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4 hard copies and 1 electronic copy of monthly EM&A Report shall be submitted to the Director within 2 weeks after the end of the reporting month. The EM&A Reports shall include a summary of all non-compliance (exceedances) of the environmental quality performance limits (Action and Limit Levels). The submissions shall be certified by the ET Leader and verified by the Independent Auditor. Additional copies of the submission shall be provided to the Director upon request by the Director.

#### **ET Certification**

I hereby certify that the above referenced document/ $\frac{plan}{plan}$  complies with the above referenced condition of EP-312/2008/A

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STUDY PROGRAMME

# Agreement No. CE 63/2016 (EP) Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Disposal Facility to the East of Sha Chau (2017-2020) - Investigation

#### **MONTHLY EM&A REPORT FOR JANUARY 2021**

#### 1.1 BACKGROUND

- 1.1.1 The Civil Engineering and Development Department (CEDD) is managing a number of marine disposal facilities in Hong Kong waters, including the Contaminated Mud Pits (CMPs) to the South of The Brothers (SB) and to the East of Sha Chau (ESC) for the disposal of contaminated sediment, and opensea disposal grounds located to the South of Cheung Chau (SCC), East of Tung Lung Chau (ETLC) and East of Ninepins (ENP) for the disposal of uncontaminated sediment. Two Environmental Permits (EPs), EP-312/2008/A and EP-427/2011/A, were issued by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) to the CEDD, the Permit Holder, on 28 November 2008 and 23 December 2011 for the Dredging, Management and Capping of Contaminated Sediment Disposal Facilities at ESC CMP V and SB CMPs, respectively.
- 1.1.2 Under the requirements of the two EPs for ESC CMP V and SB CMPs, EM&A programmes which encompass water and sediment chemistry, fisheries assessment, tissue and whole body analysis, sediment toxicity and benthic recolonisation studies as set out in the EM&A Manuals are required to be implemented. EM&A programmes have been continuously carried out during the operation of the CMPs at ESC and SB. A review of the collection and analysis of such environmental data from the monitoring programme demonstrated that there had not been any adverse environmental impacts resulting from disposal activities (1) (2). The current programme will assess the impacts resulting from dredging, disposal and capping operations of CMP V as well as capping operations of SB CMPs.
- 1.1.3 A proposal on the change of number of sample replication of water quality & sediment monitoring and combination of routine water quality monitoring and water quality monitoring during capping operation was submitted to EPD and agreed by EPD on 3 December 2020. The proposed changes have been effective for the EM&A activities since December 2020. The latest sampling schedule is provided in *Annex A*.

ERM (2013) Final Report. Submitted under Agreement No. CE 4/2009 (EP) Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Contaminated Mud Pit at East Sha Chau. For CEDD.

<sup>(2)</sup> ERM (2017) Final Report. Submitted under Agreement No. CE 23/2012 (EP) Environmental Monitoring and Audit for Contaminated Mud Pits to the South of The Brothers and at East Sha Chau (2012 - 2017). For CEDD.

- 1.1.4 The present EM&A programme under *Agreement No. CE 63/2016 (EP)* covers the dredging, disposal and capping operations of the ESC CMP V as well as the capping operations of the SB CMPs (see *Annex A* for the EM&A programme). The scheduled EM&A programme for SB CMPs was completed in December 2018. Detailed works schedule for ESC CMP V is shown in *Figure 1.1*. In January 2021, the following works were undertaken:
  - Disposal of contaminated mud at ESC CMP Vb; and
  - Capping operations at ESC CMP Vd.

Figure 1.1 Works Schedule for ESC CMP V

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#### 1.2 REPORTING PERIOD

1.2.1 This *Monthly EM&A Report for January* 2021 covers the EM&A activities for the reporting month of January 2021.

#### 1.3 DETAILS OF SAMPLING AND LABORATORY TESTING ACTIVITIES

- 1.3.1 The following monitoring activities were undertaken for ESC CMP V in January 2021:
  - Water Column Profiling of ESC CMP Vb;
  - Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs;
  - Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of ESC CMP Vb; and
  - *Demersal Trawling for ESC CMPs.*

#### 1.4 DETAILS OF OUTSTANDING SAMPLING AND/OR ANALYSIS

- 1.4.1 No outstanding sampling remained for January 2021.
- 1.4.2 The following analyses are in progress and will be presented in the corresponding quarterly report:
  - Species identification of the biota samples collected from *Demersal Trawling for ESC CMPs* in January 2021.

- 1.5 Brief Discussion of the Monitoring Results for ESC CMP V
- 1.5.1 Brief discussion of the monitoring results of the following activities for ESC CMP V is presented in this *Monthly EM&A Report for January* 2021:
  - Water Column Profiling of ESC CMP Vb;
  - Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs; and
  - Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of ESC CMP Vb.

#### 1.5.2 Water Column Profiling of ESC CMP Vb - January 2021

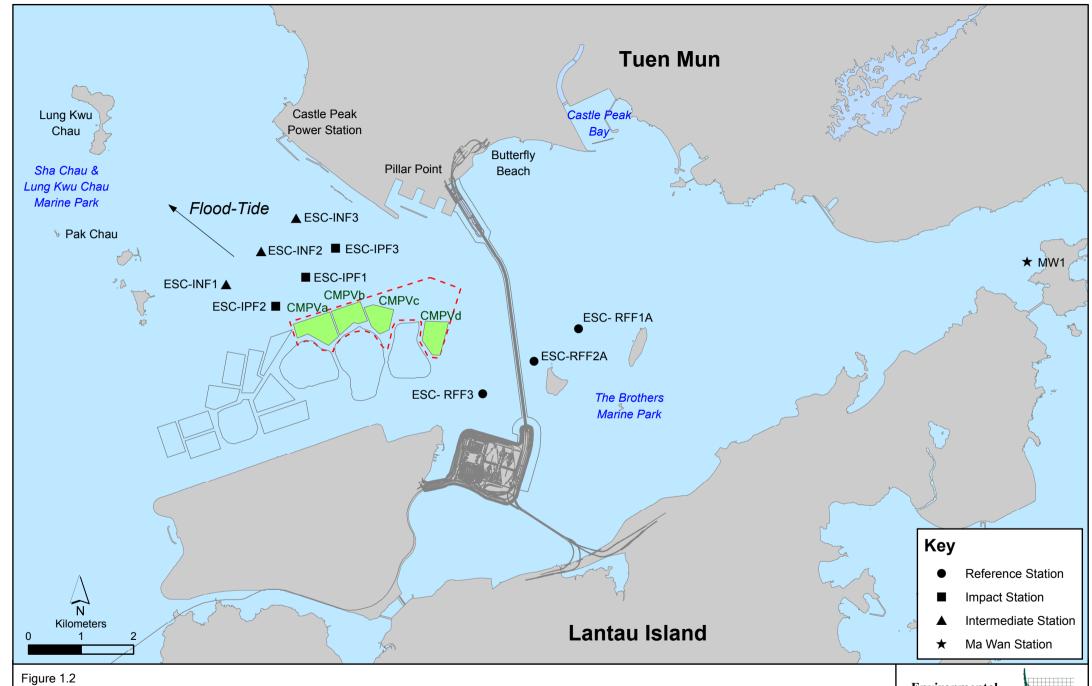
1.5.3 Water Column Profiling was undertaken at a total of two sampling stations (Upstream and Downstream stations) on 6 January 2021. The monitoring results have been assessed for compliance with the Water Quality Objectives (WQOs) set by Environmental Protection Department (EPD). This consists of a review of the EPD routine water quality monitoring data for the dry season period (November to March) of 2010 - 2019 from stations in the Northwestern Water Control Zone (WCZ), where the ESC CMPs are located (1). For Salinity, the averaged value obtained from the Reference (Upstream) station was used for the basis as the WQO. Levels of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) and Turbidity were also assessed for compliance with the Action and Limit Levels (see Table B1 of Annex B for details).

In-situ Measurements

1.5.4 Analyses of results for January 2021 indicated that levels of Salinity, pH and DO complied with the WQOs at both Downstream and Upstream stations (*Table B2* of *Annex B*). Levels of DO and Turbidity at all stations complied with the Action and Limit Levels (*Tables B1* and *B2* of *Annex B*).

Laboratory Measurements for Suspended Solids (SS)

- 1.5.5 Analyses of results for January 2021 indicated that the SS levels at both Downstream and Upstream stations complied with the WQO and the Action and Limit Levels (*Tables B1* and *B2* of *Annex B*).
- 1.5.6 Overall, the monitoring results indicated that the mud disposal operation at ESC CMP Vb did not appear to cause any deterioration in water quality during this reporting period.
- 1.5.7 Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs January 2021
- 1.5.8 Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs was undertaken on 5 January 2021. The monitoring results have been assessed for compliance with the WQOs (see Section 1.5.3 for details). The monitoring results are shown in Tables B3 and B4 of Annex B and Figures 1 10 of Annex C. A total of ten (10) monitoring stations were sampled in January 2021 as shown in Figure 1.2.



Routine & Capping Water Quality Sampling Stations (Flood-Tide) for ESC CMPs



#### In-situ Measurements

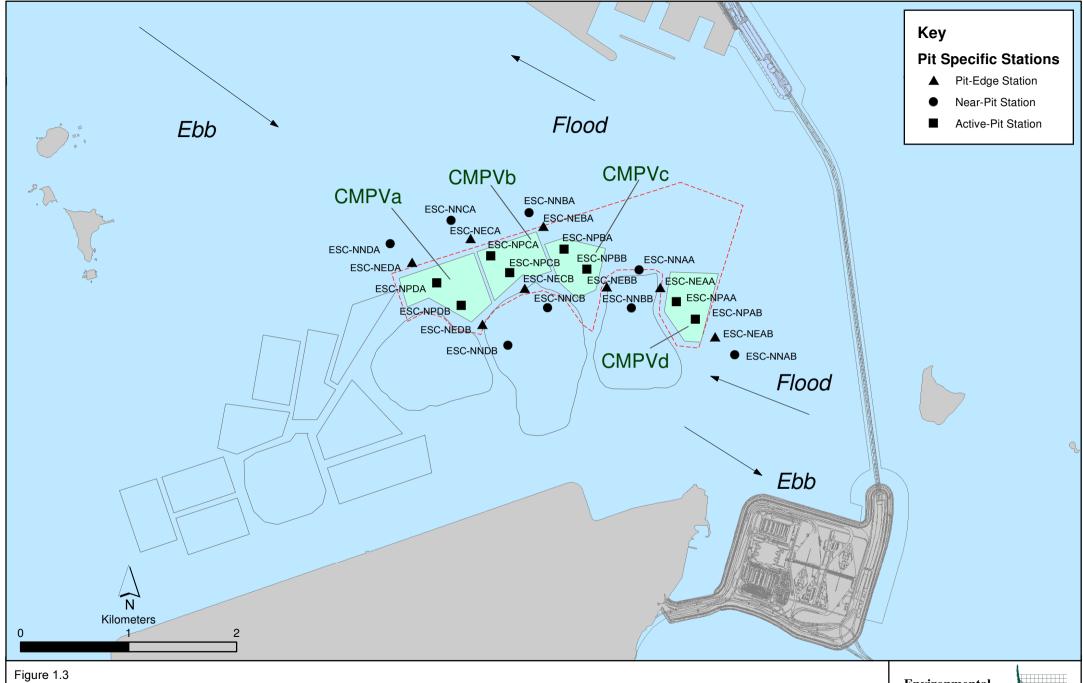
- 1.5.9 Graphical presentation of the monitoring results (Temperature, DO, pH, Salinity and Turbidity) is shown in *Figures 1 6* of *Annex C*. Analyses of results indicated that the levels of pH, Salinity and DO complied with the WQOs at all stations in January 2021.
- 1.5.10 The levels of DO and Turbidity complied with the Action and Limit Levels at all stations (*Table B3* of *Annex B*; *Figures 3* and 6 of *Annex C*).
- 1.5.11 Overall, *in-situ* measurement results of the *Routine Water Quality Monitoring* indicated that the disposal and capping operation at ESC CMPs did not appear to cause any unacceptable impacts in water quality in January 2021.

Laboratory Measurements

- 1.5.12 Laboratory analysis of January 2021 results indicated that concentrations of Arsenic, Chromium, Copper, Lead, Nickel and Zinc were detected in January 2021 samples at most stations and their concentrations were generally similar across stations (*Table B4* of *Annex B*; *Figure 7* of *Annex C*).
- 1.5.13 For nutrients, concentrations of Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) at all stations complied with the WQO (0.5 mg/L) (*Table B4* of *Annex B*; *Figure 8* of *Annex C*), except for Impact and Ma Wan stations. It should be noted that due to the effect of the Pearl River, the North Western WCZ has historically experienced higher levels of TIN (1). Therefore, the exceedances of TIN WQO at these stations are unlikely to be caused by the disposal operation at ESC CMPs. The concentrations of Ammonia Nitrogen (NH<sub>3</sub>-N) were higher at Ma Wan station in January 2021 (*Table B4* of *Annex B*; *Figure 8* of *Annex C*). The concentrations of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) were lower at Impact stations (*Table B4* of *Annex B*; *Figure 9* of *Annex C*).
- 1.5.14 Analyses of results for January 2021 indicated that the SS levels at most stations complied with the WQO (12.8 mg/L), except for Ma Wan station. The SS levels at all stations complied with the Action and Limit Levels (*Tables B1 and B4* of *Annex B*; *Figure 10* of *Annex C*).

Overall, results of the *Routine Water Quality Monitoring* indicated that the disposal and capping operation at ESC CMPs did not appear to cause any unacceptable deterioration in water quality in January 2021. Detailed statistical analysis will be presented in the Quarterly Report to investigate any spatial and temporal trends of potential concern.

- 1.5.15 Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of ESC CMP Vb January 2021
- 1.5.16 Monitoring locations for *Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for ESC CMP Vb* are shown in *Figure 1.3*. A total of six (6) monitoring stations were sampled on 4 January 2021.
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Pit Specific Sediment Quality Monitoring Stations for CMPV



- 1.5.17 The concentrations of most inorganic contaminants were lower than the Lower Chemical Exceedance Levels (LCELs) at most stations, except for Arsenic (*Figures 11 and 12* of *Annex C*). The concentrations of Arsenic were higher than the LCEL at Near-Pit stations ESC-NNCA and ESC-NNCB, Pit-Edge station ESC-NECA, Active-Pit stations ESC-NPCA and ESC-NPCB.
- 1.5.18 Whilst the average concentration of Arsenic in the Earth's crust is generally ~2mg/kg, significantly higher Arsenic concentrations (median = 14 mg/kg) have been recorded in Hong Kong's onshore sediments (1). It is presumed that the natural concentrations of Arsenic are similar in onshore and offshore sediments (2), and relatively high Arsenic levels may thus occur throughout Hong Kong. Therefore, the LECL exceedances of Arsenic are unlikely to be caused by the disposal operations at ESC CMP Vb but rather as a result of naturally occurring deposits.
- 1.5.19 For organic contaminants, the concentrations of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) were higher at Near-Pit station ESC-NNCA and Pit-Edge station ESC-NECA in January 2021 (*Figure 13 of Annex C*). The concentrations of Low Molecular Weight and High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) were lower than the LECLs at all stations (*Figure 14 of Annex C*). The concentrations of Tributyltin (TBT) were higher at Active-Pit stations ESC-NPCA and ESC-NPCB (*Figure 15 of Annex C*). The concentrations of Total Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs), Total dichloro-diphenyl-trichloroethane (DDT) and 4,4'-dichlorodiphenyldichloroethylene (DDE) were below the limit of reporting at all stations in January 2021.
- 1.5.20 Overall, there is no evidence indicating any unacceptable environmental impacts to sediment quality outside the pit area as a result of the contaminated mud disposal operations at ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.
- 1.5.21 Statistical analysis will be undertaken and presented in the corresponding quarterly report to investigate whether there are any unacceptable impacts in the area caused by the contaminated mud disposal.

#### 1.6 ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR THE NEXT MONTH

- 1.6.1 The following monitoring activities will be conducted in the next monthly period of February 2021 for ESC CMP V (see *Annex A* for the sampling schedule):
  - Water Column Profiling of ESC CMP Vb;
  - Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs;
  - Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry of ESC CMP Vb;
  - (1) Sewell RJ (1999) Geochemical Atlas of Hong Kong. Geotechnical Engineering Office, Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region
  - (2) Whiteside PGD (2000) Natural geochemistry and contamination of marine sediments in Hong Kong. In: The Urban Geology of Hong Kong (ed Page A & Reels SJ). Geological Society of Hong Kong Bulletin No. 6, p109-121

- Cumulative Impact Sediment Chemistry of ESC CMPs;
- Sediment Toxicity Tests of ESC CMPs; and
- Demersal Trawling for ESC CMPs.

#### 1.7 STUDY PROGRAMME

1.7.1 A summary of the Study Programme is presented in *Annex D*.

#### Annex A

### Sampling Schedule

Annex A1 - East of Sha Chau Enviro	nmental Monito	ring and Audit Sampling Sch			April 20	17 - March	2021)	20	010						2010							2020				20	21
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The number shown in each cell represents the numbers of replicates per monitoring station Impact Monitoring for Dredging will be scheduled when dredging operations commence. Benthic Recolonisation Studies for CMP V will be scheduled when capping operation for CMP V is completed.

#### Annex B

### Water Quality Monitoring Results

Table B1 Action and Limit Levels of Water Quality for Dredging, Disposal and Capping Activities at ESC CMP V

Parameter	Action Level	Limit Level
Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (1)	Surface and Mid-depth (2)	Surface and Mid-depth (2)
	5%-ile of baseline data for surface and	1%-ile of baseline data for surface and
	middle layer = 3.76 mg L <sup>-1</sup>	middle layer = <b>3.11 mg</b> L- <b>1</b> (3)
	and	and
	Significantly less than the reference	Significantly less than the reference
	stations mean DO (at the same tide of	stations mean DO (at the same tide of
	the same day)	the same day)
	Bottom	Bottom
	5%-ile of baseline data for bottom	The average of the impact station
	layers = 2.96 mg L-1	readings are <2 mg/L-1
	and	and
	Significantly less than the reference	Significantly less than the reference
	stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)	stations mean DO (at the same tide of the same day)
Depth-averaged Suspended	95%-ile of baseline data for depth	99%-ile of baseline data for depth
Solids (SS) (4) (5)	average = 37.88 mg L-1	average = <b>61.92 mg L</b> -1
	and	
		and
	120% of control station's SS at the same	130% of control station's SS at the same
	tide of the same day	tide of the same day
Depth-averaged Turbidity (Tby) (4) (5)	95%-ile of baseline data = <b>28.14 NTU</b>	99%-ile of baseline data = <b>38.32 NTU</b>
	and	and
	120% of control station's Tby at the same tide of the same day	130% of control station's Tby at the same tide of the same day

#### Notes:

- (1) For DO, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is lower than the limits.
- (2) The Action and Limit Levels for DO for Surface & Middle layers were calculated from the combined pool of baseline surface layer data and baseline middle layer data.
- (3) Given the Action Level for DO for Surface & Middle layers has already been lower than 4 mg L-1, it is proposed to set the Limit Level at 3.11 mg L-1 which is the first percentile of the baseline data.
- (4) "Depth-averaged" is calculated by taking the arithmetic means of reading of all three depths.
- (5) For turbidity and SS, non-compliance of the water quality limits occurs when monitoring result is higher than the limits.

Table B2 Water Column Profiling Results for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021

Stations	Temp	Salinity	Turbidity	Dissolved	Oxygen	pН	Suspended Solids
	(°C)	(ppt)	(NTU)	(%)	(mg L-1)		(mg L-1)
WCP 1 (Downstream)	17.53	30.60	9.10	99.67	7.93	8.06	9.00
WCP 2 (Upstream)	17.65	30.83	4.66	100.80	7.99	8.07	8.25
WQO (Dry Season)	N/A	27.74-33.92#	N/A	N/A	>4	6.5-8.5	12.8

#### Note:

Cell shaded grey indicate value exceeding the WQO.

Table B3 In-situ Monitoring Results for Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs in January 2021

Sampling	Stations	Temp	Salinity	Turbidity	Dissolve	d Oxygen	pН
Period	Stations	(°C)	(ppt)	(NTU)	(%)	(mg L-1)	(mg L-1)
January	RFF (Reference)	17.64	31.09	4.32	99.51	7.87	8.08
2021	IPF (Impact)	17.63	31.12	5.82	98.28	7.78	8.04
	INF (Intermediate)	17.64	31.00	4.55	99.25	7.86	8.03
	Ma Wan	18.05	31.60	4.91	92.94	7.27	8.06
	WQO	N/A	27.98- 34.20#	N/A	N/A	>4	6.5-8.5

#### Notes

Cell shaded yellow / red indicate value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.

Cell shaded grey indicate value higher than the WQO.

Table B4 Laboratory Results for Routine Water Quality Monitoring of ESC CMPs in January 2021

Sampling Period	Stations	As (μg/L)	Cd (µg/L)	Cr (µg/L)	Cu (µg/L)	Pb (μg/L)	Hg (µg/L)	Ni (μg/L)	Ag (μg/L)	Zn (µg/L)	NH <sub>3</sub> (mg/ L)	TIN (mg/L)	BOD <sub>5</sub> (mg/L)	SS (mg/L)
January	RFF	1.43	<lor< td=""><td>0.72</td><td>16.68</td><td>2.08</td><td><lor< td=""><td>1.65</td><td><lor< td=""><td>75.43</td><td>0.11</td><td>0.48</td><td>2.99</td><td>10.03</td></lor<></td></lor<></td></lor<>	0.72	16.68	2.08	<lor< td=""><td>1.65</td><td><lor< td=""><td>75.43</td><td>0.11</td><td>0.48</td><td>2.99</td><td>10.03</td></lor<></td></lor<>	1.65	<lor< td=""><td>75.43</td><td>0.11</td><td>0.48</td><td>2.99</td><td>10.03</td></lor<>	75.43	0.11	0.48	2.99	10.03
2021	IPF	1.42	<lor< td=""><td>0.54</td><td>11.51</td><td>1.03</td><td><lor< td=""><td>0.88</td><td><lor< td=""><td>54.03</td><td>0.10</td><td>0.53</td><td>1.59</td><td>9.71</td></lor<></td></lor<></td></lor<>	0.54	11.51	1.03	<lor< td=""><td>0.88</td><td><lor< td=""><td>54.03</td><td>0.10</td><td>0.53</td><td>1.59</td><td>9.71</td></lor<></td></lor<>	0.88	<lor< td=""><td>54.03</td><td>0.10</td><td>0.53</td><td>1.59</td><td>9.71</td></lor<>	54.03	0.10	0.53	1.59	9.71
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	Ma Wan	1.40	<lor< td=""><td><lor< td=""><td>12.23</td><td>1.75</td><td><lor< td=""><td>1.00</td><td><lor< td=""><td>70.53</td><td>0.18</td><td>0.53</td><td>3.25</td><td>18.13</td></lor<></td></lor<></td></lor<></td></lor<>	<lor< td=""><td>12.23</td><td>1.75</td><td><lor< td=""><td>1.00</td><td><lor< td=""><td>70.53</td><td>0.18</td><td>0.53</td><td>3.25</td><td>18.13</td></lor<></td></lor<></td></lor<>	12.23	1.75	<lor< td=""><td>1.00</td><td><lor< td=""><td>70.53</td><td>0.18</td><td>0.53</td><td>3.25</td><td>18.13</td></lor<></td></lor<>	1.00	<lor< td=""><td>70.53</td><td>0.18</td><td>0.53</td><td>3.25</td><td>18.13</td></lor<>	70.53	0.18	0.53	3.25	18.13
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WQO of TIN: 0.5 mg/L

Dry Season WQO of SS: 12.8 mg/L

Notes:

Cell shaded yellow / red indicate value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.

Cell shaded grey indicate value higher than the WQO.

<sup>\*</sup>Not exceeding 10% of natural ambient level which is the result obtained from the Reference Station. Cell shaded yellow / red indicate value exceeding the Action/Limit levels.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;LOR indicates the concentrations of metals and metalloids are below the limit of reporting

#### Annex C

# **Graphical Presentations**

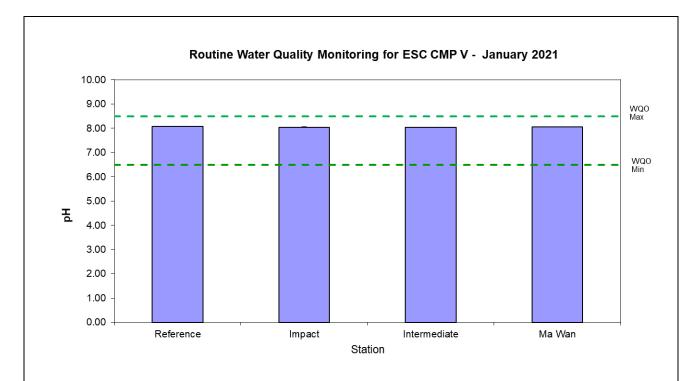


Figure 1: Level of pH recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

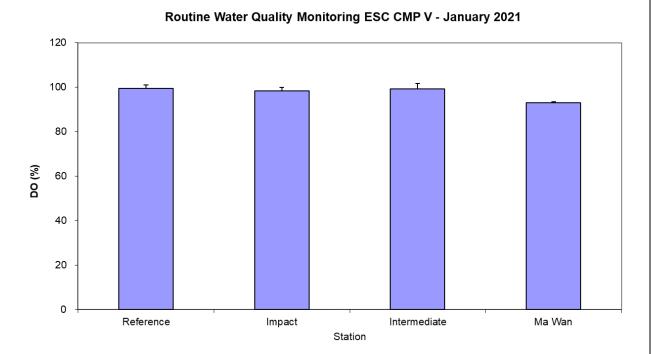


Figure 2: Level of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (% saturation; mean + SD) recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

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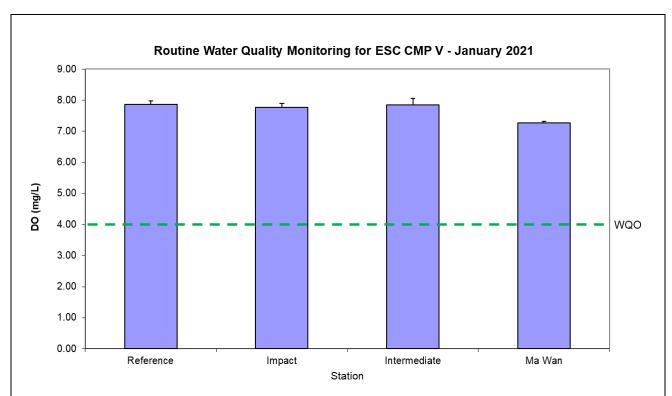


Figure 3: Concentration of Dissolved Oxygen (DO) (mg/L; mean + SD) recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

#### Routine Water Quality Monitoring for ESC CMP V - January 2021 20.00 18.00 16.00 14.00 Temperature (°C) 12.00 10.00 8.00 6.00 4.00 2.00 0.00 Ma Wan Reference Impact Intermediate Station

Figure 4: Level of Temperature (°C; mean + SD) recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

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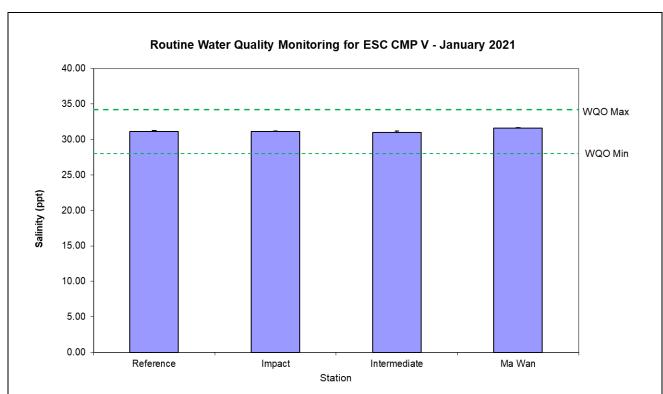


Figure 5: Level of Salinity (ppt; mean + SD) recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

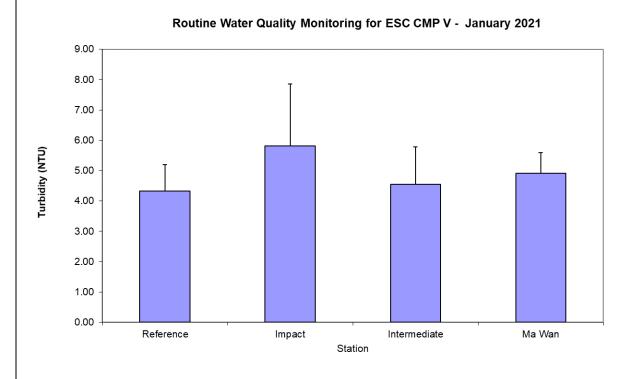


Figure 6: Levels of Turbidity (NTU; mean + SD) recorded during Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

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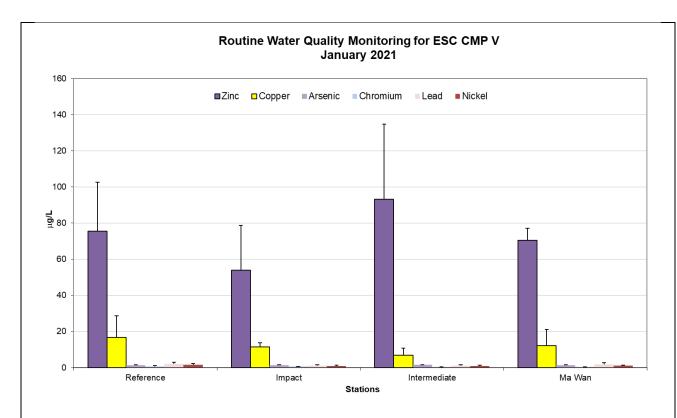


Figure 7: Concentration of Arsenic, Chromium, Copper, Lead, Nickel and Zinc (μg/L; mean + SD) in water samples collected from Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

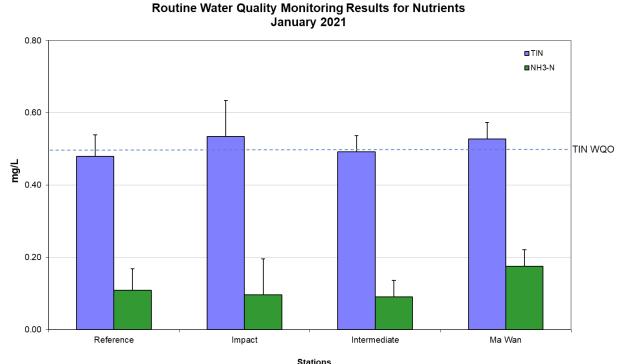


Figure 8: Concentration of Total Inorganic Nitrogen (TIN) and Ammonia Nitrogen (NH3-N) (mg/L; mean + SD) in water samples collected from Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

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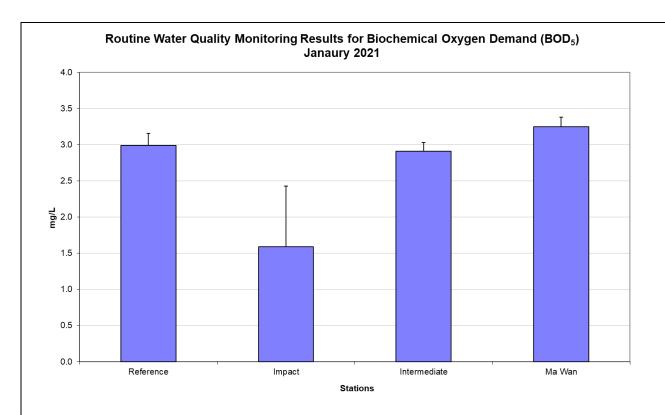


Figure 9: Level of Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD<sub>5</sub>) (mg/L; mean + SD) in water samples collected from Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

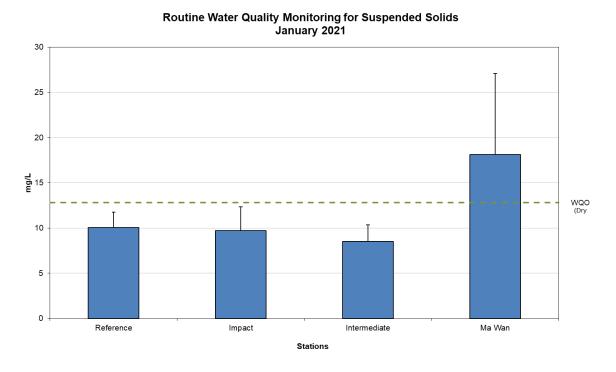


Figure 10: Concentration of Suspended Solids (SS) (mg/L; mean + SD) in water samples collected from Routine Water Quality Monitoring for disposal operations at ESC CMP V in January 2021.

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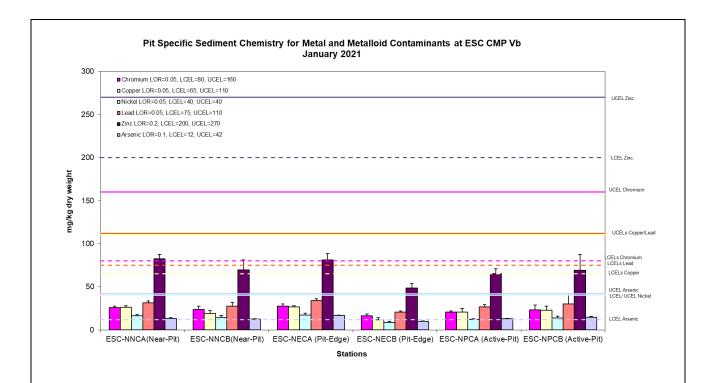


Figure 11: Concentration of Metals and Metalloid (Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn, As; mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.

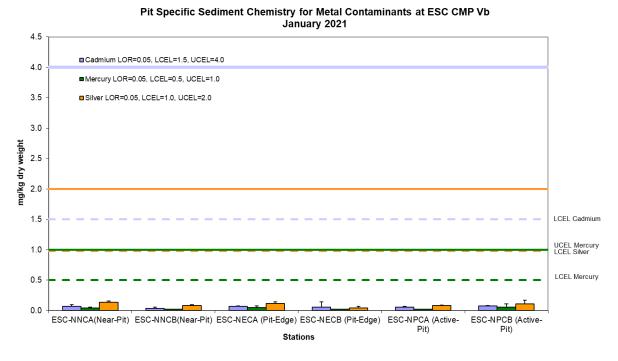


Figure 12: Concentration of Metals (Cd, Hg, Ag; mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.

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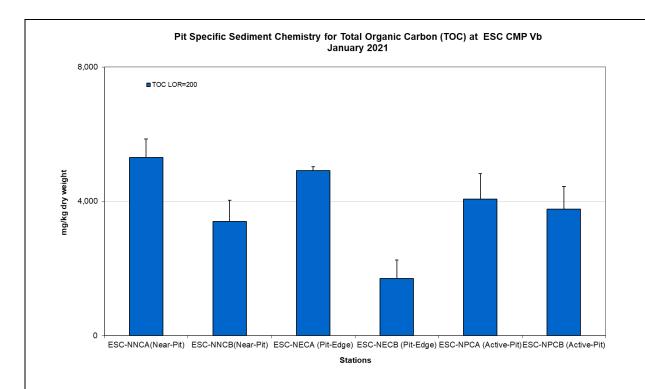


Figure 13: Concentration of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) (mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.

Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry for Low and High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatics Hydrocarbons (PAHs) at ESC CMP Vb in January 2021 1,200 ■LowMW PAHs LOR = 55, LCEL = 550, UCEL = 3160 1,000 LOR = 100, LCEL = 1700, UCEL = 9600 800 ug/kg dry weight 600 LCEL LowMW PAHs 400 200 0 ESC-NNCA(Near-Pit) ESC-NNCB(Near-Pit) ESC-NECA (Pit-Edge) ESC-NECB (Pit-Edge) ESC-NPCA (Active-Pit)ESC-NPCB (Active-Pit) Stations

Figure 14: Concentration of Low and High Molecular Weight Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (mg/kg dry weight; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.

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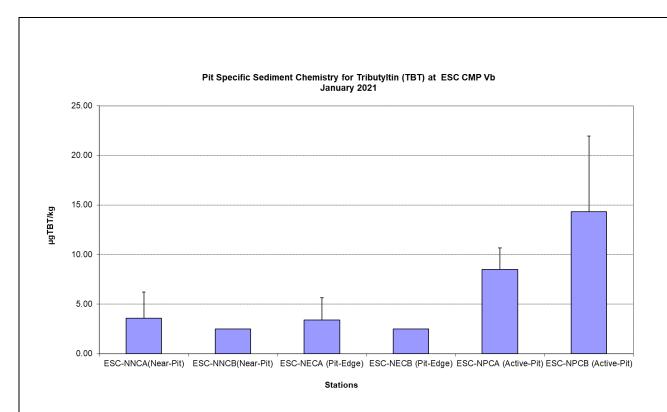


Figure 15: Concentration of Tributyltin (TBT) (µg TBT/kg; mean +SD) in sediment samples collected from Pit Specific Sediment Chemistry Monitoring for ESC CMP Vb in January 2021.

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#### Annex D

# Study Programme

