

BEL AIR BAUXITE MINE | BANKABLE FEASIBILITY STUDY (BFS) | 2011



INTRODUCTION

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Nurizon Consulting Engineers was appointed by Alufer Mining Ltd. to undertake a Bankable Feasibility Study (BFS) for the Bel Air Bauxite Mine development in Guinea, West Africa.

This followed the 2012 Feasibility Study (FS) phase submission done by Nurizon.

Alufer is an independent mining company focused on the development of bauxite resources in Guinea.

The project is divided into two distinct geographical areas,

- 1) Mining operation areas and transport corridor, which links the mining areas with the export facility.
- 2) Export Facility, encompassing bulk materials handling, port loading and trans-shipping.

NURIZON SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES

- Mining - Conventional drill and blast and truck and shovel operations
- Haulage - Material is transported from the mine pit to the Mine Support Area at the coast
- Crushing - Two phased crushing of material from 500mm to 50mm
- Stacking and reclaiming - A 150,000t bulk storage facility
- Loading - 2.3km causeway/trestle with longitudinal shiploader for charging transshipment barges
- Transshipment - 15,000t, self propelled and self off loading barges transport and load Panamax/Capesize vessels at the transshipment zone
- Mine Support Area
- Power and water utilities
- The area houses all administrative complexes, fuel storage, power generation, stores and maintenance



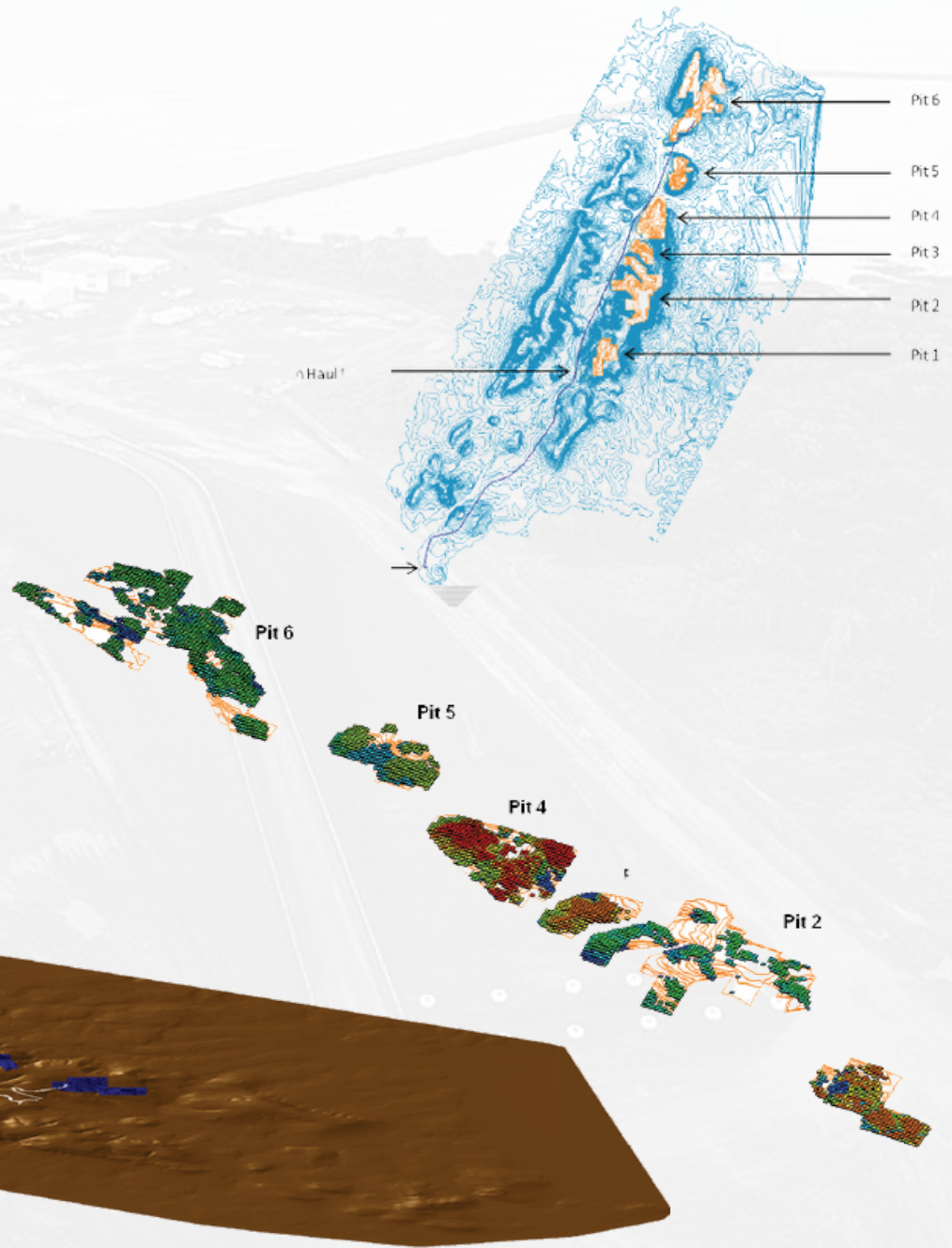
MINING

BULK EARTHWORKS AND PLATFORMS

The bauxite deposit will be exploited for DSO (Direct selling ore), and transported with rigid back dump trucks to a main crusher located at the port area. The trade-off study topics were: Wirtgen vs. conventional mining, optimal crusher location study as well as a loading and hauling equipment selection study. The conclusions from the trade-off studies and the pre-feasibility study formed the basis of the mining method and material loading and hauling for the mining portion of the feasibility study. The initial strategy was to exploit DSO, ferruginous- and lateritic bauxite. The pit designs were therefore designed for these indicated resources.

A typical mining sequence in the open pit environment will be as follows:

- Cleaning and scrubbing of the surface area
- Topsoil removal
- Free digging, loading and hauling of the overburden
- Drilling and blasting of overburden where required or ripping where possible
- Loading and hauling of overburden to waste dumps in close proximity to the pits
- Drilling and blasting of the ore body where required
- Loading and hauling of the DSO to the primary crusher located at the port
- Loading and hauling waste, BXF and BXL to waste dumps
- Concurrent rehabilitation of each pit as it is mined out.

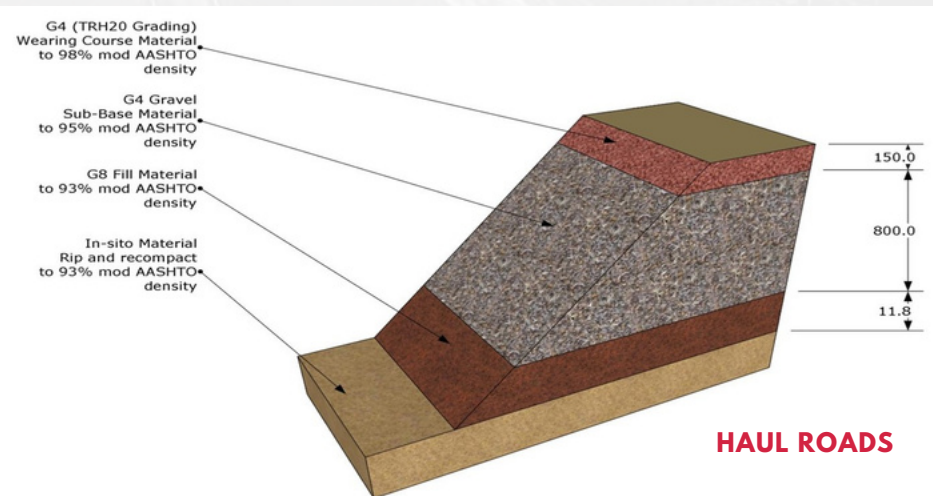
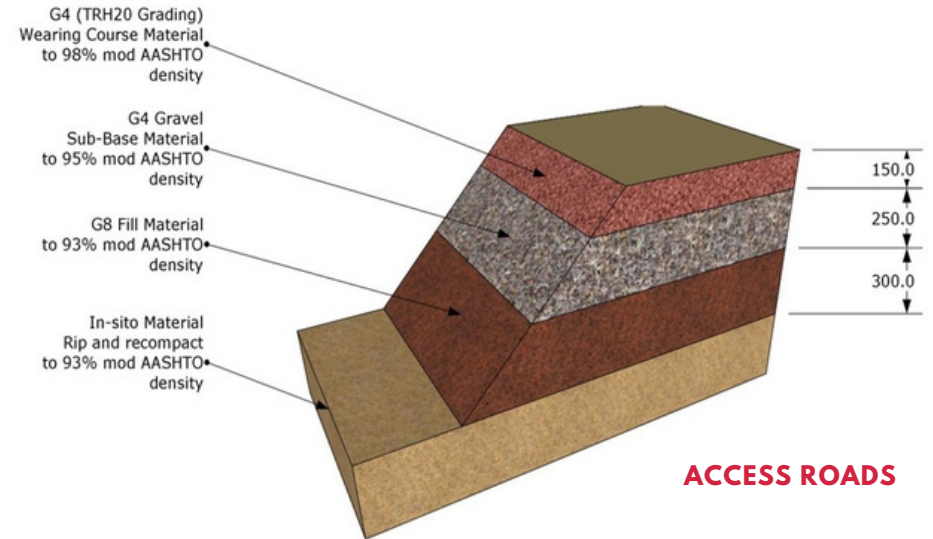
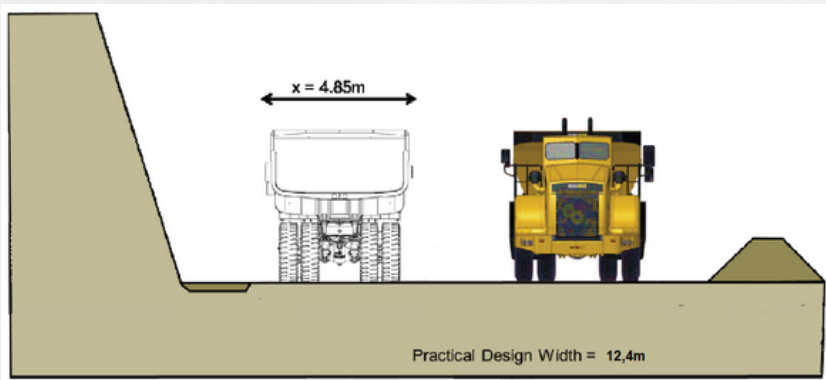
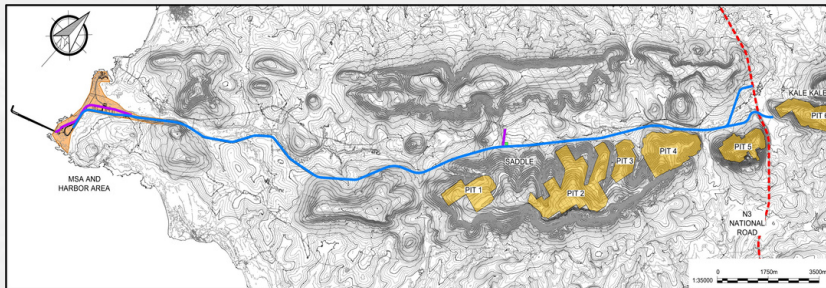


HAULAGE

HAUL AND ACCESS ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE

Access roads will typically be used by personal and stores deliveries to the site, whilst haul roads will be used to haul ore product from the pit areas to the ore handling terminal in the Export Facility. The haul road outside of MSA and Export Facility will also serve as access road.

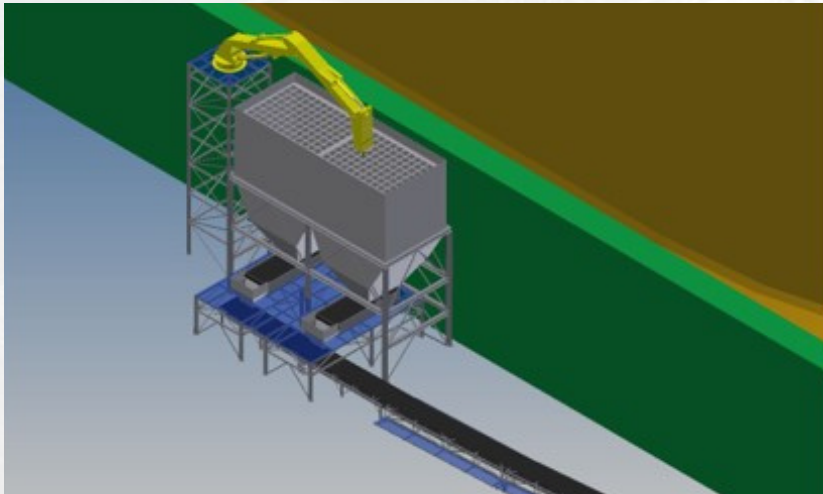
- Main Haul Road to MSA (+/-40km, 12,4 meter in width, 40 ton payload design)
- MSA to Harbour gravel access road with stormwater drainage (3.020km)
- MSA to Camp gravel access road with stormwater drainage (1.720 km)
- MSA and Export Facility Haul road with stormwater drainage (3.450 km).



CRUSHING

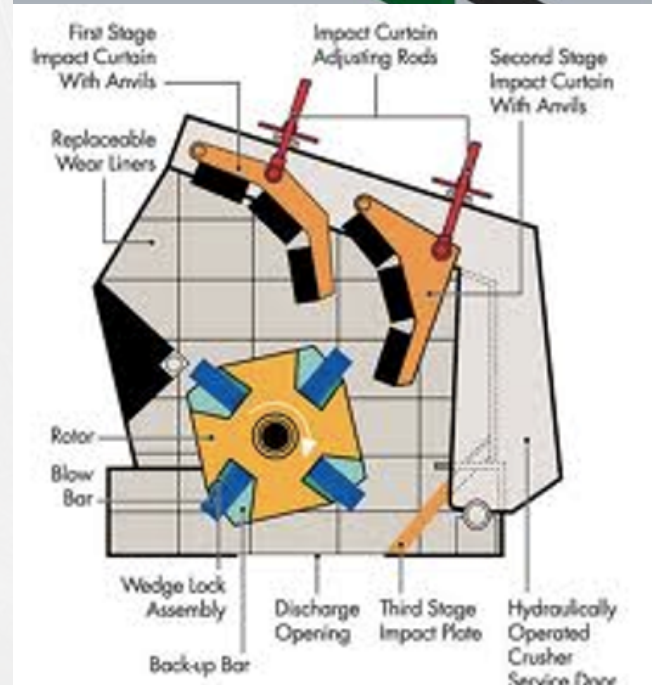
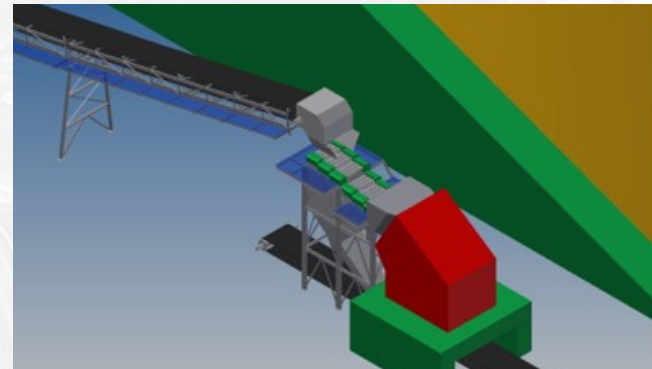
ROM FEED BIN

- Primary tip consists of a truck ramp with traffic light system
- 2 x static grizzlies with 500mm x 500mm apertures and a static rock breaker
- 2 x primary tip bins of 150m³ each
- 2 x apron feeders feed the conveyor from the tip bins



PRIMARY CRUSHER

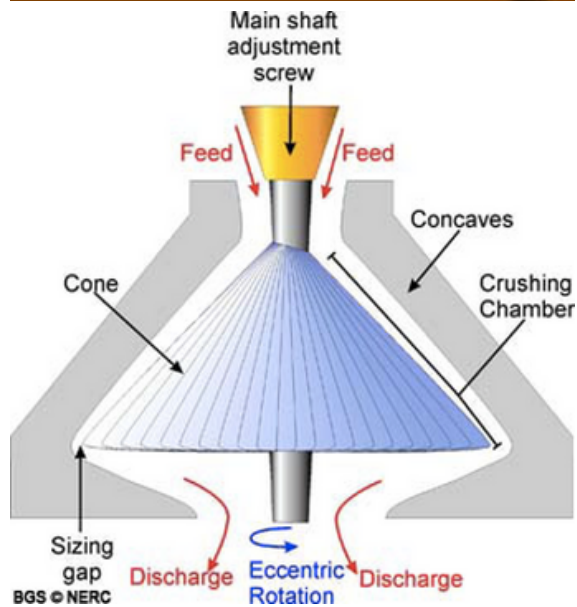
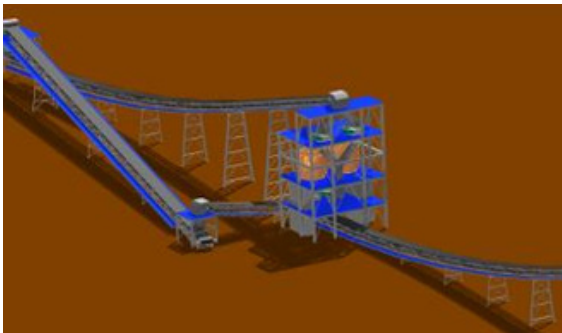
- 2x wobbler feeders in series feed primary crusher
- +150mm oversize material is passed through impact crusher
- Crusher capacity 2000tph



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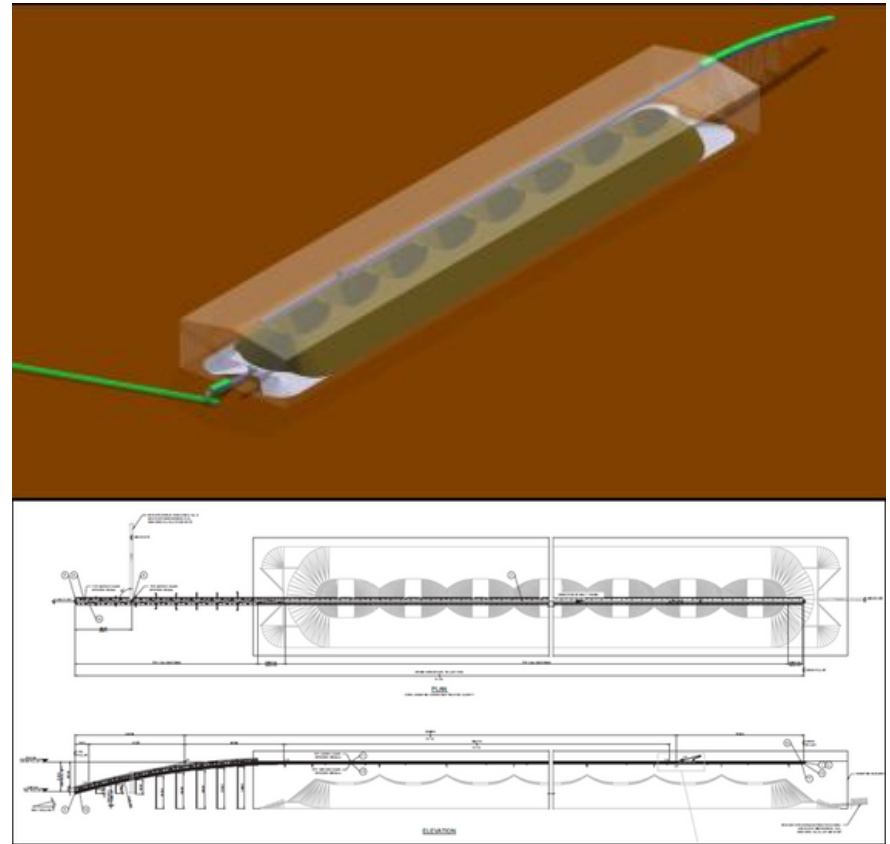
SECONDARY CRUSHER

- Secondary screens scalp off -150mm/+40mm
- Oversize passes to secondary crusher
- Closed loop whereby passes back for oversize to be screened again to -40mm
- Undersize passed directly to stockpile facility
- Cone crusher selected as the secondary crushers
- Weightometers are utilised on the recycle conveyors



PLANT LAYOUT

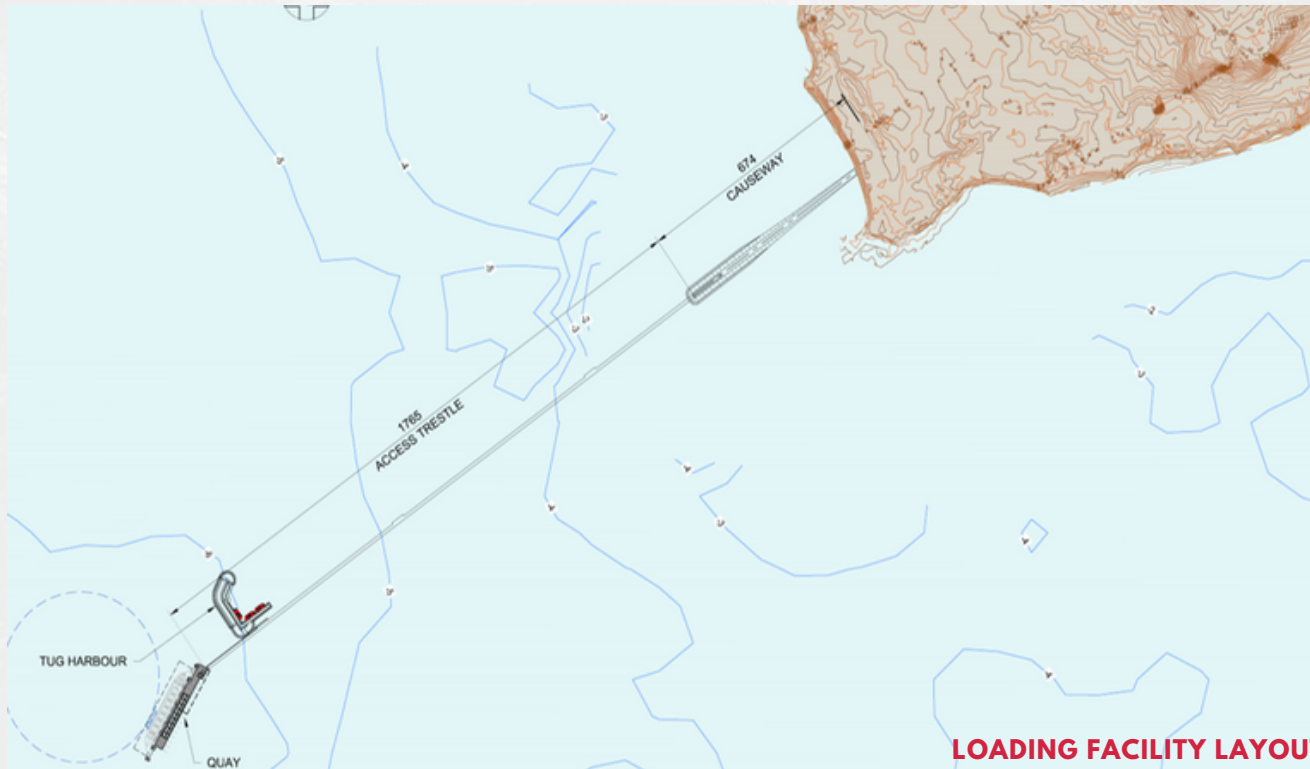
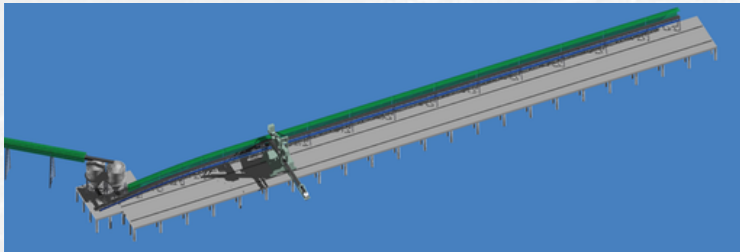
- Covered 150000t stockpile
- Overhead tipper conveyor, bottom extraction
- 8 x extraction points feeding apron feeders
- Weightometers installed on tripper conveyor



SHIPLOADING

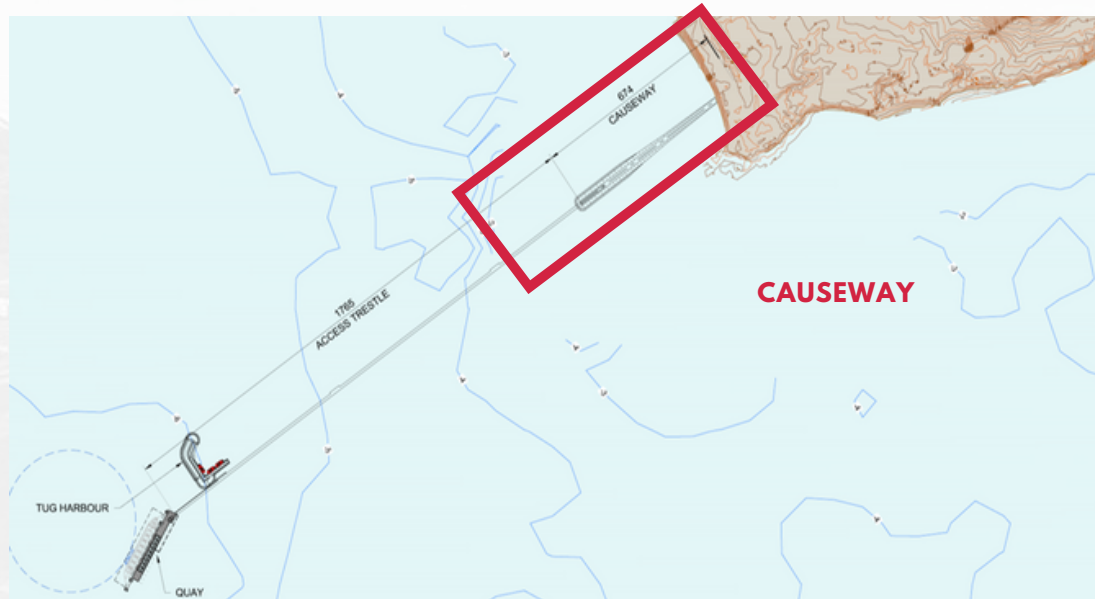
PLANT LAYOUT - SHIP LOADER

- Longitudinal travelling ship loader, on rails
- Ship loader as luffing and telescopic capabilities
- Can load Panamax as well as up to 15,000t barges



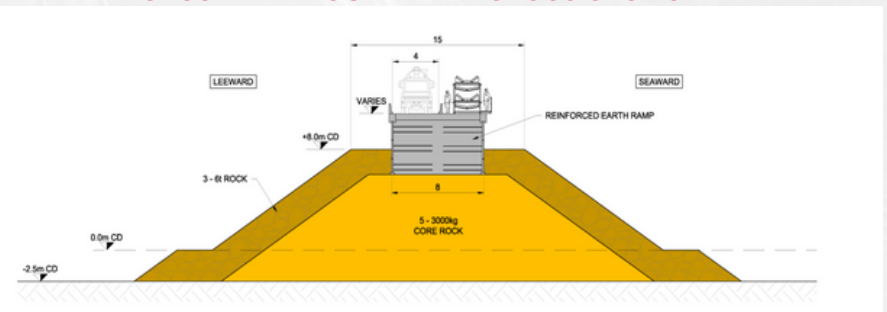
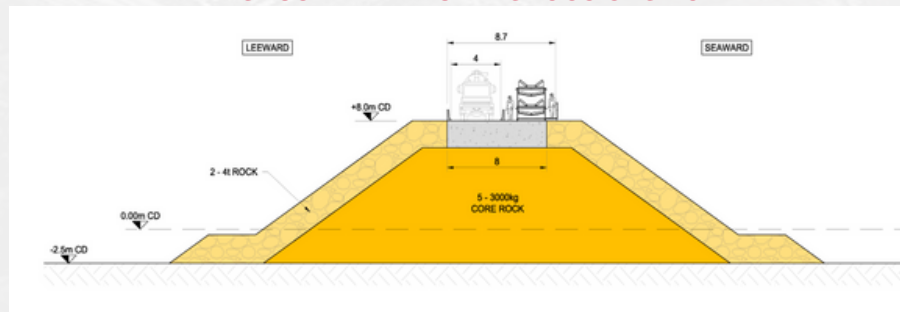
LOADING FACILITY LAYOUT

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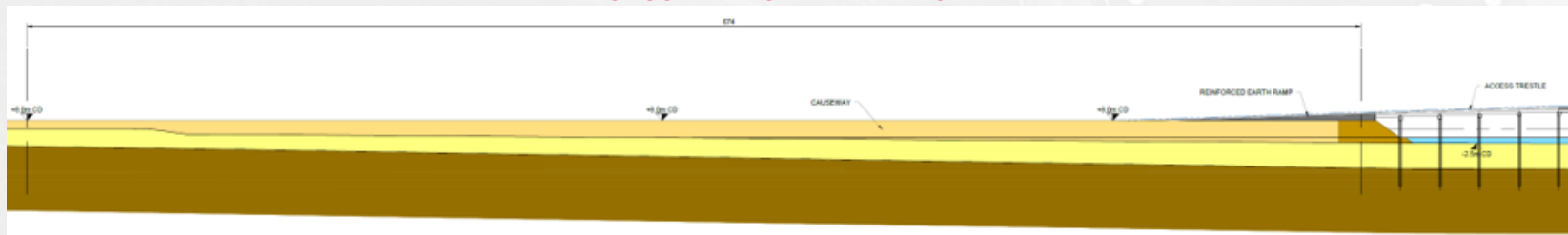


CAUSEWAY TRUNK CROSS SECTION

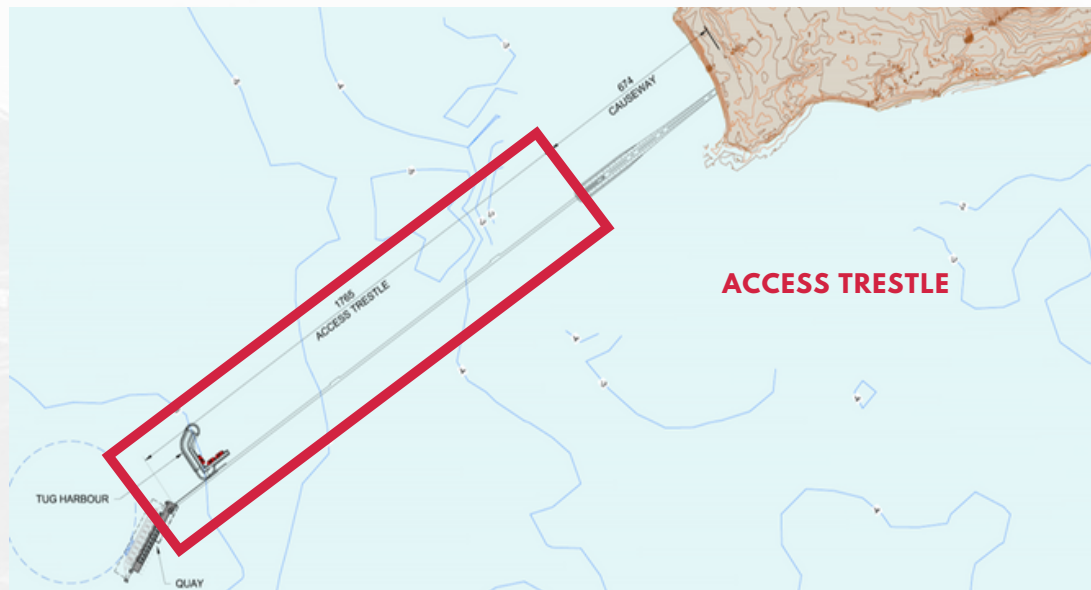
CAUSEWAY ROUNDHEAD CROSS SECTION



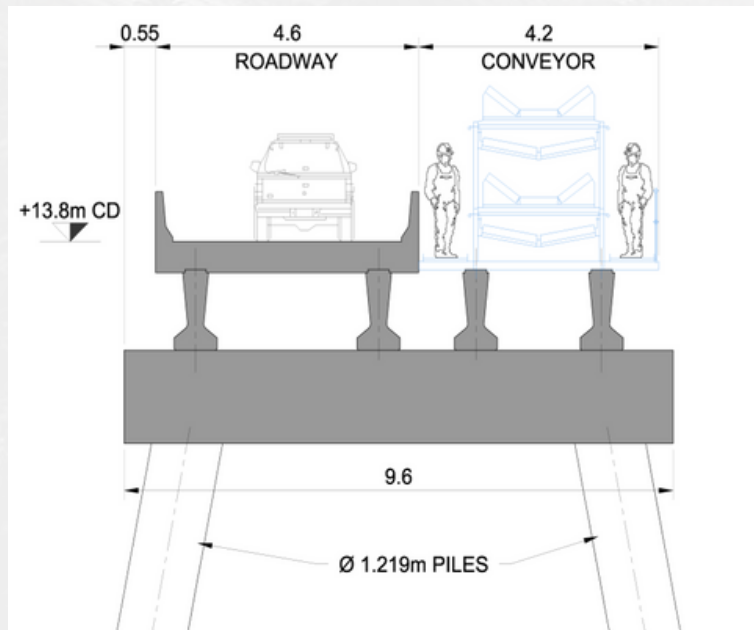
CAUSEWAY SIDE ELEVATION



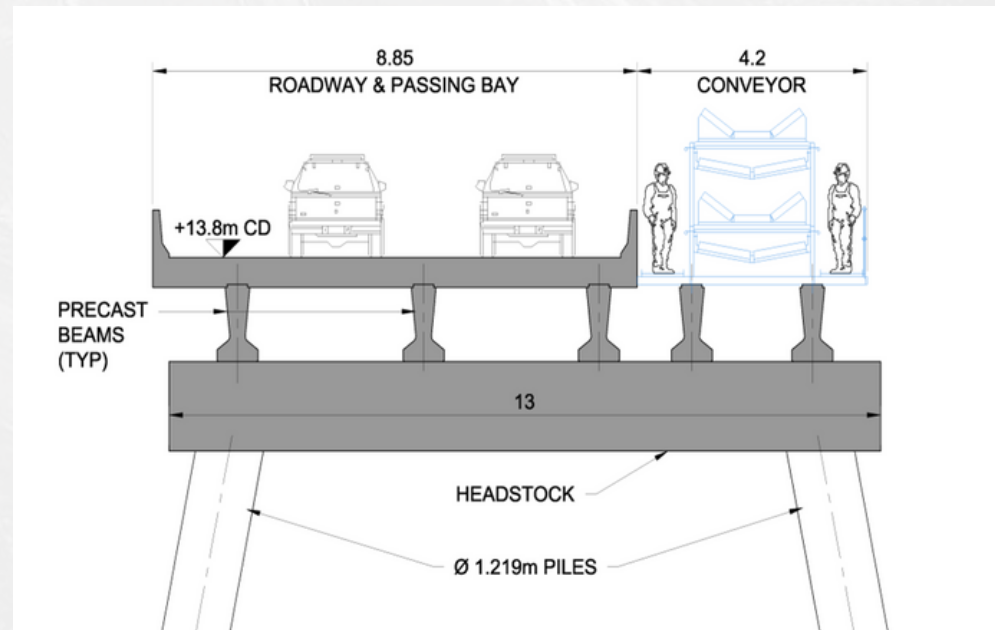
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ACCESS TRESTLE - SINGLE LANE



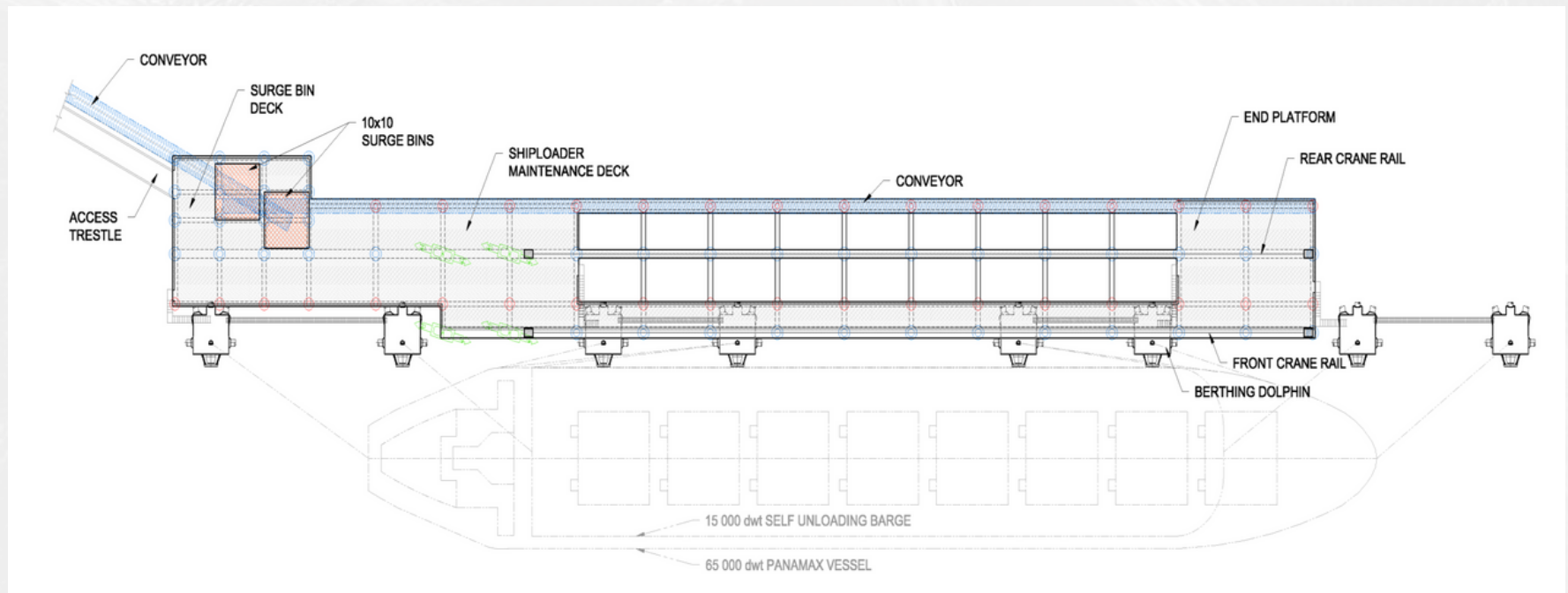
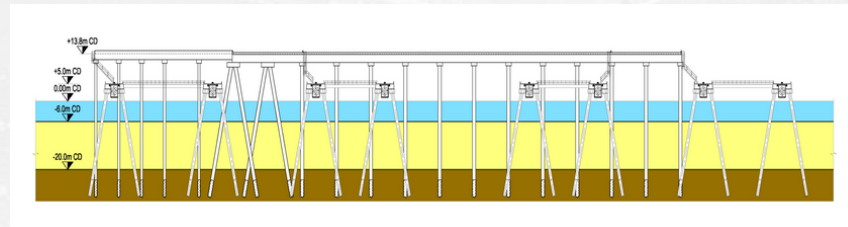
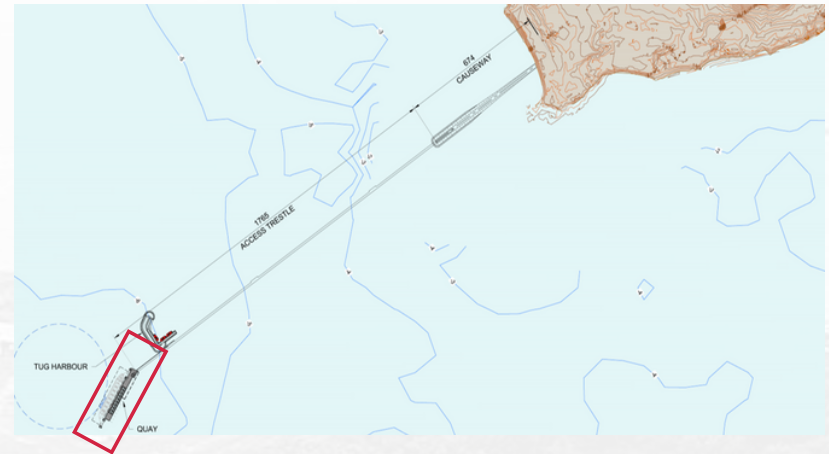
ACCESS TRESTLE - PASSING BAY



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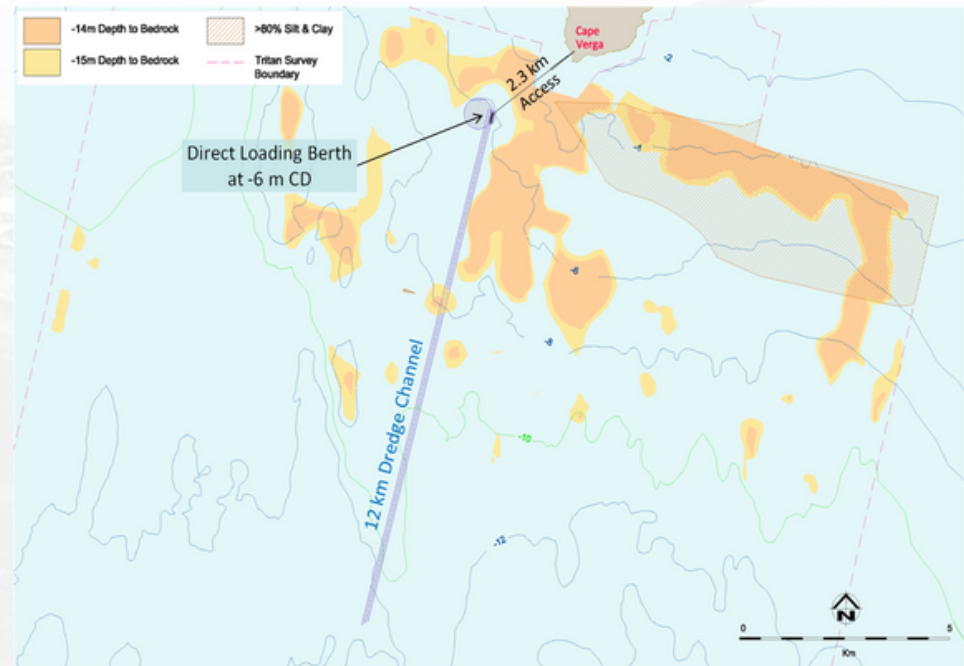
QUAY STRUCTURE - PLAN VIEW



TRANSHIPMENT

DESIGN PROCESS AND OVERVIEW

- Factors driving loading facility design at Cap Verga
 - Shallow coastline
 - Metocean conditions
 - Sedimentation rates
- Two design options considered to marry Panamax vessel with a 6m berth:
 - 12km dredged channel or
 - Transshipment
- Final option considered:
 - 2.3km causeway trestle structure
 - Open berth which can accommodate both transshipment barge and Panamax vessel
 - Tug harbour
 - Multipurpose import berth
- Final option provides flexibility to dredge channel in future and land Panamax vessels directly at the berth



BEL AIR - TRANSSHIPPING

- 6m draft loading platform designed to support loading of barges
- Self-unloading speed of 4,000tph
- Operating limit: 2m significant wave height
- System capacity between 10Mtpa and 12Mtpa, depending on OGV1 size; basis 250 operational days
- Floating cranes with smaller barges were also considered as an option but they do not meet capacity demands



SELF-UNLOADING BARGES



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MINING VILLAGE

- The mining village has been designed to be sustainable and built using local materials and local contractors
- Accommodation for the mining staff
 - Will initially be utilised as a construction camp
 - Designed for a capacity of 500 workers scalable to 980
- Accommodation types:
 - Executive Housing Units
 - Technical Managers Housing
 - General Housing Units
 - Hotel type housing(Process of design)
 - Central Building
 - Power generation and other utilities
- The remote location of the Bel Air Project dictates that adequate housing is provided for the mining operations work force
- The provision of a well laid out residential or mining village with ample amenities and recreational facilities will contribute to the well-being of the workforce
- The village will also serve as accommodation for the construction staff during the construction phase



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BUILDINGS

The following buildings were provided for in the MSA Area:

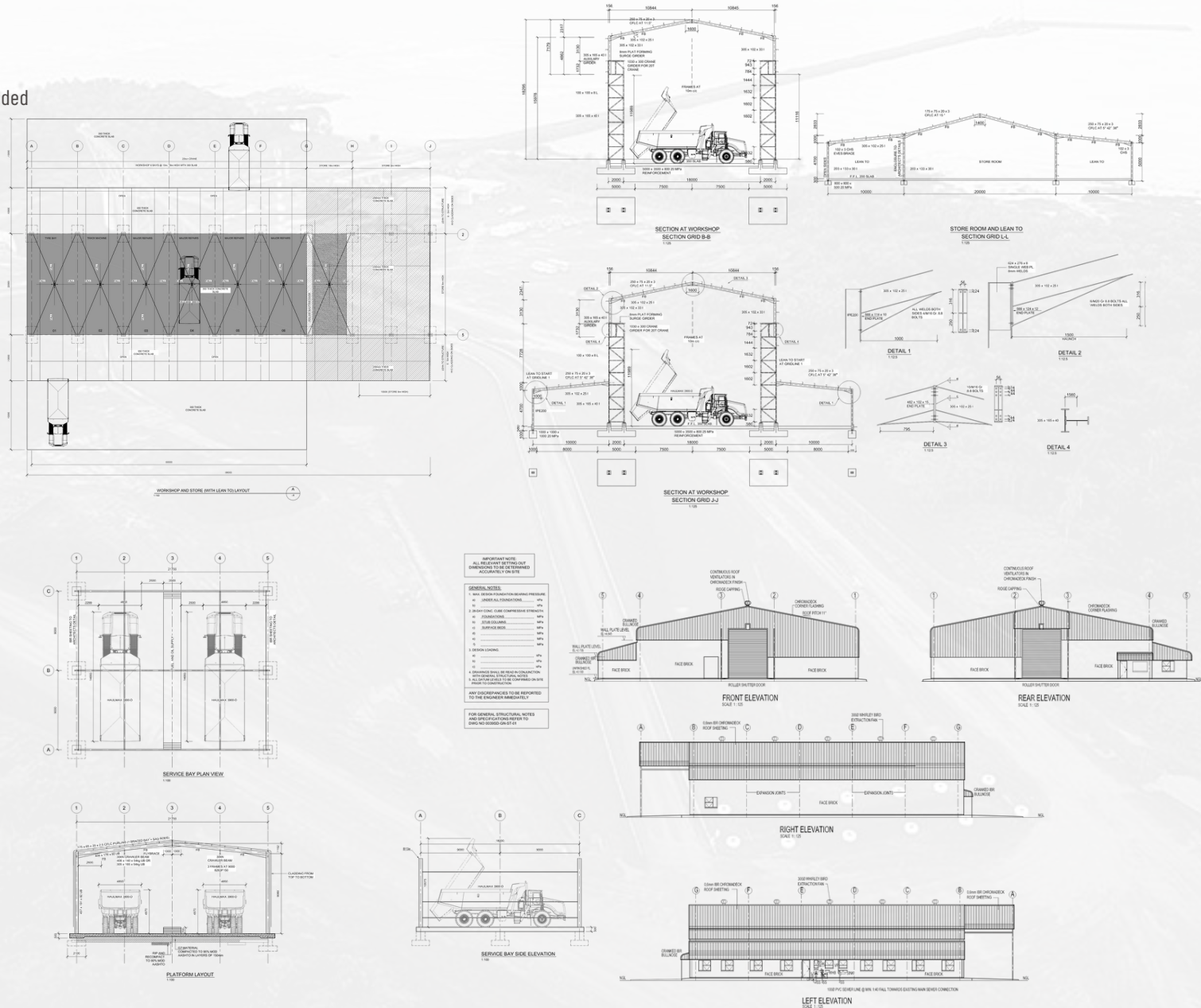
- Main Office
- Workshop Site Office
- Stores Site Office
- Lab Site Office
- Pit Site Office
- Fuel Site Office
- Clinic Site Office
- Security Site Office
- Training centre
- Change house

In the Export Facility:

- Quayside Site Office
- Port Workshop Site Office
- Port Office

In the Mining Camp:

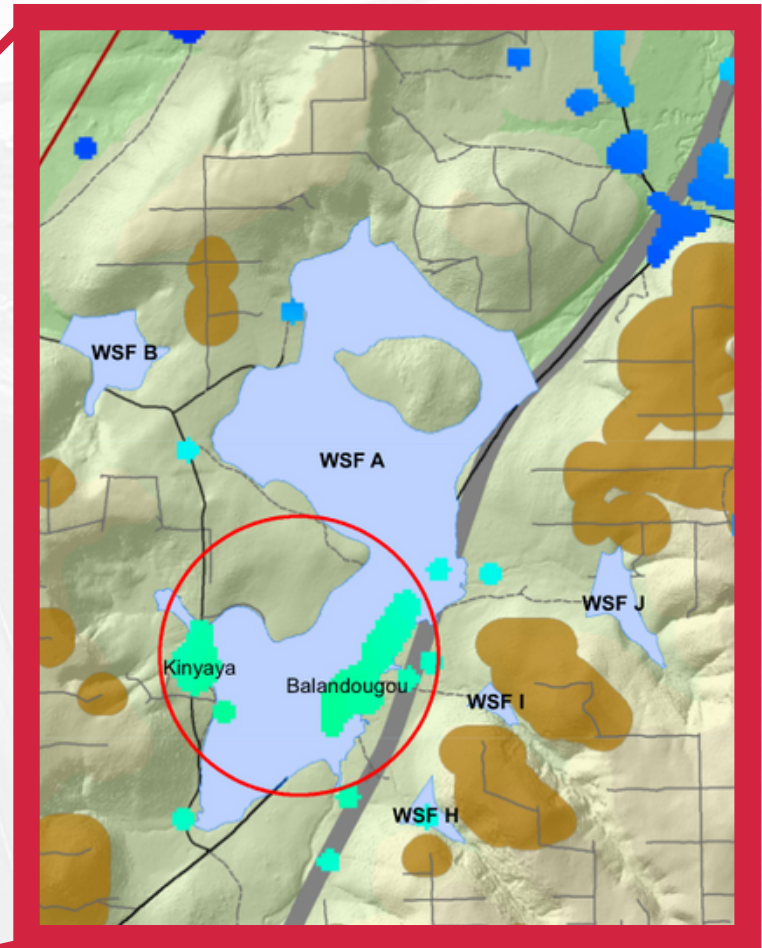
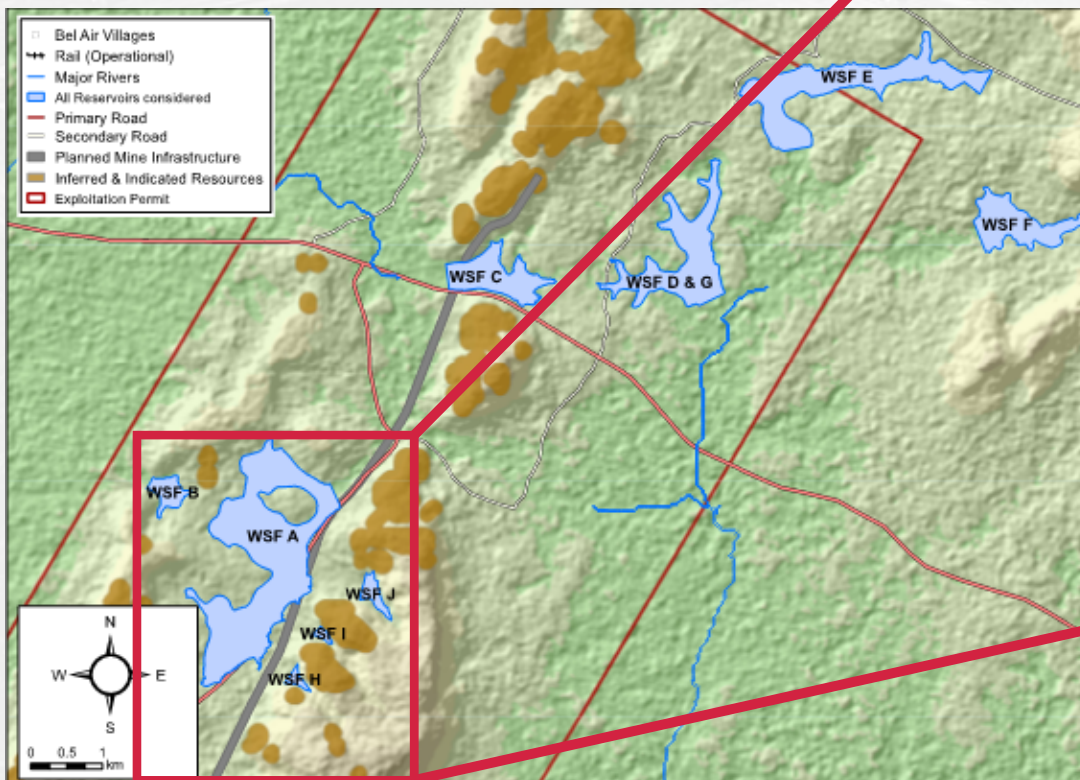
- Single Accommodation Units
- Double Accommodation Units
- Mess/ Kitchen
- Landry
- Ablution Units
- Camp Site Office



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WATER SUPPLY AND CONSUMPTION

- WSF B was identified as the preferred option
 - No displacement of people.
- WSF E was identified as the preferred option during future expansion i.e. Refinery
- WSF A also considered but disrupted too many communities and existing infrastructure. It also interfered with planned mine infrastructure



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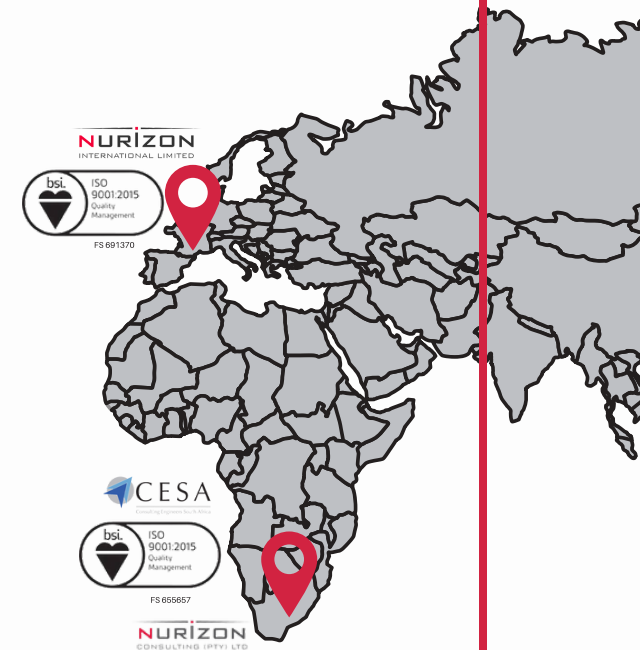
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