



# Carbon Based Environmental Pty Limited

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## **Rocla Quarry Products Calga Quarry**

### Environmental Monitoring

### Dust Deposition Gauges, Surface and Ground Waters and Meteorological Station

**July 2011**

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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;
- Groundwaters; and
- Meteorological Station.

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

- Dust Deposition results for July 2011;
- Surface Water quality results for July 2011;
- Groundwater depth and quality results for July 2011; and
- Meteorological report for July 2011.

The July 2011 dust deposition results were generally similar to June 2011 with the exception of CD3 and CD4 which increased slightly and CD6 which decreased. 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 1 August 2011 at sites A, D and F. Site B was dry and there was no access to site C. At the time of sample collection, there was no water discharge observed from the site. Results show generally good quality water with both sites sampled maintaining low Electrical Conductivity, low Total Dissolved Solids, low Total Suspended Solids and no detectable Oil and Grease. pH levels remained stable and were within the slightly acidic range. An additional high rainfall sampling event was undertaken on the 22 July 2011 at sites A, B, D, F and Inflow. Results are provided in Appendix 1.

Groundwaters were sampled for normal monthly monitoring on 1 August 2011. Groundwater depths decreased at most monitoring bores this month, indicating water moving toward the surface. The only exception was CP5 where depth increased. pH and EC remained relatively stable.

The meteorological station data recovery for the month was 100%. Recorded rainfall on site for July was 161.2 mm, which was similar to that recorded at the BOM Peats Ridge Station and higher than the Peats Ridge long-term average for July. Results are detailed below:

Rocla Calga Quarry	161.2 mm
BOM Peats Ridge*	162.4 mm
BOM Gosford*	240.6 mm
BOM Peats Ridge Long term mean for July*	67.9 mm

\*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, OEH (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 waters are sampled in accordance with Australian Standards AS5667.1 “Guidance on the Design of Sample Programs, Sampling Techniques and the Preservation and Handling of Samples”, AS5667.6 “Water Quality Sampling—Guidance on sampling of rivers and streams” and AS5667.4 “Water Quality Sampling—Guidance on sampling from lakes, natural and man-made”. Surface water monitoring 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.

Groundwaters are sampled in accordance with Australian Standards AS5667.1 “Guidance on the Design of Sample Programs, Sampling Techniques and the Preservation and Handling of Samples” and AS5667.11 “Water Quality Sampling—Guidance on sampling of ground waters”. Groundwater monitoring sites are sampled 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 July 2011 and the project average. Results are in g/m<sup>2</sup>.month.

**Table 1: Dust Deposition results: 30-June 2011 – 01-August 2011**

Site	Monthly Insoluble Solids g/m <sup>2</sup> .month	Monthly Ash Residue g/m <sup>2</sup> .month	Monthly Combustible Matter g/m <sup>2</sup> .month	Monthly Ash Residue/ Insoluble Solids %	Rolling Annual Average Insoluble Solids g/m <sup>2</sup> .month
<b>CD1</b>	0.6	0.5	0.1	83	1.9
<b>CD2c</b>	0.4	0.1	0.3	25	0.8
<b>CD3</b>	1.9	1.6	0.3	84	0.6
<b>CD4</b>	0.7	0.6	0.1	86	0.4
<b>CD5</b>	0.3	0.1	0.2	33	0.3
<b>CD6</b>	0.4	0.3	0.1	75	0.6

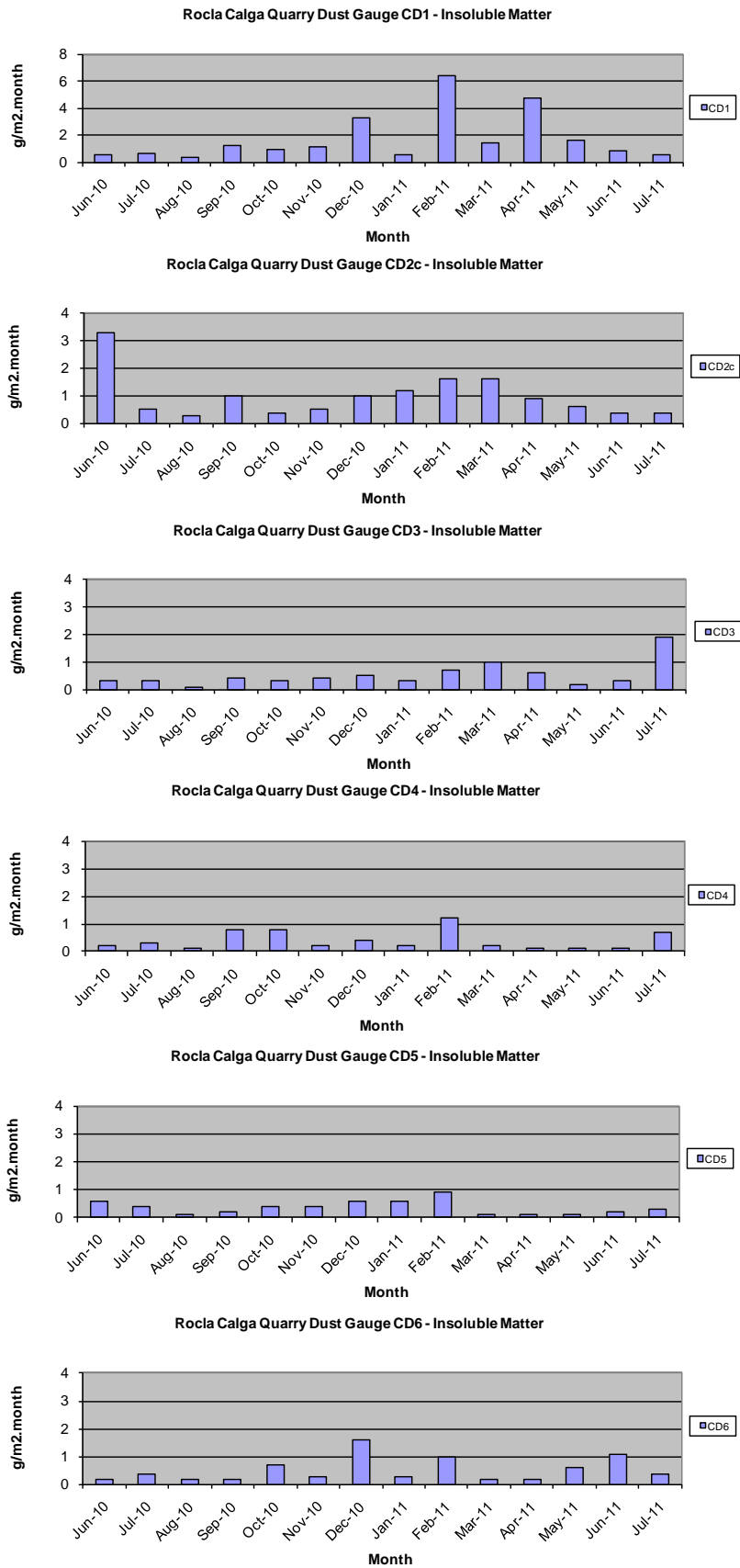
Insoluble Solids marked with an \* indicate an excessively contaminated gauge. Contamination can include bird droppings, vegetation (such as plant matter, algae, pollen and seeds) and insects. Results in bold indicate insoluble solids levels above 3.7 g/m<sup>2</sup>.month; the Development Consent’s annual average amenity criteria at residential locations. The current rolling annual average is calculated from August 2010 to July 2011.

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. CD2b was discontinued at the end of January 2010 due to contamination of the gauge by non-quarry related vehicle movements on a track adjacent to the gauge. The replacement gauge, CD2c, was located on a rehabilitated section of land between the extraction area and adjacent resident.

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

Figure 1: Dust Deposition Charts



## 2.2 Water Monitoring

### 2.2.1 Surface Waters

Monthly surface water monitoring was conducted on the 1 August 2011 and results are listed in **Table 2**. The laboratory analysis sheets for both sampling events are provided in **Appendix 1**.

**Table 2: Monthly surface water monitoring – July 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	Still	Clear	Clear	5.53	72	45	8	<5
B	DRY							
C	NO ACCESS							
D	Still	Clear	Clear	5.25	91	68	<5	<5
F	Still	Clear	Clear	5.84	65	54	11	<5

At the time of sampling, there were no water discharges off site from any sampling location. Samples were collected at sites A, D and F. Site B was dry at the time of sampling and there was no access to site C. The samples were collected and analysed for a monthly sampling event. Results show pH within the slightly acidic range, low Electrical Conductivity, low Total Dissolved Solids, low Total Suspended Solids and no detectable Oil and Grease.

An additional high rainfall surface water sampling event was undertaken on 22 July 2011 at sites A, B, D, F and Inflow dam. Results are provided in **Appendix 1**.

### 2.2.2 Groundwaters

Groundwaters were sampled on 1 August 2011. 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 decreased at most monitoring bores this month, indicating water moving toward the surface. The only exception was CP5 where depth increased. Longer term monitoring is required to fully evaluate groundwater depth trends.

pH and EC remained stable at all sites this month. Detailed biannual water quality monitoring was conducted in April 2011 and is next due in October 2011.

**Table 3: Groundwater Quality Data**

Reference	Bore	Type	Depth to water TOC (m) April 06	Depth to water TOC (m) This report	pH  This report	Electrical Conductivity (µS/cm) This report
CQ1	Voutos	* Monitor	20.59	19.43	4.39	120
CQ3	Voutos	* Monitor	10.53	10.14	6.19	140
CQ4	Voutos	* Monitor	8.78	7.39	4.65	90
CQ5	Gazzana	DIP Only	8.69	4.77	4.14	130
CQ6	Gazzana	DIP Only	16.00	9.84	4.23	170
CQ7	Gazzana	* Monitor	6.89	5.72	4.51	90
CQ8	Gazzana	* Monitor	11.03	5.10	4.46	140
CQ9	Gazzana	DIP Only	10.10	8.62	4.34	100
CQ10	Voutos	* Monitor	NI	22.08	4.68	180
CQ11S	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	8.50	4.48	150
CQ11D	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	9.64	4.80	140
CQ12	Gazzana	* Monitor	NI	3.43	4.01	130
CQ13	Kashouli	* Monitor	NI	11.32	4.99	190
CP3	Gazzana	Domestic	10.40	7.29	4.47	140
CP4	Kashouli	Domestic	13.63	3.18	5.08	210
CP5	Kashouli	Domestic	16.61	17.1	4.32	220
CP6	Kashouli	Domestic	16.27	7.66	4.30	220
CP7	Kashouli	Production	8.56	0.94	4.75	180
CP8	Rozmanec	Domestic	22.17	NR	NR	NR
MW7	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	15.76	14.89	4.39	110
MW8	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	9.82	6.56	4.86	80
MW9	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	22.44	21.55	4.62	80
MW10	Rocla Bore	* Monitor	15.41	NM	NM	NM
MW13	Rocla Bore	DIP Only	NI	7.36	4.77	100
MW16	Rocla Bore	DIP Only	NI	NM	NM	NM

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.

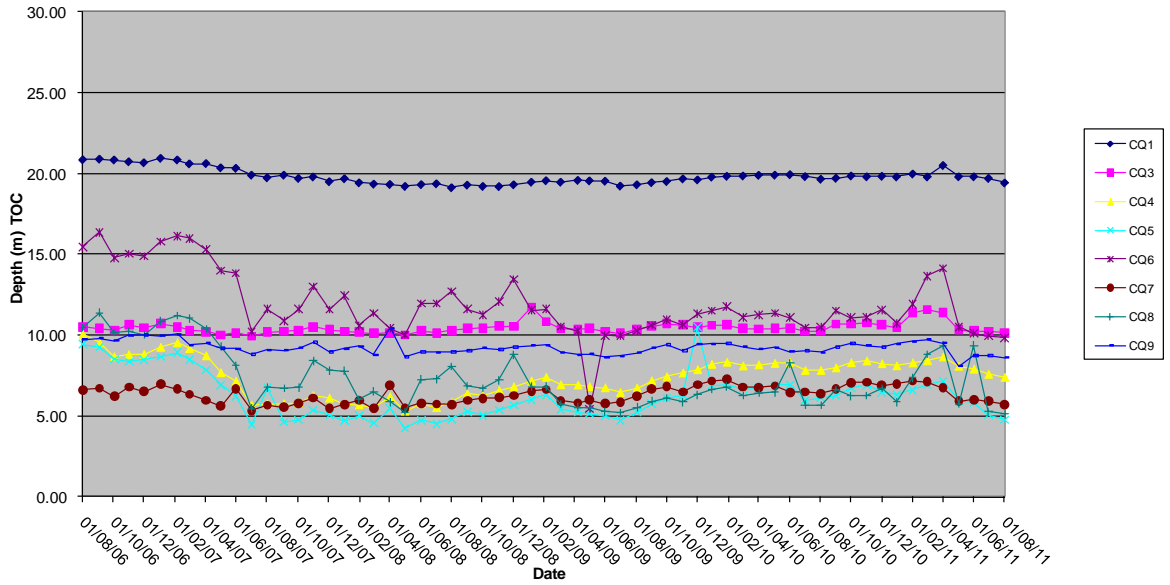
Shading is used to indicate the following trends in water depth (compared to the last reading):

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

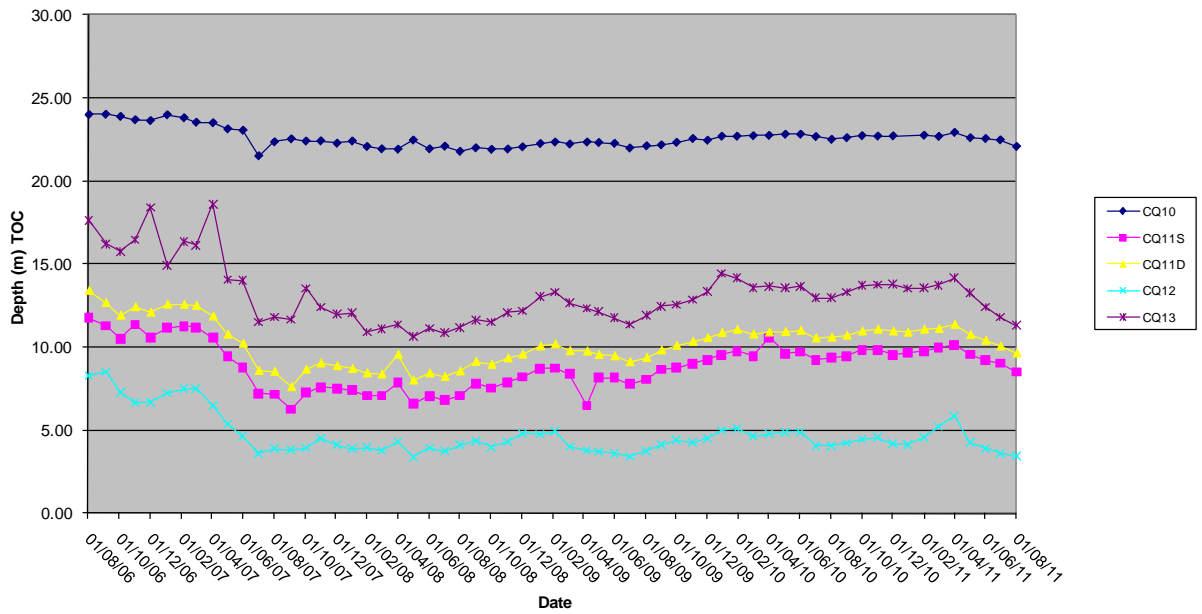
Available groundwater loggers were downloaded and will be forwarded to the Rocla Calga Quarry groundwater consultant.

**Figures 2 to 5: Groundwater Depth Charts.**

**Rocla Calga Groundwaters - Quarry Bores CQ1 to CQ9  
Water Depth TOC**

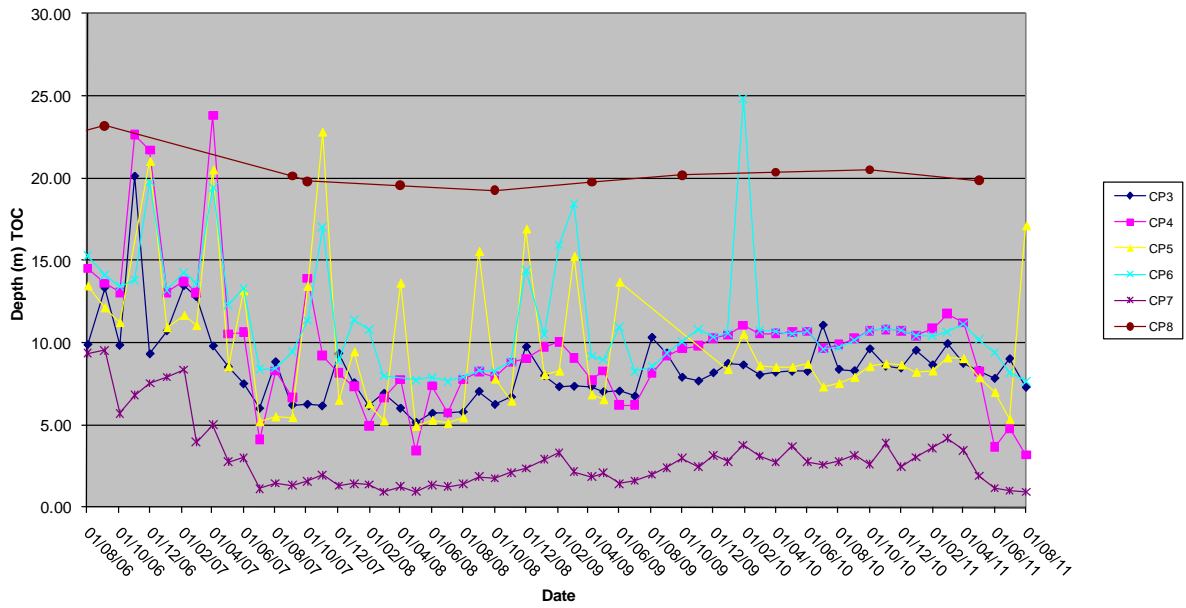


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Water depth TOC**

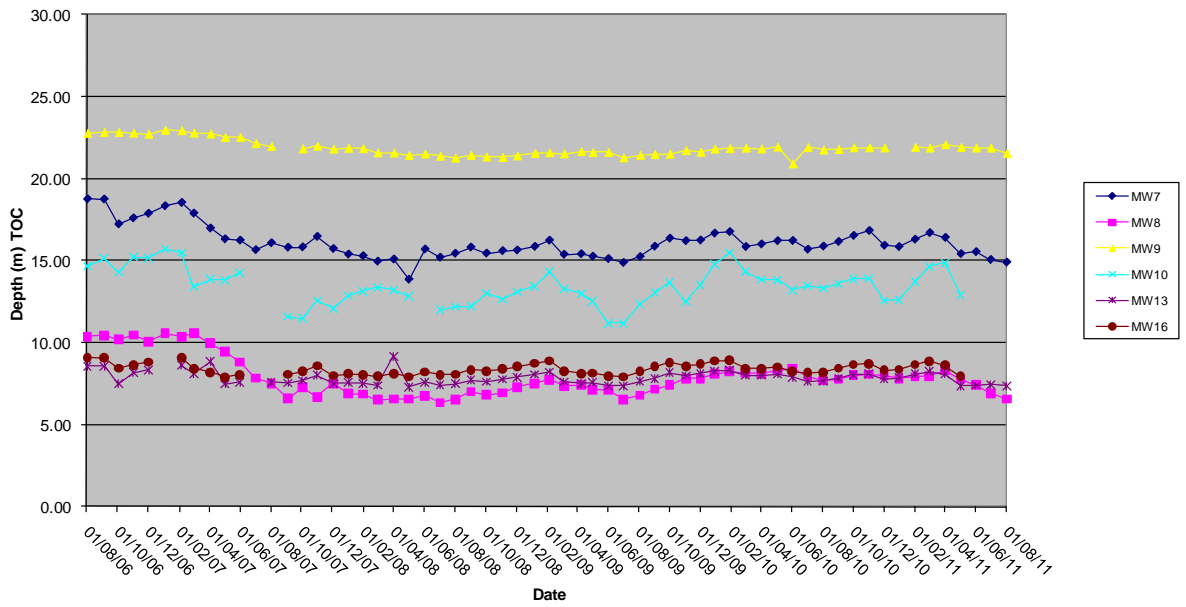




Rocla Calga Groundwaters - Quarry Bores CP3 to CP8  
Water Depth TOC



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



## 2.3 Meteorological Monitoring

The Rocla Calga Quarry weather station data recovery in July was approximately 100%. 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 July 2011 shows rainfall recorded at the Rocla Calga Quarry was similar to that recorded at nearby Peats Ridge BOM station and lower than recorded at Gosford BOM station. Recorded rainfall at Rocla Calga Quarry was higher than the Peats Ridge long term mean rainfall for July. The rainfall comparison is provided below:

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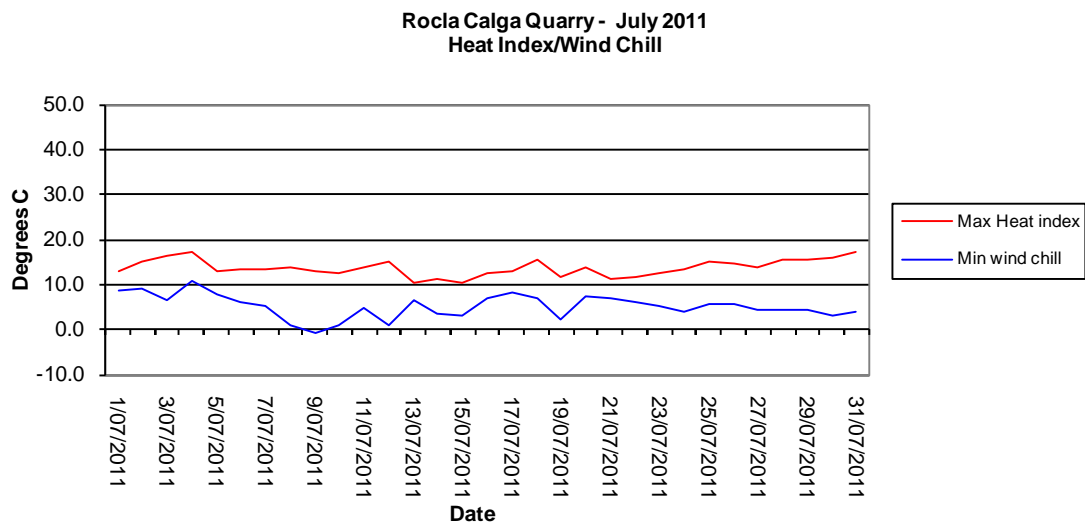
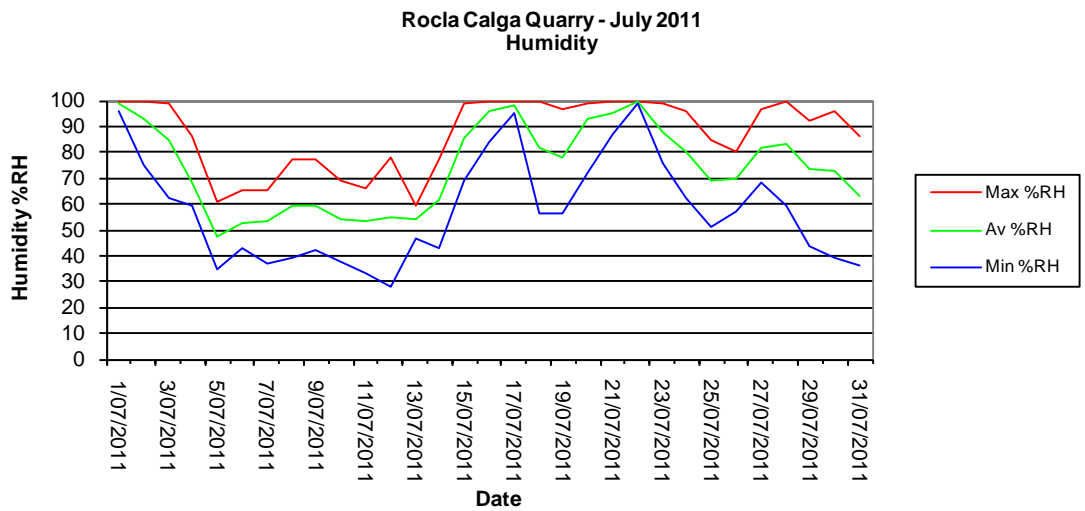
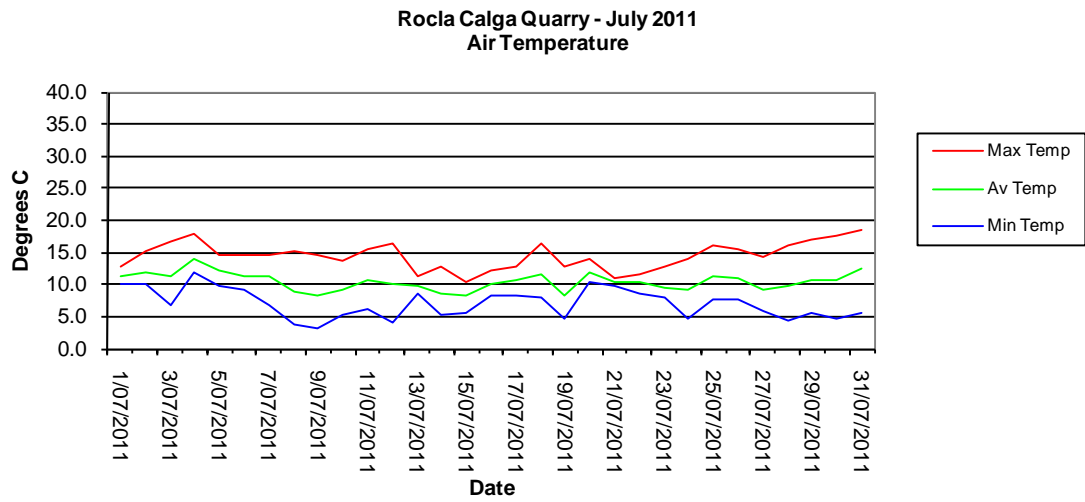
Results are displayed in the following table and figures.

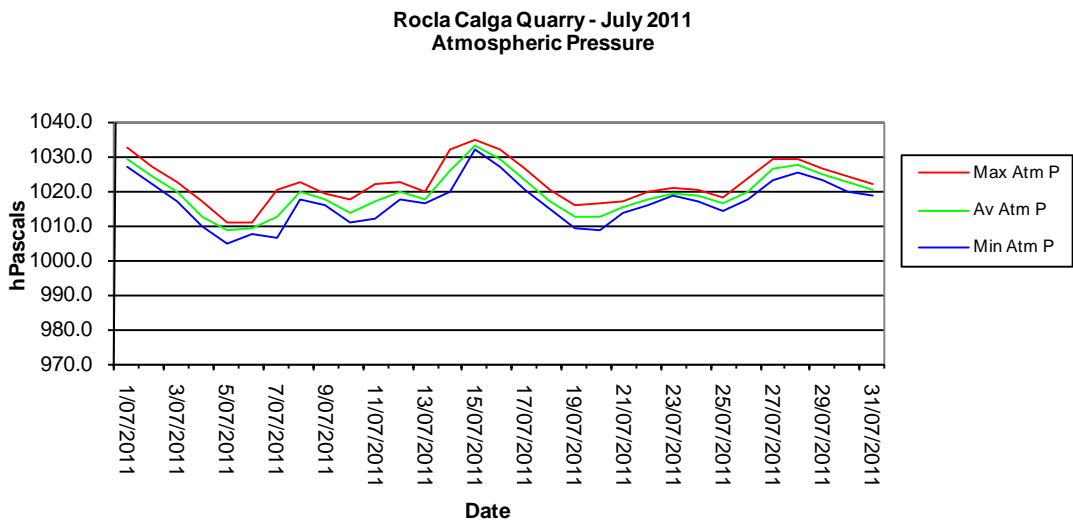
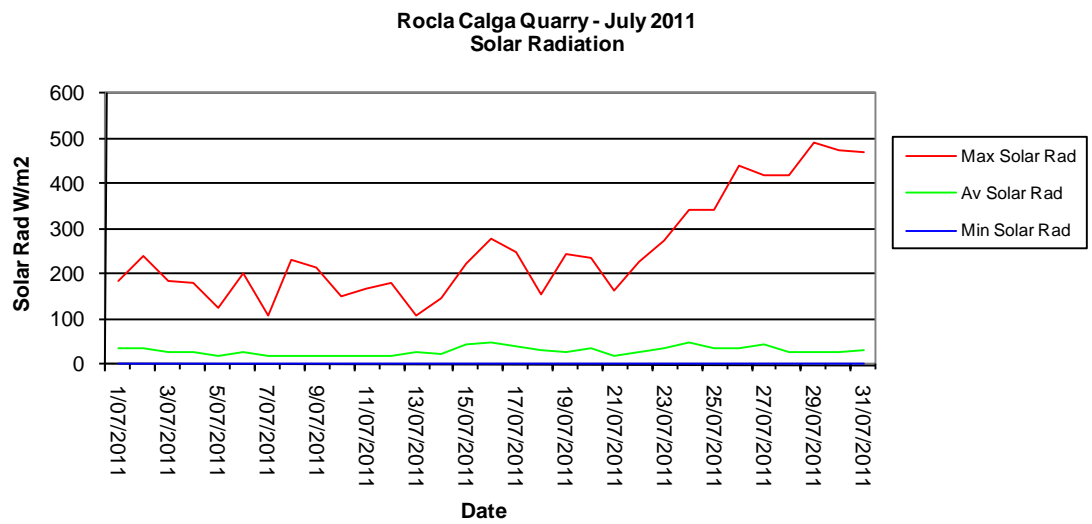
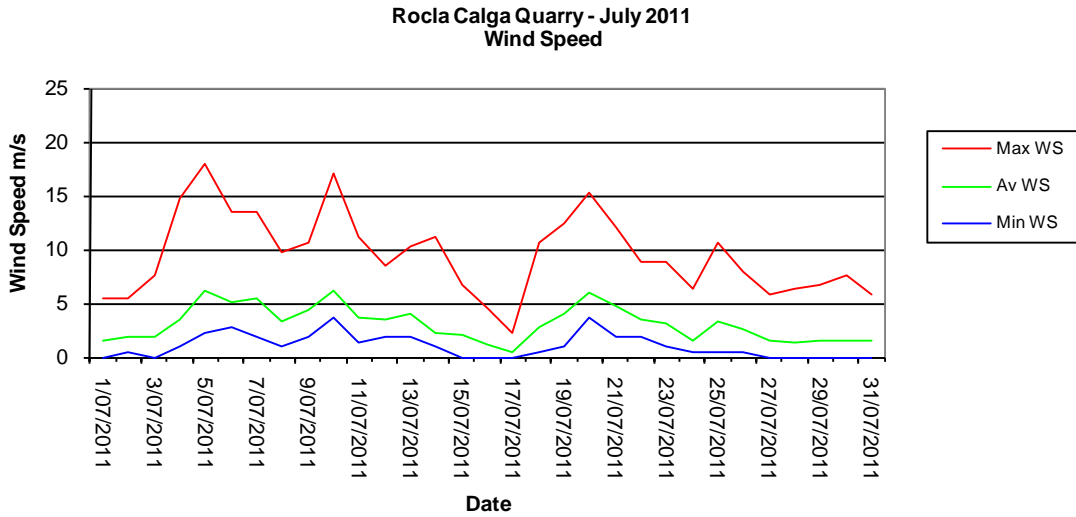
### 2.3.1 Monthly Meteorological Data Summary

Summary Jul-11 Rocla - Calga

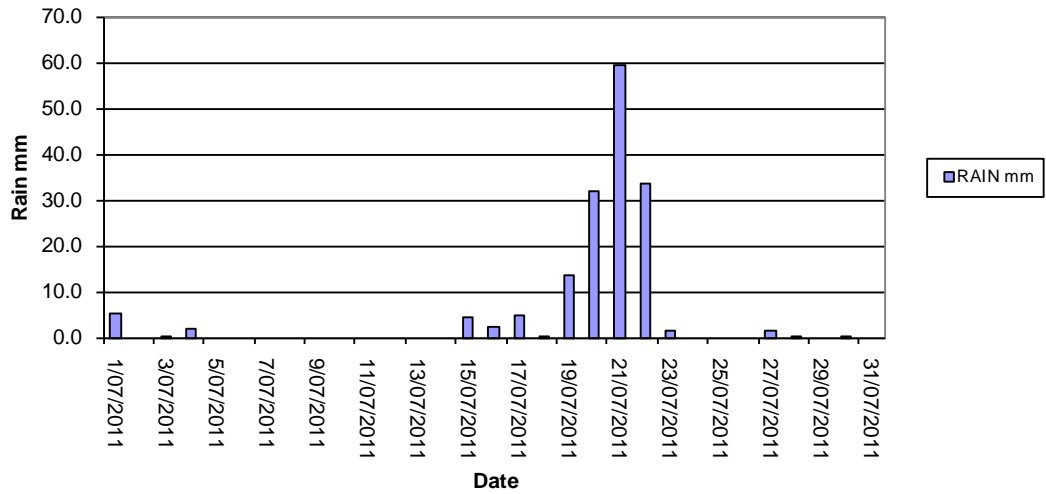
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1/07/2011	10.1	11.3	12.7	96	99	100	5.2	0.4	0	1.6	5.4	8.8	12.8	1027.2	1029.4	1032.5	0	35.6	183	86.5	96.8	100
2/07/2011	10.2	11.8	15.2	75	93	100	0.0	0.6	0.4	1.8	5.4	9.1	15.0	1021.7	1024.4	1027.2	0	36.2	241	85.1	95.1	100
3/07/2011	6.8	11.4	16.8	62	85	99	0.4	0.8	0	1.9	7.6	6.6	16.2	1016.9	1019.7	1022.4	0	26.6	185	88.6	94.7	100
4/07/2011	11.8	14.1	18.0	59	68	86	2.0	1.8	0.9	3.6	14.8	10.7	17.3	1009.9	1012.6	1016.7	0	27.2	180	89.2	97.7	100
5/07/2011	9.8	12.1	14.6	35	48	61	0.0	3.5	2.2	6.1	17.9	7.6	13.0	1004.7	1008.4	1010.6	0	18.1	127	97.1	99.5	100
6/07/2011	9.2	11.3	14.6	43	53	65	0.0	2.7	2.7	5.0	13.4	6.2	13.2	1007.7	1009.2	1010.8	0	27.0	203	94.4	99.4	100
7/07/2011	6.8	11.2	14.7	37	53	65	0.0	2.9	1.8	5.5	13.4	5.3	13.2	1006.2	1012.3	1020.1	0	17.8	109	94.4	99.3	100
8/07/2011	3.9	8.8	15.2	39	59	77	0.0	1.7	0.9	3.2	9.8	0.9	13.8	1017.7	1020.0	1022.4	0	18.7	234	86.8	97.6	100
9/07/2011	3.1	8.4	14.6	42	60	77	0.0	1.9	1.8	4.4	10.7	-0.7	13.1	1015.6	1017.6	1019.2	0	18.5	214	95	99.0	100
10/07/2011	5.2	9.3	13.7	38	54	69	0.0	2.8	3.6	6.2	17	1.0	12.3	1010.9	1013.9	1017.5	0	17.5	153	95.9	99.7	100
11/07/2011	6.1	10.5	15.4	33	53	66	0.0	2.0	1.3	3.6	11.2	4.6	13.7	1011.9	1017.2	1021.8	0	19.0	167	79.5	98.9	100
12/07/2011	4.1	10.0	16.3	28	55	78	0.0	1.9	1.8	3.4	8.5	1.0	15.0	1017.4	1020.0	1022.3	0	19.1	180	92.7	99.8	100
13/07/2011	8.6	9.9	11.2	47	54	59	0.0	2.3	1.8	4.0	10.3	6.4	10.5	1016.2	1017.6	1019.8	0	26.9	108	86	99.8	100
14/07/2011	5.2	8.7	12.7	43	61	77	0.0	1.4	0.9	2.2	11.2	3.6	11.3	1019.5	1025.9	1031.8	0	25.2	148	100	100.0	100
15/07/2011	5.5	8.2	10.3	69	86	99	4.2	0.8	0	2.1	6.7	3.1	10.3	1031.7	1032.9	1034.6	0	44.6	224	95.6	99.8	100
16/07/2011	8.2	10.1	12.2	84	96	100	2.4	0.6	0	1.1	4.5	7.0	12.3	1026.8	1029.2	1032.2	0	48.4	278	86	98.6	100
17/07/2011	8.3	10.6	12.8	95	98	100	4.6	0.4	0	0.4	2.2	8.4	13.0	1020.4	1023.0	1026.5	0	41.5	251	94.7	99.5	100
18/07/2011	8.1	11.5	16.3	56	81	100	0.4	1.1	0.4	2.8	10.7	6.8	15.6	1014.5	1017.0	1020.4	0	32.4	156	89.8	99.2	100
19/07/2011	4.8	8.3	12.7	56	78	97	13.4	1.2	0.9	4.1	12.5	2.1	11.8	1009.1	1012.6	1015.7	0	28.5	244	91.5	99.5	100
20/07/2011	10.3	11.9	14.1	72	93	99	32.0	0.9	3.6	6.0	15.2	7.2	14.0	1008.4	1012.6	1016.2	0	34.8	236	90.9	99.4	100
21/07/2011	9.9	10.4	10.9	87	95	100	59.4	0.5	1.8	4.8	12.1	7.1	11.1	1013.6	1015.2	1017.1	0	18.9	162	86	98.2	100
22/07/2011	8.6	10.4	11.7	99	100	100	33.6	0.3	1.8	3.5	8.9	5.9	11.8	1015.9	1017.6	1019.7	0	27.6	226	92.1	99.6	100
23/07/2011	7.9	9.6	12.8	76	88	99	1.6	0.9	0.9	3.2	8.9	5.2	12.4	1018.4	1019.4	1020.7	0	37.5	275	100	100.0	100
24/07/2011	4.6	9.0	13.9	62	80	96	0.0	0.9	0.4	1.6	6.3	4.1	13.2	1016.9	1018.7	1020.1	0	49.9	341	100	100.0	100
25/07/2011	7.7	11.3	16.0	51	69	85	0.0	1.6	0.4	3.2	10.7	5.7	15.1	1014.4	1016.7	1018.2	0	36.1	344	99.7	100.0	100
26/07/2011	7.8	10.9	15.5	57	70	80	0.0	1.4	0.4	2.6	8	5.6	14.7	1017.4	1019.5	1023.5	0	34.3	441	93.3	99.6	100
27/07/2011	5.8	9.3	14.2	68	82	97	1.6	1.0	0	1.5	5.8	4.2	13.9	1023.1	1026.5	1029.1	0	43.6	419	95.9	99.9	100
28/07/2011	4.3	9.7	16.0	59	83	100	0.2	0.7	0	1.3	6.3	4.2	15.3	1025.2	1027.3	1029.2	0	28.0	421	78.7	98.9	100
29/07/2011	5.6	10.6	16.9	44	74	92	0.0	0.9	0	1.4	6.7	4.2	15.5	1022.9	1024.7	1026.4	0	27.5	493	71.6	98.7	100
30/07/2011	4.6	10.6	17.5	39	72	96	0.2	1.1	0	1.5	7.6	3.2	16.1	1019.9	1022.2	1024.3	0	26.7	475	92.7	99.9	100
31/07/2011	5.7	12.6	18.6	36	63	86	0.0	1.3	0	1.6	5.8	4.0	17.2	1018.8	1020.5	1022.2	0	33.2	469	98.2	99.9	100
Monthly	3.1	10.4	18.6	28	74	100	161.2	42.2	0	3.1	17.9	-0.7	17.3	1004.7	1019.5	1034.6	0	29.9	493	71.6	99.0	100

2.3.2 Monthly Weather Charts

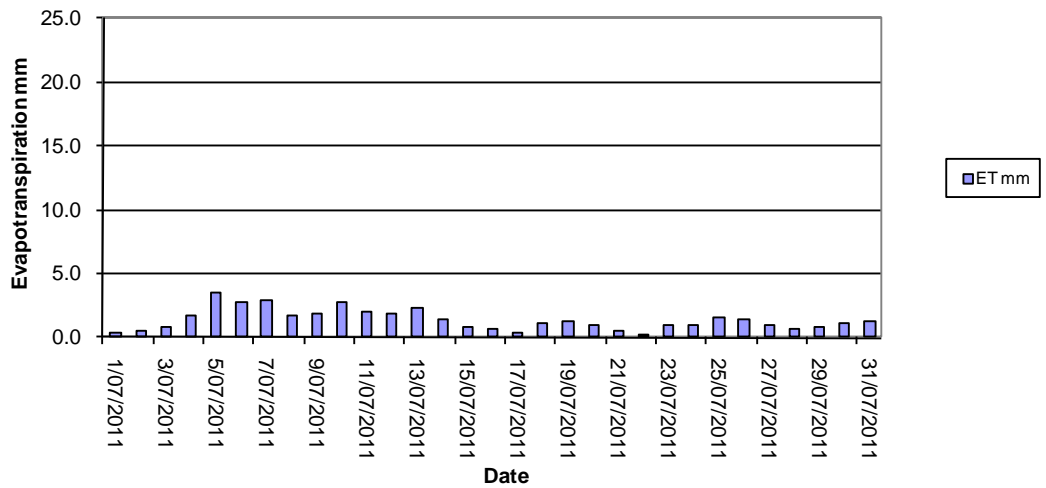




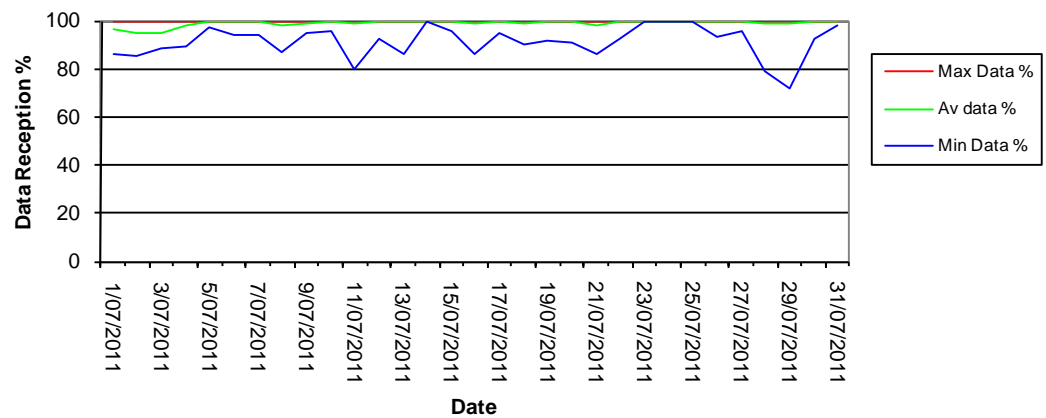
Rocla Calga Quarry - July 2011  
Rainfall



Rocla Calga Quarry - July 2011  
Evapotranspiration



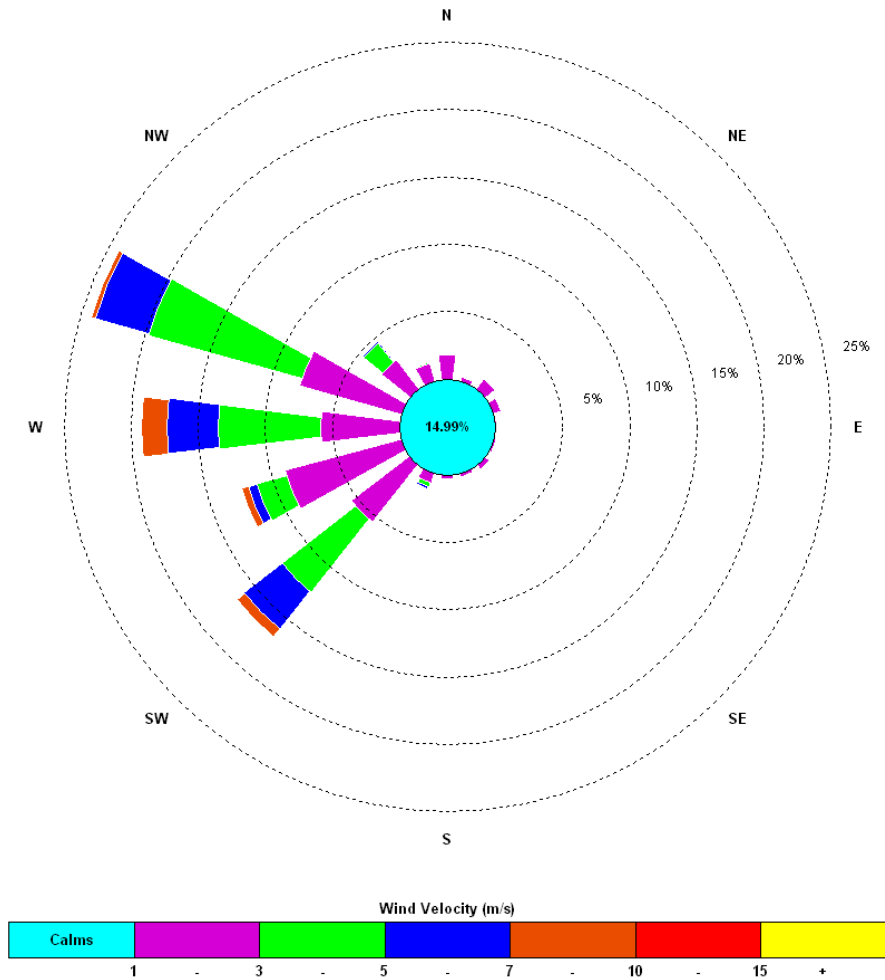
Rocla Calga Quarry - July 2011  
Data Reception



### 2.3.3 Monthly Windrose Plot

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

00:00, 1 July 2011 – 23:45, 31 July 2011



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

Appendix 1  
Laboratory Certificates



## Appendix 2

### Additional Bureau of Meteorology Data from Peats Ridge and Gosford Monitoring Stations



