

# October 2018 Water Monitoring Report

Gloucester Gas Project Tiedman  
Irrigation Program EPL 20358

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## Introduction

On 4 February 2016 AGL Upstream Investments Pty Ltd (AGL) announced that the Gloucester Gas Project (GGP) will not proceed to final investment stage. AGL will relinquish Petroleum Exploration Licence (PEL) 285 to the NSW Government and have completed a comprehensive decommissioning and rehabilitation program for well sites and other infrastructure in the Gloucester region. The EPA approved the surrender of Environment Protection Licence (EPL) 20358 on 17 September 2018.

This Monitoring Report relates to the water monitoring activities specified in Part 5, Monitoring and Recording Conditions, of the EPL 20358. This report relates specifically to the monitoring surrounding the Tiedman Irrigation Program, and details monitoring results from the final download of groundwater level dataloggers covering the period up to the date of approval of the surrender of EPL 20358 (17 September 2018).

As per the Licence, the monitoring encompasses the monitoring points at the locations as shown in Table 1 and Figure 1. The specific analytes and frequency tested are shown in Table 2. The monitoring results for this reporting period are shown in Table 3.

The monitoring points that are the subject of this report were part of the GGP groundwater monitoring network, as described in AGL's Water Management Plan for the Tiedman Irrigation Program (AGL, 2012a) and Soil Quality Monitoring and Management Program (AGL, 2012b)). Water monitoring results for the irrigation program are presented in a baseline water monitoring report (PB, 2013a) and six-monthly compliance reports (PB, 2013a, 2013b, 2014a, 2014b, 2015a, and 2015b).

This report is prepared in accordance with the Requirements for Publishing Pollution Monitoring Data (EPA, 2012) (Publication Requirements).

This will be the final Monitoring Report for EPL 20358.

More information on the groundwater monitoring of the GGP is available on the project website: [agl.com.au/Gloucester](http://agl.com.au/Gloucester)

**Table 1** Water quality monitoring points: Irrigation Program (as per EPL 20358)

EPA ID no.	Monitoring Point	Type of monitoring point	Easting (m)	Northing (m)
30	TMB04	Groundwater quality monitoring	402558.1	6448921.7
31	TMB05	Groundwater quality monitoring	402650.1	6448725.3
39	TMB01	Groundwater quality monitoring	401996.98	6449419.7
40	TMB02	Groundwater quality monitoring	401905.11	6449100.6
41	TMB03	Groundwater quality monitoring	401969.53	6448755
42	S4MB01	Groundwater quality monitoring	402581.88	6449409.7
43	TCMB01	Groundwater quality monitoring	402501.7	6448899
44	TTMB02	Groundwater quality monitoring	402699	6449358
45	SP1B	Soil water quality monitoring	402570.3	6449381.3
46	SP2B	Soil water quality monitoring	402444.2	6449100.1
47	SP4B	Soil water quality monitoring	402252	6449131.3
48	SP6B	Soil water quality monitoring	402103.5	6449178.6
49	SP7B	Soil water quality monitoring	402144.8	6449292.1
50	SP8B	Soil water quality monitoring	402159.1	6449454.8
51	SP9B	Soil water quality monitoring	402387.5	6449016.9
52	SP10B	Soil water quality monitoring	402344.2	6448840.6
91	Tiedman Dams Irrigation Discharge	Discharge point of blended water	Tiedman South Dam	

Coordinate reference system: Map Grid of Australia 1994



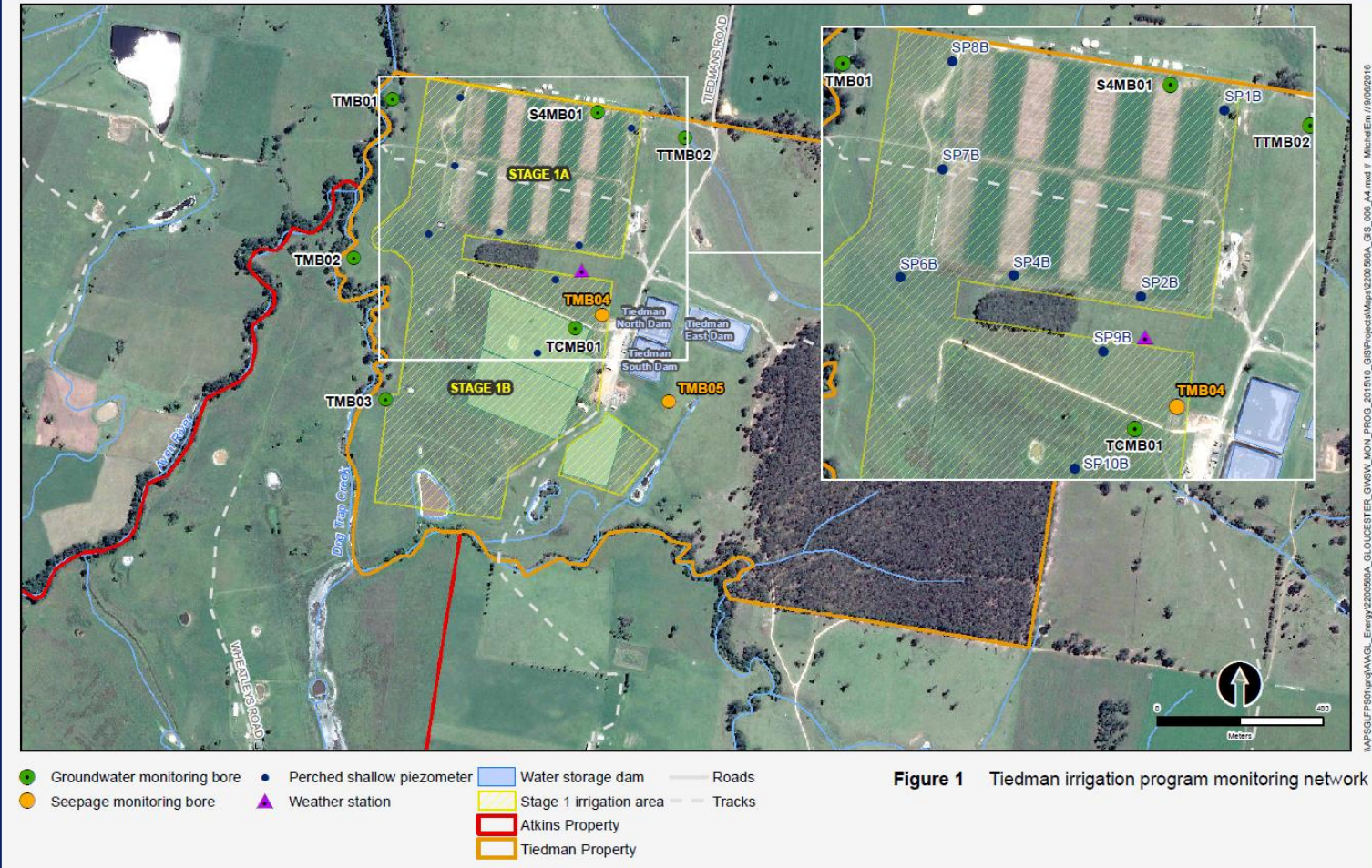


Figure 1 Tiedman irrigation program monitoring network

Figure 1 Location of groundwater and surface water quality monitoring points (as per EPL 20358)

**Table 2: Analytes monitored and frequency - monitoring points 30 – 52, as per the EPL 20358 version valid at the time of sampling (version 24 November 2017)**

Analyte	Units of measure	Monitoring points							
		30,31		39,40,41,42,43,44		45,46,47,48,49,50,51, 52		91 <sup>b</sup>	
		Frequency	sampling method	Frequency	sampling method	Frequency	sampling method	Frequency	sampling method
Aluminium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Ammonia	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Arsenic	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Barium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Benzene	micrograms per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Beryllium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Bicarbonate	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample					Monthly	Grab sample
Boron	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Cadmium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Calcium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Chloride	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample					Monthly	Grab sample
Chromium	milligrams per litre			Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Cobalt	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Copper	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Dissolved oxygen	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample		
Electrical conductivity	microsiemens per centimetre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Fortnightly	Probe
Ethyl benzene	micrograms per litre <sup>a</sup>	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Fluoride	milligrams per litre							Monthly	Grab sample
Iron	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Lead	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Magnesium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Manganese	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Mercury	milligrams per litre			Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Molybdenum	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Nickel	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Nitrate	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Nitrite	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Nitrogen (total)	milligrams per litre							Monthly	Grab sample
pH	pH			Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Fortnightly	Probe
Phosphorus (total)	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Potassium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Reactive Phosphorus	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample						
Redox potential	millivolts	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Fortnightly	Probe
Selenium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Silica	milligrams per litre			Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Sodium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Sodium Adsorption Ratio	milligrams per litre <sup>c</sup>							Monthly	Grab sample <sup>c</sup>
Standing water level	meters (Australian Height Datum)	Special frequency 8	Special method 5	Special frequency 8	Special method 5	Quarterly	Special method 1		
Strontium (dissolved)	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Sulfate	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Temperature	degrees Celcius							Fortnightly	Probe
Toluene	micrograms per litre <sup>a</sup>	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Total alkalinity	milligrams per litre			Quarterly	Grab sample			Monthly	Grab sample
Total dissolved solids	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Fortnightly	Probe
Total organic carbon	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample					Monthly	Grab sample
Total suspended solids	milligrams per litre							Monthly	Grab sample
Uranium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Vanadium	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Xylene	micrograms per litre <sup>a</sup>	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample
Zinc	milligrams per litre	Special Frequency 1	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Quarterly	Grab sample	Monthly	Grab sample

Notes:

Special Frequency 1 - Quarterly if inflow within 12 hours of purging dry.

Special Frequency 8 - Every 6 hours. Note these monitoring points may form part of AGL's rehabilitation work, and should a monitoring point be rehabilitated, then monitoring will no longer be required from that point.

Special Method 1 - Manual dip

Special Method 4 - By calculation

Special Method 5 - Automated datalogger

Shaded grey - not required to be analysed

<sup>a</sup>EPL20358 (issued 24 November 2017) contains inconsistencies in the required Units of Measure for Toluene, Ethyl Benzene and Xylene. For consistency with laboratory data BTEX concentrations are reported here in micrograms per litre.

<sup>b</sup>Monitoring Point 91 is only required during periods when the Licensee is utilising the water irrigation or stock use.

<sup>c</sup> Unit of measure is incorrectly referenced as 'milligrams per litre' - should be 'ratio'. And sampling method is incorrectly assigned as 'grab sample' in EPL - should be 'Special Method 4 - By calculation'





**Table 3** Continuous water level monitoring results for monitoring points 30, 31, 39 - 44 for the period 7 August 2018 – 17 September 2018

Monitoring point	30	31	39	40	41	42	43	44
<b>Location</b>	TMB04	TMB05	TMB01	TMB02	TMB03	S4MB01	TCMB01	TTMB02
<b>Data type</b>	Standing water level							
<b>Units</b>	mAHD							
<b>Data date range</b>	08/08/18 – 17/09/18		07/08/18 – 17/09/18			08/08/18 – 17/09/18		
<b>Date data downloaded</b>	28/09/2018		28/09/2018			28/09/2018		
<b>Date data supplied to AGL</b>	05/10/2018							
<b>Monitoring frequency required by EPL 20358</b>	Every 6 hours							
<b>Actual monitoring frequency</b>	Every 6 hours							
<b>No. of times measured during monitoring period</b>	162	162	165	165	165	161	162	162
<b>Min. value</b>	112.01	110.30	102.12	102.50	103.33	113.21	113.68	113.75
<b>Mean value</b>	113.68	113.05	102.32	102.57	103.40	113.26	113.73	113.80
<b>Median value</b>	113.71	113.19	102.33	102.56	103.40	113.26	113.73	113.80
<b>Max. value</b>	113.75	113.23	102.53	102.63	103.45	113.33	113.79	113.85



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