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Attention: Mr. Anthony Wong

Dear Sir,

Re: Agreement No. CE 48/2011 (EP)

**Environmental Project Office for the** 

HZMB Hong Kong Link Road, HZMB Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities,

and Tuen Mun-Chek Lap Kok Link - Investigation

Contract No. HY/2010/02 - HZMB HKBCF - Reclamation Works Monthly Environmental Monitoring & Audit Report for August 2015

Reference is made to the Environmental Team's submission of Monthly Environmental Monitoring & Audit Report for August 2015 certified by the ET Leader (ET's ref.: "60249820/C/RMKY15091402" dated 14 September 2015) and provided to us via e-mail on 14 September 2015.

We are pleased to inform you that we have no adverse comment on the captioned report. We write to verify the captioned submission in accordance with Condition 5.4 of EP-353/2009/I and Condition 4.4 of EP-354/2009/D (for TM-CLKL Southern Landfall Reclamation only).

As per Condition 1.7 of EPs, please be reminded to keep in view on the site condition, in particular in the vicinity of Portion B with your on-going surveillance and monitoring.

Thank you very much for your attention and please feel free to contact the undersigned should you require further information.

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of

Ramboll Environ Hong Kong Limited

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Contract No. HY/2010/02 – Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities – Reclamation Work (here below, known as "the Project") mainly comprises reclamation at the northeast of the Hong Kong International Airport of an area of about 130-hectare for the construction of an artificial island for the development of the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF), and about 19-hectare for the southern landfall of the Tuen Mun - Chek Lap Kok Link (TMCLKL). It is a designated project and is governed by the current permits for the Project, i.e. the amended Environmental Permits (EPs) issued on 17 July 2015 (EP-353/2009/I) and 13 March 2015 (EP-354/2009/D) (for TMCLKL Southern Landfall Reclamation only).

Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited (Arup) was appointed by Highways Department (HyD) as the consultants for the design and construction assignment for the Project's reclamation works (i.e. the Engineer for the Project).

China Harbour Engineering Company Limited (CHEC) was awarded by HyD as the Contractor to undertake the construction work of the Project.

Ramboll Environ Hong Kong Limited. was employed by HyD as the Independent Environmental Checker (IEC) and Environmental Project Office (ENPO) for the Project.

AECOM Asia Co. Ltd. (AECOM) was appointed by CHEC to undertake the role of Environmental Team for the Project for carrying out the environmental monitoring and audit (EM&A) works.

The construction phase of the Project under the EPs was commenced on 12 March 2012 and will be tentatively completed by early Year 2016. The EM&A programme, including air quality, noise, water quality and dolphin monitoring and environmental site inspections, was commenced on 12 March 2012.

This report documents the findings of EM&A works conducted in the period between 1 and 31 August 2015. As informed by the Contractor, major activities in the reporting period were:-

#### Marine-base

- Cellular structure Connecting Arcs
- Rubble Mound Seawall
- Rock fill
- Maintenance of silt curtain & silt screen at sea water intake of HKIA

### Land-base

- Earthwork fill
- Surcharge removal & laying
- Deep Cement Mixing
- Removal of Temporary Seawall
- Vertical Band Drains
- Installations of Precast Culverts except sloping outfalls
- Maintenance works of Site Office at Works Area WA2
- Maintenance works of Public Works Regional Laboratory at Works Area WA3
- Maintenance of Temporary Marine Access at Works Area WA2

### A summary of monitoring and audit activities conducted in the reporting period is listed below:

24-hour Total Suspended Particulates (TSP) monitoring5 sessions1-hour TSP monitoring5 sessionsNoise monitoring4 sessionsImpact water quality monitoring13 sessionsImpact dolphin monitoring2 surveysJoint Environmental site inspection4 sessions

## **Breaches of Action and Limit Levels for Air Quality**

One (1) Limit Level Exceedance of 24hr-TSP was recorded at AMS2. After investigation, there is no adequate information to conclude the recorded exceedances are related to this Contract.

#### **Breaches of Action and Limit Levels for Noise**

For construction noise, no exceedance was recorded at all monitoring stations in the reporting month.

#### **Breaches of Action and Limit Levels for Water Quality**

All impact water quality monitoring results were below the Action and Limit Level in the reporting month.

### **Impact Dolphin Monitoring**

A total of five sightings were made, three "on effort" and two "opportunistic". Two sightings were recorded on the 10 August 2015 and three on the 25 August 2015. Sighting details are summarised are plotted in Appendix K and Figure 5c, respectively. The first group sighted on the 10 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second, three individuals. The first group sighted on 25 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second and third groups, each had three individuals. The two groups of three spotted on the 25 August 2015 were the same individuals but in different locations.

Behaviour: On the 10 August 2015, both groups sighted were engaged in feeding activities. On 25 August 2015, the first dolphin sighted was feeding and the second two groups were travelling. No calves were sighted in August 2015. Locations of sighting with different behaviour are mapped in Figure 5d.

For dolphin monitoring, one (1) limit level exceedance is recorded. The Investigation is undergoing and investigation results will be reported in quarterly report (June – August 2015).

#### Complaint, Notification of Summons and Successful Prosecution

No notification of complaint, summons or prosecution was received in the reporting period

#### **Reporting Change**

There was no reporting change required in the reporting period.

#### **Future Key Issues**

Key issues to be considered in the coming month included:

- Site runoff should be properly collected and treated prior to discharge;
- Minimize loss of sediment from filling works;
- Regular review and maintenance of silt curtain systems, drainage systems and desilting facilities;
- Exposed surfaces/soil stockpiles should be properly treated to avoid generation of silty surface run-off during rainstorm;
- Regular review and maintenance of wheel washing facilities provided at all site entrances/exits;
- Conduct regular inspection of various working machineries and vessels within works areas to avoid any dark smoke emission;
- Suppress dust generated from work processes with use of bagged cements, earth movements, excavation activities, exposed surfaces/soil stockpiles and haul road traffic;
- Quieter powered mechanical equipment should be used;
- Provision of proper and effective noise control measures for operating equipment and machinery on-site, such as erection of movable noise barriers or enclosure for noisy plants;
- Closely check and replace the sound insulation materials regularly;
- Better scheduling of construction works to minimize noise nuisance;
- Properly store and label oil drums and chemical containers placed on site;
- Proper chemicals, chemical wastes and wastes management;
- Maintenance works should be carried out within roofed, paved and confined areas;
- Collection and segregation of construction waste and general refuse on land and in the sea should be carried out properly and regularly; and
- Proper protection and regular inspection of existing trees, transplanted/retained trees.

- Control night-time lighting and glare by hooding all lights.
- Regular review and provide maintenance to dust control measures such as sprinkler system.

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 **Background**

- 1.1.1 Contract No. HY/2010/02 - Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities - Reclamation Work (here below, known as "the Project") mainly comprises reclamation at the northeast of the Hong Kong International Airport of an area of about 130-hectare for the construction of an artificial island for the development of the Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities (HKBCF), and about 19-hectare for the southern landfall of the Tuen Mun - Chek Lap Kok Link (TMCLKL).
- 1.1.2 The environmental impact assessment (EIA) reports (Hong Kong - Zhuhai - Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities - EIA Report (Register No. AEIAR-145/2009) (HKBCFEIA) and Tuen Mun - Chek Lap Kok Link - EIA Report (Register No. AEIAR-146/2009) (TMCLKLEIA), and their environmental monitoring and audit (EM&A) Manuals (original EM&A Manuals), for the Project were approved by Environmental Protection Department (EPD) in October 2009.
- EPD subsequently issued the Environmental Permit (EP) for HKBCF in November 2009 (EP-1.1.3 353/2009) and the Variation of Environmental Permit (VEP) in June 2010 (EP-353/2009/A), November 2010 (EP-353/2009/B), November 2011 (EP-353/2009/C), March 2012 (EP-353/2009/D), October 2012 (EP-353/2009/E), April 2013 (EP-353/2009/F), August 2013 (EP-353/2009/G), January 2015 (EP-353/2009/H) and July 2015 (EP-353/2009/I). Similarly, EPD issued the Environmental Permit (EP) for TMCLKL in November 2009 (EP-354/2009) and the Variation of Environmental Permit (VEP) in December 2010 (EP-354/2009/A), January 2014 (EP-354/2009/B), December 2014 (EP-354/2009/C) and March 2015 (EP-354/2009/D).
- 1.1.4 The Project is a designated project and is governed by the current permits for the Project, i.e. the amended EPs issued on 17 July 2015 (EP-353/2009/I) and 13 March 2015 (EP-354/2009/D) (for TMCLKL Southern Landfall Reclamation only).
- A Project Specific EM&A Manual, which included all project-relation contents from the original EM&A 1.1.5 Manuals for the Project, was issued in May 2012.
- Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited (Arup) was appointed by Highways Department (HyD) as the consultants for the design and construction assignment for the Project's reclamation works (i.e. the Engineer for the Project).
- China Harbour Engineering Company Limited (CHEC) was awarded by HyD as the Contractor to 1.1.7 undertake the construction work of the Project.
- 1.1.8 Ramboll Environ Hong Kong Limited, was employed by HyD as the Independent Environmental Checker (IEC) and Environmental Project Office (ENPO) for the Project.
- 1.1.9 AECOM Asia Co. Ltd. (AECOM) was appointed by CHEC to undertake the role of Environmental Team for the Project for carrying out the EM&A works.
- 1.1.10 The construction phase of the Project under the EPs was commenced on 12 March 2012 and will be tentatively completed by early Year 2016.
- 1.1.11 According to the Project Specific EM&A Manual, there is a need of an EM&A programme including air quality, noise, water quality and dolphin monitoring and environmental site inspections. The EM&A programme of the Project commenced on 12 March 2012.

#### 1.2 **Scope of Report**

1.2.1 This is the forty-second monthly EM&A Report under the Contract No.HY/2010/02 Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities - Reclamation Works. This report presents a

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Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities – Reclamation Works Monthly EM&A Report for August 2015 summary of the environmental monitoring and audit works, list of activities and mitigation measures proposed by the ET for the Project in August 2015.

## 1.3 Project Organization

1.3.1 The project organization structure is shown in Appendix A. The key personnel contact names and numbers are summarized in Table 1.1.

Table 1.1 Contact Information of Key Personnel

Party	Position	Name	Telephone	Fax
Engineer's Representative (ER)  (Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited)	Chief Resident Engineer	Roger Marechal	3698 5700	2698 5999
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(Ramboll Environ Hong Kong Limited)	Environmental Project Office Leader	Y. H. Hui	3547 2133	3465 2899
Contractor (China Harbour	Environmental Officer	Louie Chan	36932254	2578 0413
Engineering Company Limited)	24-hour Hotline	Alan C.C. Yeung	9448 0325	
ET  (AECOM Asia Company Limited)	ET Leader	Echo Leong	3922 9280	2317 7609

### 1.4 Summary of Construction Works

- 1.4.1 The construction phase of the Project under the EP commenced on 12 March 2012.
- 1.4.2 As informed by the Contractor, details of the major works carried out in this reporting period are listed below:-

#### Marine-base

- Cellular structure Connecting Arcs
- Rubble Mound Seawall
- Rock fill
- Maintenance of silt curtain & silt screen at sea water intake of HKIA

#### Land-base

- Earthwork fill
- Surcharge removal & laying
- Deep Cement Mixing
- Removal of Temporary Seawall
- Vertical Band Drains
- Installations of Precast Culverts except sloping outfalls
- Maintenance works of Site Office at Works Area WA2
- Maintenance works of Public Works Regional Laboratory at Works Area WA3
- Maintenance of Temporary Marine Access at Works Area WA2

- 1.4.3 The 3-month rolling construction programme of the Project is shown in Appendix B.
- 1.4.4 The general layout plan of the Project site showing the detailed works areas is shown in Figure 1.
- 1.4.5 The environmental mitigation measures implementation schedule are presented in Appendix C.

### 1.5 Summary of EM&A Programme Requirements

- 1.5.1 The EM&A programme required environmental monitoring for air quality, noise, water quality, marine ecology and environmental site inspections for air quality, noise, water quality, waste management, marine ecology, and landscape and visual impact. The EM&A requirements for each parameter described in the following sections include:-
  - All monitoring parameters;
  - Monitoring schedules for the reporting month and forthcoming month;
  - Action and Limit levels for all environmental parameters;
  - Event / Action Plan;
  - Environmental mitigation measures, as recommended in the Project EIA reports; and
  - Environmental requirement in contract documents.

## 2 AIR QUALITY MONITORING

#### 2.1 Monitoring Requirements

2.1.1 In accordance with the Project Specific EM&A Manual, baseline 1-hour and 24-hour Total Suspended Particulates (TSP) levels at 4 air quality monitoring stations were established. Impact 1-hour TSP monitoring was conducted for at least three times every 6 days, while impact 24-hour TSP monitoring was carried out for at least once every 6 days. The Action and Limit level of the air quality monitoring is provided in Appendix D.

### 2.2 Monitoring Equipment

2.2.1 24-hour TSP air quality monitoring was performed using High Volume Sampler (HVS) located at each designated monitoring station. The HVS meets all the requirements of the Project Specific EM&A Manual. Portable direct reading dust meters were used to carry out the 1-hour TSP monitoring. Brand and model of the equipment is given in Table 2.1.

Table 2.1 Air Quality Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Brand and Model
Portable direct reading dust meter (1-hour TSP)	Sibata Digital Dust Monitor (Model No. LD-3 and LD-3B)
High Volume Sampler (24-hour TSP)	Tisch Environmental Mass Flow Controlled Total Suspended Particulate (TSP) High Volume Air Sampler (Model No. TE-5170)

### 2.3 Monitoring Locations

- 2.3.1 Monitoring locations AMS2 and AMS7 were set up at the proposed locations in accordance with Project Specific EM&A Manual. For AMS6 (Dragonair/CNAC (Group) Building), permission on setting up and carrying out impact monitoring works was sought, however, access to the premise has not been granted yet on this report issuing date. For monitoring location AMS3 (Ho Yu College), as proposed in the Project Specific EM&A Manual, approval for carrying out impact monitoring could not be obtained from the principal of the school. Permission on setting up and carrying out impact monitoring works at nearby sensitive receivers, like Caribbean Coast and Coastal Skyline, was also sought. However, approvals for carrying out impact monitoring works within their premises were not obtained. Impact air quality monitoring was conducted at site boundary of the site office area in Works Area WA2 (AMS3B) respectively. Same baseline and Action Level for air quality, as derived from the baseline monitoring data recorded at Ho Yu College, was adopted for this alternative air quality location.
- 2.3.2 It was observed that a tree near AMS3B may affect the wind flow around the HVS located at AMS3B. With no further comment received from IEC, the HVS at AMS3B has been relocated on 8 September 2014 to slightly more than 2 meters separation from it, measured horizontally. Same baseline and Action Level for air quality, as derived from the baseline monitoring data recorded at Ho Yu College, was adopted for this alternative air quality location.
- 2.3.3 Reference is made to ET's proposal of the omission of air monitoring station (AMS 6) dated on 1 November 2012 and EPD's letter dated on 19 November 2012 regarding the conditional approval of the proposed omission of air monitoring station (AMS 6) for Contract No. HY/2010/02. The aforesaid omission of Monitoring Station AMS6 is effective since 19 November 2012.
- 2.3.4 Reference is made to ET's proposal of relocation of air quality monitoring station (AMS7) dated on 2 February 2015, with no further comment received from IEC on 2 February 2015 and no objection received from EPD on 5 February 2015, the impact air quality monitoring station AMS7 (Hong Kong SkyCity Marriott Hotel) has been relocated to AMS7A (Chu Kong Air-Sea Union Transportation Company Limited) on 3 February 2015. Action Level for air quality, as derived from the baseline monitoring data recorded at Hong Kong SkyCity Marriott Hotel, was adopted for this alternative air quality location.

2.3.5 Figure 2 shows the locations of monitoring stations. Table 2.2 describes the details of the monitoring stations.



Table 2.2 Locations of Impact Air Quality Monitoring Stations

Monitoring Station	Location	Description
AMS2	Tung Chung Development Pier	Rooftop of the premise
AMS3B	Site Boundary of Site Office Area at Works Area WA2	On ground at the area boundary
AMS6*	Dragonair/CNAC (Group) Building	On ground at boundary of the premise
AMS7A	Chu Kong Air-Sea Union Transportation Company Limited	On ground at boundary of the premise

<sup>\*</sup>Remarks: Reference is made to EPD conditional approval of the omission of air monitoring station (AMS 6) for the project. The omission will be effective on 19 November 2012.

## 2.4 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

2.4.1 Table 2.3 summarizes the monitoring parameters, frequency and duration of impact TSP monitoring.

Table 2.3 Air Quality Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

Parameter	Frequency and Duration	
1-hour TSP	Three times every 6 days while the highest dust impact was expected	
24-hour TSP	Once every 6 days	

## 2.5 Monitoring Methodology

### 2.5.1 24-hour TSP Monitoring

- (a) The HVS was installed in the vicinity of the air sensitive receivers. The following criteria were considered in the installation of the HVS.
  - (i) A horizontal platform with appropriate support to secure the sampler against gusty wind was provided.
  - (ii) No two samplers should be placed less than 2 meters apart.
  - (iii) The distance between the HVS and any obstacles, such as buildings, was at least twice the height that the obstacle protrudes above the HVS.
  - (iv) A minimum of 2 meters separation from walls, parapets and penthouse for rooftop sampler.
  - (v) A minimum of 2 meters separation from any supporting structure, measured horizontally is required.
  - (vi) No furnace or incinerator flues nearby.
  - (vii) Airflow around the sampler was unrestricted.
  - (viii) Permission was obtained to set up the samplers and access to the monitoring stations.
  - (ix) A secured supply of electricity was obtained to operate the samplers.
  - (x) The sampler was located more than 20 meters from any dripline.
  - (xi) Any wire fence and gate, required to protect the sampler, did not obstruct the monitoring process.
  - (xii) Flow control accuracy was kept within ±2.5% deviation over 24-hour sampling period.

## (b) Preparation of Filter Papers

- (i) Glass fibre filters, G810 were labelled and sufficient filters that were clean and without pinholes were selected.
- (ii) All filters were equilibrated in the conditioning environment for 24 hours before weighing. The conditioning environment temperature was around 25 °C and not variable by more than ±3 °C; the relative humidity (RH) was < 50% and not variable by more than ±5%. A convenient working RH was 40%.

(iii) All filter papers were prepared and analysed by ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd., which is a HOKLAS accredited laboratory and has comprehensive quality assurance and quality control programmes.

## (c) Field Monitoring

- (i) The power supply was checked to ensure the HVS works properly.
- (ii) The filter holder and the area surrounding the filter were cleaned.
- (iii) The filter holder was removed by loosening the four bolts and a new filter, with stamped number upward, on a supporting screen was aligned carefully.
- (iv) The filter was properly aligned on the screen so that the gasket formed an airtight seal on the outer edges of the filter.
- (v) The swing bolts were fastened to hold the filter holder down to the frame. The pressure applied was sufficient to avoid air leakage at the edges.
- (vi) Then the shelter lid was closed and was secured with the aluminum strip.
- (vii) The HVS was warmed-up for about 5 minutes to establish run-temperature conditions.
- (viii) A new flow rate record sheet was set into the flow recorder.
- On site temperature and atmospheric pressure readings were taken and the flow rate of the HVS was checked and adjusted at around 1.1 m³/min, and complied with the range specified in the updated EM&A Manual (i.e. 0.6-1.7 m³/min).
- (x) The programmable digital timer was set for a sampling period of 24 hrs, and the starting time, weather condition and the filter number were recorded.
- (xi) The initial elapsed time was recorded.
- (xii) At the end of sampling, on site temperature and atmospheric pressure readings were taken and the final flow rate of the HVS was checked and recorded.
- (xiii) The final elapsed time was recorded.
- (xiv) The sampled filter was removed carefully and folded in half length so that only surfaces with collected particulate matter were in contact.
- (xv) It was then placed in a clean plastic envelope and sealed.
- (xvi) All monitoring information was recorded on a standard data sheet.
- (xvii) Filters were then sent to ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. for analysis.

## (d) Maintenance and Calibration

- (i) The HVS and its accessories were maintained in good working condition, such as replacing motor brushes routinely and checking electrical wiring to ensure a continuous power supply.
- (ii) 5-point calibration of the HVS was conducted using TE-5025A Calibration Kit prior to the commencement of baseline monitoring. Bi-monthly 5-point calibration of the HVS will be carried out during impact monitoring.
- (iii) Calibration certificate of the HVSs are provided in Appendix E.

## 2.5.2 1-hour TSP Monitoring

## (a) Measuring Procedures

The measuring procedures of the 1-hour dust meter were in accordance with the Manufacturer's Instruction Manual as follows:-

- (i) Turn the power on.
- (ii) Close the air collecting opening cover.
- (iii) Push the "TIME SETTING" switch to [BG].
- (iv) Push "START/STOP" switch to perform background measurement for 6 seconds.
- (v) Turn the knob at SENSI ADJ position to insert the light scattering plate.
- (vi) Leave the equipment for 1 minute upon "SPAN CHECK" is indicated in the display.
- (vii) Push "START/STOP" switch to perform automatic sensitivity adjustment. This measurement takes 1 minute.
- (viii) Pull out the knob and return it to MEASURE position.
- (ix) Push the "TIME SETTING" switch the time set in the display to 3 hours.
- (x) Lower down the air collection opening cover.
- (xi) Push "START/STOP" switch to start measurement.



- (b) Maintenance and Calibration
  - (i) The 1-hour TSP meter was calibrated at 1-year intervals against a continuous particulate TEOM Monitor, Series 1400ab. Calibration certificates of the Laser Dust Monitors are provided in Appendix E.
  - (ii) 1-hour validation checking of the TSP meter against HVS is carried out on half-year basis at the air quality monitoring locations.

## 2.6 Monitoring Schedule for the Reporting Month

2.6.1 The schedule for air quality monitoring in August 2015 is provided in Appendix F.

#### 2.7 Results and Observations

2.7.1 The monitoring results for 1-hour TSP and 24-hour TSP are summarized in Table 2.4 and 2.5 respectively. Detailed impact air quality monitoring results are presented in Appendix G.

Table 2.4 Summary of 1-hour TSP Monitoring Results in the Reporting Period

	Average (μg/m³)	Range (μg/m³)	Action Level (μg/m³)	Limit Level (μg/m³)
AMS2	76	70-81	374	500
AMS3B	76	73-81	368	500
AMS7A	78	69-83	370	500

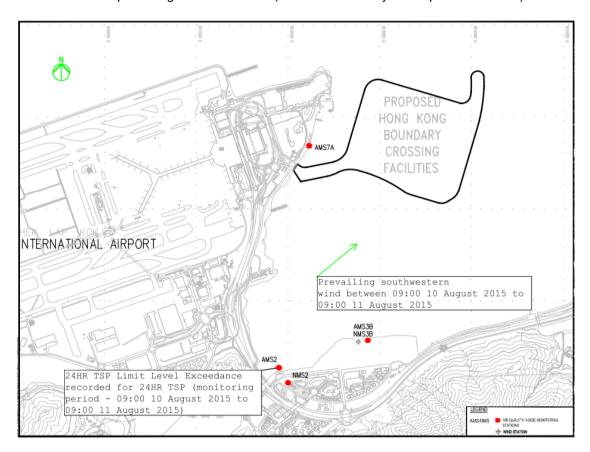
Table 2.5 Summary of 24-hour TSP Monitoring Results in the Reporting Period

	Average (μg/m³)	Range (μg/m³)	Action Level (μg/m³)	Limit Level (μg/m³)
AMS2	109	26-270	176	260
AMS3B	33	21-71	167	260
AMS7A	40	23-82	183	260

- 2.7.2 One (1) Limit Level Exceedance of 24hr-TSP with a reading of 270μg/m³ was recorded at AMS2 on 10 August 2015.
- 2.7.3 According to information provided by the Contractor during the monitoring period, no changes of major works in the construction site of this Contract since box-culvert installation had been commenced in July 2015.
- 2.7.4 Functional checking on HVS at AMS2 was done. Air flow of the HVS was checked and the flow was steady during the 24-hr TSP sampling at AMS2. The filter paper was re-weighted by the assigned HOKLAS laboratory and the result was reconfirmed.
- 2.7.5 The 1-hr TSP values recorded at AMS2 on 10 August 15, were 81μg/m³, 80μg/m³ and 81μg/m³ respectively. All measured values are well below the Action and Limit Levels.
- 2.7.6 The measured 24-hr TSP values recorded at AMS7A (which is located closer to active works than AMS2) on 10 August 15 was 29µg/m³, which was below the Action and Limit Levels.
- 2.7.7 Site inspection for box-culvert installation at Portion D was jointly conducted by ET, Contractor and RSS on 6 August 2015, no fugitive dust was observed at Portion D during the joint site inspection on 6 August 2015.



Box-culvert being installed at Portion D which is relatively far away from monitoring station AMS2 where the limit exceedance of 24-hr TSP was recorded. As refer to the wind direction data collected at Chek Lap Kok by Hong Kong Observatory during the monitoring period on 10 and 11 August 2015 (also see attached), Southwestern winds were prevailing during the monitoring period. Construction works carried out by this Contract are unlikely to cause dust exceedance at AMS2 under the abovementioned prevailing wind directions. (Also see below layout map for reference.)



- In addition, no fugitive dust was expected to be generated in the process of box-culvert installation, as 2.7.9 such, works activities from this Contract is unlikely to contribute to the recorded 24hr-TSP limit level exceedance.
- 2.7.10 The latest available checking record shows that plant engine is operated by ULSD.
- 2.7.11 With reference to the watering record, watering was provided 8 times per day on site from 8 to 14 August 2015.
- 2.7.12 As such, the dust exceedance was therefore considered not to be due to works of this Contract
- 2.7.13 The Contractor was recommended to continue implementing existing dust mitigation measures and the Contractor was reminded ensure to undertake watering at least 8 times per day on all exposed soil within the Project site and associated work areas throughout the construction phase.
- 2.7.14 The event action plan is annexed in Appendix L.
- 2.7.15 Meteorological information collected from the wind station during the monitoring periods on the monitoring dates, as shown in Figure 2, including wind speed and wind direction, is annexed in Appendix H.



### 3 NOISE MONITORING

#### 3.1 Monitoring Requirements

3.1.1 In accordance with the Project Specific EM&A Manual, impact noise monitoring was conducted for at least once per week during the construction phase of the Project. The Action and Limit level of the noise monitoring is provided in Appendix D.

### 3.2 Monitoring Equipment

3.2.1 Noise monitoring was performed using sound level meter at each designated monitoring station. The sound level meters deployed comply with the International Electrotechnical Commission Publications (IEC) 651:1979 (Type 1) and 804:1985 (Type 1) specifications. Acoustic calibrator was deployed to check the sound level meters at a known sound pressure level. Brand and model of the equipment is given in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1 Noise Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Brand and Model
Integrated Sound Level Meter	Rion NL-31 & B&K2238
Acoustic Calibrator	Rion NC-73 & B&K 4231

#### 3.3 Monitoring Locations

- 3.3.1 Monitoring locations NMS2 was set up at the proposed locations in accordance with Project Specific EM&A Manual. However, for monitoring location NMS3 (Ho Yu College), as proposed in the Project Specific EM&A Manual, approval for carrying out impact monitoring could not be obtained from the principal of the school. Permission on setting up and carrying out impact monitoring works at nearby sensitive receivers, like Caribbean Coast and Coastal Skyline, was also sought. However, approvals for carrying out impact monitoring works within their premises were not obtained. Impact noise monitoring was conducted at site boundary of the site office area in Works Area WA2 (NMS3B) respectively. Same baseline noise level (as derived from the baseline monitoring data recorded at Ho Yu College) and Limit Level were adopted for this alternative noise monitoring location.
- 3.3.2 Figure 2 shows the locations of the monitoring stations. Table 3.2 describes the details of the monitoring stations.

Table 3.2 Locations of Impact Noise Monitoring Stations

Monitoring Station	Location	Description
NMS2	Seaview Crescent Tower 1	Free-field on the rooftop of the premise
NMS3B	Site Boundary of Site Office Area at Works Area WA2	Free-field on ground at the area boundary.

## 3.4 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

3.4.1 Table 3.3 summarizes the monitoring parameters, frequency and duration of impact noise monitoring.

Table 3.3 Noise Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

Parameter	Frequency and Duration
30-mins measurement at each monitoring station between 0700 and 1900 on normal weekdays (Monday to Saturday). $L_{\rm eq}$ , $L_{\rm 10}$ and $L_{\rm 90}$ would be recorded.	At least once per week

## 3.5 Monitoring Methodology

## 3.5.1 Monitoring Procedure

- (a) The sound level meter was set on a tripod at a height of 1.2 m above the ground for free-field measurements at NMS2. A correction of +3 dB(A) shall be made to the free field measurements.
- (b) All measurement at NMS3B were free field measurements in the reporting month at NMS3B. A correction of +3 dB(A) shall be made to the free field measurements.
- (c) The battery condition was checked to ensure the correct functioning of the meter.
- (d) Parameters such as frequency weighting, the time weighting and the measurement time were set as follows:-
  - (i) frequency weighting: A
  - (ii) time weighting: Fast
  - (iii) time measurement: L<sub>eq(30-minutes)</sub> during non-restricted hours i.e. 07:00 1900 on normal weekdays.
- (e) Prior to and after each noise measurement, the meter was calibrated using the acoustic calibrator for 94dB(A) at 1000 Hz. If the difference in the calibration level before and after measurement was more than 1 dB(A), the measurement would be considered invalid and repeat of noise measurement would be required after re-calibration or repair of the equipment.
- (f) During the monitoring period, the  $L_{eq}$ ,  $L_{10}$  and  $L_{90}$  were recorded. In addition, site conditions and noise sources were recorded on a standard record sheet.
- (g) Noise measurement was paused during periods of high intrusive noise (e.g. dog barking, helicopter noise) if possible. Observations were recorded when intrusive noise was unavoidable.
- (h) Noise monitoring was cancelled in the presence of fog, rain, wind with a steady speed exceeding 5m/s, or wind with gusts exceeding 10m/s. The wind speed shall be checked with a portable wind speed meter capable of measuring the wind speed in m/s.

#### 3.5.2 Maintenance and Calibration

- (a) The microphone head of the sound level meter was cleaned with soft cloth at regular intervals.
- (b) The meter and calibrator were sent to the supplier or HOKLAS laboratory to check and calibrate at yearly intervals.
- (c) Calibration certificates of the sound level meters and acoustic calibrators are provided in Appendix E.

#### 3.6 Monitoring Schedule for the Reporting Month

3.6.1 The schedule for construction noise monitoring in August 2015 is provided in Appendix F.

## 3.7 Monitoring Results

3.7.1 The monitoring results for construction noise are summarized in Table 3.4 and the monitoring data is provided in Appendix I.

Table 3.4 Summary of Construction Noise Monitoring Results in the Reporting Period

	Average, dB(A),	Range, dB(A),	Limit Level, dB(A),
	L <sub>eq (30 mins)</sub>	L <sub>eq (30 mins)</sub>	L <sub>eq (30 mins)</sub>
NMS2	65	63 - 67*	75
NMS3B	65	61 - 67*	70/65^

<sup>\*+3</sup>dB(A) Façade correction included

- 3.7.2 No Action or Limit Level Exceedance of construction noise was recorded in the reporting month.
- 3.7.3 Major noise sources during the noise monitoring included construction activities of the Project, construction activities by other contracts and nearby traffic noise.
- 3.7.4 The event action plan is annexed in Appendix L.

<sup>^</sup> Daytime noise Limit Level of 70 dB(A) applies to education institutions, while 65dB(A) applies during school examination period.

## 4 WATER QUALITY MONITORING

## 4.1 Monitoring Requirements

4.1.1 Impact water quality monitoring was carried out to ensure that any deterioration of water quality was detected, and that timely action was taken to rectify the situation. For impact water quality monitoring, measurements were taken in accordance with the Project Specific EM&A Manual. Appendix D shows the established Action/Limit Levels for the environmental monitoring works.

## 4.2 Monitoring Equipment

4.2.1 Table 4.1 summarises the equipment used in the impact water quality monitoring programme.

Table 4.1 Water Quality Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Brand and Model
Dissolved Oxygen (DO) and Temperature Meter, Salinity Meter and Turbidity Meter	YSI Model 6820
pH Meter	YSI Model 6820 or Thermo Orion 230A+
Positioning Equipment	JRC DGPS 224 Model JLR-4341 with J-NAV 500 Model NWZ4551
Water Depth Detector	Eagle Cuda-168 and Lowrance x-4
Water Sampler	Kahlsio Water Sampler (Vertical) 2.2 L with messenger

## 4.3 Monitoring Parameters, Frequency and Duration

4.3.1 Table 4.2 summarises the monitoring parameters, frequency and monitoring depths of impact water quality monitoring as required in the Project Specific EM&A Manual.

Table 4.2 Impact Water Quality Monitoring Parameters and Frequency

Monitoring Stations	Parameter, unit	Frequency	No. of depth
Impact Stations: IS5, IS(Mf)6, IS7, IS8, IS(Mf)9, IS10, IS(Mf)11, IS(Mf)16, IS17  Control/Far Field Stations: CS(Mf)3, CS(Mf)5, CS4, CS6, CSA  Sensitive Receiver Stations: SR3-SR7, SR10A&SR10B	<ul> <li>Depth, m</li> <li>Temperature, °C</li> <li>Salinity, ppt</li> <li>Dissolved     Oxygen (DO),     mg/L</li> <li>DO Saturation, %</li> <li>Turbidity, NTU</li> <li>pH</li> <li>Suspended     Solids (SS), mg/L</li> </ul>	Three times per week during mid- ebb and mid- flood tides (within ± 1.75 hour of the predicted time)	3 (1 m below water surface, mid-depth and 1 m above sea bed, except where the water depth is less than 6 m, in which case the middepth station may be omitted. Should the water depth be less than 3 m, only the mid-depth station will be monitored).

## 4.4 Monitoring Locations

- 4.4.1 In accordance with the Project Specific EM&A Manual, twenty-one stations (9 Impact Stations, 7 Sensitive Receiver Stations and 5 Control/Far Field Stations) were designated for impact water quality monitoring. The nine Impact Stations (IS) were chosen on the basis of their proximity to the reclamation and thus the greatest potential for water quality impacts, the seven Sensitive Receiver Stations (SR) were chosen as they are close to the key sensitive receives and the five Control/ Far Field Stations (CS) were chosen to facilitate comparison of the water quality of the IS stations with less influence by the Project/ ambient water quality conditions.
- 4.4.2 Due to safety concern and topographical condition of the original locations of SR4 and SR10B, alternative impact water quality monitoring stations, naming as SR4 (N) and SR10B (N), were adopted, which are situated in vicinity of the original impact water quality monitoring stations (SR4 and SR10B) and could be reachable.
- 4.4.3 Same baseline and Action Level for water quality, as derived from the baseline monitoring data recorded, were adopted for these alternative impact water quality monitoring stations.
- 4.4.4 The locations of these monitoring stations are summarized in Table 4.3 and depicted in Figure 3.

Table 4.3 Impact Water Quality Monitoring Stations

Station	Description	East	North
IS5	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	811579	817106
IS(Mf)6	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	812101	817873
IS7	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	812244	818777
IS8	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	814251	818412
IS(Mf)9	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	813273	818850
IS10	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	812577	820670
IS(Mf)11	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	813562	820716
IS(Mf)16	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	814328	819497
IS17	Impact Station (Close to HKBCF construction site)	814539	820391
SR3	Sensitive receivers (San Tau SSSI)	810525	816456
SR4(N)	Sensitive receivers (Tai Ho)	814705	817859
SR5	Sensitive receivers (Artificial Reef in NE Airport)	811489	820455
SR6	Sensitive receivers (Sha Chau and Lung Kwu Chau Marine Park)	805837	821818
SR7	Sensitive receivers (Tai Mo Do)	814293	821431
SR10A	Sensitive receivers (Ma Wan FCZ)1	823741	823495
SR10B(N)	Sensitive receivers (Ma Wan FCZ)2	823683	823187
CS(Mf)3	Control Station	809989	821117
CS(Mf)5	Control Station	817990	821129
CS4	Control Station	810025	824004
CS6	Control Station	817028	823992
CSA	Control Station	818103	823064

## 4.5 Monitoring Methodology

#### 4.5.1 Instrumentation

(a) The in-situ water quality parameters, viz. dissolved oxygen, temperature, salinity, turbidity and pH, were measured by multi-parameter meters (i.e. Model YSI 6820 CE-C-M-Y) and pH meter (i.e. Thermo Orion 230A+) respectively.

#### 4.5.2 Operating/Analytical Procedures

- (a) Digital Differential Global Positioning Systems (DGPS) were used to ensure that the correct location was selected prior to sample collection.
- (b) Portable, battery-operated echo sounders were used for the determination of water depth at each designated monitoring station.
- (c) All in-situ measurements were taken at 3 water depths, 1 m below water surface, mid-depth and 1 m above sea bed, except where the water depth was less than 6 m, in which case the mid-depth station was omitted. Should the water depth be less than 3 m, only the mid-depth station was monitored.
- (d) At each measurement/sampling depth, two consecutive in-situ monitoring (DO concentration and saturation, temperature, turbidity, pH, salinity) and water sample for SS. The probes were retrieved out of the water after the first measurement and then re-deployed for the second measurement. Where the difference in the value between the first and second readings of DO or turbidity parameters was more than 25% of the value of the first reading, the reading was discarded and further readings were taken.
- (e) Duplicate samples from each independent sampling event were collected for SS measurement. Water samples were collected using the water samplers and the samples were stored in high-density polythene bottles. Water samples collected were well-mixed in the water sampler prior to pre-rinsing and transferring to sample bottles. Sample bottles were pre-rinsed with the same water samples. The sample bottles were then be packed in cool-boxes (cooled at 4°C without being frozen), and delivered to ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. for the analysis of suspended solids concentrations. The laboratory determination work would be started within 24 hours after collection of the water samples. ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. is a HOKLAS accredited laboratory and has comprehensive quality assurance and quality control programmes. For QA/QC procedures, one duplicate samples of every batch of 20 samples was analyzed.
- (f) The analysis method and reporting and detection limit for SS is shown in Table 4.4.

Table 4.4 Laboratory Analysis for Suspended Solids

Parameters	Instrumentation	Analytical Method	Reporting Limit	Detection Limit
Suspended Solid (SS)	Weighting	APHA 2540-D	0.5mg/L	0.5mg/L

(g) Other relevant data were recorded, including monitoring location / position, time, water depth, tidal stages, weather conditions and any special phenomena or work underway at the construction site in the field log sheet for information.

#### 4.5.3 Maintenance and Calibration

- (a) All in situ monitoring instruments would be calibrated and calibrated by ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. before use and at 3-monthly intervals throughout all stages of the water quality monitoring programme. Calibration details are provided in Appendix E.
- (b) The dissolved oxygen probe of YSI 6820 was calibrated by wet bulb method. Before the calibration routine, the sensor for dissolved oxygen was thermally equilibrated in water-saturated air. Calibration cup is served as a calibration chamber and it was loosened from airtight condition before it is used for the calibration. Calibration at ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. was carried out once every three months in a water sample with a known concentration of dissolved oxygen. The sensor was immersed in the water and after thermal equilibration, the known mg/L value was keyed in and the calibration was carried out automatically.
- (c) The turbidity probe of YSI 6820 is calibrated two times a month. A zero check in distilled water was performed with the turbidity probe of YSI 6820 once per monitoring day. The probe will be calibrated with a solution of known NTU at ALS Technichem (HK) Pty Ltd. once every three months.

## 4.6 Monitoring Schedule for the Reporting Month

4.6.1 The schedule for impact water quality monitoring in August 2015 is provided in Appendix F.

#### 4.7 Results and Observations

4.7.1 Impact water quality monitoring results and graphical presentations are provided in Appendix J.



Table 4.5 Summary of Water Quality Exceedances

Station	Exceedance Level	DO (	S&M)	DO (B	ottom)	Tur	bidity		SS	T	otal
	Levei	Ebb	Flood	Ebb	Flood	Ebb	Flood	Ebb	Flood	Ebb	Flood
IS5	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
100	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS(Mf)6	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13(111)0	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS7	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
137	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS8	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
130	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS(Mf)9	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13(111)9	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS10	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1310	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS(Mf)11	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13(1011)11	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS(Mf)16	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13(1011)10	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
IS17	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1017	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR3	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
513	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR4(N)	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3K4(IV)	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR5	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
513	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR6	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SINO	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR7	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIXI	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR10A	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SR10B	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
(N)	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0
	Limit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0

Note: S: Surface; and M: Mid-depth.

4.7.2 The event action plan is annexed in Appendix L.



### 5 DOLPHIN MONITORING

#### 5.1 Monitoring Requirements

- 5.1.1 Vessel based surveys for the Chinese White Dolphin (CWD), Sousa chinensis, are to be conducted by a dedicated team comprising a qualified marine mammal ecologist and experienced marine mammal observers (MMOs). The purpose of the surveys are to evaluate the impact of the HKCBF reclamation and, if deemed detrimental, to take appropriate action as per the EM&A manual.
- 5.1.2 This 'Impact Monitoring' follows several months of 'Baseline Monitoring' so similar survey methodologies have been adopted to facilitate comparisons between datasets. Further, the data collected are compatible with, and are available for, incorporation into the data set managed by the Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department (AFCD) as part of Hong Kong's long term Marine Mammal Monitoring Programme.

### 5.2 Monitoring Equipment

Table 5.1 summarises the equipment used for the impact dolphin monitoring.

Table 5.1 Dolphin Monitoring Equipment

Equipment	Model
Commercially licensed motor vessel	15m in length with a 4.5m viewing platform
Global Positioning System (GPS) x2	Integrated into T7000
	Garmin GPS Map 76C
Computers (T7000 Tablet, Intel Atom)	Windows 7/MSO 13
	Logger
Camera	Nikon D7100 300m 2.8D fixed focus
	Nikon D90 80-400mm zoom lens
Laser Rangefinder	Range Finder Bushnell 1000m
Marine Binocular x3	Nexus 7 x 50 marine binocular with compass
	and reticules
	Fujinon 7 x 50 marine binocular with compass
	and reticules

#### 5.3 Monitoring Frequency and Conditions

- 5.3.1 Dolphin monitoring is conducted twice per month in each survey area.
- 5.3.2 Dolphin monitoring is conducted only when visibility is good (e.g., over 1km) and the sea condition is at a Beaufort Sea State of 4 or better.
- 5.3.3 When thunder storm, black rain or typhoon warnings are in force, all survey effort is stopped.

## 5.4 Monitoring Methodology and Location

- 5.4.1 The impact dolphin monitoring is vessel-based and combines line-transect and photo-ID methodology. The survey follows pre-set and fixed transect lines in the two areas defined by AFCD as:
- 5.4.2 Northeast Lantau survey area; and
- 5.4.3 Northwest Lantau survey area.
- 5.4.4 The co-ordinates for the transect lines and layout map have been provided by AFCD and are shown in Table 5.2 and Figure 4.

Table 5.2 Impact Dolphin Monitoring Line Transect Co-ordinates (Provided by AFCD)

	HK Grid	System	Long Lat	in WGS84
ID	Х	Υ	Long	Lat
1^	804671	815456	113.870287	22.276504
1	804671	831404	113.869975	22.421696
2^	805475	815913	113.878079	22.281819
2	805477	826654	113.877896	22.378814
3	806464	819435	113.887615	22.313643
3	806464	822911	113.887550	22.345030
4	807518	819771	113.897833	22.316697
4	807518	829230	113.897663	22.402113
5	808504	820220	113.907397	22.320761
5	808504	828602	113.907252	22.396462
6	809490	820466	113.916965	22.323003
6	809490	825352	113.916884	22.367128
7^	810499	820880	113.926749	22.325043
7	810499	824613	113.926688	22.360464
8	811508	820847	113.936539	22.326475
8^	811508	821123	113.936539	22.326475
8	811508	824254	113.936486	22.357241
9^	812516	821303	113.946320	22.326894
9	812516	824254	113.946279	22.357255
10*	813525	820827	113.956112	22.326321
10*	813525	824657	113.956066	22.360908
11^	814556	818853	113.966155	22.304858
11	814556	820992	113.966125	22.327820
12	815542	818807	113.975726	22.308109
12	815542	824882	113.975647	22.362962
13	816506	819480	113.985072	22.314192
13	816506	824859	113.985005	22.362771
14	817537	820220	113.995070	22.320883
14	817537	824613	113.995018	22.360556
15	818568	820735	114.005071	22.325550
15	818568	824433	114.005030	22.358947
16	819532	821420	114.014420	22.331747
16	819532	824209	114.014390	22.356933
17	820451	822125	114.023333	22.338117
17	820451	823671	114.023317	22.352084
18	821504	822371	114.033556	22.340353
18	821504	823761	114.033544	22.352903
19	822513	823268	114.043340	22.348458
19	822513	824321	114.043331	22.357971
20	823477	823402	114.052695	22.349680
20	823477	824613	114.052686	22.360610
21	805476	827081	113.877878	22.382668
21	805476	830562	113.877811	22.414103
22	806464	824033	113.887520	22.355164
22	806464	829598	113.887416	22.405423
23	814559	821739	113.966142	22.334574
23	814559	824768	113.966101	22.361920

\*Remark: Due to the presence of deployed silt curtain systems at the site boundaries of the Project, some of the transect lines shown in Figure 5 could not be fully surveyed during the regular survey. Transect 10 is reduced from 6.4km to approximately 3.6km in length due to the HKBCF construction site. Therefore the total transect length for both NEL and NWL combined is reduced to approximately 108km.

^coordinates for transect lines 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 11 have been updated in respect to the Proposal for Alteration of Transect Line for Dolphin Monitoring approved by EPD on 19 August 2015

#### 5.5 **Monitoring Procedures**

- 5.5.1 The study area incorporates 23 transects which are to be surveyed twice per month. Each survey day lasts approximately 9 hours.
- The survey vessel departs from Tung Chung Development Pier, Tsing Yi Public Pier or the nearest 5.5.2 safe and convenient pier.
- When the vessel reaches the start of a transect line, "on effort" survey begins. Areas between transect 5.5.3 lines and traveling to and from the study area are defined as "off effort".
- The transect line is surveyed at a speed of 6-8 knots (11-14 km/hr). For the sake of safety, the speed 5.5.4 was sometimes a bit slower to avoid collision with other vessels. During some periods, tide and current flow in the survey areas exceeds 7 knots which can affect survey speed. There are a minimum of four marine mammal observers (MMOs) present on each survey, rotating through four positions, observers (2), data recorder (1) and 'rest' (1). Rotations occur every 30 minutes or at the end of dolphin encounters. The data recorder records effort, weather and sightings data directly onto the programme Logger and is not part of the observer team. The observers search with naked eye and binoculars between 90° and 270° abeam (bow being 0°).
- When a group of dolphins is sighted, position, bearing and distance data are recorded immediately 5.5.5 onto the computer and, after a short observation, an estimate made of group size. These parameters are linked to the time-GPS-ships data which are automatically stored in the programme Logger throughout the survey period. In this manner, information on heading, position, speed, weather, effort and sightings are stored in a format suitable for use with DISTANCE software for subsequent line transect analyses.
- 5.5.6 Once the vessel leaves the transect line, it is deemed to be "off effort". The dolphins are approached with the purpose of taking high resolution pictures for proper photo-identification of individual CWD. Attempts to photograph all dolphins in the group are made. Both the left and right hand sides of the dorsal fin area of each dolphin in the group are photographed, if possible. On finishing photographing, the vessel will return to the transect line at the point of departure and "on effort" survey is resumed.
- 5.5.7 Sightings which are made while on the transect line are referred to as "on effort sightings", while not on the actual transect line are referred to as an "opportunistic sightings" (e.g. another group of dolphins is sighted while travelling back to the transect line). Only "on effort sightings" can be used in analyses which require effort or rate quantification, e.g., encounter rate per 100km searched. This is also how "on effort sightings" are treated in the baseline report. "Opportunistic sightings" provide additional information on individual habitat use and population distribution and they are noted accordingly.
- 5.5.8 As time and GPS data are automatically logged throughout the survey and are linked to sightings data input, start and end times of encounters and deviation from the transect lines are recorded and can be subsequently reviewed.

#### 5.6 Monitoring Schedule for the Reporting Month

- 5.6.1 The schedule for dolphin monitoring in August 2015 is provided in Appendix F.
- 5.6.2 Two surveys covering both study areas were completed.

#### 5.7 **Results and Observations**

5.7.1 Dolphin surveys were conducted on 10, 11, 24 and 25 August 2015. A total of 217.8 km of transect line was conducted, all of which was conducted during Beaufort Sea State 3 or better (favourable water conditions). Please note that that some lines were shortened due to works and/or shipping traffic.



The effort summary and sightings data are shown in Tables 5.3 and 5.4, respectively. The survey efforts conducted in August 2015 are plotted in Figure 5a-b. For Table 5.3, only on-effort information is included. Transects conducted in all Beaufort Sea State are included. Compared to previous monthly reports, the whole number Beaufort Sea State scale is used so as to ease comparison with other dolphin monitoring reports.

Table 5.3 Impact Dolphin Monitoring Survey Effort Summary, Effort by Area and Beaufort Sea State

					Total Distance Travelled
Survey	Date	Area	Beaufort	Effort (km)	(km)
	08/10/2015	NWL	1	28.7	
	08/10/2015	NWL	2	28.8	66.9
1	08/10/2015	NWL	3	9.4	
	08/11/2015	NWL	1	6.3	
	08/11/2015	NEL	1	28.8	42.5
	08/11/2015	NEL	2	7.4	
	08/24/2015	NWL	1	23.5	
2	08/24/2015	NEL	1	33.8	59.8
2	08/24/2015	NEL	2	2.5	
	08/25/2015	NWL	1	48.6	48.6
			TOTAL in	AUGUST 2015	217.8

<sup>\*</sup>Remark: Surveys conduct under Beaufort Sea State 3 or below are considered as under favourable condition.

Table 5.4 Impact Dolphin Monitoring Survey Details August 2015

Date	Location	No. Sightings "on effort"	No. Sightings "opportunistic"
	NW L	1	1*
08/10/2015	NEL	0	0
	NW L	0	0
08/11/2015	NEL	0	0
	NW L	0	0
08/24/2015	NEL	0	0
	NW L	2	1
08/25/2015	NEL	0	0
	TOTAL in August 2015	3	2

<sup>\*</sup> Location indicates which area was being surveyed when the sighting was made. The area noted does not necessarily indicate where the dolphins were when the sighting was made.

Table 5.5 The Encounter Rate of Number of Dolphin Sightings & Total Number of Dolphins per Area^

Encounter Rate of Number of Dolphin Sightings (STG)							
Date	NEL Track (km)	NWL Track (km)	NEL Sightings	NWL Sightings	NEL Encounter Rate	NWL Encounter Rate	
10 & 11 Aug 2015	36.2	73.2	0	1	0	1.4	
24 & 25 Aug 2015	36.3	72.1	0	2	0	2.8	

Encounter Rate of Total Number of Dolphins (ANI)**							
Date	NEL Track (km)	NWL Track (km)	NEL Dolphins	NWL Dolphins	NEL Encounter Rate	NWL Encounter Rate	
10 & 11 Aug 2015	36.2	73.2	0	3	0	4.1	
24 & 25 Aug 2015	36.3	72.1	0	6	0	8.3	

<sup>\*</sup> Encounter Rate of Number of Dolphin Sightings (STG) presents encounter rates in terms of groups per 100km.

- 5.7.2 A total of five sightings were made, three "on effort" and two "opportunistic". Two sightings were recorded on the 10 August 2015 and three on the 25 August 2015. Sighting details are summarised are plotted in Appendix K and Figure 5c, respectively. The first group sighted on the 10 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second, three individuals. The first group sighted on 25 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second and third groups, each had three individuals. The two groups of three spotted on the 25 August 2015 were the same individuals but in different locations.
- 5.7.3 Behaviour On the 10 August 2015, both groups sighted were engaged in feeding activities. On 25 August 2015, the first dolphin sighted was feeding and the second two groups were travelling. No calves were sighted in August 2015.Locations of sighting with different behaviour are mapped in Figure 5d.
- 5.7.4 For dolphin monitoring, one (1) limit level exceedance is recorded. The Investigation is undergoing and investigation results will be reported in quarterly report (June August 2015).
- 5.7.5 Three re-sightings were noted in July 2015. On July 6th, HZMB 008 was sighted in NWL. HZMB 008 has been sighted once previously in NWL in May 2012. HZMB 004 was sighted on 28th July 2015. HZMB 004 was first sighted in March 2012 and again in September 2012, both times in NWL. Previously recorded as HZMB 120, this dolphin left fin is now matched to a right fin of HZMB 107. The single previous sighting of HZMB 120 (May 2014) is now included in HZMB 107 data. HZMB 107 was sighted on 28 July 2015. This dolphin was first sighted in August 2013 and subsequently in May and October of 2014. All sightings have been made in NWL. It is noted that dolphins which have not been sighted for several years have been resighted again in July 2015. Images and re-sightings data are included Appendix K.
- 5.7.6 Noteworthy Observation<sup>1</sup>:
- 5.7.6.1 When impact monitoring was conducted at the southern parts of transect lines 1 & 2, the view of the area was partially blocked by the working vessels and fixed structures which do not belong to HKBCF Reclamation Works. The number of fixed structures has increased and in many areas, it is no longer possible to pass between them by ship. As the working vessels will move during the on-going works, it is considered that they will temporarily affect survey protocol, survey data collection, dolphin movement, dolphin habitat use and dolphin behaviour, whereas the fixed structures will continuously affect survey protocol, survey data collection, dolphin movement, dolphin habitat use and dolphin behaviour.
- 5.7.6.2 The HKBCF and adjoining "Southern Landfall" Projects effected lines 11 and 12. The view of the area was partially blocked by the working vessels and in water structures. As the working vessels will move as construction progresses, they will cause temporary effects to survey protocol and survey data collection. In time, the fixed structures will affect all survey protocols and dolphin ecology in the long term.
- 5.7.6.3 Travel to the northern end of line 10 was slightly impeded by the large numbers of ships in the area.

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<sup>\*\*</sup> Encounter Rate of Total Number of Dolphins (ANI) presents encounter rates in terms of individuals per 100km. And the encounter rate is not corrected for individuals, calculation may represent double counting.

<sup>^</sup>The table is made only for reference to the quarterly STG & ANI, which were adopted for the Event & Action Plan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A noteworthy observation is to show that either the conduct of the surveys themselves is affected, i.e., the noted vessel or works impedes the progress or view of the survey platform. In addition, the vessel or construction works may be different or additional to that observed previously and further, are of such a nature that they are a likely to create an impact on the movement or behaviour of the subject of the impact survey, in this case, the dolphins.

- 5.7.6.4 Anchored fishing vessels were noted on lines 1 and 2. In previous encounters, dolphins were seen feeding in association with these vessels despite them not being active. This may influence both dolphin behaviour and the view of the area.
- 5.7.6.5 New projects were ongoing at the southern ends of line 3. There are no apparent fixed structures associated with this project only platform and servicing vessels. As it is not known what activity was being conducted, the effect that this project may have specifically on dolphins is not known.
- 5.7.6.6 The survey effort log notes the areas in which the visibility is limited or the survey is affected so that these can be accounted for in any subsequent analyses. Some of these obstructions will become permanent and some will be temporary as the HZMB is built and other projects progress. It is advised that the impact monitoring surveys should be completed as close to the predefined lines as possible (as per Figure 4 of this report).
- 5.7.6.7 Coordinates for transect lines 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 11 have been proposed by ET on 19 July 2015, verified by IEC on 4 August 2015 and approved by EPD on 19 August 2015The amendments proposed to lines 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 and 11 which were submitted to EPD were approved on 19 August 2015. For this Contract HY/2010/02, the approved lines were travelled since 24 and 25 August 2015.
- 5.7.6.8 It is considered EP conditions is complied with, as all transect lines are still travelled to the best of the monitoring vessels ability given that there are now large permanent structures directly over the path of some transects and working barges. These will continue until any new transect line start/end points is formally approved. All noteworthy observations shall continue to be reported so IEC/ENPO continues to have all details.
- 5.7.7 The event action plan is annexed in Appendix L.

## 6 ENVIRONMENTAL SITE INSPECTION AND AUDIT

## 6.1 Site Inspection

- 6.1.1 Site Inspections were carried out on a weekly basis to monitor the implementation of proper environmental pollution control and mitigation measures for the Project. In the reporting month, 4 site inspections were carried out on 6, 13, 20 and 27 August 2015.
- 6.1.2 Particular observations during the site inspections are described below:

#### Air Quality

- 6.1.3 Rock material was observed dry; the Contractor was reminded to moisten to prevent generation of fugitive dust during operation. The Contractor provided dust control measure on barge. (Closed)
- 6.1.4 Fugitive dust was observed at northeastern part of the site, the Contractor was reminded to prevent generation of fugitive dust and provide sufficient dust control measures to the site. The Contractor provided dust control measures to the concerned area.
- 6.1.5 Dark smoke emitted from pelican barge was observed at Portion C2b. The Contractor was reminded to keep the plant well maintained to prevent generation of dark smoke. The Contractor subsequently rectified the situation and no dark smoke was observed. (Closed)
- 6.1.6 Dark smoke emitted from excavator was observed at Portion D. The Contractor was reminded to keep the plant well maintained to prevent generation of dark smoke. The Contractor subsequently rectified the situation and no dark smoke was observed. (Closed)
- 6.1.7 Fugitive dust was observed when vehicle was drove pass the road. The Contractor was reminded to provide sufficient dust control to prevent generation of fugitive dust.

#### Noise

6.1.8 No relevant adverse impact was observed in the reporting month.

## Water Quality

6.1.9 Insufficient sand bags was observed on idle grout production facilities, the Contractor was reminded to provide enough sand bags before operation of the grout production facilities to prevent potential runoff. (Reminder)

## Chemical and Waste Management

- 6.1.10 It was observed that liquid was accumulated inside drip tray, the Contractor was reminded to regularly clear the water accumulated inside drip tray to prevent potential runoff. The Contractor subsequently rectified the situation and cleared the water accumulated inside drip tray. (Closed)
- 6.1.11 Idle air compressors were observed without drip tray, the Contractor was reminded to provide trip tray to air compressor before use of air compressor. (Reminder)
- 6.1.12 It was observed that sand was loaded inside drip tray. The Contractor was reminded to clear the sand inside drip tray. (Pending for Contractor's rectification)
- 6.1.13 A deformed drip tray was observed on site. The Contractor was reminded to provide drip tray which can effectively contain potential leakage of oil. (Pending for Contractor's rectification)

## Landscape and Visual Impact

6.1.14 No relevant adverse impact was observed in the reporting month.

Others

6.1.15 No relevant adverse impact was observed in the reporting month.



## 6.2 Advice on the Solid and Liquid Waste Management Status

- 6.2.1 The Contractor had registered as a chemical waste producer for this Project. Receptacles were available for general refuse collection and sorting.
- 6.2.2 As advised by the Contractor, 60,671.8m³ of fill were imported for the Project use in the reporting period. 336kg of paper/cardboard packaging, 5120kg of plastics and 58.5m³ of general refuse were generated and disposed of in the reporting period. Monthly summary of waste flow table is detailed in Appendix M.
- 6.2.3 The Contractor is advised to properly maintain on site C&D materials and wastes storage, collection, sorting and recording system, dispose of C&D materials and wastes at designated ground and maximize reuse / recycle of C&D materials and wastes. The Contractor is reminded to properly maintain the site tidiness and dispose of the wastes accumulated on site regularly and properly.
- 6.2.4 The Contractor is reminded that chemical waste should be properly treated and stored temporarily in designated chemical waste storage area on site in accordance with the Code of Practice on the Packaging, Labeling and Storage of Chemical Wastes.

#### 6.3 Environmental Licenses and Permits

6.3.1 The environmental licenses and permits for the Project and valid in the reporting month is summarized in Table 6.1.

Table 6.1 Summary of Environmental Licensing and Permit Status

Statutory Reference	License/ Permit	License or Permit No.	Valid Period		License/ Permit	Remarks
			From	То	Holder	
EIAO	Environmental Permit	EP- 353/2009/I	17/07/2015	N/A	HyD	Hong Kong – Zhuhai – Macao Bridge Hong Kong Boundary Crossing Facilities
		EP- 354/2009/D	13/03/2015	N/A		Tuen Mun – Chek Lap Kok Link (TMCLKL Southern Landfall Reclamation only)
APCO	NA notification		30/12/2011		CHEC	Works Area WA2 and WA3
APCO	NA notification		17/01/2012		CHEC	Works Area WA4
WDO	Chemical Waste Producer Registration	5213-951- C1186-21	30/3/2012	N/A	CHEC	Chemical waste produced in Contract HY/2010/02
WDO	Chemical Waste Producer Registration	5213-974- C3750-01	31/10/2012		CHEC	Registration as Chemical Waste Producer at To Kau Wan(WA4)
WDO	Chemical Waste Producer Registration	5213-839- C3750-02	13/09/2012		CHEC	Registration as Chemical Waste Producer at TKO 137(FB)
WDO	Billing Account for Disposal of Construction Waste	7014181	05/12/2011	N/A	CHEC	Waste disposal in Contract HY/2010/02
NCO	Construction Noise Permit	GW-RS0773- 15	17/07/2015	20/10/2015	CHEC	Reclamation Works in Contract HY/2010/02
NCO	Construction Noise Permit	GW-RE0622- 15	21/06/2015	20/12/2015	CHEC	Section of TKO Fill Bank under Contract HY/2010/02

### 6.4 Implementation Status of Environmental Mitigation Measures

- 6.4.1 In response to the site audit findings, the Contractors carried out corrective actions.
- 6.4.2 A summary of the Implementation Schedule of Environmental Mitigation Measures (EMIS) is presented in Appendix C. Most of the necessary mitigation measures were implemented properly.
- 6.4.3 Training of marine travel route for marine vessels operator was given to relevant staff and relevant records were kept properly.
- 6.4.4 Regarding the implementation of dolphin monitoring and protection measures (i.e. implementation of Dolphin Watching Plan, Dolphin Exclusion Zone and Silt Curtain integrity Check), regular checking were conducted by the experienced MMOs within the works area to ensure no dolphin was trapped by the enclosed silt curtain systems. Any dolphin spotted within the enclosed silt curtain systems was



reported and recorded. Relevant procedures were followed and measures were well implemented. Silt curtain systems were also inspected timely in accordance to the submitted plan. All inspection records were kept properly.

- 6.4.5 Acoustic decoupling measures on noisy plants on construction vessels were checked regularly and the Contractor was reminded to ensure provision of ongoing maintenance to noisy plants and to carry out improvement work once insufficient acoustic decoupling measures were found.
- 6.4.6 Frequency of watering per day on exposed soil was checked; with reference to the record provided by the Contract, watering was conducted at least 8 times per day on reclaimed land. The frequency of watering is the mainly refer to water truck. Sprinklers are only served to strengthen dust control measure for busy traffic at the entrance of Portion D. As informed by the Contractor, during the malfunction period of sprinkler, water truck will enhance watering at such area. The Contractor was reminded to ensure provision of watering of at least 8 times per day on all exposed soil within the Project site and associated works areas throughout the construction phase.
- 6.4.7 As informed by the Contractor, an area of Portion B has been handed over to other Contract and the perimeter silt curtain near this area of Portion B has been rearranged on 31 July 2015 for berthing another Contractor's vessels (which do not belong to this Contract). IEC/ENPO was informed on 5 Aug 2015 immediately after ET's review. IEC/ENPO provided further comments on 1 September 2015, ET responded 2 September 2015 with notification letter ref.:60249820/rmky15090201. IEC/ENPO expressed no further comment via letter ref.: HYDHZMBEEM00\_0\_03351L.15 on 8 September 2015 for the removal of section of perimeter silt curtain near Portion B of HKBCF.

#### 6.5 Summary of Exceedances of the Environmental Quality Performance Limit

- 6.5.1 One (1) Limit Level Exceedance of 24hr-TSP was recorded at AMS2 on 10 August 2015. After investigation, there is no adequate information to conclude the recorded exceedances are related to this Contract.
- 6.5.2 For construction noise, no exceedance was recorded at all monitoring stations in the reporting month.
- 6.5.3 All impact water quality monitoring results were below the Action and Limit Level in the reporting month.
- 6.5.4 For dolphin monitoring, a total of five sightings were made, three "on effort" and two "opportunistic". Two sightings were recorded on the 10 August 2015 and three on the 25 August 2015. Sighting details are summarised are plotted in Appendix K and Figure 5c, respectively. The first group sighted on the 10 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second, three individuals. The first group sighted on 25 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second and third groups, each had three individuals. The two groups of three spotted on the 25 August 2015 were the same individuals but in different locations.
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- 6.5.6 For dolphin monitoring, one (1) limit level exceedance is recorded. The Investigation is undergoing and investigation results will be reported in quarterly report (June August 2015).
- 6.5.7 Environmental site inspection was carried out 4 times in August 2015. Recommendations on remedial actions were given to the Contractors for the deficiencies identified during the site audits.
- 6.5.8 Cumulative statistics on exceedance is provided in Appendix N.

#### 6.6 Summary of Complaints, Notification of Summons and Successful Prosecutions

- 6.6.1 The Environmental Complaint Handling Procedure is annexed in Figure 6.
- 6.6.2 No complaint, notification of summons and successful prosecutions was received in the reporting period.



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6.6.3 Statistics on complaints, notifications of summons and successful prosecutions are summarized in Appendix N.

## 7 FUTURE KEY ISSUES

## 7.2 Construction Programme for the Coming Months

7.2.1 As informed by the Contractor, the major works for the Project in September and October 2015 will be \*:-

#### Marine-base

- Rubble Mound Seawall
- Rock fill
- Maintenance of silt curtain & silt screen at sea water intake of HKIA

#### Land-base

- Earthwork fill
- Surcharge removal & laying
- Deep Cement Mixing
- Removal of Temporary Seawall
- Vertical Band Drains
- Installations of Precast Culverts except sloping outfalls
- Maintenance works of Site Office at Works Area WA2
- Maintenance works of Public Works Regional Laboratory at Works Area WA3
- Maintenance of Temporary Marine Access at Works Area WA2

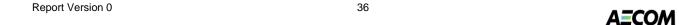
<sup>\*</sup>Construction activities in September and October 2015 will be changed subject to works progress.

### 7.3 Key Issues for the Coming Month

- 7.3.1 Key issues to be considered in the coming months:-
  - Site runoff should be properly collected and treated prior to discharge;
  - Minimize loss of sediment from filling works;
  - Regular review and maintenance of silt curtain systems, drainage systems and desilting facilities;
  - Exposed surfaces/soil stockpiles should be properly treated to avoid generation of silty surface runoff during rainstorm;
  - Regular review and maintenance of wheel washing facilities provided at all site entrances/exits;
  - Conduct regular inspection of various working machineries and vessels within works areas to avoid any dark smoke emission;
  - Suppress dust generated from work processes with use of bagged cements, earth movements, excavation activities, exposed surfaces/soil stockpiles and haul road traffic;
  - Quieter powered mechanical equipment should be used;
  - Provision of proper and effective noise control measures for operating equipment and machinery onsite, such as erection of movable noise barriers or enclosure for noisy plants;
  - Closely check and replace the sound insulation materials regularly;
  - Better scheduling of construction works to minimize noise nuisance;
  - Properly store and label oil drums and chemical containers placed on site:
  - Proper chemicals, chemical wastes and wastes management;
  - Maintenance works should be carried out within roofed, paved and confined areas;
  - Collection and segregation of construction waste and general refuse on land and in the sea should be carried out properly and regularly; and
  - Proper protection and regular inspection of existing trees, transplanted/retained trees.
  - Control night-time lighting and glare by hooding all lights.
  - Regular review and provide maintenance to dust control measures such as sprinkler system.

#### 7.4 Monitoring Schedule for the Coming Month

7.4.1 The tentative schedule for environmental monitoring in September 2015 is provided in Appendix F.



## 8 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

#### 8.2 Conclusions

- 8.2.1 The construction phase and EM&A programme of the Project commenced on 12 March 2012.
- 8.2.2 One (1) Limit Level Exceedance of 24hr-TSP was recorded at AMS2. After investigation, there is no adequate information to conclude the recorded exceedances are related to this Contract.
- 8.2.3 For construction noise, no exceedance was recorded at all monitoring stations in the reporting month.
- 8.2.4 All impact water quality monitoring results were below the Action and Limit Level in the reporting month.
- 8.2.5 For dolphin monitoring: A total of five sightings were made, three "on effort" and two "opportunistic". Two sightings were recorded on the 10 August 2015 and three on the 25 August 2015. Sighting details are summarised are plotted in Appendix K and Figure 5c, respectively. The first group sighted on the 10 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second, three individuals. The first group sighted on 25 August 2015 comprised one individual and the second and third groups, each had three individuals. The two groups of three spotted on the 25 August 2015 were the same individuals but in different locations.
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- 8.2.8 No notification of complaint, summons or prosecution was received in the reporting period.
- 8.2.9 Environmental site inspection was carried out 4 times in August 2015. Recommendations on remedial actions were given to the Contractors for the deficiencies identified during the site audits.

#### 8.3 Recommendations

8.3.1 According to the environmental site inspections performed in the reporting month, the following recommendations were provided:

## Air Quality Impact

- All working plants and vessels on site should be regularly inspected and properly maintained to avoid dark smoke emission.
- All vehicles should be washed to remove any dusty materials before leaving the site.
- Haul roads should be sufficiently dampened to minimize fugitive dust generation.
- Wheel washing facilities should be properly maintained and reviewed to ensure properly functioning.
- Temporary exposed slopes and open stockpiles should be properly covered.
- Enclosure should be erected for cement debagging, batching and mixing operations.
- Water spraying should be provided to suppress fugitive dust for any dusty construction activity.
- Regular review and provide maintenance to dust control measures such as sprinkler system.

## **Construction Noise Impact**

- Quieter powered mechanical equipment should be used as far as possible.
- Noisy operations should be oriented to a direction away from sensitive receivers as far as possible.
- Proper and effective noise control measures for operating equipment and machinery on-site should be provided, such as erection of movable noise barriers, enclosure for noisy plants or enhancement works to provide sufficient acoustic decoupling measure(s). Closely check and replace the sound insulation materials regularly
- Vessels and equipment operating should be checked regularly and properly maintained.
- Noise Emission Label (NEL) shall be affixed to the air compressor and hand-held breaker operating within works area.
- Acoustic decoupling measures should be properly implemented for all existing and incoming
  construction vessels with continuous and regularly checking to ensure effective implementation of
  acoustic decoupling measures.

#### Water Quality Impact

- Regular review and maintenance of silt curtain systems, drainage systems and desilting facilities in order to make sure they are functioning effectively.
- Construction of seawall should be completed as early as possible.
- Regular inspect and review the loading process from barges to avoid splashing of material.
- Silt, debris and leaves accumulated at public drains, wheel washing bays and perimeter uchannels and desilting facilities should be cleaned up regularly.
- Silty effluent should be treated/ desilted before discharged. Untreated effluent should be prevented from entering public drain channel.
- Proper drainage channels/bunds should be provided at the site boundaries to collect/intercept the surface run-off from works areas.
- Exposed slopes and stockpiles should be covered up properly during rainstorm.

#### Chemical and Waste Management

- All types of wastes, both on land and floating in the sea, should be collected and sorted properly
  and disposed of timely and properly. They should be properly stored in designated areas within
  works areas temporarily.
- All chemical containers, batteries and oil drums should be properly stored and labelled.
- All plants and vehicles on site should be properly maintained to prevent oil leakage. Proper measures, like drip trays and/or bundings, should be provided for retaining leaked oil/chemical from plants.
- All kinds of maintenance works should be carried out within roofed, paved and confined areas.
- All drain holes of the drip trays utilized within works areas should be properly plugged to avoid any oil and chemical waste leakage.
- Oil stains on soil surface, accumulated oil mixture and empty chemical containers should be cleared and disposed of as chemical waste.
- Regular review should be conducted for working barges and patrol boats to ensure sufficient
  measures and spill control kits were provided on working barges and patrol boats to avoid any
  spreading of leaked oil/chemicals.

## Landscape and Visual Impact

- All existing, retained/transplanted trees at the works areas should be properly fenced off and regularly inspected.
- Control night-time lighting and glare by hooding all lights.