

# Establishment of Two Mine Operator Areas at Mt Arthur

Legal and Practical Requirements and Challenges from a Mine Surveying Perspective



# **About BHP**

#### We are a leading global resources company

- Our purpose is to create long-term shareholder value through the discovery, acquisition, development and marketing of natural resources.
- Our strategy is to own and operate large, long-life, low-cost, expandable, upstream assets diversified by commodity, geography and market.
- Iron ore, metallurgical coal, copper, oil, gas and energy coal.
- We have a global footprint





## **Our Charter**

#### **Our Values**

- **Sustainability** Putting health and safety first, being environmentally responsible and supporting our communities.
- Integrity Doing what is right and doing what we say we will do.
- **Respect** Embracing openness, trust, teamwork, diversity and relationships that are mutually beneficial.
- **Performance** Achieving superior business results by stretching our capabilities.
- **Simplicity** Focusing our efforts on the things that matter most.
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	We are successful when:
	Our people start each day with a sense of purpose and end the day with a sense of accomplishment.
	Our teams are inclusive and diverse.
	Our communities, customers and suppliers value their relationships with us.
	Our asset portfolio is world-class and sustainably developed.
	Our operational discipline and financial strength enables our future growth. Our shareholders receive a superior return on their investment.
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	ø Andrew Mackenzie
	Chief Executive Officer May 2017

# Mt Arthur Coal

#### **Our Operation**

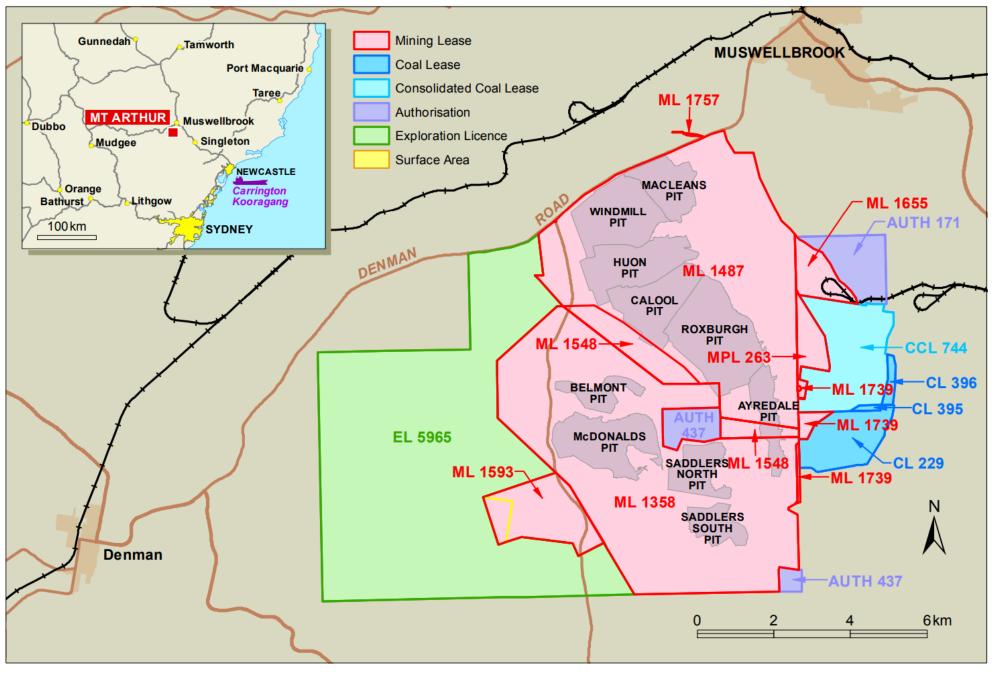
- 1950's- Bayswater No1 UG
- 1960's- Bayswater No2 OC
- 1990's- Bayswater No3 OC
- Mt Arthur North Open Cut was approved in 2001
- The Mt Arthur Underground project 2006-2009

Mt Arthur Open Cut Extension approved in 2010

- 19 Hydraulic Excavators (6 Thiess)
- 2 Electric Rope Shovels
- >125 Mtpa Overburden
- >25 Mtpa ROM Coal







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# Mt Arthur Coal- Survey

### **Our Team**

- 6 Surveyors, 5 working an even time roster.
- Latest technology including Fixed Wing and Multi-rotor UAV's & Laser Scanners with Drive units.
- Owner-operated mining equipment fitted with HP-GPS and Machine Guidance.





# Mining Operation vs Colliery Holding

Mining Operation- WHS (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Act 2013

- Mine Holder has the Right or Entitlement to carry out mining operations at the mine
- The Mine Operator means the Mine Holder OR another person who has been appointed
- There may be more than one mine operator for a mine (so that there are different mine operators for different parts of a mine)
- Mining Operations include exploration, mining, material handling, processing, construction & rehabilitation

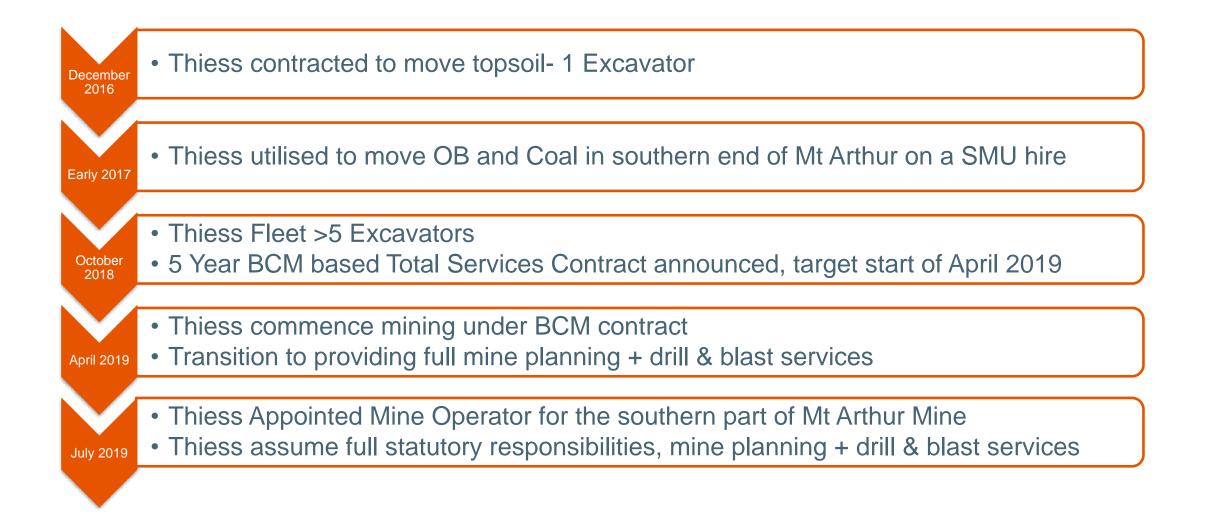
#### Colliery Holding- Mining Act 1992

- Holder of a Mining Lease/s for coal must have the area registered as a Colliery Holding
- Colliery Holdings may consist of multiple Mining Operations
- Each mining operation has a unique RT number/s. The DP&E records all RT numbers associated with the Colliery on The Register for Collieries and Projects

#### WHS (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2014-

If more than one mine operator is appointed for different parts of a mine under this clause, each of those parts is taken to be a separate mine for the purposes of this Regulation.

# **Thiess Operations at Mt Arthur**



# **Transition to Separate Mine Operator**

#### **Supervision**

Prior to April 1st

One Thiess Assistant Surveyor

- Provide supervision to Thiess Surveyor OR
- Continue to survey all work areas personally and with BHP team under supervision

#### From April 1<sup>st</sup>

- Registered Mine Surveyor commenced with Thiess
- Able to provide appropriate level of supervision to Survey Assistants

#### SDD 2015

When a survey is carried out in accordance with these Directions the Nominated Mining Surveyor must exercise such personal oversight and direction of the work as is necessary to ensure that the Nominated Mining Surveyor has the knowledge to certify all aspects of the survey

#### **Operations and Safety**

From April 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30<sup>th</sup>

- Thiess Commence mining under BCM contract
- Operating under Mt Arthur (BHP) SMS
- Single Mine Operator (BHP) with all statutory functions
- Nominated Mine Surveyor for entire Mining Operation

#### From July 1st

- Thiess Appointed Mine Operator for the southern part of Mt Arthur Mine
- Both mines operate under separate SMS
- Thiess assume full statutory responsibilities at Mt Arthur South

# **Department and Legislative Requirements**

#### Appointment and notification of operator of a mine or petroleum site form

- Name and contact details of the mine operator
- When the appointment takes effect
- Details of the location of the mine

#### Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2014

• The mine holder must give the mine operator all relevant information held by or under the control of the mine holder e.g. A mine survey plan prepared under clause 122

#### **DP&E Drafting- No formal application form**

- Mine Survey Plan for RT808 charted to Suspension of Operations
- Issue of 2 new RT numbers for each Mining Operation RT808A and RT808B

#### Thiess- Notification of other matters (including reportable events) form

- Commencement of mining operations at the mine
- Details of people within the management structure that have responsibility for the management of work health and safety at the mine- statutory position holders



#### FORM | WHS (MINES AND PETROLEUM SITES) LEGISLATION

### Appointment and notification of operator of a mine or petroleum site

June 2019

This form must be completed by the mine holder or petroleum site holder, including when that holder is the operator of the mine or petroleum site.

Read the Appointment and notification of a mine operator guide or Appointment and notification of a petroleum operator guide before completing this form.

#### 1. Details of mine or petroleum site

Name of mine or petroleum site	
Site address of mine or petroleum site	
Type of notification	<ul> <li>New mine or petroleum site</li> <li>Appointment of a new operator of a mine or petroleum site.</li> <li>What is the name of the previous operator?</li> <li>Change of name of an existing mine or petroleum site.</li> <li>What was the previous name of the mine or petroleum site?</li> </ul>
Land title identification reference(s)	





# **Provision of Survey Information**

#### Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2014

• A mine survey plan prepared under clause 122

#### **Company Supplied Information under contract**

- Provide site coordinate system details and survey control points, as agreed
- Statutory Plans

#### **Outside of contract**

- Location of misfires
- Coal roof and floor survey data
- Site Services
- Start surfaces for beginning of BCM contract



# Impacts of the Statutory Boundary

#### What is Barrier Mining?

#### Extraction or drilling activities taking place within

- 20m from external boundary
- 20m of any adjacent mine
- UG mine- 40m of outcrop of seam

#### **Does Barrier Mining HRA Notification Apply?**

WHS (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Regulation 2014-

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#### **Resistance to own the Barrier Mining Notification**

Decision was made to place statutory boundary in a location that would remove the need to conduct Barrier Mining





# Impacts of the Statutory Boundary

#### Dumping

Nothing prevents the dumping of materials up to the Statutory Boundary

#### **Shared (Interaction) Areas**

Shared area in place for ROM. Operates under BHP SMS

#### **Crossing of Boundaries**

Permitted, provided individuals

- Inducted for both operations.
- If working- relevant competencies for task
- Carry GPS PED

# AWARNING

# STATUTORY BORDER CROSSING

BHP STATUTORY OPERATING AREA AUTHORISED ACCESS ONLY

Call Sign For Statutory Supervisor	
Change Two Way To Channel	
Dispatch Phone Number	
Follow Site Emergency Procedure	

#### BHP INDUCTION REQUIRED PAST THIS POINT

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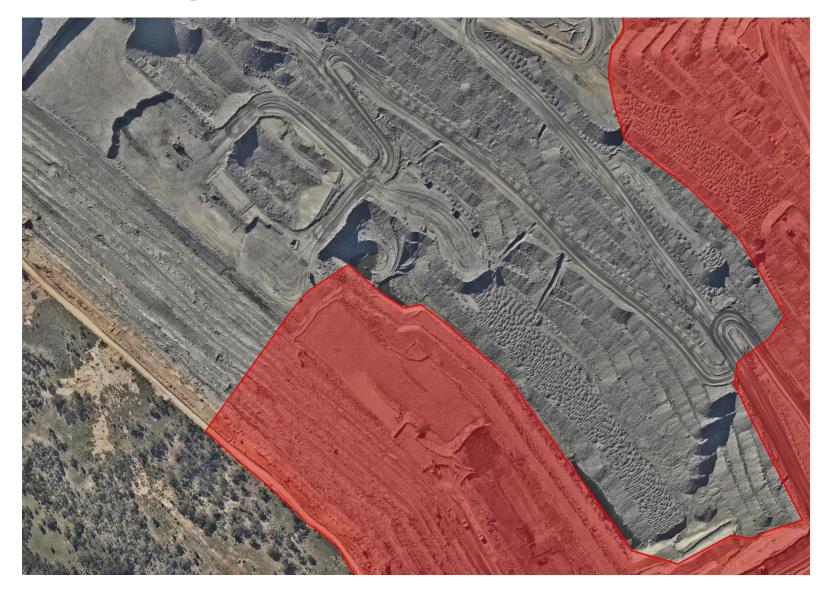
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### **MAC SOUTH**

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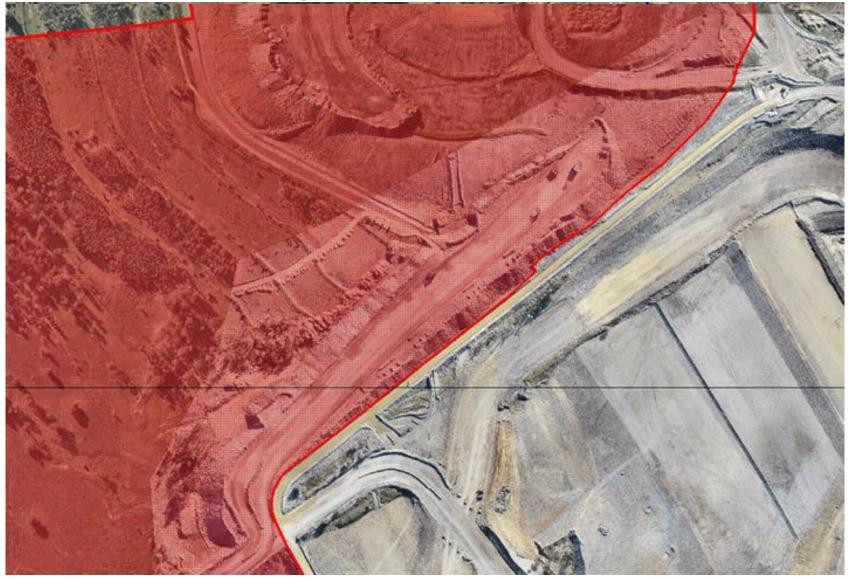
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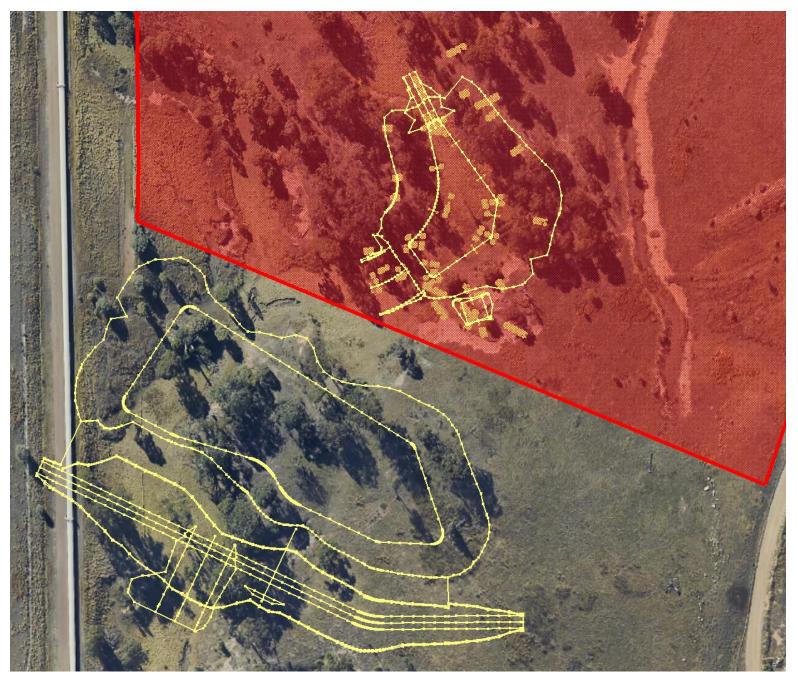




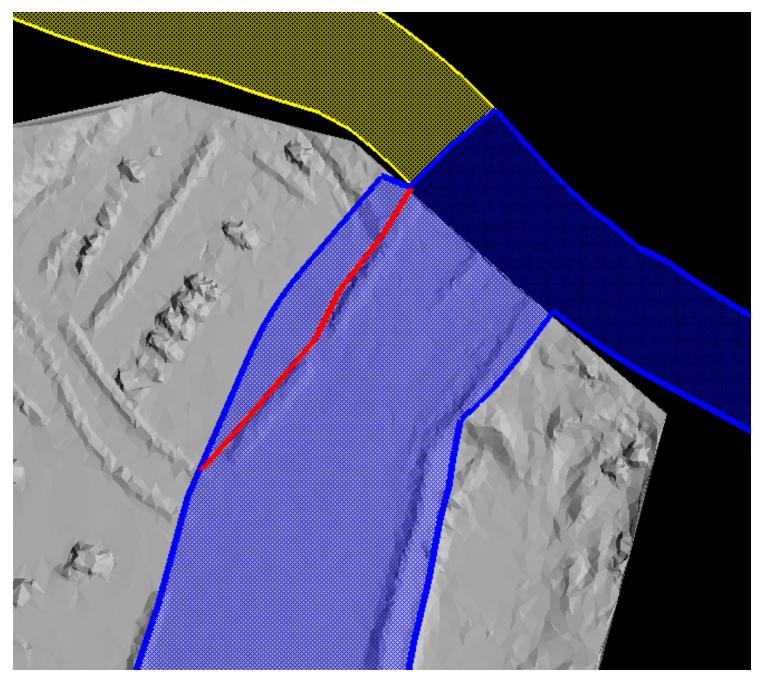
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# **Future Requirements**

#### • Statutory Boundary Change ~ December 2019

Area currently under Thiess Mining Operation returned to BHP to allow rope shovel to continue operating efficiently

• Statutory Boundary Change ~ December 2020

Area of shovel operation returned to Thiess for dump space requirements

#### • MGA 2020

How do we manage transition to MGA 2020?

End of Total Services Contract?

Renewal? Expansion? Consolidation of Mining Operations and RT's?





# Important Lessons and Takeaways

- Process for Department relatively simple
- General lack of understanding of Mine Surveying Requirements and Responsibilities- We can just move the boundary!
- Resistance to ownership of HRA Notification and numerous changes to boundary location
- Advantages of having separate operations, but certain obligations can't be discharged
- Digital Submission of Shapefiles, which is required in NSW, allows for much more detailed information to be attributed to survey data. E.g lineage



