



## COMPLIANCE REPORT July 2015

*The Department of Planning and Environment's Compliance Team works in communities across NSW to ensure projects, such as mines, industrial sites, major developments and infrastructure, are meeting the strict conditions included in their approvals.*

*The team works closely with the community, local councils and other state and federal government agencies to investigate potential breaches and carry out enforcement where necessary. Information from community members is an important way the team learns about issues to investigate. Enforcement can range from negotiating fixes, issuing penalty notices and in serious cases, criminal prosecutions.*

*Below is a snapshot of some of the team's activity in July 2015.*

<b>COMPLIANCE MONITORING ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>July 2015</b>
Inspections and surveillance carried out	56
New investigations commenced this month	8
Review of compliance documentation	67
<i>Subtotal compliance monitoring</i>	131

<b>ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>July 2015</b>
Compliance warning letters issued	1
Orders imposed	0
Penalty notices and fines imposed	0
Prosecutions	0
<i>Subtotal enforcement</i>	1

The Department's Compliance Officers conducted 56 inspections to monitor compliance against conditions of approval. The Department inspected some projects multiple times during the month.

- Mines/Quarries:
  - Aberdare East - Richmond Main (Cessnock City Council)
  - AGL Macquarie Ravensworth South (Singleton Shire Council)
  - Ardmore Park Quarry Marulan(Goulburn- Mulwaree Shire Council)
  - Ashton Coal Mine (Singleton Shire Council)
  - Boral Peppertree Marulan(Goulburn- Mulwaree Shire Council)
  - Bulga Coal Mine (Singleton Shire Council)
  - Calga Sand Quarry (Gosford City Council)
  - Coal Gold Mine West Wyalong (Bland Shire Council)
  - Dunloe Sands (Tweed Shire Council)
  - Eviron Quarry/Landfill (Tweed Shire Council)
  - Gerroa Sand Quarry (Kiama Shire Council)
  - Glendell Coal Mine (Singleton Shire Council)
  - Grants Road Sand Quarry (Gosford City Council)
  - Hanson Central Coast Quarry (Gosford City Council)
  - Hunter Enviro Mining (Cessnock City Council)

## NSW map showing location of site visits by LGA

- Hunter Valley Operations (Singleton Shire Council)
- Integra Coal Mine (Singleton Shire Council)
- Mackas Sand Quarry (Port Stephens Council)
- Maules Creek Coal Mine (Narrabri Shire Council)
- RASP Mine (Broken Hill Shire Council)
- Ravensworth Complex (Singleton Shire Council)
- Spring Farm Quarry (Camden Shire Council)
- Tritton Mine Hermidale (Bogan Shire Council)
- Wambo Coal Mine (Singleton Shire Council)
- Werris Creek (Liverpool Plains Shire Council)
- Industry:
  - BOC Elgas Port Kembla (Wollongong Shire Council)
  - Boral Concrete Batching Plant (Tweed Shire Council)
  - Genesis Waste Facility (Blacktown City Council)
  - Hanson Construction Materials (Blacktown City Council)
  - Hymix Concrete Batching Plant Chinderah (Tweed Shire Council)
  - Hurstville Hospital (Hurstville City Council)
  - National Ceramic Industries Australia (Maitland City Council)
  - Nyngan Solar Farm Nyngan (Bogan Shire Council)
  - Orica Remediation (Bankstown City Council)
  - Tomago Aluminium Company (Port Stephens Council)
  - Weston Aluminium (Cessnock City Council)
- Infrastructure and other projects:
  - Barangaroo South (City of Sydney Council)
  - Cobaki Land Development (Tweed Shire Council)
  - Coffs Harbour Water Treatment Plant (Coffs Harbour Shire Council)
  - Cultural Event Site – Splendour (Byron Shire Council)
  - Cedar Grove Estate, Kiama (Kiama Shire Council)
  - Dowling Street Subdivision Kiama (Kiama Shire Council)
  - Epping to Thornleigh Third Track (ETTT) (Hornsby Shire Council)
  - Lots 12 & 13 Princes Hwy Kiama Heights (Kiama Shire Council)
  - NorthConnex (Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai and The Hills Council's)
  - Pacific Pines Estate (Ballina Shire Council)
  - Vincentia Coastal Village Jervis Bay (Shoalhaven Shire Council)

### **Warning Letter issued to Russell Vale Colliery**

- On 10 July 2015 the Department issued a warning letter to Russell Vale Colliery following investigation into a complaint that the self-imposed speed limit of 50 km/hr on Bellambi Lane had been exceeded on a number of occasions between April and June 2015.
- The Department will follow-up this action to ensure compliance.

### **Werris Creek coal mine interagency groundwater investigation**

- On 23 July 2015 the Department, in conjunction with NSW Office of Water investigated claims that the Werris Creek Coal mine had breached an aquifer resulting in a greater than predicted reduction in groundwater levels at nearby landholders' waterbores.
- The investigation found that there is no evidence to support claims that the mine has impacted on alluvial bores, and that the mine is compliant with its conditions.

# NSW map showing location of site visits by LGA

