PEAK GOLD MINES

CCC – December 2020

Summary of Employment Statistics

Peak Gold Mines Employees:

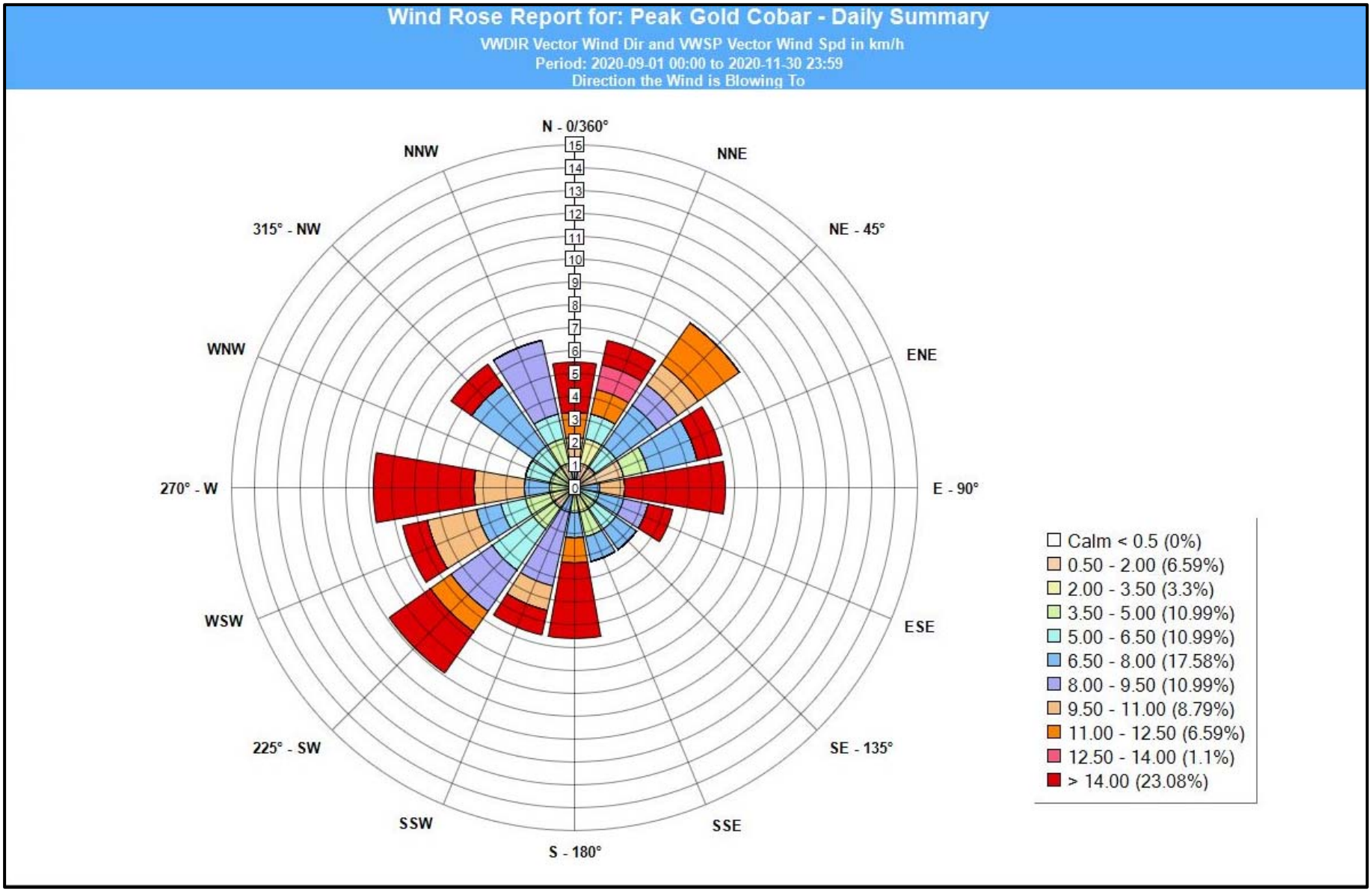
- Total workforce: 134 employees (previous quarter 136 employees)
- Residing in Cobar: 109 employees (previous quarter 112 employees) – 81%
- Residing within 300km radius of Cobar: 7 employees (previous quarter 7 employees) – 5%

Pybar Employees:

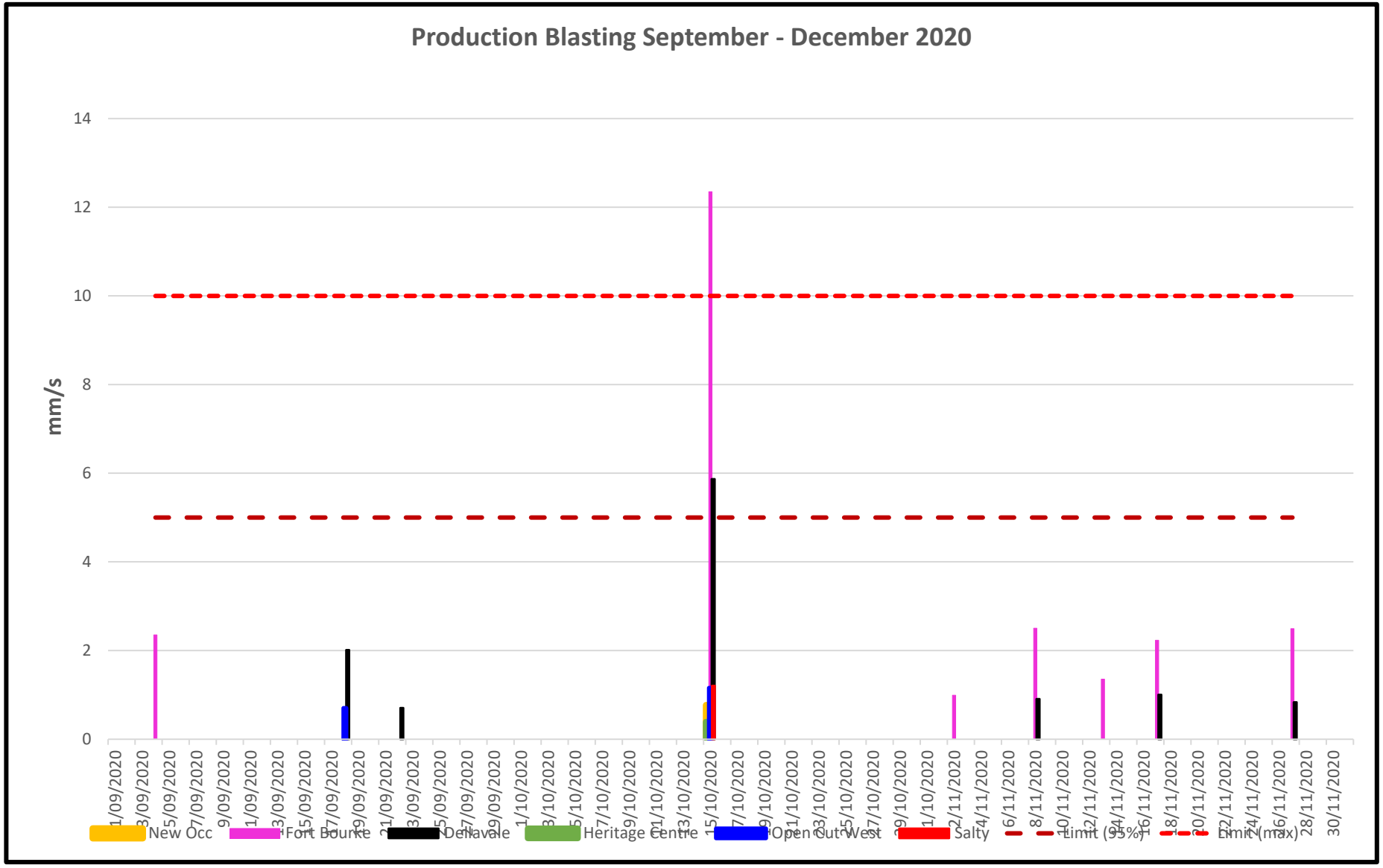
- Total workforce: 192 employees and Labour hire (previous quarter 204 employees)
- Residing in Cobar: 74 employees (previous quarter 93 employees) – 41%
- Residing within 300km radius of Cobar: 34 employees (previous quarter 10 employees) – 19%

It is our preference for employee's to reside locally however, to attract the right people for specialist roles, it is sometimes necessary to have flexible working arrangements

Environmental Monitoring - Wind Speed
September – December 2020



Environmental Monitoring - Blasting

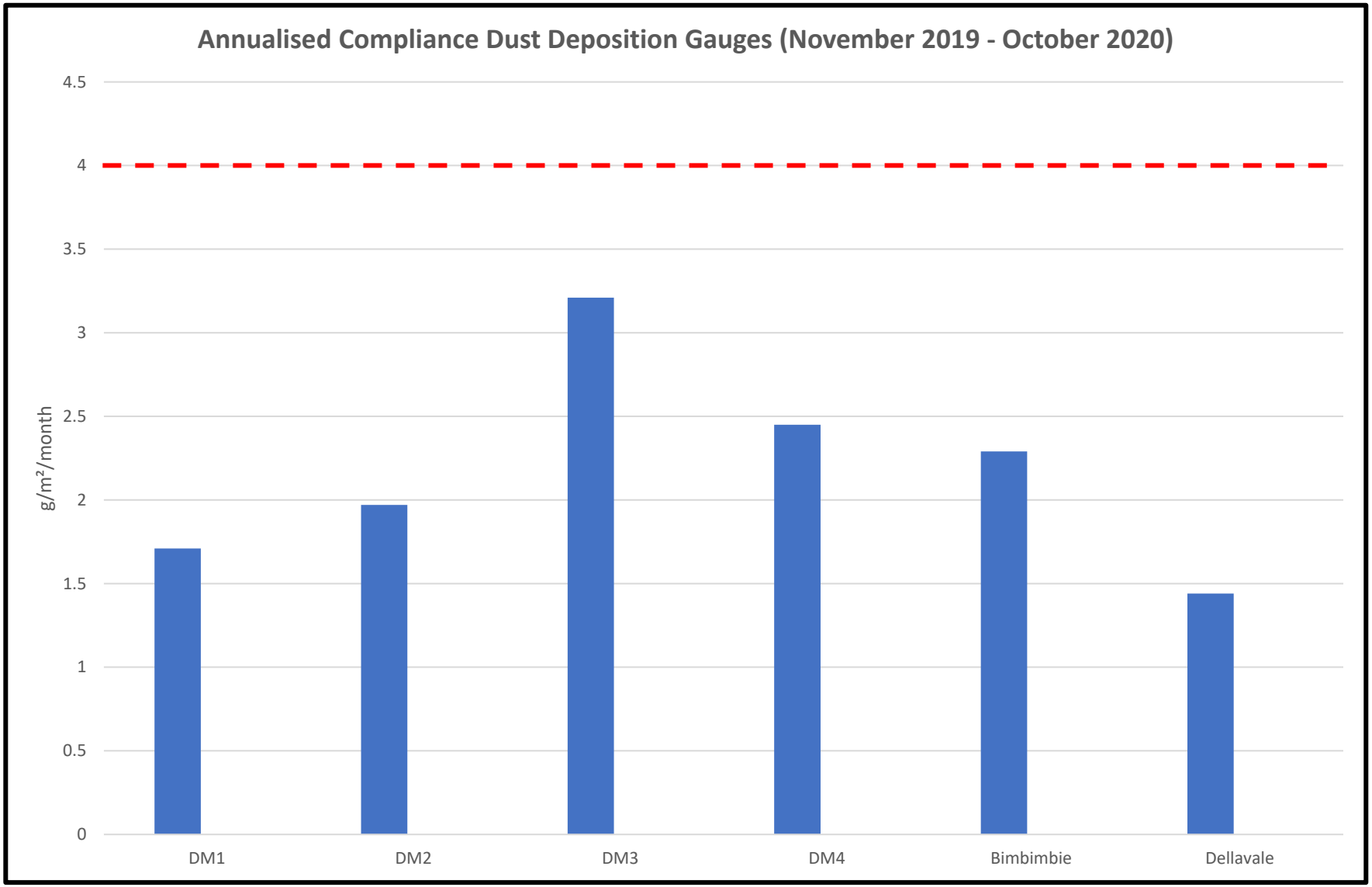


Complaints September - December 2020

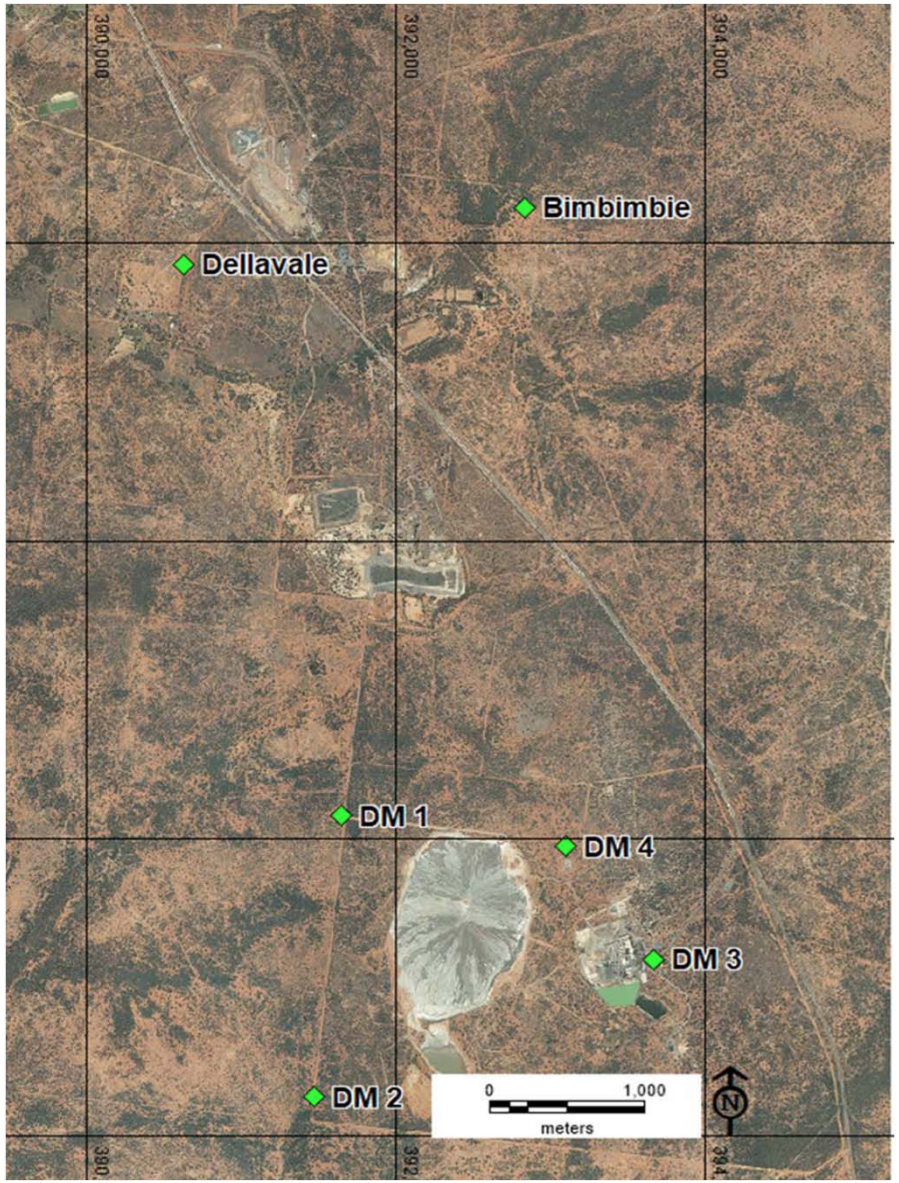
Date	Notification only	Complaint	Reason for complaint
24/10/2020		Yes	Blasting Vibration
10/11/2020		Yes	Blasting Vibration

Note: There were no complaints for September.

Environmental Monitoring – Depositional Dust



PGM Dust Monitoring Locations



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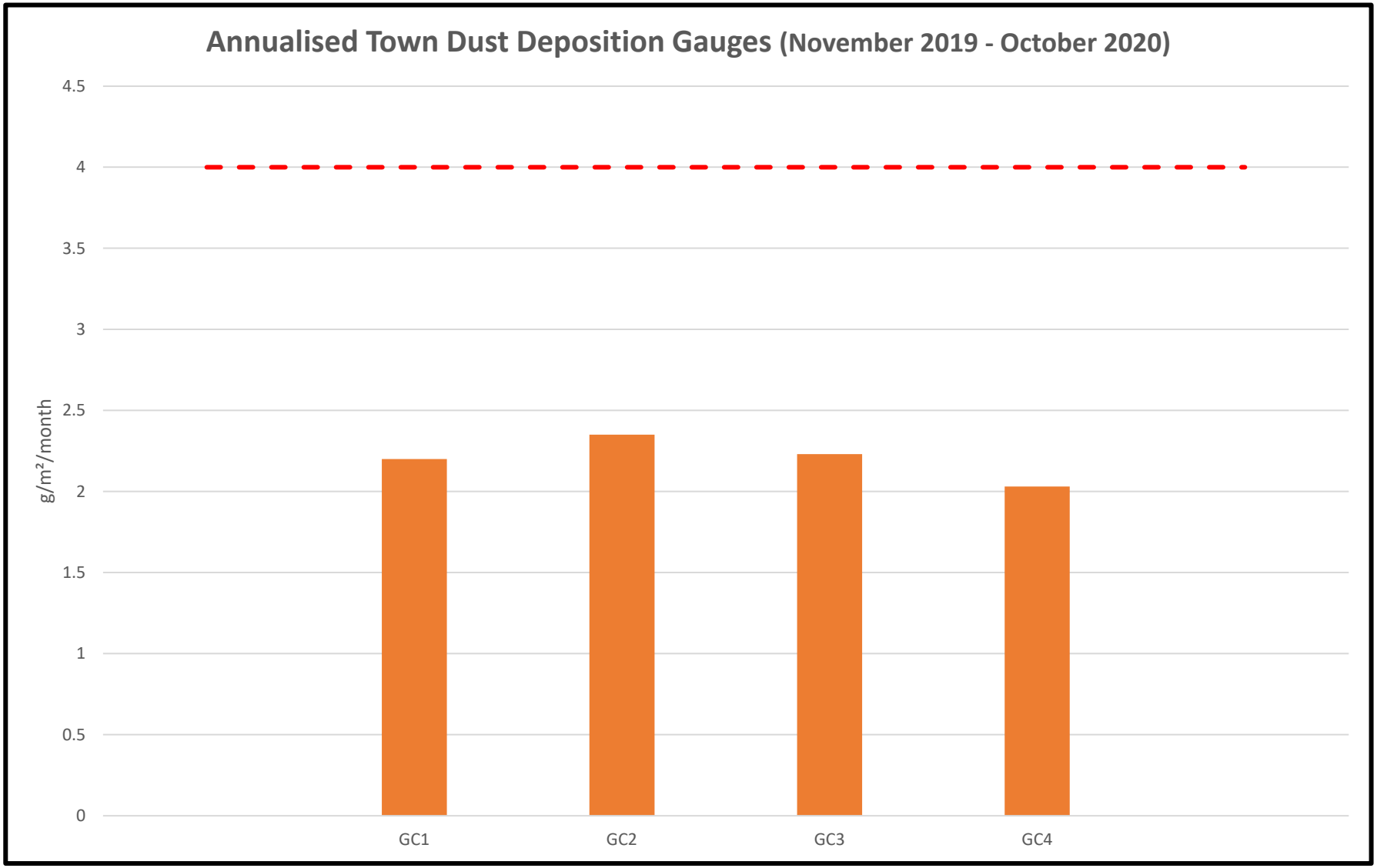
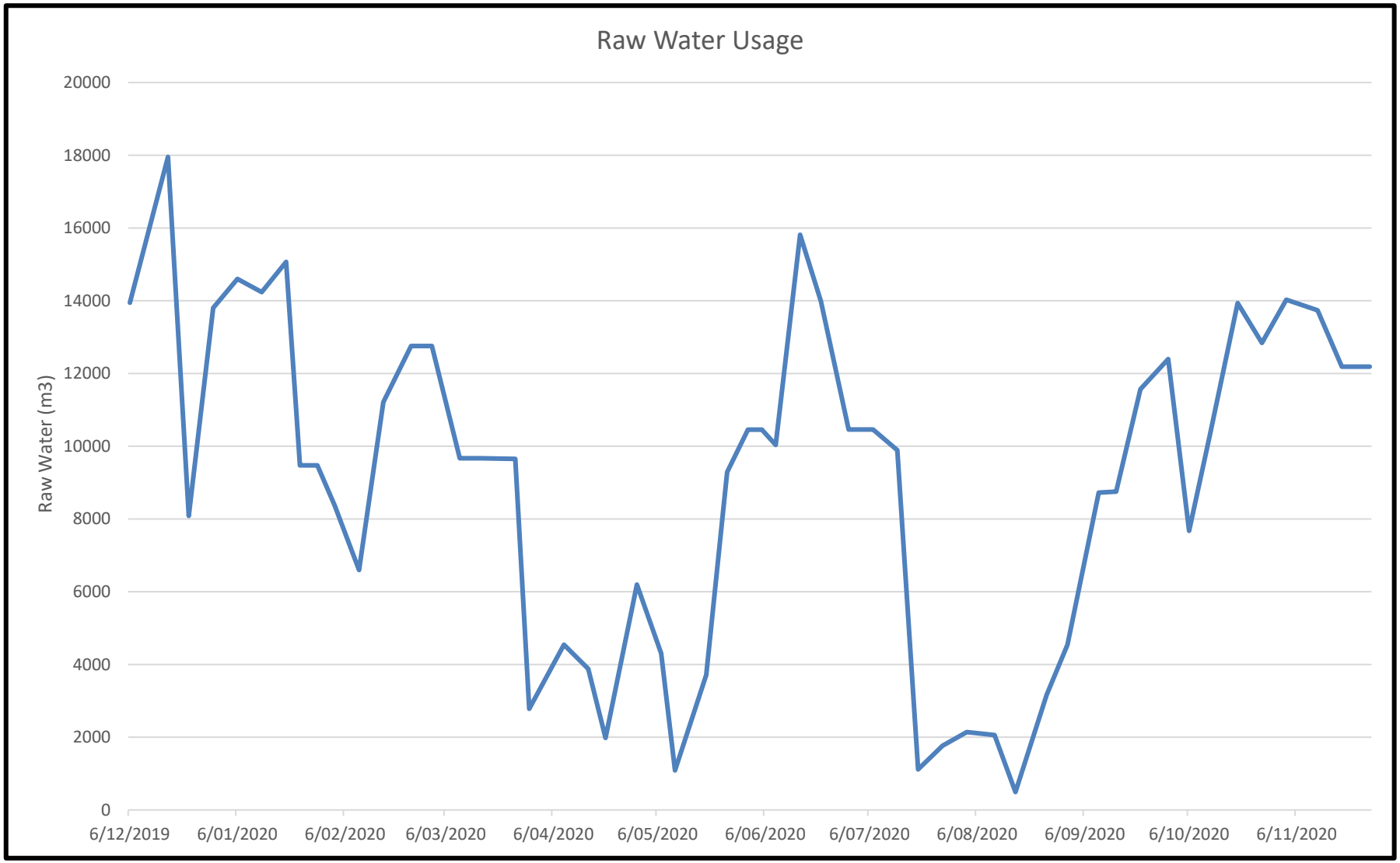
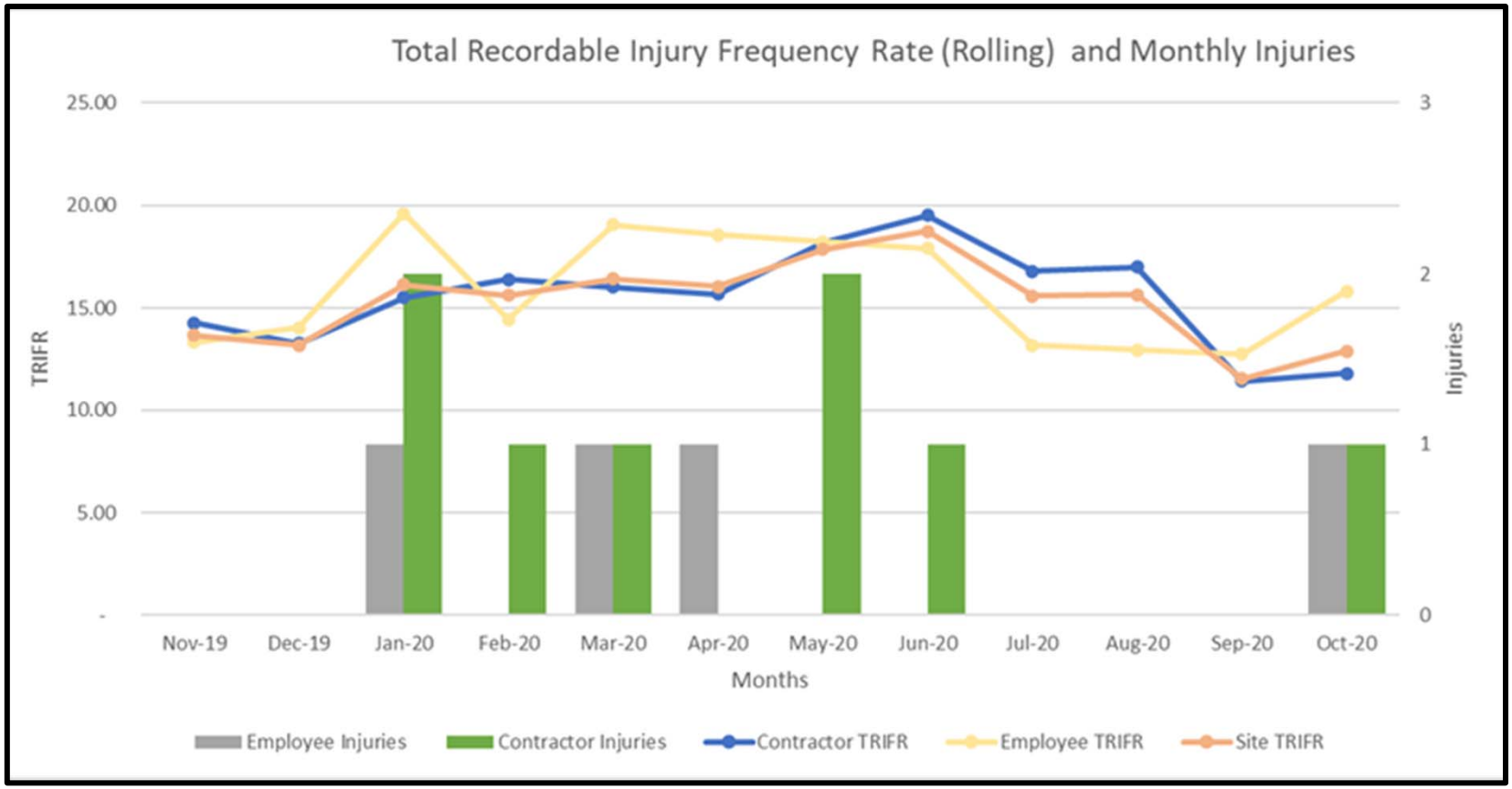


Town Dust monitor Locations

Water Balance



Safety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15.00
10.00
5.00
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TRIFR
3
2
1
0
Injuries
Nov-19
Dec-19
Jan-20
Feb-20
Mar-20
Apr-20
May-20
Jun-20
Jul-20
Aug-20
Sep-20
Oct-20
Months
Employee Injuries
Contractor Injuries
Contractor TRIFR
Employee TRIFR
Site TRIFR

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for New Cobar Complex

Major Milestone's to Date:

- The Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) were issued on the 12th of February
- Further planned consultation:
  - 3 Dec 2020 – CCC presentation
  - 3 Dec 2020 – Cobar Shire Council
  - 4 & 5 Dec 2020 – meetings with individuals and walk-in community information sessions
- If you would like further information please refer to
  - The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) Major Projects Website:
  - https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/26616
  - The Aurelia Metals Social Pinpoint Website:
  - https://emm.mysocialpinpoint.com/new-cobar-complex
  - The Aurelia Metals Facebook Page:
  - https://www.facebook.com/aureliametals/
  - Major updates are provided in the Cobar Weekly.

Community Consultation during COVID-19

The final stages of the Environmental Impact Statement requires consultation with community and other stakeholders. COVID-19 is presenting a unique set of challenges. PGM would like to seek the opinion of the CCC regarding community consultation

- Digital platforms available to business today present the opportunity to deliver consultation by means other than face-to-face:
  - Engagement via the Project webpage has shown a significantly higher reach than that for the information session in 2019 (refer to Social Pinpoint stats compared to community information session below)
  - Engagement and consultation for other similar significant projects both in major cities and regional areas has been successfully conducted since March 2020 using technology
  - DPIE / Government regulator is in support of this approach to minimise COVID related risks and challenges, particularly to areas that are not hot-spots (such as Cobar)

This could involve:

- Provision of project information and findings via the project webpage
- Meeting/s hosted by EMM via video-link with:
  - Community members – small groups at the time to aid and improve participation (that is to allow everyone in attendance to have a say)
  - Service providers, both public and private
  - Local authorities
  - Others as relevant
- One-on-one phone calls or Teams/Zoom meetings with individuals

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Alternatively, the consultation could be conducted in traditional sense but will require individuals to travel from capital cities (Brisbane / Sydney) if travel restrictions allow.

- This does present additional risk to the Cobar Community
- Considering the current environment this could be cancelled on short notice by health/State authorities.

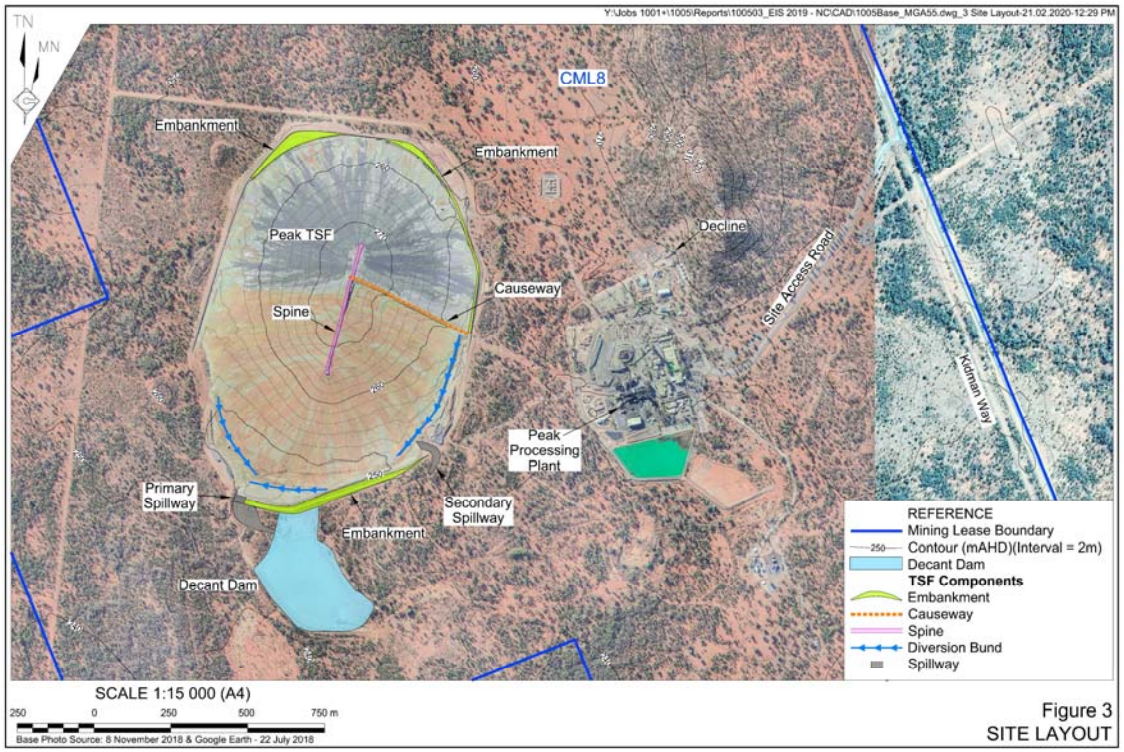
What is the preference of the CCC for the consultation to be delivered?

- Face-to-face?
- Face-to-face Via digital platforms?

1976	439	0:45
Total Visits	Unique Users	Avg Time (min)

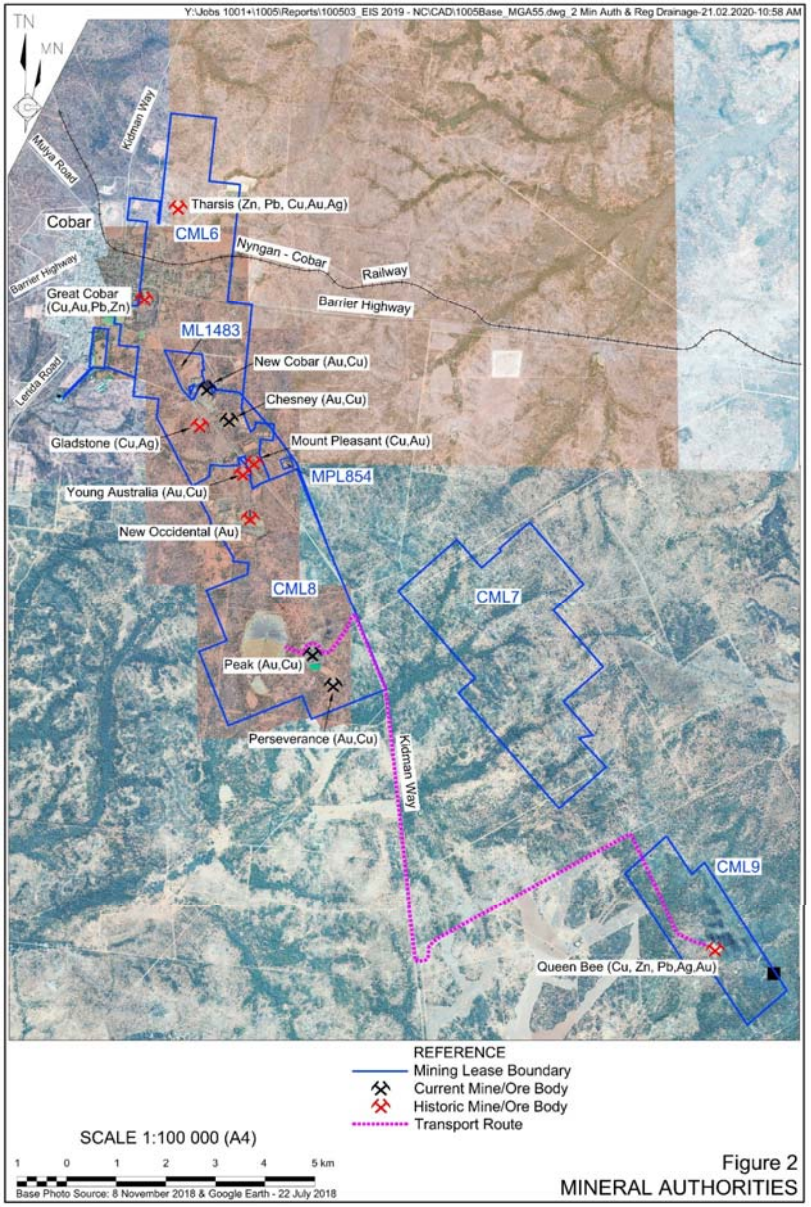
Tailings Storage Facility – Life Of Mine Approval

- PGM have submitted a development application in support of a life-of-mine (LOM) construction program for the tailings storage facility (TSF)
- The proposal includes three components
  1. Tailings Storage Facility lift
  2. Transportation of Waste Rock from Queen Bee to Peak
  3. Surface exploration
- Application currently under assessment by government agencies



Tailings Storage Facility – Life Of Mine Approval

1. Tailings Storage Facility lift
    - TSF currently approved to Stage 4
    - Proposal would allow for Stages 5, 6 and 7
    - No additional land disturbance
    - Final elevation around 300m AHD or 17m higher than current stage
    - Provide tailings capacity until 2035
    - Environmental impacts unchanged (as per current TSF)
2. Transportation of Waste Rock from Queen Bee to Peak
    - Approval require to transport that material to Peak Mine
    - Will be used for TSF construction
    - Traffic assessment required. No other environmental impacts
3. Surface exploration
    - Approval required for surface exploration on existing Mining Leases
    - Within disturbed areas only
    - No environmental impacts



Environmental Initiatives

Community Consultative Meeting:

- Last Meeting held on the 26th Oct 2020.

Donations:

- Round of donations advertised to the Cobar Community on the 19th August 2020.
- PGM advertised for new Donations Committee Members. A new committee member was appointed in September.
- A Donations Committee Meeting was held on the 16th September 2020.

Clean Up Australia Day:

- Held on the 29th September 2020.
- An estimated 60 bags of rubbish were collected by PGM and Pybar employees.