

Environmental Review Committee (ERC)

One of the many licence conditions for Castlemaine Goldfields is to have an Environmental Review Committee (ERC). This committee is made up of representatives from regulatory authorities (DSDB&I, EPA, City of Ballarat), special interest groups, and residents from within the local community.

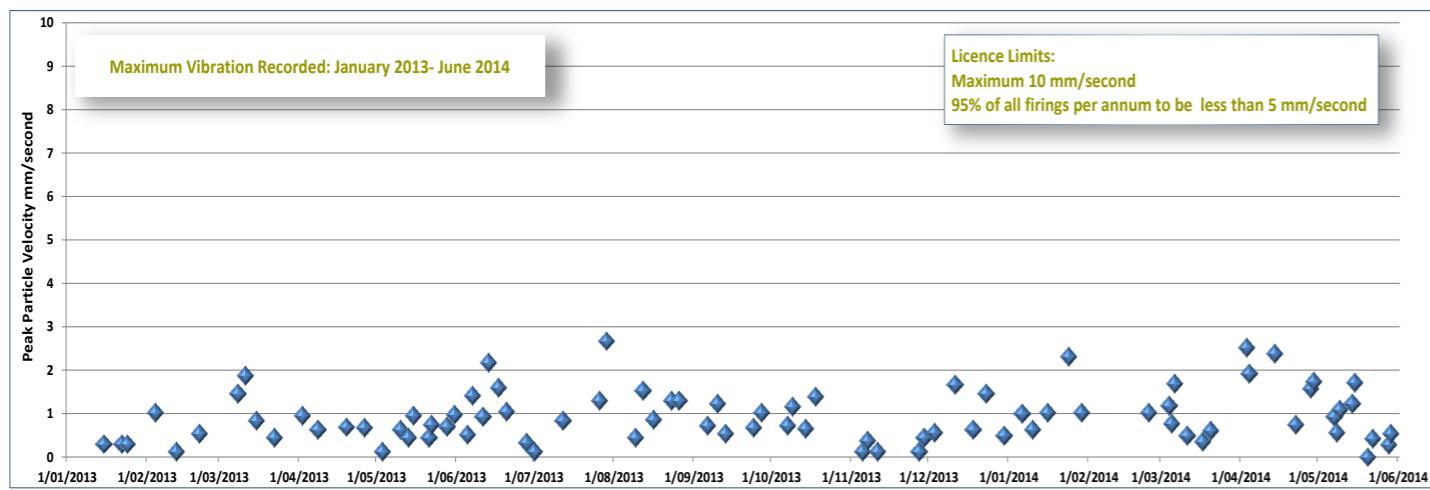
The primary role of the ERC is to:

- review the environmental performance of the operation against various licence conditions.
- represent community views from within those sections of the community most likely to be effected by our operation.
- enhance communication between CGT and various key stakeholders within the community.

If you would like to learn more about the role of Community Representatives, or express your interest in joining the ERC please call the Environment & Community team on 5327 2555.

Stoping and vibration

'Stoping' is the term for the mining method employed to extract ore after the underground development is completed. Typically each stope firing will break larger volumes of rock than the day to day development firings. Since January 2013 85 stope firings have occurred. CGT installs multiple blast monitors in strategic locations (usually based on community feedback) for each stope to record vibration levels experienced on the surface. The graph below details the maximum level of vibration recorded for each stope firing over the past 17 months.



We continue to receive feedback from the community, in particular from Ballarat East and Golden Point, that these stope firings have created noticeable levels of noise and vibration within homes. We have implemented a number of changes to stope firings, including restricting firing times for certain areas of the mine, designing initiation patterns to shorten the duration and avoid natural harmonics of the ground and buildings, using different explosive and changed the mining method. These controls have been put in place to reduce the level of vibration experienced at the surface.

However, each blasting location is different and what works in one area may not be as successful in another. We are committed to reducing the vibration experienced on the surface and urge anyone that hears or feels our firings to contact us. This valuable feedback assists our staff and consultants to better understand and manage the vibration that is coming to the surface.

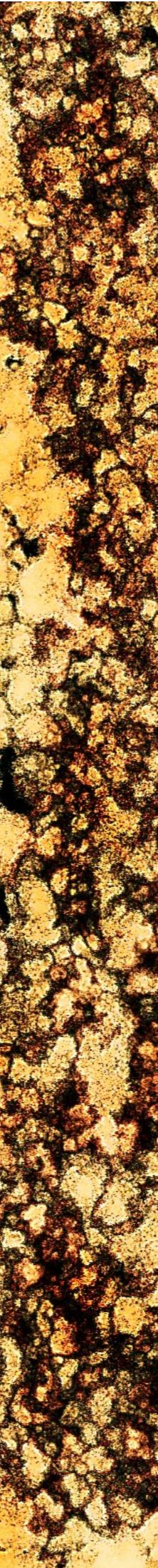
Rubbish in the bush

For those living or working in close proximity to open space or bushland, illegal rubbish dumping is becoming an increasingly frustrating issue.

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) have updated their **Report Litter app**, making it easier to report illegal dumping. Victorians can now report littering via iPhone and Android apps, over the phone, via the EPA website or by mail. Please go to <http://www.epa.vic.gov.au> or call 1300 372 842 (1300 EPA VIC) for more information.

Hancock Plantations Victoria (HVP) who manage most of the pine forests around Ballarat are working with the EPA and have increased surveillance in an effort to reduce the incidence of illegal rubbish dumping.

CGT encourages those who witness rubbish dumping to report the incident to the EPA.



Community Newsletter

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CASTLEMAINE GOLDFIELDS LIMITED

Message from the General Manager

The last 12 months has been a year of growth for Castlemaine Goldfields Ballarat mine where we achieved many of our annual performance targets and completed a number of major infrastructure projects.

In December we announced a 55% increase in the Ballarat Mine mineral resource building a base for further mine life. This result was achieved on the back of the good work done by our geology team who have spent the last year planning, drilling and interpreting the results from over 45 km of diamond drilling, a 72% increase on the total completed in 2012/13, to provide confidence in our geological modelling of the nuggety gold bearing ore zones we mine at Ballarat.

Underground development or tunnelling increased by 18% in 2013/14 with a total of 3,433 metres completed. This increase can be attributed to the extra decline development to the north allowing drilling into the northern ends of the Victoria compartment (see map pg. 2) and a number of access drives into ore bodies in the Llanberis, Britannia and Sovereign compartments.

A total of 170,392 ore tonnes were bought to the surface for processing which is similar to that achieved in the previous financial year, however higher gold grades (8.4 g/t) and higher rates of recovery resulted in 39,962 ounces of gold being produced for the 2013/14 financial year, this is a 30% increase to the previous year.

The areas of underground activity in the coming year will remain focussed in the Llanberis and Britannia compartments with an increased level of activity in the Sovereign compartment as we continue to access the new ore resource we discovered in this area last year. The total amount of production (stope) ore generated is planned to be similar to last year. This stoping activity will continue within the Llanberis and Britannia compartments and will recommence in the Sovereign compartment area as the development accessing the ore zone is completed.

We have continued to receive feedback from some community members that experience surface vibration from production (stope) firings. CGT takes the concerns of the community seriously and we are committed to minimising any undesirable impacts from our operation.

I would like to encourage all residents who may be experiencing vibration, or other impacts related to our operation to contact us on 5327 2555 any time.

Lance Faulkner

Ballarat Regional Industries

CGT has expanded our association with Ballarat Regional Industries (BRI), a not-for-profit organisation that provides employment opportunities for people with disabilities. BRI offers a range of high quality business services and products through their 160 staff.

CGT currently engage BRI to manufacture drill core marker blocks used as depth makers in the trays that hold the kilometres of diamond core drilling, landscaping at the various parcels of land managed by CGT and the recycling and reuse of excess hardwood pallets previously going to landfill.

CGT has been impressed by BRI's prompt response and thorough work ethic and recommend this valuable community employer to other businesses and members of the community.

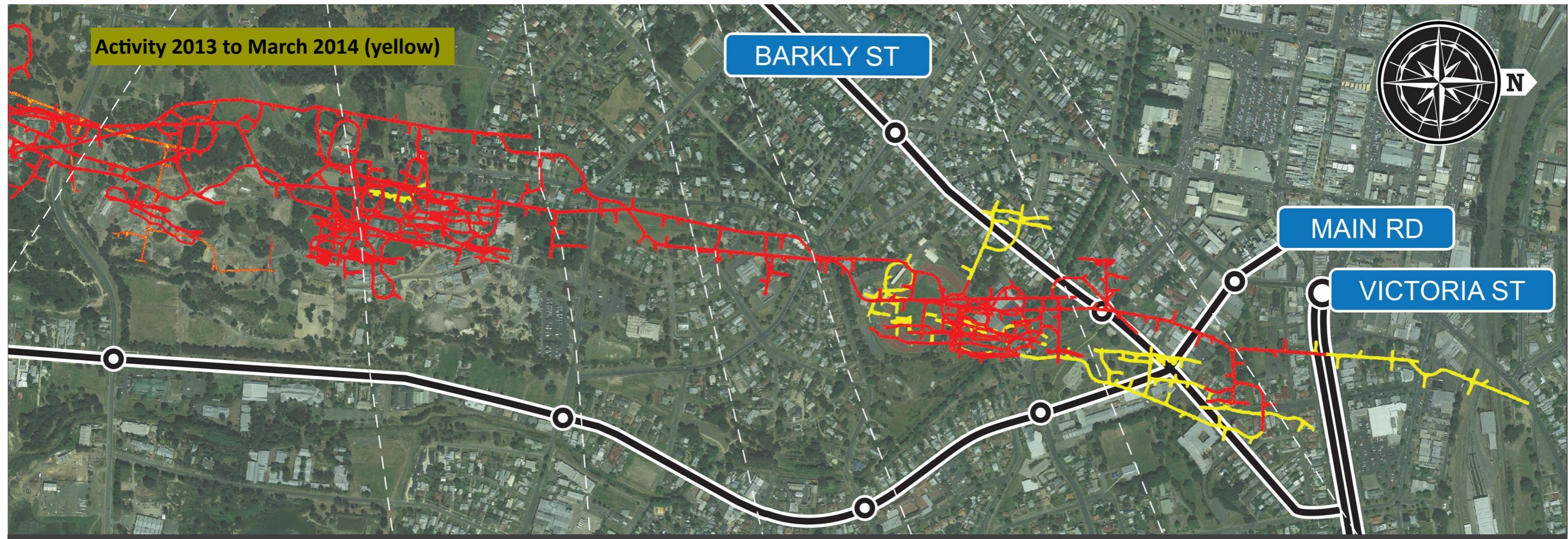


BRI's - Landscape team working at Golden Point Ventilation Shaft.

24/7 Contact

5327 2555

If you have any concerns or enquires relating to our mining operations we encourage you to contact us on 5327 2555. As this number is attended 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, you will always be able to talk to someone.
Alternatively you can email- info@cgt.net.au



Normandy	Sovereign	Canton	Golden Point	Llanberis	Britannia	Victoria
Normandy Elsworth St to middle of Sovereign Hill. Historic Gold: 336k Oz CGT Depth: ~300 m. CGT Activity: This part of the mine contains significant ventilation, power, pumping and emergency access infrastructure.	Sovereign Middle of Sovereign Hill to Bradshaw. Historic Gold: 52k Oz CGT Depth: ~550 m. CGT Activity: During 2013/14 extensive drilling program including exploration to the west. Completed ventilation upgrade and second emergency egress to support development and mining of the recently discovered ore zone on the Sulieman anticline. Stoping to recommence June.	Canton - Golden Point Bradshaw St to York St. Historic Gold: 31k Oz CGT Depth: ~495 m. CGT Activity: The Golden Point Ventilation shaft is located in Grant St., supplies fresh air into the northern sections of the mine. Underground exploration to continue in this compartment late in 2014.	Golden Point CGT Depth: ~670 m. CGT Activity: The majority of production stoping occurred in these two compartments during 2013/14. Mining included further access declines to the ore resources as well as extraction of ore using stoping and continued infill drilling of the ore zones to assist building a base for future development and production mining.	Llanberis and Britannia York St to Bakery Hill. Historic Gold: 472k Oz CGT Depth: ~670 m. CGT Activity: The majority of production stoping occurred in these two compartments during 2013/14. Mining included further access declines to the ore resources as well as extraction of ore using stoping and continued infill drilling of the ore zones to assist building a base for future development and production mining.	Victoria Bakery Hill to Yarrowee River. Historic Gold: 209k Oz CGT Depth: 690 m. CGT Activity: Extended Woah Hawp decline to the northern most extent (Humffray St.) in August 2013. This has been used as a drilling platform to explore the northern end of the field in the Victoria.	