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Declaration of significantly contaminated land



Section 11 of the *Contaminated Land Management Act 1997*

Declaration No. 20201119; Area No. 3480

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) declares the following land to be significantly contaminated land under s 11 of the *Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 (Act)*.

Land to which this Declaration applies

1. This Declaration applies to significantly contaminated land described as Lot 1 in DP1084948, Lot 2 DP1084948 and Lot 15 DP652782, 115-119 Hume Highway, Cabramatta West NSW (Land).
2. A map of the Land is attached to this Declaration.

Significant Contaminants affecting the Land

3. The EPA has reason to believe that the Land is contaminated with the following substances (Significant Contaminants) in such a way as to warrant regulation as significantly contaminated land under the Act:
 - (i) petroleum hydrocarbons including benzene, ethylbenzene and xylenes.
 - (ii) Naphthalene.
4. The contamination includes light non-aqueous phase liquid (LNAPL) beneath the Land.

Nature of harm caused, or that may be caused, by the Significant Contaminants

5. The EPA has reason to believe harm has been, or may be, caused by the Significant Contaminants, including:
 - (i) Petroleum hydrocarbons have impacted soil and groundwater beneath the Land as a result of loss of fuel from the underground petroleum storage system (UPSS) associated with service station operations.
 - (ii) The contamination includes the presence of LNAPL which has the potential to act as an ongoing secondary source of groundwater contamination.
 - (iii) Potential harm to human health or the environment may be caused by the off-site migration of the contamination.

Matters considered before declaring the Land to be significantly contaminated land

6. Before making this Declaration, the EPA has taken into account relevant guidelines and each of the matters listed in s 12(1) of the Act with respect to the Significant Contaminants that the EPA believes cause the Land to be contaminated.
7. The EPA believes that the Land is contaminated, and that the contamination is significant enough to warrant regulation under the Act for the following reasons:
 - (a) The groundwater beneath the Land is contaminated with the Significant Contaminants at concentrations above criteria protective of human health and the environment.

- (b) The source of the contamination has not been confirmed and it is not known whether it is historic or ongoing.
- (c) LNAPL is present beneath the Land and nearby the downgradient boundary, which may act as a secondary source of contamination.
- (d) The extent of the contamination has not been adequately delineated and requires further investigation.
- (e) There is the potential for the contamination to further migrate and impact off-site receptors, including occupants of nearby properties through vapour intrusion as well as the waters of Chipping Norton Lakes.
- (f) There may be potential vapour risks to those performing subsurface works or accessing underground utilities nearby the site.
- (g) Further assessment is required to better understand the source of the contamination, the extent of the contamination, and potential risks. Management may be required to prevent the further migration of contamination from the Land and to address any identified risks.

Further action to carry out voluntary management under the Act

8. The making of this Declaration does not prevent the carrying out of voluntary management of the Land by any person. Any person may submit a voluntary management proposal for the Land to the EPA.

Submissions invited

9. Any person may make a written submission to the EPA on:
- whether the EPA should issue a management order in relation to the Land; or
 - any other matter concerning the Land.

10. Submissions should be made in writing and sent to:

Email RegOps.MetroRegulation@epa.nsw.gov.au

or

Post Director Regulatory Operations – Metro South
NSW Environment Protection Authority
Locked Bag 5022
PARRAMATTA NSW 2124

11. Submissions should be made by no later than 21 days after the date of this Declaration.

12. Information on contaminated land management can be found on the EPA's website at:

www.epa.nsw.gov.au/your-environment/contaminated-land



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(by delegation)

Date of this Declaration: 09 March 2021

Further information about this Declaration

Management Order may follow

If management of the Land or part of the Land is required, the EPA may issue a Management Order under s 14 of the Act.

Amendment or Repeal

This declaration may be amended or repealed. It remains in force until it is otherwise amended or repealed. The subsequent declaration must state the reasons for the amendment or repeal (s 44 of the Act).

Information recorded by the EPA

Section 58 of the Act requires the EPA to maintain a public record. A copy of this significantly contaminated land declaration will be included in the public record and is available for access at the principal office of the EPA and on the EPA's website.

Information recorded by Councils

Section 59(a) of the Act requires the EPA to inform the relevant local Council as soon as practicable of this Declaration. Pursuant to s 59(2)(a) of the Act, land being declared to be significantly contaminated land is a prescribed matter to be specified in a planning certificate issued pursuant to s 10.7 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The EPA is also required to inform the relevant Council as soon as practicable when the declaration is no longer in force. Pursuant to s 59(3) of the *Contaminated Land Management Act 1997*, if a Council includes advice in a planning certificate regarding a declaration of significantly contaminated land that is no longer in force, the Council is to make it clear on the planning certificate that the declaration no longer applies.

Relationship to other regulatory instruments

This Declaration does not affect the provisions of any relevant environmental planning instruments which apply to the land or provisions of any other environmental protection legislation administered by the EPA.

The Land to which this Declaration applies is shown shaded yellow and bounded by red, and identified as Lot 1 in DP1084948, Lot 2 in DP1084948 and Lot 15 in DP652782. The original image was sourced from <https://maps.six.nsw.gov.au> and has been adapted by the NSW EPA.

