

Comments on Borrow Pit “C”, Euromedah Road, Narromine

Submitted by M.A. and L.A Feddersen owners and occupiers of the Property “Wahroonga” located between the proposed Borrow Pit “C” site and the Rail alignment.

Comments are:

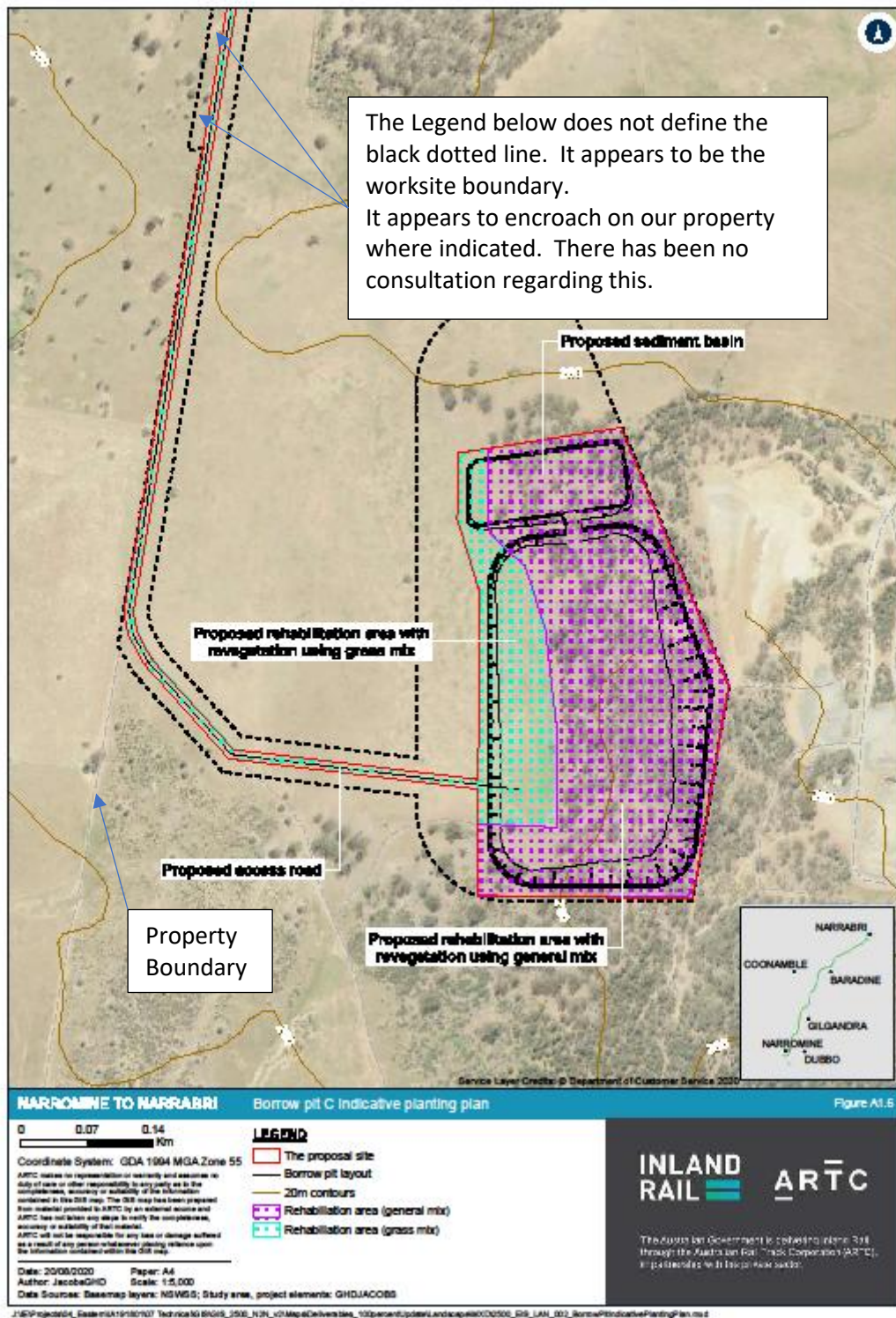
1. There has been no consultation regarding the proposed Borrow Pit “C” location and the associated haul road that passes approximately 180m to the East our house and will result in noise, dust and possibly vibration for a period of up to 51 months (ref: Table 3.3, EIS Appendix K, Page 21) or longer if there are project delays.
2. The Borrow Pit “C” Indicative Planting Plan appears to show the worksite encroaching on our property along the northern portion of the haul road. There has been no consultation on this or what it involves. See map on following page. We would like to know what this is.
3. The Borrow Pit “C” Context Plan (see extract of Figure A1.5 on page 3 of this response) shows the relationship of the proposed Borrow Pit “C” and the rail alignment with our property which is located between the two. In discussions with the neighbour on whose property Borrow Pit “C” is located we agreed that it would be more sensible if the haul road was repositioned to travel in an East-West direction across our property and not as shown in Appendix K. We see many advantages to us as well as to the project. These advantages include:
 - Less disruption to the owner of the land on which the Borrow Pit “C” is located as it will keep traffic away from his camp area.
 - Less impact on our house as it will move the haul road from within approx. 180m east of our house to approximately 500m south of our house. It will not be visible from our house in this location due to the terrain.
 - Reduced heavy traffic on Euromedah Road reducing road maintenance requirements and increasing safety
 - Reduced traffic at the intersection of Euromedah Road and Eumungerie Road
 - Reduced traffic congestion where the rail alignment crosses Eumungerie Road as trucks will not need to slow to turn from the road onto the alignment and vice versa
 - Reduced haul time will reduce construction cost
 - Will permit high capacity “off-road” haulage vehicles to be used increasing productivity and reducing construction cost.
 - For light vehicle access to the Borrow Pit “C” site, the owners will make appropriate access arrangements from Eumungerie Road to separate these vehicles from the haul trucks as far as possible, thus increasing safety.

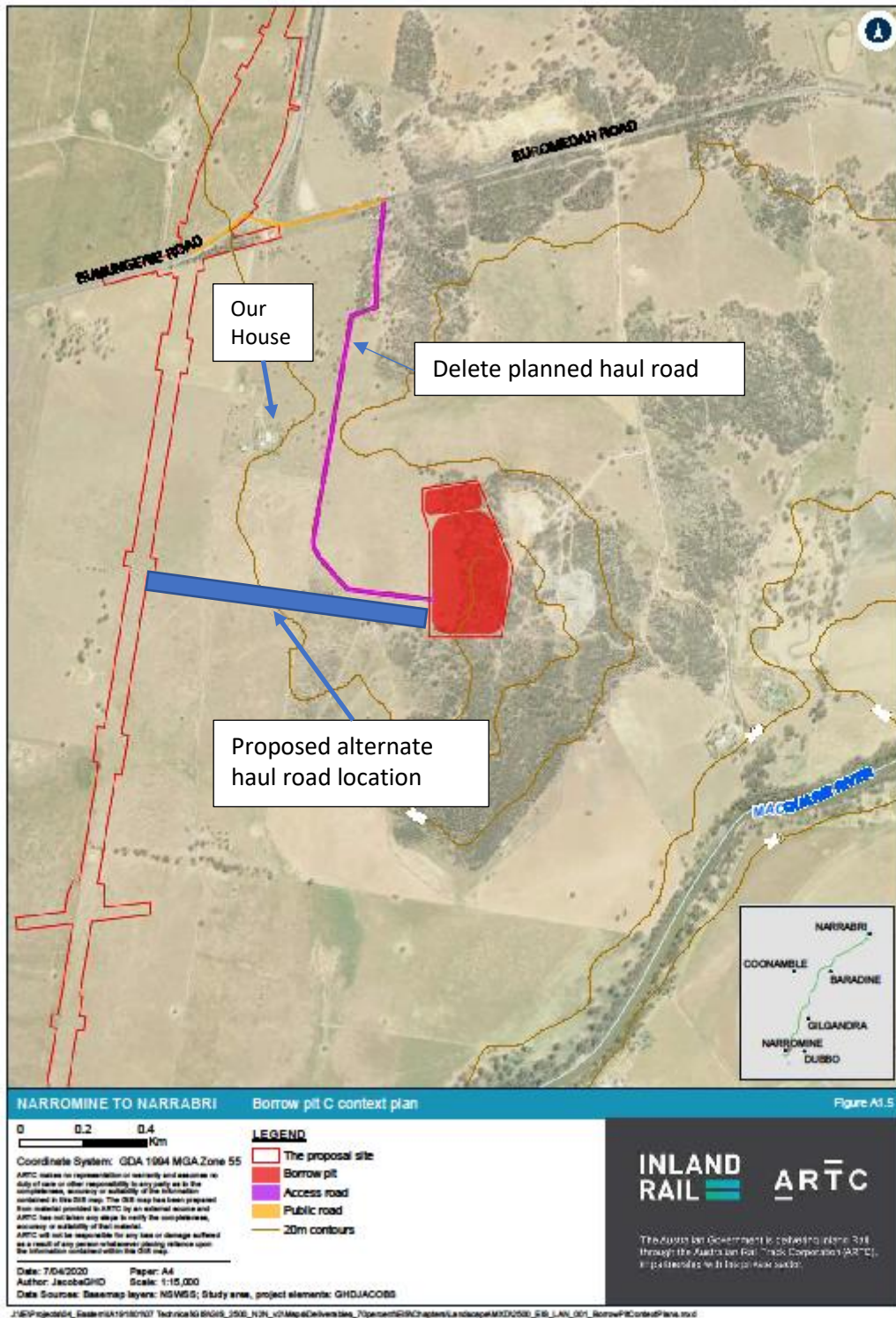
Summary:

We believe that there is an alternative approach to the haul road location that will lessen the Social and Environmental impact on the affected landowners and the community and will achieve reduced construction cost as well. We are amenable to discussing this further with the project proponent.

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Google Maps



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Measure distance
Total distance: 180.09 m (590.84 ft)

Google maps extract showing calculated distance of approximately 180m between our house and the Haul Road location proposed in Appendix K. We object to this proposed Haul Road location as no justification for this route, or analysis of alternatives, has been provided and there is a logical alternative that provides many advantages and benefits.