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**ROCLA QUARRY PRODUCTS  
CALGA QUARRY**

**ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING**

**DUST DEPOSITION GAUGES, SURFACE AND  
GROUND WATERS AND METEOROLOGICAL  
STATION**

**JANUARY 2010**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Carbon Based Environmental is contracted by Rocla Quarry Products to conduct environmental monitoring at the Calga Sand Quarry.

The monitoring includes;

- Dust Deposition Gauges;
- Surface Waters;
- Ground Waters; and
- Meteorological Station.

This report was prepared by Carbon Based Environmental and includes the following;

- Dust Deposition results for January 2010;
- Surface Water quality results for January 2010;
- Ground Water depth and quality results for January 2010; and
- Meteorological report for January 2010.

The January 2010 dust deposition results were generally lower than December 2009. Dust gauge CD2b was deemed contaminated with insects and bird droppings. All sites, on a year to date average basis, are currently below the Air Quality Management Plan exceedence level of 3.7g/m<sup>2</sup>.month. Results were found to be representative of dust levels as determined by the Australian Standard.

Surface water samples were collected for the normal monthly sampling event on the 28 January 2010 at sites A, C and F. Sites B and D were dry. At the time of sample collection, there was no water discharge observed from the site. Results show generally good quality water with most sites sampled maintaining low Electrical Conductivity, low Total Dissolved Solids and Total Suspended Solids and no detectable Oil and Grease. There was a slight increase in pH at all sites sampled.

Groundwaters were sampled for normal monthly monitoring on 28 January 2010. Groundwater depths increased at the majority of monitoring bores this month, indicating water moving away from the surface. pH and EC levels remained relatively steady.

The meteorological station data recovery for the month was approximately 80%. No data is available for 1 through to and inclusive of the 6 January 2010 due to a flat battery. The battery has been replaced. The predominant winds were from the NE - ESE, with strongest winds from the WSW and WNW. Recorded rainfall on site for January was 44.6mm, which was below that which was recorded at the BOM Peats Ridge Station and also below the Peats Ridge long-term average for January. Results are detailed below:

Rocla Calga Quarry	44.6mm
BOM Peats Ridge*	66.9mm
BOM Gosford*	115.4mm
BOM Peats Ridge Long term mean for January*	94.6mm

\*Data sourced from Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) website ([www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au))

Note: Differences in the daily rainfall readings between BOM and the Rocla station may occur due to BOM stations reporting rainfall at 9am and the Rocla station recording rainfall at midnight.

## 1.0 SAMPLING PROGRAM

Rocla Calga Quarry conducts environmental monitoring in accordance to Development Consent, DEC (EPA) licence and Environmental Management Plans. Carbon Based Environmental are contracted to undertake dust deposition gauge, surface and groundwater and meteorological monitoring for the project. Carbon Based Environmental commenced monitoring from the April 2006 monitoring period.

Dust deposition gauges are operated to the Australian Standard AS3580.10.1 “Methods for Sampling and Analysis of Ambient Air Method 10.1 Determination of Particulates—Deposited Matter—Gravimetric Method”. Sampling is undertaken every 30 +/- 2 days and each gauge is analysed for insoluble solids and ash residue. The results are reported as g/m<sup>2</sup>.month.

Surface water sites include local streams and dams. Basic analysis including pH, Electrical Conductivity, Total Suspended Solids, Total Dissolved Solids and Total Oil and Grease is conducted monthly at Sites A and F (dams), and when Sites B, C and D are flowing. Additional samples are collected when daily rainfall exceeds 50mm.

Groundwater sites are monitored at least bi-monthly for water quality and at least quarterly for water level. Groundwater monitoring loggers continuously record water levels in a selection of bores.

Meteorological monitoring is conducted at the quarry and displayed on the site computer with a real time display. Wind parameters are measured according to Australian Standard AS 2923 “Ambient Air— Guide for Measurement of Horizontal Wind for Air Quality Applications”.

The weather stations have the following sensor configuration;

- Air temperature
- Humidity
- Rainfall
- Atmospheric pressure
- Evaporation
- Solar radiation
- Wind speed
- Wind direction

Carbon Based Environmental continued to operate the monitoring equipment and utilise site collections at their existing locations.

## 2.0 MONTHLY RESULTS

### 2.1 DUST DEPOSITION GAUGES

**Table 1** displays the results for January 2010 and the project average. Results are in g/m<sup>2</sup>.month.

**Table 1: Dust Deposition results: 29-Dec-2009 to 28-Jan-2010**

Site	Monthly Insoluble Solids	Monthly Ash Residue	Monthly Combustible Matter	Monthly Ash Residue/ Insoluble Solids %	Current Project Average Insoluble Solids
CD1	1.3	0.8	0.3	62	1.9
CD2b	3.6*	1.9	1.7	53	2.3
CD3	0.6	0.4	0.2	67	1.4
CD4	0.8	0.5	0.3	63	1.2
CD5	0.9	0.5	0.4	56	1.2
CD6	1.2	0.8	0.4	67	1.9

Insoluble Solids marked with an \* indicate an excessively contaminated gauge. Contamination can include bird droppings, vegetation (such as plant matter, algae, pollen, seeds), and insects. Results in bold indicate insoluble solids levels above 3.7 g/m<sup>2</sup>.month, the Development Consent annual average amenity criteria at residential locations. Project average was calculated from the 28 October 2005 (start of the Development Consent period) from results supplied by Rocla or from the installation date of the gauges.

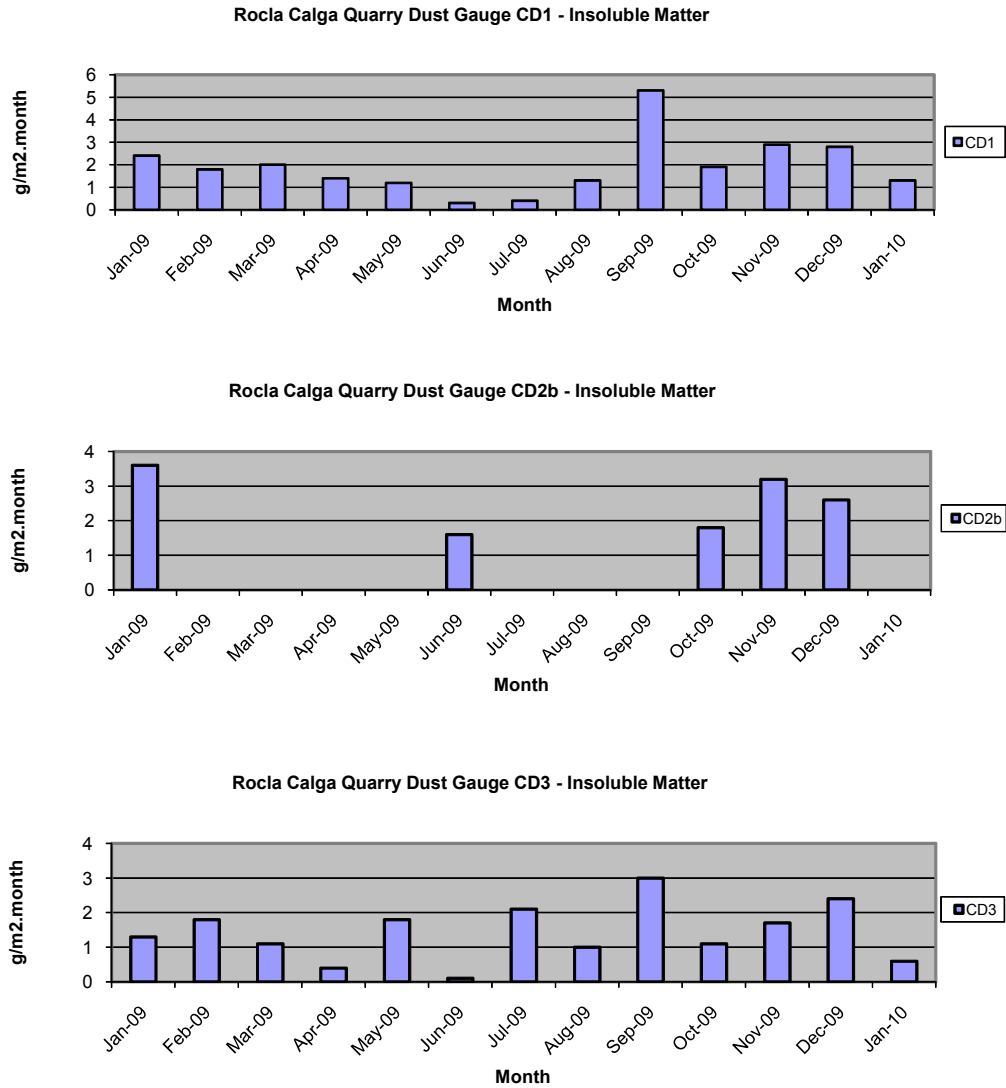
NA= Not Available.

CD1 was installed on the 1 May 2006. CD2a was discontinued at the start of August 2006 due to quarry operations “mining out” the site of the gauge. The replacement gauge, Site CD2b, was located in a position adjacent to the boundary between B. Kashouli and F. & J. Gazzana in conformance with the Air Quality Management Plan. CD4 was installed on 3 October 2006, to gauge air quality impacts to the south of the site operations, as were CD5 and CD6 which were installed on the 14 December 2006.

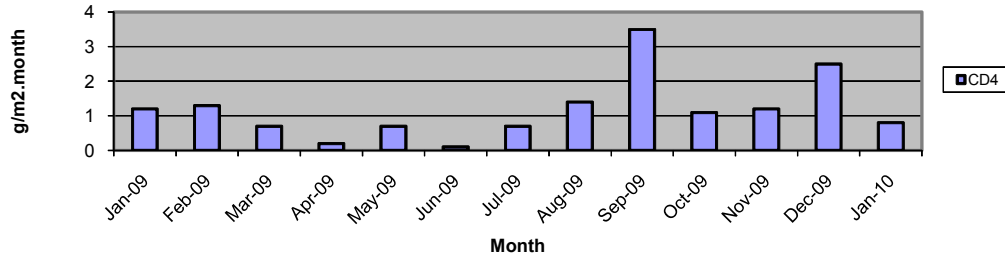
Dust deposition charts for all dust gauge sites appear in **Figure 1** below. The laboratory analysis is provided in **Appendix 1**.

The predominant winds were from the NE - ESE, with strongest winds from the WSW and WNW.

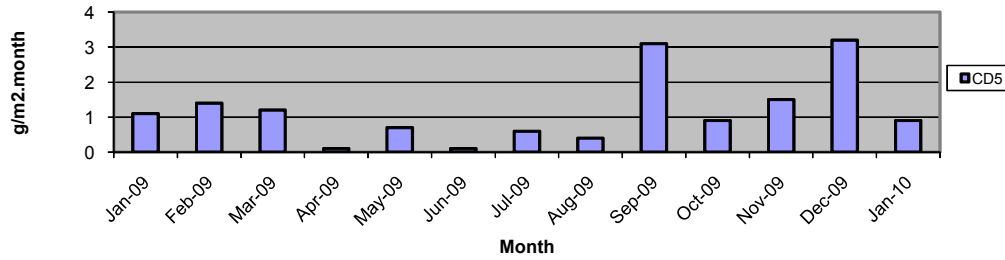
**Figure 1: Dust Deposition Charts**



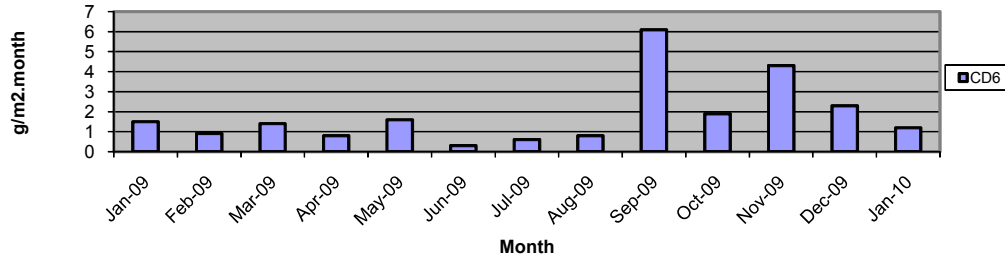
Rocla Calga Quarry Dust Gauge CD4 - Insoluble Matter



Rocla Calga Quarry Dust Gauge CD5 - Insoluble Matter



Rocla Calga Quarry Dust Gauge CD6 - Insoluble Matter



## 2.2 WATER MONITORING

### 2.2.1 Surface Waters

Monthly surface water monitoring was conducted on the 28 January 2010 and results are listed in **Table 2**. The laboratory analysis sheets are provided in **Appendix 1**.

**Table 2: Monthly surface water monitoring – January grab sample results**

Site	Observed Flow Rate	Water Colour	Turbidity	pH	EC (µS/cm)	TDS (mg/L)	TSS (mg/L)	Oil and Grease (mg/L)
A	Dam	Clear	Clear	8.02	81	62	1	<5
B	Dry	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
C	Creek	Clear	Clear	7.80	106	68	16	<5
D	Dry	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
F	Dam	Clear	Clear	7.84	83	65	<1	<5

At the time of sampling, there were no water discharges off site from any sampling location.

Sites B and D were dry at the time of sampling. The samples were collected and analysed for a monthly sampling event. Results show generally good water quality with pH within the slightly alkaline range, low Electrical Conductivity, low Total Dissolved Solids and Total Suspended Solids and no detectable Oil and Grease. pH increased slightly compared to the previous month.

### 2.2.2 Ground Waters

Groundwaters were sampled on 28 January 2010. Water quality tests for pH and electrical conductivity were conducted by Carbon Based Environmental Pty Limited. For water quality purposes, water was purged from the bore until constant pH (+/- 0.1 pH units) and Electrical Conductivity (+/- 5%) was obtained between samples. Data is displayed in **Table 3** and **Figures 2 to 5**.

Groundwater depths increased at the majority of monitoring bores this month, indicating water moving away from the surface. The CP series of bores generally show larger increases and decreases in depth to water due to pumping from the bores. Longer term monitoring is required to fully evaluate groundwater depth trends.

pH and EC levels generally remained steady. Detailed biannual water quality monitoring was conducted during October 2009 and is next due in April 2010.

**Table 3: Ground Water Quality Data**

Reference	Bore	Type	Depth to water TOC (m) April 06	Depth to water TOC (m) This report	pH This report	Electrical Conductivity (uS/cm) This report
CQ1	Voutos	* Monitor	20.59	19.84	4.7	120
CQ3	Voutos	* Monitor	10.53	10.63	5.9	110
CQ4	Voutos	* Monitor	8.78	8.33	4.6	80
CQ5	Gazzana	DIP Only	8.69	6.96	4.2	160
CQ6	Gazzana	DIP Only	16.00	11.75	4.1	190
CQ7	Gazzana	* Monitor	6.89	7.27	4.4	90
CQ8	Gazzana	* Monitor	11.03	6.82	4.2	160
CQ9	Gazzana	DIP Only	10.10	9.48	4.3	100
CQ10	Voutos	* Monitor	NI	22.70	5.1	150
CQ11S	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	9.75	4.4	150
CQ11D	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	11.06	5.1	120
CQ12	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	5.12	4.1	130
CQ13	Kashouli	* Monitor	NI	14.15	4.9	180
CP3	Gazzana	Domestic	10.40	8.65	4.5	140
CP4	Kashouli	Domestic	13.63	11.05	4.4	220
CP5	Kashouli	Domestic	16.61	10.52	4.2	250
CP6	Kashouli	Domestic	16.27	24.84	4.1	210
CP7	Kashouli	Production	8.56	3.79	4.7	220
CP8	Rozmanec	Domestic	22.17	NR	NR	NR
MW7	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	15.76	16.75	4.7	110
MW8	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	9.82	8.23	4.9	80
MW9	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	22.44	21.84	4.5	90
MW10	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	15.41	15.48	4.3	120
MW13	Rocla Bore	DIP Only	NI	8.31	4.8	100
MW16	Rocla Bore	DIP Only	NI	8.90	4.6	110

Notes:

TOC = Water level measured from top of bore case to water.

NM = Not Monitored – unable to sample water due to access restrictions.

NR = Not Required by resident.

\* = Logger Installed.

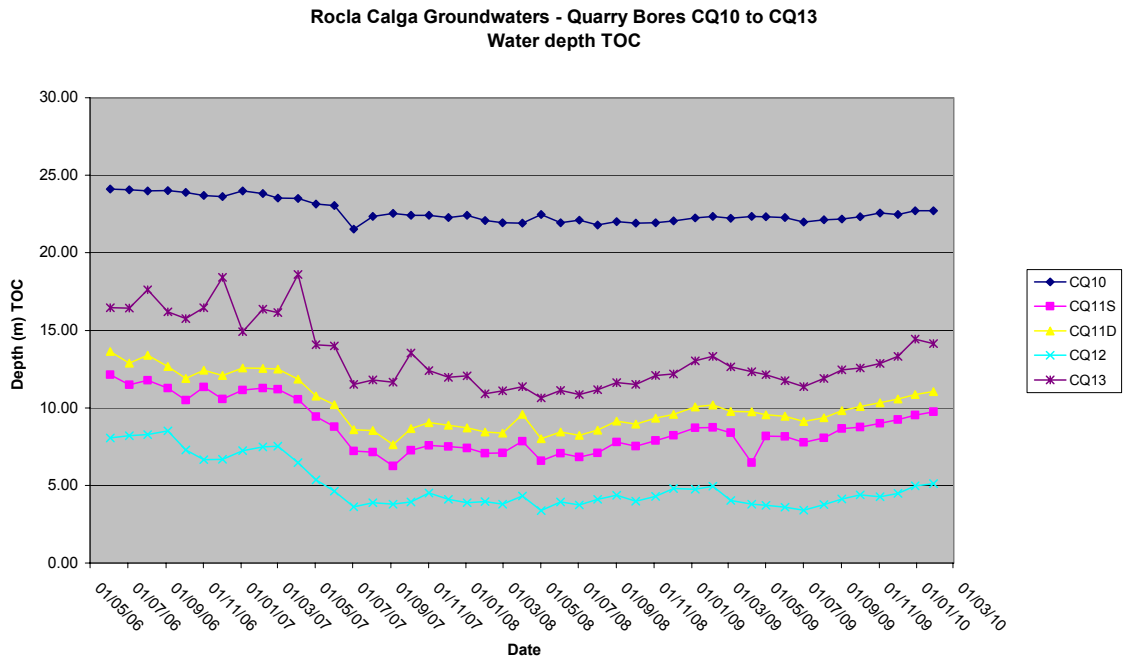
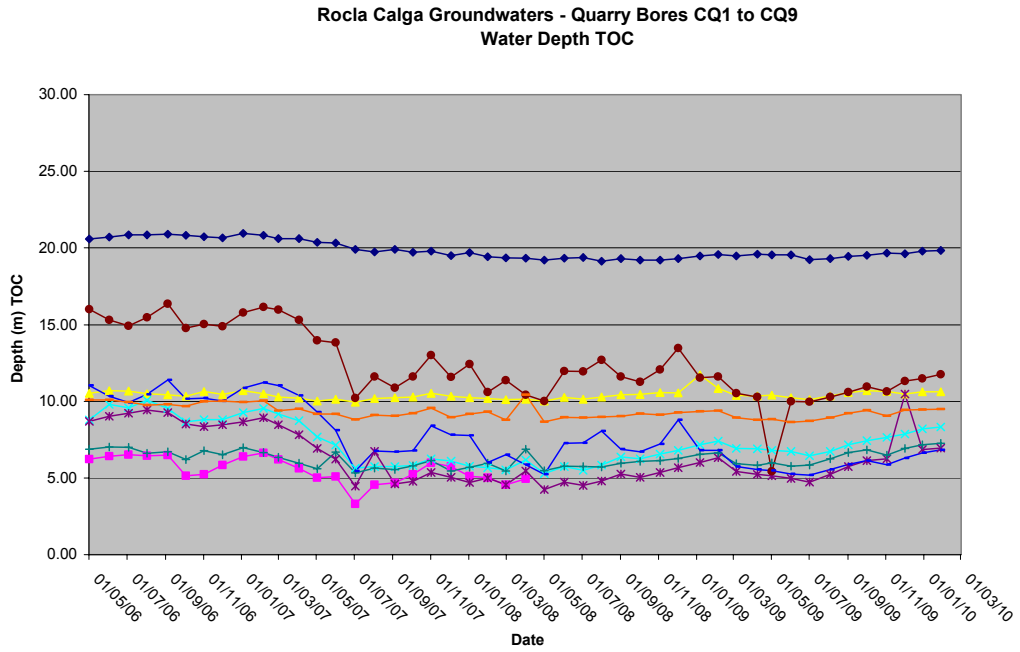
NI = These bores were not installed in April 2006 but are now operational. April 2006 was the first set of measurements taken by Carbon Based Environmental Pty Limited.

Shading is used to indicate the following trends in water depth (compared to last reading):

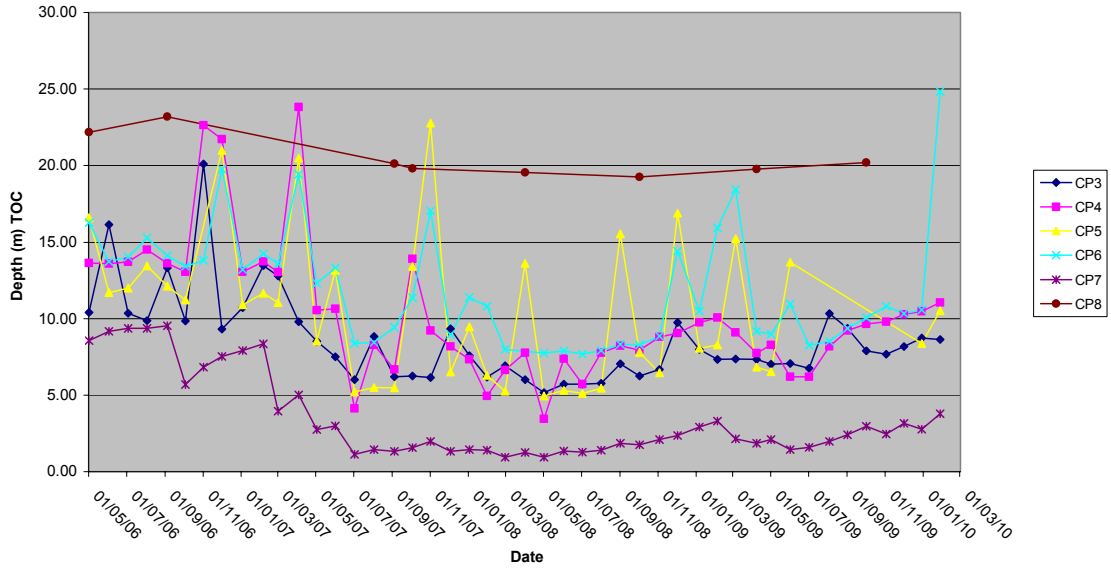
	Increase to ground water depth (water moved away from surface)
	Decrease to ground water depth (water moved towards surface)
	Stable water depth (+/- 0.01m)

Available groundwater loggers were downloaded and will be forwarded to the Rocla Calga Quarry groundwater consultant.

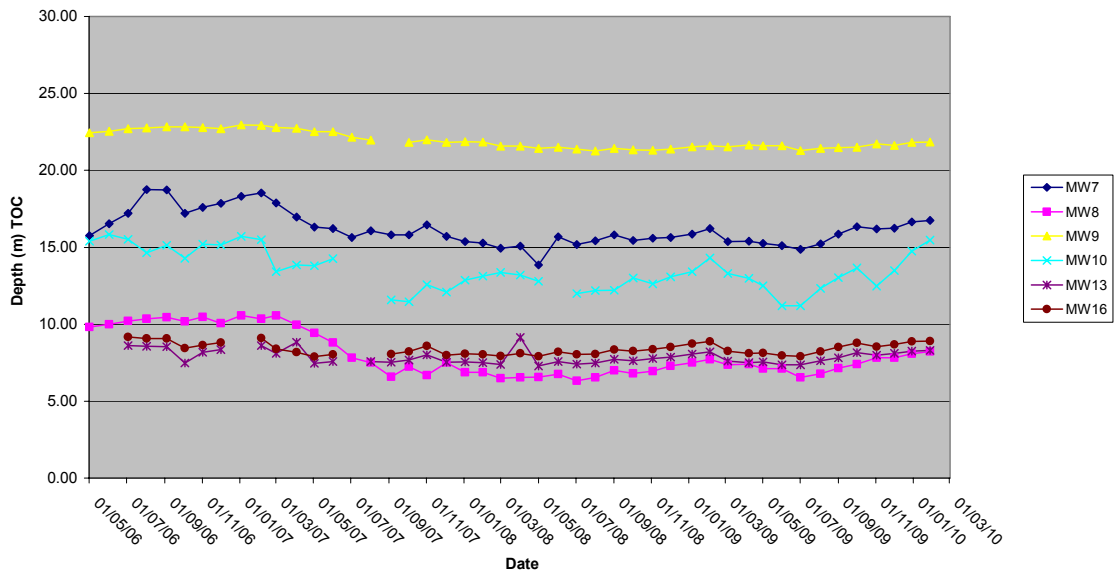
Figures 2 to 5: Groundwater Depth Charts.



Rocla Calga Groundwaters - Quarry Bores CP3 to CP8  
Water Depth TOC



Rocla Calga Groundwaters - Quarry Bores MW7 to MW16  
Water Depth TOC



## 2.3 METEOROLOGICAL MONITORING

The Rocla Calga Quarry weather station data recovery in January was approximately 80%. No data is available for 1 through to and inclusive of the 6 January 2010 due to a flat battery. The battery has been replaced. The weather station data follows and includes;

- Monthly data numerical summary;
- Weather charts of air temperature, humidity, heat index and wind chill, atmospheric pressure, solar radiation, evapotranspiration, rain, wind speed and data reception; and
- Wind rose (frequency distribution diagram of wind speed and direction).

Monthly weather statistics from two nearby Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) stations, Peats Ridge and Gosford are included in **Appendix 2** for comparison purposes.

Data for January 2010 shows rainfall at the Rocla Calga Quarry below that which was recorded at nearby Peats Ridge BOM station and Gosford BOM station. The rainfall comparison is provided below:

Rocla Calga Quarry	44.6mm
BOM Peats Ridge*	66.9mm
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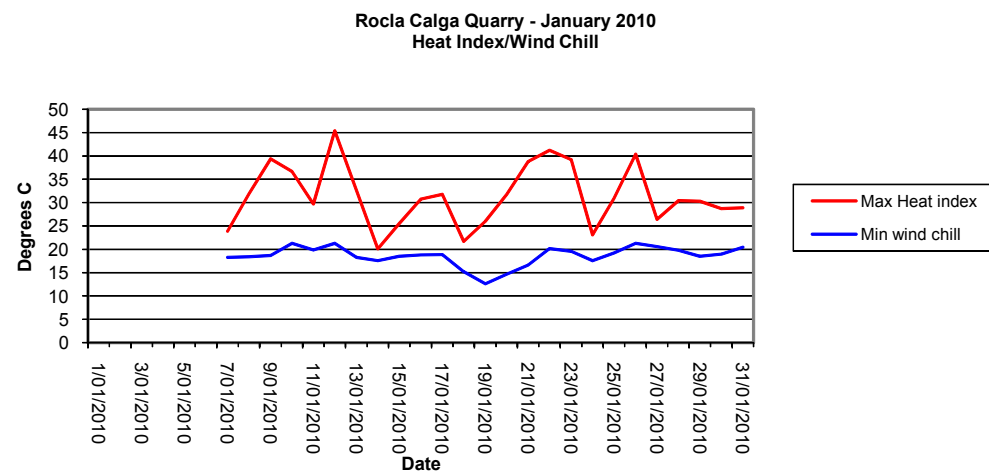
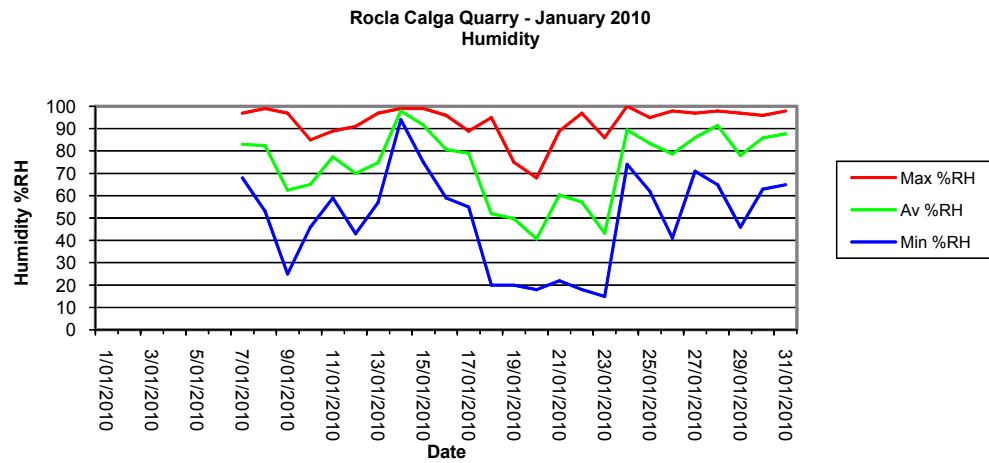
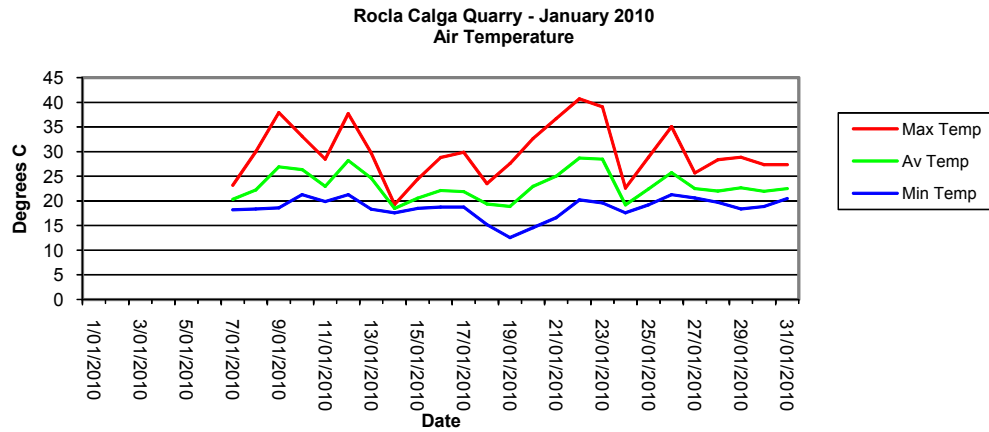
**Results are displayed in the following table and figures.**

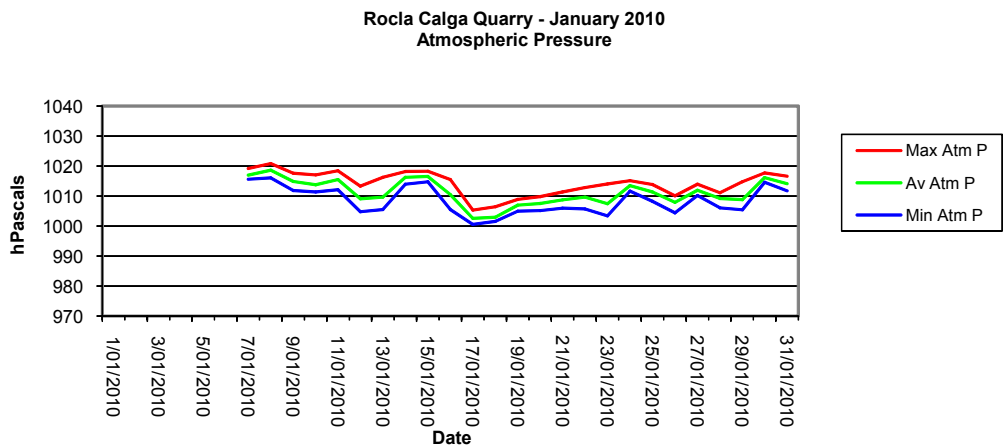
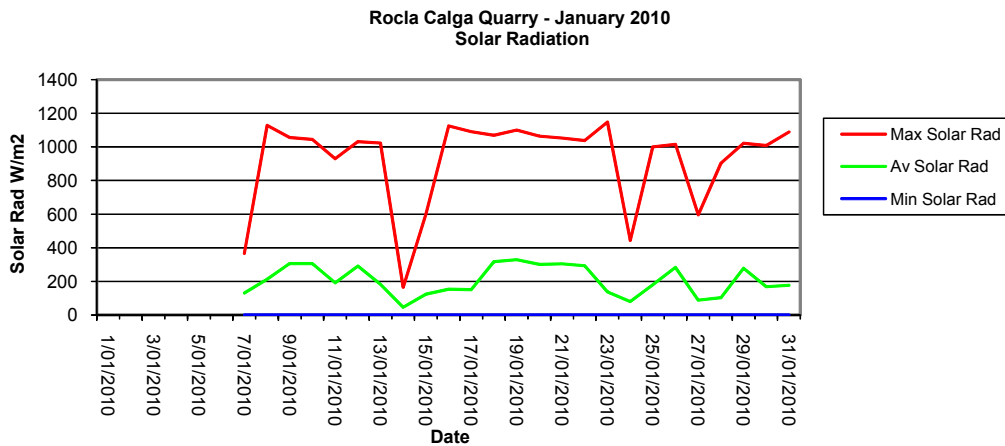
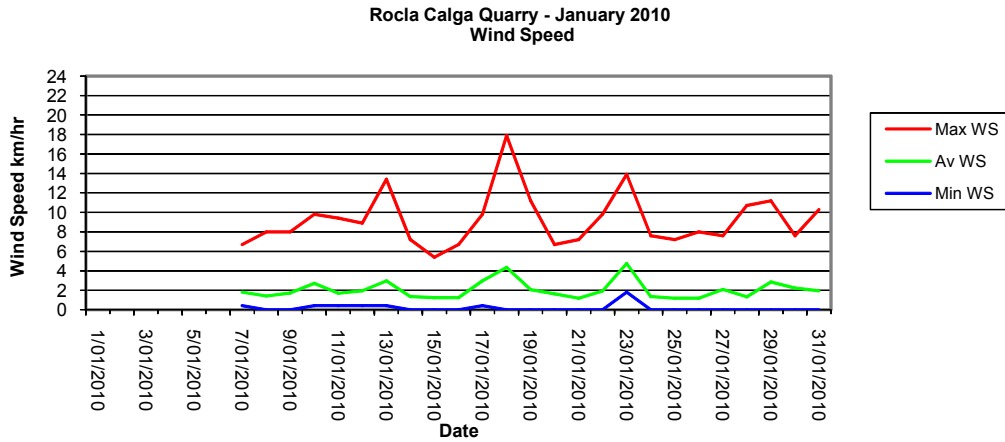
### 2.3.1 Monthly Meteorological Data Summary

Summary Jan-10 Rocla - Calga

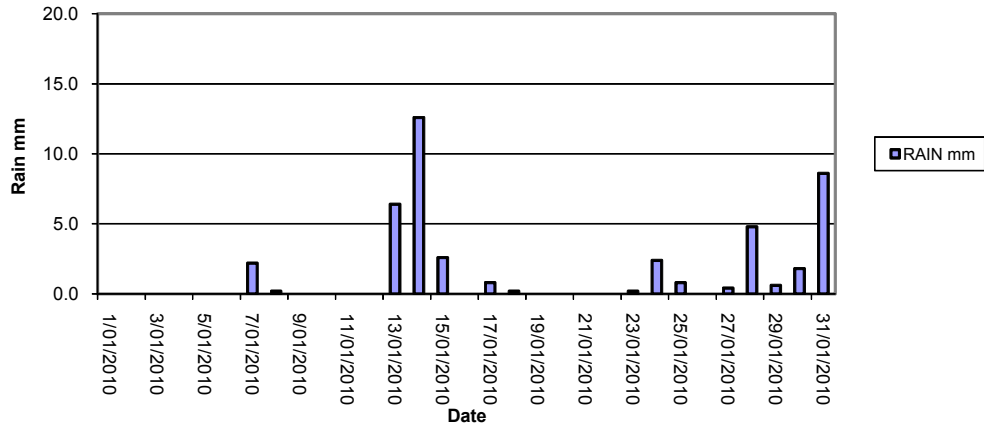
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1/01/2010	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
2/01/2010	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
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7/01/2010	18.2	20.4	23.2	68	83	97	2.2	1.6	0.4	1.8	6.7	18.3	23.9	1015.6	1017.0	1019.2	0	131.4	366	38.3	92.9	100
8/01/2010	18.4	22.2	30	53	82	99	0.2	4.0	0	1.4	8	18.4	31.9	1016.1	1018.6	1020.8	0	211.9	1129	53.2	97.0	100
9/01/2010	18.6	26.9	37.9	25	62	97	0.0	6.3	0	1.7	8	18.7	39.4	1011.9	1014.9	1017.6	0	304.8	1056	83.9	98.7	100
10/01/2010	21.3	26.3	33.1	46	65	85	0.0	6.5	0.4	2.7	9.8	21.3	36.7	1011.4	1013.8	1017.1	0	305.7	1045	80.1	92.9	100
11/01/2010	19.9	23.0	28.5	59	77	89	0.0	3.7	0.4	1.7	9.4	19.9	29.7	1012.1	1015.6	1018.5	0	190.7	930	61.7	94.2	100
12/01/2010	21.3	28.2	37.7	43	70	91	0.0	6.1	0.4	1.9	8.9	21.3	45.4	1004.8	1009.1	1013.3	0	291.3	1032	73.1	97.8	100
13/01/2010	18.3	24.6	29.7	57	75	97	6.4	4.1	0.4	3.0	13.4	18.3	32.6	1005.5	1009.6	1016.3	0	183.0	1024	85.7	98.3	100
14/01/2010	17.6	18.5	19.3	94	98	99	12.6	0.6	0	1.3	7.2	17.6	20.1	1014	1016.3	1018.2	0	45.8	164	85.7	99.4	100
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20/01/2010	14.6	22.9	32.7	18	41	68	0.0	6.7	0	1.6	6.7	14.7	31.8	1005.2	1007.5	1009.8	0	300.8	1065	85.4	98.8	100
21/01/2010	16.6	25.1	36.7	22	60	89	0.0	6.2	0	1.2	7.2	16.6	38.8	1006	1008.8	1011.4	0	303.3	1053	83	98.3	100
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23/01/2010	19.6	28.5	39.1	15	43	86	0.2	7.0	1.8	4.7	13.9	19.6	39.2	1003.4	1007.5	1014.1	0	138.0	1148	87.1	96.7	100
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25/01/2010	19.2	22.5	28.9	62	83	95	0.8	3.2	0	1.2	7.2	19.2	30.9	1008.3	1011.4	1013.9	0	179.9	1000	52.6	88.3	100
26/01/2010	21.3	25.8	35.1	41	79	98	0.0	5.2	0	1.2	8	21.3	40.4	1004.4	1007.9	1010.1	0	281.8	1015	76	88.4	99.1
27/01/2010	20.6	22.5	25.7	71	86	97	0.4	2.0	0	2.1	7.6	20.6	26.4	1010.2	1012.0	1014	0	88.0	596	65.2	90.3	99.7
28/01/2010	19.7	22.0	28.4	65	91	98	4.8	1.8	0	1.3	10.7	19.8	30.4	1006.1	1009.2	1011.1	0	103.3	903	72.2	92.4	100
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30/01/2010	18.9	21.9	27.4	63	86	96	1.8	3.2	0	2.2	7.6	19	28.7	1014.6	1016.1	1017.7	0	168.1	1009	67	86.6	98.5
31/01/2010	20.5	22.5	27.4	65	88	98	8.6	3.0	0	1.9	10.3	20.5	28.9	1011.8	1014.1	1016.6	0	175.7	1089	50.6	84.4	98.8
Monthly	12.6	23.1	40.7	15	74	100	44.6	107.2	0	2.0	17.9	12.6	45.4	1000.6	1011.2	1020.8	0	205.1	1148	38.3	94.6	100

2.3.2 Monthly weather charts

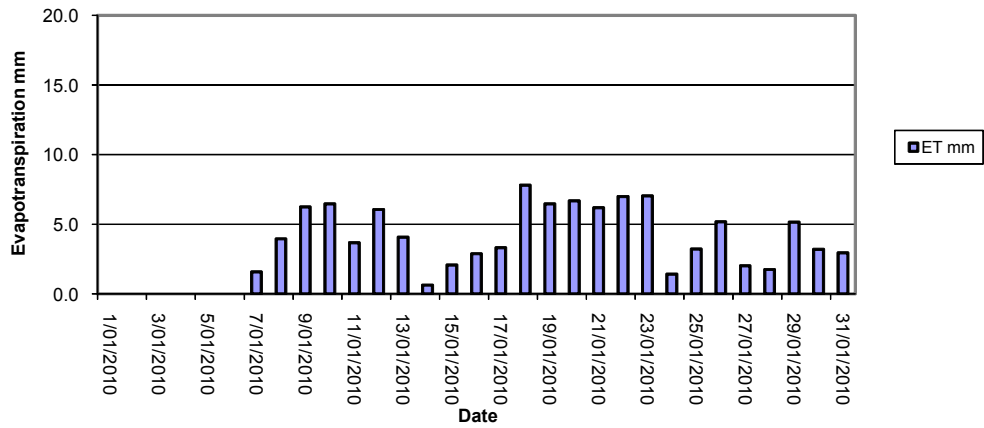




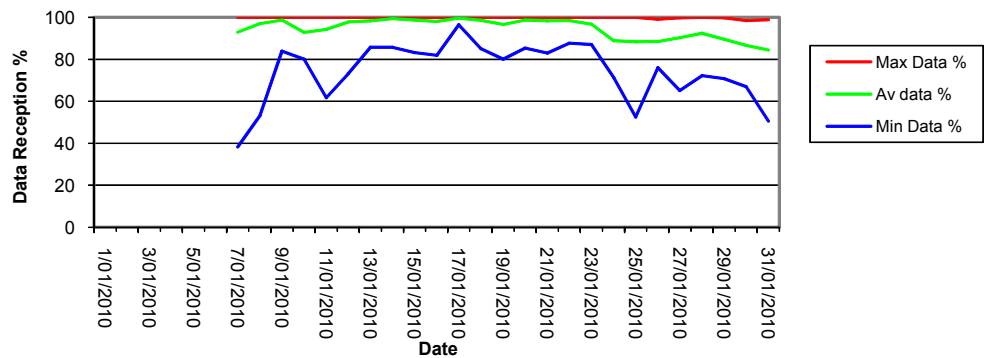
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Rainfall



Rocla Calga Quarry - January 2010  
Evapotranspiration



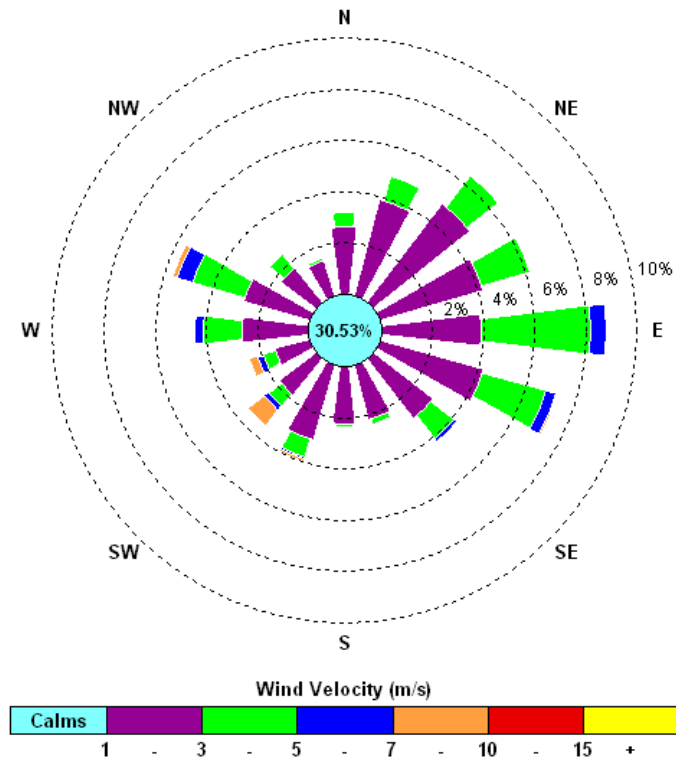
Rocla Calga Quarry - January 2010  
Data Reception



### 2.3.3 Windrose plot

Frequency plot of the average wind speed and average direction over each 15 minute sampling period. Wind is considered calm when less than a 15 minute average of 1m/s.

08:00, 7 January 2010 – 23:45, 31 January 2010



The predominant winds were from the NE - ESE, with strongest winds from the WSW and WNW. The maximum wind speed was 17.9 m/s from the WSW.

**APPENDIX 1**  
**LABORATORY CERTIFICATES**

## **APPENDIX 2**

### **ADDITIONAL BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY DATA FROM PEATS RIDGE AND GOSFORD MONITORING STATIONS**



