Acid Sulfate Soil Management Sub-Plan

Cross River Rail – Rail, Integration and Systems Alliance

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Plan Control

This Acid Sulfate Soil Management Sub-Plan (the plan) has been developed for the Cross River Rail – Rail, Integration and Systems Project.

Approvals, Revisions and Amendments

Plan approval is in accordance with Section 4.1.2 of the Construction Environmental Management Plan (C-EMP).

Plan reviews and updates are in accordance with Section 7 and Section 8.1 of the C-EMP.

Revision Details

Revision	Remarks
А	Final C-EMP for Review and endorsement by the Environmental Monitor
В	Incorporating review comments from the Independent Environment Monitor dated 30 September 2019
С	Incorporating review comments from the Independent Environment Monitor dated 04 November 2019
00	Plan updated to include Hold Point process for unrestricted endorsement
01	6 monthly review and updated to incorporate changes linked to RfPC-7 and Updated O-EMP The update does not include new or additional Relevant Project Works
02	Issued for Use
03	Issued for review to the IEM 6 monthly review No updates required because of: RfPC-11, and The addition of the Southern Area Scope of Works (Dutton Park and Buranda, Excluding Buranda Cross Over B3)
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1 Purpose of this Plan

This sub-plan has been prepared to comply with:

- Coordinator-General's Conditions of Approval Appendix 1 Part C:
 - Condition 19(a)
 - Conditions 15(a) and 15(b)
 - Conditions 16(a), 16(b) and 16(c)

as they relate to water management and quality of surface water and groundwater that may be affected by disturbance of acid sulfate soils

• Final Outline-Environment Management Plan (O-EMP) – Outline Acid Sulfate Soil Management Plan.



Component	Details	
Environmental Outcome(s)	 Acid sulfate soils (ASS) must be managed in accordance with the methods and requirements of the latest edition of the Queensland Acid Sulfate Soil Technical Manual (QASSIT) 	
	 Project water quality objectives are consistent with the frameworks established by the Imposed Condition 18, Environmental Protection (Water and Wetland Biodiversity) Policy 2019 and Qld Water Quality Guidelines in relation to background conditions 	
	 Discharge of surface water and groundwater from RIS works aim to achieve the relevant water quality objectives established for the project in order to protect the environmental values of receiving waters 	
	 Project works must be designed, planned and implemented to avoid, where practical, and otherwise minimise the inflow of groundwater to the project works, including excavations having regard for the predictive modelling 	
	 Construction activities should avoid or minimise environmental and public health risks associated with disturbance of potential ASS encountered during construction works. 	
	Construction activities do not impact on the environmental values of the Brisbane River and other waterways within the study corridor	
Relevant Area	Mayne Yard Paral for t/Francisco Construction and allignment	
	 Breakfast/Enoggera Creek enhanced alignment Alluvial Channels in Exhibition Station 	
	Clapham Yard – Moolabin/Rocky Water Holes Creek Area	
	Rocklea Station	
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Relevant Works / Activities	 Subsurface disturbance works resulting in the removal of spoil material in known or suspected areas of PASS/AASS material, such as excavations, piling, trenching, remove and replace 	
	 Dewatering works (especially groundwater or trapped surface water in open excavations) required in known or suspected areas of PASS/AASS material 	
Performance Criteria	 ASS is avoided where practical, or if intercepted is managed to avoid adverse impact to environmental values, infrastructure, construction equipment, construction personnel or the public 	
	 Runoff and discharges from worksites are consistent with project environmental objectives established in accordance with Imposed Condition 18, Environmental Protection (Water and Wetland Biodiversity) Policy 2019 and Qld Water Quality Guidelines, and do not negatively affect the background conditions of the receiving waters 	
	 Monitor and report on water quality during construction, in accordance with the Water Quality Management Plan, a sub-plan of the C-EMP. 	
Sustainability	Dis-1; Eco-1.	
Mitigation Measure	 An ASS investigation is undertaken in accordance with QASSIT guidelines. 	
	 The details of the investigation program are documented in a Sampling and Analysis Quality Plan (SAQP) 	
	 Upon completion of the ASS investigation, results are used to: 	
	 prescribe treatment methods and monitoring requirements detailed in a 	
	supplementary ASSMP and transferred into the relevant SEPs and Workpacks avoid disturbance of Potential / Actual ASS materials wherever possible	
	 through design and construction planning. A supplementary ASS management plan (ASSMP or equivalent) is developed that includes part or all the following information: 	
	 Site setting details, such as topography, sensitive receiving environments, groundwater, geology, previous investigations, groundwater assessment 	
	 Summary of the location of AASS, PASS and naturally acidic soils and a risk rating of the area 	



Component	Details
Component	Presence of acidic groundwater and risk rating of the groundwater zones
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	General requirements Identified ASS materials
	Confirmed non-ASS materials Payaboring and water discharge.
	Dewatering and water discharge Page and in the group and to ASS.
	Responsibilities of key construction personnel in the management of ASS
	Non-conformance and corrective actions Audition or actions
	Auditing requirements
	Community relation requirements
	Training requirements of site personnel in the basic recognition of ASS
	Procedures such as: Observation of account A 22 material.
	Characterisation of suspected ASS material Characterisation of auditors and transportation of ASS
	 Stockpiling, handling and transportation of ASS Treatment and verification of excavated ASS
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	 Discharge water quality monitoring. During development of Workpacks and SEPs, the relevant management measures
	from the supplementary ASSMP (or equivalent) are incorporated in the SEPs and Workpacks
	 Prior to the Relevant Project Works commencing a supplementary ASSMP (or equivalent) prepared by a Suitably Qualified Person is provided to the Environmental Monitor with sufficient notice to demonstrate compliance with Conditions 4c(ii) and 19.
	 The Relevant Project Works are not be authorised to commence until the detail required under Condition 4c(ii) has been provided.
	 Should areas of unidentified potential ASS be identified through construction activities, the Supervisor will immediately notify the Environmental Manager to assist in further investigation, and to prescribe interim control measures (e.g. lime application) until actual risks are quantified
	Management measures to avoid human health exposure will include:
	 Avoidance of ASS where possible
	 Where ASS is disturbed, treatment (in accordance with ASS Investigation outcomes) to occur as soon as practicable to minimise potential odours to workforce and sensitive receivers
	 Incorporation of appropriate workplace health and safety measures to avoid exposure to highly alkaline neutralising agents such as hydrated lime Ca(OH)2 and quicklime CaO.
	 In areas where ASS has been identified, site specific SEP and ESC-P are developed for each work area, taking into account findings from the ASS investigations. The SEP and ESC-P must include measures such as, but not limited to:
	 Containment of ASS affected waters,
	 Management of run-off from site,
	 Locations of treatment pads
	Liming rates
	Surface Waters (including trapped water) and Groundwater Monitoring regimes
	 Trapped waters proposed for release to the receiving environment are:
	 Tested prior to release to ensure waters comply with parameters included in the Water Quality and Waterways Management Plan, relevant supplementary Contaminated Land and acid sulfate soils Management Plans
	 Released under an internal Permit to Dewater approved by the Environmental Team.



Component	Details
Monitoring	Monitoring is undertaken in accordance with the Construction Monitoring Program (attachment 4 of the C-EMP).
	Where additional monitoring is triggered based on the supplementary ASSMP (or equivalent) the details of the monitoring will be included in the relevant Workpacks and SEPs
Reporting	Reporting is undertaken in accordance with Section 8.2 of the C-EMP.
Corrective Action	Management of corrective actions will be undertaken as per Section 6 of the C-EMP.
Auditing	As per Section 7 of the C-EMP.