

**Appendix C**  
***Site Verification***  
***Certificate***

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**Boggabri Coal Mine (SVC 8952011)**

Part 4AA, Division 3 of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007*

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Pursuant to clause 17C(1) of *State Environmental Planning Policy (Mining, Petroleum Production and Extractive Industries) 2007*, I determine the application made by Boggabri Coal Pty Limited by issuing this certificate.

I certify that in my opinion, having regard to the criteria in the *Interim Protocol for site verification and mapping of biophysical strategic agricultural land*, the land specified in Schedule 1 is not Biophysical Strategic Agricultural Land.

The reasons for forming the opinion on each of the relevant criteria are contained in Schedule 2.

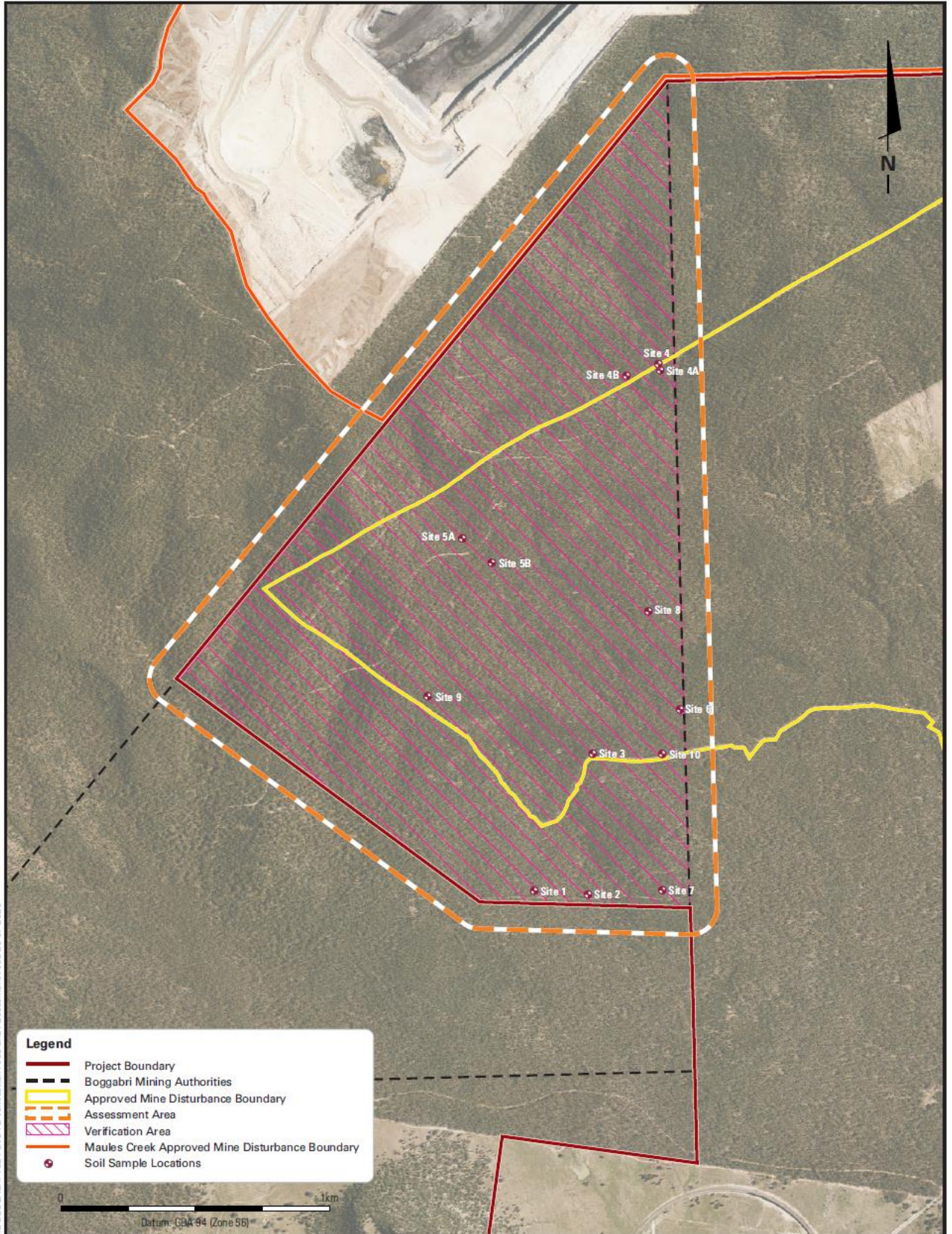


**Executive Director - Energy, Industry and Compliance**  
as delegate for the Planning Secretary

Date certificate issued: 10 November 2020

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# SCHEDULE 1



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## SCHEDULE 2

Relevant criteria	Consideration
Soil slope and contiguous land	The site comprises soil landscapes that fail to meet the criteria for biophysical strategic agricultural land (BSAL) due to a combination of physical constraints. A majority (264 hectares) of the study area comprises soil slopes exceeding 10% and the remaining fragmented areas are less than 20 contiguous hectares.
Soil fertility and effective rooting depth	The remaining 146 hectares are made up of 2 soil types (Maules Gravelly Sands and Maules Gravelly Gradational Clays) that did not meet soil fertility and/or effective rooting depth criteria. The Department's Soil and Landscape Assessment Team agreed that the area was not likely to contain BSAL and that the soil mapping completed by the applicant was consistent with the Department's soil landscape mapping and that the shallow soils precluded there being BSAL present.