

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

BENGALLA

AIR PARTICULATE EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT

Bengalla Mining Company operates an air quality management system to enable assessment and management of air quality.

Operations are monitored and amended as appropriate to manage air particulate emissions.

Briefly elements of the system include:

- a predictive component using weather forecasts and dispersion modelling;
- real-time meteorology and air quality monitoring data; and
- trigger levels and notifications.

Selected Bengalla staff receive a daily forecast report providing information on temperature, wind conditions, dust and noise (Figure 1).

Certain activities including blasting require assessment. Bengalla operates according to its Blast Management Plan. When blasting Bengalla considers environmental data, various parameters of the blast design including location, blast area and fume rating. A blast model is run to estimate the predicted dust plume.

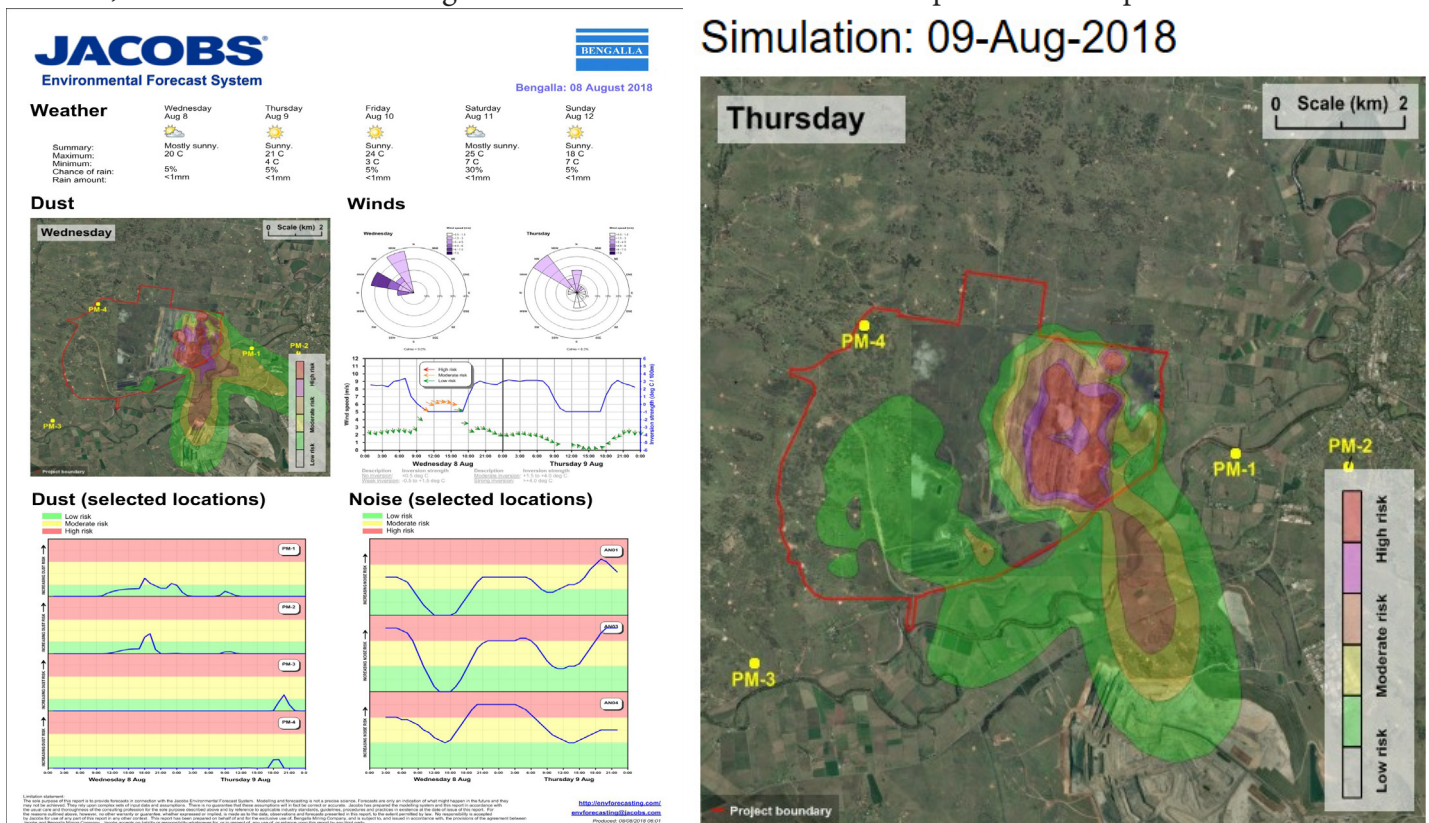
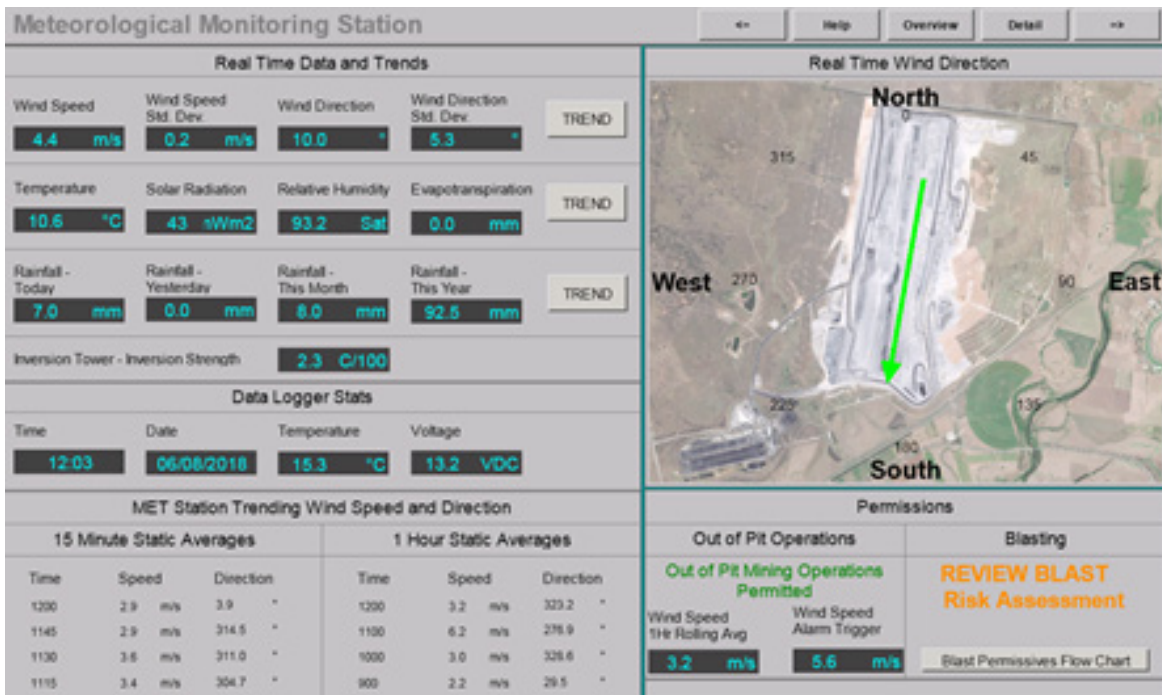


Figure 1. Daily environmental forecast data

The Bengalla CCC Newsletter. The material in this issue of the Bengalla Mine Community Consultative Committee (BMCCC) newsletter has been selected by the CCC representatives. The BMCCC is comprised of community representatives and representatives from Bengalla Mine including the Chief Executive Officer. This newsletter aims to inform interested community members on matters discussed during CCC meetings.

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Immediately prior to blasting weather data is reviewed to determine consistency with the Blast Management Plan. If conditions are met the blast occurs.



SUPPORTING 'WHERE THERE'S A WILL'

Bengalla mine has a great history for raising funds for worthy causes and this year has been no different. When major shutdown works happen, Bengalla looks to try and tie this into some form of fundraising activity. With this year's raw coal shutdown being in July, Bengalla took the opportunity to look for a local charity that it could support.

Russell Hartin, Bengalla Coal Handling and Preparation Plant Superintendent, having attended a recent information night at the local high school for Where there's a Will, suggested the charity for Bengalla to support. Russell Hartin said "Being a local charity the funds stay in the local area and go towards helping the young people of our community build skills to be more resilient. They also run great programs for parents and teachers to understand the pressures that our young people face and give them some of the tools to help them understand."

Pauline Carrigan from Where there's a Will said: "we are delighted to receive the generous donation from both Bengalla and Komatsu/Joy Global. These funds are so very important to maintain the support of positive education in our schools and greater community who are all working together to make prevention of mental ill health our preferred pathway. While we as a charity always welcome the donations, it is the partnerships we are developing across the Upper Hunter that will prove to be the strength of this project. Where there's a Will is a charity that is owned by this community."



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