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WA Limestone Carabooda Operation Communication Update

Mine Closure Plan Review

Purpose of this Communication

WA Limestone (WAL) is engaging with key stakeholders for the Limestone Building Blocks Company Pty Ltd's (LBBC) Carabooda operations at Hopkins and Cutler Roads, Carabooda, as part of its revision and resubmission of the operation's Mine Closure Plan (MCP).

There are no changes to mining operations or closure provisions to those that are already approved. This is a periodic review of closure planning only.

Background

LBBC has been extracting limestone from tenements M70/013 and M70/339 at Hopkins Road Carabooda, since the mid 1980's.

In 2018 WAL, through its wholly owned subsidiary PMR Quarries, purchased *Urbanstone*, which included tenements M70/109, M70/341, M70/345, M70/339, adjoining Cutler Road, Carabooda and the two operations are now worked together through LBBC's site facilities.

The location of the Hopkins and Cutler Road quarries and tenements are shown in Figure 1.

Two separate MCP's for the operations were combined in 2019 and submitted to the Department of Mines, Industry and Regulatory Safety (DMIRS) for approval. DMIRS advised that they would defer assessment of the MCP until 2026 due to the high volume of MCP's which had accumulated at that time.

Quarry Operations and Closure

Prior to quarrying, vegetation is cleared with top soil and vegetation stockpiled for future use in rehabilitation.

A quarry pit is formed progressively as loose sand is excavated for direct loading onto trucks and the pit walls and floor are ripped to loosen limestone which may be exported as armour rock or excavated, crushed, screened and stockpiled prior to loading on trucks as a range of sand and limestone products.

As quarrying activities are completed, the land is rehabilitated to meet mining tenement conditions and the post mining land use closure objectives and commitments outlined in the MCP.

The Carabooda site also supports two plants casting limestone blocks which are used in land redevelopments, landscaping and road infrastructure projects.

Post Mining Land Use Mine Closure Objectives

The current post mining land use for the Carabooda quarry's is to return to native vegetation.

As the quarry life is in excess of 20 years, it is possible that State Planning requirements may change, impacting future post mining land use.

The key objective is currently to return the mined land surface to low level limestone and sand that will be capable of developing a similar species richness, plant diversity and habitat to that of the pre-mined limestone shrubland.

In order to achieve the key objective, the following Closure Objectives have been identified as being necessary to ensure the key objective is met.

General Mine Closure Areas

1. All legally binding conditions and commitments relevant to mine closure and rehabilitation will be met.
2. All hazardous material is removed from site and disposed of appropriately.
3. All structures, associated with mining will be removed.
4. All wastes will be removed from site, reused or placed in an approved offsite landfill.
5. The final land surface is to be formed to the agreed form.
6. Re-constructed soils will be formed on the surface that are to be capable of supporting a return to local native vegetation and habitat.
7. The final land surface will be a stable surface resistant to water or wind erosion and not cause dust that will adversely impact on adjoining vegetation or human health or amenity.
8. The site will be left safe for humans and wildlife.
9. The reformed surface will be free draining with no surface water ponding.
10. Weeds will not impact on revegetation.
11. The interests of all relevant stakeholders will be considered during operations, closure planning and closure.
12. Rehabilitation objectives will be met.

Open limestone and sand excavations including access roads.

13. Hard limestone areas will be made suitable for rehabilitation

Laydown hardstand, workshop, batching and site facilities

14. All foreign hardstand (e.g. bitumen) will be removed from site.
15. All contaminated limestone or sand will be remediated or removed from site to an approved disposal area.
16. All infrastructure is to be removed from site, reused or placed in an approved offsite landfill.

Bush Forever Site

17. Vegetation within the Bush Forever Site 290 will not be disturbed unless through approval under a Clearing Permit or other process.
18. Weeds will be controlled so they will not impact on the Bush Forever Site 290.

Completion criteria, measurement tools and performance indicators have been established to affect the closure objectives.

Flora, vegetation and fauna studies have been completed for the tenements and the vegetation of the local area and for use in rehabilitation is therefore well known.

Ongoing research will generally take the form of assessing the methods of rehabilitation and the success against the completion criteria once rehabilitation is able to commence. Previous rehabilitation works on

tenement M70/339 have shown that the proposed methods are capable of providing a good return of local native vegetation, despite some of that rehabilitation being removed in later years to enable further resources to be extracted.

Further Information

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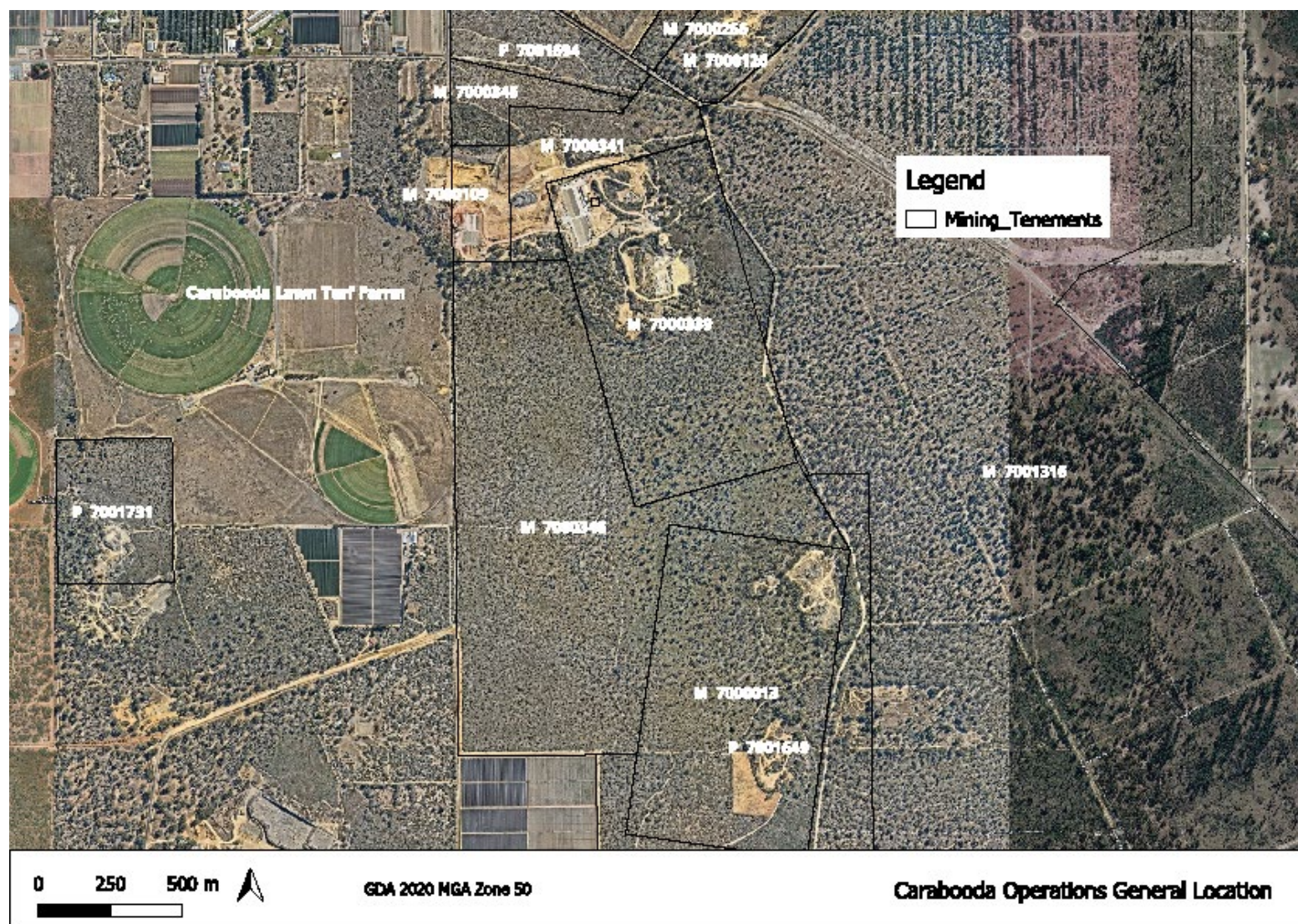


Figure 1: General Location



Figure 2: Crushing, screening and stockpiling operations



Figure 3: Block making plant