



# 5 Year Environmental Implementation Plan

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## **Environment Improvement Projects**

The environmental improvement project outlined in this implementation plan have been grouped into key focus areas shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Summary of improvement projects

Focus Area	Key Objective
Organisation cultural change	Risk reduction through empowering the entire workforce
Air Quality Management	Emission/particulate and risk reduction
Water Management	Impact mitigation
Land Management	Mitigate contamination: safe, stable and sustainable
Other	Amenity impact reduction

## Explanation of the Implementation Schedule

The implementation schedule shown after each project table shows the study, engineering or execution phase, which are described below:

Projects shown in study phase are at the earliest part of the implementation process and require work to identify and assess options that will deliver the required environmental outcome. The outcome of the study phase is to determine the option that best meets the defined performance criteria. In selecting the preferred option during the study phase to take to the engineering phase, options are assessed against a number of criteria, including,

- How effectively each option mitigates the risk,
- Can the project be delivered in the required timeframe?
- What is the cost of each option compared to the expected environmental outcome?
- Can the option be practically constructed?
- Can the option be implemented within an operating refinery?
- What approvals will be required to deliver the option?
- Can the option be delivered safely?

Some projects are quite complex requiring more time and resources in determining the right option. Consequently the outcome of the study phase for a project will deliver the option to take forward to the engineering phase.

## **Engineering Phase**

The engineering phase is where the detailed work is carried out and a set of documents is developed to allow the project to move into the final execution phase. The engineering phase covers traditional mechanical, civil, structural, process and electrical engineering input, which will provide a detailed design that can be constructed to meet applicable Australian, Queensland and QAL standards. Other aspects covered in the engineering phase include any required Commonwealth, Queensland and Local government approvals pertaining to environmental, planning and cultural heritage legislation. These approvals can only commence once the project design is nearing completion.

The output from the engineering phase will be a detailed design and issued for construction drawings (where required) that are based on risk reviews (process, safety, health, environmental and cultural), constructability reviews as well as hazard and operability assessments.

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As stated, some projects will require a number of approvals from the Commonwealth, State and Local governments with approval time frames that may extend up to a year during the engineering phase for some of the more complex projects.

Towards the completion of the engineering phase QAL will be able to determine a more detailed performance indicator to demonstrate the environmental improvement at the completion of execution.

#### **Execution Phase**

The output of the engineering phase will be a package of work that will generally include a number of deliverables that will be tracked during the execution phase. The type and complexity of the project will determine the number of deliverables required and how the deliverables are phased, as some may need to be finished before another can begin.

#### How to Interpret the Tables

The study (gold) and engineering (blue) phase schedules are based on delivering milestones at the end of a specified quarter, i.e 2019 Q1 means Quarter 1 2019 January to March. The execution phase (green) schedules are based on delivering milestones within a calendar month.

This example shows the study phase milestone for a project is due in quarter 4 in 2018. This means that during quarter 4 the project will transition into the engineering phase and the implementation plan will be updated accordingly.

		Project Name					
Task	2018		2019				
Task	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Description							

This example shows the engineering phase milestone due in 2019 quarter 2 and the implementation plan will be updated in quarter 2 to show the execution phase.

		Pro	oject	t Na	me	
Task	2018			2019		
IdSK	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Description						

This example shows the execution phase will take 10 months with the completion date of the project in April 2020

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		Project				
Task	2018	2019		2020		
	Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug	Sep Oct Nov Dec	c Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov	Dec	
Description						

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#### Organisational Cultural Change

QAL recognises that the culture of an organisation is a significant factor impacting the environmental performance of a business. While leadership commitment and governance structures are important to ensure that environmental improvement projects are effectively executed; our environmental improvement program will only succeed if we empower all of our employees to have due and proper consideration of environmental obligations and risks in their everyday tasks.

Redefining our site culture begins with our workforce having a greater understanding of the process safety aspects of our operation, and the significant potential environmental and community impact our operations can have. We then need to empower our workforce to reduce risk around process and environmental concerns to avoid them and respond when potential process safety and environmental concerns arise. The introduction of a disciplined system for organizing workplaces and the broader QAL operating environment is underway.

Improved housekeeping and understanding of process safety critical controls will lead to early detection of leaks, spillage and situations that could lead to potential environmental impacts.





Project (C1)	Site Cultural Change
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Failure of systems causing environmental incidents that impact on the receiving environment and community</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Improve process safety and environmental risk detection for all QAL employees through a Process Safety Management System (PSMS) that ensures critical controls are identified and verified.</li> <li>All QAL employees involved with ensuring critical controls are in place are aware of the importance of these controls and that they will be verified.</li> <li>The process will be incorporated into the operations systems including:         <ul> <li>Functional workplace program</li> <li>Annual environmental training for all employees</li> <li>Daily HSE meetings (environment in work preparation)</li> <li>Quarterly business updates, led by site senior executives</li> <li>Bi-annual engagement survey</li> <li>Purple banner reporting which includes the introduction of reporting category focused exclusively on environmental incidents</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Greater awareness of environmental risk and employee's role in controlling these risks.</li> <li>Improved culture relating to process safety and environmental risk management throughout the entire organisation through the implementation of a PSMS.</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Completion of all major hazard workshops during the engineering phase.</li> <li>90% of major hazard critical control health completed within the first 12 months after the PSMS is implemented across site (end of 2020).</li> <li>Greater than 95% of employees completing annual environmental awareness training.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- \$1 annually
Project Stage	Engineering

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#### Comments

- Completed PSM major hazards are subject to ongoing auditing and review,
  - CCMP process (deep dive by GM on Critical Controls) ongoing on completed major hazards.
  - Monthly managers review process implemented and chaired by General Manager.
- 16 PSM major hazard workshops have been completed.
  - Major hazard workshops take 2-5 days to fully develop with input from a member of every team who works on or with the equipment.
- Quarterly business updates are ongoing.
- Functional workplace commenced in Raw Materials, boilerhouse and Redside.
- Annual environmental training updated and implemented in January
  - >95% of employees have completed Environmental Web Based Training.
- ERM organisation psychologist team has been engaged by QAL to support the organisational cultural change process.
  - The first pulse survey commenced in June 2019,
  - Face to face interviews and focus group sessions will be held during July.

#### Implementation Schedule

Site Culture Change									
Task	2018	2019							
Idak	Q4	Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4							
Site Cultural Change									
Study Engineering Execution									

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## Air Quality Improvement Projects

QAL's 5-year air quality improvement plan, supported by targets, actions and programme of works is summarised
below. Capital spend is estimated at between A\$19 million to A\$38 million.





Project (A1)	Alkali Release Off-Site
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Alkali release to atmosphere with potential to impact air quality and property in the surrounding communities</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	Identify sources at the refinery that can release alkali and put in place measures to reduce the risk of the release occurring.  An initial suite of alkali emissions reduction projects are in execution. Stage 2 of the alkali emissions reduction project will include further study to identify further alkali sources where the risk of release can be reduced
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Sources will be identified where actions can be taken to reduce likelihood and consequence of alkali release</li> <li>Reduce identified Class III and IV alkali release risks to Class I and II to mitigate impact to the community</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce emissions from alkali sources in the refinery and they are progressed to engineering.</li> <li>No alkali release events from completed projects due to QAL operations or maintenance activities</li> <li>All emission sources assess as Class III and IV risk are identified and an engineering solution is developed or investigations exhausted to reduce risk to Class I and II.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 26.0
Project Stage	Study  - Stage 2 study to identify further alkali sources and investigate options for mitigation  Engineering  - Bottom fill precipitators Project  • Bottom fill precipitator tanks to reduce alkali mist  Execution  - Upgrade and install shrouds on expansion joints;  • Upgrade of expansion joints has been completed and shrouding replacement is to be finalised in August 2019 shutdown.  - Flash tank relief header shroud installation;  • Shrouds on flash tank relief pipework expansion joints  - Digestion heater vent diversion  • Re-direction of heater vents downwards or to grade  Projects completed  - Existing equipment (identified as Class III and IV Risk) including piping, valving and fixtures on the Digester Pilot Steam Lines and the Flash Tank pilot steam lines have been replaced.  - New oxalate vent tank has been installed and commissioned.

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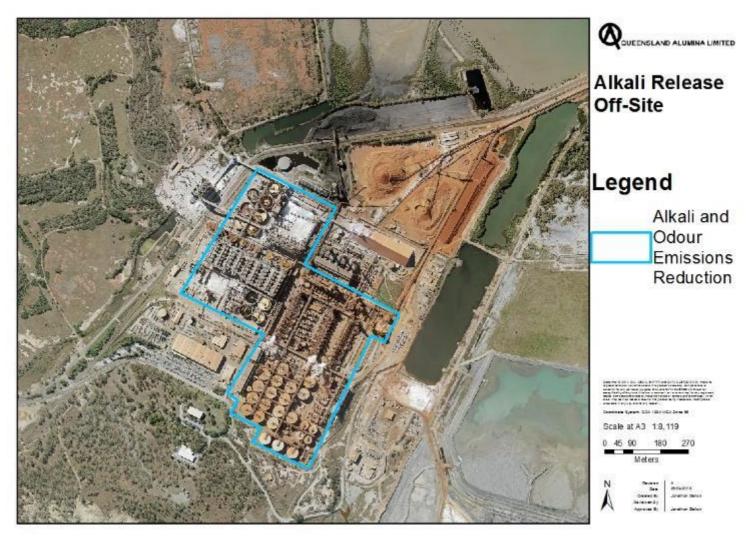
#### Comments

- Upgrade and install shrouds on expansion joints
  - All expansion joints have been replaced and final installation of shrouds will occur during the August shutdown.
- New projects from PSM workshops and stage 2 alkali workshops will provide further alkali reduction projects, which will start to be introduced into the schedule to commence in quarter 4 2019

#### Implementation Schedule

Alkali Release Off-Site										
Task			20	19		2020				
l ask	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Bottom Fill Precipitators project										
Stage 2 Alkali Emissions Study										
Upgrade and install shrouds on expansion joints										
Digestion heater vent diversion										
Flash tank relief header shrouds installation										

Study Engineering Execution



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Project (A2)	Alumina Dust Emission Reduction
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Alumina dust emissions from Boyne Smelters Limited (BSL) conveyor transfer points, product load-out and island and mainland alumina storage A-frames have a potential to impact on the air quality of surrounding communities.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	- Identify options to reduce alumina dust emissions from high risk release points.
Objective / performance outcome	- Mitigation of alumina dust emissions
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce emissions from alumina dust sources in the refinery and South Trees Island and they are progressed to engineering.</li> <li>No visible dust emissions from release points from completed projects.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 23.0
Project Stage	<ul> <li>2019         <ul> <li>Alumina loadout,</li> <li>2020</li> <li>Island and Mainland A-frames</li> <li>Hydrate and alumina transfer system</li> </ul> </li> <li>Execution         <ul> <li>Improvements and upgrades to dust collectors at BSL transfer points</li> <li>One BSL belt conveyor to be replaced with air slide conveyor,</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The alumina loadout dust reduction project has been identified as a priority and will be a study focus, moving into engineering in 2020.</li> <li>The A frame storage's and conveyor systems study will commence in 2020.</li> </ul>

implementation schedule													
Alumina Dust Emissions Reduction													
Task		2019				2020				2021			
Task	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Alumina Loadout													
A-frames, alumina and hydrate transfer systems													
BSL alumina transfer upgrade													

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Project (A3)	Odour Emission to Community
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Odour releases with potential for impact on air quality of surrounding communities.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Conduct an odour study including comparative analysis with previous 2006 study to determine an odour baseline</li> <li>Capture current uncaptured organic emission sources, and</li> <li>Address redundancy concerns with current treatment system</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Minimise QAL odour profile within the community
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Odour baseline is established when refinery is operating on Amrun bauxite.</li> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce emissions from odour sources in the refinery and they are progressed to engineering.</li> <li>Selected engineering option is progressed to execution</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 39.5
Project Stage	<ul> <li>Study</li> <li>Source sampling program within the refinery to provide up to date results that reflect the current operating circumstances, including Amrun bauxite.</li> <li>Undertake trials on effectiveness of implementing current destruction technology, i.e. condense and destroy odour vapour streams and alternate technology.</li> <li>Improve the operation of the existing odour system</li> <li>Engineering</li> <li>Second thermal oxidiser</li> </ul>

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#### Comments

- QAL have progressed the installation of a 2nd thermal oxidizer into engineering stage to provide odour destruction redundancy and to allow for further odour sources to be directed to the thermal oxidizer. The 2nd thermal oxidizer will have a larger capacity than the existing thermal oxidizer
- QAL are progressing individual trial:
  - QAL will trial condensing digestion unit 2 blow off tank vapour with seawater using the wash water heater.
     While condensing odourous vapour streams is known technology, QAL must monitor the impact of the hot seawater entering the waste tanks.
  - Alternate technology will be progressively trialed after an initial review of suitability for use in the refinery:
    - Non thermal plasma technology will be trailed at QAL.
    - Other technology, such as catalyst destruction is currently being reviewed.
  - The schedule has been updated to reflect the timing for the trials.

#### Implementation schedule

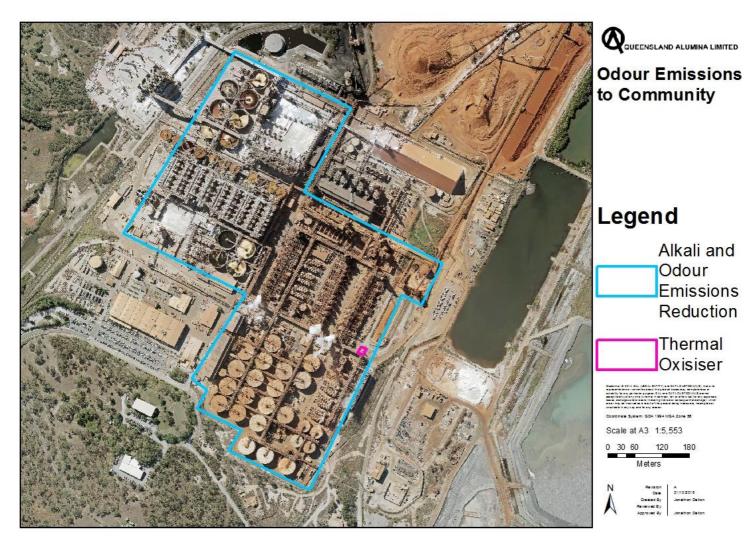
Odour Emission to Community									
Task		20	)19		2020				
I dok	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Odour source sampling and modelling									
Blow off Tank vapour wash water heater condensing trial									
Alternate odour treatment technology trial - Non thermal plasma									
Evap heater vent condensate collection									
Second thermal oxidiser									

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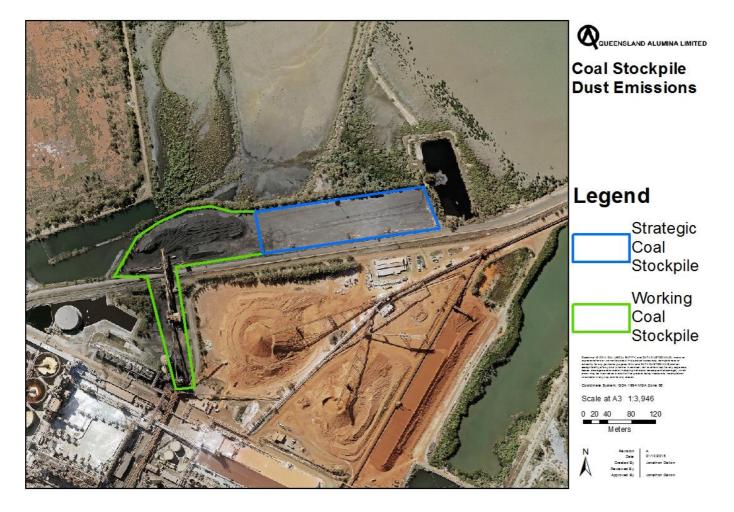
Project (A4)	Coal Stockpile Dust Emissions
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Fugitive dust emissions from working and strategic coal stockpiles have the potential to impact on the air quality of surrounding communities.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for dust mitigation, including dust suppression and prevention measures on working and strategic coal stockpiles.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Improved monitoring capability and reduction of potential for dust emissions
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce emissions from coal dust sources in the refinery and they are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 1.0
Project Stage	Study - Investigate dust reduction options for the coal stockpiles
Comments	<ul> <li>The strategic coal stockpile has been treated with a chemical sealant.</li> <li>Options being considered for the working stockpile include upgraded water sprays and wind fencing.</li> </ul>

Coal Stockpile Dust Mitigation							
	2019						
	Task	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Options s	study for dust mitigation						
Study	Engineering Execution						

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Project (A5)	Bauxite Transfer Dust Emissions
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Fugitive dust emissions from bauxite transfer system have the potential to impact on air quality in the surrounding community.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for reduction of dust emissions from the bauxite transfer system.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Reduced dust emissions from bauxite transfer systems
Performance Indicator	- Engineering options are progressed into execution.
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 0.8
Project Stage	<ul> <li>Engineering</li> <li>Option selected - install a belt washer station and improved scrappers</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Results from a measuring system installed on the bauxite conveyor has identified carry back as a significant dust source.</li> <li>Options to install a belt washer station and improved scrappers has been selected to move into engineering.</li> </ul>

Bauxite Transfer Dust Reduction Study											
Took			2019					2020			
Task		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Install b	elt wash station and upgrade scrappers										
Study	Engineering Execution										

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## Bauxite Transfer Dust Emissions

## Legend

Bauxite conveyor and transfer points

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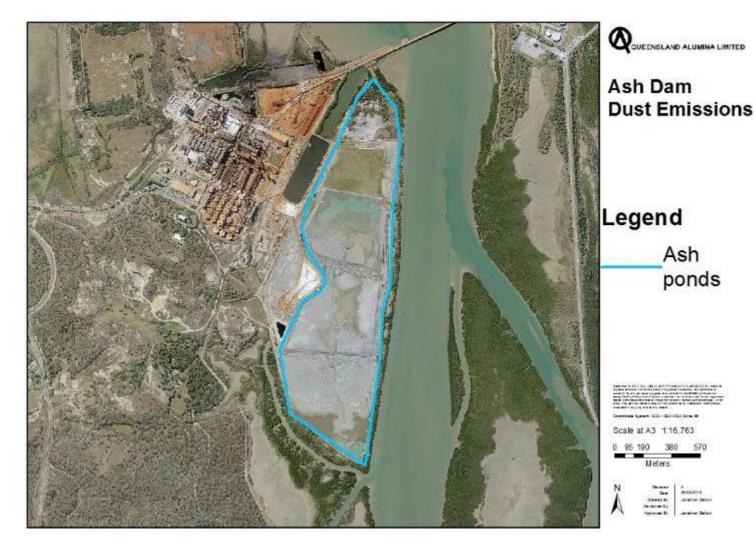
Project (A6)	Ash Dam Dust Emissions
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Fugitive dust (ash) emission emissions have the potential to impact on air quality of surrounding communities.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for reduction of dusting events from the ash through dust suppression and mitigation options</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Minimise dust generation from #4 Ash Dam
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce emissions from the ash dam and they are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 4.5
Project Stage	Study - Investigate dust reduction options for the ash dams
Comments	

Ash Dam Dust Emissions										
Tack					2019					
	Task				Q2	Q3	Q4			
Options study for dust mitigation on ash dam										
Study	Engineering	Execution								

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## Water Management Improvement Projects

QAL's plan to improve water quality management over the next five years is supported by targets, actions and a program of works summarised below. Capital spend is estimated at between A\$90 million to A\$175 million.

Project (W1)	Raw Material Spill from Wharf
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Release of raw materials including caustic and bauxite to Gladstone harbour during unloading operations has the potential to impact on the water quality of Port Curtis.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for reduction of spillage of raw materials (bauxite) from the wharf during unloading activities and mitigate the potential for release of caustic during unloading</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Reduce risk of release of raw material spills during unloading operations</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	- Engineering options are progressed into execution.
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 0.75
Project Stage	Study
	<ul> <li>Third party review of operating practices relating to all unloading aspects of raw materials is being completed.</li> <li>As other projects move into engineering they will be added to the schedule.</li> </ul>
	Engineering
	<ul> <li>Gaps within the wharf bunds provide pathways for materials to be released into the water.</li> </ul>
	This sub-project to fill in these gaps has been moved into engineering
Comments	

Implementation Schedule

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Raw Material Spill from Wharf										
Task		2019				2020				
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Fill in op										
Study	Engineering Execu	tion								

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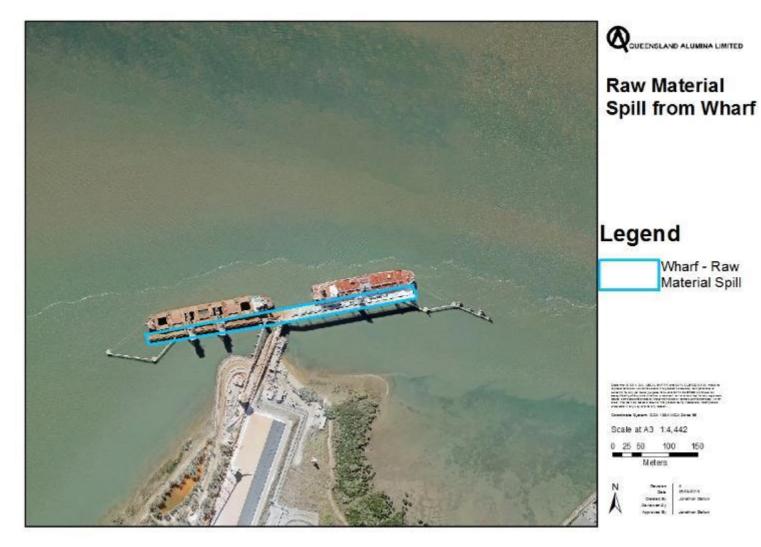




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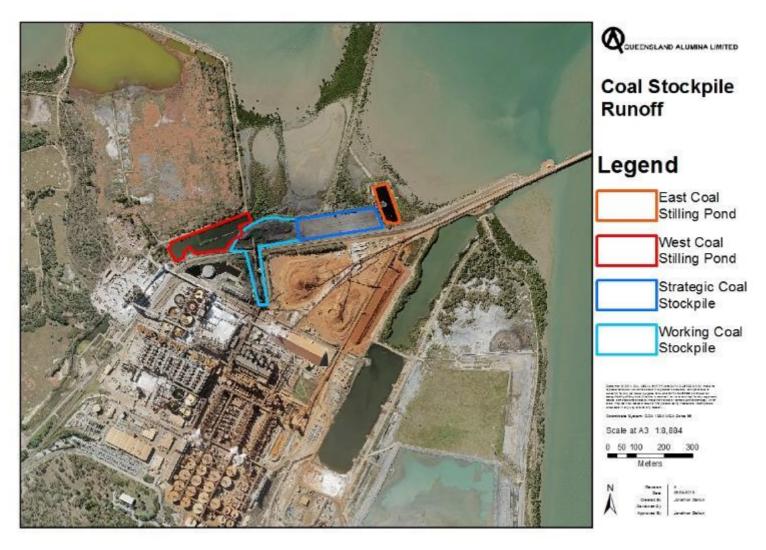
Project W2	Coal Stockpile Stormwater Runoff
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Release of coal contaminated stormwater to receiving environment has the potential to impact on the water quality in Port Cutis.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for reduction in total suspended solids load from the coal stockpiles into the east and west coal stilling ponds, which allows ponds to meet release limits</li> <li>Investigate options to improve west coal stilling pond neutralisation capability</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Mitigate risk of coal contaminated stormwater leaving the coal stockpile catchment area</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce coal fines runoff from coal stockpiles in the refinery and improve neutralisation capacity of the west coal stilling pond and they are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 2.2
Project Stage	Study Phase 1 investigate:  - Improvements to west coal stilling pond functionality Phase 2 investigate:  - Improvement in neutralisation capacity in the west coal stilling pond  - Investigate reduction of coal contaminated stormwater entering the west and east coal stilling pond
Comments	

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	Coal Stockpile Stormwater Runoff											
Taak		2018	2018 2019					2020				
	Task		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
	Phase 1 Study											
	Phase 2 Study											
Study	Engineering Executi	on										

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Project (W3)	Waste line 4 Integrity
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Failure of Waste Line 4 into marine or terrestrial environments will result in release of partially neutralised red mud with a potential to contaminate land or water and impact on the water quality in South Trees Inlet and Port Curtis.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for replacement of waste line 4 capacity that includes options that further reduces the risk of a pipeline failure.</li> <li>Ensure integrity of pipeline supports</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- No loss of containment incidents
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Engineering option is progressed to execution.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 50.95
Project Stage	Engineering
Comments	Engineering phase includes time to finalise state and federal approvals for works to be conducted over South Trees Inlet.
Implementation Schedule	

Waste Line 4 Capacity											
Task	2018		20	19	2020						
IdSK	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Waste line 4 capacitiy replacement											
Study Engineering Execution											

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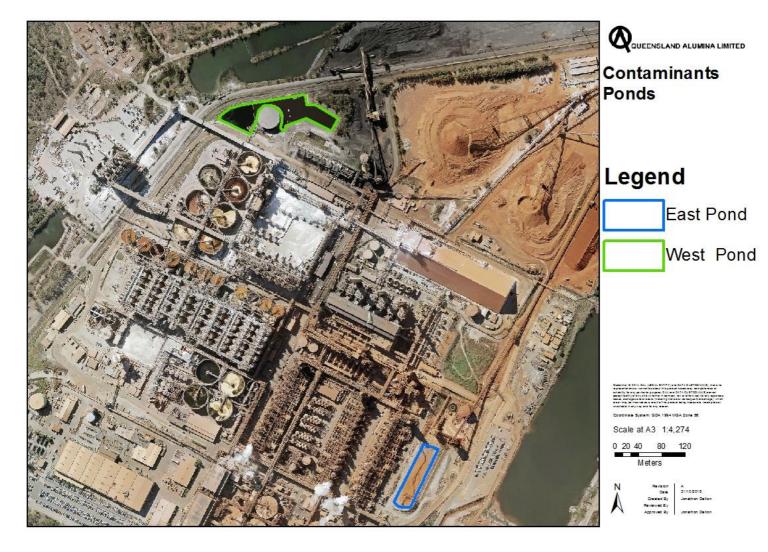
Project (W4)	East & West Contaminants Ponds
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>The East and West contaminants ponds capture contaminated stormwater runoff for recycling into the process. Insufficient capacity has the potential to impact the capability of the contaminated stormwater treatment system prior to release and has a potential to impact on the water quality in Port Curtis. A further potential impact exists for groundwater from the unlined east contaminants pond.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options to ensure that all core refinery process areas are directed to a contaminants pond,</li> <li>Options for lining and expanding the east contaminants pond, and</li> <li>Investigate options to increase the pump and pipe capacity from the ponds to the process.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Ensure containment ponds prevent land and groundwater contamination and mitigates the risk of stormwater contamination</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to prevent land and groundwater contamination from contaminants ponds and they are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 11.2
Project Stage	Not started
Comments	

East and West Contaminants Ponds										
Task			20	19			20	020		
		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Identify options for upgrade of contaminants ponds										
Study Engineering Execution										

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Project (W5)	Refinery Water Release Management
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Releases from the sweetening bauxite pond and the west gate wetland have the potential to impact on water quality in Port Cutis.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options to improve monitoring at the sweetening bauxite pond and the wetland release</li> <li>Identify options to upgrade mill sump water system to minimise release to the stormwater system</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Ensure pH, suspended solids and other release water quality parameters are maintained within limits and no uncontrolled release to receiving environment</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to improve water quality at the west gate wetland, mill 10 area and sweetening bauxite pond and they are progressed to engineering.</li> <li>85% availability of online instruments at the sweetening bauxite pond and wetland release point</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 5.2
Project Stage	Study – Phase 2  Investigate reduction of refinery runoff to west gate wetland and improved pond functionality  Investigate improvement to Mill 10 sump management to reduce overflow to the neutralising pond  Investigate options to reduce solids to the Sweetening bauxite pond  Execution – Phase 1  Wetland Release:  Install v-notch weir and flow meter,  Install continuous water quality monitoring.  Sweetening Bauxite Pond  Install a level sensor.
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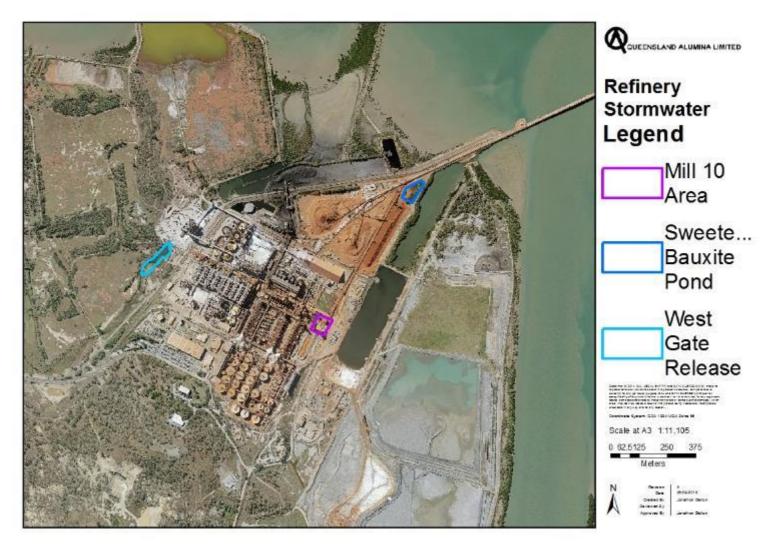
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Refinery water release improvement									
Task			20	19	2020				
Task	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Phase 2 Study									
Install V notch weir and continuous montoring at									
Westgate Release Point									
Install continuous montoring at sweetening									
bauxite pond Release Point									

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Project (W6)	RDA Surface/Ground water Impacts
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Impacts to surface and groundwater from the RDA that have the potential to impact on the water quality in South Trees Inlet and Port Curtis and terrestrial ecosystems surrounding the RDA.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Identify the sources, pathways and receptors of potential RDA surface and groundwater impacts and options for any required mitigation.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Prevent impact of contaminants from RDA on groundwater</li> <li>Mitigate the impact of the RDA on adjacent surface water systems and ensure relevant environmental values are protected</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Vegetation in Black Breasted Button Quail (BBBQ) habitat do not show any signs of degradation and rehabilitated areas (to be completed) show no sign of impact after cut off wall is installed and soil in impacted areas is flushed.</li> <li>A robust monitoring program is in place for the early detection of impact to vegetation, groundwater and marine communities.</li> <li>Study phase (Environmental Evaluation) identifies options to address any areas of concern and these options are progressed to engineering.</li> <li>Engineering options are progressed to execution</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 54

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Project Stage	Study
	<ul> <li>The outcome of stage 2 (EE report) will identify priority areas for engineering for ground/surface water around the red mud dams.</li> <li>Engineering</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The historic (northern end) red mud dam has been identified as a priority and has been progressed into engineering.</li> <li>A cut-off wall/trench has been identified as a suitable option for this area.</li> </ul>
	Execution
	- EE Stage 1 – install cut-off wall to mitigate impact on BBBQ bird habitat;
	<ul> <li>The bentonite/cement slurry wall installation is completed.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Execution works, including pumps and surface water drainage to be completed by the end of Q3 2019.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>EE Stage 2 – Install a cut off wall and drain along the eastern side of the historic RDA to mitigate any impact on vegetation to the east of the historic RDA.</li> <li>A bentonite/cement slurry wall will be installed.</li> <li>A drain on the dam side of the cut-off wall will be installed</li> <li>Pumps and surface water drainage.</li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>Groundwater removal on the dam side of the cut-off wall has resulted in sustained lower water levels and there has been no matching decrease in groundwater level within the BBBQ habitat, strongly indicating that the cut- off wall is functioning as designed.</li> </ul>
Implementation Schedule	

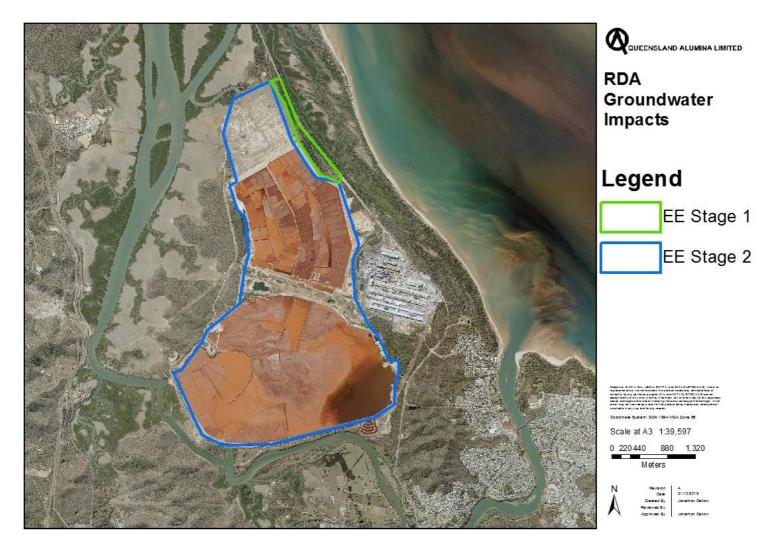
RDA Surface/Groundwater Impacts											
Task		2018 2019					2020				
IdSK	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Complete environmental evaluation											
EE Stage 1 - Install cut-off wall to mitigate											
impact on BBBQ habitat and recovery pumps											
EE Stage 2 - Install cut-off wall/trench along											
eastern side of historical RDA											

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Project (W7)	RDA Release to Receiving Environment
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>The chemistry of the red mud dam discharge into South trees Inlet has been changing over the past 5 to 10 years. This, together with the siltation of South Trees Inlet and decrease in water flow, has resulted in low dissolved oxygen between the discharge site and confluence of the Boyne River and has the potential to impact on the water quality in South Trees Inlet and the Boyne River.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Identify the cause of the change in water quality and investigate mitigation options, including improvements to release water quality, alternative release point locations or improving flow in South Trees Inlet.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Ensure the environmental values of South Trees Inlet are protected in the long term</li> </ul>
Performance Indicators	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options to reduce the impact of the RDA discharge and options are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 70.0
Project Stage	<ul> <li>Study</li> <li>A pilot treatment plant is being designed and installed to provide on the ground data to assist with the design of mitigation options.</li> <li>Modeling of release flows is being performed.</li> </ul>
Comments	

implementation serieure									
RDA Alternative Discharge Location									
	2019				2020				
Task	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Indentify options for relocation of the RDA discharge location									

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## **RDA Discharge**

# Legend

Licenced Discharge Point





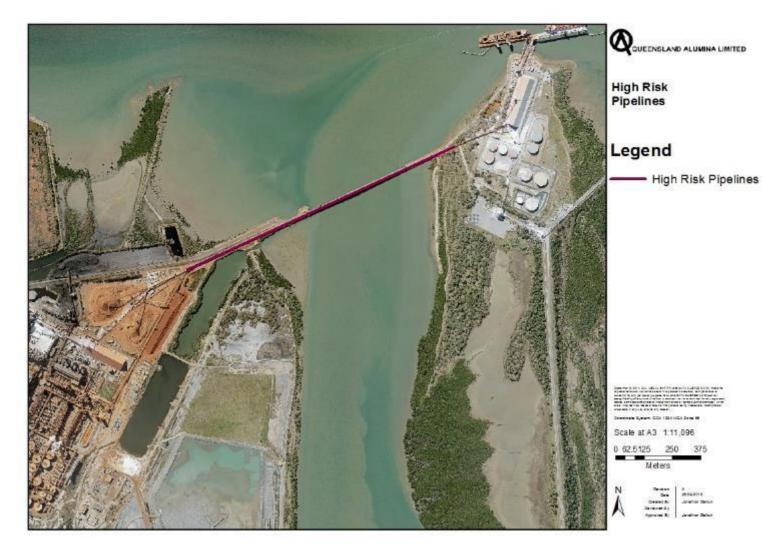
Project (W8)	High Risk Pipelines
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Caustic release to the environment as a result of failure of pipeline from the storage area (island) to refinery (mainland) across causeway with potential to impact on the water quality in Port Curtis.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options to upgrade high risk pipelines (caustic and contaminated water) to reduce the risk of a pipeline failure</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Reduce the risk of off-site contamination
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Engineering options are progressed to execution.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 10.5
Project Stage	Engineering
Comments	

High Risk Pipleines										
	2019			2020						
Task	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Investigate options for replacement of high risk pipelines										
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### Land management improvement projects

QAL's five-year land stewardship programme, supported by targets, actions and a programme of works is summarised below. Capital spend is estimated at between A\$20 million to A\$35 million.

Project (L1)	Integrity of Bunds and Drains
Risk class	- IV/Critical
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Seepage from bunded refinery areas has the potential to contaminate groundwater.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	- Bunded refinery area and drainage integrity rectification.
Objective / performance outcome	- Restore the integrity of refinery area bunds and drains
Performance Indicator	- All areas identified for remediation are repaired
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 39.3
Project Stage	<ul> <li>Complete engineering design for bunds and drains that were identified during the study phase requiring repairs.</li> <li>Complete engineering design on high risk (Class IV) bunds and drains</li> <li>Complete engineering design on lower risk (Class I, II and III) bunds and drains.</li> <li>Execution</li> <li>High risk bunds and drains will be prioritised for repair works and will move from engineering into execution once a construction package has been prepared.</li> <li>High risk bunds in execution: <ul> <li>HID 3/4</li> </ul> </li> <li>High risk drains in execution: <ul> <li>Above ground section of 7th street drain,</li> <li>5th Street drain,</li> <li>Bravo Street drain,</li> <li>Sierra Street drain.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>The Bund and drain inspection program has identified high, medium and low risk bunds and drains requiring remediation.</li> </ul>

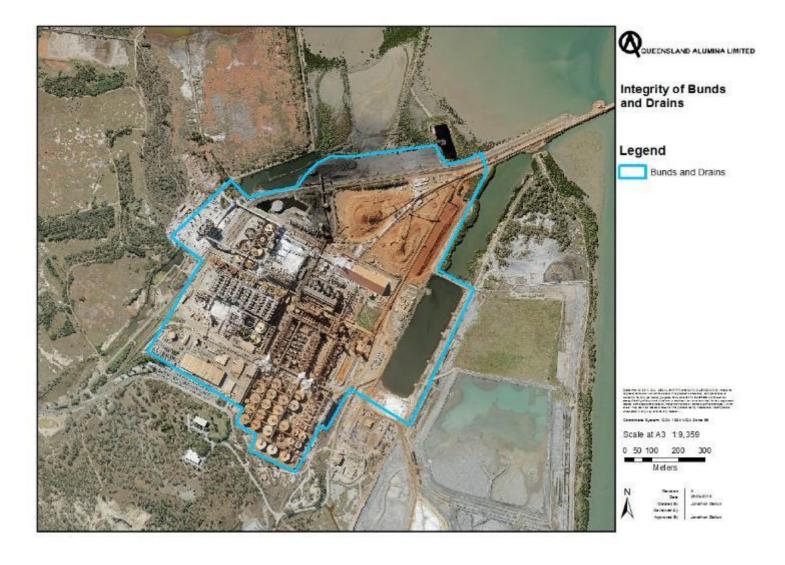
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Integrity of bunds and Drains																					
	2018		20	19			20	020			202	21			20	22			20	22	
Task	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Complete design on remaining high risk (class IV)																					
Complete design package for Class I, II and III																					
HID 3/4 bund repair																					
Above Ground Section of Seventh Street Drain repair																					
5th Street Drain repairs																					
Bravo Street Drain repair																					
Sierra Street Drain repairs																					





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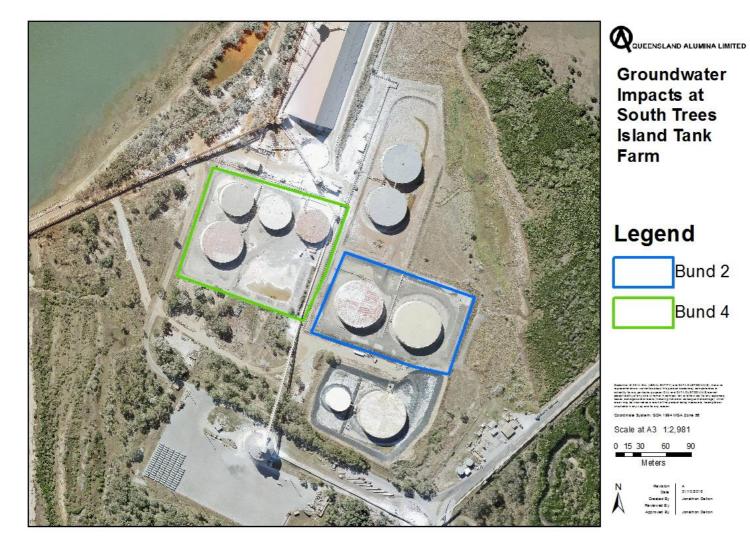


Project (L2)	Ground Water Impact to South Trees Island Tank Farm
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Caustic impact to ground water and potential to migrate to receiving environment (DES EPO STAT 1249 related) and has the potential to impact on groundwater quality.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Maintain and monitor current extraction program beneath bund 4, South Trees Island</li> <li>Review integrity of existing groundwater monitoring wells reinstate/upgrade as necessary and recommence monitoring program</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Historic ground water impact to South Trees Island does not migrate and is reduced over time</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>No increase in pH in groundwater bores outside of bund with extraction system operational</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 1.0
Project Stage	Completed
Comments	<ul> <li>Groundwater pumping has commenced.</li> <li>Monitoring of groundwater will continue and opportunities to improve the system will continue to be investigated based on the results of the ongoing monitoring.</li> </ul>

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Project (L3)	Mineral Waste Disposal Facility – Stage 2
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Potential for land contamination from landfilled mineral wastes and potential for impact on water quality in South Trees Inlet; secondary potential impact to effectiveness of current recycling program</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate the options for location of another mineral waste disposal facility</li> <li>Investigate options to ensure design improves land contamination controls</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Identify the most suitable option for expanding the mineral waste disposal facility that meets the design requirements to mitigate land contamination and includes capping design for the entire mineral waste disposal facility</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	- Engineering option is progressed to execution.
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 2.6
Project Stage	Engineering
Comments	<ul> <li>Options investigated in study phase included siting and interface with the existing facility</li> </ul>

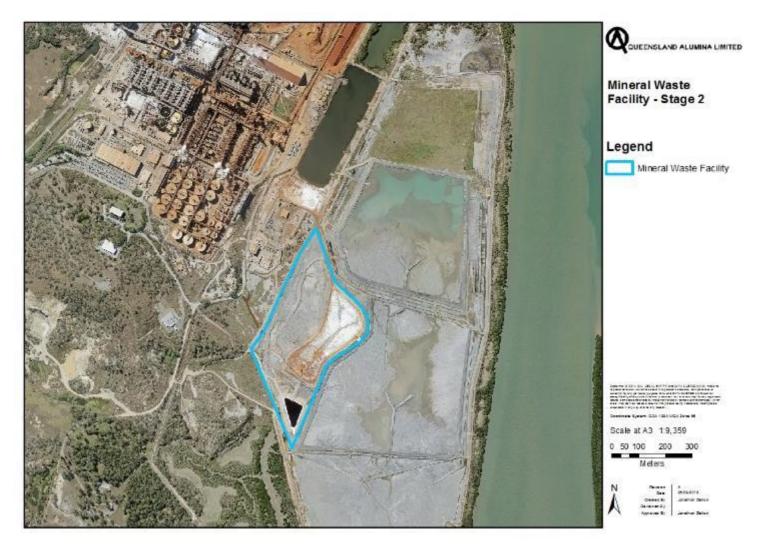
Mineral Waste Disposal Facility											
Task		2019									
		Q2	Q3	Q4							
Develop design for stage 2 of the mineral waste											
disposal facility											

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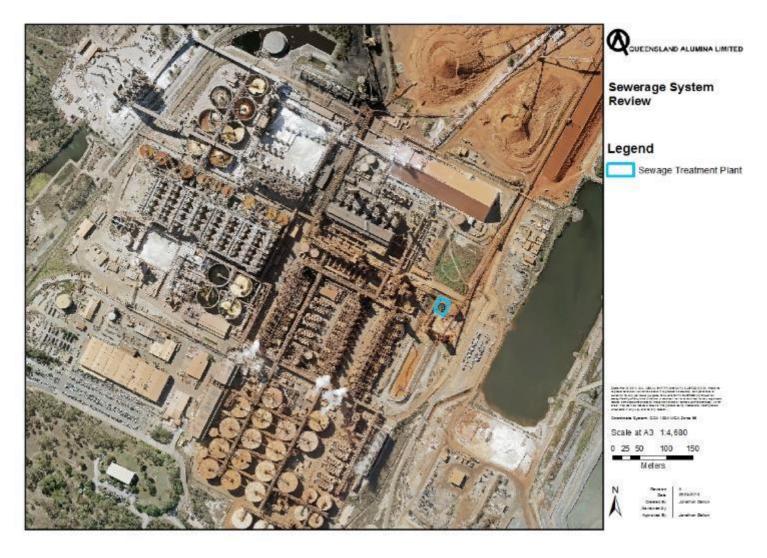
Project (L4)	Sewerage System Upgrade
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Potential for land contamination from sewerage system installed during initial and subsequent plant construction phases and potential to contaminate groundwater.</li> <li>Introduction of inadequately treated effluent to the RDA</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate the condition of the sewerage system to identify issues and assess options to rectify identified issues</li> <li>Review the current operation of the sewage treatment system and look at requirement for upgrade</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Reduce the risk of the release of sewage to land
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies current state of sewerage system integrity and identifies options to improve sewage treatment plant and prevent sewage leaks in the refinery and they are progressed to engineering.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 2.0
Project Stage	Study
Comments	

Sewerage System										
Task			20	19		2020				
TOSK	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Invesitage the current state of the sewerage										
system at the refinery										
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Project (L6)	Closure Pilot - RDA rehabilitation
Risk class	- II/medium
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Implementation of a long term effective cover system for closure at the RDA</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Undertake research of cover systems for closure of the RDA.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Determine if a long term cover system can be sustained at the RDA.</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase identifies options for long term remediation of the red mud dams.</li> <li>Trial plot at RDA sustains vegetation to show proof of concept for the project.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 1.75
Project Stage	Study
Comments	<ul> <li>A Pilot rehabilitation trial is being established at the Residue Disposal Area.</li> </ul>

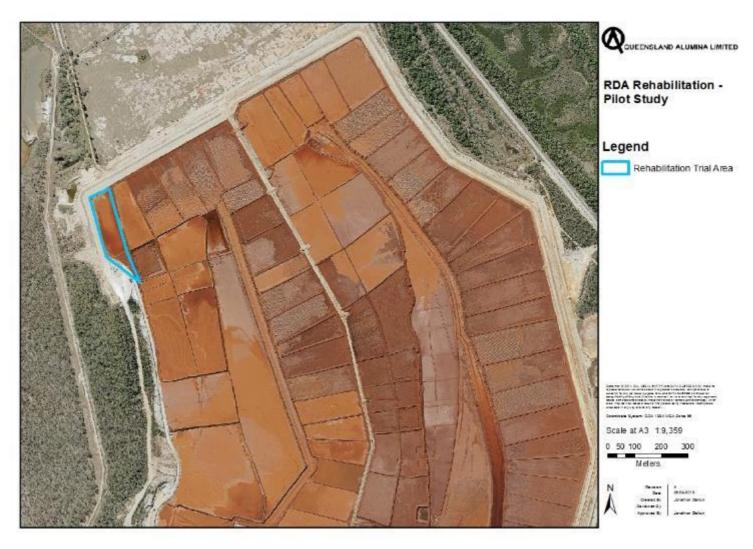
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RDA Closure Rehabilitation						
Tools	2018		19			
Task		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
Investigate closure cover options for the RDA						

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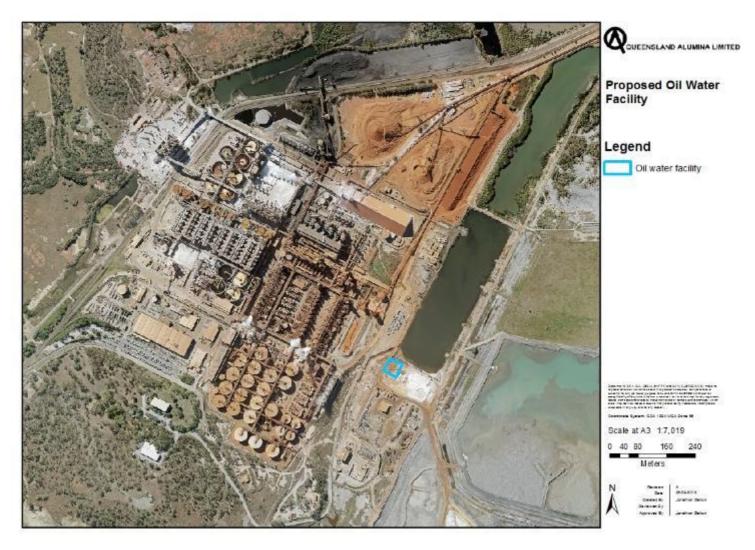
Project (L7)	Oil/water facility resizing
Risk class	- II/Medium
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Land contamination from oily wastes with the potential to impact groundwaters and the water quality in South Trees Inlet.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Install an oil/water separator at the waste transfer facility</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- To improve management of oily wastes.
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Engineering package for oily water separate finalised and handed over to execution team.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 0.835
Project Stage	<ul><li>Execution</li><li>All oil/water separator and storage facility has been designed and has been moved into execution</li></ul>
Comments	<ul> <li>This facility will provide a permanent location for the storage of oil waste prior to transport off-site to a recycling facility.</li> </ul>

Oil/water Separation Facility								
)18	2019							
Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4					
)	18	18 20	18 2019					

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Project (L8)	Strategy for Caustic Storage
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	<ul> <li>Current South Trees Island storage location has risks (substrate) for location of a tank farm and a risk of groundwater contamination.</li> </ul>
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Investigate options for a long term caustic storage tank farm.</li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	<ul> <li>Confirm current locations suitability for the tank farm or;</li> <li>Identify suitable alternate locations for the caustic storage tank farm</li> </ul>
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Execution phase – all operational caustic storage tanks are inspected, all faults repaired and returned to service with RPEQ signoff.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 18.1
Project Stage	Execution
Comments	<ul> <li>QAL has decided to continue to store caustic soda in bunds 2 and 4 at South Trees Island.</li> <li>All operational caustic storage tanks in bunds 2 and 4 at South Trees Island will be brought off-line, cleaned, inspected and any faults rectified prior to the tanks being returned to service.</li> </ul>

Caustic Storage Strategy								
Task	2019				2020			
Task	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Inspect and repair tank T1515								
Inspect and repair tank T15Q005								
Inspect and repair tank T15Q006								

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### Other Environmental Improvement Projects

In addition to projects that address the specific environmental parameters of air, water and land, projects that address other aspects of the operation have also been identified below.

Project (O1)	Noise Emissions
Risk class	- III/High
Environmental risks	- Community noise impact from operational and maintenance works
Project solution / options	<ul> <li>Review current noise impact management including:         <ul> <li>Efficacy of implemented controls on hydroblasting</li> <li>Adequacy of noise monitoring program;</li> <li>Noise source assessment;</li> <li>Plant and equipment noise mitigation options; and</li> <li>Operational improvements (e.g. timing of noisy work practices)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Objective / performance outcome	- Reduce QAL noise footprint
Performance Indicator	<ul> <li>Study phase –</li> <li>Verifies high risk noise sources are adequately managed.</li> </ul>
Cost estimate A\$ million	- 0.4
Project Stage	Study phase to commence at the beginning of 2020  Completed Projects     Emergency diesel generator building noise reduction paneling has been installed.
Comments	

Implementation Schedule

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Noise Emissions									
Task	2018	2019			2020				
	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Review current noise impact management									

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