



## **Preliminary Site Investigation Environmental Site History**

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Ecoteam has been engaged by Jack Thomas, Nutrien Harcourts to undertake a Phase 1 Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI) and Environmental Site History (ESH) assessment for 148 Rouse Street, Tenterfield. The site is approximately 5.65 ha and currently comprises of a car dealership, mechanic, and panel beaters. The subject site is proposed to be redeveloped to include a childcare centre, medical centre, and commercial shops.

This investigation has established potential sources of contamination associated with current or past practices at the site which may pose a risk to future receptors during and following the redevelopment of the site. Contamination is possible from leakage of oil and fuel from the mechanic workshop and associated infrastructure. Leakages of fuel and oil from cars housed on the site or chemical from other site uses (panel beating) may also be present. Importation of contaminated fill may also have occurred at the site.

The CSM has identified potential health risks to future visitors and workers at the site (children and adults). Based on the level of soil contact within the site, the child-care centre site requires assessment as land use scenario 'A' low-density residential for contaminant exposure risk assessment. This includes outdoor exposure. The remainder of the site has been assessed as land use scenario 'D', Commercial. This land use provides contaminant levels which assume mostly sealed surfaces. An ecological receptor exists to the west of the site which receives stormwater from the site.

Further investigation is required including soil and surface water sampling to determine if the site presents a potential risk to the future receptors at the site. Further soil sampling shall include surface and under slab/bitumen sampling, depth sampling around underground contamination sources (mechanical pit and wash down collection tank). Surface water sampling at the site of the exposed drain will also provide information on potential water contamination at the site. The further investigation should be carried out in accordance with AS4482.1-2005 and the ASC NEPM.

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## 1. Introduction

### 1.1. Project Outline

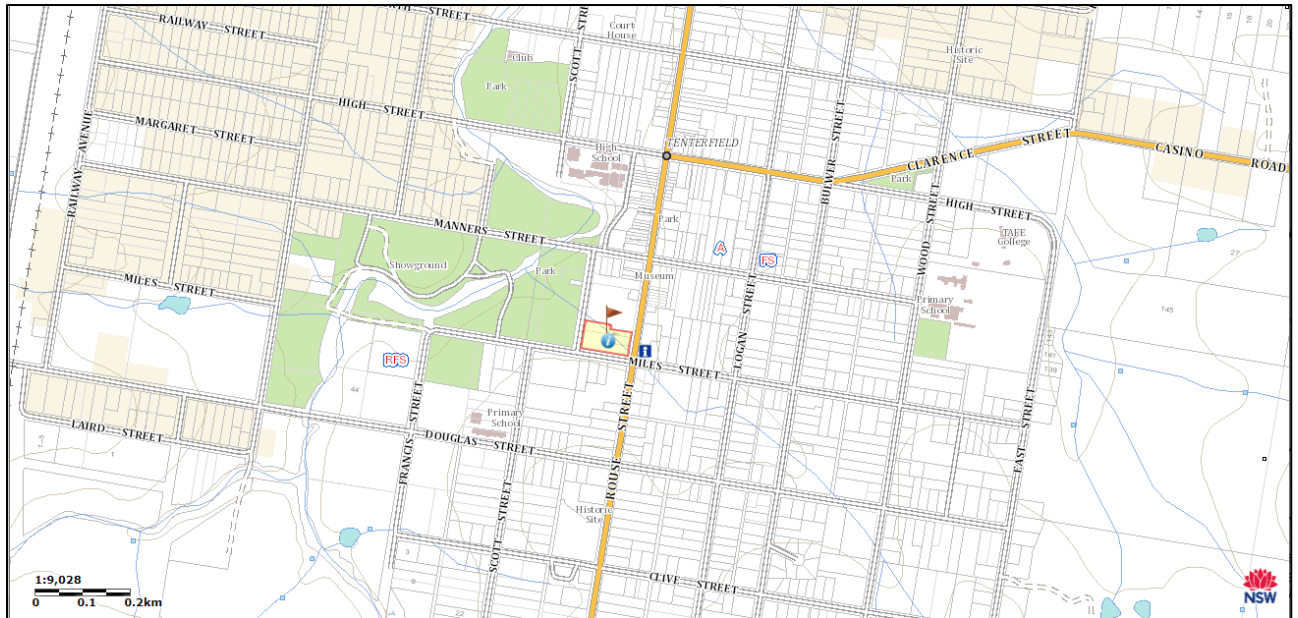
Ecoteam has been engaged by Jack Thomas, Nutrien Harcourts to undertake a Phase 1 Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI)- Environmental Site History (ESH) assessment for the Sexton and Green car dealership and mechanics and Panel Beaters on Rouse Street, Tenterfield. The site is part of a development application with Tenterfield Shire Council to be redeveloped to include a medical centre, childcare centre and commercial shops. This assessment will identify potential contamination at the site which may affect its future land use. This assessment will use historical and environmental searches and known site conditions to develop a Conceptual Site Model (CSM), identify contaminants of Potential Concern (CoPC) and assess if further information and/ or soil sampling is required.

### 1.2. Site Identification

**Table 1** presents site details. Refer to **Appendix A** for site overview and detailed site plan of the Investigation Area. Site location is marked in **Figure 1**.

**Table 1.** Site details of Cowan former service station

Feature	Description
<b>Address</b>	148 Rouse Street, Tenterfield, NSW, 2372
<b>Plan Number</b>	Lots A DP 150057, B 150057, 1 DP 516621, 33 DP 1138201.
<b>Local Government Area</b>	Tenterfield Shire Council
<b>Geographic Coordinates</b>	S -29.057071°, E 152.017890°
<b>Investigation Area</b>	Approx. 5.65 ha
<b>Current Zoning</b>	R5 Village
<b>Proposed Development</b>	Day-care centre, medical centre commercial shops ( <b>Appendix B</b> )



**Figure 1.** Site location. Site boundaries marked with red flag. Source: Six Maps Online (NSW Spatial Services, NSW Department of finance and Service)

### 1.3. Scope of Works

The scope of works for this assessment was guided by CLM Act (1997), SEPP 55, OEH (2011), NEPC (2013), AS 4482.1 (2005) and AS 4482.2 (1999). This scope of works included:

1. Assess the regional topography, geology hydrology and hydrogeology. Assess the potential for contamination migration.
2. Review Current and Historical site information including historical and current arial photographs;
3. Review site historical practices including chemical handling and storage and Undertake a desktop study to identify areas of concern from past practices;
4. Prepare a Conceptual Site Model (CSM) and assess Data Quality Objectives (DQO);
5. Prepare recommendation and final conclusions from interpretation of the Preliminary Site Investigation.

## 1.4. Objectives

The objectives of this assessment are to:

1. Assess established databases including historical information to provide background information for the site;
2. Identify potential contamination from site infrastructure;
3. Investigate all potential contamination sources and Contaminants of Potential Concern (CoPC) based on site information and historical and current land use;
4. Develop a Conceptual Site Model to determine potential risks, receptors, contaminant migration and exposure pathways;
5. Assess the adequacy of information available and determine the need for further investigations.

## 1.5. Legislative Framework

The following legislative acts and guidelines have been referred to during the investigation and interpretation processes:

- Managing Land Contamination: Planning Guidelines - SEPP55 - Remediation of Land (DPUA & NSW EPA, 1998).
- Section 105 of the *Contaminated Land Management Act 1997* (CLM Act) (NSW Government, 1997a).
- *Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997* (POEO Act), (NSW Government, 1997b).
- Australian Standard (AS 4482.1- 2005) Guide to the investigation and sampling of sites with potentially contaminated soil (Part 1).
- Australian Standard (AS 4482.2- 1999) Guide to the sampling and investigation of potentially contaminated soil, Part 2: Volatile substances.
- Contaminated Sites – Sampling Design Guidelines (NSW EPA, 1995).
- Consultants Reporting on Contaminated Land- Contaminated Land Guidelines. (NSW EPA, 2020).
- National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measures 1999 - Amended 2013 (NEPC, 2013);
- Regional Policy for the Management of Contaminated Land (NRRC, 2007)
- Waste Classification Guidelines – Part 1: Classifying Waste (EPA, NSW, 2014)
- Contaminated Sites: Guidelines for NSW Site Auditor Scheme (DECC NSW, 2006).
- Guidelines on the Duty to Report Contamination under the *Contaminated Land Management Act 1997* (DECC NSW, 2015).
- Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for the Assessment and Management of Contaminated Sites (ANZECC/NHMRC, 1992).
- Guidelines for the Assessment of On-site Containment of Contaminated Soil (ANZECC, 1999).



## 2. Site Conditions

### 2.1. Topography, Geology and Hydrology

**Table 2** contains a description of the regional topography, geology, hydrology and hydrogeology.

**Table 2.** Topography, geology, soil landscape and hydrology

Feature	Description
<b>Topography</b> (DPIE 2021)	Site elevation: ~851-849 m AHD. Site slope to the south-west. The site contains a flat area within the eastern portion of the site which slope down to the western portion.
<b>Geology</b> (NSW Geo Survey, 1969, DPIE 2021)	Tenterfield mass of Dundee Ademetite Porphyrite (Blue-grey medium to coarse grained).
<b>Soil Landscape</b> (DPIE 2021)	Lucas Heights-Moderately deep (50–150 cm), hard setting Yellow Podzolic Soils and Yellow Soloths Yellow Earths on outer edges.
<b>Hydrology</b> (NSW LPI, 2001 and commonwealth of Australia, 1987)	An open drain is present on the western portion of the site. This drain collects stormwater for the site and surrounding areas. This drain forms as a tributary to Tenterfield Creek and runs through the subject site from the south-eastern corner to the north-western corner. The south-eastern corner runs underground. Tenterfield creek is present approximately 160 m to the north-west. Tenterfield dam is located 1.6 km to the south.
<b>Groundwater</b> (NSW Office of Water 2014, Jacobson & Lau 1987)	Granite fracture rock of low to moderate productivity of the New England Tablelands. Groundwater estimated at approximately 3 m depth.
<b>Acid sulfate soil</b> (DPIE 2021)	Not present

## 2.2. Register Groundwater Bores and Water Use

Search of the Water NSW register database (**Appendix B**) shows 5 water bores are located within 100 m of the subject site. Two of these bores are registered for stock/domestic use, while three are registered as monitoring wells at the Mobil service station (70 m east of the subject site). A further 7 bores are located within 500 m of the site. **Table 3** presents the detail of bores situated within 100 m of the site. The Tenterfield Village is connected to town water supply, therefore limited domestic groundwater water use is expected in the surrounding area. The site is not close to any local water supply areas.

**Table 3.** Groundwater wells within 100 m of the subject site

Well ID	Position from Subject Site	Construction date	Use	SWL	Total depth	Estimated ADH
GW900213	70 m SW	1991	Domestic	1 m	21 m	853 m
GW970501	70 m NE	2010	Monitoring Bore	2.1 m	5.0	851 m
GW970502	70 m NE	2010	Monitoring Bore	3.1 m	4.5 m	851 m
GW970500	85 m NE	2010	Monitoring Bore	3.0 m	5.5	854 m
GW308356	170 m NE	2019	Domestic/stock	6 m	27m	856 m

## 2.3. Environmentally Sensitive Sites

The immediate surrounding area is not consider enviromentally sensitive. The park directly west of the subject site is marked as public open space for planning purposes and is mainly grasses withs some mature trees. A creek is situated 160 m south-west which contins mature trees and riparian vegetation. The creek is situated in a urban environemnt and is not likley to be considered a highly sensitive environment. This area shall be considered a .potential ecological receptor for assesement purposes

### 3. Site History

#### 3.1. Land Use

The subject site is situated on the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Rouse Street borders the southern side of the site. The Tenterfield Shopping Centre is neighbouring the northern boundary of the site. Rouse Street is considered a central commercial / shopping area. The surrounding area consists of commercial land use including a shopping centre, service station, information centre and various commercial shops. Residential dwellings and a church are present directly south of the site across from Miles Street. A designated Public Open Space is present along the western boundary which is grassed with some trees. The wider area surrounding the property includes residential, commercial, and public recreation land uses. Surrounding land use is presented in **Table 4**.

**Table 4.** Surrounding land use

Orientation	Land Use
North	Village- Commercial
South	Village- Commercial
East	Village- Residential
West	Village- Public recreational area (Open space)

#### 3.2. Current Site Conditions

The site is currently a car dealership yard and mechanical workshop. The workshop includes a welder, hoists, and drill presses. The Sexton and Green portion of the site contains a large office building. A panel beaters workshop is present to the north-west of the subject site. The site consists of a brick building with cement floor and tin roof. The site has two car parking areas (north-east and south-west).

An open external drain runs underneath the site which is exposed within the south-western corner of the site. The drain is a tributary to Tenterfield Creek to the east. The drain holds water at times.

An internal drain is present within the workshop area which collected wash down water. This water is then collected in a wastewater pit which is treated through an oil water separator prior to being discharged into the council wastewater system. A mechanical pit is also present at the site. There is potential for leakage of oil and fuel from these sites (**Appendix A**). No asbestos was visually identified to be present on-site. The property contains concrete, bitumen, grassed and exposed soil surfaces. The south-western car park area is

the only fenced portion of the site. The site contains a flat surface within the eastern portion which drops down to the west. The site has some cars remaining in parking areas.

Contaminating Infrastructure has been identified on the site map in **Appendix A**.

Infrastructure identified (past and present) within the site:

- Mechanic Pit (4.3m x 1.2 m x 1.8 m deep)
- Wash down treatment pit (location unknown)
- Internal wash down drains
- Car parking area

### 3.3. Services and Underground Utilities

Main sewage is presently running from the north to south through the northern carpark to the Sexton and Green workshop area (**Appendix C**). A Dial Before You Dig (DBYD) assessment of the site (**Appendix C**) has identified Telstra cables (including NBN infrastructure) are present along the eastern and south boundary of the site within the footpath area. Power poles are also located along the eastern, southern, and western boundaries of the site. Further intrusive investigation at the site will require a competent underground service locator to clear the underground infrastructure before undertaking soil sampling and assessment.

### 3.4. Site Walkover

An Ecoteam representative was unable to attend the site at the time of this report due to a Covid lockdown. A site assessment was undertaken by Jack Thomas of Nutrien Harcourts. The site was investigated on the 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021 (**Appendix D**).

According to the site photographs (**Appendix D**) and discussions the sites external concrete and bitumen surfaces were in very good condition. Both buildings are also in good condition. The Sexton and Green workshop area is currently in good condition and has been kept tidy and clean with very limited oil stains present on the concrete surface. The wash down drain is of new condition and has been replaced recently.

An external open drain is present running under the site from the south-eastern corner to the north-western corner. A drain runs underground under the Sexton and Green building site. The open portion of the drain had some vegetation and contained standing water. There is grass present surrounding the drain. A bitumen driveway leads into the panel beaters site.

### 3.5. Site History

The Rouse Street area in Tenterfield was expanded from 1900-1950. The subject site was established as the Sexton and Green garage and car showroom in 1919. The Sexton and Green dealership is one of oldest car dealership in Tenterfield.

The current Sexton and Green building was built in the early 1960s and was constructed of brick, with a cement floor and tin roof. This building was then upgraded in the 1990s. The front veneer was upgraded and repainted at this time.

The western workshop/shed was built in the late 1970s to early 1980s. This building was also renovated in the 1990s. The site has historically been used as a car storage parking and as a mechanics. Recently, the western workshop has been used as a panel beaters. Aerial photographs reviewed from 1967 to present (**Appendix F**) have shown the main Sexton and Green Building is present prior to 1967. The site and its surroundings are designated as a heritage conservation area.

### 3.6. Review of Aerial Photographs

Aerial photographs from 1967 to 2021 were reviewed and summarised to investigate previous land use within the subject site and the surrounding vicinity. **Table 5** contains a summary review of historic aerial photographs for the subject property and surrounding land. (See **Appendix F** for historical images).

**Table 5.** Summary of historic aerial photographs.

Date Source	Site
28/05/1967 NSW Historical Imagery	<p>The photograph is black and white and of good quality</p> <p><b>The site</b> The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Some car parking is visible to the west. The area directly to the west of the Sexton and Green building is undeveloped. The north-western portion of the site is partially vegetated. The drain is present flowing to the north-west.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b> The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some trees are present. Residential premises are present directly north, east and south of the site. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north.</p>
3/04/1975 NSW Historical Imagery	<p>The photograph is black and white and of poor quality</p> <p><b>The site</b> The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Some car parking is visible to the west. The area directly to the west of the Sexton and Green building is undeveloped. The north-western portion of the site is partially vegetated. The drain is present flowing to the north-west.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b> The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some trees are present. Residential premises are present directly north, east and south of the site. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north.</p> <p>The site is largely unchanged from the previous Historical Image</p>

<b>1/08/1985</b> <b>NSW</b> <b>Historical</b> <b>Imagery</b>	<p>The photograph is black and white and of poor quality</p> <p><b>The site</b>  The Sexton and Green Building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Directly north of the building is clear and contains a concrete surface. Car parking is still visible to the west. A shed/building has been erected within the western portion of the site. The north-western portion of the site contains some vegetation.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b>  The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some trees are present. Residential premises are present directly north, east and south of the site. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north.</p>
<b>1993</b> <b>Google Earth</b> <b>Image</b>	<p>The photograph is colour and of good quality</p> <p><b>The site</b>  The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Directly north of the building is clear and contains a concrete surface. Cars are visible parked in this area. Car parking is visible to the west, taking up a small portion of this area. The western carpark is fenced. A shed/building is present within the western portion of the site. The north-western portion of the site contains some vegetation and grass surfaces.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b>  The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some trees are present. Residential premises are present directly to the north, east and south of the site. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north. Some commercial land uses are visible across Rouse Street to the south.</p>
<b>2010</b> <b>Google Earth</b> <b>Image</b>	<p>The photograph is colour and of good quality</p> <p><b>The site</b>  The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Directly north of the building is clear and contains a concrete surface. Many cars are visible parked in this area. Car parking is visible to the west, this carpark has expanded further west. The western carpark is fenced. A shed/building is present within the western portion of the site. The north-western portion of the site has been cleared.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b>  The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some vegetation has been removed. A shopping centre is present directly north of the site. Residential premises are present directly to the south. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north and north-east. The areas north and northeast have expanded to include more commercial land uses. More commercial land use is viable further south.</p>
<b>2013</b> <b>Google</b> <b>Earth</b>	<p>The photograph is colour and of good quality</p> <p><b>The site</b>  The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Directly north of the building is clear and contains a concrete surface. Many cars are visible parked in this area. Car parking is visible to the west. The western carpark is fenced. A shed/building is present within the western portion of the site. The north-western portion of the site is cleared.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b>  The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. Some vegetation has been removed. A shopping centre is present directly north of the site. Residential premises are present directly to the south. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north and north-east and further south.</p>
<b>2021</b> <b>Google</b> <b>Earth</b>	<p>The photograph is colour and of good quality</p> <p><b>The site</b>  The Sexton and Green building is present along the corner of Rouse Street and Miles Street. Directly north of the building is clear and contains a concrete surface. Some cars are visible parked in this area. Car parking is visible to the west. The western carpark is fenced. A shed/building is present within the western portion of the site. The north-western portion of the site is cleared.</p> <p><b>Surrounding Land</b>  The site directly to the west is cleared and grassed. A shopping centre is present directly north of the site. Residential premises are present directly to the south. Industrial/commercial premises are present further to the north and north-east and further south.</p> <p>The site is largely unchanged from the previous Historical Image</p>

### 3.7. Contamination History

No known previous continuation assessments have been conducted at the site. A Search of NSW Contaminated Lands Records show only one site is present within the Tenterfield Shire (Former Arsenic Factory Duke and Manor Street, Tenterfield). The site is not listed on the NSW EPA List of notified Sites. The United Tenterfield Service Station (94 Rouse Street) is a listed site which is currently under investigation.

### 3.8. Previous Titles

A prior Title search was conducted via the NSW Land & Property information website for the subject property (**Table 6**). The Subdivision Certificate which was issued in 2008 is presented in **Appendix F**. Historical land parish maps are located in **Appendix G** which shows the site as 1 lot in the early 1900s owned by J Witten. The subject property was shown to be subdivided within the 1958 historical maps.

**Table 6.** Title search details.

	Current title (2021)	Previous titles
Date	1/516621	12915-227
Lot and DP	1/1113227	1/350046, 4/22/758959
	32/1138201	2/851417, 3/587603
	A/150057	12350-237
	B/150057	4599-26



## 4. Assessment Criteria

The key assessment criteria adopted in the assessment of contamination is the National Environmental Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure 2013 (NEPC, 2013). Schedule B1 provides contaminant exposure levels which can be used to assess risk of contamination to human and ecological receptors. Health Investigation Levels (HILs), Health Screening levels (HSLs), Ecological Screening Levels (ESLs) and Ecological Investigation Levels (EILs) may be adopted from the measure to determine the likely human and ecological health impacts of soil contamination and any further investigation required. Management limits are also adopted for petroleum hydrocarbons. Water quality within groundwater is compared with Groundwater Investigation Level (GIL) threshold contamination limits.

HILs provide assessment criteria for indicators of risk for direct contact and therefore are important for determining immediate risk. HSLs are applicable to assessing human health risk through inhalation, ingestion or direct contact pathways and are site dependent. EILs and ESLs assess the direct risk to terrestrial ecosystems and are only applicable to the top 2 m of soil. This assessment criteria will be used as a reference to indicate the potential for soil contamination. Management limits identify the need for further investigation but do not imply contamination risk.

GILs are based on marine and freshwater groundwater quality assessment criteria which are adapted from the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality ANZECC/ARMCANZ 2000 (ANZECC 2000). This guideline outlines water quality objectives for the protection of aquatic ecosystems. These values do not imply an environmental problem but are intended as trigger values in which further assessment may be required. GILs for drinking water assessment criteria are adapted from the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG, NHMRC 2011). Drinking water criteria are provided as a reference only.

### 4.1. Contaminants of Potential Concern (CoPC)

Current land-use indicates there may be potential for land contamination within the subject site. Contamination is possible from leakage of oil and fuel from the mechanic workshop associated infrastructure. Leakages of fuel and oil from cars housed on the site or chemical from other site uses (panel beating) may also be present. Importation of contaminated fill may also have occurred at the site. Soil will be tested for contaminants of potential concern (CoPC) from car storage and mechanics which include:

- Total recoverable hydrocarbons (TRH) (C6 to C40)
- Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene and xylenes (BTEX)
- Naphthalene
- Metals
- VOCs
- PAH

Secondary contaminants that may be associated with other activities carried out on workshop areas sites include:



- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) from oil and fuel and workshop activities.
- Heavy metals (As, Cd, Cr, Cu, Ni, Pb, Zn), phenols from workshop activities.
- BTEX compound from paints and workshop chemicals.
- VOCs from oil and fuels.
- PFAS within drainage lines.
- Organochlorine pesticides (OCP) and heavy metals used under slabs.
- Heavy metals and TRH associated with imported fill material.

The service station across the road may also be an off-site source of contamination.

## 5. Preliminary Conceptual Site Model

A preliminary Conceptual Site Model (CSM) identified pathways and receptors of CoPC within the Areas of Environmental Concern (AEC). AEC are defined as any area in which past potentially contaminating activities may have been conducted.

**Table 7** shows information on AEC and CoPCs which were tested at the site. **Table 8** presents contamination sources, AEC, activity of concern and CoPC characterisation.

**Table 7.** AEC, activities of concern and CoPC

I.D	AEC	Activity of concern	CoPC	Comments
<b>Mechanic Workshop</b>	Oil and fuel collection and disposal	Oil, diesel and leaded fuel storage and dispensing	TRH, BTEXN, metals, PAH, VOCs phenols	Contaminant of oil, diesel and leaded fuel and oils. Volatile substances may also be present.
<b>Workshops/ panel beaters</b>	Workshop (past and present) and area of washdown	Wash down of fuel oil and chemicals in workshop, oil collection and treatment	TRH, BTEXN, metals, PAH, phenols	Contaminant of diesel leaded and unleaded fuel and oils, metals from chemical use and phenolic compounds may be present within the soil.
<b>Concrete areas</b>	All concreted or bitumen surfaces	Chemical treatment and metals for pesticide treatment	TRH, BTEXN, metals,	Contaminant of metals and pesticides may be present in the top surface of the soil directly under the slab.
<b>Drain</b>	Drainage from commercial areas	Stormwater and shallow groundwater runoff from the site and surrounding commercial areas	TRH, BTEXN, metals, PFAS	PFAS may be present within drainage lines. Stormwater and shallow groundwater may have contamination from leaking pits or site activities.

**Table 8.** Potential contamination sources and transport mechanisms

AEC	Primary Sources	Secondary Sources	Transport mechanisms
<b>Mechanic Workshop</b>	-Leaking pits and oil collection tank (>2m) -Leaking drain (0-0.3m) -Fill material -Surface spills	Impacted surface soil (0-0.3m) Impacted sub-surface soil (0.3m+) NAPL plume migration in groundwater Impacted stormwater	Volatilisation and atmospheric dispersion of dusts and vapours Soil and contaminant particle movement Mobile free phase hydrocarbon or chemical migration Flood/storm migration Groundwater migration
<b>Workshop/panel beaters</b>	-Wash down water (0-0.15m) --Fill material -Surface spills	Impacted surface soil (0-0.3m) Impacted sub-surface soil (0.1m+) Chemical migration in groundwater	Volatilisation and atmospheric dispersion of dusts and vapours Soil and contaminant particle movement Mobile free phase hydrocarbon or chemical migration Groundwater migration
<b>Car parking Area</b>	-Chemical application during laying of the concrete. Oil, fuel, and chemical spills. (0-0.3m)	Impacted surface soil (0-0.3m)	Soil dispersion during removal of the slab.
<b>Drain</b>	-Contaminants from stormwater (0-0.3m), Water contamination	Impacted surface soil (0-0.3m). Impacted surface water	Flood/storm migration Groundwater migration

### 5.1. Receptors and Pathways

The area of investigation is a car dealership, mechanic and panel beaters which will be demolished and developed into a day-care centre, medical centre and commercial shops. Based on the level of soil contact within the AEC, the childcare centre site will be assessed as land use scenario 'A' low-density residential' for contaminant exposure risk assessment. This includes outdoor exposure. The remainder of the site will be assessed as land use scenario D "Commercial". This land use provides contaminant levels which assume mostly sealed surfaces.

### 5.1.1. Sensitive Receptors

Sensitive receptors have been identified within the vicinity of the site.

- Future construction personnel during excavation work.
- Children within the day-care centre.
- Visitors to the medical centre and shopping area.
- Future workers at the site.
- Residential dwellings surrounding the site.
- Ecological receptors towards the west of the site.
- Visitors to the recreational area west of the site.

### 5.1.2. Potential Exposure Pathways

Contamination has been identified as being potentially present in soil within the AEC due to past activities. The main CoPC have been identified as TRH, BTEXN, PAH, PCB and metals. Exposure pathways of these contaminants in soil include direct contact, inhalation of vapours and ingestion of soil particles through dust or eating of soil. **Table 9** provides a risk assessment of potential exposure pathways for receptors at the site.

**Table 9.** Receptor and pathway risk assessment

Source		Pathway	Risk
Contamination from mechanics and workshop	Human health	Ingestion of soil and inhalation of dust particles.	<b>High risk.</b> Soil particles may be ingested as dust particles. Soil particles may be directly ingested, particularly by young children. Risk is high for the childcare centre with direct access to soil. Inhalation exposure associated with particulates are considered of less significance than direct ingestion of soil.
		Ingestion of contaminated water	<b>Minor risk.</b> Tenterfield has a reticulated water mains supply. Based on this it is considered unlikely that a groundwater will present a risk.
		Inhalation/Vapour intrusion	<b>Minor risk.</b> Naphthalene and volatile hydrocarbons (C6-C16) may be present. Groundwater may be contaminated if mechanical washdown collection tanks have leaked. Vapour intrusion presents a risk for future staff and visitors. Minor risk due to limited storage of volatile chemicals stored onsite.
		Dermal absorption	<b>Minor risk.</b> At most risk to future construction personnel during excavation work. Dermal adsorption of most chemicals potentially present are low.
	Ecological	Surface runoff to waterways. Infiltration to groundwater.	<b>Moderate risk.</b> A drainage area and creek exist towards the west of the site. A groundwater plume or migration through the drain on-site may be possible due to the water table and close proximity to drainage lines.
		Direct uptake from ecological receptors	<b>Minor risk.</b> An open ecological area exists towards the west of the site. There are limited ecological receptors to the west of the site. Contamination is unlikely to spread to this site.

## **6. Interpretation and Data Gaps**

The results of the desktop ESH has been evaluated for data gaps as per Schedule B2 of the NEPM guidelines.

The following data gaps have been identified during the assessment.

- A site assessment conducted by a specialist is required to ensure that all potential contaminant sources are identified.
- The exact construction date of the building and the prior conditions of the site in the past has not been fully established.
- Exact concentrations of contaminants within the soil at the site are unknown and therefore soil sampling is a data gap which needs to be addressed.
- All past land uses for the for the workshop structure (current panel beaters) is unknown.
- Contamination status within water (surface or groundwater) at the site is unknown.

Based on these data gaps it is considered that uncertainty as to the contamination status of the site. Therefore, further site assessment and soil sampling is required to further assess the risk posed to the future receptors at the site.

## 7. Conclusion & Recommendations

A Preliminary Site Investigation which includes an Environmental Site History has been conducted for 148 Rouse Street, Tenterfield. The site is approximately 5.65 ha and currently comprises of a car dealership, mechanic, and panel beaters. The subject site is proposed to be redeveloped to include a childcare centre, medical centre, and commercial shops.

This investigation has established potential sources of contamination associated with current or past practices at the site which may pose a risk to future receptors during and following the redevelopment of the site. Contamination is possible from leakage of oil and fuel from the mechanic workshop and associated infrastructure. Leakages of fuel and oil from cars housed on the site or chemical from other site uses (panel beating) may also be present. Importation of contaminated fill may also have occurred at the site.

The CSM has identified potential health risks to future visitors and workers at the site (children and adults). Based on the level of soil contact within the site, the child-care centre site requires assessment as land use scenario 'A' low-density residential for contaminant exposure risk assessment. This includes outdoor exposure. The remainder of the site requires assessed as land use scenario 'D', Commercial. This land use allows for contaminant levels assuming mostly sealed soil surfaces. An ecological receptor exists to the west of the site which receives stormwater from the site.

Further investigation is required including soil and surface water sampling to determine if the site presents a potential risk to the future receptors at the site. Further soil sampling shall include surface and under slab/bitumen sampling, depth sampling around underground contamination sources (mechanical pit and wash down collection tank). Surface water sampling at the site of the exposed drain will also provide information on potential water contamination at the site. The further investigation should be carried out in accordance with AS4482.1-2005 and the ASC NEPM.

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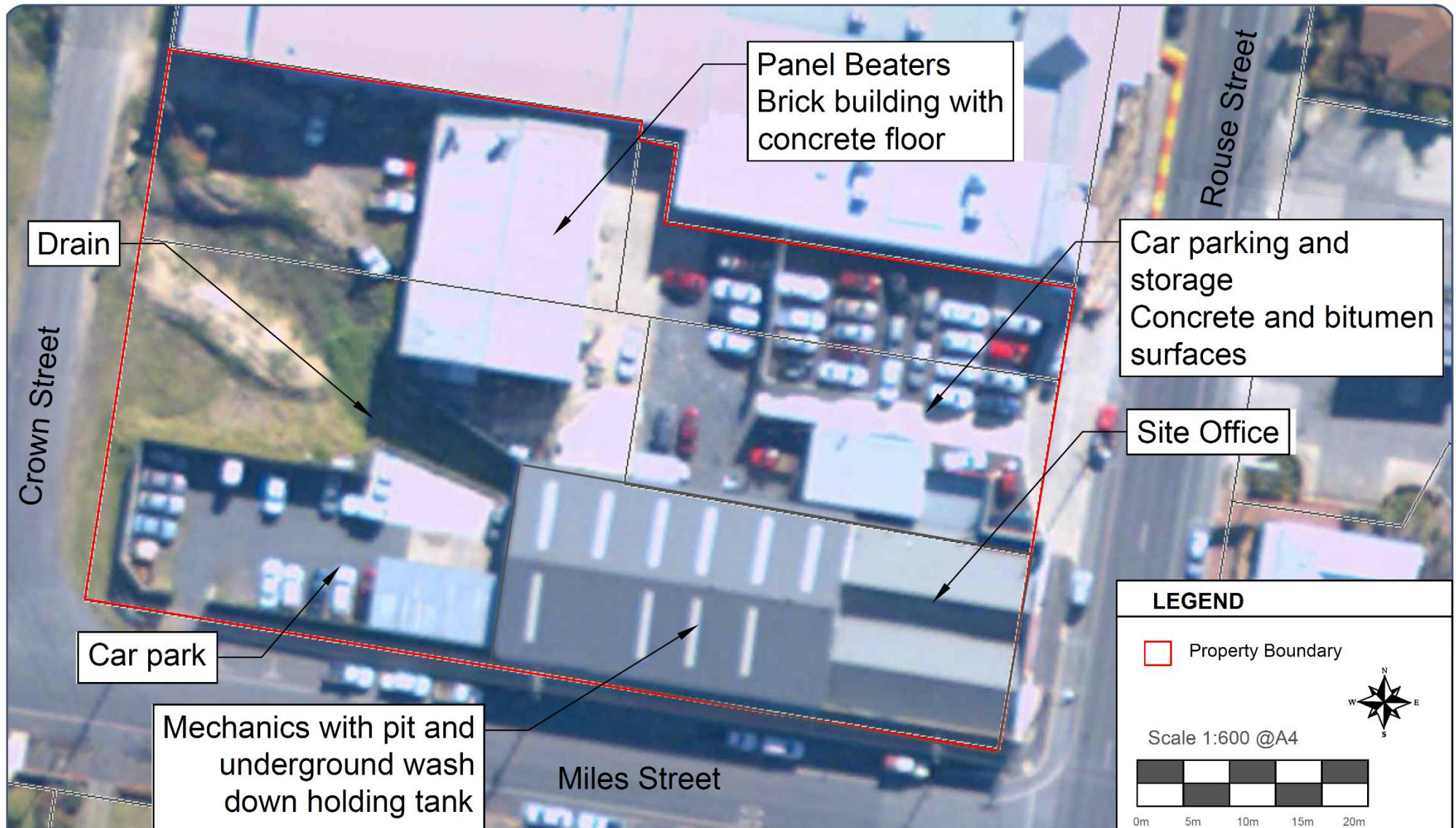
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# Appendix A

## Site map



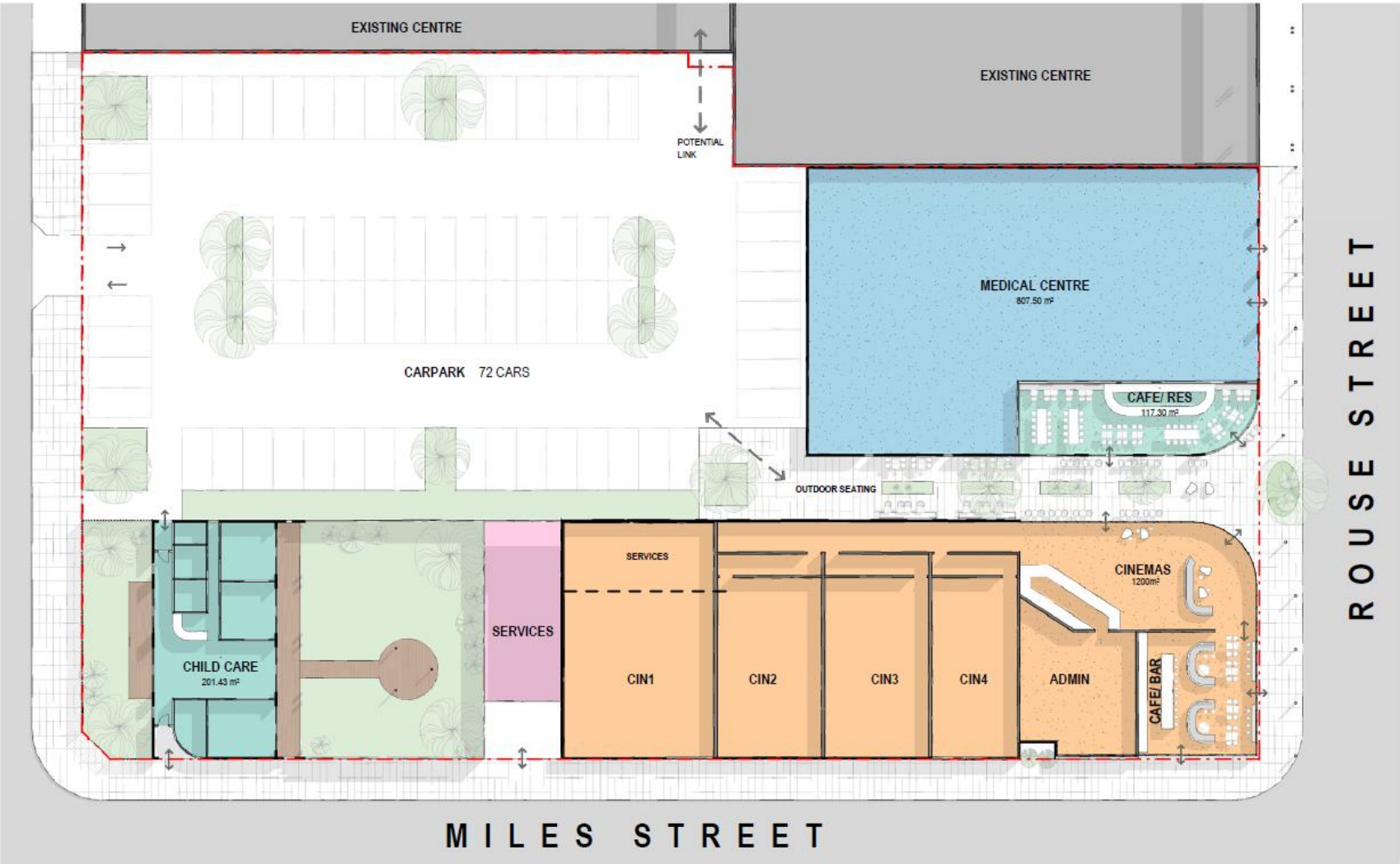
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# **Appendix B**

# **Development Plans**





**FLOOR PLAN**  
SCALE 1 : 300  
PROJECT  
CINEMAS/ CHILDCARE/ MEDICAL  
CENTRE CONCEPT

PROJECT ADDRESS  
148 ROUSE ST, TENTERFIELD

CLIENT  
CHRIS HSU

TITLE  
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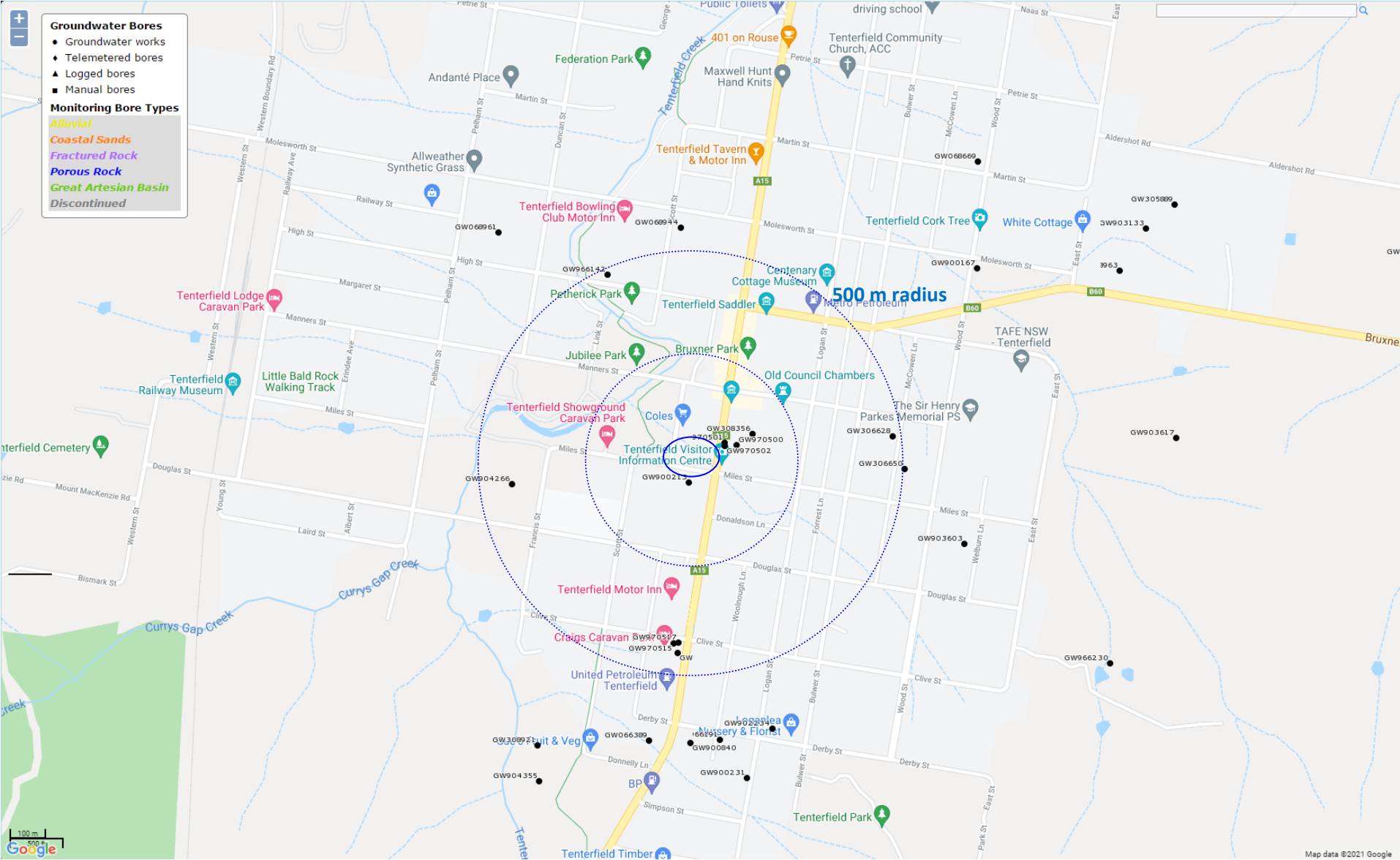
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# **Appendix C**

## **Groundwater Wells**



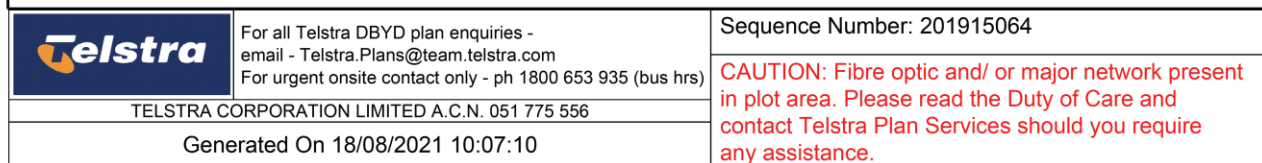


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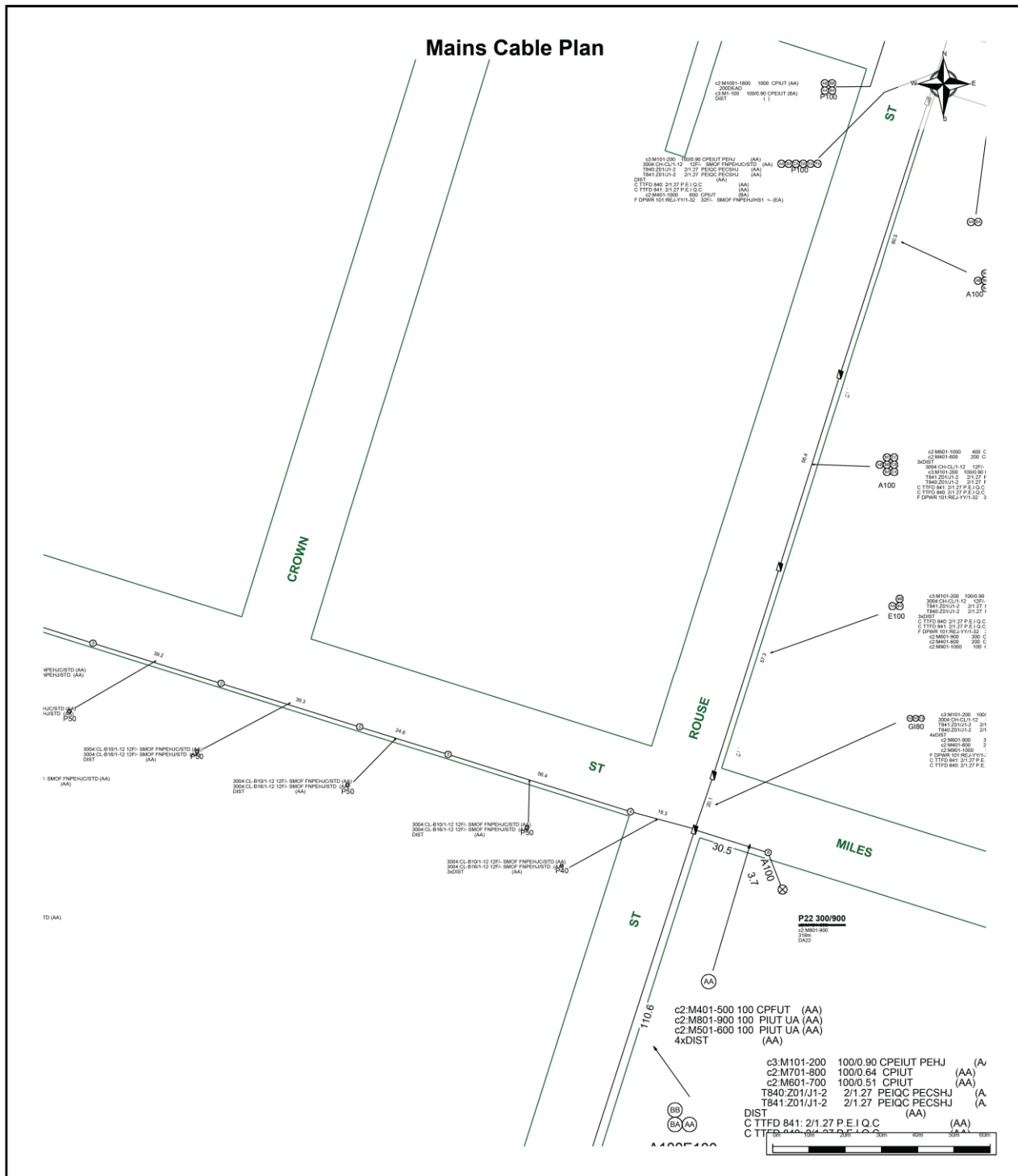
## **Sewage and DBYD**







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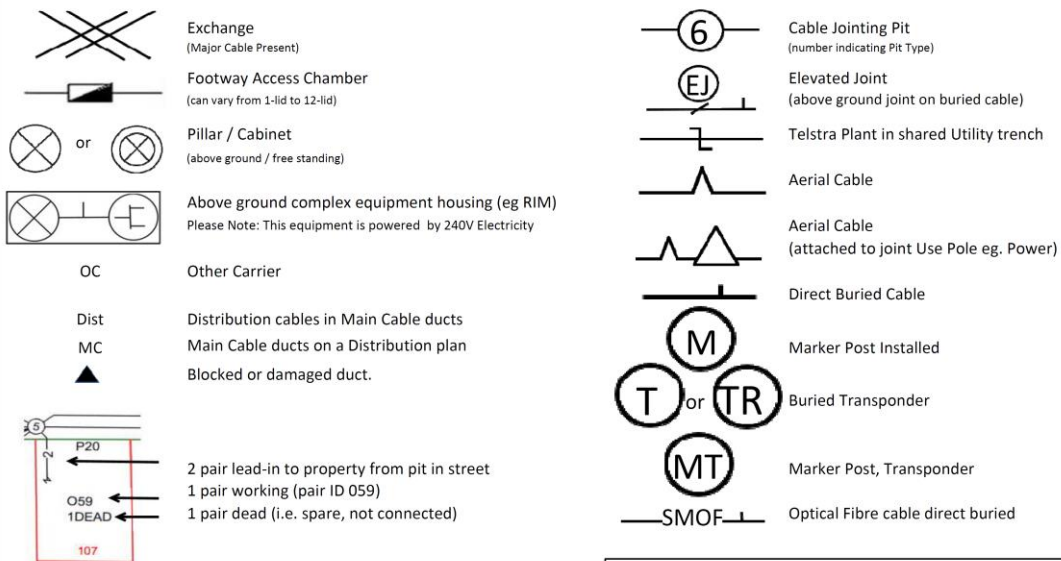
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## LEGEND



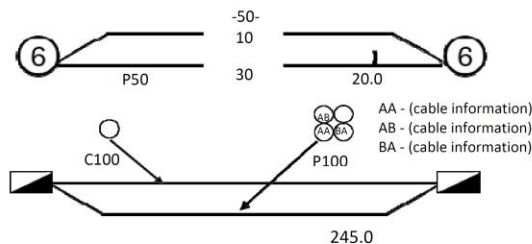
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### Some examples of conduit type and size:

A - Asbestos cement, P - PVC / Plastic, C - Concrete,  
GI - Galvanised iron, E - Earthenware  
Conduit sizes *nominally* range from 20mm to 100mm  
P50 50mm PVC conduit  
P100 100mm PVC conduit  
A100 100mm asbestos cement conduit

### Some Examples of how to read Telstra Plans



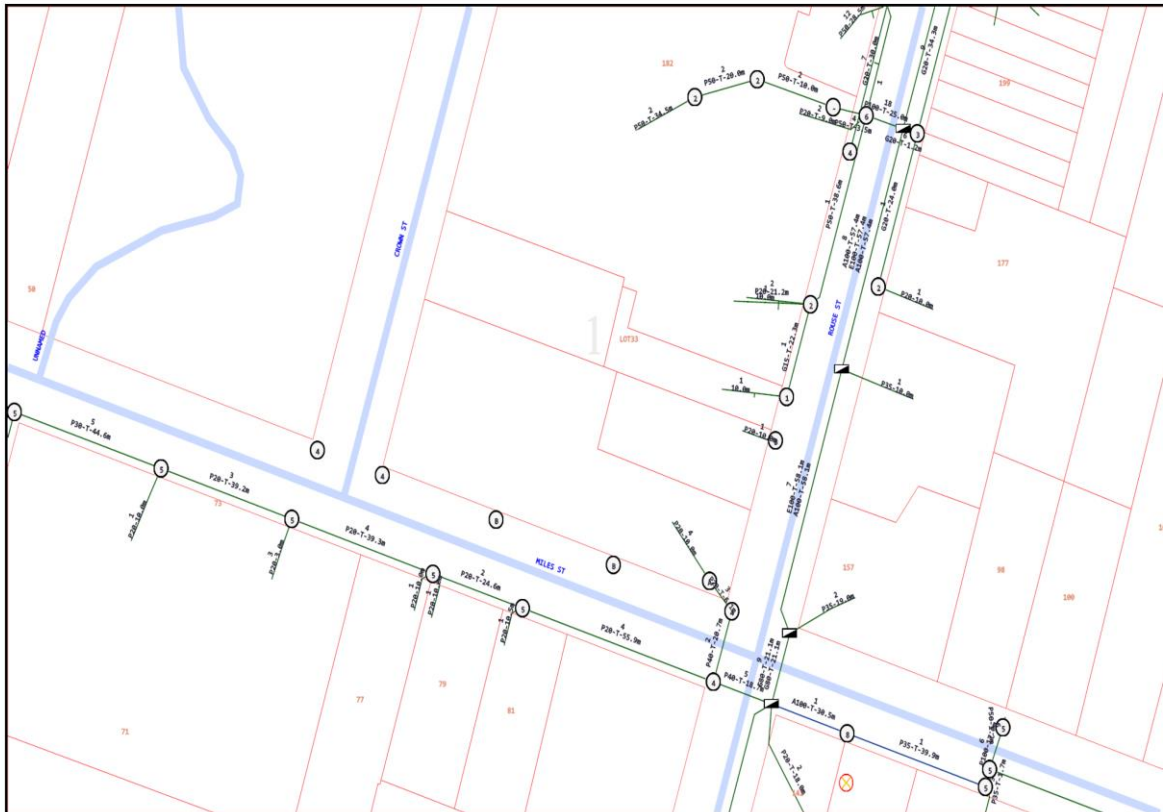
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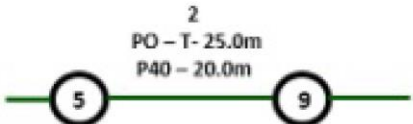
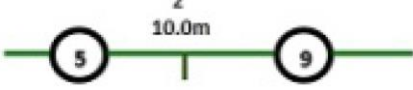





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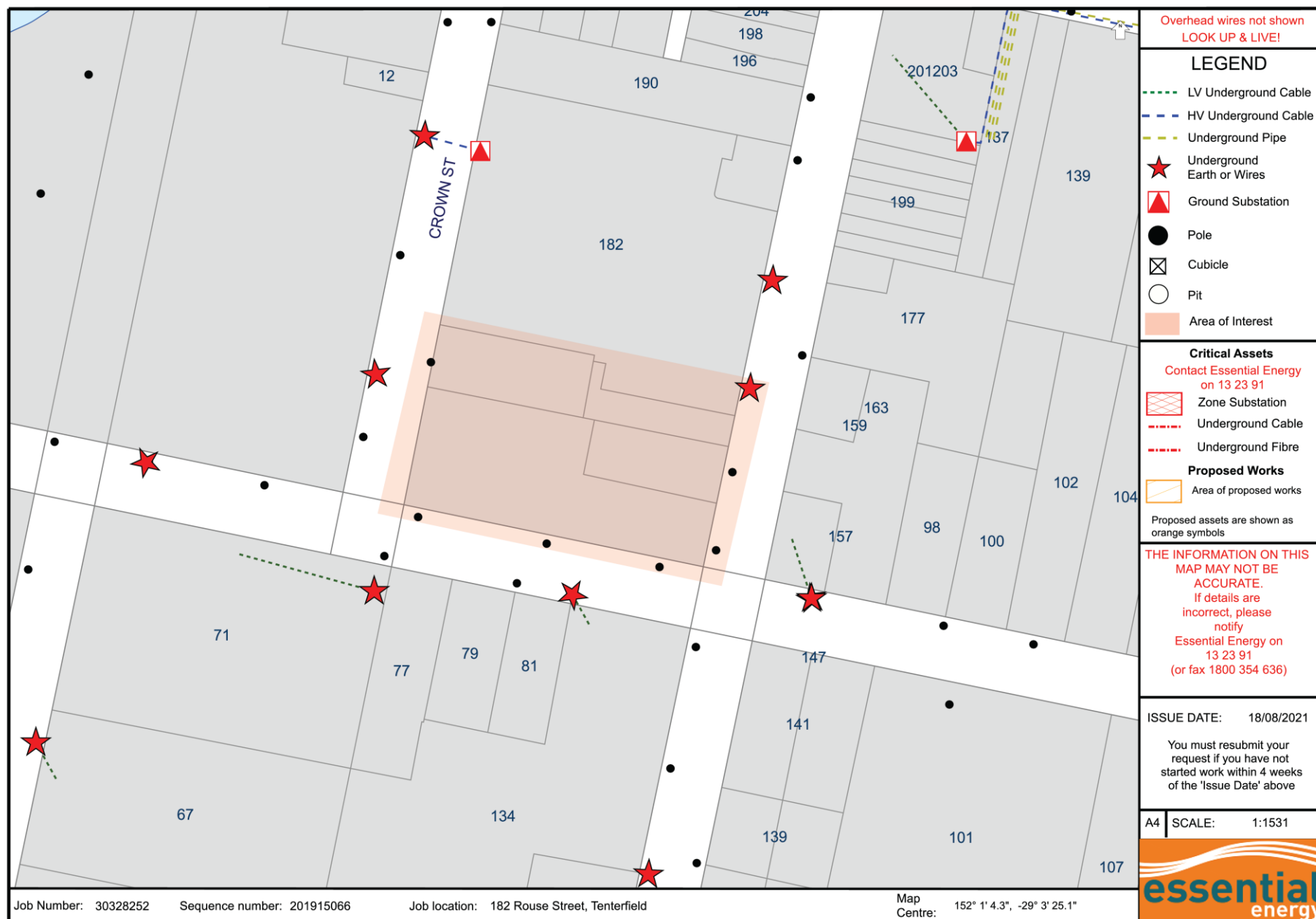




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	Manhole	
	Pillar	
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	2 Direct buried cables between pits of sizes, "5" and "9" are 10.0m apart.	
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# Appendix E

## Site Photographs





**Plate A- 24/08/2021**  
Wester Workshop (Panel beaters). View Northern western corner of the site looking east.



**Plate B- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building. South-eastern corner. Looking north.



**Plate C- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building and north-eastern car park. Looking west



**Plate D- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building and north-eastern car park. Looking south.



**Plate E- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building-offices/show room.



**Plate F- 24/08/2021**  
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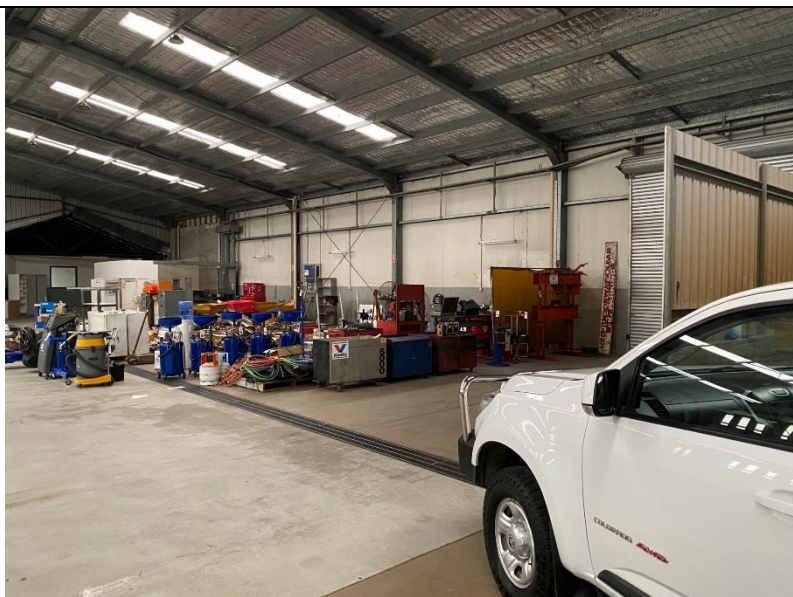





**Plate G- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building.  
Mechanic. Hoists.



**Plate H- 24/08/2021**  
Sexton and Green building.  
Mechanics. Storage.



**Plate I- 24/08/2021**  
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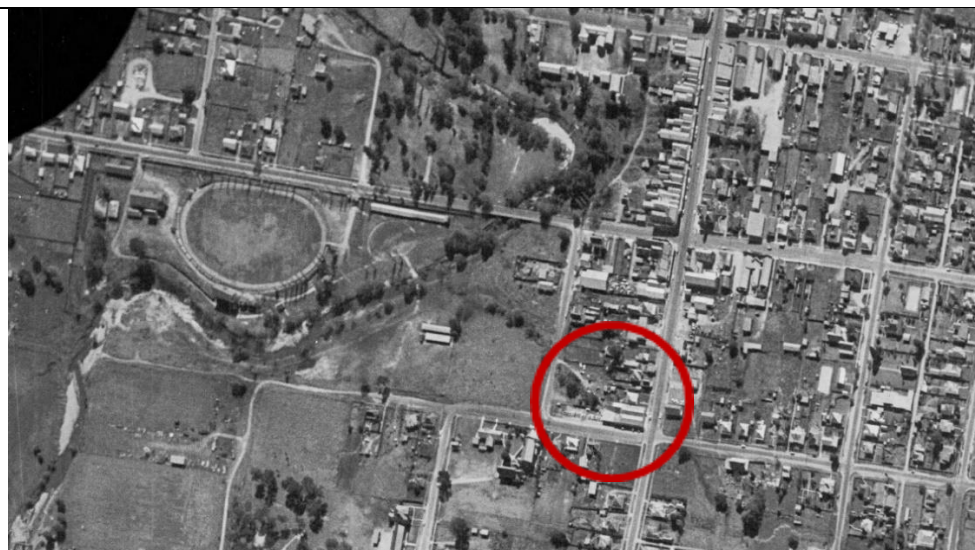
	<p><b>Plate J- 24/08/2021</b> Sexton and Green building. Mechanics. Office space.</p>
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# Appendix F

## Historical Photographs





**Plate K (1967)**  
Aerial View: Spatial  
viewer, 148 Rouse  
Street, Tenterfield.  
AEC red circle



**Plate L (1975)**  
Aerial View: Spatial  
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**Plate M (1985)**  
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**Plate N (1993)**  
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**Plate O (2010)**  
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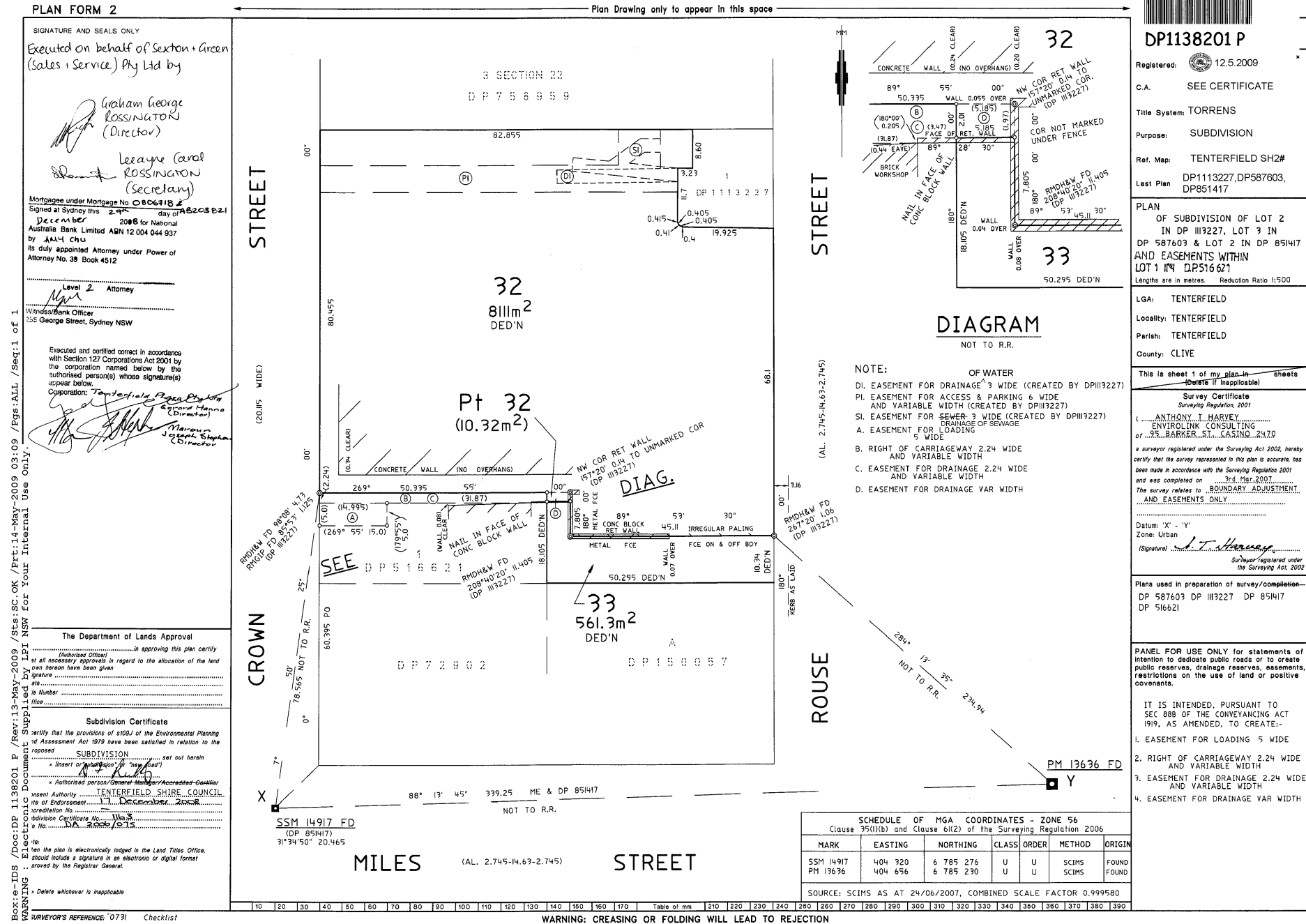
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# **Appendix G**

# **Subdivision Certificate**



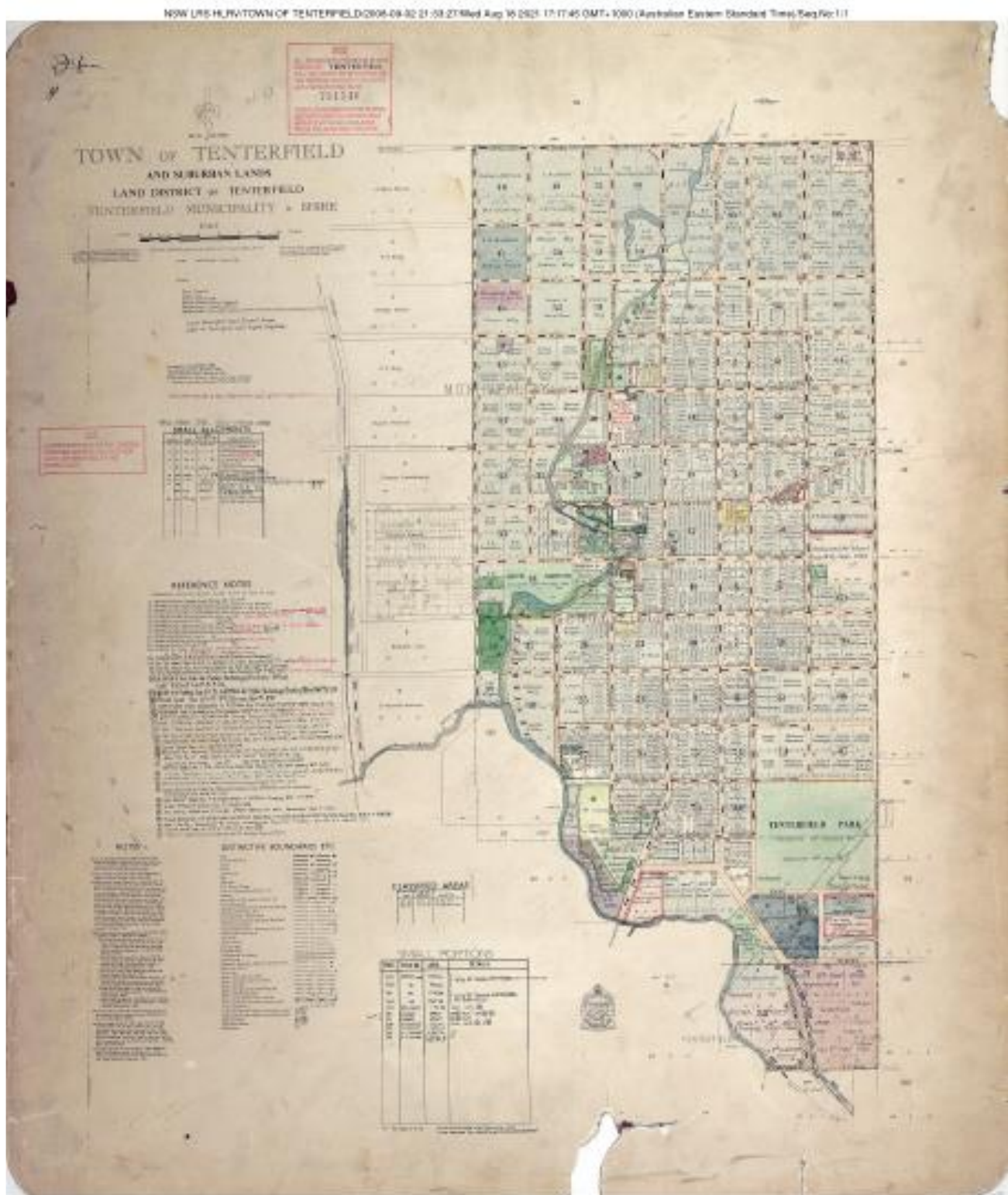


# **Appendix H**

## **Historical Land Maps**







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