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1 Introduction

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has been commissioned by PM. Anderson Consulting Pty Ltd to prepare a Noise Assessment (NA) to quantify noise emissions from surrounding developments to the proposed residential dwellings to be located at 39-41 Fairfax Street, Rutherford, NSW (the project).

The NA has quantified potential noise emissions from the surrounding development and recommends reasonable and feasible noise controls where required.

This assessment has been undertaken in accordance with the following documents:

- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Noise Policy for Industry (NPI) 2017;
- NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), Approved Methods for the measurement and analysis of environmental noise in NSW, 2022;
- NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change (DECCW) NSW Interim Construction
 Noise Guideline (ICNG), July 2009;
- Standards Australia AS 1055:2018 Acoustics Description and measurement of environmental noise - General Procedures;
- International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) 9613-1:1993 (ISO9613:1) Acoustics Attenuation of Sound During Propagation Outdoors Part 1: Calculation of the Absorption of Sound by the Atmosphere;
- International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) 9613-2:1996 (ISO9613:2) Acoustics -Attenuation of Sound during Propagation Outdoors - Part 2: General Method of Calculation;
- ISO/TR 17534-3 Acoustics Software for the calculation of sound outdoors Part 3: Recommendations for quality assured implementation of ISO 9613-2 in software according to ISO 17534-1.

A glossary of terms, definitions and abbreviations used in this report is provided in Appendix A.



1.1 Project Background

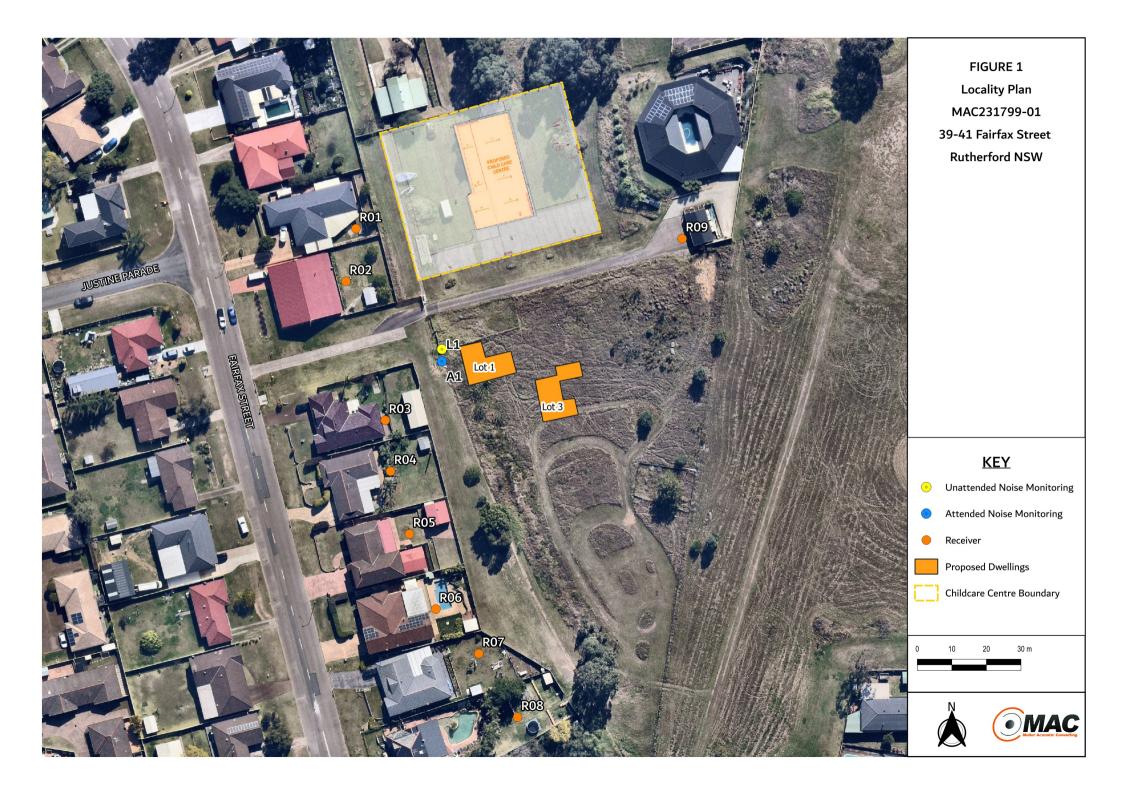
The project relates to the construction of two multi-storey residential dwellings to be located on Lots 1 and 3 of DP809354. These dwellings will be known as 39 and 41 Fairfax Street respectively. Both dwellings will have three bedrooms. The project plans are reproduced in **Appendix B**.

1.1.1 Receiver Review

A review of residential receivers in proximity to the project has been completed and are summarised in **Table 1. Figure 1** provides a locality plan showing the position of these receivers in relation to the project. Additionally, a proposed childcare centre is to be constructed and operated immediately adjacent the residential dwellings located at 39-43 Fairfax Street Rutherford. **Figure 1** provides a locality plan showing the position of this childcare centre.

Table 1 Receiver Locations							
Receiver	Height	Receiver Type -	Coordinate	es (GDA94/MGA56)			
Receiver	пеідпі	Receiver Type -	Easting	Northing			
R01	1.5m	Residential	361309	6380006			
R02	1.5m	Residential	361307	6379990			
R03	1.5m	Residential	361318	6379950			
R04	1.5m	Residential	361319	6379935			
R05	1.5m	Residential	361325	6379917			
R06	1.5m	Residential	361333	6379896			
R07	1.5m	Residential	361345	6379883			
R08	1.5m	Residential	361356	6379864			
R09	1.5m	Residential	361404	6380003			





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2 Noise Policy and Guidelines

2.1 Development Near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads – Interim Guidelines

Guidance for the specification of internal noise levels of habitable rooms is prescribed in Department of Planning's (DoP) Development near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads – Interim Guidelines (2008) (the guideline).

2.1.1 Road Noise Screening Test

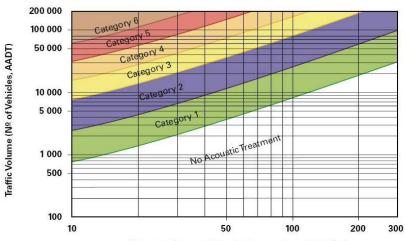
Section 5.3.2 of the guideline provides screening tests for single and dual occupancy dwellings. The screening tests provide various categories of noise control treatments for dwellings taking into consideration distance to the road and amount of traffic. The guideline presents two screen tests for a 60/70 km/hr zone and 100/110 km/hr zone that are reproduced in **Figure 2** and **Figure 3** respectively. The screening tests have been adopted in this assessment to provide guidance on building categories for the project. As the residential dwellings are expected to be more than 300m from the New England Highway (60km zone which carries less than 20,000 vehicles per day), a detailed assessment is not required to determine the appropriate acoustic treatments required for the development prior to construction.

It is expected standard construction materials will be able to provide suitable attenuation from road traffic associated with busy roads in the area.



Figure 2 Screen test for habitable areas of single/dual occupancy dwellings adjacent to 60/70 km/hr zones.

Screen Test 1(a) – Habitable Areas 60/70 km/h







Screen Test 1(b) - Habitable Areas 100/110 km/h 200 000 100 000 Category 6 Traffic Volume (Nº of Vehicles, AADT) 50 000 Category 5 ategory Category 3 10 000 5 000 1 000 500 100 50 200

Figure 3 Screen test for habitable areas of single/dual occupancy dwellings adjacent to 100/110 km/hr zones.

2.2 AS2107 Design Sound Levels

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Standards Australia AS 2107:2016, recommends design criteria for conditions affecting the acoustic environment within building interiors to ensure a healthy, comfortable and productive environment for the occupants and the users. The background sound levels recommended take into account the function of the area(s) and apply to the sound level measured within the space unoccupied but ready for occupancy.

Distance of exposed façade to nearest road kerb (m)

100

300

2.3 Interim Construction Noise Guideline

The ICNG sets out procedures to identify and address the impacts of construction noise on residences and other sensitive land uses. This section provides a summary of noise objectives that are applicable to the assessment. The ICNG provides two methodologies for the assessment of construction noise emissions:

- quantitative, which is suited to major construction projects with typical durations of more than three weeks; and
- qualitative, which is suited to short term infrastructure maintenance (< three weeks).

The qualitative assessment methodology is a more simplified approach that relies on noise management strategies. This study has adopted a quantitative assessment approach which is summarised in Figure 4. The quantitative approach includes identification of potentially affected receivers, derivation of the construction Noise Management Levels, quantification of potential noise impact at receivers via predictive modelling and, provides management and mitigation recommendations.



Are the predicted levels below the Yes No and mitigation measures that are feasible and reasonable and can be No practices been applied? applied to minimise noise. Yes No Are predicted levels below the highly noise-affected level? Yes with the impacted residents by clearly explaining the duration and noise level of the works, and inform of any respite

Figure 4: Quantitative Assessment Processes for Assessing and Managing Construction Noise

Source: Department of Environment and Climate Change, 2009.



2.3.1 Standard Hours for Construction

Table 2 summaries the ICNG recommended standard hours for construction works.

Table 2 Recommended Standard Hours for Construction				
Daytime	Construction Hours			
Monday to Friday	7am to 6pm			
Saturdays	8am to 1pm			
Sundays or Public Holidays	No construction			

These recommended hours do not apply in the event of direction from police, or other relevant authorities, for safety reasons or where required in an emergency to avoid the loss of lives, property and/or to prevent environmental harm.

Construction activities are anticipated to be undertaken during standard construction hours.

2.3.2 Construction Noise Management Levels

Section 4 of the ICNG (DECC, 2009) details the quantitative assessment method involving predicting noise levels and comparing them with the Noise Management Level (NML) and are important indicators of the potential level of construction noise impact.



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Table 3 reproduces the ICNG Noise Management Level for residential receivers. The NML is determined by adding 10dB (standard hours) or 5dB (OOH) to the Rating Background Level (RBL) for each specific assessment period.

Time of Day	Management Level LAeq(15min) ¹	How to Apply
Recommended standard	Noise affected	The noise affected level represents the point above which then
hours: Monday to Friday	RBL + 10dB	may be some community reaction to noise.
7am to 6pm Saturday	NDL + TOUB	Where the predicted or measured LAeq(15min) is greater than
8am to 1pm No work on		the noise affected level, the proponent should apply all feasible
Sundays or public		and reasonable work practices to meet the noise affected leve
holidays.		The proponent should also inform all potentially impacted
		residents of the nature of work to be carried out, the expected
		noise levels and duration, as well as contact details.
	Highly noise affected	The highly noise affected level represents the point above
	75dBA	which there may be strong community reaction to noise.
		Where noise is above this level, the relevant authority (conser
		determining or regulatory) may require respite periods by
		restricting the hours that the very noisy activities can occur,
		taking into account times identified by the community when
		they are less sensitive to noise such as before and after school
		for work near schools, or mid-morning or mid-afternoon for
		work near residences; and if the community is prepared to
		accept a longer period of construction in exchange for
		restrictions on construction times.
Outside recommended	Noise affected	A strong justification would typically be required for work
standard hours.	RBL + 5dB	outside the recommended standard hours.
		The proponent should apply all feasible and reasonable work
		practices to meet the noise affected level.
		Where all feasible and reasonable practices have been applied
		and noise is more than 5dBA above the noise affected level,
		the proponent should negotiate with the community.
		For guidance on negotiating agreements see section 7.2.2.

Note 1: The Rating Background Level (RBL) is an overall single figure background level representing each assessment period over the whole monitoring period. The RBL is used to determine the construction noise management levels for noise assessment purposes and is the median of the ABL's.



2.4 AAAC Guideline for Childcare Centre Acoustic Assessment

2.4.1 Outdoor Play Areas

The noise impact from children at play in a childcare centre differs from the domestic situation in that it is a business carried out for commercial gain, the number of children can be far greater than in a domestic situation and the age range of the children at the centre does not significantly vary over time as it would in a domestic situation. However, the noise from children is vastly different, in both character and duration, from industrial, commercial or even domestic machine noise. The sound from children at play, in some circumstances, can be pleasant, with noise emission generally only audible during the times the children play outside. Night-time, weekend or public holiday activity is not typical and childcare centres have considerable social and community benefit¹.

 $^{{\}bf 1}$ Source adopted from the AAAC Childcare Centre Acoustic Assessment Technical Guideline.



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3 Existing Environment

3.1 Unattended Noise Monitoring

To quantify the existing background noise environment of the area, unattended noise monitoring was conducted at one location representative of the ambient environment surrounding the project site. The selected monitoring location is shown in Error! Reference source not found. and is considered representative of surrounding residential receivers as per Fact Sheet B1.1 of the NPI.

Attended and unattended noise surveys were conducted in general accordance with the procedures described in Standards Australia AS 1055:2018, "Acoustics – Description and Measurement of Environmental Noise".

The measurements were carried out using one Svantek 977 noise analyser from Thursday 2 November 2023 to Sunday 12 November 2023. All acoustic instrumentation used carries appropriate and current NATA (or manufacturer) calibration certificates with records of all calibrations maintained by MAC as per Approved Methods for the measurement and analysis of environmental noise in NSW (EPA, 2022) and complies with AS/NZS IEC 61672.1-2019-Electroacoustics - Sound level meters - Specifications. Calibration of all instrumentation was checked prior to and following measurements. Drift in calibration did not exceed ±0.5dBA. Observations on-site identified the surrounding locality was typical of a suburban environment, with traffic noise and birds audible.

Data affected by adverse meteorological conditions have been excluded from the results in accordance with methodologies provided in Fact Sheet A4 of the NPI. Residential receivers situated in the surrounding area have been classified under the EPA's suburban amenity category. This criteria is used in conjunction with the intrusiveness criteria to determine the limiting criteria. The results of long-term unattended noise monitoring are provided in **Table 4**. The noise monitoring charts for the background monitoring assessment are provided in **Appendix C**.

Table 4 Unattended Noise Monitoring Summary							
Location	Measured Back	ground Noise Level	l (LA90) dB ABL ¹	Me	easured dB LAeq(per	iod)	
Location	Day	Evening	Night	Day	Evening	Night	
L1	37	39	31	48	51	46	

Note: Excludes periods of wind or rain affected data. Meteorological data obtained from the Bureau of Meteorology weather station Maitland Airport AWS, NSW 32.7023°S 151.4881°E 28m AMSL.

Note: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.

Note 1: Assessment background level (ABL) - the single-figure background level representing each assessment period day, evening and night as per NPI Fact Sheet A.



3.2 Attended Noise Monitoring

To validate background noise levels, an attended noise monitoring measurement was completed at the development site on Thursday 2 November 2023.

Observations during the survey noted that road traffic from New England Highway was a contributor to background noise levels. The monitored noise level contributions and observed meteorological conditions for each measurement are presented in **Table 5**.

Table 5 Op	Table 5 Operator-Attended Noise Survey Results						
Location	Date &	Descript	Descriptor (dBA re 20 μPa)		Description and SPL, dBA		
Location	Time (hrs)	LAmax	LAeq	LA90	Meteorology	Description and SFL, dbA	
	2/11/2023				WD: SE	Birds 42-65	
A1	A1 85 62 40 WS: 0.6m/	WS: 0.6m/s	Traffic 35-48				
	10:58				Rain: Nil	Local Residential Noise 35-42	

Note: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.



4 Assessment Criteria

4.1 AS2107 Design Sound Levels

Design criteria for the acoustic environment within occupied spaces are prescribed in Standards Australia AS2107. The relevant design sound levels for a residential dwelling are reproduced in **Table 6**.

Table 6 AS/NZS 2107:2016 Recommended Design Sound Levels for Different Areas of Occupancy in Buildings

Type of Occupancy / Activity	Design sound level, range LAeq, t dB(A)					
Houses and apartments in suburban areas or near minor roads						
Living areas	30 to 40					
Sleeping areas (night-time)	30 to 35					

4.2 Development Near Rail Corridors and Busy Roads – Interim Guidelines

The guideline outlines internal noise criteria for Clause 102 (Road) of the State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP) for Infrastructure (Infrastructure) 2008 (superseded by State Environmental Planning Policy for Transport and Infrastructure 2021):

"If the development is for the purpose of a building for residential use, the consent authority must be satisfied that appropriate measures will be taken to ensure that the following LAeq levels are not exceeded:

- in any bedroom in the building: 35dBA at any time 10pm–7am; and
- anywhere else in the building (other than a garage, kitchen, bathroom or hallway): 40dBA at any time."

Table 3.1 of the guideline clarifies that the above noise criteria are to be determined as an LAeq(15hr) for the daytime and LAeq(9hr) for the night-time period.



4.3 Construction Noise Criteria

The relevant NMLs for standard construction hours are presented in **Table 7**.

Table 7 Construction Noise Management Levels							
Receivers	Assessment Period ¹	Daytime RBL	NML				
Neceivers	Assessment Fenou	dB LA90	dB LAeq(15min)				
Residential	Standard Hours	37	47 (RBL+10dBA)				

Note 1: See **Table 2** for Standard Recommended Hours for Construction.

4.4 AAAC Guideline for Childcare Centre Acoustic Assessment

With the development of childcare centres in residential areas, the background noise level within these areas can at certain times, be low. Thus, a base criterion of a contributed Leq,15min 45dB(A) for the assessment of outdoor play is recommended in locations where the background noise level is less than 40dB(A).



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5 Modelling Methodology

Brüel and Kjær Predictor Type 7810 (Version 11.10) and DGMR iNoise modelling software was used to assess potential noise impacts associated with the construction phase of the project, as well as noise impacts from the adjacent childcare centre. A three-dimensional digital terrain map providing all relevant topographic information was used in the modelling process.

Additionally, the model uses relevant noise source data, ground type, attenuation from barrier or buildings and atmospheric information to predict noise levels at the nearest potentially affected receivers.

The Sound Power Levels have been adjusted to account for duration over a fifteen-minute period. It is noted that the potential for maximum noise level events to occur simultaneously is unlikely for this project.

The model calculation method used to predict noise levels was in accordance with ISO 9613:1 and ISO 9613:2 including corrections for meteorological conditions using CONCAWE². The ISO 9613 standards are the most used noise prediction method worldwide. Many countries refer to ISO 9613 in their noise legislation. However, the ISO 9613 standard does not contain guidelines for quality assured software implementation, which leads to differences between applications in calculated results. In 2015 this changed with the release of ISO/TR 17534-3. This quality standard gives clear recommendations for interpreting the ISO 9613 method. iNoise fully supports these recommendations. The models and results for the 19 test cases are included in the software.

² Report no. 4/18, "the propagation of noise from petroleum and petrochemical complexes to neighbouring communities", Prepared by C.J. Manning, M.Sc., M.I.O.A. Acoustic Technology Limited (Ref.AT 931), CONCAWE, Den Haag May 1981



5.1 Noise Intrusion from Childcare Centre

An assessment of potential noise emissions from the proposed childcare center located adjacent to the project has been completed. The assessment has identified noise sources that may generate acoustic impacts at the project related dwellings, such as noise associated with children engaging in outdoor play.

These noise source assumptions have been adopted from the Noise Impact Assessment conducted for the Childcare center by Spectrum Acoustics (Report Reference: 212159-9509, Noise Assessment – Proposed Childcare Facility 43a Fairfax Street, Rutherford, NSW, February 2022).

The assessment considered a scenario in which 90 of the 105 children to be in outdoor play areas. Based on the proposed layout of the outdoor spaces, it was assumed that if the 90 children proposed to be in the outdoor play areas and were evenly dispersed throughout those spaces, with three groups of 15 children aged 2-3, two groups of 15 children aged 3-5, and one group of 15 children aged 0-2.

Table 8 presents the Sound Power Levels for each source assessed in this report.

Table 8 Sound Power Levels ¹									
ltem	Octave Band Sound Power Level							Total	
	63	125	250	500	1000	2000	4000	8000	- dBA ²
Noise Intrusion Assessment (dB LAeq)									
Children Aged 0-2 years	62	68	74	76	73	69	66	56	80
Children Aged 2-3 years	74	80	86	88	85	81	77	68	92
Children Aged 3-5 years	75	80	86	88	85	81	77	69	92

Note 1: Source adopted from the AAAC Childcare Centre Acoustic Assessment Technical Guideline.

Note 2: Total dBA is Sound Power Level per item.

5.2 Construction Nosie Methodology

For construction, a fleet Sound Power Level of 108dB LAeq(15min) was adopted to quantify construction emissions to surrounding receivers. This Sound Power Level is considered generally representative of average emissions from a variety of construction tasks for residential developments.



5.3 Indicative Attenuation Levels

The Environmental Noise Management Manual (ENMM) (2001) provides a summary of indicative attenuation from standard building types. The indicative attenuation levels are summarised in **Table 9**, which provides typical performance of buildings with respect to noise reduction. A masonry residence with single 3mm glazing would be expected to provide a reduction of approximately 25dBA from external to internal with windows closed. Where windows are closed, the fresh air requirements outlined in the Building Code of Australia should be taken into consideration.

Table 9 Indicative Building Noise Attenuation						
Building Type	Windows	Internal noise reduction, dBA				
All	Open	10				
Light frame	Single glazed (closed)	20				
Macanny	Single glazed (closed)	25				
Masonry	Double glazed (closed)	30				



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6 Noise Assessment Results

6.1 Noise Intrusion (Childcare Outdoor Play)

The operational noise levels generated by childcare centre have been conservatively assessed to the proposed dwellings identified as Lot 1 and Lot 3. The results presented in **Table 10** and **Table 11** demonstrate compliance with the recommended design sound levels outlined in AS/NZS 2107:2016 for living and sleeping areas within houses in suburban areas or near minor roads.

Table 10 Noise	Prediction Resul	ts – Childe	care Noise I	mpacts to l	₋ot 1		
	Receptor	Predicted level, dB		Internal Criteria, dB			
Element	Room	LAeq¹ (internal)		LAeq		Noise Control Treatment	
	Category	Day	Night	Day	Night	·	
		Lot 1 [Owelling – Nor	thern Facade)		
Masonry Façade	Bedroom 3	<30	<30	40	35	Standard Glazing	
with Single Pane Window	Dining/Living Area	<30	<30	40	40	Standard Glazing	
		Lot 1	Dwelling – Eas	tern Facade			
Masonry Façade with Single Pane Window	Bedroom 3	<30	<30	40	40	Standard Glazing	
		Lot 1	Dwelling – We	stern Facade			
Masonry Façade with Single Pane Window	Dining/Living Area	<30	<30	40	40	Standard Glazing	
Table 11 Noise	Prediction Resul	ts – Childe	care Noise I	mpacts to I	_ot 3		
	Receptor	Predicted level, dB		Internal Criteria, dB		Noise Control Treatment	
Element	Room	LAeq¹ (internal)		LAeq			
	Category	Day	Night	Day	Night	-	
Lot 3 Dwelling – Northern Facade							
Masonry Façade with Single Pane Window	Dining/Living Area	<30	<30	40	40	Standard Glazing	
		Lot 3 [Dwelling – We	stern Facade			
Masonry Façade with Single Pane Window	Dining/Living Area	<30	<30	40	40	Standard Glazing	

Note 1: Day - the period from 7am to 6pm Monday to Saturday or 8am to 6pm on Sundays and public holidays; Evening - the period from 6pm to 10pm; Night - the remaining periods.



6.2 Construction Noise Results

Predicted LAeq(15min) noise emissions for modelled construction are presented in **Table 12**. Noise modelling identifies that construction activities will be above the relevant NMLs at all assessed receivers. Accordingly, management measures outlined in **Section 7** should be considered during the construction phase of the project to minimise impact to the surrounding community.

Table 12 Construction Noise Emissions					
		Predicted Noise	NML	Compliant	
Location	Period ¹	Level	dB LAeq(15min)		
		dB LAeq(15min)	db LAeq(15mm)		
R01	Day	82	47	Х	
R02	Day	78	47	Х	
R03	Day	77	47	Х	
R04	Day	85	47	Х	
R05	Day	89	47	Х	
R06	Day	86	47	Х	
R07	Day	83	47	Х	
R08	Day	77	47	Х	
R09	Day	88	47	Х	

Note 1: See **Table 2** for Standard Recommended Hours for Construction.



7 Construction Recommendations

The results of the construction noise assessment demonstrate that emissions from construction are above the ICNG Noise Management Levels at all assessed receivers surrounding the project. Notwithstanding, it is recommended that noise management and mitigation measures be adopted during noise intensive construction activities to limit impacts on surrounding receivers.

Recommendations for consideration during construction activities for this project may include:

- implement boundary fences/retaining walls as early as possible to maximise their attenuation benefits to surrounding receivers;
- toolbox and induction of personnel prior to shift to discuss noise control measures that may be implemented to reduce noise emissions to the community;
- where possible use mobile screens or construction hording to act as barriers between construction works and receivers;
- all plant should be shut down when not in use. Plant to be parked/started at farthest point from relevant assessment locations;
- operating plant in a conservative manner (no over-revving);
- selection of the quietest suitable machinery available for each activity;
- avoidance of noisy plant/machinery working simultaneously where practicable;
- minimisation of metallic impact noise;
- all plant are to utilise a broadband reverse alarm in lieu of the traditional hi frequency type reverse alarm; and
- undertake letter box drops to notify receivers of potential works.



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8 Discussion and Conclusion

Muller Acoustic Consulting Pty Ltd (MAC) has completed a Noise Assessment to quantify emissions from surrounding developments to the proposed residential dwellings to be located at 39-41 Fairfax Street, Rutherford, NSW.

Noise predictions identified that standard glazing of the bedrooms and living areas of the development are anticipated to attenuate internal levels associated with the proposed childcare centre and satisfy relevant criteria at both dwellings on Lot 1 and Lot 3.

Modelled noise emissions from construction activities identify that predicted noise emissions are above the applicable construction management levels at all assessed receivers. Accordingly, noise management measures are provided in this report to reduce potential impacts on surrounding receivers.

In summary, the Noise Assessment supports the Development Application for the project incorporating the recommendations and controls outlined in this report.



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Appendix A – Glossary of Terms



A number of technical terms have been used in this report and are explained in **Table A1**.

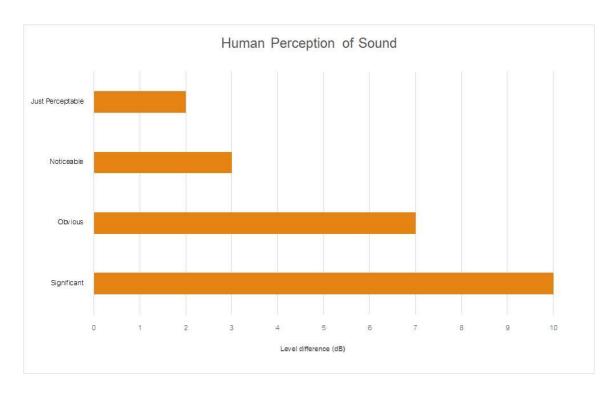
Term	Description				
1/3 Octave	Single octave bands divided into three parts				
Octave	A division of the frequency range into bands, the upper frequency limit of each band being				
	twice the lower frequency limit.				
ABL	Assessment Background Level (ABL) is defined in the NPI as a single figure background				
	level for each assessment period (day, evening and night). It is the tenth percentile of the				
	measured L90 statistical noise levels.				
Ambient Noise	The total noise associated with a given environment. Typically, a composite of sounds from a				
	sources located both near and far where no particular sound is dominant.				
A Weighting	A standard weighting of the audible frequencies designed to reflect the response of the				
	human ear to sound.				
Background Noise	The underlying level of noise present in the ambient noise, excluding the noise source under				
	investigation, when extraneous noise is removed. This is usually represented by the LA90				
	descriptor				
dBA	Noise is measured in units called decibels (dB). There are several scales for describing				
	noise, the most common being the 'A-weighted' scale. This attempts to closely approximate				
	the frequency response of the human ear.				
dB(Z), dB(L)	Decibels Z-weighted or decibels Linear (unweighted).				
Extraneous Noise	Sound resulting from activities that are not typical of the area.				
Hertz (Hz)	The measure of frequency of sound wave oscillations per second - 1 oscillation per second				
	equals 1 hertz.				
LA10	A sound level which is exceeded 10% of the time.				
LA90	Commonly referred to as the background noise, this is the level exceeded 90% of the time.				
LAeq	Represents the average noise energy or equivalent sound pressure level over a given period				
LAmax	The maximum sound pressure level received at the microphone during a measuring interval.				
Masking	The phenomenon of one sound interfering with the perception of another sound.				
-	For example, the interference of traffic noise with use of a public telephone on a busy street.				
RBL	The Rating Background Level (RBL) as defined in the NPI, is an overall single figure				
	representing the background level for each assessment period over the whole monitoring				
	period. The RBL, as defined is the median of ABL values over the whole monitoring period.				
Sound power level	This is a measure of the total power radiated by a source in the form of sound and is given by				
(Lw or SWL)	10.log10 (W/Wo). Where W is the sound power in watts to the reference level of 10 ⁻¹² watts.				
Sound pressure level	the level of sound pressure; as measured at a distance by a standard sound level meter.				
(Lp or SPL)	This differs from Lw in that it is the sound level at a receiver position as opposed to the sound				
	'intensity' of the source.				



Table A2 provides a list of common noise sources and their typical sound level.

Table A2 Common Noise Sources and Their Typical Sound Pressure Levels (SPL), dBA				
Source	Typical Sound Pressure Level			
Threshold of pain	140			
Jet engine	130			
Hydraulic hammer	120			
Chainsaw	110			
Industrial workshop	100			
Lawn-mower (operator position)	90			
Heavy traffic (footpath)	80			
Elevated speech	70			
Typical conversation	60			
Ambient suburban environment	40			
Ambient rural environment	30			
Bedroom (night with windows closed)	20			
Threshold of hearing	0			

Figure A1 – Human Perception of Sound



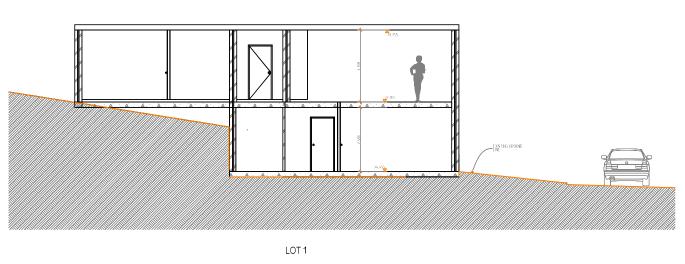


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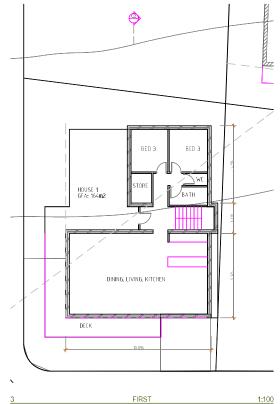


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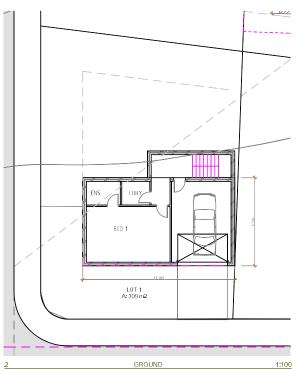


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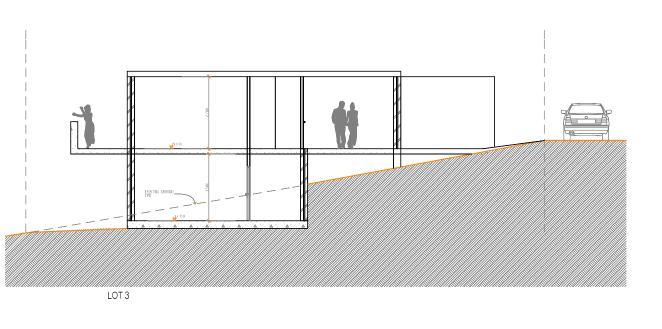
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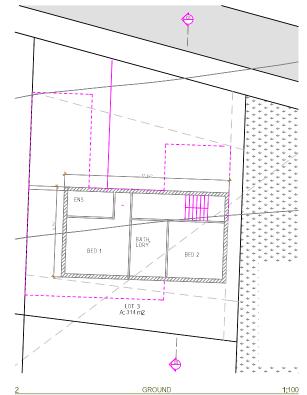
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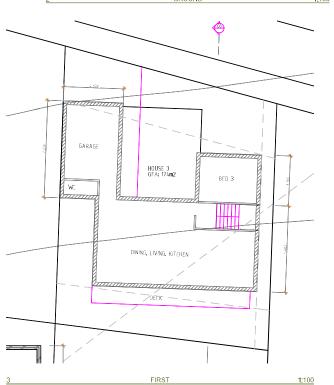


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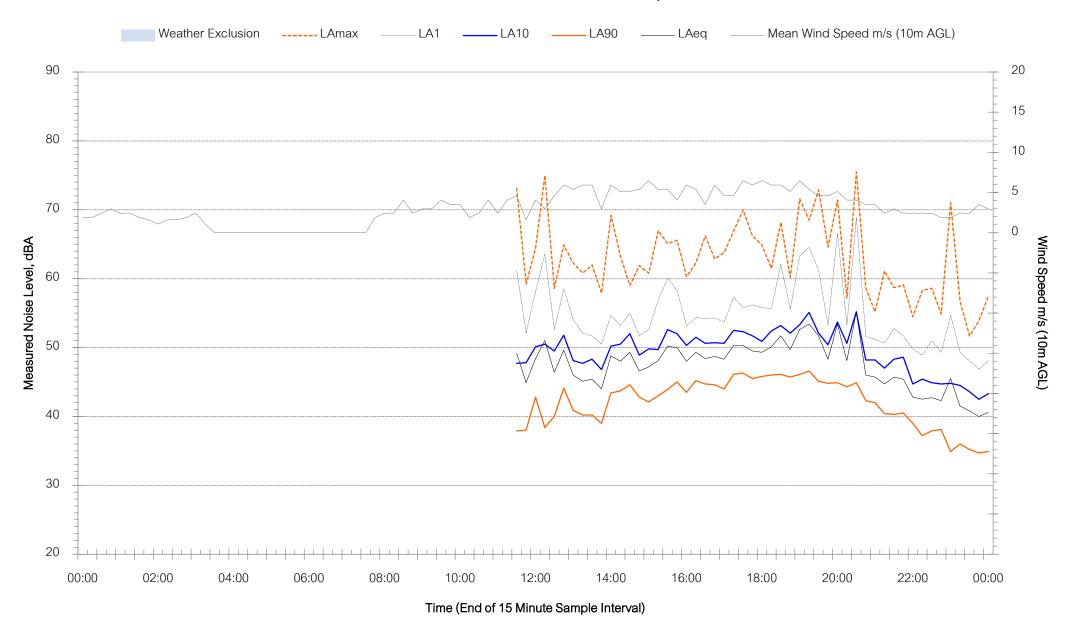


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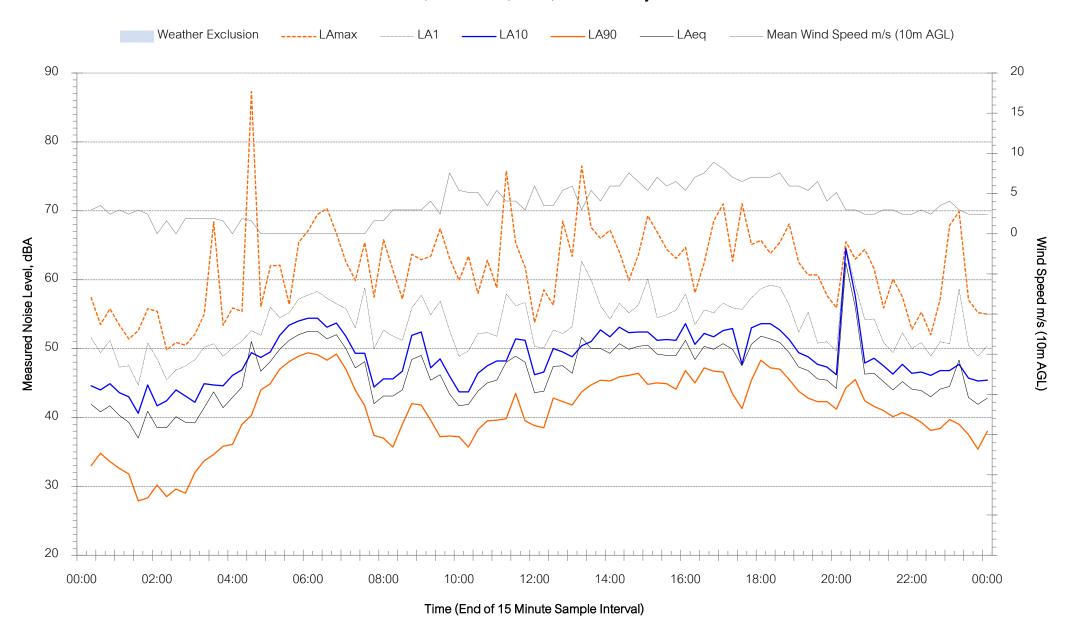


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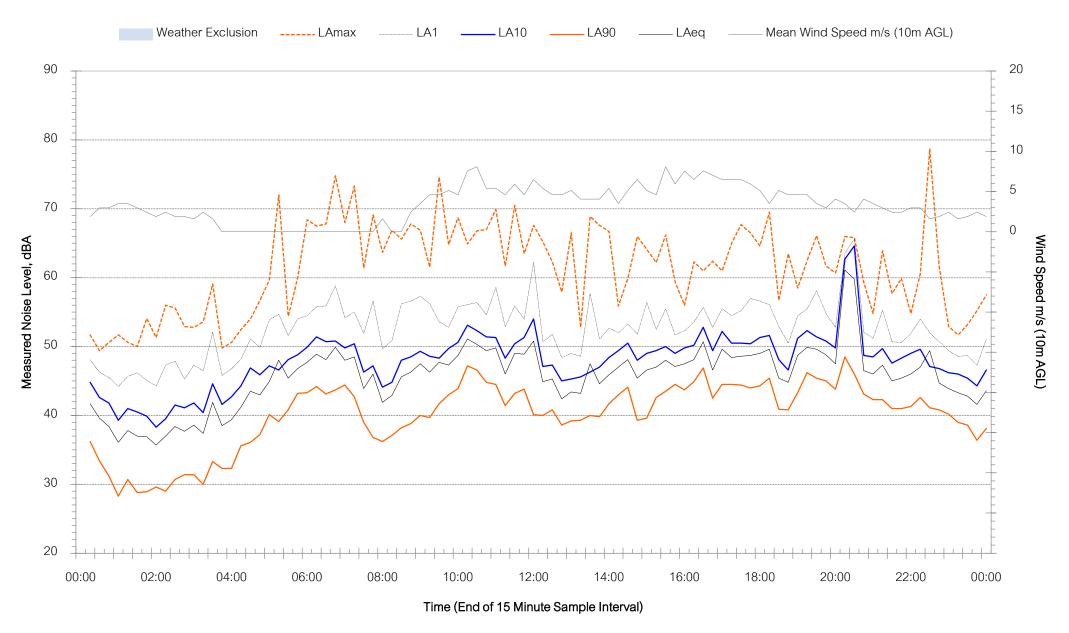


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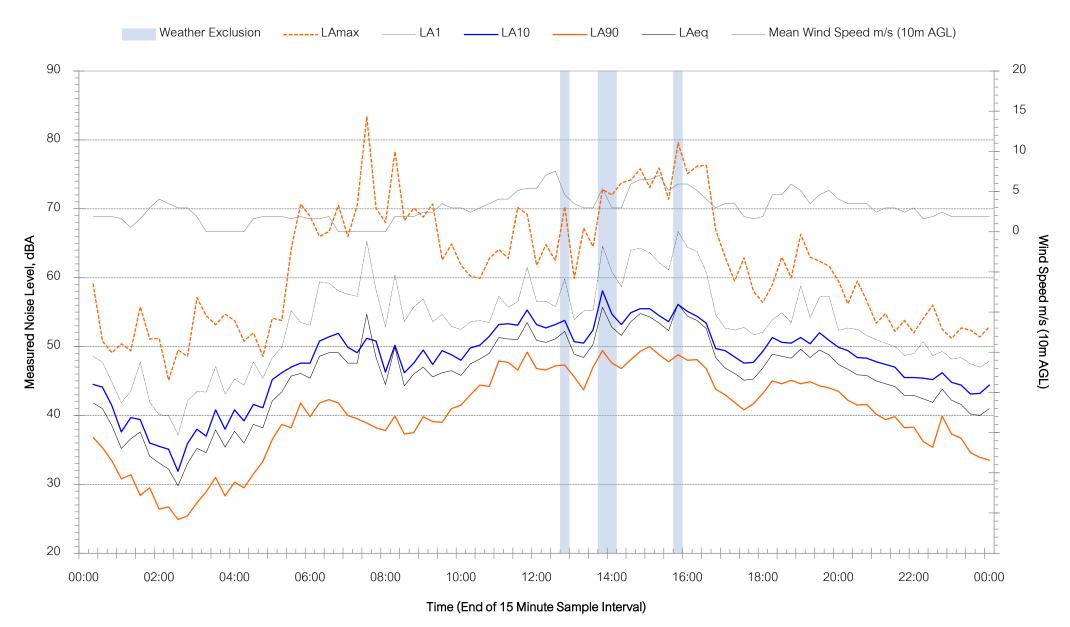


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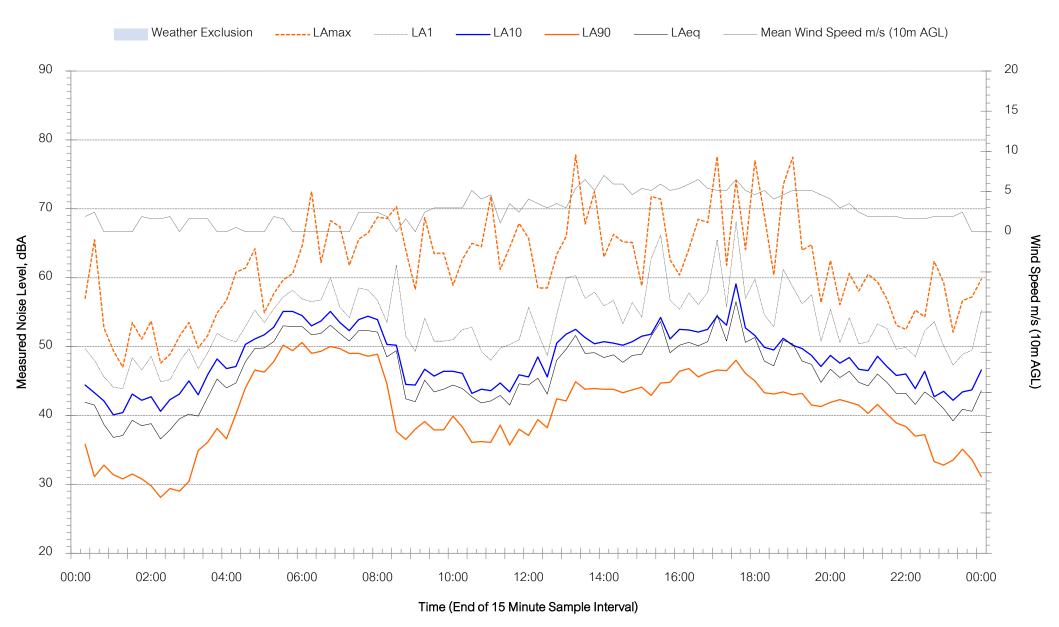


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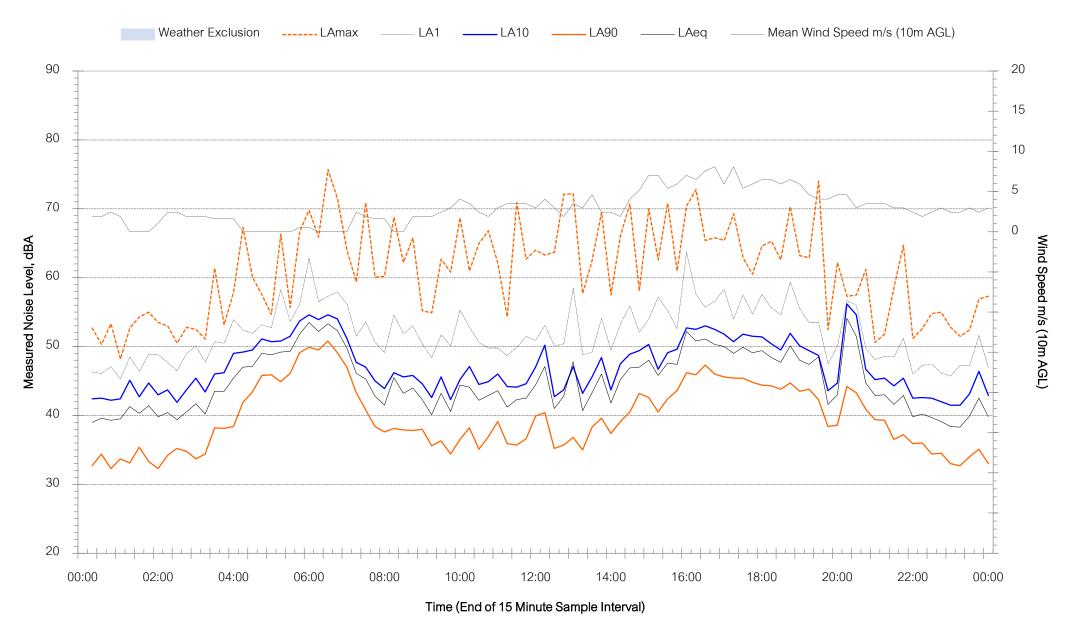


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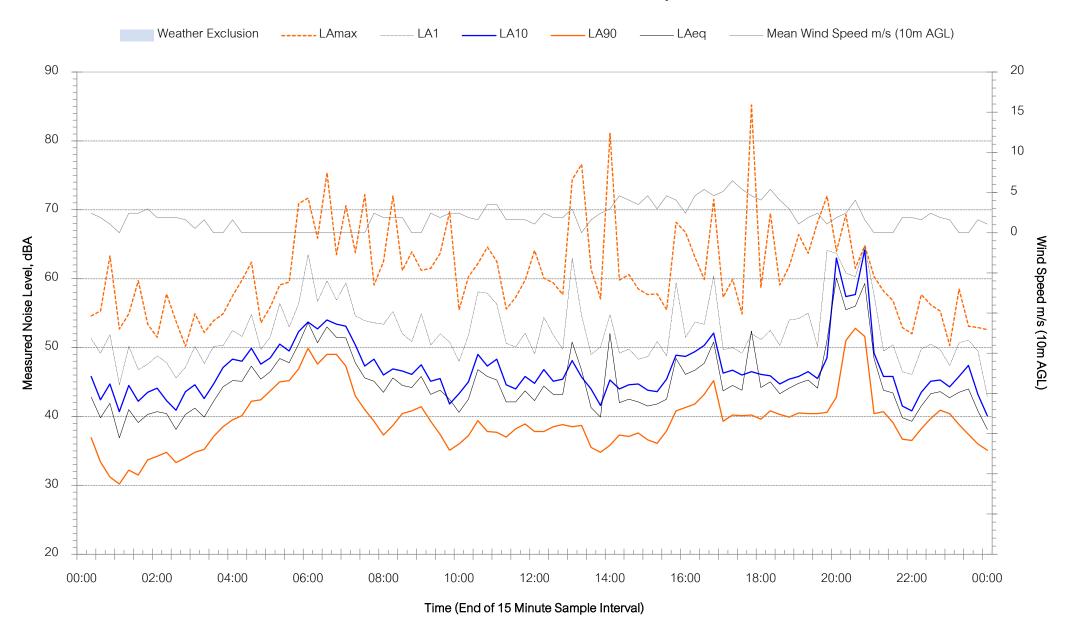


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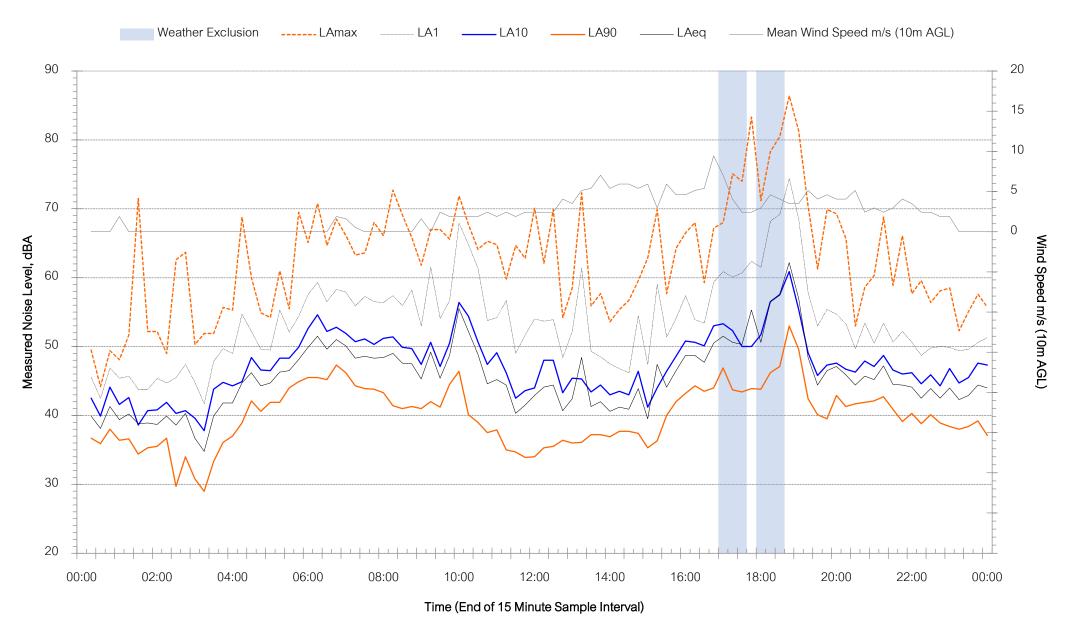


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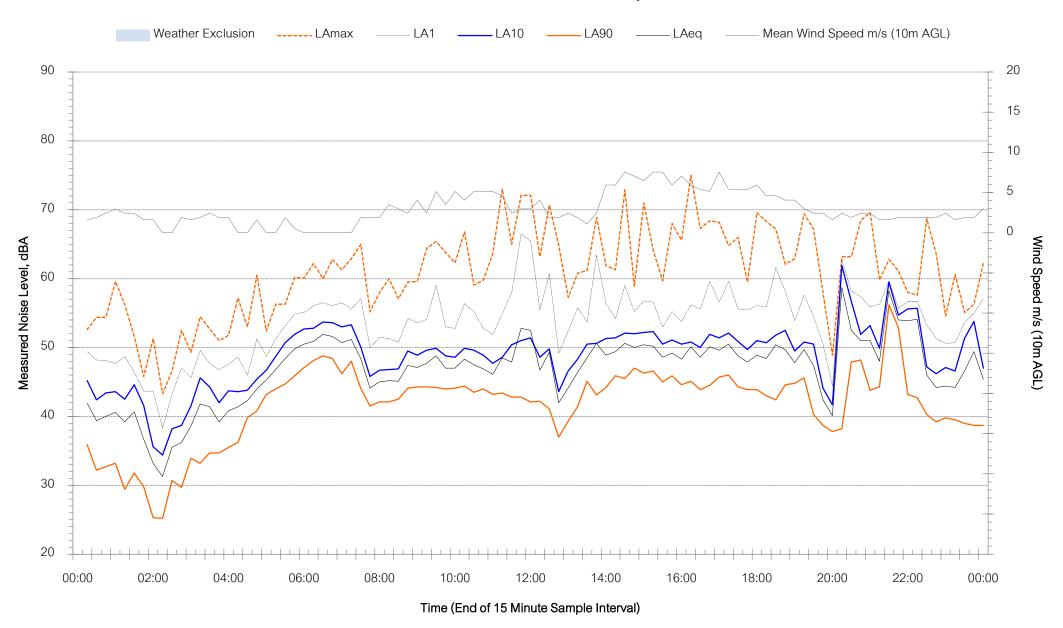


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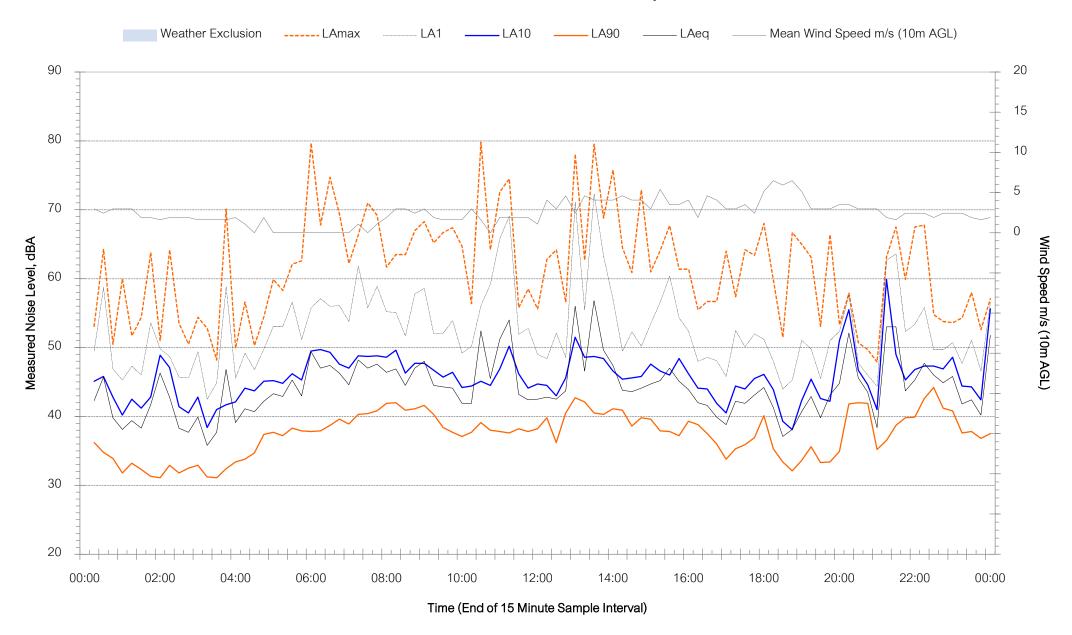


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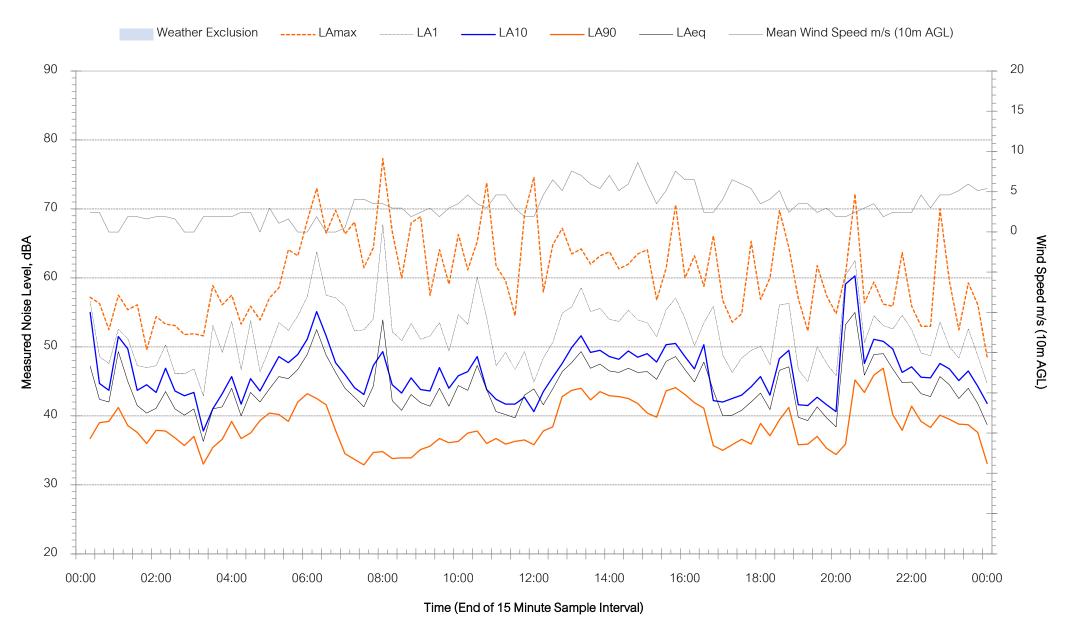


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