

WATERWAYS AND MARINE PLANT ASSESSMENT

Lot 123 on SR687



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1 INTRODUCTION

RPS Australia East Pty Ltd (RPS) has been engaged by Graben Pty Ltd to undertake a waterway determination following advice received from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) through the State Assessment Referral Agency (SARA) in regards to an amber mapped waterway on a land parcel described as Lot 123 on SR687, hereafter referred to as 'the site' (**Figure 1**).

DAF has advised that while all care is taken to ensure accuracy of the spatial data layer *Queensland Waterways for Waterway Barrier Works*, anomalies due to dynamic site conditions and the scale of mapping may still occur, and where the fitness of the data layer in representing the on the ground characteristics of the site is in question, the burden for ensuring the appropriate determination of a waterway at the site rests solely with the user (proponent).

The following document provides supporting evidence to assist SARA with accurate assessment of determination of the waterways in question.

In addition, a marine plant survey was undertaken during the inspections to assess the likely extent of marine plants across the site, and calculate the potential for impact due to the proposed site layout.



Figure 1 Mapped Amber waterway (yellow line) and mapped canal (red line) (source: QLD Globe, 2021)

2 SITE DESCRIPTION AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The site is currently used for sugar cane production and has been under production since at least the 1960's. It is likely that the waterways have been changed from the natural form to reduce saline intrusion into the site and redirect stormwater away from production areas.

We note that a range of different forms of development for the subject site are being considered, including but not limited to:

- A Wave Park;
- Ancillary facilities including a freshwater swimming lagoon;
- A hotel complex, comprising circa 160 room short-term accommodation units;
- A village precinct, comprising shops, food and drink outlets;
- A self-contained housing precinct.

3 WATERWAY DETERMINATION ASSESSMENT

In accordance with the physical and hydrological attributes defined in the factsheet [What is a Waterway?](#) Following two site inspections undertaken on 22 January 2021 (wet season survey) and 18 December 2020 (dry season survey) the evidence collected indicates that the amber mapped waterway shown in **Figure 1** above **does not have** the following features for the entire length of the mapped waterway:

- Defined bed and banks;
- An extended, if non-permanent, period of flow;
- Flow adequacy; or
- Fish habitat at, or upstream of the site.

It is noted, however, that the mapped canal is the most significant waterway observed on the site which was observed to have marine plants along the majority of the banks with flow observed during the wet season and fish and crabs observed during both assessments within the tidal influenced section of the canal. It appears that the historical mapped waterway has been diverted around the cane fields and now follows the flow of the mapped canal. The proposed development layout will retain the canal.

Please find photographic evidence that the amber waterway does not have the defining features of a waterway in **Plates 1 to Plate 2 below**.



Plate 1 Drainage swale observed along lower section of Mapped Amber Waterway during wet season



Plate 2 Drainage swale observed along section of Mapped Amber Waterway during wet season

3.1 Topography

The site is located on low lying coastal plains (<1.0 AHD) (**Figure 2**) and comprises undifferentiated coastal plain deposits: sand, muddy sand and minor mud.

The estimated gradient of the waterways in question are found in **Table 1**.

3.2 Waterway characteristics

Table 1 Waterway characteristics

Waterway	Slope	Length	Width	Bank height
Amber waterway	1- 2m	600	1-2m	0 - 0.2m
Canal	2- 4m	1000m	2-4m	0.2 – 1m

3.3 Waterway flow adequacy

Table 2 Waterway flow adequacy

Waterway	Depth	Frequency	Duration during flow events
Amber waterway	0m – 0.1m	Ponded during wet	During event flow is likely, ponded other times
Canal	0m to 1m	Flows throughout wet season and interacts with tide in lower 300m	Upper fresh section flows during wet season and is ponded during dry season.



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Contour Interval: 0.25m
Contour Index: 1.0m

3.4 Flow modelling and flood data

The Mowbray River gauging station (109003A) is located approximately 3km upstream from the waterways in question. The full period of record for the Mowbray River gauging station is from 1990 to 1995.

Figure 3 and **Figure 4** below show the reoccurrence interval of water level and watercourse discharge values. The reoccurrence interval is an estimate of the likelihood of an event such as a flood occurring. Points represent one of the largest events per year.

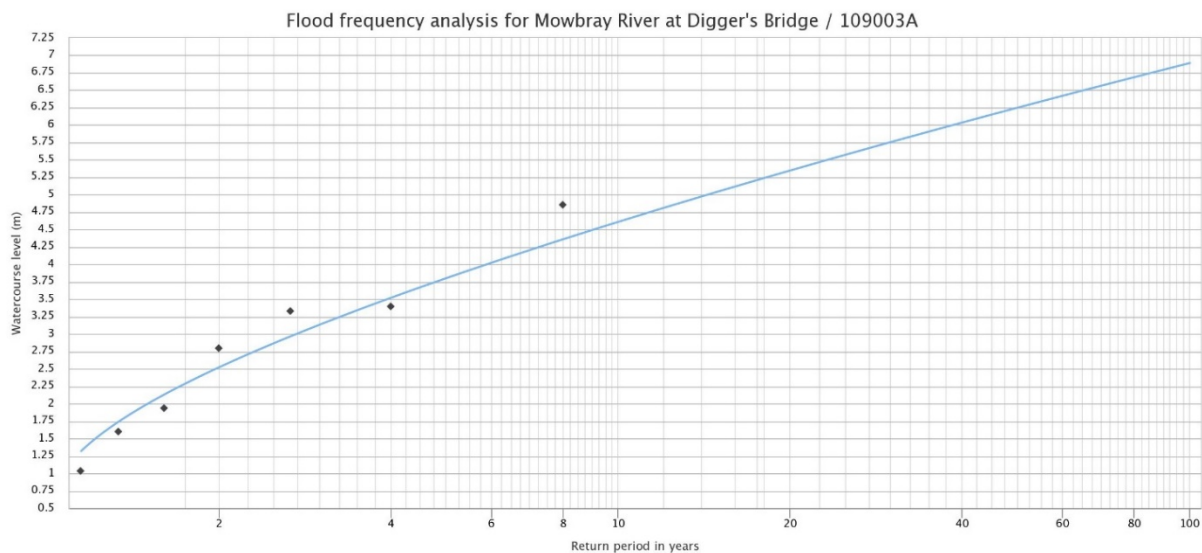


Figure 3 Flood frequency analysis (watercourse level vs return period) Source: <http://www.bom.gov.au/waterdata/>

According to **Figure 3**, the water level value corresponding to an 8-year return period event for the Mowbray River is approximately equal to 4.86 meters (the largest event on record).

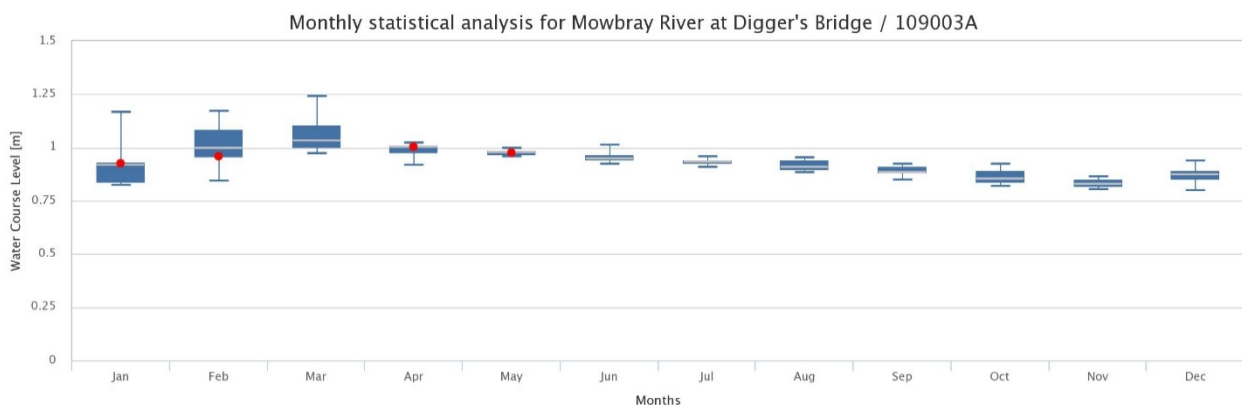


Figure 4 Monthly statistical analysis for Mowbray River (water course level) (source: <http://www.bom.gov.au/waterdata/>)

Monthly mean statistics for water course level (m) are plotted in **Figure 4**. **Figure 4** shows the highest water course levels recorded in the Mowbray River for the period of record were during March (where Q1 = 1.002m, Median = 1.032m and Q3 = 1.24m).

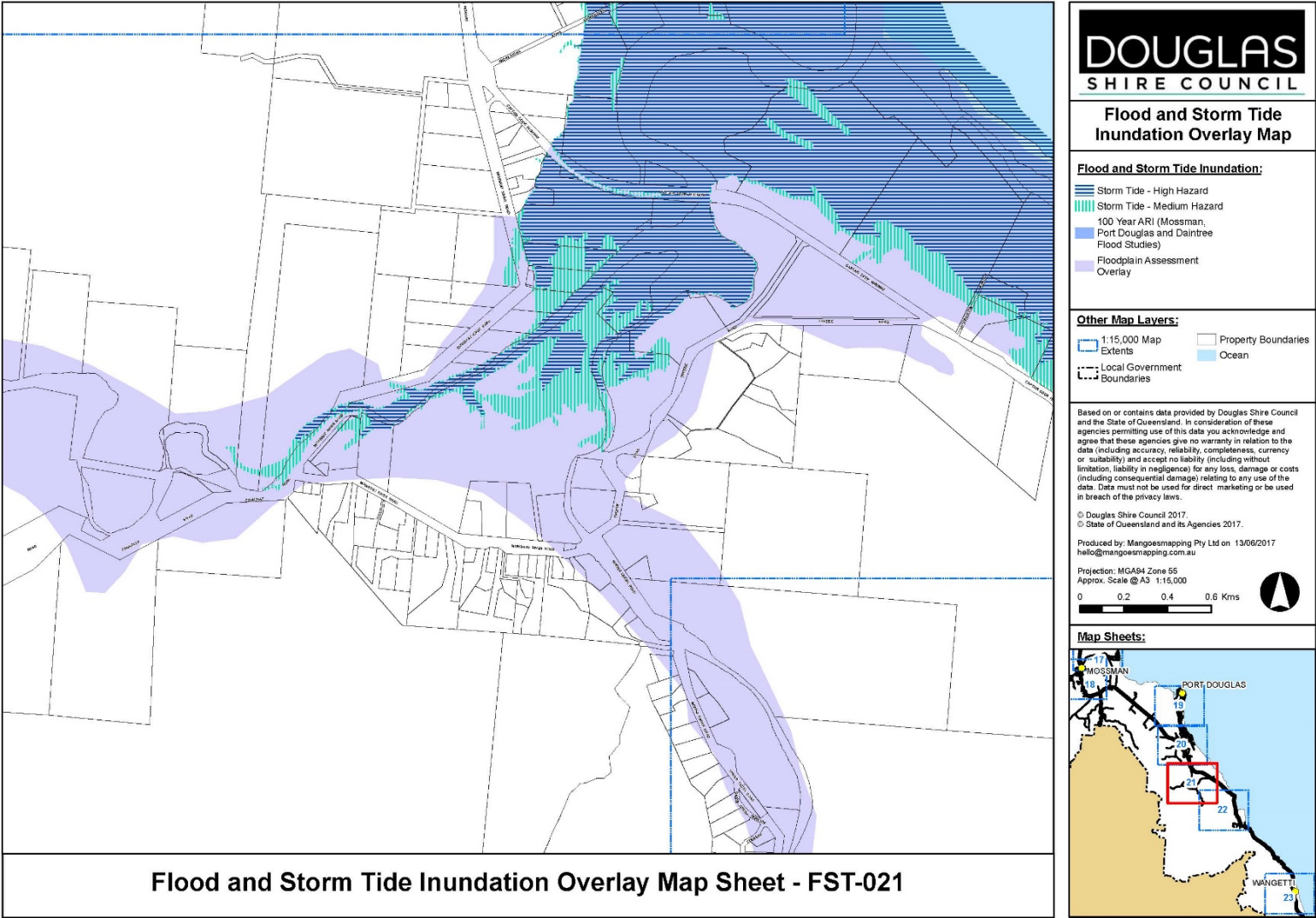


Figure 5 Flood and storm tide inundation overlay map (source: douglas.qld.gov.au, 2021)

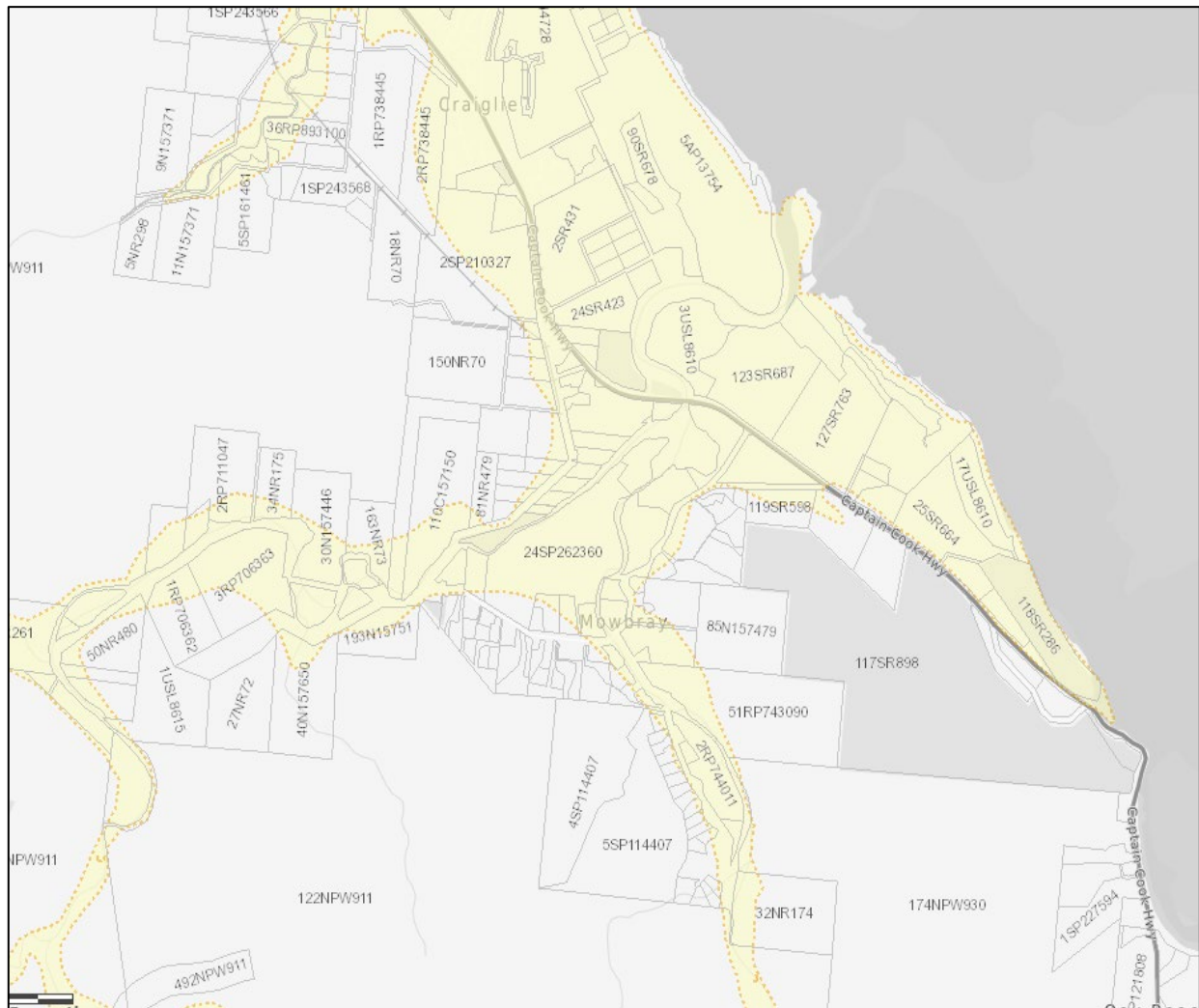
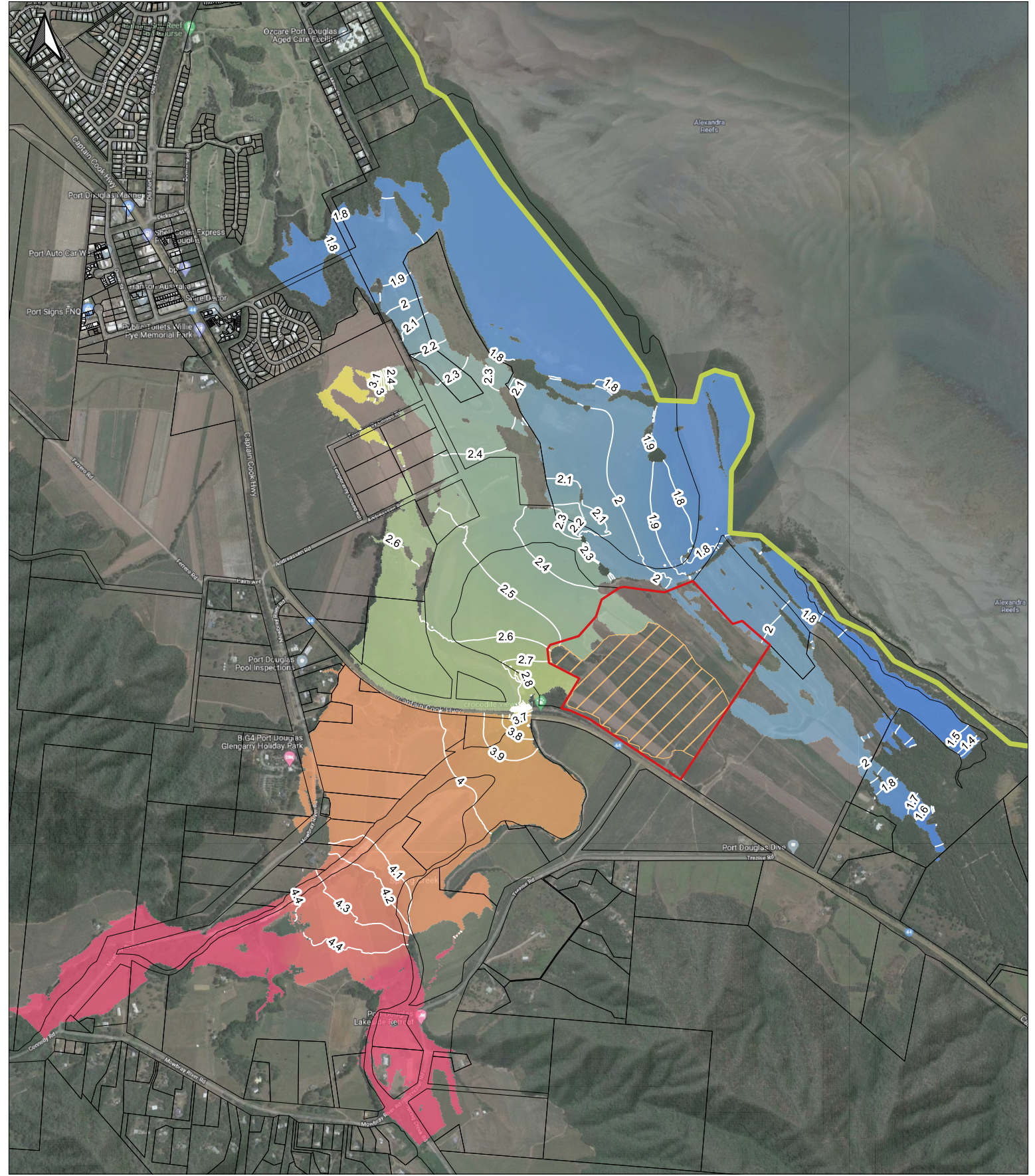



Figure 6 Queensland floodplain assessment overlay (source: SPP interactive mapping system, 2021)

The site is mapped as storm tide – high hazard by Douglas Shire Council (**Figure 5**), and flood hazard area – level 1 by the State Planning policy (**Figure 6**).

JBP Scientists and Engineers have prepared 1% AEP flood modelling for the site, the levels of which are shown in **Figure 7** below.






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Legend

- Coastline
- Site
- Earthwork

Water Level (mAHd)

- 1.6
- 2.4
- 3.2
- 4
- 4.8

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Figure 7 1%AEP Peak Water Level

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3.5 Waterway Habitat

The amber waterway was observed to have limited habitat features with the drainage swale vegetation regularly slashed by the cane farmer and likely pesticides used for observed weeds. Native reeds were observed during the wet season within the lower section of the area as it is low lying with ponded water. Upper sections were under cane production.

The canal was observed to have muddy substrate with numerous mangrove species present, at the section that is tidally influenced, refer to **Plate 3** below. Brackish species observed for almost the entirety of the length of the canal on Lot 123 on SR687. Small crabs and small fish observed within the tidal section of the canal (Sample Locations 1 to 3).



Plate 3 Mangroves inhabiting lower canal subject to tidal influence

3.6 Catchment

The site forms part of the Mossman drainage basin which spans an area of 473km², 16 km² of which is comprised of estuarine wetlands (DES, 2013). The catchment comprises two major river systems, the Mossman and Mowbray rivers, as well as number of small drainage lines from the ranges to the coast. Rainfall averages 2109mm a year which results in discharges to the Great Barrier Reef (GBR) of approximately 505gl each year (Reef plan, 2021).

Most of the catchment is mapped nature conservation land; however, along the foot of the mountain ranges has been developed for sugar cane and urban land uses. The section of the Mowbray River adjacent to the site is mapped as Great Barrier Reef World Heritage area (**Figure 8**) and Estuarine Conservation Zone (**Figure 9**).



Figure 8 GBR world heritage area (green) (Source: WetlandMaps, 2021)



Figure 9 Estuarine conservation zone (dark yellow) (Source: WetlandMaps, 2021)

3.7 Connectivity



Figure 10 Hydrological connectivity of the pre-clear landscape to the GBR

(Source: WetlandMaps, 2021)

Figure 10 shows the hydrological connectivity of the site to the Great Barrier Reef. Most of the site (including the Amber waterway) is mapped as intermittently connected (light purple), where the canal waterway is mapped as very frequently connected (dark blue).

3.8 Fish passage

It is unlikely that the mapped Amber waterway provides adequate fish passage due to the following factors:

- Instream barriers;
 - Lack of water flow/depth (**Plates 1 to 2**).
 - Poor water quality conditions (**Table 3**).
 - Sediment deposition has changed the habitat and structure resulting in the habitat becoming unpassable for aquatic species for most of the year.
- Intermittent connectivity of waterways.

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The canal waterway was observed to have numerous fish present during the wet season survey and is likely to provide fish passage during the wet season. Dry season, the waterway was observed to contain ponded areas of poor quality water and is unlikely to provide fish passage.



Plate 4 Canal crossing during dry season



Plate 5 Canal crossing during wet season

The proposed crossing will be retained for the bikeway which is shown in the images above as a bed level crossing. No upgrade to the crossing is proposed.

The other crossing of mapped tidal area is within the central area of the site which has an existing culvert, refer to **Plate 6** below. Again, this will be retained as it currently.



Plate 6 Mapped Tidal Waterway Culvert Crossing

3.9 Water Quality

In accordance with the national framework and *Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009* (EPP (Water)) (EPP Water), the Daintree and Mossman River Basins Environmental Values and Water Quality Objectives provides local water quality guidelines for the Mowbray River. The most conservative of these values was utilised as a guideline.

The water quality analytes that exceeded guideline values are presented in **Table 3** and sampling locations are shown in **Figure 10**. Laboratory certificates are presented in **Appendix A**.

Table 3 Water quality of mapped waterways

	Date Sampled	pH	Conductivity	Ammonia N	Nitrate / Nitrite	Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	Total Nitrogen	Total Phosphorus
Units		-	µS/cm	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L	mg/L
Mowbray River Water Quality Objectives		6.0-8.0		<0.01	<0.03		<0.24	<0.01
Sample 1 (Mowbray)	22 Jan	7.7	14,000	0.04	0.10	0.51	0.61	0.06
Sample 1	17 Dec	7.9	54,000	0.006	0.042	0.21	0.25	<0.02

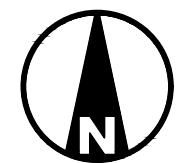
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Canal

Sample 2	22 Jan	7.4	3,300	0.20	0.42	1.6	2.0	0.36
Sample 2	17 Dec	7.9	54,000	0.029	0.034	0.52	0.55	0.03
Sample 3	22 Jan	7.4	730	0.14	0.55	1.4	1.9	0.26
Sample 3	17 Dec	8.1	52,000	0.013	0.027	1.1	1.1	0.09
Sample 4	22 Jan	7.3	230	0.09	0.27	1.4	1.6	0.27
Sample 4	17 Dec	7.7	570	0.27	0.029	4.1	4.0	1.3
Sample 5	22 Jan	7.2	110	0.03	0.041	0.95	0.99	0.09
Sample 6	22 Jan	7.3	59	<0.01	<0.005	0.25	0.25	<0.02

Note: Exceedances highlighted in yellow

The surface water sampled contains concentrations of Ammonia, Nitrate/Nitrite, total Nitrogen and total Phosphorous which are above applicable guideline levels. It is noted that the concentration of nutrients was observed to be more elevated during the dry season when the waters were not flowing but ponding. The canal waters were observed to be much higher in salinity during the dry season as the tidal influence was more produced, particularly in the lower sections of the canal (Sample locations 2 and 3).



Port Douglas Wave Park
Figure 10 Vegetation Mapping & Water Sample
Locations Lot 123 SR687, Mowbray



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4 MARINE PLANT SURVEY

On 17 December 2020, Megan Davis, RPS Group and Dr Fanie Venter inspected the site to assess the vegetation on the site including the extent of marine plants and observed weeds across the area.

Table 4 below includes the species observed within the canal and mapped tidal areas and **Plates 7 to 9** show the observed marine plants.

Table 4 Marine Plant Species Observed

Genus	Species	Family	Growth form
<i>Acrostichum</i>	<i>aureum</i>	Pteridaceae	Fern
<i>Aegiceras</i>	<i>corniculatum</i>	Primulaceae	Shrub
<i>Allophylus</i>	<i>cobbe</i>	Sapindaceae	Shrub
<i>Avicennia</i>	<i>marina</i>	Acanthaceae	Tree
<i>Bruguiera</i>	<i>gymnorhiza</i>	Rhizophoraceae	Tree
<i>Ceriops</i>	<i>tagal</i>	Rhizophoraceae	Tree
<i>Colubrina</i>	<i>asiatica</i>	Rhamnaceae	Shrub
<i>Crinum</i>	<i>asiaticum</i> ssp. <i>pedunculatum</i>	Amaryllidaceae	Lily
<i>Excoecaria</i>	<i>agallocha</i>	Euphorbiaceae	Tree
<i>Gahnia</i>	<i>aspera</i>	Cyperaceae	Sedge
<i>Hibiscus</i>	<i>tiliaceus</i>	Malvaceae	Tree
<i>Lumnitzera</i>	<i>littorea</i>	Combretaceae	Tree
<i>Osbornia</i>	<i>octodonta</i>	Myrtaceae	Tree
<i>Trianthema</i>	<i>portulacastrum</i>	Aizoaceae	Herb
<i>Volkameria</i>	<i>inermis</i>	Lamiaceae	Shrub
<i>Xylocarpus</i>	<i>granatum</i>	Meliaceae	Tree
<i>Xylocarpus</i>	<i>moluccensis</i>	Meliaceae	Tree



Plate 7 Marine Plants Observed within Tidal Section of Canal



Plate 8 Node of Mangroves extending into Farming Area To Be Removed



Plate 9 *Acrostichum aureum* (Mangrove Fern)

A plan mapping the extent of marine plants is available in **Appendix B**.

It shows that based on the current layout approximately 0.1965ha of marine plants will be impacted.

The notional offset area is 0.786 ha based on the Department of Environment Science Offset Calculator or a financial offset of \$29,475.00, refer to **Appendix C**.

Given the proposed vegetation rehabilitation across the site it may be possible to provide an on ground offset area instead of paying the notional financial offset.

The footprint of the proposed development has been sited to avoid marine plants where feasible, and offset where not. The proposed offset areas are provided **Appendix D** which demonstrates that the proposed offset area is substantially above the notional offset required in the DES Offset Calculator demonstrating not just the mitigation but net ecological improvement for marine plant habitat across the site.

5 DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Two site inspections (wet season and dry season) and a desktop assessment were undertaken to determine the accuracy of the waterway mapping and to locate marine plants likely to be impacted within the site. The results indicate the following:

- The site is currently used for sugar cane farming and has been extensively modified. Water samples indicate poor water quality not conducive to aquatic life, particularly during the dry season for the canal but water quality was observed to improve in the wet season.
- The man-made canal is likely to constitute a waterway and is the most significant waterway on the site which has been avoided by the proposed development.
- The amber mapped waterway is a partially a drainage swale between and within cane cropping areas and does not constitute a waterway given the lack of flow even during the wet season, and undefined bed or banks.
- The site is low lying and prone to flooding in January, February, and March. No connectivity was observed for upstream of the mapped Amber waterway, however, the canal appeared to be connected and flowing during the wet season.
- A waterway intrudes into the site that includes marine plants which is likely to be impacted as a result of the proposed site layout which has been substantially offset as a result of the proposed rehabilitation.

The evidence collected from the site investigations and desktop assessment therefore indicates that the amber mapped waterway in **Figure 1** does not have the physical and hydrological attributes required to be defined as a waterway, however, the canal mapping may need to be amended to indicate it is a mapped waterway which has adequate flow to sustain fish habitat at, or upstream of the site.

The design of the site has been modified to avoid the canal which is the most substantial waterway on the site, and marine plants within this waterway have been avoided. The proposed marine plant removal area of 0.1965ha will be substantially offset with the proposed rehabilitation of 15 hectares of the site with approximately 4 hectares of wetland area designed to offset the marine plant impacts.

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Parameter	Units	LOR	Sample Number	CE150012.001	CE150012.002	CE150012.003	CE150012.004
			Sample Matrix	Water	Water	Water	Water
			Sample Date	17 Dec 2020	17 Dec 2020	17 Dec 2020	17 Dec 2020
			Sample Name	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4

pH in water Method: AN101 Tested: 18/12/2020

pH**	pH Units	-	7.9	7.9	8.1	7.7
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Conductivity and TDS by Calculation - Water Method: AN106 Tested: 18/12/2020

Conductivity @ 25 C	µS/cm	5	54000	54000	52000	570
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Nitrate Nitrogen and Nitrite Nitrogen (NOx) by Auto Analyser Method: AN248 Tested: 24/12/2020

Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrogen, NOx as N	mg/L	0.005	0.042	0.034	0.027	0.029
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TKN Kjeldahl Digestion by Discrete Analyser Method: AN281 Tested: 23/12/2020

Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.05	0.21	0.52	1.1	4.0
Total Nitrogen (calc)	mg/L	0.05	0.25	0.55	1.1	4.1

Total Phosphorus by Kjeldahl Digestion DA in Water Method: AN279/AN293(Sydney only) Tested: 23/12/2020

Total Phosphorus (Kjeldahl Digestion) as P	mg/L	0.02	<0.02	0.03	0.09	1.3
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Ammonia Nitrogen by Discrete Analyser Method: AN280 Tested: 6/1/2021

Ammonia Nitrogen, NH3 as N	mg/L	0.005	0.006	0.029	0.013	0.27
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MB blank results are compared to the Limit of Reporting

LCS and MS spike recoveries are measured as the percentage of analyte recovered from the sample compared the the amount of analyte spiked into the sample.

DUP and MSD relative percent differences are measured against their original counterpart samples according to the formula : *the absolute difference of the two results divided by the average of the two results as a percentage*. Where the DUP RPD is 'NA' , the results are less than the LOR and thus the RPD is not applicable.

Ammonia Nitrogen by Discrete Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN280

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Ammonia Nitrogen, NH ₃ as N	LB085438	mg/L	0.005	<0.005	0 - 3%	87%

Conductivity and TDS by Calculation - Water Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN106

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Conductivity @ 25 C	LB085169	µS/cm	5	<5	0 - 2%	98 - 100%

Nitrate Nitrogen and Nitrite Nitrogen (NO_x) by Auto Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN248

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrogen, NO _x as N	LB085297	mg/L	0.005	<0.005	4%	97 - 98%

pH in water Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN101

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
pH**	LB085169	pH Units	-	5.7 - 8.1	0 - 4%	100 - 101%

TKN Kjeldahl Digestion by Discrete Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN281

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	LB085273	mg/L	0.05	<0.05	1 - 9%	90 - 92%

Total Phosphorus by Kjeldahl Digestion DA in Water Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN279/AN293(Sydney only)

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Total Phosphorus (Kjeldahl Digestion) as P	LB085273	mg/L	0.02	<0.02	2%	99%

METHOD

METHODOLOGY SUMMARY

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AN106	Salinity may be calculated in terms of NaCl from the sample conductivity. This assumes all soluble salts present, measured by the conductivity, are present as NaCl.
AN248	Nitrate / Nitrite by Auto Analyser: In an acidic medium, nitrate is reduced quantitatively to nitrite by cadmium metal. This nitrite plus any original nitrite is determined as an intense red-pink azo dye at 540 nm following diazotisation with sulphanilamide and subsequent coupling with N-(1-naphthyl) ethylenediamine dihydrochloride. Reference APHA 4500-NO3- F.
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Parameter	Units	LOR	Sample Number	CE150628.001	CE150628.002	CE150628.003	CE150628.004
			Sample Matrix	Water	Water	Water	Water
			Sample Date	22 Jan 2021	22 Jan 2021	22 Jan 2021	22 Jan 2021
			Sample Name	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4

pH in water Method: AN101 Tested: 1/2/2021

pH**	pH Units	0.1	7.7	7.4	7.4	7.3
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Conductivity and TDS by Calculation - Water Method: AN106 Tested: 1/2/2021

Conductivity @ 25 C	µS/cm	5	14000	3300	730	230
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Ammonia Nitrogen by Discrete Analyser Method: AN280 Tested: 8/2/2021

Ammonia Nitrogen, NH3 as N	mg/L	0.01	0.04	0.20	0.14	0.09
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Nitrate Nitrogen and Nitrite Nitrogen (NOx) by Auto Analyser Method: AN248 Tested: 4/2/2021

Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrogen, NOx as N	mg/L	0.005	0.10	0.42	0.55	0.27
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TKN Kjeldahl Digestion by Discrete Analyser Method: AN281 Tested: 3/2/2021

Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.05	0.51	1.6	1.4	1.4
Total Nitrogen (calc)	mg/L	0.05	0.61	2.0	1.9	1.6

Total Phosphorus by Kjeldahl Digestion DA in Water Method: AN279/AN293(Sydney only) Tested: 3/2/2021

Total Phosphorus (Kjeldahl Digestion) as P	mg/L	0.02	0.06	0.36	0.26	0.27
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	Sample Number	CE150628.005	CE150628.006
	Sample Matrix	Water	Water
	Sample Date	22 Jan 2021	22 Jan 2021
	Sample Name	Sample 5	Sample 6
Parameter	Units	LOR	

pH in water Method: AN101 Tested: 1/2/2021

pH**	pH Units	0.1	7.2	7.3
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Conductivity and TDS by Calculation - Water Method: AN106 Tested: 1/2/2021

Conductivity @ 25 C	µS/cm	5	110	59
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Ammonia Nitrogen by Discrete Analyser Method: AN280 Tested: 8/2/2021

Ammonia Nitrogen, NH3 as N	mg/L	0.01	0.03	<0.01
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Nitrate Nitrogen and Nitrite Nitrogen (NOx) by Auto Analyser Method: AN248 Tested: 4/2/2021

Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrogen, NOx as N	mg/L	0.005	0.041	<0.005
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TKN Kjeldahl Digestion by Discrete Analyser Method: AN281 Tested: 3/2/2021

Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	mg/L	0.05	0.95	0.25
Total Nitrogen (calc)	mg/L	0.05	0.99	0.25

Total Phosphorus by Kjeldahl Digestion DA in Water Method: AN279/AN293(Sydney only) Tested: 3/2/2021

Total Phosphorus (Kjeldahl Digestion) as P	mg/L	0.02	0.09	<0.02
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MB blank results are compared to the Limit of Reporting

LCS and MS spike recoveries are measured as the percentage of analyte recovered from the sample compared the the amount of analyte spiked into the sample.

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Ammonia Nitrogen by Discrete Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN280

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Ammonia Nitrogen, NH ₃ as N	LB086576	mg/L	0.01	<0.01	0%	NA

Conductivity and TDS by Calculation - Water Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN106

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Conductivity @ 25 C	LB086342	µS/cm	5	<5	1%	99%

Nitrate Nitrogen and Nitrite Nitrogen (NO_x) by Auto Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN248

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Nitrate/Nitrite Nitrogen, NO _x as N	LB086450	mg/L	0.005	<0.005	0 - 2%	109 - 112%

pH in water Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN101

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pH**	LB086342	pH Units	0.1	6.9	0%	100%

TKN Kjeldahl Digestion by Discrete Analyser Method: ME-(AU)-[ENV]AN281

Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
Total Kjeldahl Nitrogen	LB086418	mg/L	0.05	<0.05	2 - 9%	86 - 88%

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Parameter	QC Reference	Units	LOR	MB	DUP %RPD	LCS %Recovery
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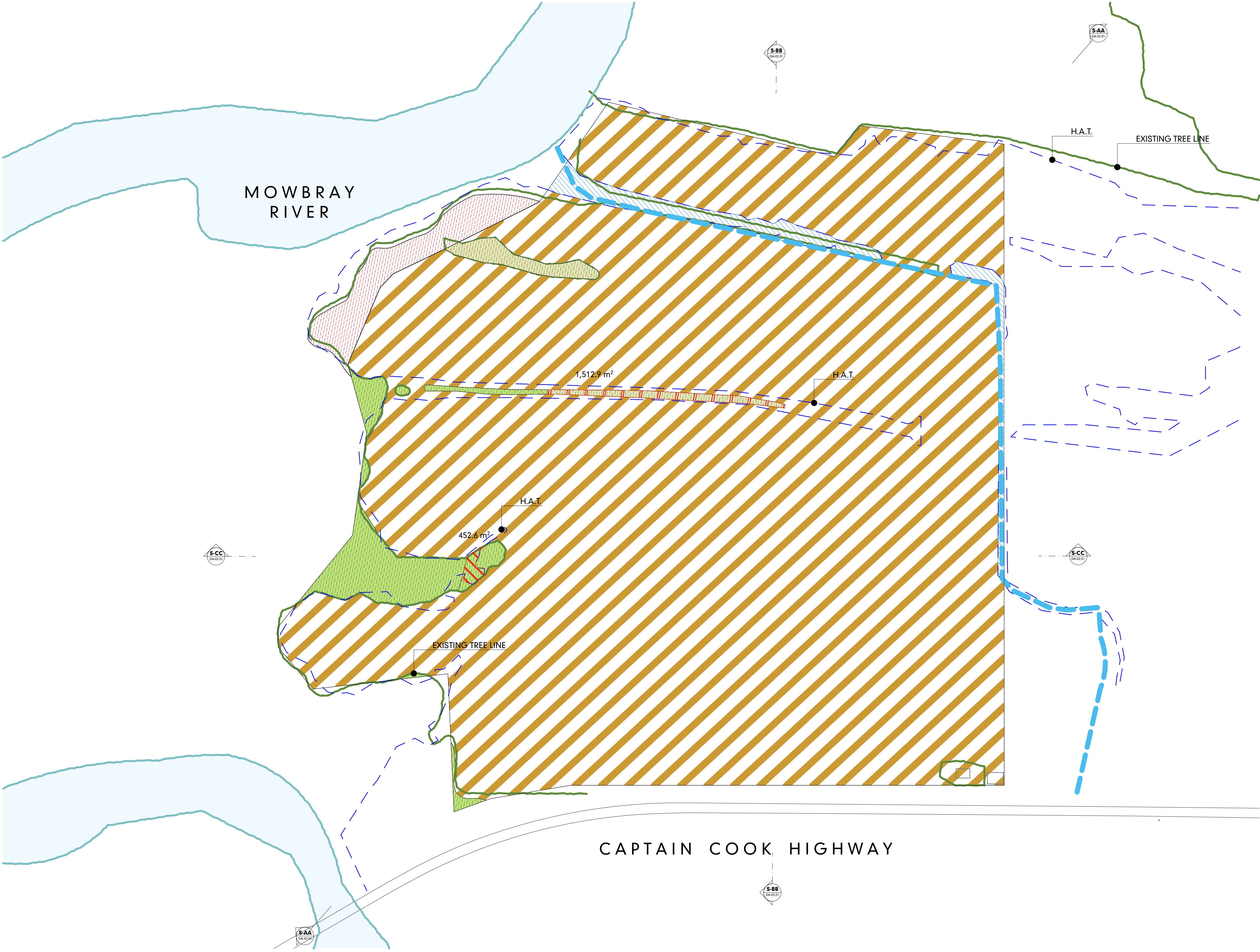
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Appendix B Marine Plant Mapping



100 EXISTING SITE		
TYPE	AREA	FILL
CANAL	7,750	
CANE CROP	379,135	
EXISTING	10,222	
TO BE CLEARED	5,026	
	402,132 m²	

EXISTING SITE
SCALE1:1

HAT - HIGHEST ASTRONOMICAL TIDE

EXISTING SITE
SCALE1:2000

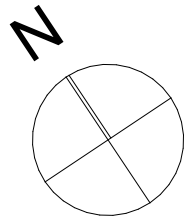
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Payment details

Non-protected area cost

On ground cost	\$23,580.00
Landholder incentive payment	\$0.00
Administrative cost	\$5,895.00
Total non-protected area cost	\$29,475.00

Protected area cost

Total protected area cost	\$0.00
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Total cost

Grand total	\$29,475.00
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Total offset area: 0.786 ha

Section 1

Bioregion

Inshore (non-remote)

Subregion

Wet Tropic Coast

Impact area

0.1965 ha

Notional offset area

0.786 ha

Distinct matter area 1.1

Impact area: 0.1965 ha

Notional offset area: 0.786 ha

Matter groups:

- 1.1.1: Marine plants

Sections, areas and matter groups used in calculations

Section	Bioregion / Marine (and waterways) zone	Subregion / Marine bioregion	Local government area (LGA)	Distinct matter area (DMA)	DMA impact area (ha)	DMA notional offset area (ha)	Matter group
1	Inshore (non-remote)	Wet Tropic Coast		1.1	0.1965	0.786	1.1.1 Marine plants

Appendix D Indicative Marine Plant Rehabilitation Area

