the area. When considered in isolation, specific impacts may be considered minor. These minor impacts may be more substantial however, when the impact of multiple projects on the same receivers is considered.

As outlined in the EIS, a number of other projects in the area that may coincide with construction works and may lead to construction and consultation fatigue for the local community, include:

- MPE Stage 2 (SSD 7628)
- MPW Stage 2 (SSD 7709) and Stage 3 (SSD 10431)
- M5 Motorway Westbound Traffic Upgrade (REF)
- Glenfield Waste Services Resource Recovery Facility (SSD 6249).

Communication between the Construction Contractor and developers for these projects will be undertaken with the aim of combining messages when possible, to coordinate disruptive activities and manage and

minimise cumulative impacts to the local community as per the CCS. In accordance with NSW CoA E27, works will be scheduled with the aim of minimising concurrent works near sensitive receivers. This will include:

- Coordination between project teams and other projects that are being constructed nearby
- Rescheduling of work to provide respite to impacted noise sensitive land user(s) so that respite is achieved during OOHW
- Consideration to the provision of alternative respite or mitigation to impacted noise sensitive land users.

The ER will be informed of decisions made in relation to respite or mitigation for OOHW and will also be provided with the documentary evidence that supports the decision. The implementation of respite and OOHW management measures have been detailed in Section 7 and will be managed in accordance with the Out of Hours Work Protocol (Appendix D).

Construction fatigue will be managed in accordance with the CCS, which includes a Construction Fatigue Protocol to minimise impacts associated with construction fatigue.

7.5.1 Respite and Sensitive Periods

The ICNG provides guidelines around the provision of Respite Periods during construction, specifically when nearby residents are subjected to lengthy periods of noise or vibration. This respite period or mitigation required will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

However, typical respite periods and as detailed in the ICNG include the following:

- Where night work near residences cannot be feasibly or reasonably avoided, restrict the number of nights per week and/or the number of nights per calendar month that the works are undertaken, in consultation with residents who will be most affected. For example no more than three consecutive evenings and no more than two consecutive nights in the same location in any one week.
- Noise with special audible characteristics and vibration generating activities (including jack and rock hammering, sheet and pile driving, rock breaking and vibratory rolling) may only be carried out in continuous blocks, not exceeding three hours each, with a minimum respite period of one hour between each block. 'Continuous' includes any period during which there is less than a one-hour respite between ceasing and recommencing the work.
- Consult with affected schools to ensure that noise-generating construction works in the vicinity of affected school buildings are not scheduled to occur during examination periods, unless other arrangements (such as relocation to an alternative location) acceptable to the affected schools can be made.
- Relocating noise-affected occupants for short periods of time, such as when high noise levels from construction occur at night and there are no feasible and reasonable ways of reducing noise levels.

Typical sensitive periods include, but are not limited to:

- Avoid scheduling construction activities Sundays or public holidays to minimise impacts on religious services
- Avoiding evening and Saturday afternoon, where noise from construction can impact leisure activities
- Not scheduling works if an educational institution or school are undertaking examinations.

8 ENVIRONMENTAL MITIGATION AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

The ICNG provide guidelines on applying all *feasible and reasonable* work practices or measures to minimise to protect the majority of sensitive receivers from noise generated during construction. *Feasible and reasonable* work practices can be summarised as:

- Feasible measures are capable of being put into practice, being engineered and are practical given project constraints. Examples include the use of low noise power tools or hydraulic or electrically controlled equipment instead of petrol or pneumatic equipment and controlling noise at the source.
- Selecting reasonable measures from those that are feasible involves making a judgment to determine whether the overall noise benefits outweigh the overall adverse social, economic and environmental effects.

Management actions and *feasible and reasonable* mitigations measures to avoid and minimise impacts of noise and vibration are summarised in Table 8.1.

The development of management measures has been based on SMART principles i.e. measures that are specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, and time-bound:

- **S**pecific – Mitigation and management measures identified in Table 8.1 specifically to manage noise and vibration impacts during construction
- **M**easurable – Inspection and monitoring requirements detailed in Section 9.3 include specific measures or indicators for which inspection and monitoring requirements will be triggered
- **A**chievable – Ongoing compliance with the Infrastructure Approval (Table 3.1 and Table 3.2) and Commonwealth CoAs, is achievable throughout the delivery of construction and represents the minimum requirements to be implemented by the Construction Contractor
- **R**elevant - The management measures outlined in Table 8.1 represent the approach to monitoring and tracking against the objectives, targets and environmental performance outcomes (identified in Section 2.3 of the CNVMP)
- **T**ime-bound – The management measures set out within Table 8.1 are required to be implemented for the duration of construction, setting a clear and defined time frame and includes reference to other timeframes, including during detailed design, pre-construction, post-construction and/or operation.

Table 8.1: Noise and Vibration Management and Mitigation Measures

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
Training					
NV1	<p>All employees, contractors and subcontractors are to receive a Project induction prior to commencing work on site. The induction will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existence and requirements of this NVMP • Relevant legislation and guidelines • Standard construction hours and exemptions • The process for seeking approval for out-of-hours works and highly noise intensive works, including consultation • Location of noise sensitive areas • Complaints reporting and recording • How to implement noise and vibration management measures • Specific responsibilities to minimise impacts on the community and built environment from noise and vibration associated with the works. 	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	Standard industry practice	Induction records
NV2	The need to minimise noise and vibration impacts will be communicated through the provision of targeted training and toolbox talks to relevant Project personnel, including relevant subcontractors.	Prior to Construction Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	REMM NV102	Training records Toolbox talk sign on sheets
Scheduling of construction activities					
NV3	Schedule noisy work activities adjacent community, religious, educational institutions, noise and vibration-sensitive businesses and critical working areas (such as theatres, laboratories and operating theatres) outside sensitive time periods, unless other reasonable arrangements with the affected institutions, businesses or facilities are made at no cost to the affected institution.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E23	Compliance monitoring

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
NV4	Schedule works such that the noise exposure, for any employee working at or near the construction site, does not exceed LAeq,8h of 85 dB(A).	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E24	Compliance monitoring
NV5	Coordinate construction works with third parties such as MPE and MPW to provide respite.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E27 REMM NVI13	Consultation records
NV6	All work in the delivery of the Project including by subcontractors, will be coordinated to provide respite including: Rescheduling of work to provide respite to impacted noise sensitive land user(s) Consideration of the provision of alternative respite or mitigation to impacted noise sensitive land user(s)	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E27	Consultation records
NV7	Avoid simultaneous operation of noisy plant within discernible range of a sensitive receiver.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI12	Construction documentation
NV8	Noisiest works will be scheduled to be undertaken during standard construction hours	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25	Construction documentation
NV9	Noise and vibration generating work in the vicinity of potentially-affected community, religious, educational institutions, noise and vibration-sensitive businesses and critical working areas resulting in noise levels above the NMLs will not be timetabled within sensitive periods, unless offers of other reasonable arrangements have been made to the affected institutions.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E23	Compliance monitoring

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
On-site management - noise					
NV10	No swearing or unnecessary shouting or loud stereos / radios, public address systems or other forms of communication that may impact upon nearby residents.	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI04	Site inspection records Toolbox talks
NV11	Dropping of materials from height, throwing of metal items and slamming of doors will be avoided	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI04	Site inspection records Toolbox talks
NV12	The arrangement of plant and equipment will be considered to reduce noise impacts including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Directing noise-emitting plant away from sensitive receivers Maximise the offset distance between noisy plant and adjacent sensitive receivers. Minimising idling 	Pre-construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25	Site inspection records
NV13	Pre-start inspections, and regular maintenance of plant and equipment will be undertaken in accordance with manufacturers guidelines	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25 REMM NVI10	Compliance monitoring Site inspection records
NV14	All construction plant and equipment used on the site will be operated in a quiet and efficient manner such as throttling down or shutting down when not in use.	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI09	Site inspection records
NV15	Non-tonal (white noise) movement alarms will be used in place of tonal reversing alarms for Contractor owned plant and subcontract plant used at night or during the day.	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI09 REMM NVI11	Site inspection records Toolbox talks
NV16	Stationary noise sources will be enclosed or shielded where feasible and reasonable. This will apply to plant and equipment such as generators, stationary concrete cutters, stationary asphalt corers, stationary vacuum trucks, and stationary jack hammers	Construction	Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25	Site inspection records

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
NV17	Additional temporary screening or enclosures, or alternative construction and demolition techniques will be considered for stationary and mobile plant and equipment where additional measures are required to meet relevant NMLs, or where plant and equipment is known to exceed the NMLs	Pre-construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25 REMM NV103	Compliance monitoring
NV18	The use of equipment that generates impulsive noise (sudden bursts of noise) will be avoided.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NV106	Site inspection records Compliance monitoring
NV19	Quieter plant and equipment will be selected based on the optimal power and size to perform the required tasks most efficiently	Pre-construction and construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	NSW CoA E25 REMM NV108	Manufacturer's specifications
On-site management – vibration					
NV20	Appropriate safe working distances will be implemented to avoid impacts on structures and sensitive receivers during activities that generate vibration.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	n/a	Site inspection records
NV21	The use of alternatives to vibration generating equipment will be considered where vibration impacts are predicted.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	n/a	Construction documentation
NV22	Where works are within the minimum working distances and considered likely to exceed the cosmetic damage objectives, construction works will not proceed unless: A different construction method with lower source vibration levels is used, where feasible Attended vibration measurements are carried out at the start of the works to determine the risk of exceeding the vibration objectives.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	n/a	Construction documentation

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
Consultation					
NV23	Notify residents at least seven days prior to the commencement of highly noise intensive works.	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager Construction Contractor Site Supervisor	REMM NVI07	Correspondence
Out of hours works					
NV24	The Out of Hours Works Protocol must be followed for any works outside standard construction hours, and that are not subject to an EPL	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager	NSW CoA E21	Construction documentation
NV25	Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements (CNVIS) must be prepared for any work that may exceed the noise management levels or vibration criteria specified in NSW CoA E22 at any residence outside construction hours identified in NSW CoA E18, or where receivers will be highly noise affected.	Pre-construction and construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor Acoustic Consultant	NSW CoA E26	CNVIS
NV26	Respite periods must be negotiated with the CCC; the identified respite periods and the scheduling of the likely OOHW will be provided to the ER for information within one week of undertaking the community consultation.	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA B1	CCC Minutes
Construction vehicles					
NV27	All personnel will use nominated on site car parking facilities	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager	REMM NVI05	Site layout plans
NV28	Heavy vehicles will use nominated haulage routes only	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager	REMM NVI05	Site layout plans
NV29	Vehicles operating to, from and within the Project Site shall do so in a manner, which does not create unreasonable or unnecessary noise or vibration including: Switching off engines during waiting periods Avoiding compression braking unless safety requires such application	Construction	Construction Contractor Project Manager	Standard Practice	Compliance monitoring

ID	Measure / requirement	Timing	Responsibility	Reference	Evidence
Monitoring					
NV30	Noise and vibration monitoring is to be undertaken in accordance with the Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA C12	Compliance monitoring Site inspection records
NV31	Monitoring will be carried out at the start of highly noise intensive works (such as piling, rock-breaking, vibratory rolling and power sawing) to confirm that actual noise and vibration levels are consistent with the noise and vibration impact predictions.	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA C12	Compliance monitoring Site inspection records
NV32	Where monitoring identifies higher levels of noise and vibration compared to predicted levels, or where mitigation is shown to be ineffective against measured noise and vibration levels, additional mitigation measures will be identified and implemented to appropriately manage impacts where feasible and reasonable.	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA C12	Compliance monitoring Site inspection records
NV33	In-situ monitoring will be carried out to confirm vibration levels and assess the impact of vibration. Where the monitoring identifies exceedances in the relevant criteria, or where impacts are identified, additional mitigation measures will be identified and implemented to appropriately manage impacts.	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA C12	Compliance monitoring Site inspection records
NV34	Where works are within the minimum working distances of structures, a detailed review of the required construction methods will be completed and attended vibration measurements will be required at the start of the works to determine the risk of exceeding the vibration objectives	Construction	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor	NSW CoA C12	Vibration monitoring Site inspection records

8.1 Trigger for Additional Management Measures

The TfNSW Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline (CNVG) has been used, as a guide only, to determine the type of additional management measures that will be implemented based on exceedance above the RBL or NML for this Project. Additional management measures are based on the level of predicted risk and will be undertaken in accordance with the Communication Consultation Strategy (CCS) as detailed in Table 8.2.

Table 8.2: Additional noise management measures for residential land uses

Risk	Perception	Predicted airborne $L_{Aeq}(15min)$ noise level receiver		dB(A) above NML	Additional mitigation measures type
		dB(A) above RBL	dB(A) above NML		
All hours					
High Risk	75 dB(A) or greater	-	-	Highly noise affected. CNVIS required (residential only)	Community Consultation (refer to CCS)
Standard Hours: Mon – Fri (7am – 6pm), Sat (8am – 1pm), Sun/Public Holiday (Nil)					
Low Risk	Noticeable	5 to 10	0	NML	-
Low Risk	Clearly audible	10 to 20	< 10	NML	-
High Risk	Moderately intrusive	20 to 30	10 to 20	NML+10	Community Consultation (refer to CCS)
High Risk	Highly intrusive	> 30	> 20	NML+25	
Out of Hours Works					
Low Risk	Noticeable	5 to 10	< 5	NML	-
High Risk	Clearly audible	10 to 20	5 to 15	NML+5	Community Consultation (refer to CCS)
High Risk	Moderately intrusive	20 to 30	15 to 25	NML+15	
High Risk	Highly intrusive	> 30	> 25	NML+25	

The following will be undertaken in the event of high-risk activities being undertaken in order to inform nearby residential receivers of the activities:

- Construction Contractor to identify types and durations of works which may generate high-impact noise during works scheduling and notify Construction Contractor's Community Liaison Officer prior to quarterly Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meetings

- Works scheduling to be discussed at CCC meetings, with members given the opportunity to raise concerns around timing of works, for example due to school holidays or local events etc.
- Construction Contractor's to review schedule and amend where possible and provide Construction Contractor's Community Liaison Officer details or works being undertaken
- Construction Contractor's Community Liaison Officer to develop content to be included within community notification and submit content to National Intermodal's CEC a minimum of 5 days prior to works commencing for review and approval
- National Intermodal's CEC to review and approve notification and distribute to the impacted nearby sensitive receivers a minimum of 7 days prior to the works commencing. National Intermodal's CEC will also update the Project website with the relevant information.

Respite consultation will be undertaken in accordance with Section 4.1 of the OOHV Protocol in Appendix D.

9 COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT

9.1 Roles and Responsibilities

The Project organisational structure and overall roles and environmental responsibilities are outlined in Section 5.1 of the CEMP. Specific responsibilities for the implementation of noise and vibration management are detailed in Section 7.5.1 of this CNVMP.

A suitably qualified acoustic consultant will be engaged by the Construction Contractor as required to advise on noise and vibration and assist with the preparation of the CNVIS, described in Section 7.4 of the CNVMP.

9.2 Training

All site personnel (including sub-Construction Contractors) will undergo site induction training relating to noise and vibration management issues prior to construction commencing. The induction training will address elements related to noise and vibration management, including:

- Existence and requirements of this CNVMP
- Relevant legislation, regulations and Environment Protection Licence (EPL) conditions
- Incident response, management and reporting
- Environmentally sensitive locations and exclusion zones
- Standard construction hours and exemptions
- The process for seeking approval for out-of-hours works, including consultation
- Location of noise sensitive areas
- Complaints reporting and recording
- How to implement noise and vibration management measures
- All requirements of Appendices contained within this CNVMP.

Targeted training in the form of toolbox talks or specific training will also be provided to personnel with a key role in noise and vibration management or those undertaking an activity with a high risk of environmental impact. Site personnel will undergo refresher training at not less than six monthly intervals.

Daily pre-start meetings conducted by the Site Supervisor will inform the site workforce of any environmental issues relevant to noise and vibration, including the location of institutions (religious and educational) that have “sensitive periods” that need to be avoided, that could potentially be impacted by, or impact on, the day’s activities.

Further details regarding staff induction and training are provided in Section 5.2 of the CEMP.

9.3 Monitoring and Inspections

Inspections of sensitive areas and activities with the potential to impact noise and vibration will occur for the duration of the construction of the Project. Construction noise and vibration monitoring for the Project will be carried out in accordance with the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program (refer to Appendix E).

Requirements and responsibilities in relation to monitoring and inspections are documented in Section 7.1 of the CEMP and will include noise and vibration specific requirements including checking for excessive noise or vibration, exhaust noise, reversing non-tonal alarms,

9.4 Auditing

Audits (both internal and external) will be undertaken to assess the effectiveness of environmental controls, compliance with this sub plan, State and Commonwealth CoA and other relevant approvals, licenses and guidelines.

Audit requirements are detailed in Section 7.3 of the CEMP.

9.5 Reporting and Identified Records

Reporting requirements and responsibilities are documented in Section 7.4 of the CEMP.

Specific reporting requirements associated with the CNVMP are outlined in Table 9.1.

Table 9.1: Reporting requirements relevant to noise and vibration management

Report	Frequency	Responsibility
Coordination of Respite or Mitigation	As required by NSW CoA E27(c)	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor
Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements	As required by NSW CoA E26	Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor

The Construction Contractor will be required to maintain accurate records substantiating all construction activities associated with the Project or relevant to the State and Commonwealth CoA, including measures taken to implement this CNVMP. Records will be made available to the DPE and DCCEEW upon request, within the timeframe nominated in the request.

9.6 Incidents

It is the responsibility of all personnel to report any incidents in accordance with the incident management procedures detailed to Section 6.1 of the CEMP.

9.7 Complaints

Complaints will be managed as soon as possible in accordance with the requirements of the CCS and Complaints Management System developed in accordance with NSW CoA B7 and B8 respectively.

Complaints will be managed in accordance with Section 5.4.3 of the CEMP and CCS.

9.8 Non-Compliances and Corrective Actions

Non-compliance may be identified via internal and external audits, site monitoring, inspections and observations, environmental incidents and emergencies, complaints and management reviews.

Non-compliance and resulting corrective actions will be managed in accordance with Section 7.2 of the CEMP.

10 REVIEW AND IMPROVEMENT

10.1 Continuous Improvement

Continuous improvement of this CNVMP will be achieved by the ongoing evaluation of environmental management performance against environmental policies, objectives and targets for the purpose of identifying opportunities for improvement and through SMART principles. The continuous improvement process will be designed to:

- Identify areas of opportunity for improvement of environmental management and performance
- Determine the cause or causes of non-compliances and deficiencies
- Develop and implement a plan of corrective and preventative action to address any non-compliances and deficiencies
- Verify the effectiveness of the corrective and preventative actions
- Document any changes in procedures resulting from process improvement
- Make comparisons with objectives and targets.

Project environmental risks will be identified and included in the risk register and appropriate mitigation measures implemented throughout the construction of the Project as part of the continuous improvement process.

The process for ongoing risk identification and management during construction is outlined in Section 4.2 and Appendix C of the CEMP.

10.2 CNVMP Update and Amendment

The processes described in Section 7.5 of the CEMP may result in the need to update or revise this CNVMP including the OOHV Protocol and Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program. This will occur as needed.

Any revisions to the CNVMP will be endorsed and / or approved in accordance with the process outlined in Section 1.5 of the CEMP.

A copy of the updated the CNVMP and changes will be distributed to all relevant stakeholders in accordance with the approved document control procedure.

APPENDIX A Consultation

Response to Liverpool City Council Letter of 20 April 2023

Comment	Response and where the comment has been addressed
<p>1. It is recommended that the CNVMP be reviewed and determined satisfactory by the consent authority. This may include an independent review of the CNVMP by an external consultant.</p>	<p>The CNVMP has been prepared and reviewed by suitably qualified consultants (Arcadis and EMM). In accordance with NSW CoA C2, DPE must also review and approve this CNVMP.</p>
<p>2. Notwithstanding this, Council has previously endorsed a submission dated 30 April 2021 for the Moorebank Avenue Realignment Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This submission advised that a CNVMP must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant, and should incorporate actions that minimise noise arising from construction, including the following:</p>	<p>All relevant information from the EIS and RtS has been incorporated into the CNVMP. An Acoustic Consultant (EMM) has undertaken a technical review of the CNVMP.</p>
<p>3. Methods for promoting noise awareness by contractors and training procedures</p>	<p>As detailed in Section 9.2, all site personal will undergo site induction training relating to noise and vibration management issues prior to construction commencing. Additionally, toolbox talks and specific training will also be provided no less than six monthly intervals.</p>
<p>4. A complaints lodgement procedure to ensure that the public and local residents are able to report any noise issues An ongoing review process and a plan for responding to noise complaints</p>	<p>As detailed in Section 9.7, complaints will be managed in accordance with the requirements of the Community Communication Strategy and the Complaint Management System in accordance with NSW CoA B7 and B8. Section 5.4.3 of the CEMP also details how complaints will be managed during construction of the Project.</p>
<p>5. Details of the site personnel who would manage noise and the steps that would be used to manage any potential noise impacts.</p>	<p>Section 7.5.1 of this CNVMP details specific responsibilities for the implementation of noise and vibration management including respite and sensitive periods. The Project organisational structure and overall roles and environmental responsibilities are outlined in Section 5.1 of the CEMP. Section 8 details noise and vibration management measures and related responsibilities.</p>
<p>6. The Council submission raised concerns that the residents in the western portion of Wattle Grove would be exposed to increased traffic noise, where acoustic walls are not proposed. It was also outlined that the EIS did not identify whether the road traffic noise assessment considered the expected additional traffic volumes from the proposed Cambridge Avenue upgrade.</p>	<p>Based on the outcomes of the noise impact assessment (Appendix E of the EIS), a noise wall is not required. Potential road traffic noise associated with increased operational traffic volumes on Cambridge Avenue are not relevant to this CNVMP as it relates to construction noise and vibration impacts only.</p>

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<p>2. Notwithstanding this, Council has previously endorsed a submission dated 30 April 2021 for the Moorebank Avenue Realignment Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This submission advised that a CNVMP must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant, and should incorporate actions that minimise noise arising from construction, including the following:</p>	<p>All relevant information from the EIS and RtS has been incorporated into the CNVMP. An Acoustic Consultant (EMM) has undertaken a technical review of the CNVMP.</p>
<p>3. Methods for promoting noise awareness by contractors and training procedures</p>	<p>As detailed in Section 9.2, all site personal will undergo site induction training relating to noise and vibration management issues prior to construction commencing. Additionally, toolbox talks and specific training will also be provided no less than six monthly intervals.</p>
<p>4. A complaints lodgement procedure to ensure that the public and local residents are able to report any noise issues An ongoing review process and a plan for responding to noise complaints</p>	<p>As detailed in Section 9.7, complaints will be managed in accordance with the requirements of the Community Communication Strategy and the Complaint Management System in accordance with NSW CoA B7 and B8. Section 5.4.3 of the CEMP also details how complaints will be managed during construction of the Project.</p>
<p>5. Details of the site personnel who would manage noise and the steps that would be used to manage any potential noise impacts.</p>	<p>Section 7.5.1 of this CNVMP details specific responsibilities for the implementation of noise and vibration management including respite and sensitive periods. The Project organisational structure and overall roles and environmental responsibilities are outlined in Section 5.1 of the CEMP. Section 8 details noise and vibration management measures and related responsibilities.</p>
<p>6. The Council submission raised concerns that the residents in the western portion of Wattle Grove would be exposed to increased traffic noise, where acoustic walls are not proposed. It was also outlined that the EIS did not identify whether the road traffic noise assessment considered the expected additional traffic volumes from the proposed Cambridge Avenue upgrade.</p>	<p>Based on the outcomes of the noise impact assessment (Appendix E of the EIS), a noise wall is not required. Potential road traffic noise associated with increased operational traffic volumes on Cambridge Avenue are not relevant to this CNVMP as it relates to construction noise and vibration impacts only.</p>

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Re: State Significant Infrastructure – SSI-10053 Moorebank Avenue Realignment Post Approval Requirements (SSI-10053-PA-17 & SSI-10053-PA-21)

Dear Kylie Hargreaves,

I refer to the Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan, and the Construction Traffic and Transport Management Plan, which are submitted as post approval documents for the Moorebank Avenue Realignment project (SSI-10053).

Council notes that the State Significant Infrastructure (SS1) application SSI-10053 was approved by the Minister of Planning and Public Spaces on 14 October 2021. The subject application granted consent for the construction of a multi lane road and ancillary road, stormwater, signage and infrastructure works along Moorebank Avenue.

Council staff have reviewed the submitted documentation, and comments are provided in **Attachment 1**. If you require any further information on this matter, please contact Lilyan Abosh, Strategic Planner, on 8711 7631.

Yours sincerely,



Nancy-Leigh Norris
Executive Planner

Attachment 1 - Detailed Comments

1. Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan

Council is not the consent authority and hence, no comments are made in relation to the submitted Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP). It is recommended that the CNVMP be reviewed and determined satisfactory by the consent authority. This may include an independent review of the CNVMP by an external consultant.

Notwithstanding this, Council has previously endorsed a submission dated 30 April 2021 for the Moorebank Avenue Realignment Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This submission advised that a CNVMP must be prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant, and should incorporate actions that minimise noise arising from construction, including the following:

- Methods for promoting noise awareness by contractors and training procedures;
- A complaints lodgment procedure to ensure that the public and local residents are able to report any noise issues;
- An ongoing review process and a plan for responding to noise complaints; and
- Details of the site personnel who would manage noise and the steps that would be used to manage any potential noise impacts.

Furthermore, the Council submission raised concerns that the residents in the western portion of Wattle Grove would be exposed to increased traffic noise, where acoustic walls are not proposed. It was also outlined that the EIS did not identify whether the road traffic noise assessment considered the expected additional traffic volumes from the proposed Cambridge Avenue upgrade.

These comments and concerns are reiterated in this submission for consideration of the consent authority when reviewing the CNVMP.

2. Construction Traffic and Transport Management Plan

The following comments are to be incorporated into the Construction Traffic and Transport Management Plan (CTTMP).

- a) The plans specified in Section 6.1 of the Construction Traffic and Transport Management Plan (CTTMP), including but not limited to the Traffic Management Plan (TMP), Traffic Staging Plans (TSPs), Traffic Control Plan (TCP) and Vehicle Movements Plans (VMPs), should be submitted to Council online via e-planning portal for review prior to the commencement of any construction works.
- b) Works within the road reserve should not commence until the relevant TMPs, and associated TCP and VMPs have been endorsed. The developer shall seek Road Occupancy, Road Opening Permits, and works zone approval from Council or Transport for New South Wales (TfNSW) if required, prior to any works within the public road reserve.

- c) Council's on-street assets such as footpaths should be protected at all times. Any damages should be rectified to Council satisfaction.

Access Arrangements

It is noted that final access arrangements for the project site have yet to be confirmed by the Construction Contractor. Hence, the CTTMP should be updated to include the following:

- Access arrangements for the construction compound, construction site and zone;
- On-site construction car parking arrangement and traffic circulation; and
- Details regarding the need for a Road Occupancy Permit issued by Council or Road Occupancy Licence issued by the Transport Management Centre.

Traffic Guidance Scheme (former TCP)

Prior to the commencement of any works, a Traffic Guidance Scheme (TGS) shall be prepared and include details regarding pedestrian and cyclist access management. The TGS should be in accordance with AS1742.3 'Traffic Control Devices for Works on Roads' and the Roads and Maritime Services publication 'Traffic Control at Worksites'. The TGS should be certified by an appropriately accredited Roads and Maritime Services Traffic Controller and submitted to Council (along with the Notice of Commencement) and the PCA for approval.

Traffic control measures shall be implemented during the construction phase of the development in accordance with the certified plan. A copy of the endorsed plan shall always be available on site.

Community Consultation

Although a Community Consultation Strategy (CCS) is to be prepared, the following points are also provided:

- A project specific Communications Management Plan for construction activities should be submitted to Council for approval. The plan is to outline community consultation methodologies, approaches and timeline of consultation process and complaint handling process.
- Where not already identified, consultation measures like advertisements in the local newspapers, VMS sign notification, local community and interest group consultation meetings should be considered.
- Consultation processes should be established for key stakeholders such as Councils, TfNSW, Transport Management Centre, NSW Police and emergency services where not already established.
- It is recommended a project traffic control workshop be established to provide regular project upgrades, approval requirements and major construction traffic disruption events within the surrounding area.

Council Project Contacts

The CTTMP, sub-CTMP or TMP and Communications Management Plan are also to include key contact details of principal, contractors, and public agencies. The following Council staff contact details are to be included in the Project Contacts:

- Charles Wiafe – Manager Transport Management, wiafec@liverpool.nsw.gov.au, 02 8711 7452
- Jeya Shanmuganathan – Maintenance Planning and Reporting Coordinator, shanmuganathanj@liverpool.nsw.gov.au, 02 8711 7016

Table 2.1 also specifies that all complaints received shall be responded to within the agreed timeframes of the CCS. Council's Transport Management Section request to be advised of any complaints received and the responses provided.

Additional Documentation

The following additional documentation is noted:

- The pre-construction Dilapidation Report shall be prepared in consultation with Liverpool City Council, prior to the commencement of construction.
- A Road Safety Audit shall be prepared prior to the commencement of any works and provided to Council for review.
- A public lighting design brief in accordance with Council's and Endeavour Energy specifications along all public roads should be submitted to Council's Transport Management Section for review.

APPENDIX B Environmental Representative Endorsement



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Attention: Westley Owers

Dear Westley

SSI 10053 - Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works (MARW)
Environmental Representative (ER) - Endorsement of the Construction Noise and
Vibration Management Plan and Out of Hours Work Protocol

Pursuant to SSI10053 Conditions of Approval (CoA) A31(d), C8, C12, C14 and E21, I confirm that I have reviewed the following documentation to be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval:

- National Intermodal Corporation, Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works, Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan, Version F, dated 24 April 2023 (CNVMP).
- Out of Hours Work Protocol (CoA E21) appended as Appendix D to the CNVMP.
- Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program (CoA C12) appended as Appendix E to the CNVMP.

In accordance with CoA A6, and as agreed by a nominee of the Planning Secretary (Department of Planning and Environment letter dated 22 November 2022, Reference: SSI-10053-PA-4), the CNVMP includes:

- Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (REMM NV101)
- Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program (CoA C12)

In my opinion the documents are consistent with the requirements included in or required under the terms of the SSI10053 Conditions of Approval.

Yours sincerely,

Maurice Pignatelli
Environmental Representative – MARW Project
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APPENDIX C Secondary CoA and REMMs

C1: Secondary NSW CoA relevant to the CNVMP

No.	Requirements	Document reference
C8	<p>With the exception of any CEMP Sub-plans expressly nominated by the Planning Secretary to be endorsed by the ER, all CEMP sub-plans must be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval.</p> <p><i>Note: The Planning Secretary will consider the assessment of the predicted level of environmental risk and potential level of community concern required under Condition ©(e) when deciding whether any CEMP Sub-plans may be endorsed by the ER.</i></p>	Section 1.5
C9	The CEMP Sub-plans not requiring the Planning Secretary's approval must obtain the endorsement of the ER as being in accordance with the conditions of approval and all relevant undertakings made in the documents listed in Condition A1. Any of these CEMP Sub-plans must be submitted to the ER with, or subsequent to, the submission of the CEMP but in any event, no later than one (1) month before construction or where construction is staged no later than one (1) month before the commencement of that stage	Section 1.5
C10	Any of the CEMP Sub-plans to be approved by the Planning Secretary must be submitted to the Planning Secretary with, or subsequent to, the submission of the CEMP but in any event, no later than one (1) month before construction or where construction is staged no later than one (1) month before the commencement of that stage.	Section 1.5
C11	Construction must not commence until the CEMP and all CEMP Sub-plans have been approved by the Planning Secretary or endorsed by the ER (whichever is applicable), unless otherwise agreed by the Planning Secretary. The CEMP and CEMP Sub-plans, as approved by the Planning Secretary or endorsed by the ER (whichever is applicable), including any minor amendments approved by the ER, must be implemented for the duration of construction.	Section 1.5
C17	The results of construction noise and vibration monitoring must be included in a Construction Noise Monitoring Report. The report must also include a summary of the monitoring results against the relevant noise criteria identified in the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program and be published on the Proponent's website in accordance with the reporting frequency specified in the monitoring program.	Appendix E
E18	<p>Work must only be undertaken during the following hours:</p> <p>(a) 7:00am to 6:00pm Mondays to Fridays, inclusive;</p> <p>(b) 8:00am to 1:00pm Saturdays; and</p> <p>(c) at no time on Sundays or public holidays.</p>	<p>Table 8.1 NV1</p> <p>Section 5.3.1</p>
E19	<p>Except as permitted by an EPL, highly noise intensive works that result in an exceedance of the applicable NML at the same receiver must only be undertaken:</p> <p>(a) between the hours of 8:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday to Friday;</p> <p>(b) between the hours of 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday; and</p> <p>(c) if continuously, then not exceeding three hours, with a minimum cessation of work of not less than one hour.</p>	<p>Table 8.1 NV1</p> <p>Section 5.3.2</p>

No.	Requirements	Document reference
	For the purposes of this condition, 'continuously' includes any period during which there is less than one hour between ceasing and recommencing any of the work.	
E20	Notwithstanding Conditions E18 and E19 work may be undertaken outside the hours specified in any of the following circumstances:	Table 8.1 NV1
	(a) Safety and Emergencies, including:	Section 5.3.3
	(i) for the delivery of materials required by the NSW Police Force or other authority for safety reasons; or	Section 5.3.3
	(ii) where it is required in an emergency to avoid injury or the loss of life, to avoid damage or loss of property or to prevent environmental harm.	Section 5.3.3
	On becoming aware of the need for emergency work in accordance with Condition E20(a)(ii), the Proponent must notify the ER, the Planning Secretary and the EPA of the reasons for such work. The Proponent must use best endeavours to notify all noise and/or vibration affected sensitive land user(s) of the likely impact and duration of those work or	Section 5.3.3
	(b) Low impact, including:	Section 5.3.3
	(i) construction that causes LAeq(15 minute) noise levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no more than 5 dB(A) above the rating background level at any residence in accordance with the ICNG, and • no more than the 'Noise affected' NMLs specified in Table 3 of the ICNG at other sensitive land user(s); and 	Section 5.3.3
	(ii) construction that causes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • continuous or impulsive vibration values, measured at the most affected residence are no more than the preferred values for human exposure to vibration, specified in Table 2.2 of Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006), and • intermittent vibration values measured at the most affected residence are no more than the preferred values for human exposure to vibration, specified in Table 2.4 of Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006) or 	Section 5.3.3
	(c) By Approval, including:	
(i) where different construction hours are permitted or required under an EPL in force in respect of the SSI; or	Section 5.3.3	
(ii) work which is not subject to an EPL that are approved under an Out-of-Hours Work Protocol as required by Condition E21; or	Section 5.3.3	
(iii) negotiated agreements with directly affected residents and sensitive land user(s).	Section 5.3.3 Section 5.3.5	
E21	An Out-of-Hours Work Protocol must be prepared to identify a process for the consideration, management and approval of work which is outside the hours defined in Conditions E18, and that are not subject to an EPL. The Protocol must be approved by the Planning Secretary before commencement of Out-of-Hours Work. The Protocol must be prepared in consultation with the ER . The Protocol must provide:	Appendix D
	(a) identification of low and high-risk activities and an approval process that considers the risk of activities, proposed mitigation, management, and coordination, including where:	Appendix D

No.	Requirements	Document reference
	(i) the ER reviews all proposed out-of-hours activities and confirm their risk levels,	Appendix D
	(ii) low risk activities can be approved by the ER, and	Appendix D
	(iii) high risk activities are approved by the Planning Secretary;	Appendix D
	(b) a process for the consideration of and justification for out-of-hours work against the relevant NML and vibration criteria;	Appendix D
	(c) a process for selecting and implementing mitigation measures for residual impacts in consultation with the Community Consultative Committee, established by Condition B1, at each affected location, including respite periods. The measures must take into account the predicted noise levels and the likely frequency and duration of the out-of-hours work that sensitive land user(s) would be exposed to, including the number of noise awakening events;	Appendix D
	(d) procedures to facilitate the coordination of out-of-hours work including those approved by an EPL or undertaken by a third party, to ensure appropriate respite is provided; and	Appendix D
	(e) notification arrangements for affected receivers for all approved out-of-hours work and notification to the Planning Secretary of approved low risk out-of-hours work.	Appendix D
E22	Mitigation measures must be implemented with the aim of achieving the following construction noise management levels and vibration objectives:	Table 8.1
	(a) construction 'Noise affected' NMLs established using the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009);	Section 3.1 Table 8.1 NV3, NV4 and NV9
	(b) vibration criteria established using the Assessing vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006) (for human exposure);	Section 6.1 Table 8.1 NV20, NV21 and NV22
	(c) Australian Standard AS 2187.2 - 20-6 "Explosives - Storage and Use - Use of Explosives";	Not applicable explosives are not expected to be used
	(d) BS 7385 Part 2-1993 "Evaluation and measurement for vibration in buildings Part 2" as they are "applicable to Australian conditions"; and	Section 6.1 Table 8.1 NV20, NV21 and NV22
	(e) the vibration limits set out in the German Standard DIN 4150-3: Structural Vibration- effects of vibration on structures (for structural damage). Work that exceeds the noise management levels and/or vibration criteria must be managed in accordance with the commitments made in the documents listed in Condition A1. <i>Note: The ICNG identifies 'particularly annoying' activities that require the addition of 5 dB(A) to the predicted level before comparing to the construction NML.</i>	Section 6.1 Table 8.1 NV20, NV21 and NV22
E23	Work resulting in noise levels above the relevant NMLs at community, religious, educational institutions, noise and vibration-sensitive businesses and critical working areas (such as theatres, laboratories and operating theatres) must not be timetabled during sensitive periods, unless other reasonable arrangements with the affected institutions, businesses or facilities are made at no cost to the affected institution.	Section 7.5 Table 8.1 NV3 and NV9

No.	Requirements	Document reference
E24	At no time can noise generated by construction exceed the National Standard for exposure to noise in the occupational environment of an eight-hour (8 hr) equivalent continuous A-weighted sound pressure level of LAeq,8h of 85 dB(A) for any employee working at a location near the SSI.	Table 8.1 NV2 and NV4
E25	Industry best practice construction methods must be implemented where reasonably practicable to minimise noise levels. Practices must include, but are not limited to:	
	(a) use of regularly serviced low sound power equipment;	Table 8.1 NV13
	(b) scheduling of noisiest works during standard construction hours;	Table 8.1 NV8
	© temporary noise barriers (including the arrangement of plant and equipment) around noisy equipment and activities such as rock hammering and concrete cutting; and	Table 8.1 NV16 and NV17
	(d) use of alternative construction and demolition techniques.	Table 8.1 NV19
E26	Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements (CNVIS) must be prepared for any work that may exceed the noise management levels or vibration criteria specified in Condition E22 at any residence outside construction hours identified in Condition E18, or where receivers will be highly noise affected. The CNVIS must include specific mitigation measures identified through consultation with affected sensitive land user(s) and the mitigation measures must be implemented for the duration of the work. A copy of the CNVIS must be provided to the ER before the commencement of the associated work. The Planning Secretary may request a copy/ies of CNVIS.	Section 7.4 Table 8.1 NV25
E27	Work undertaken for the delivery of the SSI, including those undertaken by third parties (such as utility relocations), must be coordinated to provide respite. The Proponent must:	Section 5.3.2 Section 7.4 Table 8.1 NV5
	(a) reschedule work to provide respite to impacted noise sensitive land user(s); or	Table 8.1 NV6
	(b) consider the provision of alternative respite or mitigation to impacted noise sensitive land user(s); and	Table 8.1 NV6
	(c) provide documentary evidence to the ER in support of any decision made by the Proponent in relation to respite or mitigation. The consideration of respite must also include other CSSI, SSI and SSD projects which may cause cumulative and/or consecutive impacts at receivers affected by the delivery of the SSI.	Section 7.5

C2: Secondary REMMs relevant to the CNVMP

No.	Requirements	Timing
NVI02	The Project will regularly reinforce (such as at toolbox talks) the need to minimise noise and vibration.	Table 8.1 NV2
NVI03	The Project will review and implement feasible and reasonable mitigation measures that reduce construction noise levels.	Section 7.1 Table 8.1
NVI04	Avoidance of portable radio use, public address systems or other methods of site communication that may unnecessarily impact upon nearby residents.	Table 8.1 NV10 and NV11
NVI05	Routes for the delivery of materials and parking of vehicles to minimise noise will be used, where feasible.	Table 8.1 NV27 and NV28

No.	Requirements	Timing
NVI06	Where possible, the Project will avoid the use of equipment that generates impulsive noise.	Table 8.1 NV18
NVI07	Residents will be notified prior to the commencement of intensive works.	Table 8.1 NV23 Section 6.2.4 of the CCS
NVI08	Where possible, quieter plant and equipment will be used based on the optimal power and size to most efficiently perform the required tasks.	Table 8.1 NV19
NVI09	Plant and equipment will be operated in the quietest and most efficient manner.	Table 8.1 NV14 and NV15
NVI10	Regular inspection and maintenance of plant and equipment will be undertaken to minimise noise and vibration level increases, to ensure that all noise and vibration reduction devices are operating effectively.	Table 8.1 NV13
NVI11	Where possible, use broadband audible reverse alarms, as opposed to beepers on plant and equipment.	Table 8.1 NV15
NVI12	When not in use, plant and equipment will be turned-off. Where possible, works are to be scheduled to minimise plant and equipment occurring concurrently.	Table 8.1 NV12 and NV14
NVI13	Coordinate with MPW and MPE projects to minimise cumulative construction impacts where practical.	Table 8.1 NV5 CEMP Section 5.4.5

APPENDIX D Out-of-Hours Work Protocol

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MOOREBANK AVENUE REALIGNMENT WORKS

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Out-Of-Hours Work Protocol

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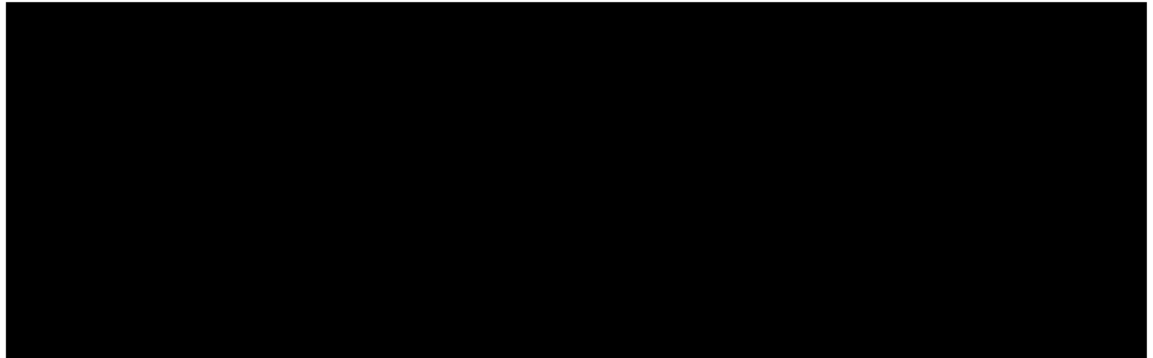
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ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

Acronym	Definition
CCC	Community Consultative Committee
CCS	Community Communication Strategy
CEC	Community Engagement Consultant
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CNVMP	Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan
CNVG	Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline (TfNSW)
CNVIS	Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement
CoA	Conditions of Approval
Construction	Includes all work required to construct the Project as described in the EIS and Rts (NSW CoA A1) including commissioning trials of equipment and temporary use of any part of the Project but excluding Low Impact Work which is carried out or completed before approval of the CEMP.
Continuous vibration	From uninterrupted sources, e.g., machinery, steady road traffic, continuous construction activity
CSSI	Critical State significant infrastructure
dB(A)	A-weighted decibel
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	NSW Environment Protection Authority
EPL	Environment Protection Licence
ER	Environmental Representative
Highly noise intensive works	Work which is defined as annoying under the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009) including: (a) use of power saws, such as used for cutting timber, rail lines, masonry, road pavement or steel work; (b) grinding metal, concrete or masonry; (c) rock drilling; (d) line drilling; (e) vibratory rolling; (f) bitumen milling or profiling; (g) jackhammering, rock hammering or rock breaking; and (h) impact piling.
Highly noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be strong community reaction to noise. The <i>Interim Construction Noise Guideline</i> specifies that the highly noise affected level is 75 dB(A).
Human exposure	Disturbance to building occupants: Vibration in which the occupants or users of the building are inconvenienced or possibly disturbed
ICNG	Interim Construction Noise Guideline
Impulsive vibration	Up to three instances of sudden impact per monitoring period e.g., occasional dropping of heavy equipment, occasional loading and unloading
Infrastructure Approval	SSI 10053 or NSW CoA
Intermittent vibration	From drilling, compacting or activities that will result in continuous vibration if operated continuously
Low Impact Work	As defined in the Infrastructure Approval, and which Includes activities like survey work, investigative drilling, minor clearing, installation of mitigation measures etc. The low impact work described in this definition becomes construction when the Construction

Acronym	Definition
	Environmental Management Plan is approved. This also applies to low impact work that has already commenced.
MARW	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
MIP	Moorebank Intermodal Precinct, which includes MPE and MPW
MPE	Moorebank Precinct East
MPE Site	Comprises the MPE Stage 1 Project as approved by SSD 14-6766 for the development of the intermodal terminal facility (IMT) at Moorebank and MPE Stage 2 as approved under SSD 7628 (as modified) and MPE Concept Approval (MP 10_0193) for the construction and operation of warehousing and distribution facilities and upgrades to approximately 2.1 kilometres of Moorebank Avenue.
MPW	Moorebank Precinct West
MPW Site	Comprises the MPW Stage 2 Project which is the second stage of development under the MPW Concept Approval (SSD 5066) and SSD 7709. The Project involves the construction and operation of a multi-purpose intermodal terminal facility, Rail link connection, warehousing and upgraded intersection on Moorebank Avenue.
National Intermodal	National Intermodal Corporation
NML	Noise management level
Noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be some community reaction to noise. The noise affected level is calculated by adding 10 dB(A) to the RBL
OOHW	Out-of-hours works
Planning Secretary	Secretary to the DPE
Project Site	Refers to the construction footprint area which is approximately 18.96 hectares and includes access for the construction of road embankments and cuttings, temporary and permanent fencing, temporary and permanent water quality control basins, ancillary facilities, access roads and construction side roads. It is generally bounded by the Defence Joint Logistics Unit (DJLU), MPE, Boot Land and the Sydney Trains owned land adjacent to the East Hills Railway.
RBL	Ratings Background Level
RtS	Response to Submissions
SSD	State significant development
SSI	State significant infrastructure
The Project	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Context

This Out-Of-Hours Work (OOHW) Protocol (the/this OOHW Protocol) has been developed in accordance with NSW Condition of Approval (CoA) E21 to assist with any work associated with Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works (MARW) (the Project) that will be undertaken outside the standard hours of work, as defined with the NSW CoA E18 and that are not subject to an Environment Protection Licence (EPL). This OOHW Protocol also satisfies NSW CoA E20 (c)(ii), where works can be approved outside the standard hours through an approval of an OOHW Protocol.

This OOHW Protocol forms part of the environmental documentation prepared for the Project including the Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) and is an appendix to the Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP). This OOHW Protocol has been prepared in consultation with the Environmental Representative (ER) (Appendix A of the CNVMP) in accordance with NSW COA E21. This OOHW Protocol will be implemented by the Construction Contractor.

Works outside of standard construction hours and not subject to an EPL are expected to be minimal.

1.2 NSW Conditions of Approval

The primary NSW CoA relevant to this OOHW Protocol are listed Table 1.1. A cross reference is also included to indicate where the condition is addressed in this document.

Table 1.1: Primary NSW CoA

CoA No.	Condition Requirements	Document Reference
E21	An Out-of-Hours Work Protocol must be prepared to identify a process for the consideration, management and approval of work which is outside the hours defined in Conditions E18, and that are not subject to an EPL. The Protocol must be approved by the Planning Secretary before commencement of Out-of-Hours Work. The Protocol must be prepared in consultation with the ER. The Protocol must provide:	This OOHW Protocol Section 1.4 Appendix A of the CNVMP
	(a) identification of low and high-risk activities and an approval process that considers the risk of activities, proposed mitigation, management, and coordination, including where: (i) the ER reviews all proposed out-of-hours activities and confirm their risk levels, (ii) low risk activities can be approved by the ER, and (iii) high risk activities that are approved by the Planning Secretary;	Section 2.1 Appendix A
	(b) a process for the consideration of out-of-hours work against the relevant NML and vibration criteria;	Section 2
	(c) a process for selecting and implementing mitigation measures for residual impacts in consultation with the Community Consultative Committee, established by Condition B1, at each affected location, including respite periods. The measures must take into account the predicted noise levels and the likely frequency and duration of the out-of-hours work that sensitive land user(s) would be exposed to, including the number of noise awakening events;	Section 3 Section 5

CoA No.	Condition Requirements	Document Reference
	(d) procedures to facilitate the coordination of out-of-hours work including those approved by an EPL or undertaken by a third party, to ensure appropriate respite is provided; and	Section 2.4
	(e) notification arrangements for affected receivers for all approved out-of-hours work and notification to the Planning Secretary of approved low risk out-of-hours work.	Section 4 Section 5

1.3 Justification for OOHW

As per Section 5.3 of the CNVMP, in accordance with NSW CoA E18, work will be undertaken during the following standard construction hours:

- 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday to Friday
- 8:00 am to 1:00 pm Saturday
- At no time on Sunday or public holidays.

Any works to be undertaken outside of standard construction hours will be subject to an out of hours approval.

In accordance with NSW CoA E19, except as permitted by an EPL, highly noise intensive works that result in the exceedance of an applicable Noise Management Level (NML) at the same receiver must only be undertaken:

- Monday to Friday: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm
- Saturday: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm
- Sunday and public holidays not permitted
- Where highly noise intensive works will be carried out in continuous blocks this will not exceed three hours, with a minimum respite of work of not less than one hour at least one hour between ceasing and recommencing each block of work.

Continuously includes any period during which there is less than one hour between ceasing and recommencing any of the work.

Should certain activities need to be carried out outside of standard hours where requirements of the CoA are satisfied and considered necessary. The Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor will provide justification for the need to undertake OOHW in accordance with the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (ICNG) or where OOHW is required:

- For technical considerations (such as the need to meet particular quality specifications)
- To maintain the safety of road users or site personnel
- Where a road occupancy licence will not be provided during standard times
- Where a utility service operator has advised that the works undertaken during standard hours will result in a high risk to the operation or integrity of the network.

Work activities that may require scheduled OOHW include, but are not limited to:

- Traffic management for work required close to live traffic including vegetation clearing and setting up safety barriers

- Road-tie in work
- Utility outages / cutovers
- Utility and service relocations
- Ancillary facility operation.

Work activities that may be required or proposed to be undertaken outside of standard working hours will be assessed in accordance with the process outlined in this OOHW Protocol.

The frequency and duration of OOHW will be specified in the OOHW Approval Form and approved by the ER (low impact) or the Planning Secretary (high impact).

1.4 Exclusions

As per Section 5.3.3 of the CNVMP, works outside of the standard construction hours identified in Section 1.3 may be undertaken in the following circumstances as permitted by NSW CoA E20:

- **Safety and emergencies** including:
 - For the delivery of materials required by the NSW Police Force or other authority for safety reasons or
 - Where it is required in an emergency to avoid injury or the loss of life, to avoid damage or loss of property, or to prevent environmental harm.

On becoming aware of the need for emergency work in accordance with the above, the Project Manager would liaise with the National Intermodal Principal's Representative who would notify National Intermodal, the ER, the Planning Secretary and the EPA of the reasons for such work. This would include notification to affected sensitive land user(s) of likely noise and vibration impacts and duration of those work.

- **Low impact**, including:
 - Construction that causes $LA_{eq(15 \text{ min})}$ noise levels
 - No more than 5 dB(A) above the rating background level at any residence in accordance with the ICNG
 - No more than the 'Noise affected' NMLs specified in Table 3 of the ICNG at other sensitive land user(s)
 - Construction that causes:
 - Continuous or impulsive vibration values, measured at the most affected residence, and are no more than those for human exposure to vibration, specified for residences in Table 2.2 of *Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline* (DEC, 2006) and
 - Intermittent vibration values, measured at the most affected residence, and are no more than the preferred values for human exposure to vibration, specified in Table 2.4 of *Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline* (DEC, 2006)
- **By approval:**
 - Where different construction hours are permitted or required under an EPL in force in respect of the SSI; or
 - Work which is **not** subject to an EPL that are approved under an Out-of-Hours Work Protocol as required by NSW CoA E21; or

- Negotiated agreements with directly affected residents and sensitive land user(s).

On becoming aware of the need for emergency works, National Intermodal, the ER, the Planning Secretary and the EPA will be notified of the need for the emergency works. Best endeavours will be made to notify all affected sensitive receivers of the likely impact and duration of the emergency works.

Emergency work is defined as work that is required to:

- Avoid injury or the loss of life
- To avoid damage or loss of property
- To prevent environmental harm.

Work carried out outside standard construction hours without prior approval or where the definition of emergency work isn't met is considered an environmental incident and non-compliance and will be managed in accordance with processes set out in the CEMP.

OOHW that is approved but not carried out in accordance with the approval or required management measures is also considered a non-conformance with the OOHW Approval and managed in accordance with processes outlined in the CEMP.

1.5 Review, Approval and Modification of this OOHW Protocol

In accordance with NSW CoA E21, this OOHW Protocol has been prepared in consultation with the ER and must be approved by the Planning Secretary prior to the commencement of the OOHW.

Minor amendments to this OOHW Protocol will be sent to the ER for approval in accordance with NSW CoA A31(i).

2 OOHW NOISE AND VIBRATION ASSESSMENT

Prior to undertaking any OOHW, a noise and (if applicable) vibration assessment will be undertaken by the Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor to assess the noise and vibration impacts for any low and high-risk activities proposed outside standard hours. The assessment will include details of the work to be undertaken, plant and equipment required, scheduling and duration of the work, predicted impacts on sensitive receivers, their location and proposed mitigation measures.

The inputs into the noise and vibration assessment are to be as accurate as possible and checked by relevant construction personnel. Where uncertainty exists about specific details, a worst-case scenario must be assessed.

Where changes to the scope of the OOHW occur following approval of the OOHW Approval Request Form, the change management process outlined in Section 5.5 will be followed.

2.1 Risk Categorisation

In accordance with NSW CoA E21(a), OOHW activities will be categorised as low or high risk. Table 2.1 details the risk categories.

Table 2.1: Risk Categorisation

Risk	Description	Approval
Low Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Works that result in noise levels less than 5dB(A) above NML; and/or Vibration works that are no more than the construction vibration criteria. 	ER Approval DPE Notification
High Risk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Works that result in noise levels greater than 5dB(A) above NML; and or Vibration works that exceed the construction vibration criteria. 	ER Endorsement Planning Secretary Approval

2.2 Noise

A quantitative noise assessment will be prepared to determine the extent of noise impact the works activities will have on sensitive receivers. The assessment will identify the exceedances of activity scenarios against the NMLs adopted at each residential, commercial and industrial reference point (Table 2.2).

Table 2.2: Assessment locations

ID	Address	Classification	Easting	Northing
COM1	Defence Building 1	Commercial	308640	6241780
IN1	Defence Building 2	Industrial	308764	6241755
IN2	Defence Building 3	Industrial	308764	6241623
R1 (NM2)	26 Brickendon Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309349	6241227
R2 ¹ (NM3)	25 Exford Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309290	6240862
R3 (NM4)	25 Yallum Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	308920	6240179

¹ R2 for RBL and ambient noise monitoring are in adjacent properties i.e., 25 Exford Street and 23 Exford Street respectively. For the purposes of this CNVMP, it has been assumed that they are the same property, monitoring will be undertaken at either location depending upon accessibility.

The noise assessment will document predicted noise levels, frequency and duration of OOHW, awakening events/sleep disturbance and determine the appropriate standard and additional mitigation measures. The noise assessment will also consider if feasible and reasonable work practices have been identified to minimise the noise.

A Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statements (CNVIS) will be prepared by the Construction Contractor for any work that may exceed the NMLs and vibration criteria specified in NSW CoA E26 at any residence outside the standard work hours identified in NSW CoA E18, or where receivers will be highly noise affected. The CNVIS must include specific mitigation measures identified through consultation with affected sensitive receivers and the mitigation measures must be implemented for the duration of the construction phase. Feedback on mitigation measures will be sought from affected sensitive receivers through notifications or via phone calls. A copy of the CNVIS must be provided to the ER prior to the commencement of the associated work. The Planning Secretary may request copies of the CNVIS for their information (approval is not required under the NSW CoA).

CNVIS will not be required for those circumstances outlined in NSW CoA E20(a), which relate to safety and emergency situations, however all noise and/or vibration affected sensitive receivers will be notified of the likely impact and duration of the works.

2.3 Vibration

An CNVIS will be required for vibration intensive OOHW within the safe working distances for human comfort for the nominated plant and equipment. Prior to undertaking an assessment, all other feasible and reasonable options to use less vibration intensive equipment will be investigated and exhausted.

2.4 Co-ordination of OOHW with Third Parties

All OOHW, including works undertaken by a third party, will be co-ordinated with other projects that are being constructed nearby, to implement the appropriate management measures and respite periods as specified in NSW CoA E27.

Works will be scheduled with the aim of minimising concurrent works near sensitive receivers in consultation with managers of other nearby projects that are likely to result in a cumulative impact. This will include:

- Coordination between project teams
- Rescheduling of work to provide respite to impacted noise sensitive land user(s) so that respite is achieved during OOHW
- Consideration to the provision of alternative respite or mitigation for impacted noise sensitive land users where OOHW respite occurs.

Consultation will be undertaken in accordance with the Community Communication Strategy (CCS) to ensure works can be coordinated with third parties.

3 OOHW MANAGEMENT

3.1 OOHW Process

For proposed OOHW, the following process will be followed:

1. The OOHW approval request form (Appendix A) will be prepared and include information on the proposed:
 - a. Activities
 - b. Required plant and equipment
 - c. Location
 - d. Duration (dates)
 - e. Timing
 - f. Respite periods
 - g. Justification for the work
 - h. Details of the completed quantitative noise assessment (in accordance with Section 2.2) including predicted impacts and appropriate management measures as per Section 3.2 and Appendix B of this OOHW protocol
 - i. Details of consultation with the community regarding respite periods and scheduling as outlined in Section 5 of this OOHW protocol
2. The OOHW request to the Principal's Representative for review who will determine if the justification for the OOHW is satisfactory
3. Undertake a OOHW planning meeting with the Construction Contractor Project Manager and Environmental Advisor, Principal's Representative and acoustic advisor (or equivalent personnel) to consider feasible and reasonable measures to reduce noise and vibration for proposed OOHW.
4. The Principal's Representative will provide the OOHW request to the ER for review and confirmation of the risk level
5. The identification of the OOHW as a low or high-risk activity will determine who can then approve the OOHW:
 - a. **Low Risk Activities:** approved by the ER. The ER will consider the risk criteria as well as ongoing and cumulative impacts, construction fatigue and complaints in reviewing the determined risk level. If required, the ER may consult with DPE Representatives at times to discuss the assessed risk level. The ER will have 10 days to review the OOHW approval request. The Planning Secretary will also be notified of all approved low risk OOHW.
 - b. **High risk activities:** must be approved by the Planning Secretary. The Planning Secretary will have one month to review the OOHW approval request.
6. Following approval of each OOHW request, community consultation will be undertaken as per the CCS.
7. Noise monitoring and reporting will be carried out in accordance with Section 5 of this Protocol.

3.2 Management Measures

Standard mitigation measures include the environmental management measures as described in the Section 7 of the CNVMP and cover measures such as:

- Behavioural practices on site
- Equipment selection / maintaining and monitoring plant
- Use and siting of plant and hoardings
- Site inductions
- Use of non-tonal reversing alarms
- Planning noisier work to be carried out during less sensitive times in the OOHW period.

The standard mitigation measures are considered appropriate for Low Risk OOHW activities. However, additional management measures in the form of community consultation will be required for works deemed High Risk, this will be undertaken in accordance with CCS.

3.3 Roles and Responsibilities

The Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor will complete the OOHW approvals request form (refer to Appendix A).

The Contractor's Community Liaison will provide detail to the Community Engagement Consultant (CEC) who will ensure that notification and consultation occurs with community stakeholders, in accordance with the CCS, on the likely impacts of OOHW activities.

The Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor (or delegate) will implement and oversee the noise monitoring program for OOHW to assess compliance with the CoA and the OOHW Protocol. They will also be responsible for notifying the ER and Planning Secretary of any noise or vibration exceedances or complaints during OOHW.

Prior to the start of OOHW, the Site Supervisor will be responsible for completing a pre-start check to ensure compliance with the OOHW Approval Request Form.

3.4 Induction / Training

All site personnel (including sub-contractors) will be inducted on the control measures to be implemented to minimise impacts of OOHW on the community and environment and this OOHW Protocol. Training will include inductions, toolbox talks, pre-starts and targeted training as required.

4 COMMUNICATION AND NOTIFICATION

4.1 Respite Consultation

Prior to undertaking approved OOHW, appropriate respite periods will be identified in consultation with the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) established in accordance with NSW CoA B1.

The outcomes of the community consultation, the identified respite periods and the scheduling of the likely OOHW will be provided to the ER for information within one week of undertaking the community consultation.

The consultation must include (but not be limited to) providing the community with:

- Progressive schedule for likely OOHW
- Description of the potential work, location and duration of the OOHW
- Noise characteristics and likely noise levels of the work
- Mitigation and management measures which aim to achieve the relevant NML and vibration criteria as per the CNVMP.

4.2 Negotiated Agreements

Works outside of standard hours that do not meet the circumstances listed in NSW CoA E20(a), E20(b), E20(c)(i) or E20(c)(ii) may be undertaken if agreement between the Project and the directly affected noise sensitive receivers has been reached in accordance with NSW CoA E20(c)(iii). The community agreements between the Principal's Representative and the directly affected residents and sensitive land users is addressed in Section 5.3.5 of the CNVMP.

5 MONITORING AND REPORTING

5.1 Monitoring for OOHW

The following noise and vibration monitoring will be undertaken for all OOHW:

- Attended noise monitoring at representative sensitive receivers
- Unattended vibration monitoring at representative sensitive receivers
- Additional noise and vibration monitoring and review if complaints about the activity are received.

All OOHW monitoring will be carried out by an appropriately trained person in the measurement and assessment of construction noise and vibration.

Validation monitoring will be undertaken for any works that are the subject of a community agreement and will be performed by a suitably qualified and experienced person on at least the first two nights where OOHW will be undertaken. If validation monitoring shows that noise levels are higher than those predicted by any noise modelling undertaken as part of the community agreement, work practices will be modified so that measured noise levels do not exceed predicted levels.

5.2 Complaints Management

Complaints will be managed in accordance with the CCS.

5.3 Reporting Exceedances

Where monitoring identifies any exceedances of the levels predicted in the OOHW assessments, a review of OOHW activities will be carried out to determine where noise or vibration levels can be further reduced.

Where monitored noise or vibration levels are found to exceed the relevant criteria, the exceedance will be managed in accordance with the procedures outlined in the CEMP.

Where the processes and systems outlined in this OOHW Protocol are not followed or where work is not in accordance with the approved OOHW Approval Request Form, this will be deemed a non-conformance with this OOHW Protocol. The non-conformance will be managed in accordance with the procedures outlined in the CEMP.

5.4 Records

Accurate records of all OOHW applications and noise and vibration monitoring will be maintained for the duration of the construction phase of the Project.

5.5 Change Management

Where changes to the scope of the OOHW (including to plant and equipment) occur following approval of the OOHW request, the Construction Contractor Environmental Advisor must complete a consistency review of the noise and vibration assessment to assess the impacts of the changes (see Appendix C).

APPENDIX A OOHW Approval Request Form

Out of hours work approval request form			
No:	Notification date:	Approval date:	Project:
A. Contact details	Name	Mobile number	Email
ER			
Project Manager			
Site Supervisor			
Project Engineer			
B. Details of work: Include a map showing location of work extent and nearest sensitive receivers	Location (Chainage):		
	Description of activities to be carried out:		
	Plant and equipment to be used		
	Traffic control measures required:		
	Lighting required:		
	Proposed mitigation measures:		
	Proposed dates:		
	Proposed timings:		
	Proposed respite periods:		
	Justification (Why does work need to occur outside of standard construction hours?):		
C. Risk factor category (low, high) and evidence of risk confirmation from the ER:	Low (requires approval from ER)		
	High (requires approval from Planning Secretary)		
	Comments		
D. Details of noise or vibration assessment completed:	Provide details of quantitative assessments for all proposed works, including predicted noise levels, potential noise exceedances against relevant NMLs, potentially affected sensitive receivers and proposed management measures in accordance with ICNG and CNVG. Where alternative accommodation or other agreed mitigation is triggered, include details of and offers made to qualifying residents.		
E. Review/ Endorsements			
National Intermodal Project Manager (or delegate) notified	National Intermodal notified? Yes / No		
	Comments:		
	ER notified? Yes / No		

Environmental Representative	Comments:		
	Community notified? Yes / No	Date:	
	Provide details of consultation with affected receivers, in accordance with Overarching Communication Strategy		
Community Relations Manager	Have the works been reviewed and endorsed?	Yes / No	
	Name:	Signature:	Date:
	Comments:		
F. Approvals (if required)	Low Risk Activities		
	ER approval required	Yes / No	
	ER approval letter attached?	Yes / No	
	Or signature obtained:	Yes / No	
	High Risk Activities		
	Has the Planning Secretary approved the high-risk activity?	Yes / No	
	Planning Secretary approval letter attached?	Yes / No	
Project Manager (or delegate)	Are the works approved?	Yes / No	
	Name:	Signature:	Date:
	Comments:		

APPENDIX B Application of OOHW Mitigation Measures

Predicted Airborne LAeq (15mins) Noise Level at Receiver				Mitigation Measures		
OOHW Period	Perception and risk	dB(A) above RBL	dB(A) above NML	Standard Mitigation Measures	Additional Mitigation Measures ²	
					Type	Mitigation Level
Monday–Friday: 6 pm – 7am Saturday: 1 pm – 8 am	Noticeable (low risk)	5-10	<5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behavioural practices on site • Equipment selection / Maintaining and monitoring plant • Use and siting of plant and hoardings • Site inductions • Use of non-tonal reversing alarms • Managing cumulative impacts and planning noisier work to be carried out earlier in the period 	N/A	NML
Sunday and Public Holidays: 24 hours						
	Clearly Audible (high risk)	10-20	5-15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard measures as above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community consultaion as per CCS and agreements with CCC • Planning Secretary approval 	NML + 5
	Moderately intrusive (high risk)	20-30	15-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard measures as above 		NML + 15
	Highly intrusive (high risk)	>30	>25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standard measures as above 		NML + 25

² The TfNSW Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline (CNVG) has been used, as a guide only, to determine the type of additional management measures that will be implemented based on exceedance above the RBL or NML for this Project.

APPENDIX C Noise Assessment Consistency Review

Guidance (delete from final version): This consistency review is only to be used where the OOHW approval requires a scope change (including change or substitution in plant or equipment).

Questions	Yes / No
Has the noise assessment been updated to include new or substituted plant and equipment?	Yes / No
Detail changes made to the noise assessment including the changes to plant / equipment and relevant assumptions.	
Is the impact less than or equal to the impact assessed in the approved OOHW Approval Request Form?	Yes / No
<p><i>Guidance (delete from final version): if you have answered yes to the above questions, the work is considered to be consistent and can be carried out without further approval under this OOHW Protocol.</i></p> <p><i>If you have answered no to the above questions, the work is not considered consistent and additional assessment and OOHW approval under this OOHW Protocol is required.</i></p> <p><i>Strikethrough text below that is not relevant:</i></p> <p>The work is considered to be consistent with the approved OOHW Approval Request Form. OR</p> <p>The work is not consistent with the approved OOHW Approval Request Form and further assessment and approval is required</p>	
Reviewer:	
Signature:	
Date:	

APPENDIX E Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program

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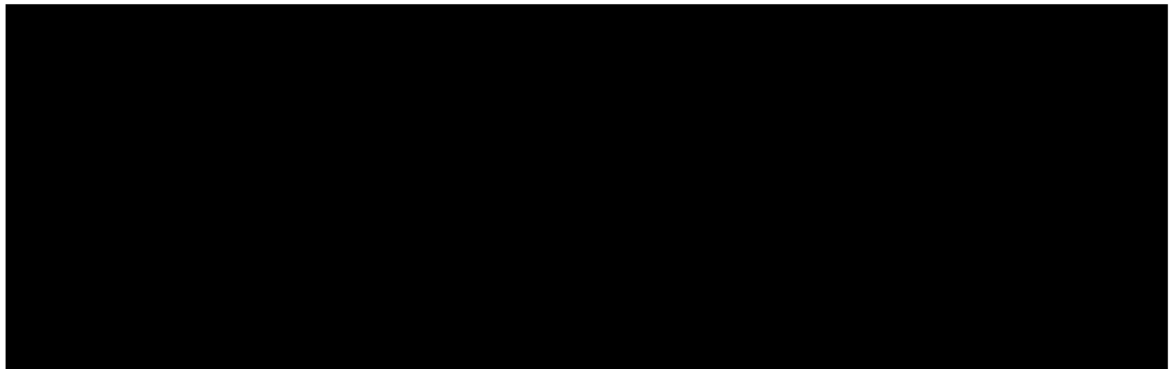
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ACRONYMS AND DEFINITIONS

Acronym	Definition
BS	British Standard
CNVMP	Construction Noise and Vibration Management Sub-plan
CNVG	Construction Noise and Vibration Guideline (TfNSW)
CNVIS	Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement
CoA	Conditions of Approval
Construction	Includes all work required to construct the Project as described in the EIS and RtS (NSW CoA A1) including commissioning trials of equipment and temporary use of any part of the Project but excluding Low Impact Work which is carried out or completed before approval of the CEMP.
Continuous vibration	From uninterrupted sources, e.g., machinery, steady road traffic, continuous construction activity
dB(A)	A-weighted decibel
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
EPA	NSW Environment Protection Authority
EPL	Environment Protection Licence
ER	Environmental Representative
Highly noise intensive works	Work which is defined as annoying under the Interim Construction Noise Guideline (DECC, 2009) including: (a) use of power saws, such as used for cutting timber, rail lines, masonry, road pavement or steel work; (b) grinding metal, concrete or masonry; (c) rock drilling; (d) line drilling; (e) vibratory rolling; (f) bitumen milling or profiling; (g) jackhammering, rock hammering or rock breaking; and (h) impact piling.
Highly noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be strong community reaction to noise. The <i>Interim Construction Noise Guideline</i> specifies that the highly noise affected level is 75 dB(A).
Human exposure	Disturbance to building occupants: Vibration in which the occupants or users of the building are inconvenienced or possibly disturbed
ICNG	Interim Construction Noise Guideline
Impulsive vibration	Up to three instances of sudden impact per monitoring period e.g., occasional dropping of heavy equipment, occasional loading and unloading
Infrastructure Approval	SSI 10053 or NSW CoA
Intermittent vibration	From drilling, compacting or activities that will result in continuous vibration if operated continuously
Low Impact Work	As defined in the Infrastructure Approval, and which Includes activities like survey work, investigative drilling, minor clearing, installation of mitigation measures etc. The low impact work described in this definition becomes construction when the Construction Environmental Management Plan is approved. This also applies to low impact work that has already commenced.
MARW	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
MIP	Moorebank Intermodal Precinct, which includes MPE and MPW
MPE	Moorebank Precinct East

Acronym	Definition
MPE Site	Comprises the MPE Stage 1 Project as approved by SSD 14-6766 for the development of the intermodal terminal facility (IMT) at Moorebank and MPE Stage 2 as approved under SSD 7628 (as modified) and MPE Concept Approval (MP 10_0193) for the construction and operation of warehousing and distribution facilities and upgrades to approximately 2.1 kilometres of Moorebank Avenue.
MPW	Moorebank Precinct West
MPW Site	Comprises the MPW Stage 2 Project which is the second stage of development under the MPW Concept Approval (SSD 5066) and SSD 7709. The Project involves the construction and operation of a multi-purpose intermodal terminal facility, Rail link connection, warehousing and upgraded intersection on Moorebank Avenue.
National Intermodal	National Intermodal Corporation
NML	Noise management level
Noise affected level	Represents the point above which there may be some community reaction to noise. The noise affected level is calculated by adding 10 dB(A) to the RBL
NVIA	Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment
OOHW	Out-of-hours works
Planning Secretary	Secretary to the DPE
PPV	Peak Particle Velocity
Project Site	Refers to the construction footprint area which is approximately 18.96 hectares and includes access for the construction of road embankments and cuttings, temporary and permanent fencing, temporary and permanent water quality control basins, ancillary facilities, access roads and construction side roads. It is generally bounded by the Defence Joint Logistics Unit (DJLU), MPE, Boot Land and the Sydney Trains owned land adjacent to the East Hills Railway.
RBL	Ratings Background Level
REMM	Revised Environmental Management Measures
RtS	Response to Submissions
SSI	State significant infrastructure
TfNSW	Transport for NSW
The Project	Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works
The Proponent	National Intermodal Corporation

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Context

This Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program ('Monitoring Program') has been developed in accordance with NSW Condition of Approval (CoA) C12. It describes the environmental noise and vibration monitoring activities to be undertaken during construction of the Moorebank Avenue Realignment Works (the Project). The purpose of this Monitoring Program is to:

- Provide a procedure to monitor noise and vibration impacts during construction of the Project
- Meet the requirements of the CoA for the Project
- Meet any relevant legal and other requirements for the Project.

SMART (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Timely) principles have been considered in the preparation of this Monitoring Program. Refer to Section 8 of the Construction Noise and Vibration Management Plan (CNVMP) for more information.

This Monitoring Program is to be read in conjunction with the CNVMP. Where details within both plans overlap, these have been retained in the CNVMP only and reference to sections within the CNVMP have been made for ease of reference within this Monitoring Program.

1.2 Background and Project Description

National Intermodal Corporation (National Intermodal) plans to realign and upgrade a section of Moorebank Avenue. The Project involves the realignment of an existing two-kilometre section of Moorebank Avenue, from a point approximately 130 meters south of the Anzac Road/Moorebank Avenue intersection to a point immediately north of the East Hills Railway. Moorebank Avenue currently divides the Moorebank Intermodal Precinct (MIP) into the Moorebank East Precinct (MPE site) and the Moorebank West Precinct (MPE site).

1.3 Responsibilities

Site personnel or sub-contractors with suitable experience and qualifications will undertake the monitoring outlined in this Monitoring Program.

The Construction Contractors' Construction Manager is responsible for ensuring that all legal and other requirements described in this Monitoring Program are met.

1.4 Approval, Review and Modification

In accordance with NSW CoA C14, this Monitoring Program will be endorsed by the Environmental Representative (ER) and submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval at least one month before commencement of construction. Construction will not commence until the Planning Secretary has approved this Monitoring Program.

This Monitoring Program, as approved by the Planning Secretary, including any minor amendments approved by the ER, will be implemented for the duration of construction and for any longer period set out in this Monitoring Program or specified by the Planning Secretary, whichever is the greater.

This Monitoring Program will be reviewed every six months. In accordance with NSW CoA C16, minor amendments to this Monitoring Program may be approved by the ER.

Any amendments will be documented in subsequent revisions of this Monitoring Program. A copy of the updated Monitoring Program and changes will be distributed to all relevant stakeholders in accordance with the approved document control procedure outlined in the CEMP. Site personnel with responsibilities relevant to noise and vibration monitoring will be informed of any amendments to the Monitoring Program and training provided where required.

1.5 Consultation

Liverpool City Council (LCC) was consulted during the preparation of this Monitoring Program, in accordance with NSW CoA C12. No comments were provided from LCC regarding the Monitoring Program.

In accordance with NSW CoA C13(m), details of all information requested during consultation must be provided to the Planning Secretary as part of any submission of the Monitoring Program.

Refer to Appendix A of the CVNMP for a record of the consultation carried out during the development of this Monitoring Program, and Section 1.6 of the CNVMP for a summary of the consultation undertaken.

1.6 Guidelines, Policies and Specification

The main guidelines, specifications and policy documents relevant to this monitoring program include:

Guidelines

- TfNSW Construction Noise and Vibration Guidelines (Roads and Maritime 2016)
- NSW Interim Construction Noise Guideline (ICNG) (Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECC), 2009)
- NSW Assessing Vibration – a technical guideline (AVTG) (DEC, 2006)

Policies

- NSW Road Noise Policy (Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water, 2011)
- NSW Noise Policy for Industry (Environment Protection Authority, 2017)

Standards

- Australian Standard 2659.1 – 1998 Guide to the use of sound measuring equipment – portable sound level meters
- Australian Standard IEC 61672.1 Electroacoustic – Sound Level Meters – Specifications
- Australian Standard 2775 Mechanical Mounting of Accelerometers
- Australian Standard AS/NZS 2107:2000 Acoustics - Recommended design sound levels and reverberation times for building interiors
- Australian Standard 2834-1995 Computer Accommodation, Chapter 2.9 Vibration
- Australian Standard AS 2187.2 Explosives - Storage and use - Part 2 Use of explosives
- Australian Standard 1055 Acoustics – Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise
- Australian Standard AS2436-1981 Guide to Noise Control on Construction, Maintenance and Demolition Sites
- British Standard BS 6472-2008, 'Evaluation of human exposure to vibration in buildings (180Hz) (British Vibration Standard)
- British Standard 7385: Part 2-1993 'Evaluation and measurement of vibration in buildings'

- German Standard DIN4150-1999 Structural vibration Part 3: Effects of vibration on Structures (German DIN Standard).

1.7 Conditions of Approval

The requirements of the Infrastructure Approval conditions relevant to the development of this Monitoring Program are listed in Table 1.1. A document reference is also included to indicate where the condition is addressed in this Monitoring Program or other project management documents.

Table 1.1: NSW CoA relevant to the Monitoring Program

No.	Requirements	Document reference
C12	A Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must accompany the Noise and Vibration Management Sub-plan when it is lodged for endorsement or approval in accordance with Conditions C9 and C10. The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must be prepared in consultation with the relevant council(s) to compare actual performance of construction of the SSI against the performance predicted in the documents listed in Condition A1 or in the relevant CEMP.	The Monitoring Program Section 1.5
C13	The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must provide:	
(a)	details of baseline data available;	Section 2
(b)	details of baseline data to be obtained and when;	Section 2
(c)	details of all monitoring of the project to be undertaken;	Section 4
(d)	the parameters of the project to be monitored;	Section 4
(e)	the frequency of monitoring to be undertaken;	Section 4
(f)	the location of monitoring;	Section 5
(g)	the reporting of monitoring results and analysis results against relevant criteria;	Section 6
(h)	details of the methods that will be used to analyse the monitoring data;	Section 4
(i)	procedures to identify and implement additional mitigation measures where the results of the monitoring indicate unacceptable project impacts;	Section 5.2
(j)	a consideration of SMART principles;	Section 1.1 Section 4 Section 8 of the CNVMP
(k)	any consultation to be undertaken in relation to the monitoring programs;	Section 1.5 Appendix A of the CNVMP
(l)	any specific requirements outlined in the terms of this approval; and	Section 1.7
(m)	Details of all information requested by an agency during consultation, including copies of all correspondence from those agencies as required by Condition A5.	Section 1.5 Appendix A of the CNVMP
C14	Unless expressly nominated by the Planning Secretary to be endorsed by the ER, the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program must be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval.	Section 1.4

No.	Requirements	Document reference
C15	Unless otherwise agreed with the Planning Secretary, construction must not commence until the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program has been approved by the Planning Secretary, and all relevant baseline data for the specific construction activity has been collected.	Section 1.4
C16	The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program, including any minor amendments approved by the ER must be implemented for the duration of construction and for any longer period set out in the monitoring program or specified by the Planning Secretary, whichever is the greater.	Section 1.4
C17	The results of construction noise and vibration monitoring must be included in a Construction Noise Monitoring Report. The report must also include a summary of the monitoring results against the relevant noise criteria identified in the Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Program and be published on the Proponent's website in accordance with the reporting frequency specified in the monitoring program.	Section 6

2 BASELINE DATA

2.1 Introduction

The Noise and Vibration Impact Assessment (NVIA) in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIS) (EMM, 2021) stated that the assessment of operational road traffic noise for 2024 and 2034 years confirmed that the baseline goals for new roads of the NSW, the NSW Road Noise Policy (DECCW, 2011) was satisfied for all assessment locations for day and night, and no additional mitigation was required. Based on this, no additional baseline noise monitoring, other than what was measured, is required. The following section detail the noise baseline conditions for the Project.

2.2 Noise and Vibration Sensitive Receivers

The NVIA identified and considered potential construction noise and vibration impacts from the Project on the surrounding land uses and sensitive receivers. The nearest representative noise sensitive locations to the Project were identified as being commercial, industrial and residential receivers.

Locations were selected to represent the range and extent of noise impacts from the Project. Details are provided in Table 2.1 and their locations are shown in Figure 2.1.

Table 2.1: Assessment locations

ID	Address	Classification	Easting	Northing
COM1	Defence Building 1	Commercial	308640	6241780
IN1	Defence Building 2	Industrial	308764	6241755
IN2	Defence Building 3	Industrial	308764	6241623
R1 (NM2)	26 Brickendon Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309349	6241227
R2 ¹ (NM3)	25 Exford Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	309290	6240862
R3 (NM4)	25 Yallum Court, Wattle Grove	Residential	308920	6240179

2.3 Existing Noise Environment

Table 2.2 summarises the existing background and ambient noise that was measured during the NVIA noise monitoring. Further detail regarding the existing environment is within Section 4 of the CNVMP.

Table 2.2: Summary of existing background and ambient noise

Monitoring location	Period ^a	Rating background level (RBL) ^b , dB(A)	Measure L _{Aeq, period} noise level ^c , dB(A)
NM1 – Moorebank Avenue	Day	54	65
	Evening	51	69
	Night	43	60

¹ NM3 for RBL and ambient noise monitoring are in adjacent properties i.e., 25 Exford Street and 23 Exford Street respectively. For the purposes of this CNVMP, it has been assumed that they are the same property, monitoring will be undertaken at either location depending upon accessibility.

Monitoring location	Period ^a	Rating background level (RBL) ^b , dB(A)	Measure L _{Aeq, period} noise level ^c , dB(A)
NM2 ² – 26 Brickendon Court, Wattle Grove	Day	36	52
	Evening ^d	34 (42)	50
	Night ^d	31 (38)	46
NM3 ³⁴ – 23 Exford Court, Wattle Grove	Day	35	54
	Evening	34	51
	Night	31	47
NM4 ⁵ – 25 Yallum Court, Wattle Grove	Day	36	52
	Evening	36	49
	Night	31	44

Notes:

- Day: 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday; 8 am to 6 pm Sundays and public holidays; Evening: 6 pm to 10 pm; Night: all other periods.
- The RBL is a Noise Policy for Industry 2017 (NPfI) term and is used to represent the background noise level. In accordance with the NPfI, minimum thresholds were adopted given measured values were lower. Measured noise levels are provided in brackets () where relevant.
- The energy averaged noise level over the measurement period and representative of general ambient noise.
- Evening noise level cannot be greater than day and night not greater than evening. Ambient levels appear affected by localised noise source accordingly levels for NM3 were adopted for assessment purposes. Measured levels in brackets ().

² NM2 is equivalent to R1 as shown in Figure 2.1.

³ NM3 is equivalent to R2 as shown in Figure 2.1.

⁴ NM3 for RBL and ambient noise monitoring are in adjacent properties i.e., 25 Exford Street and 23 Exford Street respectively. For the purposes of this CNVMP, it has been assumed that they are the same property, monitoring will be undertaken at either location depending upon accessibility.

⁵ NM4 is equivalent to R3 as shown in Figure 2.1.

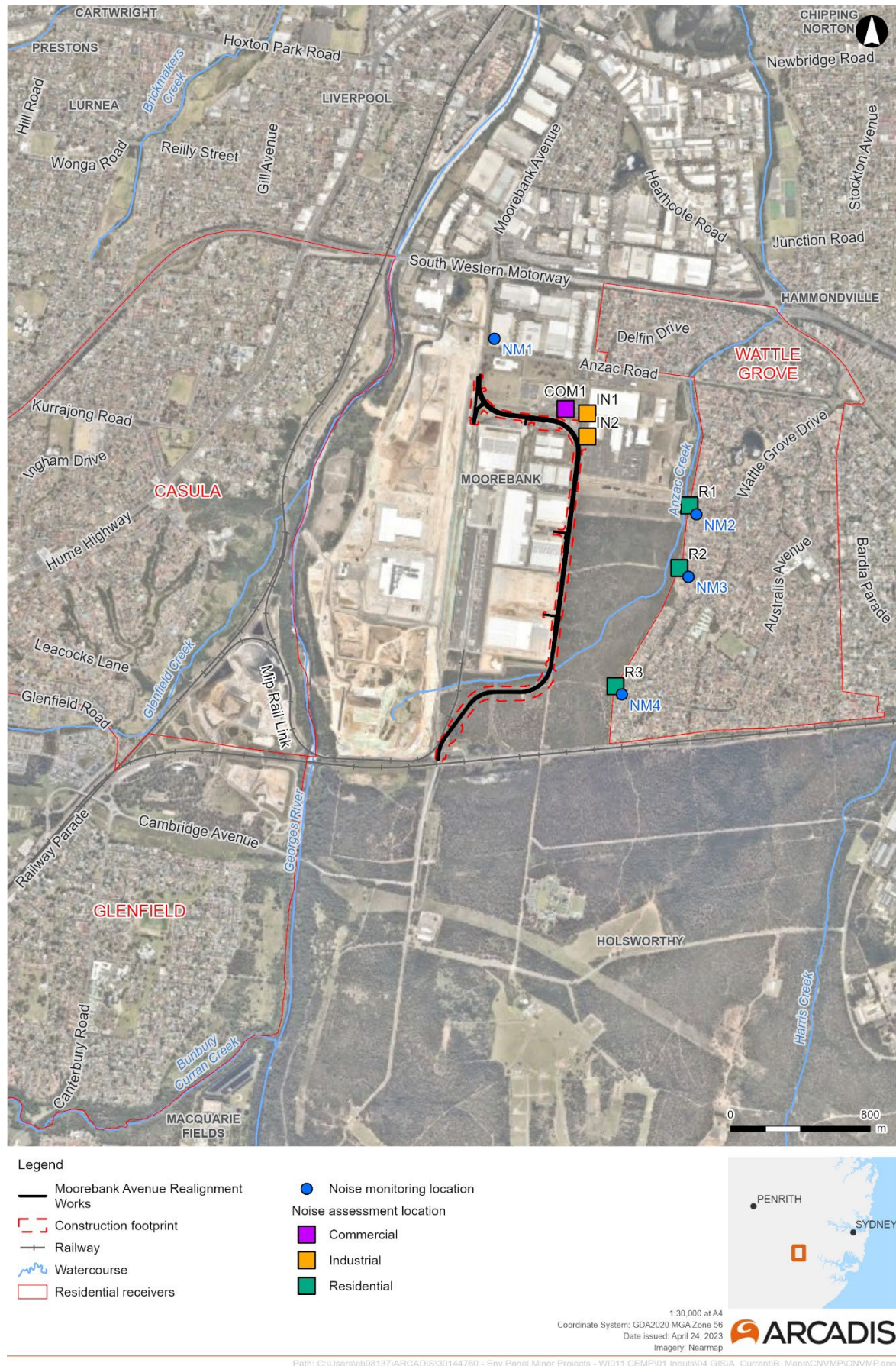


Figure 2.1: Location of noise and vibration assessment and monitoring locations

3 NOISE AND VIBRATION CRITERIA

3.1 Construction Activities

Section 7 of the CVNMP provides an overview of the construction activities that have the potential for triggering noise and vibration impacts and which will need to be appropriately managed to ensure the construction noise and vibration criteria, detailed below, are achieved.

3.2 Construction Noise Criteria

The noise management levels (NMLs) adopted for the Project are set out in Table 3.1 and Table 3.2 for residential and non-residential sensitive receivers respectively.

Table 3.1: Residential construction NMLs

Receiver type/ Monitoring location	NML $L_{Aeq(15min)}$ – dB(A)			
	Standard construction hours dB(A)	Out-of-hours RBL + 5dB(A)		
		Day	Day	Evening
R1 (NM2)	46	41	39	36
R2 (NM3)	45	40	39	36
R3 (NM4)	46	41	41	36

Note:

1. Day: 7 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday; 8 am to 6 pm Sundays and public holidays;
2. Evening: 6 pm to 10 pm;
3. Night: all other periods and public holidays.
4. Sleep disturbance criteria will be assessed during preparation of a Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement (CNVIS) where required, generally for any work that may exceed the NMLs or vibration criteria specified.

Table 3.2: Non-residential sensitive land uses noise management levels

Land use	Noise assessment location	NML ($L_{Aeq(15min)}$) ³
Classrooms at schools and other educational institutions	Internal	45
Places of worship and hospitals		
Passive recreation areas ¹	External	60
Active recreation areas ²	External	65
Industrial premises ⁴	External	75
Office, retail outlets ⁵	External	70

Land use	Noise assessment location	NML ($L_{Aeq(15min)}$) ³
Community centres	Internal	Depends on the intended use of the centre. Refer to the recommended 'maximum' internal levels in AS/NZS 2107:2016 ⁶ for specific uses.

Notes:

1. Passive recreation areas characterised by contemplative activities that generate little noise and where benefits are compromised by external noise intrusion.
2. Active recreation areas are characterised by sporting activities and activities which generate their own noise or focus for participants, making them less sensitive to external noise intrusion.
3. Applies only when properties are being used.
4. Defence Buildings 2 and 3 are classified as industrial refer to Table 2.1.
5. Defence Building 1 is classified as commercial refer to Table 2.1.
6. S/NZS 2107:2016 Acoustics – Recommended design sound levels and reverberation times for building interiors

3.3 Construction Vibration Criteria

3.3.1 Human Comfort

Maximum and preferred values for continuous and impulsive vibration for the Project are defined in Table 3.3.

Table 3.3: Continuous and impulsive vibration acceleration (m/s^2) 1-80 Hz

Location	Assessment period ¹	Preferred values		Maximum values	
		z-axis	x- and y-axis	z-axis	x- and y-axis
Continuous vibration					
Critical areas ²	Day or night-time	0.0050	0.0036	0.010	0.0072
Residences	Daytime	0.010	0.0071	0.020	0.014
	Night-time	0.007	0.005	0.014	0.010
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship ³	Day or night-time	0.020	0.014	0.040	0.028
Workshops ⁴	Day or night-time	0.04	0.029	0.080	0.058
Impulsive vibration					
Critical areas ²	Day or night-time	0.0050	0.0036	0.010	0.0072
Residences	Daytime	0.30	0.21	0.60	0.42
	Night-time	0.10	0.071	0.20	0.14

Location	Assessment period ¹	Preferred values		Maximum values	
		z-axis	x- and y-axis	z-axis	x- and y-axis
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship ³	Day or night-time	0.64	0.46	1.28	0.92
Workshops ⁴	Day or night- time	0.64	0.46	1.28	0.92

Notes:

1. Daytime is 7.00am to 10.00pm and night-time is 10.00pm to 7.00am
2. Such as hospital operating theatres or precision laboratories
3. Defence Building 1 is classified as commercial refer to Table 2.1.
4. Defence Buildings 2 and 3 are classified as industrial refer to Table 2.1.

Intermittent vibration impact is assessed using vibration dose values (VDVs). The VDV method is more sensitive to peaks in the acceleration waveform and makes corrections to the criteria based on the exposure duration. The acceptable VDVs for intermittent vibration are defined in Table 3.4.

Table 3.4: Acceptable vibration dose values ($m/s^{1.75}$) for intermittent vibration

Location	Daytime ¹		Night-time ¹	
	Preferred values	Maximum values	Preferred values	Maximum values
Critical areas ²	0.10	0.20	0.10	0.02
Residences	0.20	0.40	0.13	0.26
Offices, schools, educational institutions and places of worship	0.40	0.80	0.40	0.80
Workshops	0.80	1.60	0.80	1.60

Notes:

1. Daytime is 7.00am to 10.00pm and night-time is 10.00pm to 7.00am
2. Includes operating theatres, precision laboratories and other areas where vibration sensitive activities may occur.

3.3.2 Structural Damage

The standards by which building damage from construction-induced vibration is assessed are the British Vibration Standard (BS 7385) and the German DIN Standard (DIN 4150-3).

BS 7385 is used as a guide to assess the likelihood of building damage from ground vibration. BS 7385 suggests levels at which 'cosmetic', 'minor' and 'major' categories of damage. BS 7385 is based on peak particle velocity and specifies damage criteria for frequencies within the range 4 Hz to 250 Hz, being the range usually encountered in buildings.

Table 3.5 sets out the BS 7385 criteria for cosmetic, minor and major damage. Where heritage structures are impacted, DIN 4150-3 vibration criteria will be applied. The criteria applicable to heritage buildings are identified in Table 3.6.

Table 3.5: BS 7385 structural damage criteria

Group	Type of structure	Damage level	Peak component particle velocity ¹ (mm/s)		
			4 – 15 Hz	15 – 40Hz	≥40Hz
1	Reinforced or framed structures Industrial and heavy commercial buildings	Cosmetic	50	50	50
		Minor ²	100	100	100
		Major ²	200	200	200
2	Un-reinforced or light framed structures Residential or light commercial type buildings	Cosmetic	15 - 20	20 - 50	50
		Minor ²	30 - 40	40 - 100	100
		Major ²	60 - 80	80 - 200	200

Notes:

1. Peak Component Particle Velocity is the maximum Peak particle velocity in any one direction (x, y, z) as measured by a tri-axial vibration transducer.
2. Minor and major damage criteria established based on BS 7385 Part 2 (1993) Section 7.4.2

Table 3.6: DIN 4150-3 vibration guidelines for heritage buildings

Type of structure	Guideline values for vibration velocity (mm/s)			
	Vibration at the foundation at a frequency of			Vibration at the horizontal plane of the highest floor at all frequencies
	1 - 10 Hz	10 - 50 Hz	50 - 100 Hz ¹	
Heritage buildings	3	3 - 8	8 - 10	8

Notes:

1. P1PA frequencies above 100 Hz the values given in this column may be used as minimum values.

3.3.3 Safe working distances

Where vibration intensive plant such as rock breakers and vibratory rollers are used, vibration must be managed to minimise disturbance to building occupants and to avoid damage to buildings and other structures. Table 3.7 indicates the safe working distances recommended by the CNVG for typical items of vibration intensive plant that must be complied with.

Table 3.7: Safe working distances for vibration intensive plant (TfNSW 2019)

Plant item	Rating/description	Safe working distance		
		Cosmetic damage (British Std 7385) – Light framed structures	Cosmetic damage (DIN 4150) Heritage and other sensitive structures	Human response (EPA's vibration guideline)
Vibratory roller	<50 kN (typically 1-2 t)	5 m	14 m	15 m to 20 m
	<100 kN (typically 2-4 t)	6 m	16 m	20 m
	<200 kN (typically 4-6 t)	12 m	33 m	40 m
	<300 kN (typically 7-13 t)	15 m	41 m	100 m
	>300 kN (typically 13-18 t)	20 m	54 m	100 m
	>300 kN (> 18 t)	25 m	68 m	100 m

Plant item	Rating/description	Safe working distance		
		Cosmetic damage (British Std 7385) – Light framed structures	Cosmetic damage (DIN 4150) Heritage and other sensitive structures	Human response (EPA's vibration guideline)
Small hydraulic hammer	300 kg – 5 to 12 t excavator	2 m	5 m	7 m
Medium hydraulic hammer	900 kg – 12 to 18t excavator	7 m	19 m	23 m
Large hydraulic hammer	1600 kg – 18 to 34 t excavator	22 m	60 m	73 m
Vibratory pile driver	Sheet piles	20 m	50 m	100 m
Pile boring	≤800 mm	2 m (nominal)	5 m	7 m
Jackhammer	Handheld	1 m (nominal)	2 m	3 m

The safe working distances presented in Table 3.7 are indicative and will vary depending on the item of plant (particularly its power rating) and local geotechnical conditions. The cosmetic damage thresholds apply to typical buildings under typical geotechnical conditions and vibration monitoring is recommended at specific sites.

Where structures are more sensitive such as heritage items, more stringent conditions may be applicable. Potential vibration impacts to Non-Aboriginal heritage are not expected; there are no known areas of archaeological significance for Non-Aboriginal heritage located in or adjacent to the Project Site. The nearest state significant heritage item (Glenfield Farm State Heritage Register item 00025; Liverpool LEP 14) is located about 1.8 kilometres from the Project Site boundary and will not be subject to potential vibration impacts. Refer to Section 4 of the CHMP for more information. In relation to human response, the safe working distances relate to continuous vibration. For most construction activities, vibration emissions are intermittent and higher vibration levels over shorter periods are acceptable. Additional assessment will be undertaken where the human response criteria are exceeded.

4 MONITORING PROCEDURES

As required by NSW CoA C13(j), SMART principles (refer to Section 8 of the CNVMP) have been considered in the preparation of this Monitoring Program and the procedure detailed below.

4.1 Noise Monitoring

The noise monitoring procedure to be adopted for the Project is provided in Table 4.1. Noise monitoring will be undertaken by the Construction Contractor or noise consultant who will be appropriately trained in the measurement and assessment of construction noise and vibration and has working knowledge of the requirements of AS 2659.1.

All noise monitoring will be undertaken in accordance with Australian Standard AS 2659.1 – 1998: Guide to the use of sound measuring equipment – portable sound level meters, or any revisions of that standard which may be made by Standards Australia, and the compliance monitoring guidance provided in the NSW Noise Policy for Industry (EPA, 2017).

A Construction Noise and Vibration Impact Statement (CNVIS) will be prepared by the Construction Contractor for any work that may exceed the NMLs and vibration criteria specified in NSW CoA E26 at any residence outside the standard work hours identified in NSW CoA E18, or where receivers will be highly noise affected. The CNVIS must include specific mitigation measures identified through consultation with affected sensitive receivers and the mitigation measures must be implemented for the duration of the construction phase. Feedback on mitigation measures will be sought from affected sensitive receivers through notifications or via phone calls. A copy of the CNVIS must be provided to the ER at least two weeks prior to the commencement of the associated work. The Planning Secretary may request copies of the CNVIS for their information.

Subject to property owner approval, noise monitoring will be conducted at representative residential and other locations (including at the worst- affected residences) to confirm construction noise levels. The ICGN (DECC, 2009) states that noise levels apply at the property boundary that is most exposed to construction noise, and at a height of 1.5 metres above ground level. If the property boundary is more than 30 metres from the residence, the location for measuring or predicting noise levels is at the most noise-affected point within 30 metres of the residence.

Table 4.1: Noise monitoring procedure

Monitoring details	Frequency	Test procedure
Attended noise monitoring will be carried out to verify noise environment	Prior to the commencement of construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring will be carried out at the locations identified in Figure 2.1 or as near as practicable Monitoring equipment will be located at receivers which would have line-of-sight to the Project or to existing major roads
Attended monitoring will be carried out at the commencement of activities for which a NVIS has been prepared to confirm actual noise	On the first occasion of activities for which a NVIS has been prepared	<p>The testing method includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sound level meter configured for “Fast” time weighting and “A” frequency weighting Sound level meter height set at around 1.2-1.5 metre above ground level The test environment will be free from reflecting objects where possible. Where the noise monitoring is conducted within 3.5 metres of large
Attended OOHW noise monitoring at sensitive receivers during evening, night and OOH (weekends/public holidays)	As required during OOHW	

Monitoring details	Frequency	Test procedure
<p>Attended monitoring where a complaint is received and monitoring is considered an appropriate response to determine if noise levels exceed predicted 'worst case' Construction noise levels documented (Section 7.2 of the CNVMP)</p>	<p>Related to noise complaint</p>	<p>walls or a building facade, then a reflection correction of up to -2.5 dB(A) will be applied to remove the effect of increased noise due to sound reflections from such structures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tests will not be carried out during rain or when the wind speed at the test site exceeds 5 m/s at the microphone • Conditions such as wind velocity, wind direction, temperature, relative humidity and cloud cover will be recorded. These may be obtained from the nearest Bureau of Meteorology monitoring station or on-site weather station/observations
<p>Attended monitoring to confirm noise levels are no more than 5 dB(A) above RBL levels using the $L_{Aeq, 15min}$ descriptor for works undertaken in accordance with NSW CoA E20 (b)(i)</p>	<p>On each occasion works undertaken in accordance with NSW CoA E20(b)(i) on each occasion it is used</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The monitoring period should be sufficient such that the measured noise levels are representative of the noise over a 15-minute period • Selected monitoring periods should vary to cover the range of activities being undertaken, including the worst-case construction scenario • At a minimum L_{eq}, L_{max}, L_{10} and L_{90} levels will be measured and reported • If any specific noise characteristics as the NPfl are identified, they should be factored into the quantitative assessment by adding penalties to the predicted levels as per the NPfl.
<p>Noise monitoring at non-sensitive receivers predicted to be impacted by moderate exceedances of the NML from work in standard hours</p>	<p>As required</p>	<p>The attended noise monitoring data will be compared to the NMLs presented in Section 3 and predicted noise levels.</p> <p>Observations will also be reported including audibility of construction noise, other noise in the environment and any discernible construction activities contributing to the noise at the receiver.</p>
<p>Spot checks of noise intensive plant where it is required to check the noise emission from the plant against manufacturer's specifications</p>	<p>When a noise intensive piece of equipment commences works on site</p>	<p>The test procedure for construction plant will be guided by the stationary test procedures according to Australian Standard AS 2012.1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sound level meter configured for "Fast" time weighting and "A" frequency weighting • The test environment will be free from reflecting objects • Tests will not be carried out during rain or when the wind speed at the test site exceeds 5 m/s at the microphone
<p>Where required for the purposes of refining construction methods or techniques to reduce noise levels</p>	<p>As required</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tests will not be carried out during rain or when the wind speed at the test site exceeds 5 m/s at the microphone
<p>Real time (unattended) monitoring</p>	<p>As required</p>	<p>Can provide useful indications of noise exceedances, particularly during highly intensive noise activities. Real-time noise monitoring may be used as a backup for attended noise monitoring and will not be used alone. Noise monitoring equipment will continuously measure existing noise levels in 15-minute periods during the daytime, evening and night-time periods for the survey period. All equipment must carry current</p>

Monitoring details	Frequency	Test procedure
		National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) or manufacturer calibration certificates
Validation monitoring	At least the first two nights of OOHW	For any works that are the subject of a community agreement under the Environmental Protection Licence (EPL) on at least the first two nights where OOHW will be undertaken in accordance with the community agreement. If validation monitoring shows that noise levels are higher than those predicted by any noise modelling undertaken as part of the community agreement, work practices will be modified so that measured noise levels do not exceed predicted levels.

Where actual noise levels exceed the predicted worst-case levels, the source of excessive noise generations will be identified, and any additional feasible and reasonable measures available will be implemented to either reduce noise emissions or reduce the impacts on receivers.

Details of site activity and equipment usage will be noted during construction noise monitoring.

4.1.1 Noise Monitoring Equipment

Noise monitoring equipment used will be at least Type 2 (for unattended surveys) and Type 1 (for attended surveys) instruments as required by Australian Standard AS 1259.1-1990 Acoustics – Sound Level Meters and calibrated in accordance with manufacturer specifications or relevant Australian Standards. The calibration of the monitoring equipment will be checked in the field before and following the noise measurement period.

Advice from a heritage specialist will be sought on methods and locations for installing equipment used for noise monitoring at heritage-listed structures.

Acoustic instrumentation employed in the noise monitoring surveys will carry current manufacturer conformance certificates and comply with the guidelines identified in Section 1.6.

4.2 Vibration Monitoring

The overarching vibration monitoring procedure to be adopted for the Project is provided in Table 4.2. Monitoring will be undertaken by the Construction Contractor or noise consultant, trained to undertake vibration monitoring for the duration of construction. Dilapidation surveys will be the responsibility of the Construction Contractor.

All vibration monitoring will be undertaken in accordance with the technical guidance provided in the Environmental Noise Management - Assessing Vibration: a technical guideline (DEC, 2006). Vibration monitoring results may be assessed and reported against the acceptable values of human exposure to vibration set out in Tables 2.2 and Table 2.4 of the guideline.

Subject to property owner approval, vibration monitoring will be conducted at representative residential and other locations (including at the worst- affected residences) to confirm construction vibration levels.

Table 4.2: Vibration monitoring procedure

Monitoring details	Frequency	Test procedure
At the commencement of vibratory compaction work within 50 metres of residential buildings	As required	<p>Attended vibration monitoring will be undertaken when checking the safe working distances from construction plant or in response to a complaint.</p> <p>The testing method includes:</p>
Where a complaint is received in relation to human exposure to vibration levels and monitoring is considered an appropriate response	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transducer to be affixed to ground or building in general accordance with AS 2775- 2004 • Monitoring to be conducted for at least three distances from the plant, including a representative distance for the nearest sensitive structures and/or receivers
Where a complaint is received in relation to suspected property damage due to vibration impacts and monitoring is considered an appropriate response	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The testing will be conducted at each location to obtain a suitable representation of the range of vibration levels that would occur from the tested plant • The plant will be tested in the settings in which it is expected to operate. For vibratory rollers this may include both “High” and “Low” setting
Where an activity may occur within safe working distances for cosmetic damage for no more than one day continuously	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peak Particle Velocity (PPV) with sufficient temporal resolution to determine vibration impacts and the dominant frequency of the vibration will be recorded for assessment against the structural and cosmetic damage criteria. In situations in which human comfort is also of concern then a metric which is appropriate for calculating vibration does values
Where required for the purposes of refining Construction methods to reduce vibration levels	As required	
Where an activity may occur within safe working distances for cosmetic damage for a period of more than one day continuously	As required	<p>Continuous vibration monitoring will be undertaken in situations where there is a risk that vibration from a particular construction activity may exceed the cosmetic damage criteria at a sensitive structure. This will be where activities may occur within the safe working distances for cosmetic damage identified in Section 3.3.3 of this Monitoring Program.</p> <p>The testing method includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transducer to be affixed to ground or building in general accordance with AS 2775- 2004 • Vibration logger to continuously measure vibration levels while the relevant works are occurring within the safe working distance for cosmetic damage • Measurement to be conducted as close as possible to the sensitive structure. • A warning system will be implemented with the monitoring system including one or both of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Audible and/or visual warning alarm – SMS and/or email alerts to site personnel • PPV with sufficient temporal resolution to determine vibration impacts and the dominant frequency of the vibration will be recorded for assessment against the structural and cosmetic damage criteria. In situations in

Monitoring details	Frequency	Test procedure
		which human comfort is also of concern then a metric which is appropriate for calculating vibration does values
Vibration testing for vibration generating activities that have the potential to impact on heritage items	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify minimum working distances to prevent cosmetic damage • When conducting at-property treatment at any heritage item, the advice of a suitably qualified and experienced built heritage specialist will be obtained and implemented to ensure such work does not have an adverse impact on the heritage significance of the item
Dilapidation surveys of buildings and structures where construction works occurs within the safe working distance for cosmetic damage	Prior to that work being undertaken and post-construction	<p>At a minimum, dilapidation surveys and reports will comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A visual inspection of the structure, including all internal and external walls, ground level floors and external pavements, all connections of other structures above ground level and their connection at ground level and any exposed foundations • Full written building Condition Survey Report outlining the condition of the internal and external components of each property • A series of photographs of each identified defect/crack • A sketched floor plan showing the exact location of each defect and measurements of crack width/defect size • Identification of any condition changes relative to pre-construction and the likely cause of the change (post-construction only).

Where vibration is found to exceed safe levels, impacts will be reduced by changing work methods and / or equipment, or through the provision of building protection measures where possible. In the event that a complaint relating to property damage is received, an inspection of the property will be undertaken and an interim building condition survey prepared.

Attended vibration monitoring will be undertaken to determine site-specific minimum working distances for structural damage and human response. Site-specific minimum working distances will be determined whenever significant vibration generating plant will be working close to or within the recommended minimum working distances listed in Table 3.7. Details of site activity and equipment usage will be noted during monitoring.

4.2.1 Vibration monitoring equipment

Vibration monitoring equipment will be used and calibrated in alignment with manufacturers guidelines. Monitoring methods and instrumentation employed in the vibration monitoring surveys will comply with AS2775.2004 Mechanical vibration and shock—Mechanical mounting of accelerometers and AS2670.1 Evaluation of human exposure to whole body vibration.

As heritage items are located outside of safe working distances impacts are unlikely and no monitoring of heritage items is required.

5 COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENT

5.1 Noise and Vibration Monitoring Locations

The locations of noise and vibration sensitive receivers are shown in Figure 2.1. Noise monitoring locations will include representative sensitive receivers relevant to the Project stage.

- Noise monitoring will also be undertaken for non-sensitive receivers predicted to be impacted by moderate exceedances of the NML (refer to Table 8.2 of the CNVMP) from work in standard hours.
- Vibration monitoring will be undertaken at vibration sensitive locations within the 'minimum working distances' established for each item of plant during the commencement of use of each plant on site.
- Attended noise and vibration monitoring locations will include locations onsite where the commencement of operation for each new plant or activity has the potential to generate significant noise or vibration levels (refer to sound power levels in Table 5.1 of the Environmental Impact Statement). This may also include specific attended noise and/or vibration monitoring of significant plant items, such as earthmoving plant.

5.2 Adaptive Management

This section outlines the procedures to identify and implement additional mitigation measures where monitoring indicates noise and/or vibration levels in excess noise and vibration criteria.

Should noise and vibration monitoring results directly attributable to the Project exceeding the criteria set out in Section 3 of this Monitoring Program, the following steps will be undertaken:

- Analysis of the results by the Construction Contractor and noise consultant in consultation with the ER in more detail with a view of determining possible causes for the exceedance
- Site inspection by the ER
- Advising relevant personnel of the problem
- Identifying and agreeing on actions and/or additional mitigation measures to resolve or mitigate the exceedance
- Implementing actions to rectify or mitigate the exceedance, including stop work arrangements where necessary or if directed by the ER
- Identifying and implementing additional mitigation measures.

Where actual noise levels are found to exceed the predicted worst case levels (refer to Table 6.1 and Table 6.2 of the CNVMP), the source of excessive noise generations will be identified, and any additional feasible and reasonable measures available will be implemented to either reduce noise emissions or reduce the impacts on receivers. Where necessary, monitoring will be implemented to follow-up on any noise and vibration issues that arise during construction.

Where vibration is found to exceed safe levels, impacts will be reduced by changing work methods and / or equipment, or through the provision of building protection measures where possible. In the event a complaint relating to property damage is received, an inspection of the property will be undertaken and an interim building condition survey prepared.

Mitigation measures and preventative / corrective actions will be developed in accordance with procedures for dealing with non-compliance with environmental management measures outlined in Section 7.2 of the CEMP. Verification and documentation of the effectiveness of any management measures or preventative / corrective actions implemented to avoid further exceedances will be required.

6 REPORTING

6.1 Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Report

The Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Reports will detail the results of the monitoring undertaken for the Project, in accordance with this Monitoring Program. The Noise and Vibration Monitoring Reports will be undertaken as soon as the first noise and vibration monitoring event takes place during construction.

The results of the monitoring will be collected in the form of a Construction Noise and Vibration Monitoring Report as per NSW CoA C17. The Monitoring Reports will be prepared and submitted to the Planning Secretary every six months and to relevant regulatory agencies for information in accordance with NSW CoA C16 and published on the National Intermodal website.

Reports will include, but not be limited to, the following information:

- The date(s) and time at which the monitoring was undertaken
- The locations and description of monitoring undertaken
- The name of the person who undertook the monitoring
- Tabulations of monitoring data
- Compliance monitoring results with the criteria identified in Section 3 of this Monitoring Program
- Identification of exceedances of the nominated criteria and descriptions of the causes of these exceedances
- Details of any alteration to the Monitoring Program
- Summary of any complaints received regarding noise and vibration

The Construction Contractor will maintain accurate records of all noise and vibration monitoring activities.