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# 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER 2024 NOISE MONITORING CONCRUSH SITE, 21 RACECOURSE RD, TERALBA

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

RCA Australia (RCA) was engaged by Concrush Pty Ltd (Concrush) to carry out a quarterly noise monitoring survey for the Concrush site facility located at 21 Racecourse Road, Teralba, NSW. The purpose of the noise survey was to monitor the noise levels at the closest sensitive receivers and assess site noise against relevant noise criteria.

The survey has been conducted in accordance with the requirements of AS 1055-2018 - Acoustics - Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise <sup>[1]</sup> and the Noise Policy for Industry <sup>[2]</sup> (NPfI), (EPA 2017).

*Consent Condition B47* makes reference to observing noise limits stated in *EPL13351*. *EPL13351* however does not contain any noise limits, and so environmental noise management levels has been based on the *Operational Noise Management Plan*<sup>[3]</sup> (*ONMP*) for the Project prepared by RCA.

#### 2 SITE & SURROUNDS

#### 2.1 LOCATION AND SENSITIVE RECEIVERS

Attended noise monitoring will be undertaken on a quarterly basis at the three monitoring locations indicatively shown below. Monitoring locations may change depending on safety and access considerations and to minimise disturbance to residential receivers.



Figure 1Site (red) and noise monitoring locations (blue)

# 3 CRITERIA

The site's environmental noise management levels at the nominated monitoring locations are shown in **Table 1**.

Table 1	Quarterly noise	monitoring loca	tions and nois	e management levels	;

NCA	Day noise management level L <sub>Aeq,15 min</sub> dBA	Eve noise management level L <sub>Aeq,15 min</sub> dBA		
NCA 1	51	43		
NCA 2	56	47		
NCA 3	53	53		

# 3.1 ANNOYING CHARACTERISTICS

Under the *NPfl* corrections to measured site levels may apply if annoying characteristics apply to the noise. Possible characteristics are identified in **Table 2**.





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Table 2	Modifying factors as defined in NPfI
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Factor	Description	Correction
Tonal noise	Level of one-third octave band $L_{zeq}$ exceeds the level of the adjacent bands on both sides by:	5 dB
	<ul> <li>5 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 500-10,000 Hz</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>8 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 160-400 Hz</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>15 dB or more if the centre frequency of the band containing the tone is in the range 25-125 Hz.</li> </ul>	
Low frequency noise	Difference between $L_{Ceq}$ and $L_{Aeq}$ is 15 dB or more and low frequency one-third octave band $L_{Zeq}$ levels exceed the thresholds in Table C2 of the NPfI.	2 - 5 dB
Intermittent noise	Observed level of the source varies by more than 5 dB during the night.	5 dB
Duration	One noise event in a 24-hr period, which lasts less than 2.5 hours.	0-20 dB increase in criteria

#### 3.2 WEATHER CONDITIONS

The *NPfl* states that environmental noise measurements should not be conducted under the following conditions:

Average wind speeds (over 15-minute periods or shorter) at microphone height are greater than 5 metres per second, or when rainfall occurs.

# 4 SURVEY METHODOLOGY

# 4.1 MODIFICATIONS OF PROCEDURES

The quarterly noise monitoring methodology defined in the ONMP requires two fifteen minute attended noise measurements to be taken at each monitoring location during both the day and evening. Concrush only operate during the evening in response to customer demands, which are usually local roadworks projects. As such, evening work is sporadic and often requested at short notice. Because of this, RCA have not been able to capture noise measurements of evening works this reporting quarter.

# 4.2 EQUIPMENT

The equipment used for attended monitoring is shown below in **Table 3** and the on-site sound level monitor is shown in **Table 4**. The sound level meters are class 1 measurement instruments.





**Table 3**Equipment used for attended noise monitoring

Туре	Make/Model	Serial Number	Last Calibrated
Sound Level Meter	SVAN 971	55580	April 2023
Sound Level Meter	SVAN 971	55581	June 2024
Calibrator	SV 33B	86489	March 2024

Table 4On-site sound level monitor

Туре	Make/Model	Serial Number	Last Calibrated	
Sound Level Meter	SV 307	94124	Nov 2023	

#### 4.3 WEATHER

Conditions were clear and suitable for monitoring in accordance with AS1055 and the NPfl.

Weather conditions at the time of the survey are shown in **Table 5**. Weather data has been sourced from the Concrush onsite weather station.

Survey Date	Time	Wind Speed (m/s)	Cloud cover (observed)	Valid weather conditions?
10/07/2024	11:15 am	1.9	1/8	Yes
10/07/2024	11:30 am	1.0	1/8	Yes
10/07/2024	11:45 am	2.4	1/8	Yes
10/07/2024	12:00 pm	1.0	1/8	Yes
10/07/2024	12:45 pm	1.0	1/8	Yes

Table 5Survey weather conditions

# 5 SURVEY RESULTS

**Table 6** provide the results of the daytime attended noise surveys. Marked time traces of the attended noise surveys are shown in **Appendix A** at the end of this report.

**Table 7** presents a comparison of noise levels measured by RCA offsite and the corresponding onsite noise levels measured by Concrush's onsite monitor.



Survey		Overall				Site Site		Site Site Penalty for LAeq 15min with		Penalty for LAeq 15min		Noise Sources and Level
Survey Location	Date Start Time	LAmax 15min	L <sub>Aeq</sub> 15 min	LA10 15min	LA90 15min	LAmax 15 min	LAeq 15min Limit	L <sub>Aeq 15min</sub> Contribution	annoying characteristics <sup>1</sup>	Contribution including penalty	condition Y/N?	Range
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:15	85	65	69	48	Nil	51	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site inaudible. Road noise ~60-85 dBA Resident shovelling gravel intermittently
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:30	86	65	69	47	Nil	51	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site Inaudible. Road noise ~60-86 dBA Train ~66-70 dBA
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:45	83	64	69	45	Nil	51	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site Inaudible. Road noise ~60-83 dBA Train ~56-65 dBA
NCA1	10/07/2024 12:00	80	65	69	44	Nil	51	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site Inaudible. Road noise ~60-80 dBA Train ~66-74 dBA
NCA2	10/07/2024 12:00	86	73	77	64	Nil	56	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site was inaudible (masked by road noise). Road Noise ~65-86 dBA Train ~60-65 dBA
NCA2	10/07/2024 12:45	89	74	77	65	Nil	56	Nil	Nil	Nil	Y	Site was inaudible (masked by road noise). Other: Road Noise 63-89 dBA

#### Table 6Noise survey observations Daytime 10/07/2024, dBA

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	Survey Date Start Time		Ove	rall		Site	Site	Site	Penalty for	Site L <sub>Aeq 15min</sub>	Complies	Noise Sources and Level			
Location		L <sub>Amax</sub> 15min	L <sub>Aeq</sub> 15 min	L <sub>A10</sub> 15min	L <sub>A90</sub> 15min	LAmax 15 min	L <sub>Aeq</sub> <sup>15min</sup> Limit	L <sub>Aeq 15min</sub> Contribution	annoying characteristics <sup>1</sup>	nnoying acteristics <sup>1</sup> Contribution including penalty	condition Y/N?	Range			
												Site heard in the background.			
NCA3	10/07/2024 11:30	24 76	60	60	10	49 ~57	53	53 ~52	Nil	~52	Y	Site crusher ~50-57 dBA			
NOAS					43							dBA			
												Aircraft ~56-62 dBA			
												Distant road~54-60 dBA			
															Site heard in the background.
	10/07/2024 12:45				49					~52	Y	Distant road~49-59 dBA			
NCA3		71	57	61		~58	53	~52	Nil			Council truck ~68-71 dBA			
												Train ~61-68 dBA			
												Site noise ~52-58 dBA			

IA indicates "inaudible", NM indicates "not measurable".



Survey Location	Survey Start Date & Time	Overall off-site measurements					Site	On-Site real time monitor results			
		L <sub>Amax</sub> 15min	LAeq 15min	LA10 15min	LA90 15min	Site L <sub>Amax</sub> , 15 min	L <sub>Aeq, 15min</sub> Contribution	L <sub>Amax</sub> 15min	LAeq 15min	LA10 15min	LA90 15min
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:15	85	65	69	48	Nil	Nil	80	66	70	57
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:30	86	65	69	47	Nil	Nil	81	65	68	55
NCA1	10/07/2024 11:45	83	64	69	45	Nil	Nil	86	63	65	49
NCA1	10/07/2024 12:00	80	65	69	44	Nil	Nil	77	60	65	49
NCA2	10/07/2024 12:00	86	73	77	64	Nil	Nil	77	60	65	49
NCA2	10/07/2024 12:45	89	74	77	65	Nil	Nil	86	64	66	58
NCA3	10/07/2024 11:30	76	60	60	49	~57	~52	81	65	68	55
NCA3	10/07/2024 12:45	71	57	61	49	~58	~52	86	64	66	58

 Table 7
 Attended measurement and on-site real time monitor results, dBA



#### 5.1 ASSESSMENT OF ANNOYING CHARACTERISTICS

### 5.1.1 Low Frequency Noise

Site was occasionally audible at NCA3 but not the dominant noise source. A low frequency assessment could not be undertaken.

### 5.1.2 TONALITY

Site was occasionally audible but not the dominant noise source. A tonality assessment could not be undertaken.

#### 5.1.3 INTERMITTENT NOISE

The penalty for intermittency is only applicable to the night time assessment period. This noise survey was undertaken during day and evening time, and so this potential penalty does not apply to results in this report.

5.1.4 DURATION

Site is operational for more than 2.5 hours each day, and so no 'duration' modifications apply.

#### 5.2 SUMMARY OF OBSERVATIONS

The site was audible but other noise sources dominated the ambient acoustic environment during all measurements. All measurements complied with noise targets set in the Operational Noise Management Plan.

# 6 CONCLUSION

Noise levels from the Concrush site complied with noise targets adopted in the ONMP at all monitoring locations.

Yours faithfully

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# REFERENCES

- [1] Standards Australia, AS1055 (2018): Acoustics Description and measurement of environmental noise.
- [2] The Noise Policy for Industry (NSW EPA, 2017)
- [3] Operational Noise Management Plan for Concrush Pty Ltd Teralba Facility

# GLOSSARY

dB (A)	Unit of sound pressure level, modified by the A-weighting network to represent the sensitivity of the human ear.
SPL (Lp)	The incremental variation of sound pressure from the reference pressure level expressed in decibels.
L <sub>eq</sub>	Equivalent continuous noise level averaged over time on an equivalent energy basis.
L <sub>1</sub>	Average Peak Noise Level in a measurement period.
L <sub>10</sub>	Average Maximum Noise Level in a measurement period.
L <sub>90</sub>	Average Minimum Noise Level in a measurement period.
1/3 Octave	Division of frequencies into bands of width one-third of an octave. Sound data can be calculated for each division.



Daytime survey Time Traces





- LA90\_15m - LAeq,1s - Site Limit(--)

# 10–July–2024 Concrush\_NCA1#2



- LA90\_15m - LAeq,1s - Site Limit(--)



# 10–July–2024 Concrush\_NCA1#4





- LA90\_15m - LAeq,1s - Site Limit(--)

10-July-2024 Concrush\_NCA2#1

# 10-July-2024 Concrush\_NCA2#2





10-July-2024 Concrush\_NCA3#1

# 10–July–2024 Concrush\_NCA3#2



- LA90\_15m - LAeq,1s - Site Limit(--)