

Snowy 2.0 External Agency Incident Notification Form

Sediment Basin Overtopping (SBOT) Event Summary - SHL-ENV-INC-005	
Date of Incident	26/07/2024
Date of This Report	06/08/2024
Time of Incident	Refer to SBOT Form
Site	Marica, Sediment Basins - MC01 & MC03
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Incident Classification			
Regulator	Description	Notification Details	Date Notified
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NSW EPA	<u>EPL 21266 - Pollution of waters L1.1</u> <i>"Except as may be expressly provided in any other condition of this licence, the licensee must comply with section 120 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997."</i>	<u>Condition R2.2</u> EPA Hotline # REF-NO-31683	29/07/2024
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NSW NPWS	<u>Conditions of Approval - CSSI 9687</u> Sch. 3 Cond. 29 Sch. 3 Cond. 30(m)	<u>CoA: Sch. 4. Cond. 7</u> <i>"Within 7 days of becoming aware of any non-compliance with the conditions of this approval, the Proponent must notify the Department via the Major Projects portal of the non-compliance."</i>	29/07/2024
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<input type="checkbox"/> Australian DCCEEW	For information.	For information.	29/07/2024

Summary & Cause of Incident

As per S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-116056:

1. Date/time the first employee became aware of the incident

Date: 26/07/2024

Time: 13:00 pm

2. Date/time of cessation of incident

Date: 27/07/2024

Time: Visual inspection on the morning of 27/07/2024 indicated that the overtopping had ceased.

3. Duration of incident

According to S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-116056: 23:00 hours.

4. Describe the nature of the incident, including estimated size of impacted area

Sediment basin overtopping - estimated size of impact area not provided in S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-116056.

5. Cause or suspected cause of incident

Cumulative rainfall exceeding basin design capacity and additional snow-melt runoff.

6. Has the incident impacted the environment? If yes, describe the type of environment impacted and any observable impacts (visual, odour, etc) on waterways, soils, flora, fauna, etc.

Negligible impact to the nearest major receiving waterway (Eucumbene River). In situ water sampling results attached.

7. Number of similar incidents from this location (within 200m or same EPL point or basin) in previous 2 years (provide REF number/s)

Document No	Revision	Title	Revision Date	Date Modified	Review Source
S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-0890	A	Marica - ENV - Sediment laden water entering Eucumbene river	29/08/2021	03/07/2024	WF-038062
S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-2175	A	Marica - ENV - Sediment basin overtopping	02/12/2022	03/07/2024	WF-038062
S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-3100	B	Marica - ENV - Sediment laden water leaving site into nearby waterway near MT05	19/08/2023	03/07/2024	WF-038062
S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-3265	B	Tantangara-Lobs Hole-Marica - Overtopping basins as a result of rainfall	05/10/2023	04/11/2023	WF-026690
S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-4277	A	Marica - ENV- Overtopping sediment basin during rainfall event	31/05/2024	05/07/2024	WF-037203

Discharge or Basin Overflow

1. Basin ID or relevant EPL Points

Sediment Basin MC01 and MC03

2. Type of water discharged

Water captured in the sediment basin

3. For basin overflows, design capacity and remaining capacity

MC01 capacity: 736.4 m³

MC03 capacity: 838 m3

FGJV does not include any details in SBOT forms or Incident reports on remaining capacity.

4. Actual total volume discharged (kL), include estimation method

Total volume discharged (kL) and estimation method not provided in FGJV SBOT form or FGJV incident reports.

5. Volume captured prior to discharge (kL) (if any)

Volume captured prior to discharge (kL) not provided in FGJV SBOT form or FGJV incident year reports.

6. Estimated volume discharged to the waterways (kL) – specify which waterway/s were impacted and the distance travelled to receiving waterway

Details regarding volume discharged to waterways (kL) and distances travelled to receiving waterway not provided in FGJV SBOT form or FGJV incident reports.

7. Length of mixing zone/plume (if relevant)

Mixing zone / plume details not provided in FGJV SBOT form or FGJV incident reports.

Actions Taken

As per S2-FGJV-ENV-INC-116056:

1. Provide further detail on actions taken prior to the incident (including pre-incident checklists)

- Dewatering of the sediment basins have been ongoing for the past 2 weeks prior to the incident due to regular rain and snow falls.
- FGJV Pre-rainfall inspection conducted on 23/07/2024 - this confirmed capacity in the relevant sediment basins.
- Approximately 50.00 mm of rain / snow was received in the 4 days prior to inspection

2. Provide further detail on actions taken to contain/mitigate/stop the incident (including details of response plans/procedures implemented)

- Regular pre / post-rainfall inspections;
- Continuous dewatering of sediment basins;
- As per “Part G: Corrective Actions - install second pump and sprinkler on MC01 to trial the effectiveness of this in preventing overtopping during snow-melt conditions”.

3. Provide further detail on actions taken to clean-up incidents

No further detail provided by FGJV in relation to the clean-up of this incident.

4. Provide further detail on actions taken to protect/notify any sensitive receptors nearby or downstream

- As per “Part G: Corrective Actions - install second pump and sprinkler on MC01 to trial the effectiveness of this in preventing overtopping during snow-melt conditions”.

5. Provide proposed post incident actions to prevent or mitigate recurrence

- As per “Part G: Corrective Actions - install second pump and sprinkler on MC01 to trial the effectiveness of this in preventing overtopping during snow-melt conditions”;
- Continuous dewatering of sediment basins.

6. Sampling locations and results, if not yet available provide time frame and send to EPA when available (quoting EPA REF number)

In-situ and laboratory water samples of sediment basins and downstream waterways enclosed - **Attachment 1**.

Photographs / Map of Incident

Refer to SBOT form.