

2 Submissions summary

This section provides a breakdown and summary of the submissions received on the Cobbora Coal Project EA. All submissions are available on the DP&I's website:

http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/index.pl?action=list_submissions&job_id=3695

2.1 Submissions received

A total of 232 submissions were received from the following agencies, councils, groups and individuals (submission identifiers in brackets):

- Commonwealth agencies (two submissions):
 - Australian Astronomical Observatory (CA-1); and
 - Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPaC) (CA-2).
- NSW agencies (12 submissions):
 - Environment Protection Authority (EPA) (NA-1);
 - OEH (Biodiversity and Aboriginal Heritage) (NA-2);
 - Division of Resources and Energy (DRE) (NA-3);
 - NSW Health (NA-4);
 - Rural Fire Service (NA-5);
 - Office of Communities – Aboriginal Affairs (NA-6);
 - Department of Primary Industries (including NSW Office for Water) (NA-7);
 - Central West Catchment Management Authority (NA-8);
 - Office of Environment and Heritage, Historic Heritage (NA-9);
 - Department of Primary Industries (Catchments and Lands) (NA-10);
 - Department of Primary Industries (Agricultural Sustainability and Food Security) (NA-11); and
 - Transport for NSW (NA-12).
- A number of questions have been received from DP&I since the start of the public exhibition period and these are grouped under and given the code NA-13:
- Councils (four submissions):

- Dubbo City Council (C-1);
- Mid-Western Regional Council (C-2);
- Warrumbungle Shire Council (C-3); and
- Wellington Council (C-4).
- Community/interest groups (27 submissions):
 - Northern Illawarra Sustainability Alliance (G-1);
 - The Wilderness Society, Newcastle (G-2);
 - Humane Society International (G-3);
 - Coolah Wind Farms (G-4);
 - Ironstone Community Action Group Inc (G-5);
 - Inland Rivers Network (G-6);
 - Kenjarhy Aboriginal Mining Services (G-7);
 - Lighting Analysis and Design (G-8);
 - Murong Gialinga Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation (G-9);
 - Mudgee District Environment Group (G-10);
 - Nature Conservation Council of NSW (G-11);
 - Regional Development Australia (G-12);
 - Running Stream Water Users Association Inc (G-13);
 - ORIN Working Party (G-14);
 - The Greens (G-15);
 - Orange Field Naturalist and Conservation Society (G-16);
 - Central West Environment Council (G-17);
 - Hunter Bird Observers Club Inc. (G-18);
 - Hunter Environment Lobby Inc. (G-19);
 - Dubbo Field Naturalists and Conservation Society Inc. (G-20);
 - Cudgegong Valley Water Committee (G-21);
 - The Coastwatchers Association Inc. (G-22);

- Roylances Automotive Industrial Earthmoving and Mining (G-23);
 - Big Volcano Tourism Marketing and Media (G-24);
 - Regional Enviroscience Pty. Ltd. (G-25);
 - Leo Fardell Heavy Haulage and Earthmoving (G-26); and
 - CBD Energy (G-27).
- Individuals: 188 submissions.

Of the 215 submissions received from groups or individuals, 208 were from NSW, three from Victoria, two from Queensland and two did not provide a state. Of those from NSW, 45 were from Mid-Western Regional, Warrumbungle, Wellington or Dubbo local government areas (Table 2.1).

Table 2.1 **Origin of submissions**

Original	Groups	Individuals
Dubbo	4	0
Mid-Western Regional	5	28
Warrumbungle	1	6
Wellington	0	1
NSW – other or not stated	17	146
Victoria or Queensland	0	5
Not stated	0	2

CHC and EMGA Mitchell McLennan Pty Limited (EMM) acknowledge and thank all stakeholders for taking the time to review the EA and submit a response.

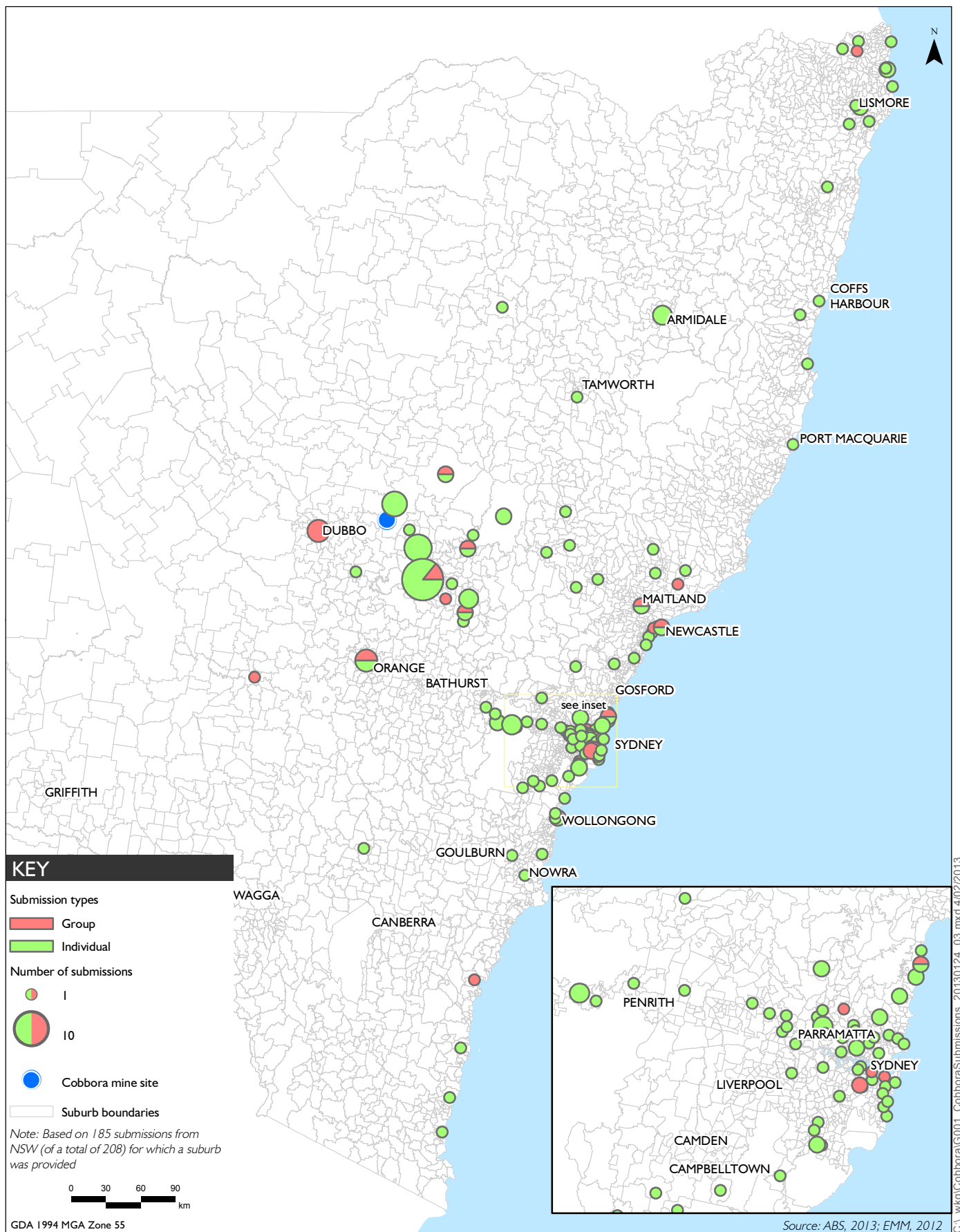
2.2 Summary of issues

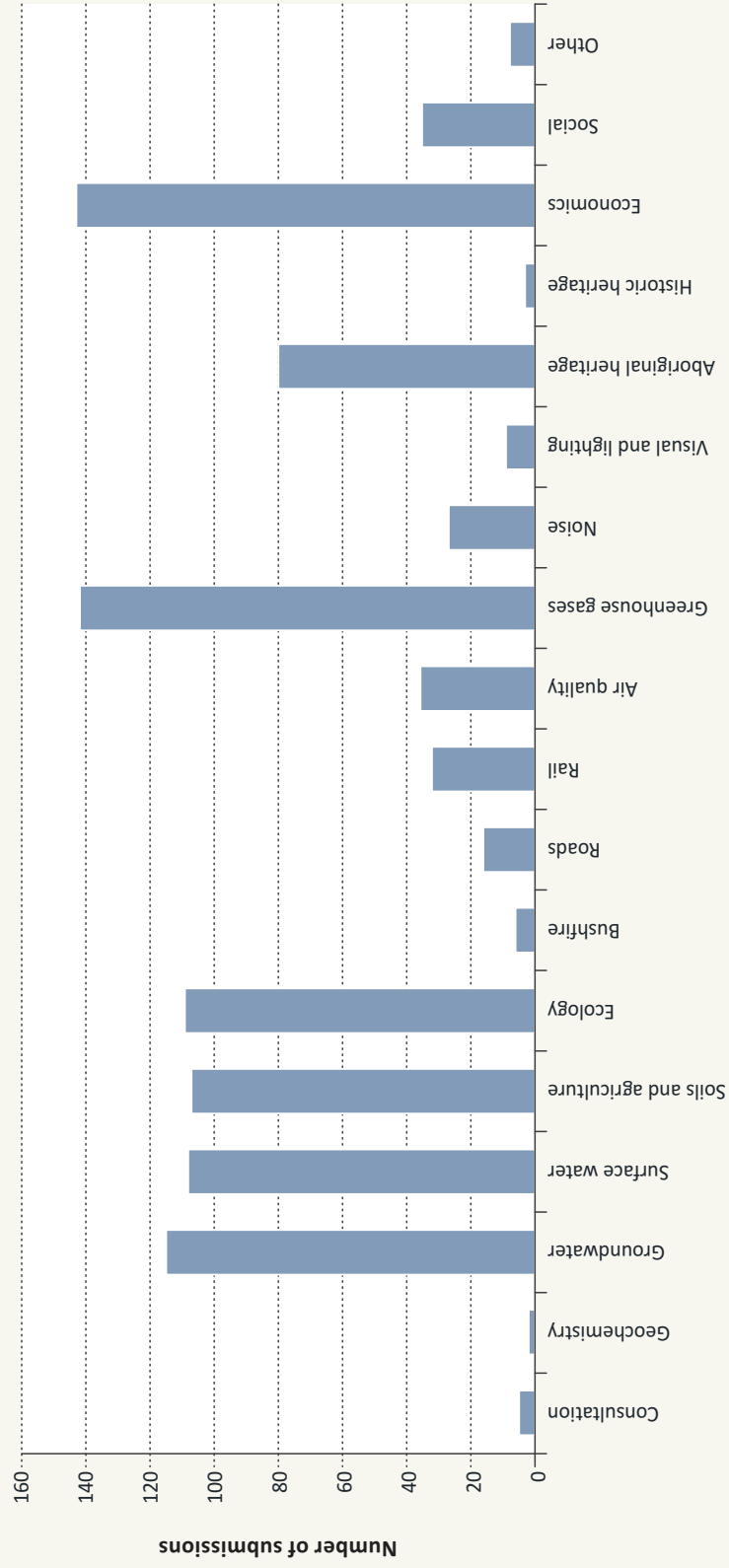
The issues raised in submissions were grouped under the most relevant topic using the EA chapter titles (eg groundwater, air quality or road transport). Issues that could not be grouped in any search topic were categorised as 'Other'.

The numbers of submissions by topic are provided in Figure 2.2. Many submissions raised issues from a number of topics and these were counted in more than one topic.

2.3 Response method

Responses are provided to each topic and each submission relevant to the topic is noted. All submissions have been given an individual reference code; the codes and sections relevant to each submission are listed in Appendix A.





Number of Submissions by Topic

Cobbora Coal Project - Preferred Project Report and Response to Submissions

Figure 2.2

