



Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan

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Acronyms and Definitions

ACHCR	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements
ACHMP	Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan
A day	For notification purposes, a day is to be read as a calendar day
AHIMS	Aboriginal Heritage Information Management Systems
AHIP	Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit
ASIR form	Aboriginal Site Impact Recording form
ALRA 1983	<i>Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1983)</i>
Country	Country in Aboriginal culture has a broad definition, it includes the land, as well as associated stories and songlines, ancestral ties, history and other cultural practices.
CHIA	Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment
Dispute	A major disagreement or difference of opinion
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
Eoi	Expression of Interest
EP&A Act 1979	<i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i>
ICOMOS	International Council on Monuments and Sites
LEP	Local Environment Plans
LGA	Local Government Area
NPW Act 1974	<i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974</i>
NTA Act 1993	<i>Native Title Act (1993)</i>
PAD	Potential Archaeological Deposits
RAO	Register of Aboriginal Owners
REF	Review of Environmental Factors
REP	Regional Environmental Plan
SHR	State Heritage Register

1 Introduction

Aboriginal people have occupied Australia for at least 40,000 years (40,000+) and have been recognised as the oldest continuously living culture in the world. The importance of the land to Aboriginal people is evident in the strong spiritual connection and sense of belonging which they have to the land and the environment, including the plants, animals, waterways and sacred sites. The arrival of Europeans in the late 18th century severely disrupted traditional Aboriginal lifestyles and practices, as well as resulting in a huge decline in the Aboriginal population during the 19th and early 20th centuries. Until the 1960s, little or no recognition was given to Aboriginal Australian culture and history or to citizenship rights and responsibilities. As a result of the colonisation of Australia, many Aboriginal communities have experienced significant disadvantage, which has been acknowledged on a national level, but is not always acknowledged at a local level.

Aboriginal cultural heritage provides essential links between the past and present – it is an essential part of Aboriginal people’s cultural identity, connection and sense of belonging to Country. The effective protection and conservation of this heritage is important in maintaining the identity, health and wellbeing of Aboriginal people. Aboriginal cultural heritage sites are a very important part of Australia’s cultural heritage. More importantly is the significance of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites to Aboriginal communities. To Aboriginal people, the sites provide a direct link with their traditional culture. It is important to preserve as many of them as possible.

1.1 Background

Centennial Coal (Centennial) is a coal mining company supplying thermal and coking coal to the domestic and export markets. Centennial is a major fuel supplier to the New South Wales energy industry, fuelling approximately 40% of the State’s coal-fired electricity.

Centennial is one of the largest underground coal producers in NSW and now, as part of Banpu, a member of the largest independent pan-Asian coal group. Centennial’s western operations include Airly, Angus Place, Clarence, Lidsdale Siding, Springvale and Western Coal Services in the Lithgow and Mid-Western Local Government Areas (LGAs) (**Figure 1**).

1.2 Purpose

This Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan (ACHMP) has been prepared to provide Centennial with a consistent approach to Centennial’s consultation with the local Aboriginal communities regarding Aboriginal cultural heritage matters as well as identifying consistent minimum standards and processes for Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring and management across Centennial’s western operations which includes:

- Airly Mine;
- Angus Place Colliery;
- Charbon Colliery;
- Clarence Colliery;

- Lidsdale Siding;
- Springvale Mine; and
- Western Coal Services.

It is intended that this ACHMP will not supersede any existing management plans (e.g. Subsidence Management Plan) and be used in instances where an Aboriginal cultural heritage site is not managed by or covered within an existing management plan.

Figure 1 details the location and extent of each of Centennial's operations located within the western region. The Inglenook and Neubeck projects identified in Figure 1 are covered by this ACHMP but are not required by a condition of consent. Aboriginal cultural heritage matters specific to each of the above operations have been addressed within **Attachments 1 – 7** of this ACHMP.

Preparation of this ACHMP has been guided by the Australia International Council on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) Burra Charter process and has also been informed by guidelines for undertaking planning with Indigenous communities that are outlined in Ask First (2002).

1.3 Relationship between Management Plans

Centennial's operations operate under an Environmental Management Strategy. The Environmental Management Strategy identifies Environmental Management Plans required including:

- Operational Environmental Management Plans;
- Regional Environmental Management Plans; and
- Operational Extraction Plan and Sub-Plans.

The Regional Environmental Management Plan, using a regional framework for consistency, identifies baseline monitoring, compliance monitoring, adaptive management, reporting and review processes to be adopted across the operations.

Extraction Plans and Sub-Plans required under the Mining Act 1992 are constrained to a mining area and specific to requirements outlined in the Extraction Plan Guidelines (NSW Department of Planning & Environment, 2015). As such, each Sub-Plan required by the Extraction Plan developed for Centennial operations will specifically include:

- Site specific baseline information;
- Updated subsidence predictions on relevant surface features;
- Performance measures for relevant surface features;
- Trigger Action Response Plans;
- Adaptive Management Approach; and
- Any additional monitoring reporting and review requirements not addressed by the Regional Environmental Management Plan.

The specific Regional Environmental Management Plan and Extraction Plan Sub-Plan are interrelated and the plans will reference or duplicate sections where relevant for the purpose of maintaining consistency (**Figure 2**).

Figure 1 – Centennial’s Western Operations

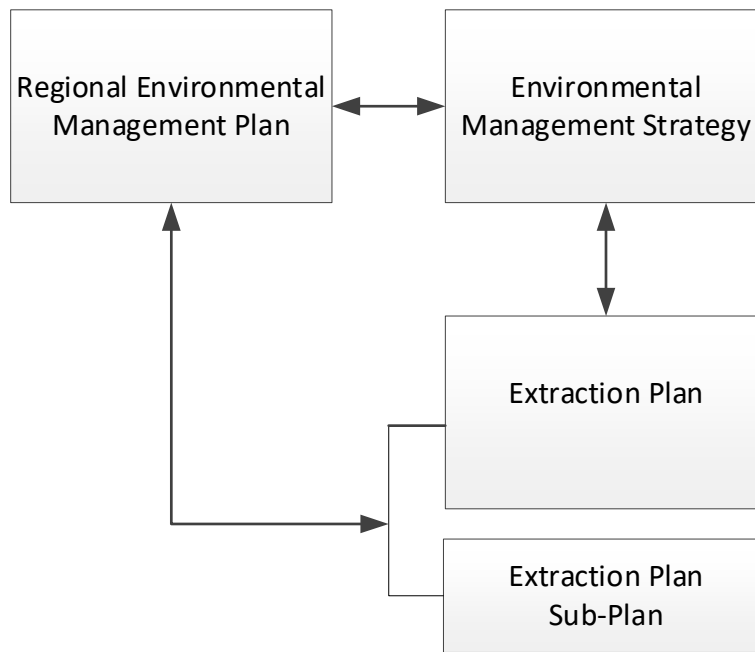


Figure 2 - Interaction of Regional Management Plans and Extraction Plans

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This ACHMP has been prepared in consultation with registered Aboriginal parties for Centennials western operations. Centennial would like to thank the representatives of the registered Aboriginal parties for their contribution to and participation in the preparation of this ACHMP which include the:

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- North-East Wiradjuri Corporation;
- Wellington Valley Wiradjuri;
- Warrabinga/Wiradjuri People Native Title Claimants;
- Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation;
- Wiradjuri Council of Elders;
- Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu; and
- Wiray-dyuraa Ngumbaay-dyil.

In addition, this ACHMP has been prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) (formerly the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment).

2 Legislation and Guidelines

The following legislation and guidelines are applicable to Aboriginal cultural heritage management.

2.1 Commonwealth

2.1.1 Native Title Act (1993)

The Commonwealth Government enacted the Native Title Act (1993) to formally recognise and protect native title rights in Australia following the decision of the High Court of Australia in *Mabo & Ors v Queensland (No. 2)* (1992) 175 CLR 1 (“Mabo”).

Although there is a presumption of native title in any area where an Aboriginal community or group can establish a traditional or customary connection with that area, there are a number of ways that native title can be extinguished. For example, land that was designated as having freehold title prior to 1 January 1994 extinguishes native title, as does any commercial, agricultural, pastoral or residential lease. Land that has been used for the construction or establishment of public works also extinguishes any native title rights and interests for as long as they are used for that purpose. Other land tenure, such as mining leases, may be subject to native title depending on when the lease was granted.

2.2 State

2.2.1 Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1983)

The purpose of this legislation is to provide land rights for Aboriginal people within New South Wales and to establish Local Aboriginal Land Councils. The land able to be claimed by Aboriginal Land Councils on behalf of Aboriginal people is certain Crown land that (s36):

- Is able to be lawfully sold, leased, reserved or dedicated;
- Is not lawfully used or occupied;
- Does not comprise lands which, in the opinion of the Crown Lands Minister, are needed or are likely to be needed for residential purposes;
- Are not needed, nor likely to be needed for an essential public purpose;
- Does not comprise land under determination by a claim for native title; and
- Is not the subject of an approved determination under Native Title.

Claims for land are by application to the Office of the Registrar, Aboriginal Land Rights Act (1983).

2.2.2 National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974

The primary state legislation relating to Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW is the National Parks and Wildlife Act (1974) [NPW Act]. The legislation is overseen by Heritage NSW.

2.2.3 Heritage Act 1977

Historical archaeological relics, buildings, structures, archaeological deposits and features are protected under the Heritage Act (1977) (as amended 1999) and may be identified on the State Heritage Register (SHR) or by an active Interim Heritage Order. Certain types of historic Aboriginal cultural heritage sites may be listed on the SHR or be subject to an active Interim Heritage Order; in such cases they would be protected under the Heritage Act (1977) and may require approvals or excavation permits from the NSW Heritage Branch.

2.2.4 Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A ACT)

This Act regulates a system of environmental planning and assessment for NSW. Land use planning requires that environmental impacts are considered, including the impact on cultural heritage and specifically Aboriginal heritage. Assessment documents prepared to meet the requirements of the EP&A Act (1979) - including Review of Environmental Factors (REF), Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) and Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA) - must address Aboriginal heritage, and planning documents such as Local Environment Plans (LEP) and Regional Environmental Plans (REP) typically contain provisions for Aboriginal heritage where relevant.

2.3 Guidelines

2.3.1 Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW

In 2010, the NSW Office of Environment and Heritage released the Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW. This code of practice is designed to assist individuals and organisations to exercise due diligence when carrying out activities that may harm Aboriginal objects and to determine whether they should apply for consent in the form of an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP).

The National Parks and Wildlife Act (1974) provides that a person who exercises due diligence in determining that their actions will not harm Aboriginal objects has a defence against prosecution for the strict liability offence if they later unknowingly harm an object without an AHIP.

The code sets out the reasonable and practicable steps which individuals and organisations need to take in order to:

- identify whether or not Aboriginal objects are, or are likely to be, present in an area;
- determine whether or not their activities are likely to harm Aboriginal objects (if present); and
- determine whether an AHIP application is required.

2.3.2 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents

In 2010 the (then) NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and released the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (DECCW 2010). The purpose of the consultation guidelines is to establish the requirements for consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties as part of the heritage assessment process to determine potential impacts of proposed

activities on Aboriginal objects and places and to inform decision making for any application for an AHIP. The aim of the consultation guidelines is to facilitate positive Aboriginal cultural heritage outcomes by:

- affording an opportunity for Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects(s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project to be involved in consultation so that information about cultural significance can be provided to Heritage NSW to inform decisions regarding applications for an AHIP; and
- providing Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects (s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project with the opportunity to participate in decision making regarding the management of their cultural heritage by providing proponents information regarding cultural significance and inputting into management options.

2.3.3 Burra Charter

The Burra Charter defines the basic principles and procedures to be followed in the conservation of cultural heritage in Australia. Article 2 declares “The aim of conservation is to retain the cultural significance of a place and must include provision for its security, its maintenance and its future.” The principles that are set out in the Burra Charter guide and inform the assessment of significance of a place. As noted above, Cultural Significance means aesthetic, historic, scientific, or social value for past, present or future generations. Significance assessments are a helpful tool in the management of cultural heritage resources through allowing managers to make informed decisions especially in land use issues. Definitions of these concepts of significance are:

- Aesthetic value;
- Historic value;
- Scientific value or research potential; and
- Social value.

2.3.4 Ask First: A guide to respecting Indigenous heritage places and values

Ask First (2002) was commissioned by the Australian Heritage Commission to help Australians protect different aspects of their natural and cultural heritage places, and is intended to be complementary to the Australia ICOMOS Burra Charter and the Australian Natural Heritage Charter. Ask First is a practical guide for land developers, land users and managers, cultural heritage professionals and others who may have an impact on Indigenous heritage. The main focus of the guidelines is to emphasise that consultation and negotiation with Indigenous parties is the best means of addressing Indigenous heritage issues. The guidelines also emphasise the need to comply with relevant Territory and Commonwealth Indigenous cultural heritage legislation and statutory authorities.

Ask First states that in recognising the rights and interests of Indigenous peoples in their heritage, all parties concerned with identifying, conserving and managing this heritage should acknowledge, accept and act on the principles that Indigenous people:

- are the primary source of information on the value of their heritage and how it is best conserved;
- must have an active role in any Indigenous heritage planning process;
- must have input into primary decision-making in relation to Indigenous heritage so that they can continue to fulfil their obligations towards this heritage; and
- must control intellectual property and other information relating specifically to their heritage, as this may be an integral aspect of its heritage value.

3 AHIMS registered sites within the Boundary of the Western Operations

There are 175 registered Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within the boundary of Centennial's western operations. Approximately half are surface artefacts (isolated finds, artefact scatters, open campsites) and/or Potential Archaeological Deposits (PADs). Surface artefacts tend to be exposed through track clearance and erosion and thus often need to be managed for proposed ground disturbing works. Rockshelter sites and grinding groves are the next common site group making up approximately 45% of sites. Some of the rockshelter sites also contain art, PAD, grinding grooves or artefacts. Rockshelter sites and grinding grooves, because they are formed on sandstone, are particularly susceptible to subsidence. Approximately 5% of sites within the boundary of Centennial's western operations are scarred trees. Scarred trees may be affected by subsidence, but it depends on the size and condition of the tree; and whether the tree is alive or dead.

While the AHIMS database is the most readily available source for identifying locations and types of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites, at the ACHMP workshops (conducted between 30 March and 01 April 2015) it was noted by the registered Aboriginal parties that unrecorded sites of extremely high significance were not on the AHIMS database. These were not listed on the AHIMS database as it was deemed that these sites may be at risk of harm if the location is made public.

At the Aboriginal Consultation meeting undertaken on 30 March 2015 it was agreed that the Aboriginal Heritage committee would identify areas of cultural sensitivity, as required and that they must be consulted if new areas of impact were identified.

4 Potential Impacts on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites from Mining and Mining Related Activities

In the process of undertaking mining activities there is potential for impact to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites, particularly as a result of surface works and/or subsidence. Any activity which results in the disturbance of the surface has the potential to harm Aboriginal heritage sites. Similarly, the process of underground mining can also induce changes to the ground surface and disturb Aboriginal cultural heritage sites. The level of impact to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites depends on the nature of the surface works/subsidence and the physical characteristics of the Aboriginal cultural heritage site types. Details of specific Aboriginal cultural heritage site types located within the boundary of Centennial's western operations and how they may be affected by mining and mining associated activities are detailed below.

4.1 Artefact Scatters and Isolated Finds

Surface artefacts (artefact scatters and isolated finds) are the most often encountered evidence of Aboriginal occupation (Holdaway et al 2002). An isolated find, as the name suggests, comprises a single stone artefact which is not associated with other artefacts in the landscape. Artefact scatters contain more than one artefact and generally have more interpretive value because they have the potential to provide information on processes such as procurement, manufacture, usage and discard (Holdaway et al 2002). These two types of sites are usually classified as "open" because they are usually set in exposed landscape (i.e. not a rockshelter) and the extent of these sites are based on an arbitrary boundary according to changes in density level and/or landform units (for artefact scatters). Isolated finds occur as a single artefact and are usually 50m or more from any other surface artefacts.

4.1.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Artefact Scatters and Isolated Finds

Artefact scatters and isolated finds are located on the ground surface and are generally at risk of harm when mining companies engage in ground surface activity such as earthmoving works (ie: buildings, roads, vents, pollution ponds, stockpile areas, etc).

Ground surface movement (including subsidence and/or upsidence) generally poses little harm to artefact scatters and isolated finds, but any form of displacement due to mining activity would still be regarded as an offence under legislation. Although artefacts may not be greatly affected if they are situated on the plane of movement, ones located above the fracture zones may fall into cracks, which ultimately damages the integrity of the site. The assessment of harm to artefact scatters and isolated finds will be assessed on a case by case scenario because the complexity and density of the site coupled with the ground surface integrity influences the potential harm posed to the site.

4.2 Scarred Trees /Carved Trees

Aboriginal modified trees are trees which have been scarred or carved by Aboriginal people through the deliberate removal of bark or wood (Long 2005:6). Bark removed from trees can be used for a range of domestic activities including the manufacture of shelters, watercrafts, containers, woomeras

(spear throwers) and shields. All Aboriginal scarred trees are protected under state legislation and are recognised as sites. Additionally, the living status of the tree does not diminish its cultural significance to Aboriginal people.

4.2.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Scarred and Carved Trees

The potential risk of subsidence/upsidence causing damage to scarred/carved tree sites is largely dependent on the condition of the tree (health) and also where it is located in the landscape. If mature scarred/carved trees are healthy and alive, they generally have well established root systems which can keep them firmly affixed to the ground surface at the onset of minor subsidence. In that regard, the effects of minor subsidence which can occur during first workings has less potential to impact on the integrity and/or health of the site. However, significant levels of subsidence can cause trees to tilt.

Although a tree might be healthy, the ground condition and location of the site can also affect the site's stability. If the site is located on a precarious ledge along a ridge line or in loose or eroded soils, this would impact on how firmly affixed the tree is to the ground surface. In this instance, even minor changes to ground level movement could potentially cause the tree to tilt and fall over completely.

Ground surface activity such as earthworks (including the construction of buildings, roads, vents, pollution ponds, stockpile areas) can harm scarred tree sites if they are within the area of proposed works. Changes in ground water levels or ponding areas, as a result of subsidence, may also lead to changes in tree health and potentially increase the risk of impact.

4.3 Ochre Quarries

Ochre is a naturally occurring mineral substance which is found in a variety of colours, including red, white, yellow and black. Ochre is plentiful in most parts of Australia, where suitable pieces can be collected as pebbles from creek beds or widespread geological strata (Morwood 2002: 110). In some instances, ochre quarries can be found which offer a large volume of the resource (for example, Wilga Mia Cave in the Murchison region of WA).

Ochre was used by Aboriginal people for rock art painting, body decoration and tool decoration for ceremonial events. High-grade ochre was also a traded commodity since it was such a widely used resource in daily life. The properties and formation of the different ochre pigments were explained in stories from the Dreaming, some of which may have religious significance (Morwood 2002:111). Ochre was sourced as hard clumps of pigment that were processed or ground down to a fine consistency and then mixed with water when used as paint. The hard ochre could also act as a crayon when used as a sketching implement.

4.3.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Ochre Quarries

Potential harm to ochre quarries is dependent on where the resource is located. If there is any surface activity, such as earth works directly over an open quarry site, this would harm the site. However, subsidence of less than 20 mm would cause little to no harm. Levels of subsidence greater than 20 mm would require a detailed investigation to establish whether there is a risk of harm to the site.

4.4 Potential Archaeological Deposits

Potential archaeological deposits (PADs) are areas where sub-surface stone artefacts and/or other cultural materials are likely to occur. Sites are usually assessed as containing PADs when there is reasonable depth of sedimentation below artefact scatters and/or where the landform unit has been assessed to have been a likely occupation area for Aboriginal people. Sometimes rockshelters also contain PAD, that is, they have accumulated sufficient sediment to allow for the preservation of archaeological material, such as stone artefact or food refuse (animal bone, for example).

4.4.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Potential Archaeological Deposits

PADs can be associated with other site types such as artefact scatters, middens, and rockshelters, but can also be identified on landforms with reasonable potential to contain archaeological deposit. Subsidence caused by mining activity can potentially have an impact on PADs if the ground containing the deposit cracks, leading to the loss of stratigraphic integrity. However, it is important to note that natural ground swell movement should be taken into account when assessing the potential for harm to these types of sites.

4.5 Grinding Grooves and Rockshelters

Grinding groove sites are smoothed areas on rock surfaces that have been created by grinding activity, either associated with food processing or stone tool manufacture or maintenance. Grinding grooves are most commonly found in sandstone, as this is the most readily available resource that offers a suitable surface for sharpening/fashioning tool edges, particularly stone hatchets. Sandstone platforms of suitable texture for grinding and that are in close proximity to shallow pools of water, or where water trickles over the stone, are more likely to contain grinding grooves (Dickson 1980:157). A grinding groove site may contain only one grinding groove, but often multiple grooves are present due to a number of people undertaking the activity or as a result of repeated visits for tool manufacture and maintenance over a long period of time.

Rockshelters often occur in large outcrops of sandstone or boulders which have been weathered to form a cavity, or shelter. Rockshelters are used as occupation sites or temporary camping grounds and were often used in inclement weather. "Rock shelters are vertical or overhanging rock formations, including any flat or not steeply inclined ground surface below the overhang or at the base of the vertical face, which contain, or may be reasonably expected to contain, material traces of past Aboriginal land use (objects)" (DECCW 2010:38).

4.5.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Grinding Grooves and Rockshelters

Although natural processes such as the constant water flow over sandstone structures can cause erosion, and surface exfoliation can occur due to the heat of bush fires; mining activities can also cause harm to grinding groove and rockshelter sites.

The risks associated with substantial subsidence/upsidence can lead to major surface cracking and even the collapse or sheering of the grinding groove/rockshelter site. Minor levels of subsidence can

cause cracking and exfoliation of these structures. Secondary risks which will need to be considered include the intensification of erosion and sheet wash over sandstone sites as a result of surface clearing and modification to drainage lines for the purpose of mining related activities.

4.6 Stone Arrangements

Aboriginal stone arrangements are places where Aboriginal people have positioned stones deliberately in the landscape to form shapes or patterns. Although the cultural reasons for stone arrangements are not readily discernible, some scholars (O’Conner et al 2007) have suggested that they may have served a spiritual function (i.e.: rituals and ceremonial usage) or have been used for practical subsistence purposes (i.e.: demarcating territorial boundaries or as fish traps along coastal regions). There are over 1000 known stone arrangements in NSW and QLD alone (Mulvaney & Kamminga 1999:25). Stone arrangements are characterised as low constructions, usually less than a metre high, and generally occur where there is a plentiful supply of boulders and suitable rock material to arrange. Although inferences can be made as to the reasons why particular stone arrangements were created based on research and intensive archaeological investigation, it is not possible to assign a generic function to stone arrangements. These types of sites can vary in size and shape and the choice of materials used in their construction can also vary greatly based on the availability of resources and selectivity of material. The spatial distribution of these arrangements may also have an interpretive implication on their function and usage.

4.6.1 Potential Risk of Harm to Stone Arrangements

Ground surface clearing activities and subsidence/upsidence can potentially harm stone arrangements. In terms of the potential harm associated with ground surface works, this can take place in the form of earth works activity directly where the site is located. However, these types of sites are more clearly identifiable in the natural landscape than artefact scatters and isolated finds because they are more physically imposing.

Subsidence/upsidence may harm stone arrangements if the movement of the ground surface causes the stones move; thus destroying their original arrangement. Secondary effects of subsidence may include changes in drainage patterns which also pose the risk of moving the stones in the arrangement.

4.7 Historic/Social/Ceremonial/Spiritual/Dreaming sites and Aboriginal Places

Aboriginal ceremonial/Dreaming/spiritual sites are linked to cultural traditions and their function and significance are determined by the Traditional Owners. These types of sites can be for different types of purposes and would therefore need to be assessed individually. Although archaeological material may be associated with this site type, often these sites comprise specific locations in the landscape or landscape features such as mountains, rock formations and similar which are associated with Aboriginal tradition, historical events significant to Aboriginal history, are part of Aboriginal Dreaming or rituals and/or Aboriginal oral histories.

An Aboriginal Place is declared by the Minister under Section 84 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974. The Aboriginal Place may be deemed to have been or is of special significance to Aboriginal Culture.

5 Aboriginal Community Consultation

5.1 Principals of Aboriginal Community Consultation

Centennial recognises the rights and interests of Aboriginal people in their cultural heritage and will acknowledge, accept, and act on the principles that Aboriginal people:

- Are the primary source of information about the value of their heritage and how this is best protected and conserved;
- Must have an active role in any Aboriginal cultural heritage planning process;
- Must have early input into the assessment of the cultural significance of their heritage and its management so they can continue to fulfil their obligations towards their heritage; and
- Must control the way in which cultural knowledge and other information relating specifically to their heritage is used, as this may be an integral aspect of its heritage value.

Consultation with the relevant Aboriginal groups is paramount in Australian cultural heritage management. Aboriginal tradition is regarded as a living culture and Heritage NSW encourages consultation with Aboriginal people for matters relating to Aboriginal heritage.

5.2 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010

In 2010 the then NSW Office of Environment and Heritage released the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (ACHCRs). These guidelines are designed to establish the requirements for consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties as part of the heritage assessment process. Centennial will undertake consultation in accordance with the ACHCRs where there is an identified potential for harm to Aboriginal sites/objects. A summary of ACHCR process is provided in **Table 1** below.

Records of Aboriginal consultation will be kept by Centennial in the form of an Aboriginal consultation log and protocols for handling culturally sensitive information have been outlined in **Section 8.0** of this ACHMP. Centennial has committed to consulting with registered Aboriginal parties for the assessment of cultural significance of Aboriginal sites and for the implementation of the monitoring protocols. To this end, Centennial has implemented a communication strategy which involves providing in writing any relevant information to the RAPs, has created an Aboriginal Heritage Committee, maintains a list of RAP contact details and observes the notification periods as stipulated in **Table 1**.

5.3 Aboriginal Heritage Committee

To ensure ongoing consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties, Centennial established an Aboriginal Heritage Committee for the western region in May 2015. The Aboriginal Heritage Committee includes representatives from the various registered Aboriginal parties. The Aboriginal Heritage Committee meets twice a year with the primary purpose to discuss matters relating to Aboriginal cultural heritage including, but not limited to a review of any heritage related works carried out over the previous 6 months and any works proposed over the coming 6 months (including field surveys and site recording). Minutes of the meeting are recorded and distributed to members.

Table 5.1 - The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements (ACHCR) Process

Time Frame	Component	Detail	ACHCR Stage
22 Days	Government Agency Requests	Letters need to be sent to: • Heritage NSW; • Local Aboriginal Land Council/s; • Register of Aboriginal Owners (RAO); • Native Title Tribunal; • Native Title Services Corporation Limited; • Local Council/s; and • Catchment Management Authority. Letters request a list and contact details of Aboriginal parties who may be interested in the Project Area. *Heritage NSW has advised that they require 21 days from the receipt of letter to respond to requests for Aboriginal Parties.	STAGE 1
14 Days	Advertisement + Expression of Interest (Eoi) Letters	An advertisement in a local print media needs to be published allowing 14 days for interested Aboriginal parties to respond. Expression of Interest (Eoi) letters to be sent to Aboriginal groups identified in the 7 Government Agency letters. All responses are to be added to the Aboriginal consultation log and if Eoi received, the Aboriginal organisation will be added to the Aboriginal stakeholder list.	STAGE 1
28 Days	Methodology and Gathering Cultural Information	Methodology for the proposed heritage assessment needs to be sent as well as methodology for gathering cultural information including sensitive cultural information.	STAGE 2 & 3

Time Frame	Component	Detail	ACHCR Stage
Variable	Field Work/Meeting with Aboriginal Cultural Group	The relevant Aboriginal parties invited to participate in fieldwork / Meeting	STAGE 2
28 Days	Draft Report	Send a copy of the draft report to Aboriginal parties and allow 28 days for feedback	STAGE 4
14 Days	Final Report	Send a copy of the final report to Aboriginal parties within 14 days of an AHIP application being made (if needed) or just to provide the final report.	STAGE 4

6 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management

This section considers nature of the Aboriginal cultural heritage site types known to exist within the boundaries of Centennial's western operations, as well as the nature of potential harm resulting from underground mining and mining related activities. In order to assist Centennial in the management of Aboriginal heritage items, all site types have been divided into four main categories (**Table 6.1**).

Table 6.1 - Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Categories and Descriptions

Category	Site Types Applicable to the Category	Description
Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within the Open Landscape	Artefact Scatters, Isolated Finds, Open Quarries, Scarred/Carved Trees	Sites within this category include items which have been deposited by past Aboriginal people and are not physically attached to the landscape. The exceptions are scarred/carved trees and open quarries.
Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within potential sub-surface deposits	Potential Archaeological Deposits (PADs) and Shell Middens	Sites within this category include items which may contain sub-surface cultural material.
Structurally sensitive Aboriginal cultural heritage sites	Grinding grooves, stone arrangements and Rockshelters	Sites within this category are natural landform features which have been used by past Aboriginal people for the purpose of habitation and resource preparation.
Ceremonial and Post Contact Aboriginal cultural heritage sites	Ceremonial land, Dreaming Sites, Post contact Aboriginal	Sites within this category are those which are associated with a historical event significant to Aboriginal history

Category	Site Types Applicable to the Category	Description
	cultural heritage sites (Historical)	and/or are part of Aboriginal Dreaming or rituals.
Aboriginal Places	Sites of special significance to present or historically	Sites designated as an "Aboriginal Place" under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974

A series of steps must be followed for the correct use of this ACHMP.

- Step 1 – Aboriginal heritage surveys and site identification (see **Section 6.1**);
- Step 2 – Assessment of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites (see **Section 6.2**);
- Step 3 - Assessment of potential impact (see **Section 6.3**);
- Step 4 – Identification of monitoring requirements (see **Section 6.5**); and
- Step 5 – Implementation of management measures (see **Section 6.6**). Aboriginal Heritage Surveys and Site Identification

Before any mine associated development can be undertaken, an Aboriginal heritage survey will be conducted. Aboriginal heritage surveys will be undertaken by a suitably qualified archaeologist with at least (1) registered Aboriginal party representative. If surface disturbance is required for the upgrades of existing access tracks or minor clearing/earthworks (e.g. clearing associated with construction of exploration drill sites), an Aboriginal heritage due diligence visual inspection will be carried out by a suitable qualified archaeologist in accordance with relevant due diligence assessment guidelines.

If major or extensive surface impacts are planned; associated with underground mining operations, or the construction of new infrastructure, representatives from the Aboriginal community will be invited to participate in an Aboriginal heritage survey. A minimum of 21 days' notice will be provided to the relevant Aboriginal parties before the commencement of the field surveys. Site cards will be made available during the survey.

6.1.1 Culturally Sensitive Areas

Prior to any Aboriginal cultural heritage site recording (**Section 6.1.2**) or surveys (**Section 6.1.3**) the Aboriginal Heritage Committee will discuss any areas with potential sensitive issues like:

- Mens or Womens sites; and
- Organising suitable Aboriginal representatives based on the nature of sites proposed to be visited.

6.1.2 Qualifications Required for Site Recording

The cultural heritage consultant (archaeologist) is a specialist in the field of identifying Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects from a scientific (archaeological) viewpoint. The skill of identifying Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects is built from years of theoretical and practical training at a university level. It is this training which enables the archaeologist to make a determination about what is or is not a site. Site determination are based on a holistic approach where the diagnostic attributes of the object, type of resource exploited, the object's relationship to the landscape and context are considered. In NSW, cultural heritage consultants are guided by the professional standards according to the Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage (OEH 2011) and the Australian Archaeological Association Code of Ethics (2004). In any case, the opinions and values of the Aboriginal stakeholder will be considered as cultural input is an equally important process to gaining a better understanding of how the landscape was once exploited in the past. In the event that there is a disagreement between the Aboriginal stakeholder and archaeologist regarding site determination, attempts will be made by both parties to reach an agreeable medium. If an agreement cannot be derived because the object in question does not meet the archaeological assessment criteria, then the archaeologist may assist the Aboriginal stakeholder in recording the item as an Aboriginal place - if the request is within reason.

6.1.3 Survey Methodology

Aboriginal heritage surveys will involve a visual inspection of the potential impact area. The strategic survey method will largely depend on the size of the survey team, scope of works, landform features and accessibility. Survey coverage can only be determined on a case-by-case scenario because inaccessible landscapes and landowner restrictions may apply in some instances.

6.1.4 Documentation Methodology

The Aboriginal heritage survey will be undertaken using the following documentation methods, as a minimum:

- Digital photography (scaled as appropriate);
- Field notes;
- GPS (using differential preferably) for recording site locations; and
- Visibility flagging and off-set recording as appropriate.

6.1.5 Survey Unit Recording

The survey program will include recording field observations divided into survey units according to landforms, visibility or activity area, as appropriate. The recording of survey units will include observations of geomorphological processes, rock exposure, drainage, vegetation and any newly identified Aboriginal cultural heritage sites or potential archaeological deposits, where applicable. Survey unit ground surface exposure and visibility will be recorded and the sample fraction calculated according to Heritage NSW guidelines.

6.1.6 Site Recording and Completion of AHIMS Site Cards

If any new Aboriginal heritage sites are identified, site recording will be undertaken in accordance with Heritage NSW guidelines. An AHIMS site card will be completed; information required includes location of the site/s, description contents, condition of the site and similar. Site locations will be recorded using a GPS using MGA 56 coordinates. Site locations and contents will be photographed (scaled) and described in field notes. The dimension of Aboriginal artefacts/sites will be recorded using tapes or callipers as appropriate and information added to the site cards.

6.2 Assessment of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage sites

6.2.1 Aboriginal Cultural Significance

Archaeological field investigations are an effective way of determining the location of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in the landscape. However, the cultural significance of the sites and landscape can only be assessed by the cultural knowledge holders because they draw on knowledge from their ancestors and their own experiences. Understanding the cultural significance of the landscape is an integral part of undertaking cultural heritage impact assessment because the information can identify areas deemed more culturally significant to the Aboriginal community and assist in the development of appropriate management strategies whilst taking into consideration any cultural sensitivities.

The registered Aboriginal parties were given the opportunity to assess the cultural significance of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within Centennial's western operations boundary through a number of cultural heritage significance workshops. The purpose of these workshops was to ensure that the registered Aboriginal parties were given the opportunity to discuss the significance of the sites amongst themselves and to provide any cultural knowledge that would assist Centennial in understanding the cultural significance of the site.

Centennial's western operations are committed to providing the registered Aboriginal parties with an opportunity to provide a cultural significance assessment of sites across Centennial's western operations. Where cultural heritage site significance has not yet been assessed by cultural knowledge holder an opportunity will be provided for assessment prior to undermining under an Extraction Plan ACHMP. A site visit for Aboriginal parties will be provided prior to the assessment of significance as part of the baseline monitoring program prior to mining.

6.2.2 Method of Assessing Cultural Significance (Landscape Features-Cultural Mapping)

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. Conventionally, the cultural heritage significance assessment would be undertaken in accordance with the Burra Charter and the NSW NPWS Heritage Guidelines. However, as the assessment is to be in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties, the criteria for assessing significance was discussed and agreed upon during the Aboriginal consultation meeting, and thus differs from some of the existing guidelines.

The ranking process detailed here was developed in consultation with the registered Aboriginal Parties at a meeting on 30 March 2015. In accordance with the discussions held with the registered Aboriginal

parties, ranking significance of the Aboriginal cultural heritage sites will take into account their landscape context, their inter-relatedness and will be based on the premise that they represent a small sample of the wider Aboriginal occupation of the area. Sites will not be assessed on individual criteria, but will assess the site as a whole and in relation to the surrounding sites and landscape contexts. At the 30 March meeting it was agreed that a draft significance ranking would be done by consensus with the registered Aboriginal parties present on that day and this would then be disseminated to the registered Aboriginal Parties for review and comment and allow the opportunity for elders and other representatives to have input.

It was agreed that sites would be ranked on a scale of high cultural significance to extremely high cultural significance (**Table 3**). High cultural significance was ascribed to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites which demonstrate Aboriginal occupation and are indicative of Aboriginal landscape values. Sites with extremely high cultural significance included areas which had exceptional site types, which was indicative of special purpose sites and cultural activities.

Table 6.2 - Ranking Scale Cultural Significance Assessment

Ranking Scale
High Cultural Significance
Extremely High Cultural Significance

The results of the cultural significance assessment and ranking are presented in **Attachments 1-7** appended to this document.

6.2.3 Scientific Significance Assessment

The primary documents for assessing scientific significance of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in NSW are the Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW (OEH 2011) and the Burra Charter (1999). Scientific significance refers to the importance of landscape, area, place or object because of its rarity, representativeness and the extent to which it may contribute to further understanding of past Aboriginal occupation (2011:9).

In assessing the scientific significance, principles outlined in Hardesty and Little (2009) have been considered; and takes into account the nature of the site and the interpretative potential. The nature of the site comprises of observations made in the field about the cultural object such as the site type, form, shape, associations to other sites and content. The interpretive potential of the site is the assessment of how it may inform our understanding of past human activities (Binford 1983 in Hardesty and Little 2009: 70). Interpretative potential includes consideration of site formation processes, floodways, ancient environments, and similar. It should be understood that the assessment of scientific significance is predicated on the Heritage NSW requirements and principles of cultural resource management and should not be confused with academic archaeology. Academic archaeology is largely focused on addressing a number of complex research questions/hypothesis which can contribute to a better understanding of past cultures or a specialised field in the discipline of

archaeology. Cultural resource management generally addresses basic research questions, rather than complex hypotheses because the main focus is on the development of site management strategies and mitigation measures for the correct handling of cultural objects. In order to develop an appropriate management plan, the scientific value is assessed by the heritage consultant.

6.2.4 Methodology - Assessment Criteria and Ranking System

Assessment of scientific significance is dependent upon the research question and purpose of the investigation. Scientific significance for sites in the boundary of Centennial's western operations has been assessed according to the criteria listed in **Table 4** which is based on the Burra Charter and Heritage NSW guidelines. Each Aboriginal cultural heritage site is to be assessed in terms of low, moderate or high significance for each of the criteria (research potential, rarity, representativeness, integrity and research potential). For ease of reference these significance rankings are assigned points (low =1 point, moderate = 2 points, high = 3 points) the sum of these points for each criteria is then used to tabulate the (total) overall significance ranking (**Table 5**). The scientific significance criteria are usually assessed on two scales: local and regional. However, in some cases where high regional significance is identified the site will be assessed on a state level to ascertain whether it meets state significance listing.

In some cases an AHIP has been issued for a site. AHIPs can be issued for partial salvage or full salvage (and consent to destroy), until recently the level of salvage was not consistently reported and therefore while an AHIP may have been issued; it is not always clear how much was salvaged. Sites which have had AHIPs issued are assessed to be low; because it is assumed that most of the archaeological material has been salvaged (but they retain some significance because there may still be limited archaeological material present). It should also be noted that even when sites are completely removed under an AHIP; AHIMS does not de-register them. In the event that the site is ceremonial/mythological, the assessment of scientific significance cannot be determined.

Table 6.3 - Assessment of Scientific Significance Criteria

Research Potential	Description
Research Potential	This criteria is used to identify whether a site has the potential to contribute new information which to the interpretation of Aboriginal occupation in the area.
Rarity	This criterion examines the frequency of the identified site types with others previously recorded in the local or regional landscape.
Representativeness	All sites are representative of a site type, however, some sites may be in better condition, or demonstrate more clearly a particular site type. Representativeness is based on the understanding of extant sites in the local or regional landscape and the purpose of this criteria is to ensure a representative sample of sites area conserved for future generations.

Research Potential	Description
Integrity	This refers to site intactness. A site with contextual integrity can provide information relating to chronology, social systems, tool technology, site formation processes, habitation, frequency of use as well as other occupation indicators. Moderate to high levels of disturbance will generally result in low integrity.
Educational Potential	This refers to whether the subject area contains teaching sites or sites that might have teaching potential.

Table 6.4 - Overall Scientific Significance

Significance Level	Allocated Points
Low Significance	5 to 7 Points
Moderate Significance	8 to 11 Points
High Significance	12 to 15 Points

6.3 Assessment of Potential Impact

If mining or mining associated activities have the potential to harm Aboriginal cultural heritage site/s, an assessment of the potential and likely impact will be undertaken in the form of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment. It is important that all aspects of Aboriginal heritage be considered in the assessment and technical information is appropriately balanced with an assessment of cultural values.

The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment will be developed in accordance with the Guide to Investigating, Assessing and Reporting on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage in NSW (DECCW 2011) and any other relevant guidelines applicable to the planning instrument. As a minimum, The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment will contain the following:

- A description of the Aboriginal object/s and declared Aboriginal places located within the area of the proposed activity;
- A description of the cultural heritage values, including the significance of the Aboriginal objects and declared Aboriginal places that exist across the whole area that will be affected by the proposed activity and the significance of these values for the Aboriginal people who have a cultural association with the land;
- How the requirements for consultation with Aboriginal people have been met;
- Actual or likely harm posed to the Aboriginal object/s or declared Aboriginal places from the proposed activity with reference to the cultural heritage values identified and any practical

measures that may be taken to protect and conserve those Aboriginal object/s or declared Aboriginal places; and

- Any practical measures that may be taken to avoid or mitigate actual or likely harm, alternatives to harm or, if this is not possible, to manage (minimise) harm in accordance with this ACHMP and in consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties.

A copy of the draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment will be provided to the registered Aboriginal parties for comment in accordance with Stage 4 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements Process (see **3**). A minimum of 28 days will be given to the Aboriginal parties to provide comments. The comments received will be considered and the final copy produced with the submissions appended to the back of the report. The final version of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment and associated AHIP application will be made available to the Aboriginal parties within 14 days of completion.

6.4 Site Impact Recording

Where site impacts have been identified and are allowed for under the mine approval or an AHIP approved by Heritage NSW an Aboriginal Site Impact Recording (ASIR) form must be filled out and submitted to AHIMS within three months of the impact to the site.

6.4.1 Salvage of Aboriginal Objects

All Aboriginal objects should be salvaged in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties. After mining impacts have occurred the Aboriginal objects will be returned to country in consultation with the subcommittee.

6.5 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Monitoring Requirements

The aim of the monitoring program is to identify whether there is a risk of harm to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites as a result of mining activities and to identify appropriate mitigation strategies, if required. This monitoring program has been developed in accordance with the principles of due diligence as defined by the NP&W Regulation 2009. While the broad principles of the Due Diligence Code of Practice for the protection of Aboriginal Objects in NSW (DECCW 2010) and the NSW Minerals Industry Due Diligence Code of Practice for the Protection of Aboriginal Objects (Minerals Council 2010) have been adopted; additional (and more specific heritage) management protocols have been developed to manage the complexities of mining activities, the nature of the Aboriginal cultural heritage sites present and the assessment of harm.

The monitoring program will record the condition of the site before mining (baseline survey and baseline check) and the condition of the site after mining (post mining initial condition and post mining secondary condition check) and thus has been separated into three phases.

- Phase 1: Baseline recording (prior to site being undermined)

- Phase 2: Post mining initial condition (immediately after undermining)
- Phase 3: Post mining secondary condition (approximately 8 months after undermining)
- Phase 3a: (Longwall Mining) - In instances where final subsidence is not achieved until after a number of longwall extractions have taken place, then additional inspections by a qualified cultural heritage consultant may be required to assess any risks to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Phase 1, the baseline survey aims to record the condition of the site before mining (for example, has a scarred tree tilted prior to mining as result of tree growth or natural cracking of a rockshelter site due to weathering processes). Phase 2, the post mining initial condition check is to establish whether there has been any change to site and if change has occurred whether it is from the effects of subsidence. The purpose of Phase 3 - the post mining secondary condition check - is to identify whether there has been any change to the site in the period since mining and to make an assessment on whether the ground surface conditions have stabilised. If ground surface conditions have stabilised, then further monitoring will not be required.

Note: Access to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites to undertake monitoring is subject to landowner approval. If landowner approval is not obtained, no access can be granted to carry out the monitoring activities. In order to ensure that sites which require monitoring are appropriately undertaken, monitoring protocols have been provided below. Representatives of the registered Aboriginal Parties should be invited to participate in all three phases of the monitoring process for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

If an Aboriginal cultural heritage site or object has been assessed to be at risk of harm and it is not feasible for Centennial to modify the mining footprint to eliminate the risk, then irrespective of whether the risk is related to surface facilities and/or ground surface subsidence the following protocols detailed in **Section 6.5.1 – 6.5.5** will be adopted for the below:

- Open site (Artefact Scatters/Isolated Finds/Open Quarries);
- Scarred Trees/Carved Trees;
- Potential Archaeological Deposits (Shells Middens/PADs/Rockshelters);
- Structurally Sensitive Sites (Grinding Groves/Rockshelters); and
- Ceremonial/Post Contact Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

6.5.1 Monitoring Protocols for Artefact Scatters/Isolated Finds/Open Quarries

Phase 1: Before the commencement of mining activity, a baseline check of the sites condition must be undertaken. The purpose of this exercise is to document the condition of the site immediately before mining related activities take place and gauge whether there are impacts to the site related to natural processes rather than mining activities. Monitoring of the site will be undertaken using the following documentation methods:

- Digital photography (scaled as appropriate);
- Field notes to record the current condition and status of the site;

- GPS (using differential, preferably) to locate and confirm site location; and
- Produce a site plan using baseline and offsets (tape measure), or GPS plotted polygons, as appropriate

During the due diligence inspection and baseline recording, the location of the site will be verified using a GPS and the site dimensions and content will be confirmed. Photos of the site will be taken so that the overall condition can be documented.

If the site is determined by the archaeologist and representatives of the Aboriginal Parties to be at an inappropriate risk of harm, consideration will be given to salvage the artefacts with the aim of returning the objects to their original location after the completion of mining. This process would be subject to a Section 90 NPW Act application approval by Heritage NSW.

Phase 2: Following the completion of undermining, the condition of the site will be reinspected and the condition of the site compared to the last documented results. If the level of harm to the site becomes evident immediately post-mining, Centennial will endeavour to protect the site from further harm for example, by using non-invasive barrier fencing to prevent erosion. The Centennial Environmental Team will notify and inform OEH (Enviroline: 131 555) if that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given by OEH.

Phase 3: The post mining secondary check will be undertaken approximately 8 months after the mining activity has finished. The inspection is required to make an assessment on whether the ground surface conditions have stabilised. If ground conditions have stabilised and no changes to site condition are observed, then no further monitoring will be required. If noticeable amounts of erosion or disturbance is identified, Centennial's Environmental Team will notify and inform OEH (Enviroline: 131 555) that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given by OEH.

Phase 3a: (Longwall Mining) - In instances where final subsidence is not achieved until after a number of longwall extractions have taken place, then additional inspections by a qualified cultural heritage consultant may be required to assess any further risks to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Additional Items: All phases should be undertaken in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties. This includes the baseline check (Phase 1) and subsequent checks (Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a). The registered Aboriginal parties will determine who the most appropriate representative should attend each phase of monitoring, as well as the installation of mitigation measures (if required). If, during Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a works, harm (inadvertent or deliberate) has been noted, Centennial will notify the registered Aboriginal parties in addition to the statutory authorities.

6.5.2 Monitoring Protocols for Scarred Trees/Carved Trees

Phase 1: A baseline recording of the site's condition will be ascertained and tabulated for future monitoring purposes. The baseline assessment will involve recording the position and tilt of the tree prior to sub-surface mining. The baseline recording will include the following measurements:

- Level of the tree (base);
- V-notch (top) tilt measurement (as an easting and northing location);
- V-notch (top) level;
- V-notch (bottom) tilt measurement (as an easting and northing location);
- V-notch (bottom) level; and
- Degree of tilt.

Phase 2: The tilt and condition of the scarred/carved tree will be re-assessed post mining. During the monitoring, if it is identified that the tilt of the tree exceeds 10° from the baseline recording, Centennial will endeavour to protect the tree from further tilting by erecting a non-invasive framework which may be in the form of bracing or other exterior supports. In this instance, Centennial's Environmental Team will also inform and notify Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure that there is a potential for harm to the site. An AHIP may be required to be obtained prior to attempting to protect the site.

Phase 3: The post mining secondary check will be undertaken approximately 8 months after the mining activity has finished. The inspection will make an assessment on whether the ground surface conditions have stabilised. If ground conditions have stabilised and no changes to sites condition is observed, then no further monitoring will be required.

If it is identified that the tilt of the tree exceeds 10° from the baseline recording, Centennial must endeavour to protect the tree from further tilting by erecting a non-invasive framework to prevent further tilt to the tree where possible. Centennial's Environmental Team will inform and notify Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given.

Phase 3a: (Longwall Mining) - In instances where final subsidence is not achieved until after a number of longwall extractions have taken place, then additional inspections by a qualified cultural heritage consultant may be required to assess any further risks to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Additional Items: All phases should be undertaken in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties. This includes the baseline check (Phase 1) and subsequent checks (Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/or 3a). The registered Aboriginal parties will determine who the most appropriate representative should attend each phase of monitoring, as well as the installation of mitigation measures (if required).

If, during Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a works, harm (inadvertent or deliberate) has been noted, Centennial will notify the registered Aboriginal parties in addition to the statutory authorities.

6.5.3 Monitoring Protocols for Potential Archaeological Deposits (Shell Middens, PADs and Rockshelters)

Phase 1: A baseline recording of the site at risk before the commencement of works will be undertaken which includes an archival recording. The archival recording will involve a detailed plan of the site, archival-quality photographic records and the surface conditions of the site.

The archival recording of the site should involve the following:

- A detailed plan of the site be recorded using archival quality photographic records; and
- Documentation of the site's surface condition.

The photos of the site will be undertaken from a known bearing or from a designated permanent landmark nearby.

Phase 2: After the completion of undermining, the condition of the site will be re-inspected and the condition of the site compared to the last documented results. If the level of potential harm to the site becomes evident immediately post-mining, Centennial will endeavour to protect the site from further harm with the use of sediment barriers and/or fencing where appropriate. If there is any evidence of ground surface cracking or noticeable amounts of surface erosion, Centennial's Environmental Team will inform and notify Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given. It may be required that the following measures be taken under the advice of the heritage consultant, Heritage NSW, the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and agreement of Aboriginal parties:

- PAD - Apply and gain a Section 90 AHIP (if applicable) to conduct an excavation and salvage any artefacts identified.
- Shell Midden - Apply and gain a Section 90 AHIP (if applicable) to undertake a salvage excavation of the midden if considered necessary by the heritage consultant.

Phase 3: The post mining secondary check must be undertaken approximately 8 months after the mining activity has finished. The inspection is required to make an assessment on whether the ground surface conditions have stabilised. If ground conditions have stabilised and no changes to sites condition are observed, then no further monitoring will be required.

If there is any evidence of ground surface cracking or noticeable amounts of surface erosion, Centennial's Environmental Team will inform and notify Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given. It may be required that the following measures be taken under the advice of the heritage

consultant, Heritage NSW, the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and agreement of Aboriginal parties:

- PAD - Apply and gain a Section 90 AHIP (if applicable) to conduct an excavation and salvage any artefacts identified.
- Shell Midden - Apply and gain a Section 90 AHIP (if applicable) to undertake a salvage excavation of the midden if considered necessary by the heritage consultant.

Phase 3a: (Longwall Mining) - In instances where final subsidence is not achieved until after a number of longwall extractions have taken place, then additional inspections by a qualified cultural heritage consultant may be required to assess any further risks to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Additional Items: All phases should be undertaken in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties. This includes the baseline check (Phase 1) and subsequent checks (Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a). The registered Aboriginal parties will determine who the most appropriate representative should attend each phase of monitoring, as well as the installation of mitigation measures (if required). If, during Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a works, harm (inadvertent or deliberate) has been noted, Centennial will notify the registered Aboriginal parties in addition to the statutory authorities.

6.5.4 Monitoring Protocols for Structurally Sensitive Sites (Grinding Grooves & Rockshelters)

Phase 1: In order to manage rockshelter/grinding groove site, a baseline recording will be undertaken before the commencement of mining. This baseline recording must include the following:

- Detailed archaeological recording,
- Archival-quality photos; and
- The designation of survey control points for monitoring.

The heritage consultant will be responsible for undertaking the detailed recording and taking photographs of the site and observations of the rock morphology (surface) will be recorded. The archival-quality photographs will be taken in accordance Heritage NSW guidelines. A 3D terrestrial scan of the rockshelter/grinding groove site(s) may also be considered if appropriate.

A minimum of six (6) control points will be nominated on the rockshelter/grinding groove site(s). The recording of control points will be undertaken by a suitably qualified surveyor (appointed by Centennial or heritage consultant) in consultation with the heritage consultant using a total station or better equipment if available. The purpose of the control points is to provide points of reference on the rockshelter/grinding groove in order to later monitor the effects of subsidence. The location of these control points will, where practical, be tied to known surveyed points outside the zone of influence and/or other permanent points such as electricity transmission towers.

Measures to reduce potential adverse impacts to sites at high risk as a result of mining activities will be considered in consultation with the Aboriginal parties.

Phase 2: After the completion of undermining, the condition of the site will be re-inspected and the condition of the site compared to the last documented results. Again, observations of the rock morphology (surface) will also be recorded, particularly if there is widening of existing cracks and/or development of new cracks. Signs of sheet erosion or exfoliation will also be recorded and archived. This data will be compared to recorded information in Phase 1.

If the site is assessed to be at a greater risk of harm as a result of mining activities, Centennial's Environmental Team will notify and inform Heritage NSW and the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure that there is a potential for harm to the site and follow the advice given.

Phase 3: The post mining secondary check will be undertaken approximately 8 months after the mining activity has finished. A final check of the six (6) control point measurements will be undertaken and compared to previous results. If there are no changes to the rock surface morphology, widening of existing cracks or signs of sheet erosion/surface exfoliation, then no further monitoring is required.

If there is a discrepancy from the baseline recording and determined to be as a result of subsidence, Centennial will contact a suitably qualified cultural heritage consultant to assess the potential risk of harm to the site. The appropriate mitigation measures provided by the inspecting heritage consultant will be followed and implemented accordingly.

Phase 3a: (Longwall Mining) - In instances where final subsidence is not achieved until after a number of longwall extractions have taken place, then additional inspections by a qualified cultural heritage consultant may be required to assess any further risks to Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Additional Items: All phases should be undertaken in partnership with the registered Aboriginal parties. This includes the baseline check (Phase 1) and subsequent checks (Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a). The registered Aboriginal parties will determine who the most appropriate representative should attend each phase of monitoring, as well as the installation of mitigation measures (if required). If, during Phase 2 and Phase 3 and/ or 3a works, harm (inadvertent or deliberate) has been noted, Centennial will notify the registered Aboriginal parties in addition to the statutory authorities.

6.5.5 How to Monitor Ceremonial/Post Contact Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites and Aboriginal Places

In the event that underground mining activity is expected to take place over or under a ceremonial/post contact Aboriginal cultural heritage site, the Environment and Community Site Representative (Centennial representative) will contact the Aboriginal parties at least six (6) months prior to the commencement of works. Contact with the Aboriginal parties will be in writing and documented as part of the ACHCR process and include a plan showing the location of the site and a description of the proposed activities. Centennial will provide the Aboriginal stakeholder groups 28

days to consider options on how they would like the site to be managed. Centennial will also organise and arrange a meeting (workshop) scheduled after the 28 day period with the Aboriginal parties to discuss the possible options on how to manage the site/s. The Aboriginal stakeholder meeting will take place at a nominated location stipulated by Centennial.

Meeting Attendance: Centennial must ensure that reasonable notice is issued to the Aboriginal stakeholder groups of where and when the meeting will be conducted. It is advised that a cultural heritage consultant and a nominated independent mediator will also be present during the meeting. The meeting will aim at achieving an agreed management strategy for the site. If an agreed management strategy and monitoring procedure is determined, then Centennial will carry out the procedure. If no agreement is determined, then the parties which do not agree will undergo a dispute resolution procedure as detailed in **Section 12**.

6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures

If it is identified that an Aboriginal cultural heritage site is at a potential risk of harm as a result of mining associated activities, Centennial will endeavour to protect the site from harm wherever practicable in consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties by using non-invasive measures. These measures may include, but not be limited to Centennial's surface disturbance procedure, fencing, signage and placement of geofabric material.

If during the monitoring process, impacts to an Aboriginal cultural heritage site are identified and are a result of underground mining or mining associated activities than management and mitigation measures will be implemented. Any management/mitigation measures will be determined in consultation with the relevant registered Aboriginal parties and Heritage NSW.

If Aboriginal cultural heritage sites are at risk of harm, Centennial will apply for a Section 90 AHIP to salvage the site and fill out an ASIR form (if the project is not under the State Significant Development or Part 3A provisions of the EP&A Act 1979). In any instance where Aboriginal artefacts are salvaged, a care and control application will also be lodged for storage arrangements of artefacts. This will be considered as a last resort for management and mitigation of any Aboriginal cultural heritage site.

Mitigation measures will aim to repair the site to maintain the sites cultural significance and reduce any further impacts to the site. Mitigation measures may include infilling of cracks in sandstone rock bars or overhangs to reduce the weathering process which can result in further damage or undertake repairs to areas of erosion upstream of grinding grooves sites to reduce any potential for increased weathering of the grinding grooves. Mitigation measures may involve not undertaking any actions at all if it is determined culturally in-appropriate to do so by the relevant Aboriginal parties.

6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites

If, during the course of mining or development works, cultural heritage sites not previously identified are uncovered, onsite works will stop immediately in the vicinity of the site and the area will be

cordoned off as appropriate with high-visibility flagging tape. The onsite personnel will inform the nominated Centennial Environmental Co-ordinator responsible about the whereabouts of the site, the condition of the site (i.e. any harm caused to the site as a result of mining or development works) in addition to any other relevant information within seven (7) days of the incident. The Centennial Environment and Community representative long term

about the incident and/or newly identified site in addition to any required monitoring or management strategies to be instigated.

If any skeletal remains are identified all work will halt in the immediate area to prevent any further harm to the remains. Centennial will contact the NSW Police immediately. No action is to be undertaken until police provide written notification to Centennial. If the skeletal remains are identified as Aboriginal, Centennial will contact Heritage NSW, the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure and representatives of the local Aboriginal community. No works will continue until Heritage NSW provides written notification to Centennial about the action plan for the management of the skeletal remains and formulated management plan if required.

6.8 Care and Control

In any instance where Aboriginal artefacts are salvaged, Aboriginal cultural heritage items salvaged on site will be store in a locked Centennial building during the short term. A care and control application will be lodged with Heritage NSW in order to arrange for the long term storage of artefacts. Care and control arrangements will be made in consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties and Heritage NSW.

6.9 Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP)

An AHIP is required when an Aboriginal cultural heritage site is to be impacted and the project does not have a State Significant Development (SSD) approval (that is approval under Section 4.1 of the EP&A Act or approval under Part 3A of the EP&A Act). Thus an AHIP is likely to be needed if the project is under an older approval, or if impact is needed before an SSD application has been approved. If the project already has an SSD approval, then the provisions the ACHMP should be followed. This decision making process is outlined in **Figure 3**.

If an AHIP is required, then Aboriginal Consultation under the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements (ACHCRs) will be required (this process has been outlined in **Section 5.2**). The registered Aboriginal parties will need to be consulted and this is a minimum of 3 months for an AHIP application. The AHIP application will then need to be lodged with Heritage NSW for approval and this process can take up to 2 months. After approval by Heritage NSW, any required heritage salvage or mitigation works should be undertaken and documentation supplied to Heritage NSW; after which the proposed activity can proceed. In general, a lead time of 6 months should be allocated for an AHIP.

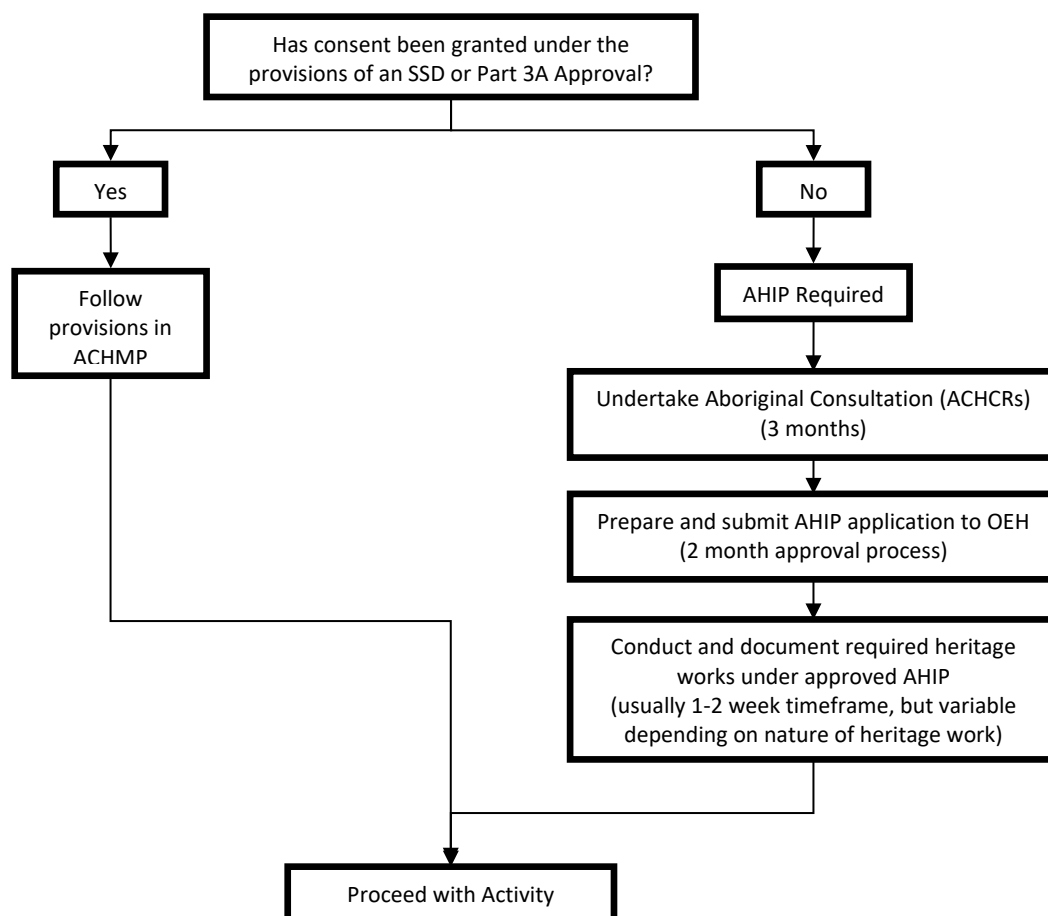
6.10 Pre-Clearing Permits

Prior to any surface clearing activities being a pre-clearing permit is required by Centennial's operations. The pre-clearing permit identifies the activity, the location of the activity and its disturbance footprint, land tenure, persons or contractors completing the works and identification of operational approvals.

Aboriginal cultural heritage must be addressed for the pre-clearing permit to be issued, including

- If the area is not covered by a recent (within 2 years) EIS or due diligence survey, a new due diligence survey must be considered;
- Identify Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within or adjacent to the area;
- Listing of management measures required for the Aboriginal cultural heritage sites as an outcome of an EIS, Management Plan or due diligence survey; and
- Demonstrate consideration of fencing adjacent or nearby Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.

Figure 3 - Procedure to follow where Proposed Activity will Impact an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site



6.11 Summary of Aboriginal Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management Process

Figure 4 summarises the process for identifying, assessing, monitoring and managing Aboriginal cultural heritage for underground mining activities associated with Centennials operations within the western region.

Figure 4 - Monitoring and Management Flowchart for Underground Mining Activities

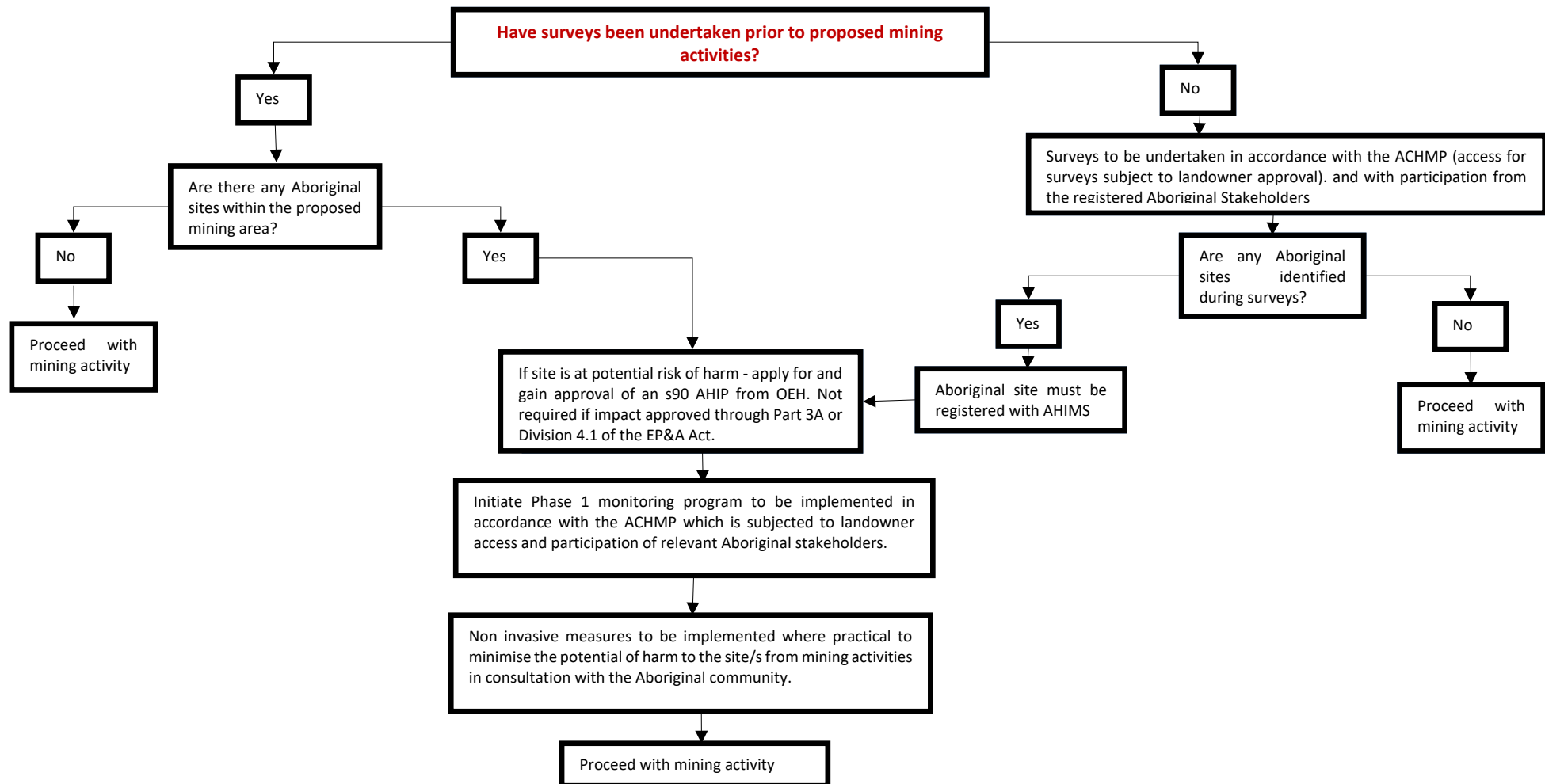
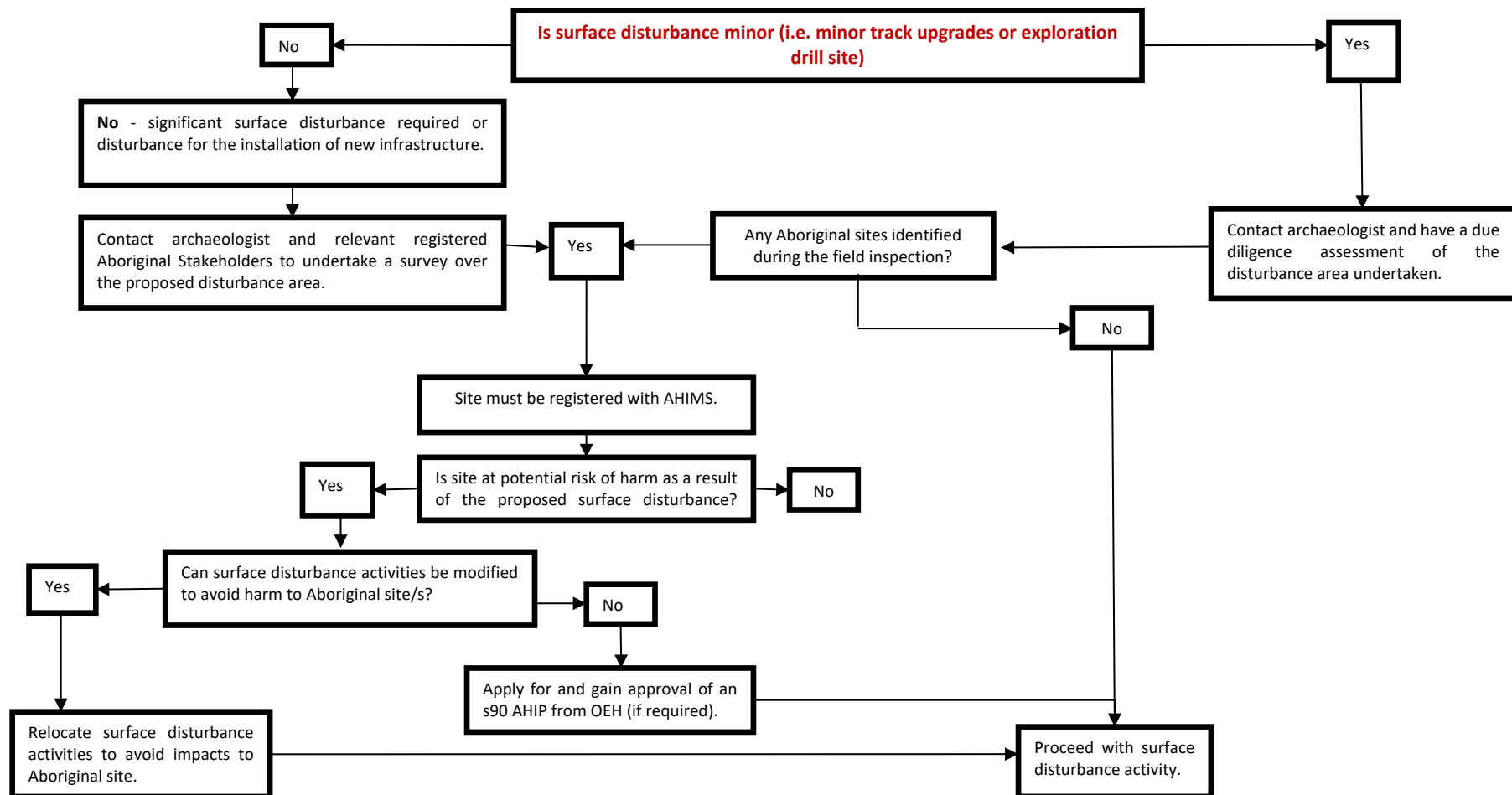


Figure 5 summarises the process for identifying, assessing, monitoring and managing Aboriginal cultural heritage for surface disturbance activities associated with Centennial's operations within the western region.

Figure 5 - Monitoring and Management Flowchart for Surface Disturbance Activities



7 Access to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites

Centennial will maintain and managing reasonable access for Aboriginal stakeholders to cultural heritage sites on Centennial owned land. Requests for access to the Aboriginal cultural heritage sites will need to be made in writing by the Aboriginal groups detailing the proposed date and time of the visit, the intended length of visit and the names and contact details of representatives who will be attending. The request for access must be made no less than fourteen (14) days prior to the intended visit to ensure appropriate and safe access can be ensured.

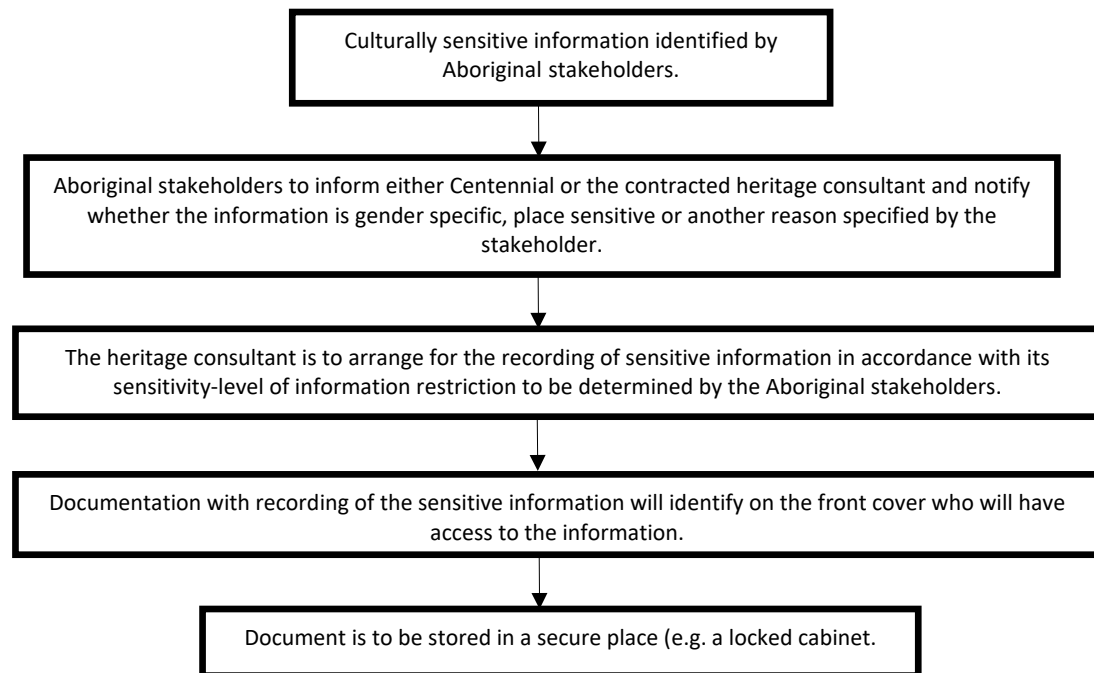
8 Culturally Sensitive Information

The purpose of undergoing the consultation process with the Aboriginal community is to gather cultural knowledge relevant to the area so that Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects can be appropriately managed. During the process of consultation, some information may be culturally sensitive. For example, gender restrictions (men or women's business) may be one form of culturally sensitive information in addition to ceremonial and ritualistic information associated to an Aboriginal place. It is therefore paramount that cultural sensitivities associated with the landscape are treated as important information that must be handled with care in a respectful manner.

8.1 Aboriginal Community Co-operation

In the event that culturally sensitive information is associated to a particular area within Centennial's western operations, it is the responsibility of the Aboriginal community to clearly inform either Centennial and/or the contracted heritage consultant of this matter so that appropriate management protocols can be formulated to minimise the risk of mining-related impact to the area. Should the Aboriginal community provide detailed information about the sensitive information for the purpose of documentation, but the information has been requested to remain private from public access; the following protocols (**Figure 6**) will be adopted unless another protocol is agreed upon by the Aboriginal community.

Figure 6 - Protocol for Handling Culturally Sensitive Information



9 Roles and Responsibilities

This section defines the roles of persons associated with the implementation of this ACHMP as well as their responsibilities under the ACHMP. This section identifies the individuals and/or organisations outlined in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Monitoring Program.

The roles and responsibilities for the monitoring of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and areas of cultural require the efforts from the following groups:

- Site Managers
- Site Environment and Community Representative;
- Archaeologist;
- All workers and employees
- Aboriginal parties; and
- Surveyors (where applicable).

In order to successfully facilitate the management plan/strategy for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in the boundary of Centennial's western operations, it is important that the following personnel ensure that their roles and responsibilities are carried out correctly. **Table 9.1** details the roles and responsibilities that each group must carry out.

9.1 Penalties and Consequences for Non-Compliance

It is important that the roles and responsibilities listed in **Table 6** are adhered to closely to ensure that the monitoring process for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects are undertaken correctly and to best practice standards for the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects. It is important to be aware that there are legal repercussions for the mismanagement of Aboriginal cultural heritage which can harm Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects. The NPW Act 1974 defines the process of harm as destroying, defacing damaging or moving an Aboriginal object from the land on which it has been situated. The only defence from prosecution is if the proponent can demonstrate that harm was authorised under an AHIP, under an approved ACHMP or that the proponent exercised due diligence in respect to Aboriginal heritage.

Under the NPW Act 1979, the penalty for knowingly harming an Aboriginal object (s86[1]) and/or an Aboriginal place (s86[4]) is up to \$550,000 for an individual and/or imprisonment for 2 years; and in the case of a corporation the penalty is up to \$1.1 million. The penalty for a strict liability offence (s86[2]) is up to \$110,000 for an individual and \$200,000 for a corporation.

Table 9.1 - Roles and Responsibilities of Personnel involved in the ACHMP

Environment and Community Representative	Responsibilities	Onsite Personnel	Responsibilities	Archaeologist	Responsibilities	Aboriginal Parties	Responsibilities	Surveyor	Responsibilities
This is the person nominated by Centennial to co-ordinate and manage environmental requirements in each respective operation	• Read, Understand, implement and ensure the practical application of this ACHMP. • Follow instructions outlined in this ACHMP • Ensure that a copy of this ACHMP is available onsite in addition to any other reports applicable to area of proposed works. • Liaise with the Aboriginal community, as appropriate. • Act and provide advice in a timely manner to all parties.	Any individual undertaking surface disturbance within Centennial's western operations	• Understand the heritage requirements under the NSW legislation. • Be aware that there is an immediate STOP WORK requirement for some situations outlined in heritage management flow charts and ensure that there are procedures in place to secure the area for such situations.	An individual with appropriate qualification to undertake cultural heritage assessments and management actions	• Assist with the implementation of this ACHMP, as required. • Co-ordinate Aboriginal Heritage monitoring program. • Provide heritage advice in accordance with the relevant legislation. • Undertake the recording of new sites in accordance with Heritage NSW guidelines. • Liaise with the Aboriginal community, as appropriate. • Complete monitoring control forms.	Person/s of Aboriginal descent who have an interest in a specific Project Area within Centennial's western operations	• Participate in the consultation process • Provide advice on Aboriginal cultural heritage issues in a timely manner. • Assist in the identification of cultural heritage sites, as necessary. • Participate, if available in the monitoring of the respective colliery in which they have an interest in.	An individual with appropriate qualifications to undertake surveying. This may be a Centennial survey or contractor.	• Complete monitoring control forms in conjunction with the heritage consultant, as required.

10 Inductions

All Centennial staff and contractors undertaking work at Centennial's operations are required to undertake a site specific induction prior to commencing work. Aboriginal heritage matters form a component of these inductions. Records of inductions will be kept and are maintained on site.

11 Document Control

11.1 Management Plan Updates

The purpose of this document is to provide a standardised and overarching management plan and mitigation strategy for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within the boundary of Centennial's western operations. However, this does not discount the possibility that certain sites may require extra attention and require additional specific management protocols put in place to ensure that the site is not harmed as a result of mining-related activities. There may be requirements to adjust/modify some of the management strategies or mitigation measures in this document if it becomes outdated or proven to be inefficient in practice. As a consequence, the ACHMP will be updated when deemed necessary or in accordance with the requirements of the development consent to ensure that the document remains current and user-friendly for the purpose of managing Aboriginal cultural heritage sites according to the standards required under NSW legislation. Updated versions of the ACHMP report must also be provided to the registered Aboriginal parties.

As a minimum, this ACHMP will be reviewed within 3 months of:

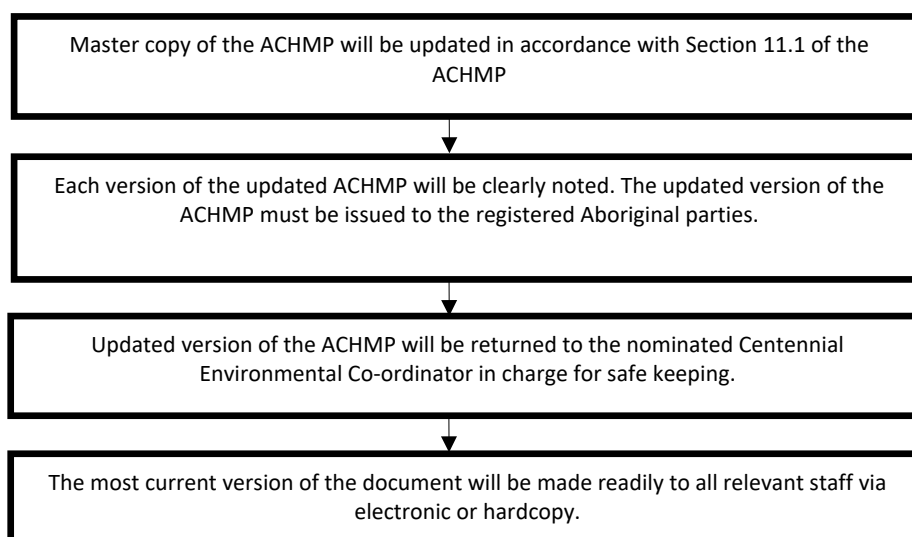
- (a) the submission of an incident report relevant to Aboriginal heritage matters
- (b) the submission of an annual review
- (c) the submission of an audit report; or
- (d) any modification to the conditions of consent

Unless the conditions require otherwise, where this review leads to revisions to the ACHMP, the ACHMP will be updated and submitted to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure for approval within 4 weeks of the review being completed.

Given that the expected lifespan of the mining program is more than 20 years, it is important that current and future Centennial Environmental and Community Site Representatives thoroughly read and clearly understand the operations of this document. Centennial will ensure that this document is readily accessible to Centennial staff and relevant contractors working on site. It is the responsibility of the nominated Centennial Environmental Site Representative to ensure that revised editions of this document is made readily accessible to all onsite Centennial staff and contractors and that refreshers inductions provided when deemed necessary.

Revised editions of the document will be provided to the Registered Aboriginal Parties (**Figure 7**).

Figure 7 - Continual Revision of the ACHMP Procedure



12 Dispute Resolution

12.1 Procedure to Resolve a Dispute

In the event that a resolution cannot be achieved between Centennial and the Aboriginal stakeholder groups, or if there is a dispute between the Aboriginal stakeholder groups at any point during the consultation process, the parties in dispute will attempt to resolve the issue/s and aim to reach an agreement from the time that the conflict arises.

If the dispute cannot be resolved within two weeks of the dispute arising, the disputing parties will engage each other in a more formal setting to seek a dispute resolution. The meeting will be set in an agreed location where both parties can attend and facilitated by an independent mediator agreed to by both parties.

In the event that the disputing parties cannot agree on a meeting place, the mediator will nominate a location.

The scheduled meeting place will be stated in a formal invitation letter prepared by Centennial to the disputing parties, which stipulates the time, date and the issue of discussion. In the event that one of the disputing parties is not able to attend on the day the meeting was scheduled, notice will be provided at least two (2) days before the date of attendance. If either party involved in the dispute fail to confirm their participation and/or fails to attend the meeting, this will be considered a forfeiture of the dispute.

The meeting will be conducted under mediation, which comprises an independent mediator and representatives of the disputing parties. The parties in dispute will be prepared to negotiate in good faith and work towards a mutually satisfying compromise with the assistance of the mediator. All points of view will be documented by the mediator and the purpose of the meeting will be to encourage the parties to negotiate and ultimately reach a satisfying agreement. The course of the meeting will be based on the complexity and number of the disputed issues. Any information disclosed to a mediator in private is to be treated as confidential by the mediator unless the party making the disclosure states otherwise. If agreement is reached at the mediation, the terms of the agreement will be written down and signed by the parties before leaving the mediation.

12.1.1 Role of the Mediator

The mediator is a neutral and impartial person who will not impose a solution on the parties, nor will not make a decision for or give any legal advice to the parties. The mediator will not act for any party in relation to any proceeding concerning the dispute. The mediator will be agreed by both parties in dispute. If the disputing parties cannot agree on a person to act as a mediator, it is recommended that Heritage NSW be contacted as an independent advisor to suggest a mediator for the dispute resolution.

The mediator will provide an overview of the mediation process which will include the following stages:

- The systematic identification of all disputed matters;
- Facilitation of direct communication between the parties;
- Develop options for the resolution of these issues;

- Explore the usefulness of these options; and
- Arrive at a settlement that the parties find mutually acceptable.

12.1.2 Conflict of Interest

The mediator must, prior to the commencement of the mediation, disclose to the parties to the best of his or her knowledge any prior dealings with any of the parties as well as any interests in the dispute. If in the course of the mediation the mediator becomes aware of any circumstances that might reasonably be considered to affect the mediator's capacity to act impartially, the mediator will immediately inform the parties of these circumstances. In this instance, the parties will then decide whether the mediation will continue with that mediator or with a new mediator appointed by the parties.

12.2 Dispute Resolution Protocol during Field Survey

Participation in the field survey for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites and objects require the co-operation of all parties involved. It is important that all members of the field team co-operate to ensure that the task is undertaken smoothly without deliberate delays. Professional standards will be employed at all times to ensure that the purpose of the exercise is not disrupted.

In the event that a disagreement takes place, it is not acceptable to engage in an argument in the field. Instead, the incident will be clearly documented in writing by each party at the end of the day which will clearly indicate the following:

- Date of incident;
- Place where the incident took place;
- The individuals involved in the incident; and
- Matter of dispute or disagreement.

The incident report will be submitted to Centennial within two days of the field survey so that the information can be documented and to give Centennial the opportunity to seek a pathway to resolve the issue. In the event that a resolution cannot be achieved by means of informing Centennial the protocols outlined in **Section 12.3** of this ACHMP will be initiated.

12.3 Protocols if Mediation is Unsuccessful

Mediation will be adopted as the primary means of achieving a resolution if an agreement cannot be achieved through informal discussions. In the event that the disputing parties remain in conflict after going through mediation, advice will be sought from the appropriate regulatory authority depending on the nature of the dispute. The advice provided by the regulatory authority will be followed in order to achieve a dispute resolution.

13 Conclusion

Centennial recognises the importance of consulting with Aboriginal parties in the management of Aboriginal cultural heritage. This Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan has been developed to provide a base framework to ensure that the management of Aboriginal heritage is dealt with in a consistent manner across all of Centennial's operations within Centennial's western operations. Key elements to this document include minimum requirements for Aboriginal consultation and minimum standards for Aboriginal heritage identification, assessment, monitoring and management. This document has identified the roles and responsibilities of Centennial staff, Aboriginal parties and the heritage consultant as well as protocols for dealing with disputes and document control. The protocols detailed in this document are informed by the legislative requirements and understanding of previous archaeological investigations undertaken in the area.

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Attachment 1

Airly Mine

Overview of Operations

Airly Mine is an underground coal mine located approximately 40 kilometres north-northwest of Lithgow and approximately 171 kilometres northwest of Sydney. The Mine's consent allows extraction of 1.8 million tonnes of coal per annum for supply to both domestic and international markets by rail. The key infrastructure at the Airly Mine surface facilities area comprises administration buildings, bathhouse, workshop, coal handling infrastructure, mine ventilation infrastructure, a rail loop and train loading facilities.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for mining operations associated with Airly Mine/Airly Extension.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Airly Mine/Airly Extension

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
North-East Wiradjuri Company Ltd
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Wiray-dyuraa Ngambaay-dyil
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Warrabinga/Wiradjuri people Native Title Claimants
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions

Table 2 Airly Mine Extension Project Development Consent (SSD_5581)

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 2	The Applicant must ensure that the development does not cause any exceedances of the performance measures in Table 1 to the satisfaction of the Secretary	Airly site specific appendix Site Specific Measures identifies an Extraction Plan will be completed in accordance with requirements of Schedule 3 Condition 7 prior to any first workings within the Cliff Line Zone and Zone of First Workings or secondary workings.
Schedule 4 Condition 18	Unless otherwise authorised under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the Applicant must ensure that the development does not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal sites.	Section 4 Potential impacts on Aboriginal cultural heritage sites from mining and mining related activities and Section 6 Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring and management refers to processes for avoiding impact to identified Aboriginal sites. Airly site specific appendix Site Specific Measures identifies the development must not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal sites.
Prior to carrying out any development under this consent that would cause surface disturbance, the Applicant must prepare a Heritage Management Plan for the development to the satisfaction of the Secretary. This plan must:		
Schedule 4 Condition 19(a)	be prepared by suitably qualified and experienced person/s whose appointment has been endorsed by the Secretary;	Endorsement of Tessa Boer-Mah of RPS to prepare the Heritage Management plans granted 2 November 2015
Schedule 4 Condition 19 (b)	be prepared in consultation with Heritage Division, Council, any relevant local historical organisations (in relation to non-Aboriginal heritage) and local Aboriginal stakeholders (in relation to Aboriginal heritage);	Attachment 8 is a detailed consultation log detailing consultation undertaken for the development of this ACHMP with the (then) NSW Office of Environment and Heritage now Heritage NSW, Council and relevant Aboriginal parties.
Schedule 4 Condition 19 (C)	include a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	managing the discovery of human remains or previously unidentified heritage items on site; and	Section 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures and Section 6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP describe the measures to be implemented for the discovery of human remains or previously unidentified heritage items on site.
	ensuring any workers on site receive suitable heritage inductions and that suitable records are kept of these inductions;	Section 10 Inductions of this ACHMP identifies induction requirements and how they are kept.
Schedule 4 Condition 19(d)	include the following for the management of Aboriginal heritage:	
	a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	protecting, monitoring and/or managing (including any proposed archaeological investigations and/or salvage measures) the heritage items identified in Appendix 5;	Section 6 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management of this ACHMP.
	managing the discovery of previously unidentified Aboriginal items on site;	Section 6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	conserving the sites outside the surface disturbance area (see Appendix 5)	Section 6.1 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Surveys and Site Identification of this ACHMP.
	maintaining and managing reasonable access for Aboriginal stakeholders to heritage items on site;	Section 7.0 Access to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	ongoing consultation with the Aboriginal stakeholders in the conservation and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage on site;	Section 5.3 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee of this ACHMP.

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 4 Condition 19(e)	include the following for the management of non-Aboriginal heritage items:	
	a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	protecting, monitoring and managing the heritage items identified in Appendix 6; and	Western Region Historic Heritage Management Plan Section 6 Archival Recording and Section 7 Identification of previously unknown heritage sites of skeletal remains.
	managing the discovery of previously unidentified cultural heritage items on site.	Western Region Historic Heritage Management Plan Section 7.1 Heritage Sites.
Schedule 6 Condition 5	The Water, Biodiversity and Heritage Management Plans required by conditions 13, 15 and 19 of Schedule 4, respectively, are to be prepared in respect of all parts of the development that are not covered by an Extraction Plan approved under condition 7 of Schedule 3. In particular, those management plans should address all areas subject to existing or proposed surface disturbance with the development.	The Overview of Operations and Figure 1 identify the areas covered by this site specific appendix. The site specific measures section of this Appendix identifies the requirement for an Extraction Plan to be prepared and approved in accordance with Schedule 3 Condition 2 prior to any first workings within the Cliff Line Zone and Zone of First Workings or secondary workings.

Figure 1 - AHIMS Registered Sites – Airly Mine/Airly Extension

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Airly Mine/Airly Extension

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015.

The Aboriginal parties that attended the workshop are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Airly Mine

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015) it was considered that the sites on Genowlan Mountain were of extremely high significance due to their location and difficulty of access and such locations may have been used for ceremonial purposes. The remaining sites were considered to be of high significance as it showed a sample of occupation in the local area and their inter-relatedness to the ceremonial sites on Genowlan Mountain.

The results of the workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Airly Mine

AHIMS	Site Types	Airly Mine Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0168	Surface Artefact(s)	High
45-1-0167	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-2760	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2761	Rockshelter + PAD	High
45-1-2762	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2763	Artefact Scatter	High

AHIMS	Site Types	Airly Mine Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-2765	Artefact Scatter	Extremely High
45-1-2766	Art Site	Extremely High
45-1-2767	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2768	Artefact Scatter in Rockshelter	Extremely High
45-1-2769	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2770	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2771	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2772	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2773	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2774	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2775	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2776	Scarred Tree	High
45-1-2777	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2745	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2746	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2747	Artefact Scatter	Extremely High
45-1-2748	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2742	Rockshelter + Artefact Scatter	High

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Airly Mine

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Airly Mine boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Airly Mine

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Represent-ativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Airly Mine Local Scientific Significance Ranking	Airly Mine Regional Scientific Significance Ranking
45-1-0168	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0167	Rockshelter with Deposit	Local	3	3	2	2	High	High
		Regional	2	2	2	1		
45-1-2760	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2761	Rockshelter with Deposit	Local	2	2	2	1	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	2	1		
45-1-2762	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2763	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2765	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2766	Art Site	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	2		
45-1-2767	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2768	Rockshelter with Artefacts	Local	3	3	2	2	High	High
		Regional	2	2	2	1		
45-1-2769	Isolated Find	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2770	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2771	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2772	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Represent-ativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Airly Mine Local Scientific Significance Ranking	Airly Mine Regional Scientific Significance Ranking
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2773	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2774	Isolated Find	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2775	Artefact Scatter	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Low
		Regional	1	2	1	1		
45-1-2776	Scarred Tree	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	2	2	1		
45-1-2777	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2745	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2746	Artefact Scatter	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2747	Artefact Scatter	Local	2	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2748	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2742	Rockshelter + Artefact Scatter	Local	2	1	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

Site Specific Management Measures – Airly Mine

Centennial Airly will undertake all mining operations, Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

Unless otherwise authorised under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the Applicant shall ensure that the development does not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal sites.

An Extraction Plan will be prepared prior to carrying out of first workings in the Cliff Line Zone and Zone of First Workings or second workings. The Extraction Plan will be prepared and approved in accordance with Airly SSD_5581 Schedule 3 Condition 7.

Attachment 2

Angus Place Colliery

Overview of Operations

Angus Place Colliery is an existing underground coal mine located approximately 15 kilometres to the northwest of Lithgow and approximately 120 kilometres west-northwest of Sydney. Angus Place Colliery commenced production in 1979, after being developed as an extension of the Newcom Mine at Kerosene Vale. This initially was a bord and pillar operation, but converted to longwall mining due to the depth of cover and geotechnical environment. Current approvals for the mine authorise the extraction of up to 4 million tonnes of coal per annum using a combination of continuous miner and longwall mining methods. The key infrastructure at the Angus Place surface facilities area comprises administration buildings, bathhouse, workshop, mine ventilation infrastructure and coal handling infrastructure.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for mining operations associated with Angus Place Colliery.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Angus Place Colliery

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions

Table 2 - Angus Place Colliery Project Approval (PA06_0021)

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 3	The Proponent shall ensure that underground mining does not cause any exceedances of the performance measures in Table 1A to the satisfaction of the Secretary.	Subsidence Impact Performance Measures in Table 1A are required to be addressed in accordance with Schedule Condition 3A Extraction Plans. Site Specific measures of this Appendix identifies the requirement for performance measures to not be exceeded as identified in an Extraction Plan.
Schedule 3 Condition 3C (ix)	Each Extraction Plan must include a Heritage Management Plan, which has been prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW and relevant stakeholders for Aboriginal heritage, to manage the potential environmental consequences of the proposed second workings on Aboriginal heritage sites or values.	Approval of the Heritage Management Plan prepared as part of the Extraction Plan for longwalls 900W and 910 was received 11 April 2014 (see Attachment 8) This ACHMP was approved by the Secretary on 22 July 2016. This ACHMP was prepared in consultation with the (then) NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (now Heritage NSW) and relevant Aboriginal stakeholders (refer to consultation log in Attachment 8).

Figure 1 - AHIMS Registered Sites – Angus Place Colliery

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Angus Place Colliery

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015.

The Aboriginal parties that attended the workshop are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Angus Place Colliery

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015) it was considered that the sites on the Newnes Plateau were considered of extremely high significance due to their location and difficulty of access. It was considered that the sites locations signify that these sites were used for ceremonial purposes.

The remaining sites were considered to be of high significance as it showed a sample of occupation in the local area and their inter-relatedness to the ceremonial sites on the Newnes Plateau.

The results of the workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Angus Place Colliery

AHIMS	Site Types	Angus Place Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0147	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0148	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0159	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0008	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0044	Scarred Tree	Extremely High
45-1-2555	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	High

AHIMS	Site Types	Angus Place Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0141	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0142	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0143	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0144	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0145	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0146	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0149	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0151	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0152	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0153	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0156	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0157	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0158	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0160	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0135	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0136	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0137	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0138	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0139	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0140	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0253	Isolated Find	High
45-1-0254	Rockshelter + Art	High
45-1-0255	Rockshelter + Art	High
45-1-0078	Shelter with Art, Deposit and Grinding Grooves	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Angus Place Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0084	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0093	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0007	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	High
45-1-0024	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0040	Rockshelter + Art	High
45-1-0041	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0046	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-2556	Rockshelter + Art	High
45-1-0133	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0155	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0150	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-2692	PAD	Extremely High

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Angus Place Colliery

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Angus Place Colliery boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Angus Place Colliery

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Angus Place Local Significance Ranking	Angus Place Regional Significance Ranking
45-1-0007	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	2	3	3	3		
45-1-0008	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	2	2	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		
45-1-0024	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	23	3	2	3		
45-1-0040	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-0041	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-0044	Scarred Tree	Local	3	3	2	2	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		
45-1-0046	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-0078	Shelter with Art, Deposit and Grinding Grooves	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	3	2		
45-1-0084	Rockshelter with Deposit	Local	2	2	3	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	2	1		
45-1-0093	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0133	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	2	2	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		
45-1-0135	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	2	2	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		
45-1-0136	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	2	2	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Angus Place Local Significance Ranking	Angus Place Regional Significance Ranking
45-1-0137	Rockshelter with Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0138	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-0139	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-0140	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0141	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0142	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0143	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0144	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0145	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0146	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0147	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	3		
45-1-0148	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0149	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0150	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Angus Place Local Significance Ranking	Angus Place Regional Significance Ranking
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0151	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0152	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	3	2		
45-1-0153	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0155	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0156	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0157	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0158	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0159	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0160	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0253	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0254	Rockshelter + Art	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	3	2		
45-1-0255	Rockshelter + Art	Local	2	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	3	2		
45-1-2555	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Angus Place Local Significance Ranking	Angus Place Regional Significance Ranking
45-1-2556	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	2	3		
45-1-2692	PAD	Local	2	2	3	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	2	1		

Site Specific Management Measures – Angus Place Colliery

Centennial Angus Place will undertake all mining operations, Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

An Extraction Plan will be prepared for underground mining in accordance with Schedule 3 Condition 3A Extraction Plans to ensure performance measures in Schedule 3 Condition 3 are not exceeded.

Attachment 3

Charbon Colliery

Overview of Operations

Charbon Colliery (Charbon) was a former underground (bord and pillar) and open cut coal mining operation. Charbon is located approximately four kilometres south of the village of Kandos and 70 kilometres north of the city of Lithgow in the Blue Mountains region of NSW.

The Planning Assessment Commission of New South Wales granted Charbon Project Approval (PA 08_0211) on 07 September 2010.

Underground mining operations were completed at Charbon on 7 March 2014 and Open Cut mining operations ceased on 14 August 2015. Following the cessation of Open Cut mining operations the site has entered a Closure and Rehabilitation phase. Activities at the site since then have been limited to environmental management and monitoring in addition to ongoing rehabilitation of the site. Charbon is currently undertaking rehabilitation for the closure of the mine.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for operations associated with Charbon Colliery.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Charbon Colliery

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
North-East Wiradjuri Corporation;
Warrabinga/Wiradjuri People Native Title Claimants; and
Wellington Valley Wiradjuri Aboriginal Corporation.

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions**Table 2 – Charbon Colliery Development Consent (PA 08_0211)**

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 2 Condition 34	The Proponent must prepare and implement an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan for the project to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary. This plan must:	This Charbon site specific Appendix.
Schedule 2 Condition 34(a)	Be prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW and the Aboriginal community, and be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval within 12 months of the date of this approval and prior to any activities that would disturb either known Aboriginal sites or sensitive Aboriginal landforms within the 8 Trunk Open Cut Pit Area;	Attachment 8 Consultation log identifies consultation undertaken in the preparation of this Plan. Prior to March 2017 the consultation undertaken for Aboriginal cultural heritage at Charbon is identified within the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Status Report (March 2017).
Schedule 2 Condition 34(b)	Include a	
	detailed assessment of the Sensitive Archaeological Landform located within the 8 Trunk Open Cut Pit area:	Prior to March 2017 the detailed assessment of the Sensitive Archaeological Landform located within the 8 Trunk Open Cut Pit area at Charbon is described within the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Status Report (March 2017).

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	detailed salvage program and management plan for Aboriginal sites and potential archaeological deposits within the project disturbance area and measures to provide a keeping place for any salvaged objects;	Section 6 of this ACHMP describes Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring and management. The salvage program and management of Aboriginal sites and archaeological deposits prior to March 2017 is described in the within the Charbon Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Status Report (March 2017).
	detailed description of the measures that would be implemented to protect and monitor Aboriginal sites outside the project disturbance area;	Section 6 of this ACHMP describes Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring and management.
	description of the measures that would be implemented if any new Aboriginal objects or skeletal remains are discovered during the project; and	A description of measures that would be implemented if any new Aboriginal objects or skeletal remains are discovered during are described in Section 6.7 Identification of previously unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP. Prior to March 2017 the measures to be implemented if any new Aboriginal objects or skeletal remains are discovered is described in within the Charbon Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Status Report (March 2017).

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	protocol for the ongoing consultation and involvement of the Aboriginal communities in the conservation and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage on the site.	The ongoing consultation of the Aboriginal Community will include the Western Region Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan Committee and Site Inspections as described in Section 5.0 Aboriginal Community Consultation of this ACHMP. Prior to March 2017 the consultation undertaken for Aboriginal cultural heritage at Charbon is identified within the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Status Report (March 2017).

Table 3 - Status of Registered AHIMS Site Charbon

AHIMS	Site Types	Charbon Overall Cultural Significance
36-6-0029	Artefact (unspecified)	Not Determined
36-6-0643	Shelter with Art and Deposit	Not Determined
32-6-0004	Artefact Scatter	Not Determined
36-6-0716	Artefact and PAD	Not Determined
36-6-0720	Scarred Tree	Not Determined
36-6-0721	Scarred tree	Not Determined
36-6-0722	Scarred tree	Not Determined
36-6-0723	Scarred tree	Not Determined
36-6-0727	Isolated artefact and PAD	Not Determined
36-6-0856	Aboriginal Resource and Gathering	Not Determined
36-6-0857	PAD	Not Determined
36-6-0858	PAD	Not Determined
36-6-0859	PAD	Not Determined
36-6-1006	Artefact Scatter	Not Determined
36-6-1007	Isolated find	Not Determined
36-6-1008	Isolated find	Not Determined

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Figure 1 – AHIMS Registered Sites – Charbon Colliery

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Charbon

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. An opportunity for comment on the cultural risk ranking was provided with the draft Charbon site specific appendix.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Charbon

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Charbon boundary are listed below in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Charbon

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Represent-ativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Charbon	Charbon
							Local Significance Ranking	Regional Significance Ranking
36-6-0029	Artefact (unspecified)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
36-6-0643	Shelter with Art and Deposit :	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
32-6-0004	Artefact Scatter	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0716	Artefact and PAD	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
36-6-0720	Scarred tree	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0721	Scarred tree	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0722	Scarred tree	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0723	Scarred tree	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	2	2	1		
36-6-0727	Isolated artefact and PAD	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
36-6-0856	Aboriginal Resource and Gathering	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0857	PAD	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0858	PAD	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-0859	PAD	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Represent-ativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Charbon	Charbon
							Local Significance Ranking	Regional Significance Ranking
36-6-1006	Artefact Scatter	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-1007	Isolated find	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
36-6-1008	Isolated find	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		

Site Specific Management Measures

Scar Tree AHIMS 36-6-0723 Management

Scar tree AHIMS 36-6-0723 fell between 2 September and 3 September 2016 due to extreme weather. A notification was made to Registered Aboriginal Parties and OEH on 5 September 2016.

Consultation has occurred with Registered Aboriginal Parties following notification. The Regional ACHMP Committee meeting held on 26 October 2016 discussed the ongoing site management and it was recommended that the most effective method to preserve the scar was to stand the trunk up or lay the trunk horizontally, but elevated off the ground. The tree is to be protected from elements by a building structure with a roof.

The following is the process for the Scar Tree Management:

- A suitable basal platform will be constructed to support the remnant scar tree. The platform will be sufficiently elevated off the ground as to protect the scar from ground moisture;
- The scar tree will be positioned within its immediate location within the existing fenced off area;
- The scar is within close proximity to the root ball, as such, the root ball cannot completely be removed but instead will be trimmed up to enhance aesthetics and scar preservation. Complete removal of the root ball will be detrimental to the preservation of the scar;
- Through the use of a crane/excavator and suitable lifting equipment the tree will be placed on the constructed platform;
- The scar will face the orientation prior to falling over; and
- The steam and cultural scar will be protected under a suitably sized roof structure. This will assist in keeping the tree dry which will help mitigate decay and termite infestation.

Cultural Risk Ranking

An opportunity for cultural risk rankings will be provided to the Charbon Registered Aboriginal Parties.

Attachment 4

Clarence Colliery

Overview of Operations

Clarence Colliery is an underground coal mine located approximately 10 kilometres east of Lithgow and approximately 100 kilometres west-northwest of Sydney. Clarence Colliery is a partial pillar extraction mine that commenced operations in 1979. Clarence Colliery has existing development approvals in place enabling extraction of up to three million tonnes of coal per annum. The infrastructure at the Clarence Colliery surface facilities area comprises administration buildings, bathhouse, workshop, mine ventilation infrastructure, coal handling infrastructure, a rail loop and train loading facilities.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for mining operations associated with Clarence Colliery.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Clarence Colliery

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
North-East Wiradjuri
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Warrabinga/Wiradjuri People Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Wiray-dyuraa Ngambaay-dyil

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions**Table 2 - Clarence Colliery Development Consent (MP 504-00)**

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 30	The Applicant must prepare and implement a Heritage Management Plan for the development to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary.	Original ACHMP approved 23 October 2014. This ACHMP was approved by the Planning Secretary on 22 July 2016.
	This Plan must:	
Schedule 3 Condition 30(a)	be prepared in consultation with relevant Aboriginal stakeholders	Attachment 8 is a detailed consultation log detailing consultation undertaken for the development of this ACHMP with the then NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (now Heritage NSW), Council and relevant Aboriginal parties.
Schedule 3 Condition 30(b)	be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval prior to 31 October 2014	Original version of this ACHMP submitted 2 October 2014.
Schedule 3 Condition 30(c)	include consideration of the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal cultural context and significance of the site	Section 1, Section 6.2 and Attachment 4 of this ACHMP. Note: non-Aboriginal heritage not addressed in this management plan.
Schedule 3 Condition 30(d)	detail the responsibilities of all stakeholders	Section 9 of this ACHMP.
Schedule 3 Condition 30(e)	include programs/procedures and management measures for appropriate identification, management, conservation and protection of both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage items identified on the site	Section 6 of this ACHMP. (non-Aboriginal heritage not addressed in this management plan).

Figure 1 – AHIMS Registered Sites – Clarence Colliery

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Clarence Colliery

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015.

The Aboriginal parties that attended the workshop are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Clarence Colliery

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015) it was considered that the sites on the Newnes Plateau were considered of extremely high significance due to their location and difficulty of access. It was considered that the sites locations signify that these sites were used for ceremonial purposes.

The remaining sites were considered to be of high significance as it showed a sample of occupation in the local area and their inter-relatedness to the ceremonial sites on the Newnes Plateau.

The results of the workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Clarence Colliery

AHIMS	Site Types	Clarence Colliery Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0063	Grinding Groove	Extremely High
45-1-0064	Rockshelter + PAD	High
45-1-0085	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0192	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0193	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0194	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Clarence Colliery Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0195	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0196	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0201	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0202	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0053	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0055	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	High
45-1-0057	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	High
45-1-0058	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0191	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0103	Surface Artefact(s)	High
45-1-2693	Surface Artefact(s)	High
45-1-2704	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2705	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2696	Surface Artefact(s) + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-2697	Artefact Scatter	Extremely High
45-1-2698	Artefact Scatter	Extremely High
45-1-2699	Artefact Scatter	Extremely High
45-1-2700	Artefact Scatter + PAD	High
45-1-2701	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2702	Surface Artefact(s) + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-2703	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2690	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2779	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-0065	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0128	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Clarence Colliery Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0130	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0003	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0004	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0179	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0181	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0182	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0183	Rockshelter + PAD	Extremely High
45-1-0185	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0186	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0187	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0188	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0189	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0190	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0197	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0198	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2691	Grinding Groove	Extremely High

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Clarence Colliery

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Clarence Colliery boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Clarence Colliery

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Rarity	Representativeness	Educational Potential	Clarence Colliery Local Significance Ranking	Clarence Colliery Regional Significance Ranking
45-1-0003	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	2	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	2		
45-1-0004	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0053	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0055	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0057	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0058	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0063	Grinding Groove	Local	1	2	2	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	2	1	1		
45-1-0064	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0065	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + PAD	Local	3	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	2		
45-1-0085	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0103	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0128	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0130	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	2	2	Moderate	Low

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Rarity	Representativeness	Educational Potential	Clarence Colliery Local Significance Ranking	Clarence Colliery Regional Significance Ranking
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-0179	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0181	Grinding Groove + Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0182	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	1	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-0183	Rockshelter + PAD	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0185	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0186	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	3	3	2		
45-1-0187	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0188	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0189	Rockshelter + Art	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-0190	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0191	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0192	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	2	1	2	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0193	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Rarity	Representativeness	Educational Potential	Clarence Colliery Local Significance Ranking	Clarence Colliery Regional Significance Ranking
45-1-0194	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	2	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0195	Surface Artefact(s) + Rockshelter	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-0196	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0197	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0198	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0201	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	2	1	1	2		
45-1-0202	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	2	1	1	2		
45-1-2690	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2691	Grinding Groove	Local	2	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	2	1	2		
45-1-2693	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2696	Surface Artefact(s) + PAD	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2697	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2698	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2699	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Rarity	Representativeness	Educational Potential	Clarence Colliery Local Significance Ranking	Clarence Colliery Regional Significance Ranking
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2700	Artefact Scatter + PAD	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2701	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2702	Surface Artefact(s) + PAD	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2703	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2704	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2705	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2779	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

Site Specific Management Measures – Clarence Colliery

Centennial Clarence will undertake all mining operations, Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

Attachment 5

Lidsdale Siding

Overview of Operations

The Lidsdale Siding Rail Loading Facility is located approximately 12 kilometres northwest of Lithgow and approximately 120 kilometres west of Sydney adjacent to the township of Wallerawang. The principal components of Lidsdale Siding are a rail siding, an overland conveyor which delivers coal from the Centennial Coal Western Coal Services site, coal stockpiles, workshop, office and pollution control dams. Lidsdale Siding handles thermal coal for distribution to domestic and international markets via the Main Western Railway Line to port facilities on the NSW coast.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for operations associated with Lidsdale Siding.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Lidsdale Siding

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
North-East Wiradjuri
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions**Table 2 - Lidsdale Siding Project Approval (MP 08_0223)**

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 23	The Proponent must prepare and implement a Heritage Management Plan for the project to the satisfaction of the Planning Secretary.	Approval was received from the then Department of Planning and Infrastructure in a letter dated 15 November 2013 for the original ACHMP for Lidsdale Siding, Original version of this ACHMP approved 23 October 2014. This ACHMP was approved by the Planning Secretary on 22 July 2016.
	This Plan must:	
Schedule 3 Condition 23(a)	be prepared in consultation with any relevant Aboriginal stakeholders	Attachment 8 is a detailed consultation log detailing consultation undertaken for the development of this ACHMP with OEH, Council and relevant Aboriginal parties.
Schedule 3 Condition 23(b)	be submitted to the Planning Secretary for approval within 6 months of the date of this approval	The Heritage Management Plan for Lidsdale Siding was originally submitted to the Planning Secretary on 2 October 2013. Original version of this ACHMP was submitted on 2 October 2014.
Schedule 3 Condition 23(c)	include consideration of the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal cultural context and significance of the site	Section 1, Section 6.2 and Section 5 Aboriginal Community Consultation of this ACHMP.
Schedule 3 Condition 23(d)	detail the responsibilities of all stakeholders	Section 9 Roles and Responsibilities of this ACHMP.

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 23(e)	include programs/procedures and management measures for appropriate identification, management, conservation and protection of both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage items identified on the site	Section 6 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management of this ACHMP. Section 5 Historic Heritage Assessment of the Western Region Historic Heritage Management Plan.

Figure 1 – AHIMS Registered Sites – Lidsdale Siding

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Lidsdale Siding

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015.

The Aboriginal parties that attended the workshop are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Lidsdale Siding

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015) it was considered that due to the level of disturbance at Lidsdale Siding it was difficult to assess the level of significance. However, all sites are of high significance to Aboriginal people. The results of the workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Lidsdale Siding

AHIMS	Site Types	Lidsdale Siding Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-2-2539	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2716	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-2715	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2718	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2719	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2717	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2799	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-0211	Artefact Scatter	High

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Lidsdale Siding

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Lidsdale Siding boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Lidsdale Siding

AHIMS	SITE TYPE	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Lidsdale Siding	
							Local Significance Ranking	Regional Significance Ranking
45-2-2539	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	2	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2716	Artefact Scatter	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2715	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2718	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1			
45-1-2719	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2717	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2799	Artefact Scatter	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
45-1-0211	Artefact Scatter	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		

Site Specific Management Measures – Lidsdale Siding

Centennial Ivanhoe will undertake all operations at Lidsdale Siding including Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

Attachment 6

Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

Overview of Operations

Springvale Mine is an existing underground coal mine located approximately 15 kilometres to the northwest of Lithgow and approximately 120 kilometres west-northwest of Sydney. Underground coal mining commenced at Springvale Mine in 1995. The main components of Springvale Mine's operations are an underground longwall mine, accessed via the Springvale pit top, and supporting surface infrastructure within the pit top area and on Newnes Plateau within the Newnes State Forest. The key components of the Springvale surface facilities area comprises administration buildings, bathhouse, workshop, mine ventilation infrastructure and coal handling infrastructure.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for mining operations associated with Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension¹

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
North-East Wiradjuri
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Ngambaay-dyil
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Warrabinga/Wiradjuri People Native Title Claimants

¹ The registered Aboriginal parties previously included Mooka Traditional Owners. However, this organization belonged to a now deceased Wiradjuri traditional owner, and repeated attempts to contact the organization has failed over several years. As such, the organization has been removed.

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions**Table 2 - Springvale Mine Extension Project Development Consent (SSD 5594)**

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 1	The Applicant shall ensure that the development does not cause any exceedances of the performance measures in Table 1, to the satisfaction of the Secretary.	Schedule 3 Condition 10 requires an Extraction Plan to be prepared for all second workings on site. The Site Specific Measures of this Appendix identifies the requirement for an Extraction Plan to be prepared and approved in accordance with Schedule 3 Condition 10 to achieve performance measures listed in Schedule 3 Condition 1 Table 1.
Schedule 4 Condition 23	Unless otherwise authorised under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the Applicant shall ensure that the development does not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal heritage items located outside approved disturbance areas on site.	Springvale Site Specific Appendix.
Schedule 4 Condition 24	The Applicant shall prepare and implement a Heritage Management Plan for the development to the satisfaction of the Secretary. This plan must:	This ACHMP was approved by the Secretary on 22 July 2016.
Schedule 4 Condition 24(a)	be prepared by suitably qualified and experienced person/s whose appointment has been endorsed by the Secretary;	Endorsement of Tessa Boer-Mah of RPS to prepare the Heritage Management plans granted 2 November 2015.
Schedule 4 Condition 24(b)	be prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW, Council and local Aboriginal stakeholders (in relation to management of Aboriginal heritage values);	Attachment 8 is a detailed consultation log detailing consultation undertaken for the development of this ACHMP with OEH, Council and relevant Aboriginal parties.

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 4 Condition 24(c)	be submitted to the Secretary for approval within 6 months of the date of this consent, unless the Secretary agrees otherwise;	To be updated following submission of the ACHMP to the Secretary for approval.
Schedule 4 Condition 24(d)	include a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	managing the discovery of human remains or previously unidentified heritage items on site; and	Section 6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	ensuring any workers on site receive suitable heritage inductions and that suitable records are kept of these inductions;	Section 10 Inductions of this ACHMP.
Schedule 4 Condition 24(e)	include the following for the management of Aboriginal heritage:	
	a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	protecting, monitoring and/or managing the heritage items identified in Table 1 (including any proposed archaeological investigations and/or salvage measures);	Section 6 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management of this ACHMP.
	managing the discovery of previously unidentified Aboriginal items on site;	Section 6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	conserving the sites outside approved disturbance areas (see Appendix 6), including measures that would be implemented to secure, analyse and record any sites at risk of subsidence impacts;	

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	maintaining and managing reasonable access for Aboriginal stakeholders to heritage items on site;	Section 7 Access to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	ongoing consultation with the Aboriginal stakeholders in the conservation and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage on site;	Section 5.3 Aboriginal Heritage Committee of this ACHMP.
Schedule 4 Condition 24(f)	include the following for the management of non-Aboriginal heritage items:	
	a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	protecting, monitoring and managing the heritage items identified in Appendix 6; and	Western Region Historic Heritage Management Plan Attachment 6 Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension Project.
	managing the discovery of previously unidentified cultural heritage items on site.	Western Region Historic Heritage Management Plan Section 6.4 Identification of Previously Unknown Heritage Sites or Skeletal Remains.
Schedule 6 Condition 2	The Applicant shall ensure that the management plans required under this consent are prepared in accordance with any relevant guidelines, and include:	
Schedule 6 Condition 2(a)	Detailed baseline data;	
Schedule 6 Condition 2(b)	A description of:	
	The relevant statutory requirements (including any relevant approval, licence or lease conditions);	Section 2 Legislation and Guidelines of this ACHMP.

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	Any relevant limits or performance measures/criteria; and	To be addressed as part of the Extraction Plan.
	The specific performance indicators that are proposed to be used to judge the performance of, or guide the implementation of, the development or any management measures	Section 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures.
Schedule 6 Condition 2(c)	a description of the measures that would be implemented to comply with the relevant statutory requirements, limits, or performance measures/criteria;	Section 6.5 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Monitoring Requirements and 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures, and to be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan. Heritage Management Plan
Schedule 6 Condition 2(d)	a program to monitor and report on:	
	Impacts and environmental performance of the development; and	Section 4 Potential impacts on Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites from Mining and Mining Related Activities and to be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan.
	Effectiveness of any management measures.	Section 6.5 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Monitoring Requirements and 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures, and to be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan.
Schedule 6 Condition 2(e)	a contingency plan to manage any unpredicted impacts and their consequences and to ensure that ongoing impacts reduce to levels below relevant impact assessment criteria as quickly as possible;	Section 6.5 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Monitoring Requirements and Section 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures, and to be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan. Heritage Management Plan

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 5 Condition 2(f)	a program to investigate and implement ways to improve the environmental performance of the development over time;	Section 6.5 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site Monitoring Requirements and 6.6 Management and Mitigation Measures, and to be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan. Heritage Management Plan
Schedule 5 Condition 2(g)	a protocol for managing and reporting any:	
	Incidents	Section 9 Roles and Responsibilities of this ACHMP.
	Complaints	Section 12 Dispute Resolution of this ACHMP.
	Non-compliances with statutory requirements; and	Section 9 Roles and Responsibilities of this ACHMP.
	Exceedances of the impact assessment criteria and/or performance criteria; and	To be addressed as part of the Site Specific Extraction Plan Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan.
Schedule 5 Condition 2(h)	a protocol for periodic review of the plan.	Section 11.1 Management Plan Updates.

Figure 1 – AHIMS Registered Sites – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015.

The Aboriginal parties that attended the workshop are listed in **Table 3**.

Table 3 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015) it was considered that the sites on the Newnes Plateau were considered of extremely high significance due to their location and difficulty of access. It was considered that the sites locations signify that these sites were used for ceremonial purposes.

The remaining sites were considered to be of high significance as it showed a sample of occupation in the local area and their inter-relatedness to the ceremonial sites on the Newnes Plateau.

An additional workshop was held on 19 January 2021 for the two previously unidentified cultural heritage sites located on the Newnes Plateau. Both sites were again considered of extremely high significance.

The results of the workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

AHIMS	Site Types	Springvale Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0002	Grinding Grooves	Extremely High
45-1-2578	Stone Arrangement	Extremely High
45-1-2796	Isolated Find	High
45-1-0005	Grinding Groove	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Springvale Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0129	Scarred Tree	High
45-1-0087	Rockshelter + PAD	High
45-1-0088	Rockshelter + PAD	High
45-1-0091	Rockshelter + PAD	High
45-1-2669	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-0184	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2815	Art (Rock Painting)	Extremely High
45-1-0177	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0178	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0204	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0205	Rockshelter + Art	Extremely High
45-1-0051	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-0052	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2600	Scarred Tree	Extremely High
45-1-2756 / 45-1-2757	Rockshelter + PAD + Art	High
45-1-2758	Scarred Tree	Extremely High
45-1-2759	Scarred Tree	High
45-1-2739 / 45-1-2740	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2805	Grinding Grooves + Waterhole	Extremely High
45-1-2796	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2823	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2845	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2846	Isolated Find	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Springvale Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-2847	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2848	Isolated Find	Extremely High

*Note does not include invalid AHIMS sites or AHIMS sites that have been destroyed.

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Springvale Mine Local Significance Rating	Springvale Mine Regional Significance Rating
45-1-0002	Grinding Grooves	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	1	2		
45-1-2578	Stone Arrangement	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	1	2		
45-1-2796	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0005	Grinding Groove	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	1	2		
45-1-0129	Scarred Tree	Local	1	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-0087	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	1	1	2	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0088	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	1	1	2	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-0091	Rockshelter + Deposit	Local	2	1	1	2	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	2		
45-1-2669	Artefact Scatter	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0184	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2815	Art (Rock Painting)	Local	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
		Regional	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD		
45-1-0177	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Springvale Mine Local Significance Rating	Springvale Mine Regional Significance Rating
45-1-0178	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	2	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0204	Rockshelter + Art	Local	2	3	2	2	Moderate	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	1	2		
45-1-0205	Rockshelter + Art	Local	2	3	2	3	High	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	2	2		
45-1-0051	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	2	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-0052	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	2	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2600	Scarred Tree	Local	1	2	2	2	Moderate	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2756 / 45-1-2757	Rockshelter complex (Shelter A + Shelter B)	Local	3	3	3	3	High	High
		Regional	3	3	3	3		
45-1-2758	Scarred Tree	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2759	Scarred Tree	Local	1	2	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2739 / 45-1-2740	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2805	Grinding Grooves + Waterhole	Local	2	2	1	2	Moderate	Moderate
		Regional	2	2	1	2		
45-1-2796	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2823	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2845	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity	Educational Potential	Springvale Mine Local Significance Rating	Springvale Mine Regional Significance Rating
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2846	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2847	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		
45-1-2848	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1		

Unidentified Aboriginal Heritage Sites Subject to Subsidence

The potential exists for unidentified Aboriginal heritage sites to be located above areas of mining at Springvale that would potentially be exposed to a range of subsidence movements. These movements and potential impacts would be based on a site's position on the surface with regard to the approved mine layout.

If found during the course of future survey works, the location of previously unidentified sites will be presented as part of Heritage Management Plans prepared for future Extraction Plans. In accordance with the conditions of consent for the Springvale Mine Extension Project, Heritage Management Plans prepared as part of an Extraction Plan will be developed in consultation with Heritage NSW and the registered Aboriginal parties. Management of potential environmental consequences of subsidence from secondary extraction on Aboriginal heritage sites will be in accordance with the monitoring and management protocols detailed within the Western Region ACHMP. The Heritage Management Plan will detail the predicted subsidence movements anticipated at these previously unidentified sites and confirm environmental consequences as a result of any subsidence movements do not exceed those presented in the Modification Report prepared to support Modification 3 to SSD 5594 and summarised below:

- Artefact scatters and isolated finds - ground surface movement from subsidence generally poses little harm to artefact scatters and isolated finds. Although artefacts may not be greatly affected if they are situated on the plane of movement, artefacts located above the fracture zones may fall into cracks, which ultimately damages the integrity of the site.
- Scarred and carved trees - although a tree might be healthy, the ground condition and location of the site can affect the site's stability. If the site is located on a precarious ledge along a ridge line or in loose or eroded soils, this would impact on how firmly affixed the tree is to the ground surface. Consequently, even minor changes to ground level movement could potentially cause the tree to tilt and fall over completely.
- Potential archaeological deposits – subsidence caused by mining activity can potentially have an impact on PADs if the ground containing the deposit cracks, leading to the loss of stratigraphic integrity.
- Grinding grooves and rockshelters - mining activities can cause harm to grinding groove and rockshelter sites. The risks associated with subsidence can lead to cracking and exfoliation of these structures. Secondary risks include the intensification of erosion and sheet wash over sandstone sites as a result of the modification to drainage lines due to surface subsidence.
- Stone arrangements - subsidence may impact stone arrangements if the movement of the ground surface causes the stones to move; thus affecting their original arrangement. Secondary effects of subsidence may include changes in drainage patterns due to subsidence which also pose the risk of moving the stones in the arrangement.

Site Specific Management Measures – Springvale Mine/Springvale Extension

Centennial Springvale will undertake all operations, Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

Unless otherwise authorised under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974, the Applicant shall ensure that the development does not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal heritage items located outside approved disturbance areas on the site.

Extraction Plans have been prepared and approved in accordance with Schedule 3 Condition 10 to achieve performance measures for Aboriginal cultural heritage listed in Schedule 3 Condition 1 Table 1.

Attachment 7

Western Coal Services

Overview of Operations

The Western Coal Services operation comprises the haul roads between Angus Place Colliery and Mount Piper and Wallerawang Power Stations, an over land conveyor linking Springvale Coal Mine, to the Wallerawang and Mt Piper Power Stations, a washery and the Kerosene Vale Coal Stockpile Area. The Western Coal Services site receives coal from both the Springvale and Angus Place Collieries and sends washed and run of mine coal to customers via Lidsdale Siding.

Registered Aboriginal Parties

Table 1 below details the Aboriginal parties who have registered an interest in the consultation process for operations associated with Western Coal Services.

Table 1 - Registered Aboriginal Parties – Western Coal Services²

Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
North-East Wiradjuri
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Ngambaay-dyil
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Wellington Valley Wiradjuri Aboriginal Corporation.

² The registered Aboriginal parties previously included Mooka Traditional Owners. However, this organization belonged to a now deceased Wiradjuri traditional owner, and repeated attempts to contact the organization has failed over several years. As such, the organization has been removed.

Aboriginal Heritage Consent Conditions

Table 2 - Western Coal Services Development Consent (SSD 5179)

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
Schedule 3 Condition 31	The applicant must ensure that the development does not cause any direct or indirect impact on identified Aboriginal sites located outside the approved disturbance area of the development site.	Section 6 of this ACHMP provides Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring and management. Refer also to site specific management measures provided in Attachment 7 of this ACHMP.
Schedule 3 Condition 32	The Applicant must prepare and implement a Heritage Management Plan for the development to the Satisfaction of the Secretary.	Original version of this ACHMP approved 23 October 2014. This ACHMP was approved by the Secretary on 22 July 2016.
	The Plan must:	
Schedule 3 Condition 32(a)	be prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced person/s whose appointment has been endorsed by the Secretary	Letter received from NSW Planning and Environment dated 14 July 2014 endorsing Tessa Boer Mah of RPS as a suitably qualified consultant to prepare this ACHMP.
Schedule 3 Condition 32(b)	be prepared in consultation with Heritage NSW and local Aboriginal stakeholders (in relation to the management of Aboriginal heritage values).	Attachment 8 is a detailed consultation log detailing consultation undertaken for the development of this ACHMP with OEH, Council and relevant Aboriginal parties.
Schedule 3 Condition 32(c)	be submitted to the Secretary for approval within 6 months of the date of this consent, unless the Secretary agrees otherwise.	This ACHMP was submitted to the Secretary on 11 February 2016 and approved by the Secretary on 22 July 2016.
Schedule 3 Condition 32(d)	include a description of the measures that would be implemented for:	
	addressing relevant statutory requirements under the National Parks and Wildlife Act.	Section 2 Legislation and Guidelines of this ACHMP.

Condition No.	Consent Condition	Addressed in ACHMP/Implemented
	protecting, monitoring and managing Aboriginal sites outside the approved disturbance area (including sites shown on the figure in Appendix 6, with particular attention to Site 45-1-0218.	Section 6 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Identification, Monitoring and Management of this ACHMP Refer also to site specific management measures provided in Attachment 6 of this ACHMP
	maintaining and managing reasonable access for Aboriginal stakeholders to cultural heritage items on site.	Section 5 Aboriginal Community Consultation of this ACHMP.
	managing the discovery of human remains or previously unidentified Aboriginal objects on site including (in the case of human remains) stop work provisions and notification protocols.	Section 6.7 Identification of Previously Unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites of this ACHMP.
	ongoing consultation with local Aboriginal stakeholders in the conservation and management of cultural heritage both on site and in the Biodiversity Offset Area.	Section 5.3 Aboriginal Heritage Committee of this ACHMP.
	ensuring any workers on site receive suitable heritage induction prior to carrying out any activities.	Section 10 Inductions of this ACHMP.

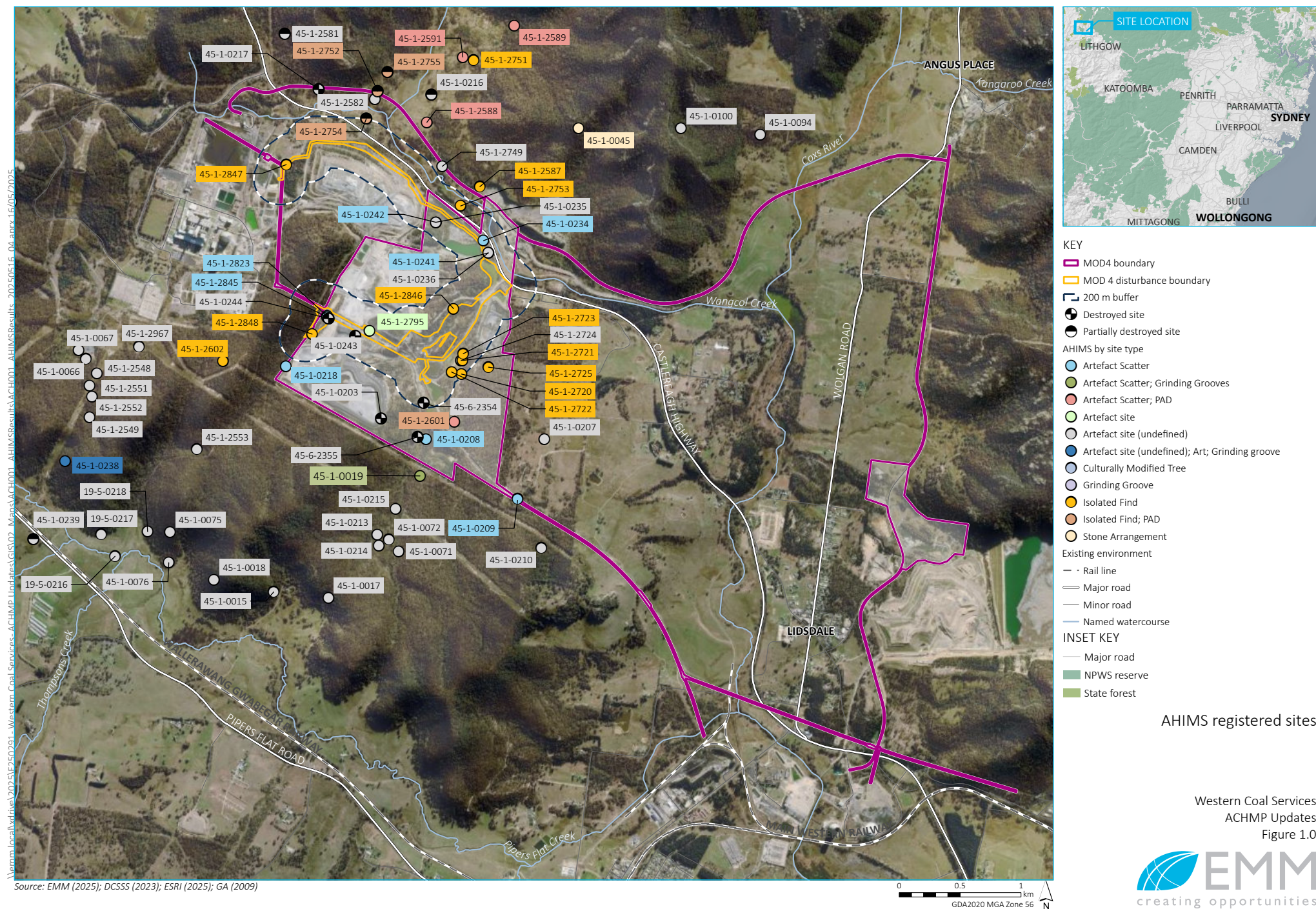
Summary of modification to SSD-5579 approval:

The original SSD-5579 approval was acquired in 2014. Four modifications have subsequently occurred and are summarised in Table 3.

Table 3: Summary of modification to SSD-5579 approval

<i>Modification Number</i>	<i>Date Determined</i>	<i>Mod Summary</i>	<i>Cultural Heritage Aspect</i>
Mod 1	June 2017	Allow for the transfer of residual waste from the SWTP	Nil - did not propose any land disturbance and therefore did not impact any cultural heritage items
Mod 2	December 2017	Change the volume of coal received from Springvale, coal stockpiling, employee numbers and noise criteria	Nil - did not propose any land disturbance and therefore did not impact any cultural heritage items. - Consultation prior to the submission of Mod 2 was conducted on 29 March 2017 – noting the modification did not propose any surface disturbance and that no new mining leases was required following the approval of the modification.
Mod 3	August 2019	Modification to enable alternative coal supply to MPPS	Nil – did not propose any land disturbance and therefore did not impact any cultural heritage items.
Mod 4	October 2022	Modification of water transfer and management systems	- Three sites were documented in the DWP-A and clean water diversion area (#45-1-2823, #45-1-2845 and #45-1-2848), one was in the Regis/Energy Australia Water Transfer System area (#45-1-2847) and one was in the DWP-B area (#45-1-2846). - It was agreed with the RAP's that the five sites were to be salvaged prior to construction works commencing. Prior to salvage they were added to the WRACHMP and would be salvaged in accordance with Section 6.4.1 of WRACHMP. - At the time of this ACHMP update, proposed salvage of the aforementioned sites has not been undertaken. - There were no listed historical heritage items within the project application

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Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Western Coal Services

All Aboriginal cultural heritage sites hold cultural significance for all Aboriginal people. A cultural significance ranking workshop was held on 30 March 2015, with various consultation undertaken since that time (see Table 3 and Attachment 8).

The Aboriginal parties that attended the 2015 workshop are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4 - Aboriginal Stakeholder Attendance – Western Coal Services

Organisation
Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation
Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation
Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu
Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation Native Title Claimants
Wiradjuri Council of Elders
Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council

At the workshop (30 March 2015), it was considered that due to the level of disturbance at Western Coal Services it was difficult to assess the level of significance. However, all sites are of high significance to Aboriginal people. It should be noted that some Western Coal Services Sites have been previously salvaged.

Five (5) additional Aboriginal sites were recorded as part of surveys relating to the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (RPS, 2021) to support a Modification 4 (MOD4) to SSD-5579. The cultural significance rankings of these five (5) additional sites were determined by RAP representatives and as reported in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (RPS, 2021). They were generally identified as of extremely high significance.

The results of the workshop, as well as the findings of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (RPS, 2021) are listed in **Table 5**.

Table 5 - Cultural Significance Ranking Outcomes – Western Coal Services

AHIMS	Site Types	Western Coal Services Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0209	Artefact Scatter	High
45-1-0208	Artefact Open Site	High
45-1-0218	Open Artefact site	High
45-6-2355	Artefact Open Site	N/A - Destroyed
45-1-2601	Open Site with PAD	High
45-1-0203	Artefact Open Site	N/A - Destroyed
45-1-2354	Artefact Site	High
45-1-2720	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2721	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2722	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2723	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2725	Isolated Find	High
45-1-2795	Artefact Site	High
45-1-0234	Artefact Site	High
45-1-0242	Artefact Site	High
45-1-0235 (Duplicate)	Artefact Site	High
45-1-0241	Artefact Site	High
45-1-0236 (Duplicate)	Artefact Site	High
45-1-2823	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2845	Surface Artefact(s)	Extremely High
45-1-2846	Isolated Find	Extremely High
45-1-2848	Isolated Find	Extremely High

AHIMS	Site Types	Western Coal Services Overall <u>Cultural</u> Significance
45-1-0244	Artefact Open site	N/A - Destroyed
45-1-0243	Artefact Open site	N/A - Destroyed
45-1-2724	Artefact Open site	High

Archaeological Significance Ranking Outcomes – Western Coal Services

The archaeological significance ranking outcomes for sites residing in the Western Coal Services boundary are listed below in **Table 5**.

Table 6 - Archaeological (Scientific) Significance Ranking Outcomes – Western Coal Services

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity		Educational Potential	Western Coal Services Local Significance Rating	Western Coal Services Regional Significance Rating
45-1-0209	Artefact Open Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0208	Artefact Open Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0218	Artefact Open Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-6-2355	Artefact Open Site	Local	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		n/a	n/a
		Regional	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			
45-1-2601	Artefact Open Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0203	Artefact Open Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2354	Artefact Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2720	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2721	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2722	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity		Educational Potential	Western Coal Services Local Significance Rating	Western Coal Services Regional Significance Rating
45-1-2723	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2795	Artefact Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0234	Artefact Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0242	Artefact Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0235 (Duplicate of 45-1-0242)	Artefact Site								
45-1-0241	Artefact Site	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0236 (Duplicate of 45-1-0241)	Artefact Site								
45-1-2823	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2845	Surface Artefact(s)	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2846	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2848	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1		Low	Low

AHIMS	Site Types	Scope of Assessment	Research Potential	Representativeness	Rarity		Educational Potential	Western Coal Services Local Significance Rating	Western Coal Services Regional Significance Rating
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0244	Artefact Open site	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low	
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0243	Artefact Open site	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low	
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2724	Artefact Open site	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low	
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-2725	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low	
		Regional	1	1	1	1			
45-1-0218	Isolated Find	Local	1	1	1	1	Low	Low	
		Regional	1	1	1	1			

Site Status – Western Coal Services

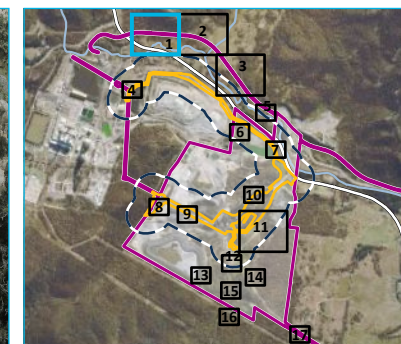
The status of sites identified within or in proximity to the project area is captured in Table 7.

Table 7 Site Management Status

AHIMS No.	Site Name	Site Type	Status	Location	Further details
45-1-2795	BF JN 1 IF - Blackmans Flat IF	Artefact Site	Valid	Within Impact area	The site card is unavailable for this project, and further information cannot be discerned.
45-1-2823	RPS Artefact Scatter QFlake1	Surface Artefact	Valid	Within Impact area	A low density stone artefact scatter with limited information documented in 2020. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.
45-1-2848	MOD4_IF1_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within Impact area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2021. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-2845	MOD4_AS1_KM	Surface Artefact	Valid	Within Impact area	A low density stone artefact scatter with limited information documented in 2020, and likely related to #45-1-283. This site consisted of artefacts on an active road corridor. While there is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past, it is an active road, and highly likely to have been destroyed.
45-1-0244	S13; Springvale Colliery	Artefact Open site	Destroyed	Within Impact area	A low density stone artefact scatter that has been destroyed under an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit in 1993
45-1-2847	MOD4_IF2_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within Impact area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-0209	S4;Wallerawang	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed conveyor. While there is no documentary evidence that the site has been mitigated or destroyed, it is partially situated within a disturbance footprint of a conveyor and may have been destroyed historically.
45-1-0208	S5;Blackmans Flat;	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed conveyor. While recorded in the early 1990s, there is no evidence of activity occurring within this site to date.
45-1-0218	57 – Blackmans Flat;	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed conveyor. There is no evidence that this site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed and is assumed to remain valid based on current information.
45-6-2355	Lamberts Creek 6;	Artefact Open Site	Destroyed	Within project area	The site card is unavailable for this project, and further information cannot be discerned.
45-1-2601	SVW-OS1 with PAD	Artefact Site	Valid	Within project area	This site consists of a small number of artefacts and a potential archaeological deposit. The artefacts were relocated at the time of the survey nearby to avoid impact on the road that they were documented upon. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed to date, although the road remains actively used.
45-1-0203	S6;Blackmans Flat	Artefact Open Site	Destroyed	Within project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed conveyor. While the site card remains valid, the site is located within an active mining operation area, and is likely destroyed.
45-1-2725	CS SU3-A1	Isolated Find	Valid	Within project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed
45-1-2354	Lamberts Creek 7	Artefact Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	The site card for this site is not available. A reference in site card #45-1-2601 indicates that this site has been destroyed under an Aboriginal heritage impact permit prior to 2005.
45-1-2720	CS SU4-A5	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-2721	CS SU4-A4	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-2722	CS SU4-A3	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed
45-1-2723	CS SU4-A2	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed
45-1-0234	Western main 2	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed mine extension. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.

AHIMS No.	Site Name	Site Type	Status	Location	Further details
45-1-0242	Western main 3, same as 45-1-0235	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed mine extension. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low and/or localised disturbance.
45-1-0235	Western Main 3; same as 45-1-0242	Artefact Open site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed mine extension. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.
45-1-0241	Western main 1, same as 45-1-0236	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed mine extension. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.
45-1-0236	Western main 1; same as 45-1-0241	Artefact Open site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	This site was recorded in the early 1990s as part of a proposed mine extension. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.
45-1-2846	MOD4_IF3_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2021. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-0243	S12; Springvale Colliery	Artefact Open site	Destroyed	Within 200 m of project area	A low density stone artefact scatter that has been destroyed under an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit in 1993
45-1-2724	CS SU4-A1	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	An isolated stone artefact near an access track recorded in 2012. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed.
45-1-2753	Neubecks Creek Open Site 5	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	There is no available information on this site, other than it being an isolated stone artefact. There is no evidence that the site has been archaeologically mitigated or destroyed in the past; and visually appears in a location of low disturbance.

*Site card status' noted as 'indeterminate' have not been updated to provide evidence of destruction of a site, Consent to Destroy, or site card is missing/blank. For the missing site cards, Heritage NSW were contacted to verify the missing record was not on file. Those in red may indicate a provided status in the AHIMS database, but which cannot be readily identified based on the information available about the site.



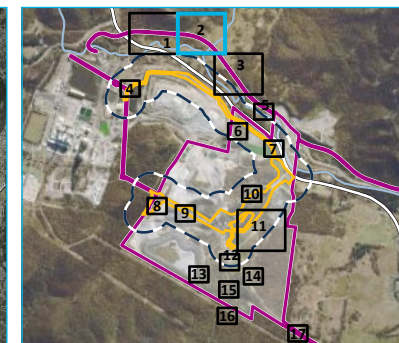
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 -  MOD4 boundary
 -  MOD 4 disturbance boundary
 -  200 m buffer
 -  Destroyed site
- AHIMS by site type
-  Artefact site (undefined)
- Existing environment
-  Major road
 -  Minor road
 -  Named watercourse

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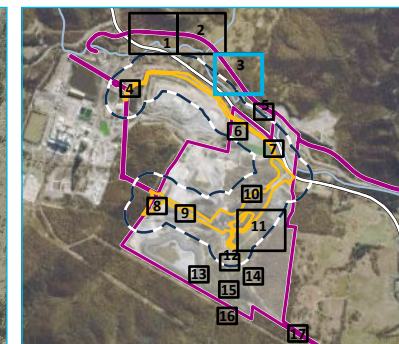
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- Isolated Find; PAD
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

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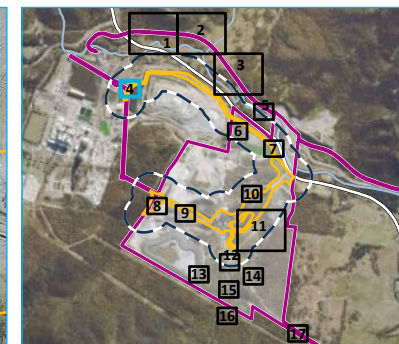
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- AHIMS by site type
- Artefact Scatter; PAD
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- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

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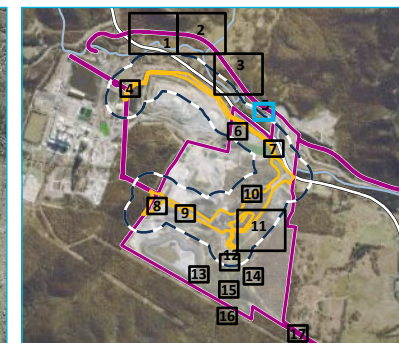
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 - Isolated Find
 - Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

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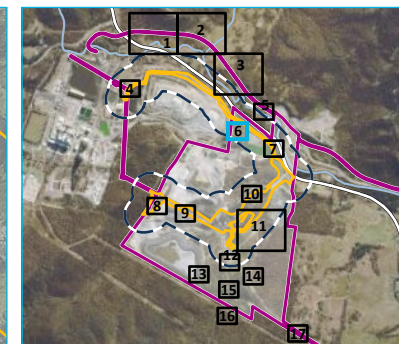
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- KEY**
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 - MOD4 boundary
 - MOD 4 disturbance boundary
 - 200 m buffer
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 - Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

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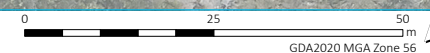
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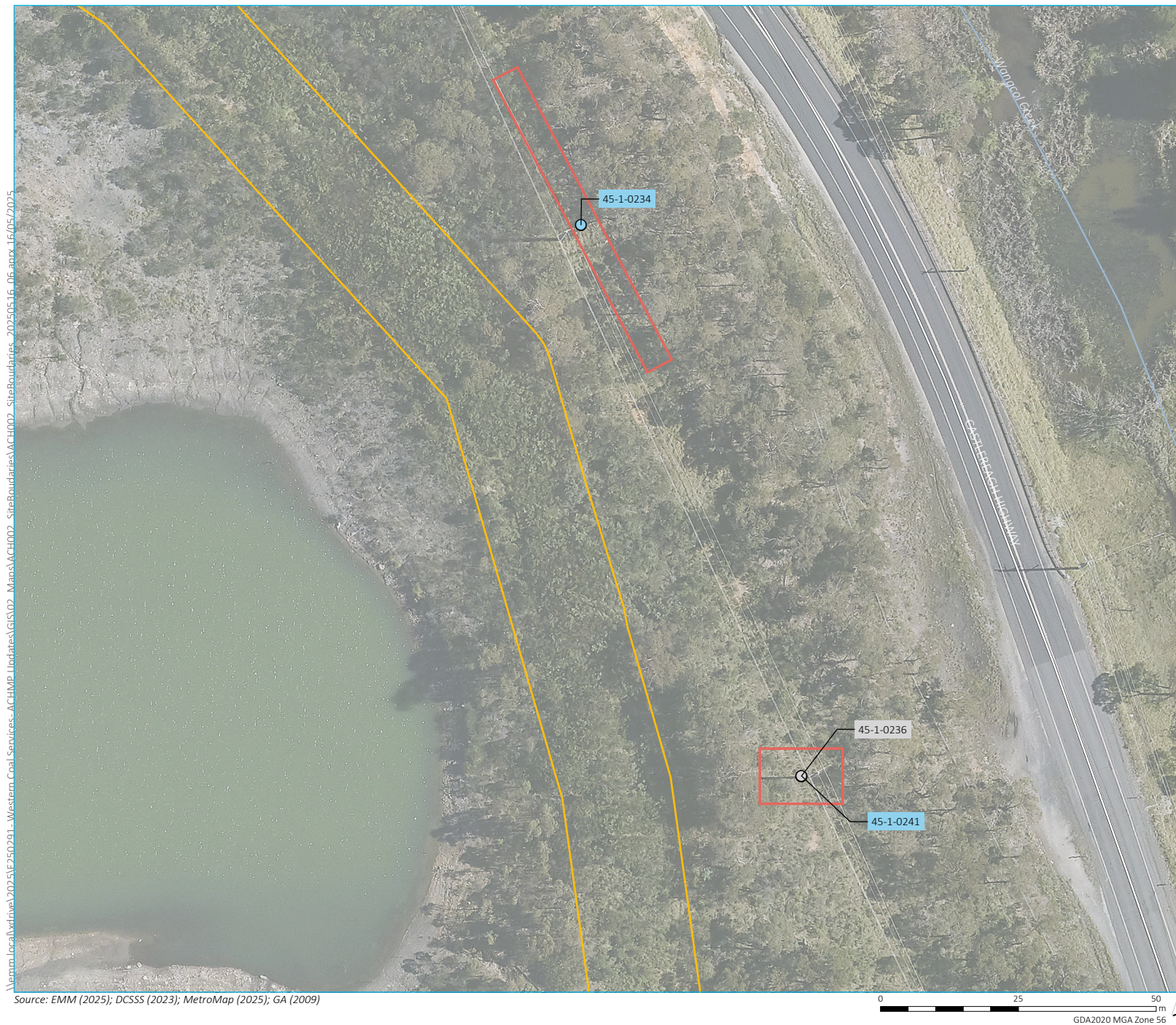
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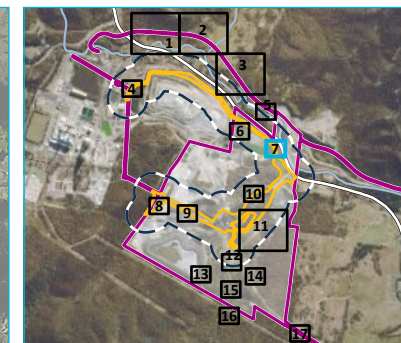
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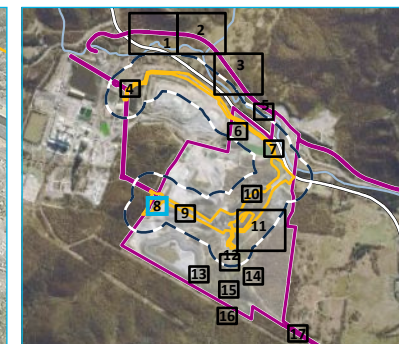


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- ▬ Minor road
- ▬ Named watercourse

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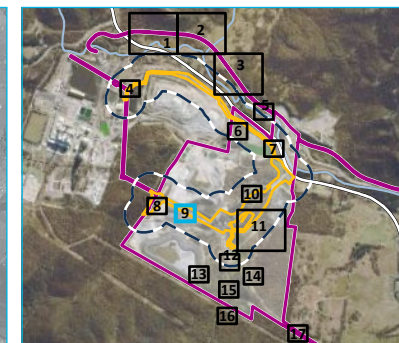
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 - MOD 4 disturbance boundary
 - 200 m buffer
 - Destroyed site
 - AHIMS by site type
 - Artefact Scatter
 - Artefact site (undefined)
 - Isolated Find
 - Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

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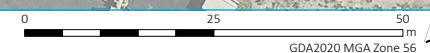
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 - Major road
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 - Named watercourse

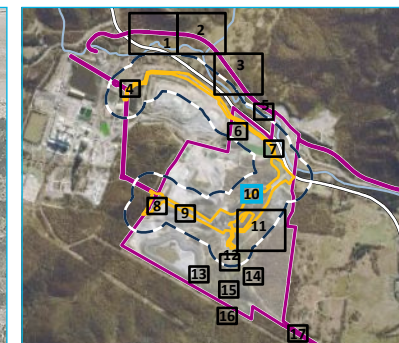
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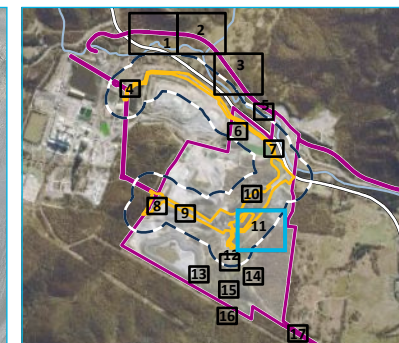




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 - MOD 4 disturbance boundary
 - 1 200 m buffer
 - AHIMS by site type**
 - Isolated Find
 - Existing environment**
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

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- Site boundary
- MOD4 boundary
- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
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- AHIMS by site type
 - Artefact site (undefined)
 - Isolated Find
- Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

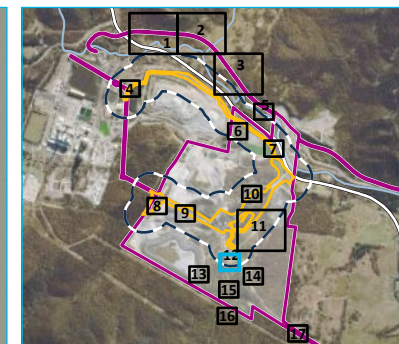
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- MOD4 boundary
- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
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- Destroyed site
- AHIMS by site type
- Artefact site (undefined)
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

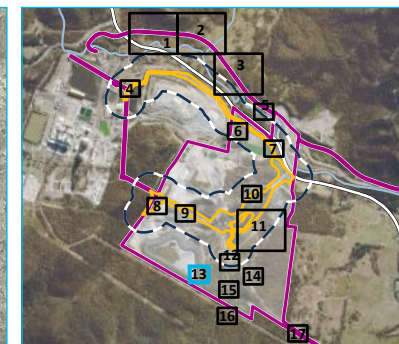
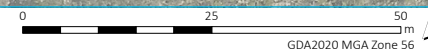
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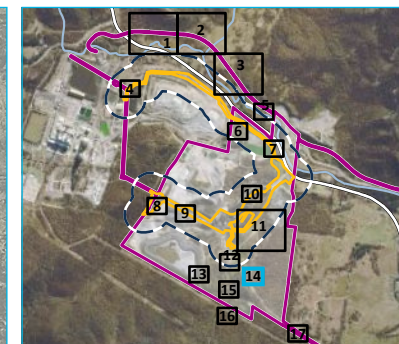
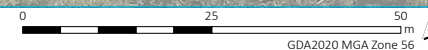
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- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
- 200 m buffer
- Destroyed site
- AHIMS by site type
- Artefact site (undefined)
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

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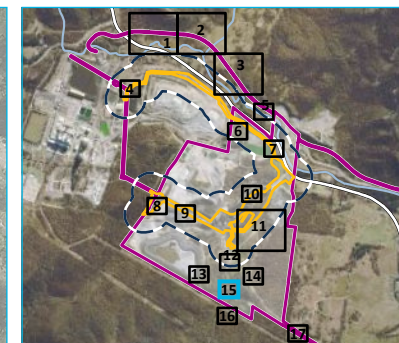


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- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
- 1 200 m buffer
- AHIMS by site type
- Artefact Scatter; PAD
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

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- KEY
- Site boundary
 - MOD4 boundary
 - MOD 4 disturbance boundary
 - 200 m buffer
 - Destroyed site
 - AHIMS by site type
 - Artefact Scatter
 - Artefact site (undefined)
 - Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
 - Named watercourse

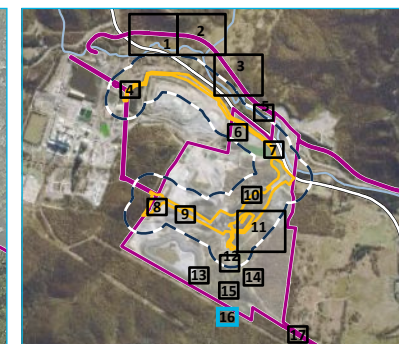
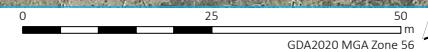
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KEY

- Site boundary
- MOD4 boundary
- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
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- AHIMS by site type
 - Artefact Scatter; Grinding Grooves
- Existing environment
 - Major road
 - Minor road
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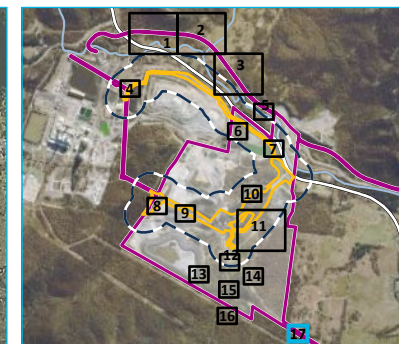
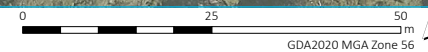
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KEY

- Site boundary
- MOD4 boundary
- MOD 4 disturbance boundary
- 1 200 m buffer
- AHIMS by site type
- Artefact Scatter
- Existing environment
- Major road
- Minor road
- Named watercourse

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Site Specific Management Measures – Western Coal Services Centennial Springvale will undertake all operations at Western Coal Services including Aboriginal stakeholder consultation, site surveys, reporting, impact assessment, site assessment, monitoring and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage sites in accordance with the Centennial's Western Operations ACHMP.

Centennial Western Coal Services will undertake an initial site inspection of all sites shown on figure 44 of the EIS outside the disturbance footprint with the Registered Aboriginal Parties prior to 31 December 2014 to identify the site condition and agree on any protection and/or management measures that need to be implemented. Monitoring with representatives from the Registered Aboriginal Parties of these sites will be undertaken every 2 years thereafter.

The initial site inspection was undertaken on 2 December 2017 and employed the methodology outlined in Section 6.5.1 of this ACHMP. The field survey team comprised Jakob Ruhl (RPS Archaeologist), Emma Mudford (Centennial Coal representative), and four RAP representatives (Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council, Warrabinga Native Title Claimants Aboriginal Corporation, Wiradjuri Native Title Claimant, and Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation and Wiradjuri Council of Elders). The site inspection comprised the survey of four previously recorded Aboriginal heritage sites located outside of the disturbance area:

- #45-1-0209
- #45-10210
- #45-1-0218
- #45-1-2749

Two of the four sites were unable to be relocated (#45-1-0209 and #45-1-0210) on the basis that site card GPS information was insufficient. At the time of the inspection, no proposed impacts were outlined within AHIMS# 45-1-2749, #45-1-0209, and #45-1-0210 locations. Due to proximity to proposed REA and vehicle tracks, installation of fencing was proposed for AHIMS #45-1-0218. Consulted RAP representatives were satisfied with this mitigation measure for the site.

Conclusions and recommendations of the site inspection comprised:

- 1) If there are proposed works in the vicinity of AHIMS #45-1-0209, #45-1-0210, #45-1-0218, and #45-1-2749, an additional visual inspection and assessment should be undertaken in accordance with the ACHMP.
- 2) If additional Aboriginal cultural heritage sites are identified, a due diligence assessment in accordance with the ACHMP must be undertaken.
- 3) In the unlikely event that skeletal remains are identified, work must cease immediately in the vicinity of the remains and the area must be cordoned off. The ACHMP must be followed.
- 4) If, during the course of development works, suspected historic cultural heritage material is uncovered, work should cease in that area immediately. The Heritage Branch, OEH (Enviroline 131 555) should be notified and works only recommence when an approved management strategy has been developed.

On 28 February 2024, EMM Consulting Pty Ltd provided Aboriginal heritage advice in accordance with Centennial's *Western Holdings Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan* (2016) (ACHMP). The advice outlines the results of an archaeological site inspection of four sites (AHIMS #45-1-0209, #45-1-0210, #45-1-0218, & #45-1-2823), their current condition, and recommendations for their ongoing management. Three sites were relocated (AHIMS #45-1-0209, #45-1-0210, & #45-1-2823). The report noted no works were proposed in the areas of the sites and therefore concluded that there was no risk of harm to the site. Fencing was recommended around AHIMS #45-1-2823 due to its poor condition and #45-1-0210.

Surface salvage of Aboriginal objects within MOD 4 Impact Area

In support of Centennial Springvale's application to modify SSD-5579, RPS (2021) conducted an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment of the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area. During surveys, five (5) Aboriginal sites were recorded, and are detailed in Table 8 below.

Table 8 – Additional sites recorded as part of MOD4 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (RPS, 2021)

AHIMS Site ID	Site Name	Site type
45-1-2823	45-1-2823	Artefact scatter
45-1-2848	IF1	Isolated find
45-1-2847	IF2	Isolated find
45-1-2846	IF3	Isolated find
45-1-2845	AS1	Artefact scatter

RPS (2021: 27) determined that these sites were likely to be impacted in the undertaking of works relating to the MOD4 modification to SSD-5579. As such, RPS (2021: 27) recommended that these five (5) Aboriginal sites were to be salvaged per Section 6.4.1 of Centennial's Western Region ACHMP, in consultation with RAPs.

In the undertaking of the salvage of the five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area, the following process was to be followed:

1. Consultation with RAPs

- Consultation with RAP representatives are to follow protocols detailed in Section 5 of the ACHMP. In summary:
 - RAPs are to be notified of the intent to salvage Aboriginal objects comprising the five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area.
 - RAPs are to be provided the opportunity to participate in the salvage program.
 - Consultation with RAPs is to remain ongoing through to completion of the MOD4 works.

2. Relocation of Aboriginal sites and salvage of Aboriginal objects

- The five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area are to be relocated through a pedestrian survey program involving a survey team of qualified Archaeologists and RAPs.
- If the five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area are relocated, the Aboriginal objects are to be formally recorded prior to collection per Requirement 18 of the Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in New South Wales (DECCW, 2010) (Code of Practice). Following recording, the Aboriginal objects can be collected using the following method:
 - Surface artefact collection (community collection) of all Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area will be completed by a suitably qualified archaeologist and RAP representatives. The sites currently designated for community collection are listed in Table 6 above. This will be undertaken prior to any project ground disturbance activities in the vicinity of the Aboriginal sites.
 - Site coordinates for each site will be entered into mobile GPS devices to re-locate and confirm locations.
 - The general vicinity of each site location will be inspected by the field team. Stone artefacts will be flagged on the ground and a photo taken of the flagged site. Each flagged artefact will be marked as a waypoint in the GPS.
 - All artefacts will be collected into snap lock plastic bags or similar, marked with the project name, site name, collection date and waypoint number. If additional stone artefacts are identified during the artefact collection fieldwork, they will be managed in the same manner.
 - All artefacts will be sorted and recorded post-fieldwork with respect to technological type, implement type, raw material, maximum block length and weight.
 - The collected artefacts will be incorporated into a salvage report detailing the results of the fieldwork, the artefacts recovered at each site and GIS figures showing the artefact locations.
 - The Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS) records will be updated with a site impact recording form for each collected site.
- In relation to sites where ground surface visibility is low, consideration will be given to undertaking community collection following the initial removal of surface vegetation. Surface vegetation removal will follow this method:
 - Vegetation will be cleared using a combination of mechanical slashing, mowing and line trimmer (as required).
 - An archaeologist and RAP representatives will monitor or undertake the vegetation clearance and provide guidance to ensure it is employed to a level satisfactory to reveal the ground surface for the identification of Aboriginal objects.

- The vegetation clearance will cover the mapped site area of the relevant sites. For isolated finds without mapped site areas, this will require clearing an area of up to approximately 10 m x 10 m over the original site coordinates.
- Following vegetation clearance, RAPs and an archaeologist will inspect the cleared areas. If the artefacts are not identified through vegetation clearance alone, the RAPs and an archaeologist will use suitably fine gauged steel rakes over the areas to reveal artefacts for collection.
- Any artefacts identified within these areas will be recorded and collected in accordance with the surface artefact collection method in this ACHMP.
- It may not be possible to find all of the previously recorded artefacts designated for collection. This may be due to a number of environmental changes since being identified, including changes in ground surface visibility conditions. Regardless of whether stone artefacts are identified at each site during this process, no further collection attempts or mitigation measures will be required after a reasonable attempt at collection has been undertaken. Following this procedure, the management status of these sites will be regarded as completed.
- Per Section 6.8 of the ACHMP, any Aboriginal objects that are salvaged are to be stored in a Centennial building during the short term. A Care Agreement will be lodged with Heritage NSW in order to arrange for the long-term storage of artefacts. The Care Agreement will be made in consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties and Heritage NSW. Per Section 6.4.1 of the ACHMP, Aboriginal objects will be returned to country in consultation with the subcommittee.

3. Updating of AHIMS records

- For each of the five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area that were relocated and salvaged, the relevant AHIMS records are to be updated through an Aboriginal Site Impact Recording Form (ASIRF) and updating of AHIMS forms on the AHIMS database following the salvage program, and prior to MOD4 works being undertaken.
- For each of the five (5) Aboriginal sites within the MOD4 Impact Assessment Area that were not relocated and could not be salvaged, the relevant AHIMS records are to be updated through an ASIRF and updating of AHIMS forms on the AHIMS database following the commencement of MOD4 works being undertaken.

At the time of this ACHMP Amendment (May 2025), the activities outlined above had not been conducted or implemented. The time lapse between the proposed surface salvage outlined by RPS (2021) for the proposed MOD 4 works and May 2025 is a result of broader project delay. The salvage activities are still proposed to occur prior to commencement of MOD 4 works when they are eventually implemented.

Table 9 Overall Site Management

AHIMS No.	Site Name	Site Type	Status	Location	Site Card Status	Site Card Proposed management	Management of Site	Management implemented
45-1-2795	BF JN 1 IF - Blackmans Flat IF	Artefact Site	Valid	Within Impact area	Indeterminate – No site card available	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2823	RPS Artefact Scatter QFlake1	Surface Artefact	Valid	Within Impact area	Valid	n/a	Fencing for avoidance or surface salvage	No
45-1-2848	MOD4_IF1 KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within Impact area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2845	MOD4_AS1_KM	Surface Artefact	Valid	Within Impact area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0244	S13; Springvale Colliery	Artefact Open site	Destroyed	Within Impact area	Destroyed - Consent to destroy provided	n/a	None – Site is destroyed	n/a
45-1-2847	MOD4_IF2_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within Impact area	Valid	n/a	None- Outside of project area	n/a
45-1-0209	S4;Wallerawang	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	Valid	Site reinspection & avoidance	Site avoidance or Surface salvage	No
45-1-0208	S5;Blackmans Flat;	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0218	57 – Blackmans Flat;	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-6-2355	Lamberts Creek 6;	Artefact Open Site	Destroyed	Within project area	Indeterminate – No site card available	n/a	Site inspection to determine destruction and submit ASIRF	No
45-1-2601	SVW-OS1 with PAD	Artefact Site	Valid	Within project area	Valid	Avoidance or limited test	Surface/Subsurface salvage	No

						excavation. Permit if cannot be avoided.		
45-1-0203	S6;Blackmans Flat	Artefact Open Site	Destroyed	Within project area	Valid	Salvage required.	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2725	CS SU3-A1	Isolated Find	Valid	Within Project Area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2354	Lamberts Creek 7	Artefact Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Indeterminate – No site card available	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2720	CS SU4-A5	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2721	CS SU4-A4	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2722	CS SU4-A3	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2723	CS SU4-A2	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0234	Western main 2	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	Fencing for protection, subsurface testing if unable to avoid.	Fencing for avoidance or Surface/Subsurface salvage	No
45-1-0242	Western main 3, same as 45-1-0235	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	Consent to destroy recommended	Surface salvage	No

45-1-0235 (Duplicate of 45-1-0242)	Western Main 3; same as 45-1-0242	Artefact Open site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	Consent to destroy recommended	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0241	Western main 1, same as 45-1-0236	Artefact Open Site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	Consent to destroy recommended.	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0236 (Duplicate of 45-1-0241)	Western main 1; same as 45-1-0241	Artefact Open site	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	Consent to destroy recommended.	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2846	MOD4_IF3_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-0243	S12; Springvale Colliery	Artefact Open site	Destroyed	Within 200 m of project area	Destroyed – Consent to Destroy provided	n/a	None – Site is destroyed	n/a
45-1-2724	CS SU4-A1	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Valid	n/a	Surface salvage	No
45-1-2753	Neubecks Creek Open Site 5	Isolated Find	Valid	Within 200 m of project area	Indeterminate – Site card blank	n/a	None- Outside of project area	n/a

Performance Measures and Indicators

Performance measures and monitoring protocols for Aboriginal cultural heritage sites within the project area are provided in Table 10.

Other general management measures comprise:

- Site specific inductions (with a component of Aboriginal heritage) for all Centennial staff and contractors undertaking working at Centennial's operations. Records of inductions are to be kept on-site (See Section 10).
- Unexpected finds procedure for cultural heritage sites (including ancestral remains) outlined in Section 6.7.
- Storage of salvaged Aboriginal cultural heritage within a locked Centennial building during the short term, and a care and control application to be lodged with Heritage NSW for the long term as stipulated within Section 6.8. Care and control arrangements will be made in consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties and Heritage NSW.
- Pre-clearing permits prior to any surface clearing activities (Section 6.10)

Table 10 Sites within project impact area performance measures

AHIMS Site No.	Site Name	Type of Site	Status	Management Measure/Performance Indicator		
				Prior to Mining (Phase 1)	During Mining (Phase 2)	Post Mining
45-1-2795	BF JN 1 IF - Blackmans Flat IF	Artefact Site	Valid	Surface salvage	Unexpected Finds	N/A - site will have been destroyed.
45-1-2823	RPS Artefact Scatter QFlake1	Surface Artefact	Valid	Fencing for avoidance or surface salvage	Unexpected Finds	N/A - site will have been destroyed.
45-1-2848	MOD4_IF1_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Surface salvage	Unexpected Finds	N/A - site will have been destroyed.
45-1-2845	MOD4_AS1_KM	Surface Artefact	Valid	Surface salvage	Unexpected Finds	N/A - site will have been destroyed.
45-1-0244	S13; Springvale Colliery	Artefact Open site	Destroyed	None – Site is destroyed	Unexpected Finds	N/A- site has been destroyed
45-1-2847	MOD4_IF2_KM	Isolated Find	Valid	Surface salvage	Unexpected Finds	N/A - site will have been destroyed.

Attachment 8

Consultation Log

Consultation Log Date	Description of Consultation
16 June 2014	Letter to then NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) seeking endorsement of consultant to prepare ACHMP.
19 June 2014	Letters to Registered Aboriginal Parties Inviting them to attend ACHMP Project Inception Meeting.
20 June 2014	Email to NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) (Peter Christie) inviting to attend Project Inception Meeting.
14 July 2014	Letter from planning and Environment endorsing the consultant (RPS) to prepare the Regional ACHMP.
16 July 2014	Project Inception meeting (Representatives from OEH, Gundungurra, NE Wiradjury and Wiradjury Council of Elders in attendance).
23 July 2014	Distribution of meeting minutes, presentation and draft table of contents to Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) and OEH. Request for provision of a Statement of Significance.
4 September 2014	Submission of draft ACHMP to RAPs and OEH for review and comment. Feedback requested by 26 September 2014.
29 September 2014	Feedback received from OEH on the draft ACHMP.
2 October 2014	Submission of final ACHMP to DP&E.
23 October 2014	Letter from DP&E approving the ACHMP.
18 November 2014	Letters sent to RAPs inviting them to join the Aboriginal Heritage Committee (response requested by 2 December 2014) and distribution of hardcopy approved ACHMP.
30 March 2015	Cultural heritage ranking workshop held and review of ACHMP. Changes to the ACHMP requested.
5 May 2015	Copy of ACHMP sent to Lithgow City Council (LCC) for review and comment
28 April 2015	Letters sent to RAPs with revised ACHMP.
5 June 2015	Letter from LCC noting no additional feedback on the ACHMP.
10 June 2015	Letter with updated ACHMP sent to DP&E and OEH.

Consultation Log Date	Description of Consultation
1 December 2015	Letters sent to RAPs including hardcopy of revised draft ACHMP for review (response by Friday 8 January 2016).
1 December 2015	Letter sent to OEH and LCC including hardcopy of revised draft ACHMP for review (response by Friday 8 January 2016).
9 February 2016	Final Draft ACHMP provided for comment to DP&E.
8 July 2016	Revised ACHMP submitted to DP&E for approval.
22 July 2016	ACHMP Approved by DP&E.
4 August 2016	Letter and Email sent to RAPs with revised ACHMP.
15 December 2016	Letters sent to RAPs including hardcopy of revised draft ACHMP for review incorporating Charbon (response by Friday 30 January 2017).
15 December 2016	Letter sent to OEH and LCC including hardcopy of revised draft ACHMP for review incorporating Charbon (response by Friday 8 January 2016).
23 December 2016	Letter from LCC noting no additional feedback on ACHMP.
20 January 2017	Letter sent to DP&E, OEH and LCC notifying of changes to the draft ACHMP incorporating Airly SSD_5581.
20 January 2017	Feedback from OEH acknowledging letter sent 20 January 2017.
31 March 2017	Submission of final draft ACHMP to DP&E.
10 July 2017	Email from DP&E comments on revised final draft ACHMP.
24 July 2017	Submission of final draft ACHMP to DP&E.
27 October 2017	Letter received from DP&E approving the ACHMP.
12 May 2021	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
19 May 2021	Submission of ACHMP to RAPs highlighting inclusion of two newly identified sites.
9 September 2021	Submission of ACHMP Revision 4 to DPIE for approval.
30 September 2021	Feedback from DPHI requesting additional revisions to the ACHMP.
14 October 2021	Letter received from DPIE approving the ACHMP.

Consultation Log Date	Description of Consultation
19 October 2022	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
15 March 2023	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
19 September 2023	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
6 March 2024	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
4 September 2024	Meeting regarding company updates to Western Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Committee
6 December 2024	Submission of ACHMP Revision 5 to DPHI for approval.
7 February 2025	Letter sent to Gundungurra Tribal Council
7 February 2025	Email to Gundungurra Tribal Council Aboriginal Corporation requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to Mingaan Aboriginal Corporation, Wiray-dyuraa Ngambaay-dyil & Wiray-dyuraa Maying-gu requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to North-East Wiradjuri Corporation requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to Warrabinga/Wiradjuri People Native Title Claimants requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to Wiradyuri Council of Elders requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to Bathurst Local Aboriginal Land Council requesting ACHMP feedback.
7 February 2025	Email to Wellington Valley Wiradjuri Corporation requesting ACHMP feedback.
6 February 2025	Submission of WRACHMP to Heritage NSW for consultation via planning portal.

Attachment 8A

Consultation Comments

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Letter from NSW Office of Environment and Heritage 29 September 2014	
Roles and Responsibilities for all parties to be acted and provided advice in a timely manner (not just Aboriginal parties).	Table 8 - Roles and Responsibilities of Personnel involved in the ACHMP identifies the person nominated by Centennial to co-ordinate and manage environmental requirements in each respective operation must act and provide advice in a timely manner to all parties.
Communication strategy for consultation with Registered Aboriginal Parties to identify contact details, address for service and appropriate timeframes.	Centennial has an internal database of registered Aboriginal parties contact details and address services. The details are not published in this document. Timeframes for consultation are set out in Section 5 Aboriginal Community Consultation Table 2 The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements and Section 5.3 Aboriginal Heritage Committee.
Further information on dispute resolution – definition, process for triggering resolution process including who parties contact, who pays for mediator and process if a resolution can not be resolved.	Acronyms and definitions table updated to include a definition of dispute. Section 12 Dispute Resolution expanded to include Section 12.1 Procedure to Resolve a Dispute identifies process for triggering dispute resolution process, timeframe for triggering the dispute process, Section 12.1.1 Role of the Mediator, Section 12.3 Protocols if Mediation is unsuccessful (advice will be sought from the appropriate regulatory authority).
Additional definitions in the definition table: surface disturbance, major or extensive surface impacts, new infrastructure, dispute, a day, Aboriginal place.	Definitions included in the Acronyms and Definitions Table: dispute, a day, Surface disturbance, major or extensive surface impacts and new infrastructure are provided by example in Section 6.1 Aboriginal Heritage Surveys and Site Identification.
Consistent use of Aboriginal parties and Registered Aboriginal parties.	Consistent use of registered Aboriginal parties in document.
Updating of the AHIMS site impact recording form within 3 months of impact to the site.	Section 6.4 Site Impact Recording identifies the site impact recording form will be submitted to AHIMS within 3 months of the impact to the site.

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Establishment of an Aboriginal Heritage Sub-Committee twice yearly to identify upcoming work, issues raised are addressed. Table 3 amendment of wording to “Aboriginal people”. Table 3 amendment of wording description of Surface Aboriginal sites. Section 6.6 further clarification identification of previously unknown Aboriginal sites registered Aboriginal parties involvement. Section 6.6 timeframes for contacting OEH of previously unknown Aboriginal sites. Section 9 clarify RAPs involvement in induction process. Section 10 Document control to identify changes to the document must be undertaken in consultation with the RAPs.	Section 14.1 Aboriginal Heritage Committee identifies establishment of the Committee in 2015 and that it meets twice yearly. Table 3 wording of description for Aboriginal surface sites made. Section 6.6 does not state requirements for involvement of registered Aboriginal groups of previously unknown site identification. Section 5.3 Aboriginal Heritage Committee provides for registered Aboriginal groups to discuss matters of Aboriginal cultural heritage. Timeframe of “immediately” included in Section 6.6 for notification to OEH for previously unknown Aboriginal site. Section 10 identifies Aboriginal heritage matters form a component of site specific inductions. Section 11.1 Management Plan updates identifies revised editions of the document will be provided to the Registered Aboriginal Parties.
Email from the then Department of Planning and Environment 10 July 2017	
Conditions Reference to Airly Mine DA 162/91 Schedule 2 Condition 19a) and b) in Attachment 1 is incomplete. Reference to Airly Mine Extension Project SSD_5581 Schedule 3 Condition 2 (Heritage sites), Schedule 4 Condition 20 (Protection of Aboriginal Sites) and Schedule 6 Condition 5 (Relationships between Management Plans) requirements are missing from the Management Plan. Reference to Charbon Colliery Consent 24.6.1993 Schedule 2 Condition 5 is missing from the Management Plan.	Reference to Airly Mine DA 162/91 has been removed from the Management Plan. Reference to Airly Mine SSD_5581 development consent conditions have been updated in Attachment 2 to include Schedule 3 Condition 2, Schedule 4 Condition 20 and Schedule 6 Condition 5. Charbon Colliery development consent 24.6.1993 has been removed from the Management Plan.

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Reference to Angus Place PA 06_0021 Schedule 3 Condition 3 performance measures are missing from the Management Plan. Reference to Springvale Mine Extension Project SSD_5594 Schedule 3 Condition 1 is missing from the Management Plan. Consultation Provide copies of the latest consultation letters in an Appendix with the Consultation Log and a table showing how issues raised by agencies have been resolved. Figures Figure 3 – AHIMS sites within Centennials Western Operations Boundary is not loading. Neubecks Creek and Inglenook Project boundaries are shown on Figure 1 but are not mentioned in the text. If these are not covered by this Management Plan there needs to be some comment regarding this. General Remove references to such language as ‘may’, ‘where possible’ & ‘should’ and replace with ‘will’ and ‘would’. Incorrect references Attachment 3 incorrectly refers to PA 06_0021. This is the Development Consent for Angus Place not Charbon Colliery. Check referencing in document. Some references to sections where conditions are addressed are incorrect.	Angus Place 06_0021 Schedule 3 Condition 3 performance measures have been included in the Management Plan. Springvale Mine Extension Project SSD_5594 Schedule 3 Condition 1 has been included in this Management Plan. This Attachment 8B identifies content of consultation letters presented in Attachment 8 Consultation Log and how comments have been addressed. Figure 3 – AHIMS sites within Centennials Western Operations Boundary has been corrected. Section 1 identifies the Inglenook and Neubeck projects identified in Figure 1 are covered by this ACHMP but are not required by a condition of consent. Where appropriate language may’, ‘where possible’ & ‘should’ have been replaced with ‘will’ and ‘would’. Reference to Charbon Colliery PA 08_0211 has been updated.

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Email from Heritage New South Wales 21 February 2025 – Detailed Aboriginal cultural heritage advice	
Aboriginal community consultation - Heritage NSW notes that the revised ACHMP does not appear to have been provided to the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) as required by Schedule 3 Condition 32(b) and Section 11.1 of the ACHMP. Please provide evidence that the revised ACHMP has been provided to RAPs and update the consultation log in Attachment 8 to reflect this. Note that evidence of this consultation can comprise of copies of dated email records with all relevant email addresses shown and/or delivery/read receipts of the correspondence and can be provided to Heritage NSW separately for our review/record (i.e emails do not need to be included as an attachment to the ACHMP). - We note that the ACHMP has been revised on a number of occasions since its original endorsement by the Department in 2014. Section 11.1 of the ACHMP states that: <i>“Updated versions of the ACHMP report must also be provide to the registered Aboriginal parties.”</i> The consultation log provided in Attachment 8, however, indicates that when the ACHMP was updated in 2021 it may not have been provided to RAPs as required by the then approved ACHMP. Please clarify this discrepancy and/or update Attachment 8 to include details of this consultation. Management and Mitigation: - The condition and management status of Aboriginal sites located within the Western Coal Services project area is unclear. The absence of site-specific management measures for most sites (other than those associated with Mod 4), for example, means that it is unclear which sites are to be protected/conserved and which may	Evidence provided as a separate attachment with the resubmission of this ACHMP to Heritage NSW. Consultation log (Attachment 8) updated to confirm date and purpose of correspondence. Attachment 8A updated to present addressing of comments from Heritage NSW and RAPs (if applicable). ACHMP Attachment 8 (consultation log) updated to present 2021 consultation with RAPs.

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require/or have been salvaged. Further, there are discrepancies in the management status of a number of Aboriginal sites (including AHIMS 45-1-10242/45-1-0235, 45-1-0234 and 45-1-0236/45-1-0241) as being valid versus destroyed. Information presented in the ACHMP (i.e Table 4 of Attachment 7) and data on the Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS), for example, indicates that these sites remain valid. In contrast, information presented in the original Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that was prepared to support the initial project (e.g Figure 44 of the EIS) indicates that these sites have been salvaged. To address this matter, Heritage NSW requests that: A) A review/audit be undertaken of all Aboriginal sites within the Western Coal Services project area covered by the approval of SSD-5579 as modified and that the ACHMP be updated to confirm the management status of all sites and identify any site-specific management requirements and/or commitments to avoid/conservate. B) Attachment 7 of the ACHMP be updated to include detailed baseline data for Aboriginal sites are required by Schedule 5 Condition 3(a) of the consolidated consent. Minimally this should include a table which outlines: AHIMS ID, Site name, Site type/features, Site description, proposed management (e.g. protection/avoidance, monitoring, salvage), current management status (Valid/Destroyed), and any other relevant information such as the identification of duplicate registrations. For completeness this must include site duplicates and those that have been destroyed. C) Where the review/audit confirms that a site has been salvaged/destroyed, an Aboriginal	a) Condition and management status of Aboriginal sites within Western Coal Services project area (Attachment 7) has been reviewed in Table 7 outlining AHIMS #, site name, site type, current status, location (within or within 200 m of project area), and additional site card details. The status of site cards has been reviewed and those listed in red indicate a provided status in the AHIMS database, but cannot be readily identifiable based on information available about the site. Table 9 provides overall site management of sites within the project area and within 200 m. b) See Table 9 updates addressing AHIMS ID, Site name, Site type/features, Site description, proposed management (e.g. protection/avoidance, monitoring, salvage), current management status (Valid/Destroyed), and any other relevant information such as the identification of duplicate registrations. c) No sites were identified as 'destroyed' that required an ASIRF to be submitted.

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Site Impact Recording Form (ASIRF) must be submitted to AHIMS to update the management status of the site as being 'Destroyed.' 4. We note that while duplicate registrations of sites have been excluded from Tables 4 and Table 5 in Attachment 7, they are shown on the current figure provided in the ACHMP and remain valid on AHIMS. Where a site is managed via salvage and has duplicate registrations, ASIRFs will need to be submitted for both registrations to ensure both records are updated. Please update the ACHMP to include this requirement for sites that represent duplicated. 5. The modification report and ACHAR for MOD 4 identified that one previously AHIMS registered site (AHIMS #45-1-2795) is located in the DWP-A and clean water diversion area within the MOD 4 construction envelope. The assessment went on to state that, where it is determined that AHIMS #45-1-2795 is <i>"at an inappropriate risk of harm from construction activities associated with the proposed modification or the ongoing operation of SCSS, consideration will be given to salvaging the artefact."</i> Under the Western Region ACHMP (pg. 52 of Modification report. Please clarify the current proposed management of this site and whether it is to be avoided/protected or salvaged and update the ACHMP to reflect this. 6. Under the section titled 'Site Specific Management Measures – Western Coal Services' in Attachment 7 it states that: <i>"Centennial Western Coal Services will undertake an initial site inspection of all sites shown on figure 44 of the EIS outside the disturbance footprint with the Registered Aboriginal Parties prior to 31 December 2014 to identify the site condition and agree on any protection and/or management measures and need to be implemented."</i> Please update this section to include the outcomes of the	ACHMP updated to include site requirements and represent duplicates (AHIMS #45-1-0235 & #45-1-0241). Current proposed management of AHIMS #45-1-2795 is a surface salvage (see Table 9 – overall site management). The initial site inspection was undertaken on 2 December 2017 and it's finding are presented in 'Site Specific Management Measures-Western Coal Services .' Conclusions and recommendations are provided in this section.

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‘initial site inspection’ including any site-specific protection and/or management measures that were identified as a result of this. 7. Table 4 in Attachment 7 indicates that AHIMS #45-1-0218 represents an ‘Open Site with PAD.’ This is in contrast with the information on AHIMS where potential archaeological deposits (PAD) is not listed as a feature or mentioned on the site card. Please review and update the ACHMP for accuracy as the presence/absence of PAD will influence any management measures that may be required. 8. Please update Attachment 7 to include a section which summarises the Modifications to the SSD-5579 approval since its original approval as per Schedule 5 Condition 3 of the consolidated consent which requires that management plans include a description of the relevant statutory requirements (including any relevant approval, license or lease conditions). 9. Update the ACHMP to include a description of specific performance indicators that can be used to measure the effectiveness of the management measures implemented under the ACHMP in accordance with Schedule 5 Condition 3(b). Examples of suitable performance indicators might include: no harm to Aboriginal sites located outside of the approval disturbance area (such as AHIMS #45-1-0218), correct procedures followed in the event of unexpected finds etc. 10. Update Section 6.7 (identification of previously unknown Aboriginal cultural heritage sites) to ensure consistency and compliance with Schedule 5, Condition 7 (incident Reporting), noting that this condition includes specific timeframes for notification and reporting (e.g. within 7 days of the incidence, the Applicant must provide the Secretary and any relevant	Table 4, Attachment 7 AHIMS#45-1-0218 site type updated to reflect AHIMS site card. Attachment 7 updated to include section ‘Summary of Modification to SSD-5579 Approval’ (Table 3). See Attachment 7, Table 10 for ‘sites within project area performance indicators.’ Section 6.7 (Identification of previously unknown Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sites), updated to note specific time frame for notification and reporting (e.g within 7 days of if the incident).

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agencies with a details report on the incident.) 11. Please confirm whether any care agreements/long term management arrangements for Aboriginal objects salvaged under the ACHMP have been established since the previous update of the Western Region ACHMP in 2021. If so, Section 6.8 (Care and Control) must be updated to reflect any current arrangements. Mapping and figures: 12. We note that the location of AHIMS #45-1-2823 (one of Aboriginal sites identified during the Mod 4 assessment) as shown in the figure provided in Attachment 7 of the revised ACHMP differs compared to the location of this site as shown in the figure provided in Appendix 6 of the consolidated consent. Please review and clarify this discrepancy. 13. Please update the figure provided in attachment 7 of the revised ACHMP to also include the original development consent boundary. We note that the current figure only shows the boundary of the 'MOD4 Impact Assessment Area.' 14. We note that two Aboriginal sites listed in Table 4 of Attachment 7 are not illustrated on the site location figure (i.e AHIMS #45-1-0209 and AHIMS #45-1-0208). Please update the figure to include these missing sites. 15. For completeness, please update the figure in Attachment 7 to include the location of all Aboriginal sites within the Project area, including those that have been salvaged/destroyed. Mapping conventions may be used to indicate their 'destroyed/salvaged' status. 16. Please update the figure in Attachment 7, or provide an additional figure/s, which show the polygons of all site boundaries for sites with Artefact Scatters and/or PAD (both valid and destroyed) across the project area to provide the greater clarity	Confirmation that there are no care/agreements/long term management arrangements for Aboriginal objects salvaged under the ACHMP since the previous update in 2021. Mapping updated in Attachment 7 using AHIMS site card data. Attachment 7 figure updated to include original development consent boundary. Attachment 7 figure updated to include AHIMS #45-1-0209, and AHIMS#45-1-0208. Figure updated in Attachment 7 to include location of all Aboriginal sites within project area. Site status' noted as salvaged/destroyed/partially destroyed have been conveyed through symbols provided in the legend. Attachment 7 has been updated to include a map series comprising site boundaries of all sites identified within the project area, or within 200 m. Site identified with only a GPS co-ordinated

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on the spread of Aboriginal cultural heritage. Maps should be at a scale that is appropriate to the site and its relationship to other sites, important features, and the project boundary. Multiple maps may be required to effectively convey this information. 17. Please update the symbology used for AHIMS #45-1-2601 in the figure provided in Attachment 7 to demonstrate that the site also contains 'PAD' as a site feature.	(i.e Isolated Finds) have a 5x5 m extent proposed to cater for GPS inaccuracies. Symbology update for AHIMS #45-1-2601 in Attachment 7 figure to demonstrate 'PAD' feature.
Email from Wellington Valley Wiradjuri Aboriginal Corporation 26th February 2025 – Proposed Centennial Coal Western Region Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan Review	
WVWAC agree to most of the proposed Centennial Coal Western Region Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan, with minor changes or suggestions below additionally some amendments around RAP's to be added or removed. Section 6 Aboriginal cultural heritage identification, monitoring, and management on page 19 it states the following: <i>"Before any mine associated development can be undertaken, an Aboriginal heritage survey will be conducted. Aboriginal heritage surveys will be undertaken by a suitably qualified archaeologist. If surface disturbance is required for the upgrades of existing access tracks or minor clearing/earthworks (e.g. clearing associated with construction of exploration drill sites), an Aboriginal heritage due diligence visual inspection will be carried out by a suitable qualified archaeologist in accordance with relevant due diligence assessment guidelines."</i> WVWAC Members and Elders consulted insist that the above section be amended to include "with at least on (1) RAP Group involved." This is to ensure transparency and cultural involvement at all times.	Section 6 updated to reflect requested wording. Section 6 wording has been updated to reflect comment.

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WVWAC do not know of Mr Neville Williams from Mooka Traditional Owners. WVWAC has found that there is no ASIC Registration nor ORIC (Office of the Registrar Indigenous Corporations) and other Traditional groups from Cowra area do not know of neither Mr Williams nor Mooka Traditional Owners. We seek to have this RAP removed from ALL sites as they are not active and have never attended any Centennial Meeting or Field Assessment to our knowledge within the past 15 years. WVWAC seek to have Booral Maliyan added as a RAP to ALL sites, this is due to being a Wiradjuri Knowledge Holder, having 26 years (1999-2025) field experience and Apical Ancestry to the Bell/Dargan/Newnes Plateau and wider district, this would be for consultation purposes only at this state. WVWAC seek to have Steven Flick Cultural Services added as a RAP to all sites, this is due to having 26 years (1999-2025) field experience and worked alongside WVWAC, Booral Maliyan, Warrabinga and Newco in the Mudgee Region and recently on project around Lithgow. We ask that Steven Flick be added for all aspects of cultural heritage consultation and field assessment.	Since initial registration, multiple attempts have been undertaken to engage with Mooka Traditional Owners, we have had no response in several years. It is understood that one of the key people of this organisation may have passed away and this may be why we haven't received communication. Given this absence of communication since 2016, and at the request of WVWAC we have removed this organisation from the list of registered Aboriginal parties Attachment 7, Table 1. Wellington Valley Wiradjuri corporation has been added to the list of registered Aboriginal parties in Attachment 7, Table 1. As a registered party for other Centennial operations, this organisation has been contacted in relation to this plan and its various updates. We have now formally added this organisation to the formal list in Attachment 7, Table 1. We understand Booral Maliyan are closely related to WVWAC and have therefore included them as the same stakeholder. At this stage inclusion of additional registered Aboriginal parties for this site is not supported. Centennial will explore this further as part of their ongoing consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties that occurs every six months or so. Should support be identified as part of this consultation for inclusion of other individuals and/or organisations, they would be included in future versions of the plan.

