



Pollution Monitoring

Background

Blayney Shire Council is committed to managing waste responsibly, and is required by legislation to publicly report on potential pollution from two sites around Blayney.

- Blayney Sewage Treatment Works
- Blayney Waste Disposal Depot

These sites, operated by Blayney Shire Council, are required to have Environmental Protection Licences (EPL) which are administered by the NSW Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) under the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997. An EPL allows a business to operate as long as it adheres to certain conditions which are stipulated in each licence.

Recent changes have been made to the legislation through the Protection of the Environment Legislation Amendment Act 2011. As a result of these changes, it is compulsory for licensees to publish pollution monitoring data that is required to be collected as a condition of their licence. This applies to data obtained after 31 March 2012 as per Requirements for Publishing Pollution Monitoring Data (EPA March 2012). How often sites are sampled varies for each site depending on the activity being undertaken and the requirements of the conditional licence for pollution monitoring. Not all licences require pollution monitoring as part of the conditional licence.

Some EPA monitoring points don't require pollution monitoring but are for other parameters, such as volumetric flows. Where concentration limits are included in the licence these have been included in the data tables for the pollution monitoring results.

Blayney Waste Facility

Council has developed a [Pollution Incident Response Management](#)

