



Resources Victoria Extractive Performance Report

2025-26 Q2



We acknowledge and respect Victorian Traditional Owners as the original custodians of Victoria's land and waters, their unique ability to care for Country and deep spiritual connection to it.

We honour Elders past and present whose knowledge and wisdom has ensured the continuation of culture and traditional practices.

Resources Victoria is committed to genuinely partnering with Victorian Traditional Owners and Victoria's Aboriginal community to progress their aspirations.



Work Authorities / Work Plans

8

new work authorities

17

Work plans / work plan variations / Admin updates approved

47

pipeline work plan applications

98%

of decisions made within statutory timeframes



Approved quarry materials

86.6

million tonnes approved (work plan greenfield / variations / admin updates)



Bonds

\$161.2

million bonds held

29

bond assessments completed



Compliance

342

compliance activities

169

compliance actions

4

incidents

23

complaints received

Extractive Summary – work authorities and work plans

What we delivered in FY25/26 Q2 and YTD

- In Q2 a further 55.8 million tonnes of resources was unlocked from nine approved work plans and eight administrative updates and one minor variation. YTD 86.6 million tonnes unlocked in total.
- In Q2 97.3% (36 out of 37) of work plan decisions made within statutory time frame.
 - 16 – Approved or Endorsed work Plans
 - 9 – Returned to the applicant
- YTD 98% (63 out of 64) work plan decisions made within statutory time frame.
- The end-to-end timeframe for approved work plans increased YTD, primarily due to a higher number of days spent seeking a planning permit, with the applicant, and with Regulatory Operations, for the work plans approved in Q2.
- At the end of Q2, 2% (1 out of 47) of work plan applications are with internal agency for assessment and 98% are with the applicant or with the applicant seeking a planning permit

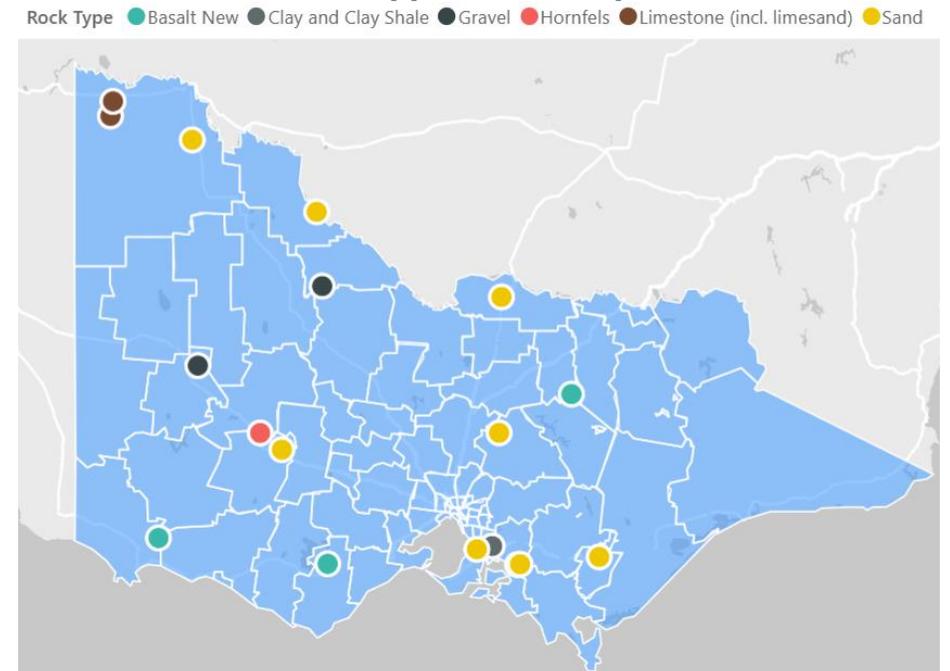
Work Plan Application Pipeline

Stage	No. Plans
Seeking Planning Permit	24
With Applicant	22
With Reg Ops for Assessment	0
With Internal Agency	1
Work Plan Applications	47

Work Plan / Work Plan Variations Approvals:

FY	Work Plans / Var Approved	Median Days with Reg Ops	Median Days with Applicant	Median Days to Seek Permit	Median Days End to End	Ave No. returns to applicant per plan
FY2025-26 YTD	17	102	110	250	502	< 2
FY2024-25	17	86	53	239	371	< 2
FY2023-24	22	138	92	221	636	< 3
FY2022-23	12	130	251	274	562	< 3

Location of approved work plans YTD



Extractive summary – rehabilitation liabilities

What we delivered in FY2025/26 Q2

- Assessed ~ \$2.4 million from 18 bonds.
 - 7 bond increases (~\$2.2m)
 - 2 initial bonds (~\$0.03K)
 - 8 bond releases (~\$186k)
- In Q2 bond increases were primarily a result of transfer of title and work authority variations.
- Extractive industry bond reviews required under a direction in accordance with s79A of the Act were placed on hold pending the independent bond review panel recommendations (except for work plans/variations and transfers).
- Progressive rehabilitation and more frequent self-assessment can reduce bond amounts held and ensure rehabilitation liability accurately reflects bonds held (for more information see resources.vic.gov.au/community-and-land-use/rehabilitation).

Bonds		
Bonds Held	FY24/25 Q2	FY25/26 Q2
Tenements with bonds	895	891
Amount of bonds	\$145.0m	\$161.2m
Bond Assessment	FY24/25 Q2	FY25/26 Q2
Sites bond assessed	41	28
Total bond assessed amount (\$m)	\$25.5m	\$9.3m

\$199K
Median Bond Increased amount (over 4 quarters)

16.0 years
Median years since previous bond increase (over 4 quarters)

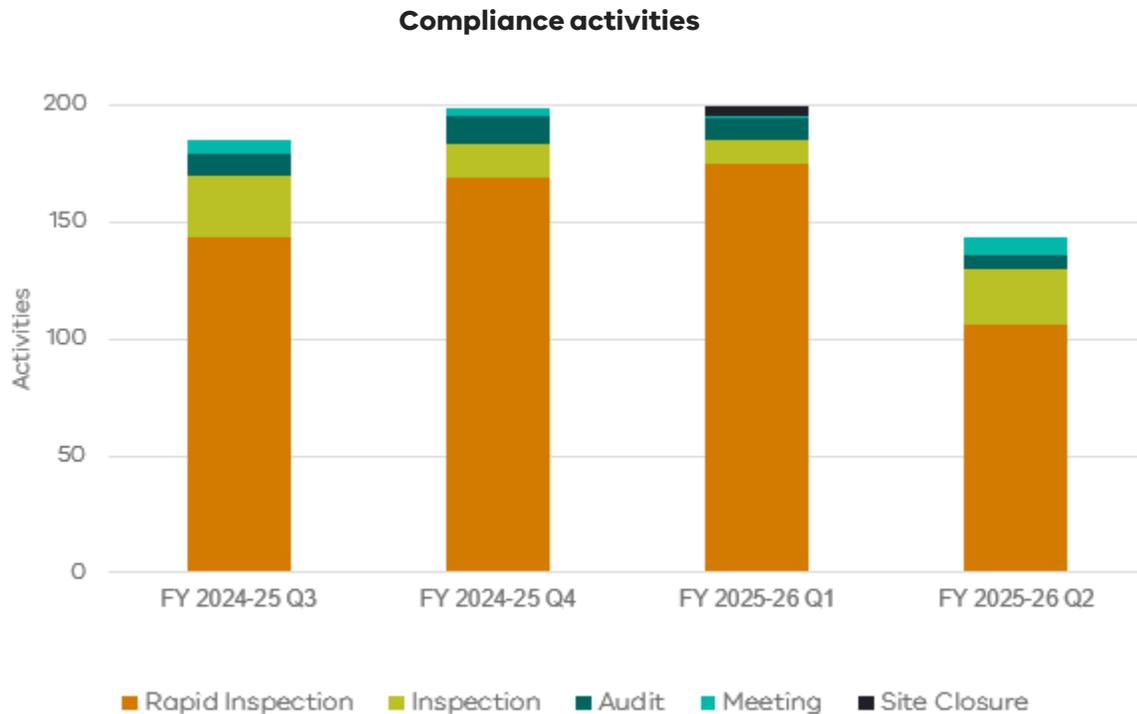
Rehabilitation bond assessments last four quarters

Bond Assessment	FY 2024-25 Q3		FY 2024-25 Q4		FY 2025-26 Q1		FY 2025-26 Q2	
	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount
Bond Increase	10	\$14,099,000	3	\$1,133,500	8	\$6,111,500	7	\$2,193,500
Initial Bond	2	\$119,000	4	\$308,000	1	\$813,000	2	\$31,500
Full Release	5	\$74,090	1	\$24,500	1	\$5,000	8	\$186,000
Partial Release	1	\$14,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Change	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Total Assessments	19	\$14,306,090	8	\$1,466,000	11	\$6,929,500	17	\$2,411,000

Extractive summary – compliance

What we delivered in FY2025/26 Q2 and YTD

- 143 audits, inspections, rapid inspections and meetings were conducted in Q2, bringing the YTD total to 342 across 312 unique sites.
- 127 compliance actions were recorded in Q2, with 95 related to the failure to submit an annual returns. YTD, 170 compliance actions were issued.
- 9 community complaints were received in Q2 across 6 sites, mainly relating to dust emissions and vibrations. YTD, 23 complaints have been recorded.



342
Compliance
Activities YTD

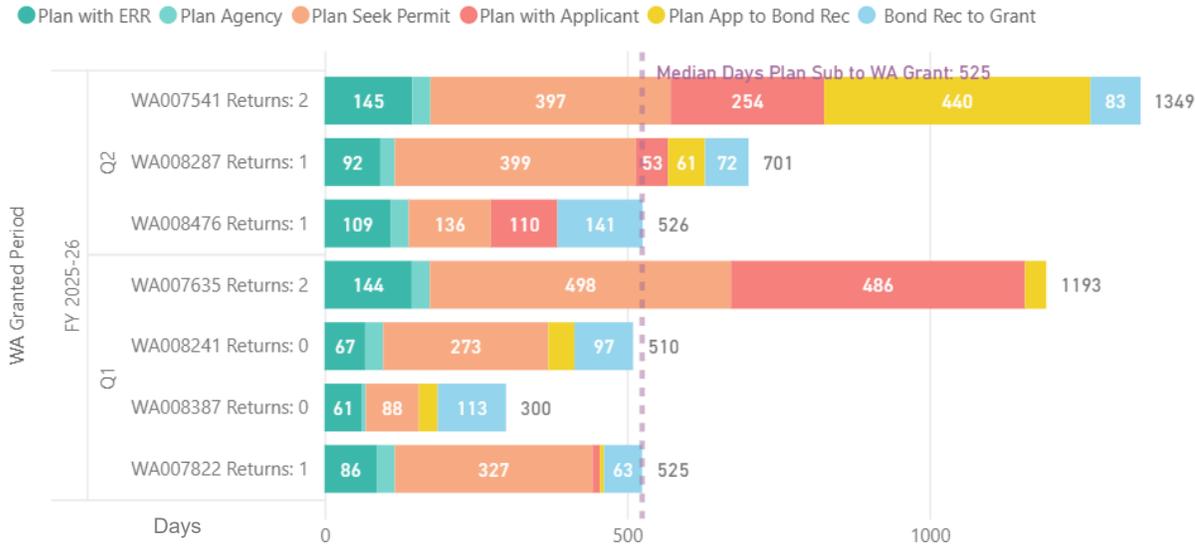
312
Unique sites

Key points to note

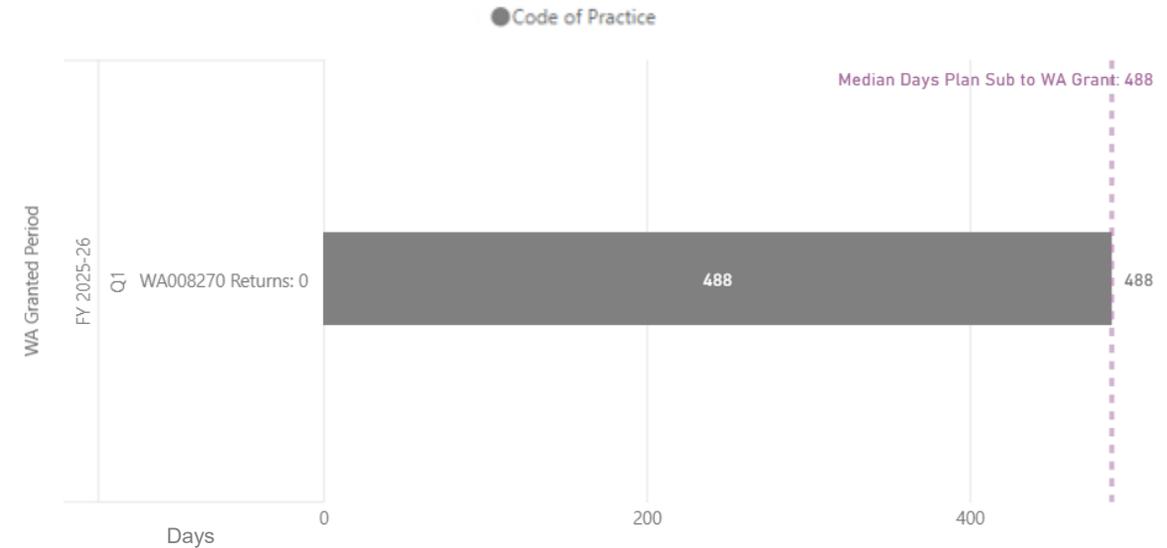
- As at the end of the FY 25/26 Q2 inspectors had attended 123 of all mining and quarry sites with the rapid inspection program. 65% of all rapid inspection sites have been visited.
- During the first half of FY25/26, the Compliance team prioritised rapid inspections, focusing on swift and targeted compliance checks. The second half of the financial year, the emphasis will shift towards audits & inspections.
- Rapid inspection campaigns through Q2 looked at sites in the Far East of Gippsland and central Victoria .
- Themes identified in Q2 remained consistent with those observed earlier in FY25/26, including excess derelict equipment, poor management of hydrocarbons, failure to complete progressive rehabilitation, absence of excavation pegs and failure to have a copy of the approved work plan on site.

Extractive work authorities granted FY2025-26 YTD (1 July 2025 to 31 Dec 2025)

Work Authority End to End Approval



Work Authority COP (<5Ha) End to End Approval

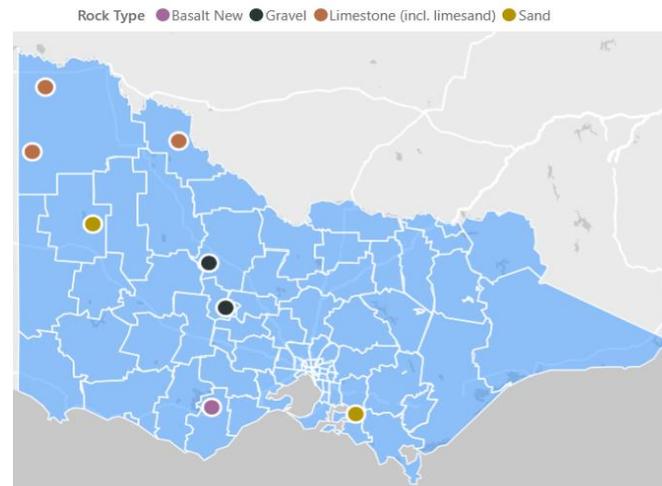


Stage	FY 22-23 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 23-24 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 24-25 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 25-26 YTD Q2 Median Days
WA Granted	2	1	4	7
With Reg Ops	91	96	119	92
With Applicant	69	14	264	53
Seek Permit	548	119	297	327
Plan App to Bond Received	1094	157	96	35
Bond Received to Grant	34	8	44	83
End to End	1945	424	1125	525
COP WA Granted	5	-	4	1
COP Submitted to WA Grant	479	-	259	488

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Work Authorities
Granted

33.7 Million Tonnes
Resources Estimate

Geographic location

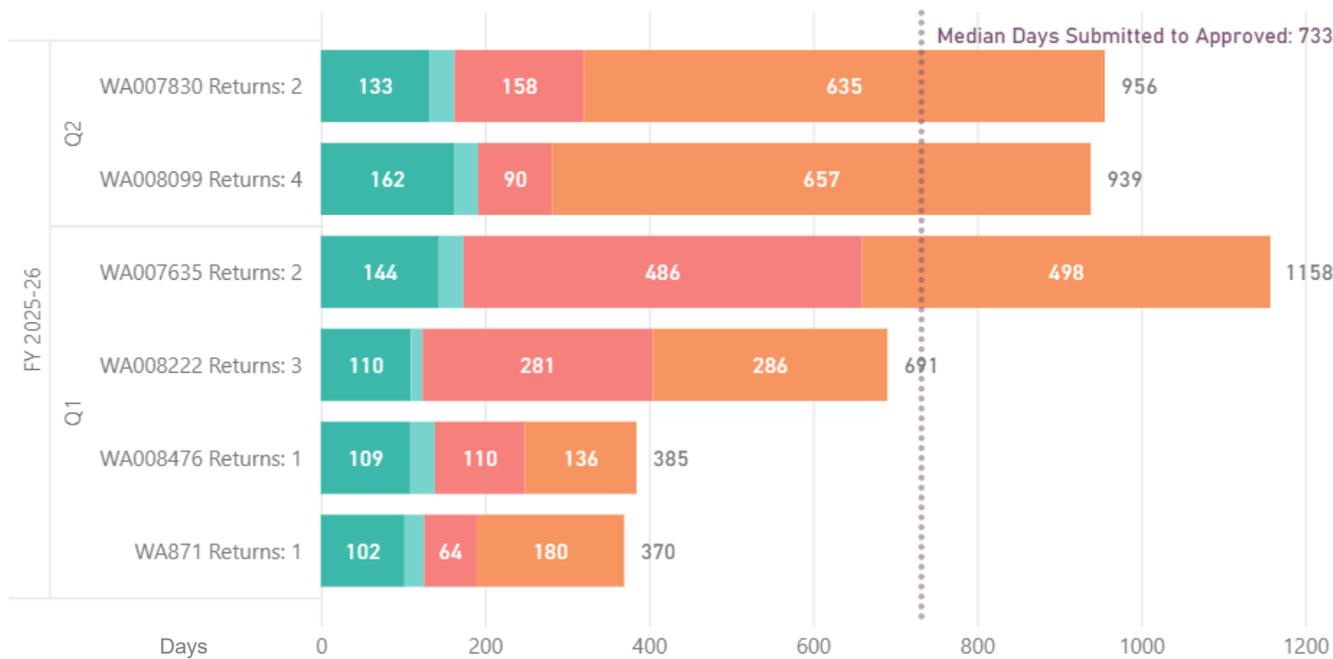


- In Q2 FY25/26 six quarries (under a work plan) were granted unlocking 13.4 million tonnes of resources.
- The median end to end time was 525 days.
- One quarry was granted under a code of practice in Q1. The median end to end time was 488 days.

Pipeline – Initial work plan approved for new quarries FY 2025-26 YTD

Work Plan Submitted to Approval

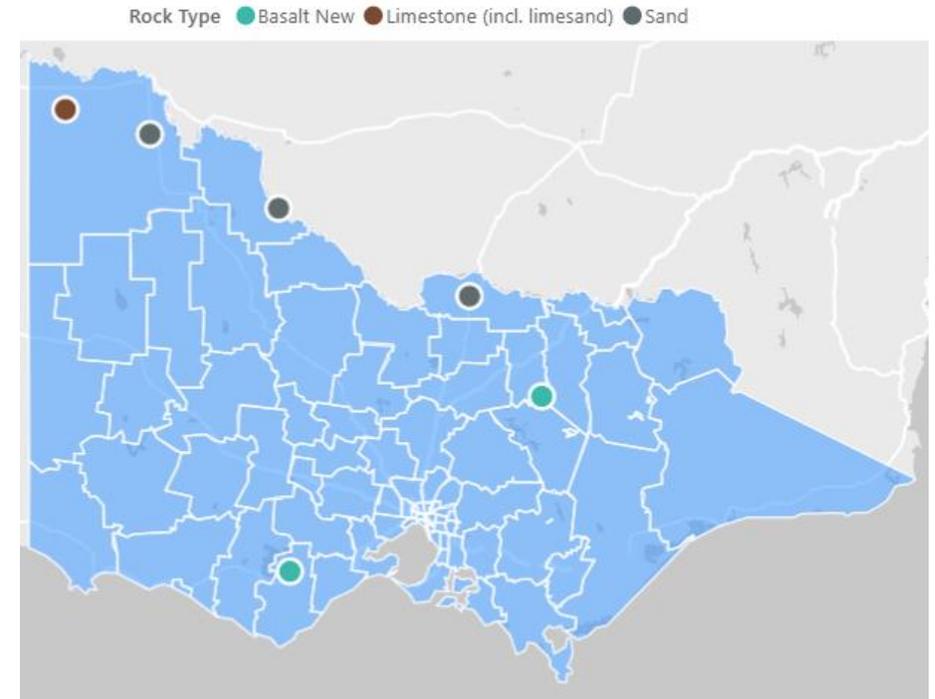
Stage ● Plan with ERR ● Plan with Agency ● Plan with Applicant ● Plan Seek Perm



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Work plan approved for new quarries

20.4 Million Tonnes
Resources Estimate

Geographic location

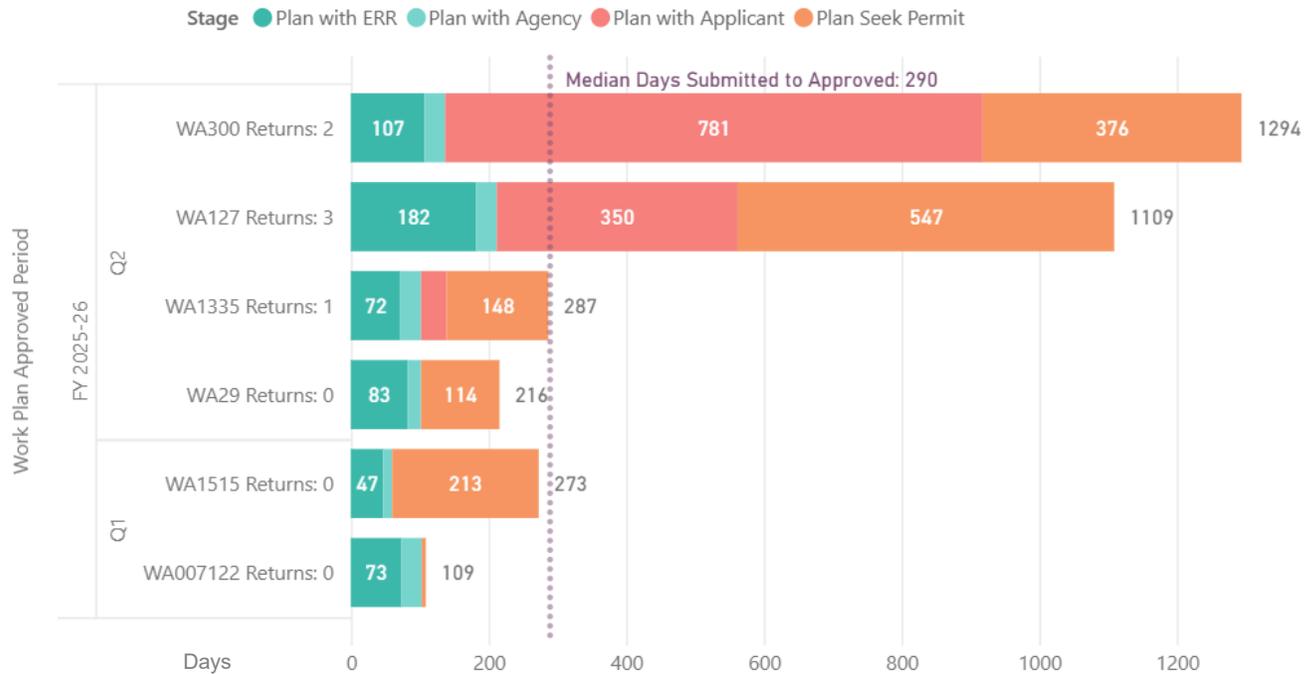


- In Q2 FY25/26 there were two work plans approved for new quarries, operating under a work plan.
- YTD FY25/26, Six work plans approved, five for new quarries and one was approved for the expansion of the quarry from a code of practice operation to a quarry operating under a work plan.

Stage	FY 22-23 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 23-24 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 24-25 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 25-26 YTD Q2 Median Days
Work Plans Approved	2	5	5	6
With Reg Ops	107	140	125	112
With Internal Agency	30	30	30	30
With Applicant	68	89	62	134
Seek Permit	177	655	97	392
End to End	454	953	379	733

Work plan variations FY 2025-26 YTD (1 July 2025 to 31 Dec 2025)

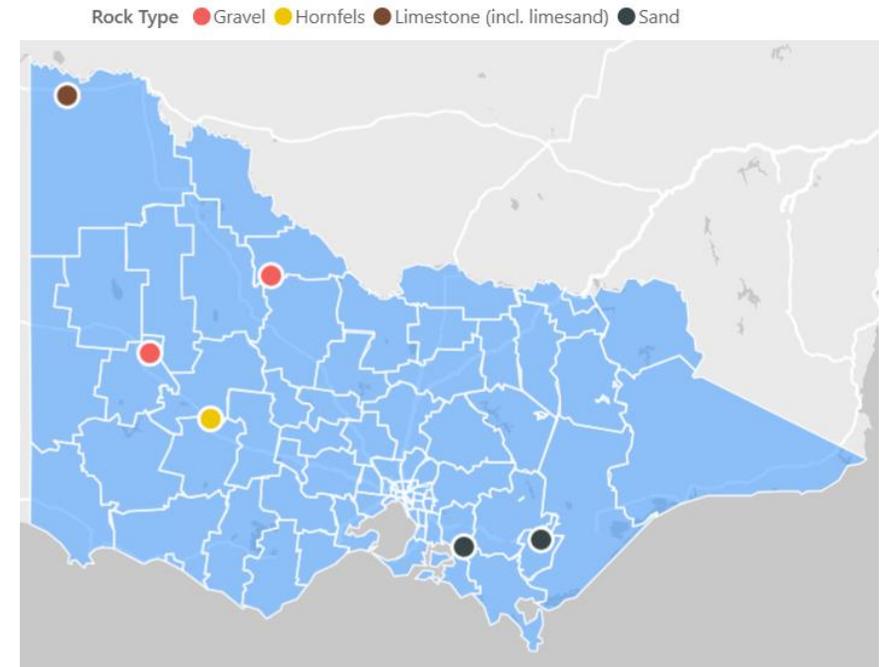
Planning Permit Required - Work Plan Variation Submitted to Approval



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Work plan variations approved

57 Million Tonnes
Resources Estimate

Geographic location

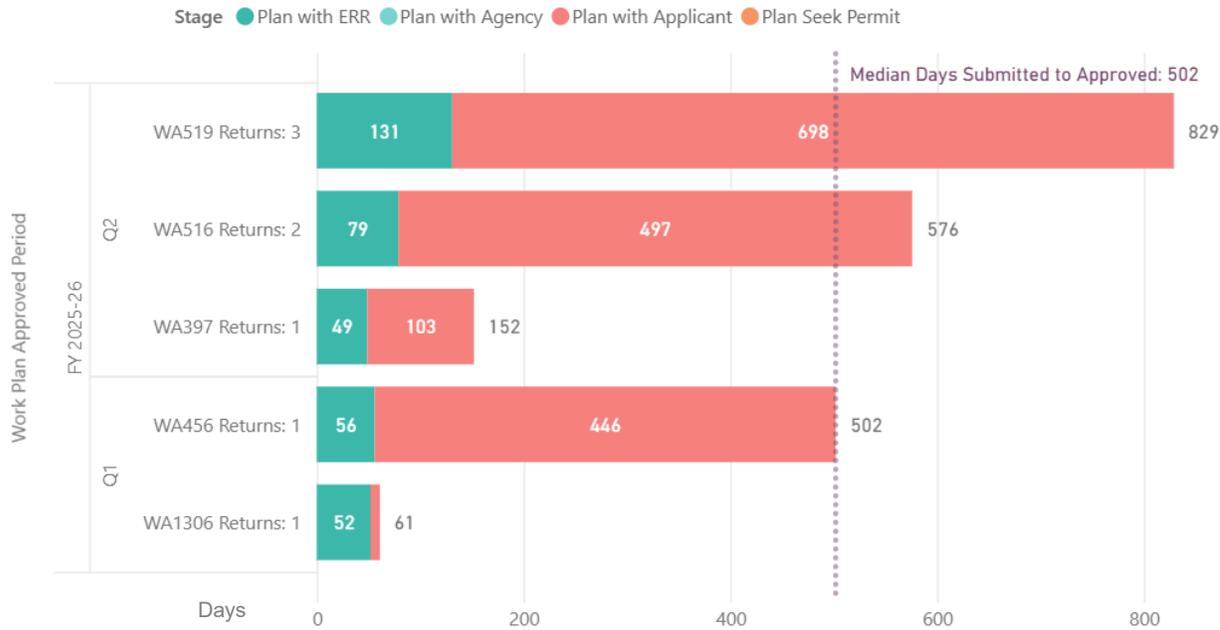


Stage	FY 22-23 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 23-24 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 24-25 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 25-26 YTD Q2 Median Days
Variation Approved	3	6	1	6
With Reg Ops	138	169	149	78
With Internal Agency	30	30	30	30
With Applicant	361	84	428	19
Seek Permit	249	220	270	181
End to End	834	580	877	290

- In Q2FY25/26 four work plan variations requiring a planning permit were approved.
- YTD FY25/26, 60 million tons of resources was unlocked from six approved work plan variations.

Work plan variations FY 2025-26 YTD (1 July 2025 to 31 Dec 2025)

Planning Permit Not Required - Work Plan Variation Submitted to Approval

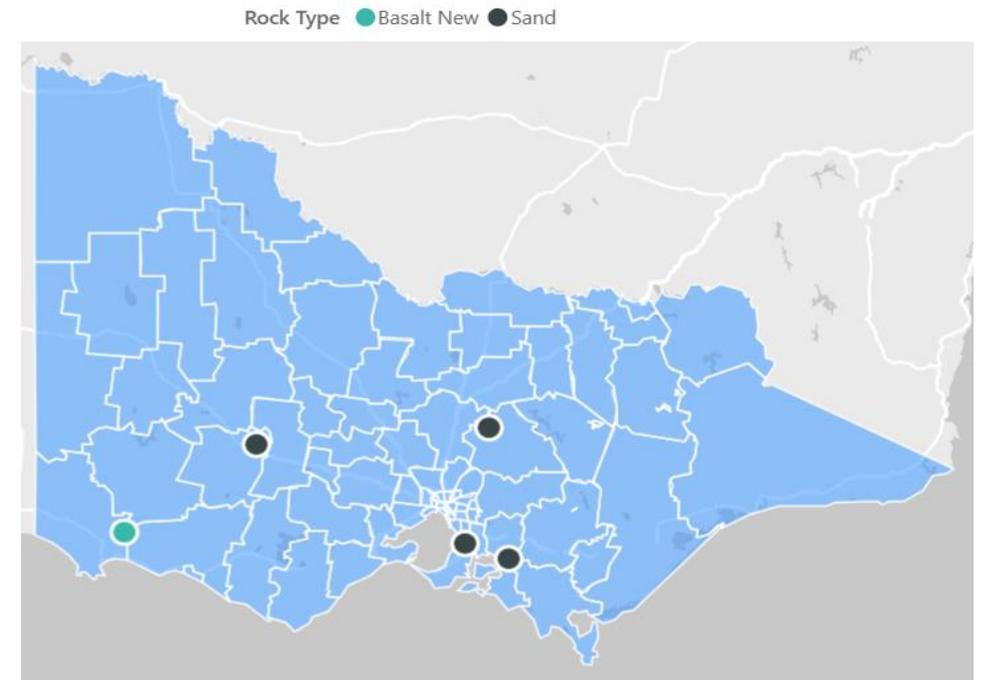


Stage	FY 22-23 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 23-24 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 24-25 YTD Q2 Median Days	FY 25-26 YTD Q2 Median Days
Variation Approved	1	3	3	5
With Reg Ops	137	129	53	56
With Internal Agency	30	-	-	-
With Applicant	1435	908	36	446
End to End	1602	1058	94	502

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Work plan variations approved

7.1 Million Tonnes
Resources Estimate

Geographic location



- In Q2 FY25/26 five work plan variations not requiring a planning permit were approved.
- YTD FY25/26, 7.1 million tons of resources was unlocked from five approved work plan variations.

Extractive Work Plan Applications In the pipeline (31 Dec 2025)

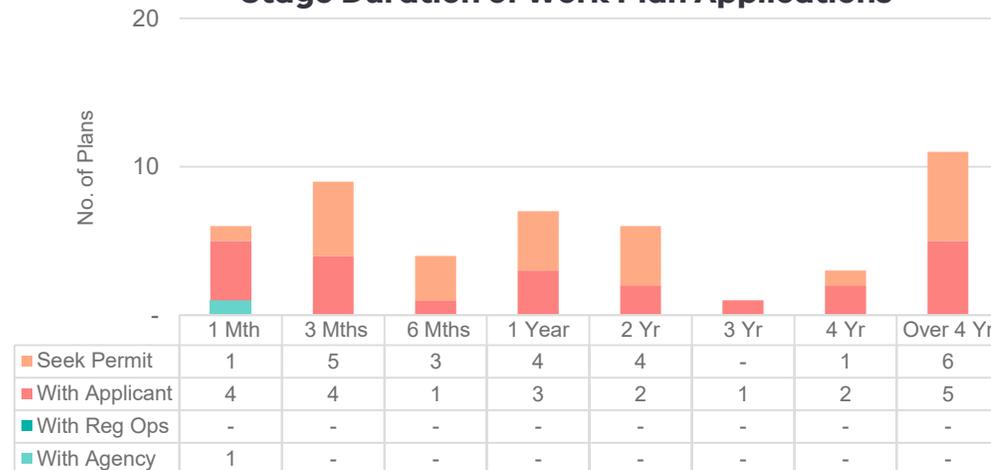
Work Plan Summary by Status



Work Plan Application Pipeline

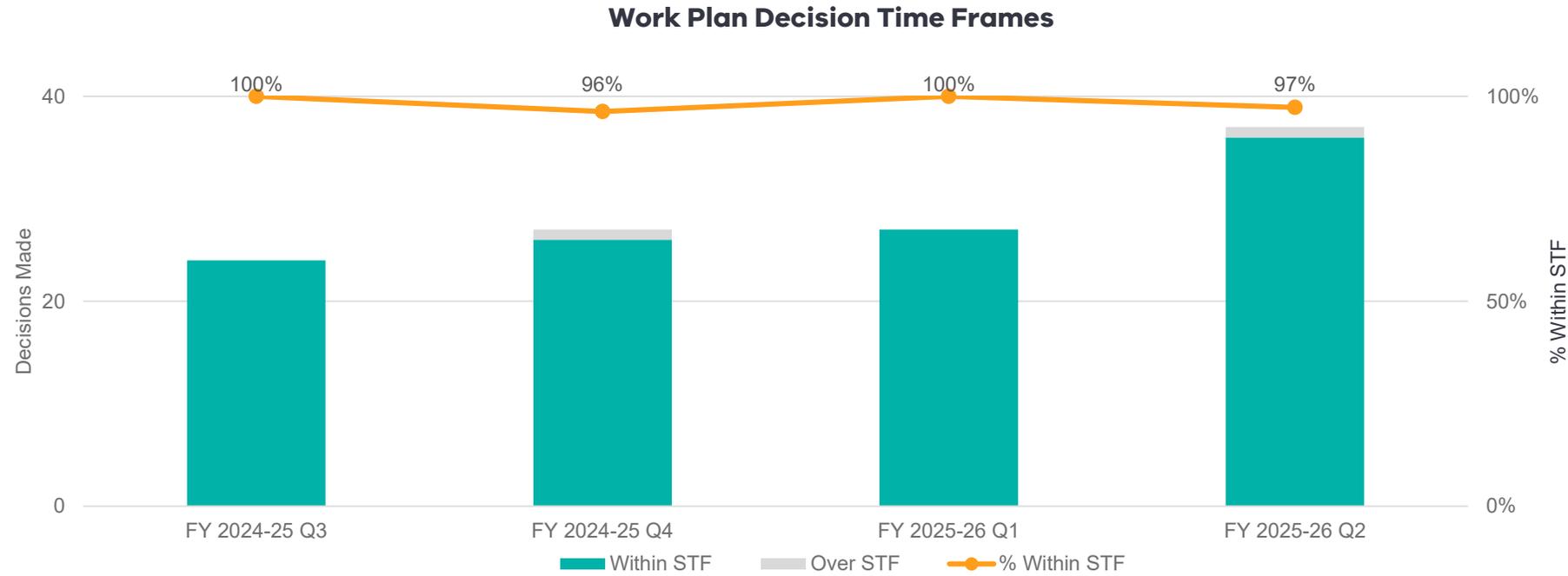
Stage	No. Plans
Seeking Planning Permit	24
With Applicant	22
With Reg Ops for Assessment	-
With Internal Agency	1
Work Plan Applications	47

Stage Duration of Work Plan Applications



- At 31 Dec 2025 there were 47 work plans in the pipeline
- 2% (1) of the work plan applications is with the internal agency for assessment. The 98 % (46 are seeking a planning permit or with the applicant.
- RV periodically contacts applicants that have projects that appear to have stalled to confirm if they are still pursuing the applications and if so, what is holding it up and whether the department can provide any assistance to progress.

Work Plan Decisions Made Within Statutory Time Frame (STF)



Work Plan Decision Time Frames

Decisions Time frame	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Within STF	24	26	27	36
Over STF	-	1	-	1
Total	24	27	27	37
% Within STF	100%	96.3%	100%	97.3%

FY25/26 Q2 Decision Outcomes

Outcomes	Within STF	Over STF	Total
Approved by Delegate	9	1	10
Endorse Wok Plan	6	-	6
Return to Applicant	9	-	9
Agency Referral Outcome	7	-	7
Agency Referral	5	-	5
Total Outcomes	36	1	37

- In Q2 97.3% of decisions were made within statutory time frame (36 out of 37)
- 16 decisions were relating to the approval or endorsement of the plan and nine were returned to the applicant as the work plan did not meet legislative requirements.

Work Plan Administrative Updates by Notification / Minor Variations

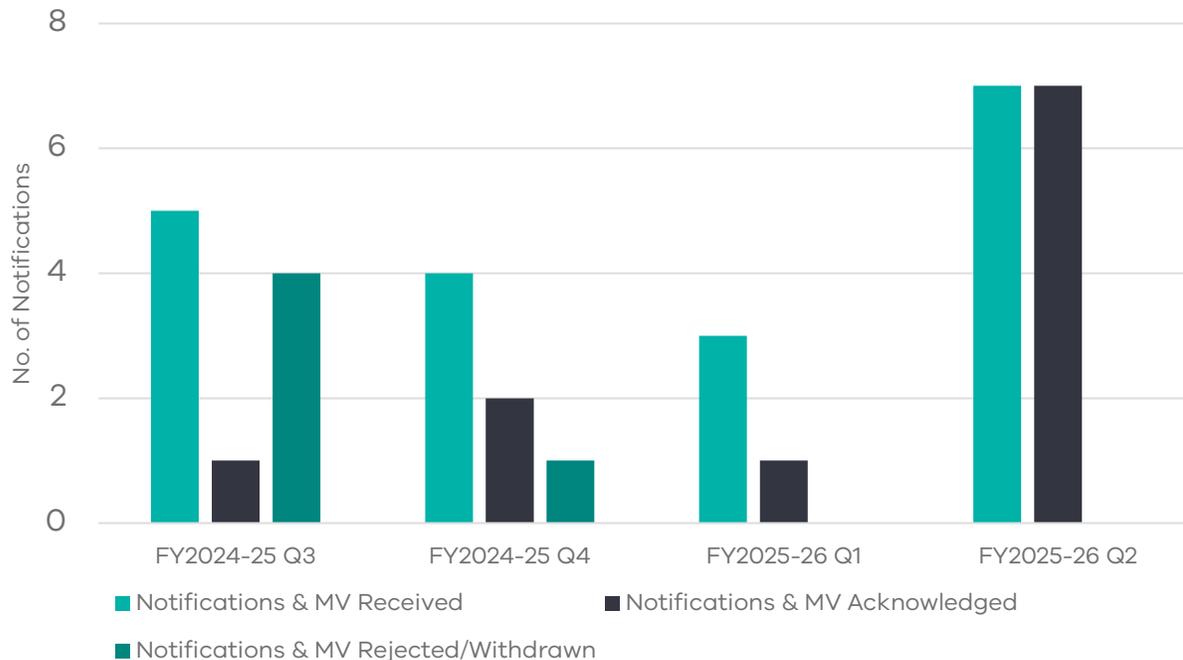
Extractive Industries	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Notifications & MV Received	5	4	4	7
Notifications & MV Acknowledged	1	2	2	7
Notifications & MV Rejected / Withdrawn	4	1	-	-

9 Administrative Updates & MV Acknowledged in YTD

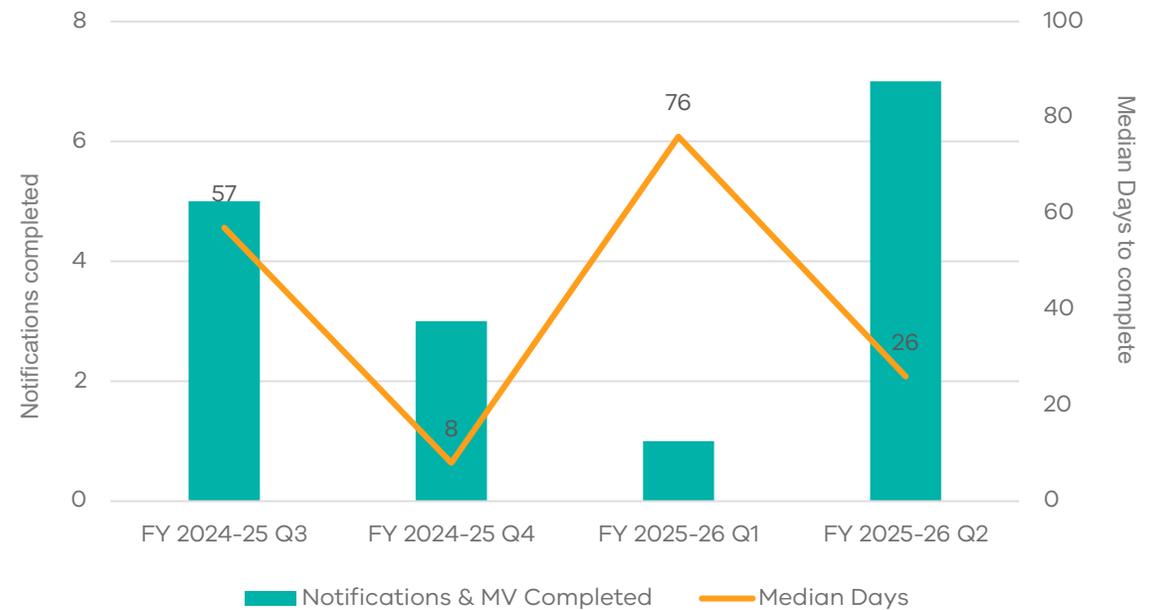
2.2 Million Tonnes Resources Estimate

- A new Minor Variation pathway was introduced in Q2 to replace the former Administrative Update by Notification process.
- (Further guidance is available online via the [: Work approval process for extractive industries - Resources Victoria.](#))
- During Q2 FY25/26, a total of seven submissions were received:
 - Six administrative updates
 - One minor variation

Administrative Updates by Notification



Notifications Completed and Median Days



Work Authority Bonds

\$161.2 million

Value of bonds
(at 31 Dec 2025)

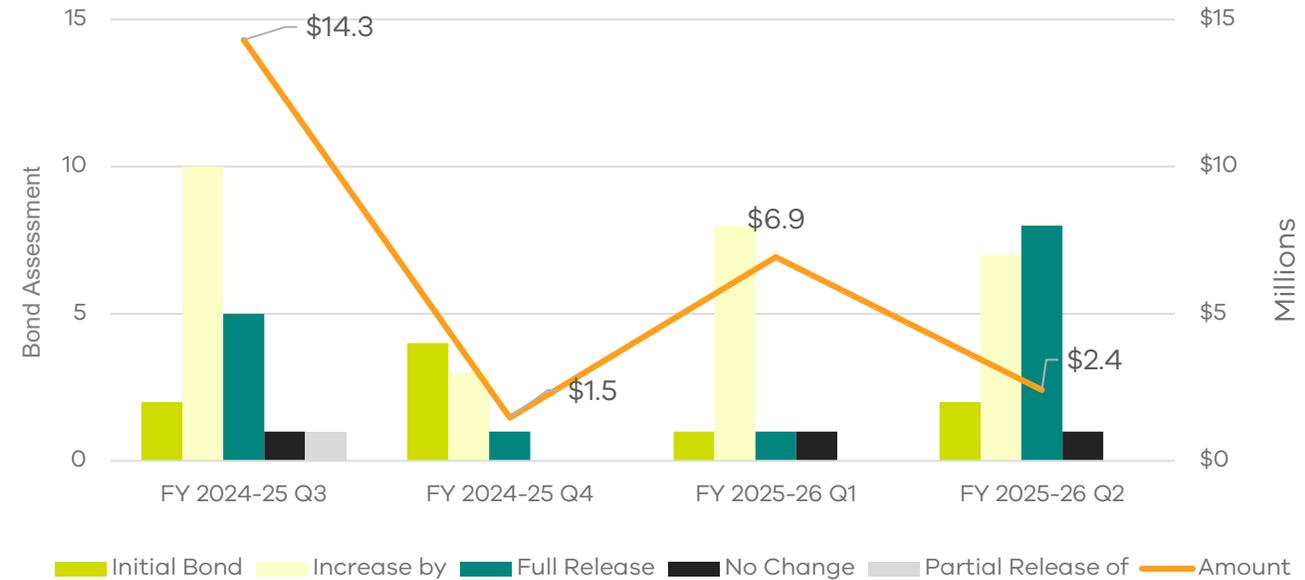
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Tenements with
bonds

- In Q2, 18 bond assessments were conducted totalling a value of ~\$2.4M.
- Seven had a bond increase, transfer of a tenement and work plan variations were the top two reasons.
- Two initial bonds for a new site set.
- Eight bonds were released across the state following successful completion of rehabilitation commitments.

Link to website bond information and public bonds dashboard: [Rehabilitation bonds interactive dashboard - Resources Victoria](#)

Bond Assessments



Bond Assessments

Bond Assessment	FY 2024-25 Q3		FY 2024-25 Q4		FY 2025-26 Q1		FY 2025-26 Q2	
	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount	Assessed	Amount
Bond Increase	10	\$14,099,000	3	\$1,133,500	8	\$6,111,500	7	\$2,193,500
Initial Bond	2	\$119,000	4	\$308,000	1	\$813,000	2	\$31,500
Full Release	5	\$74,090	1	\$24,500	1	\$5,000	8	\$186,000
Partial Release	1	\$14,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Change	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Total Assessments	19	\$14,306,090	8	\$1,466,000	11	\$6,929,500	17	\$2,411,000

* Bonds may not have been received yet

Work Authority Bond Increase

Bond Increases



* Work Authorities have been deidentified.

\$199K

Median Increased amount
(over 4 quarters)

16.0 years

Median years since previous bond increase
(over 4 quarters)

Bond Increase	FY 2024-25 Q3		FY 2024-25 Q4		FY 2025-26 Q1		FY 2025-26 Q2	
Reasons	No. bond Assessed	Amount	No. bond Assessed	Amount	No. bond Assessed	Amount	No. bond Assessed	Amount
MRSA Section 79A	7	\$13,729,500	1	\$1,075,000	-	-	-	-
Transfer	2	\$37,500	1	\$10,500	7	\$6,088,000	3	\$364,500
WA variation (Extension)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	\$1,286,000
Work Plan Variation	-	-	1	\$48,000	1	\$23,500	1	\$71,000
Scheduled / Annual Review	1	\$332,000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Notification	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	\$472,000
Total Increases	10	\$14,099,000	3	\$113,350	8	\$6,111,500	7	\$2,193,500

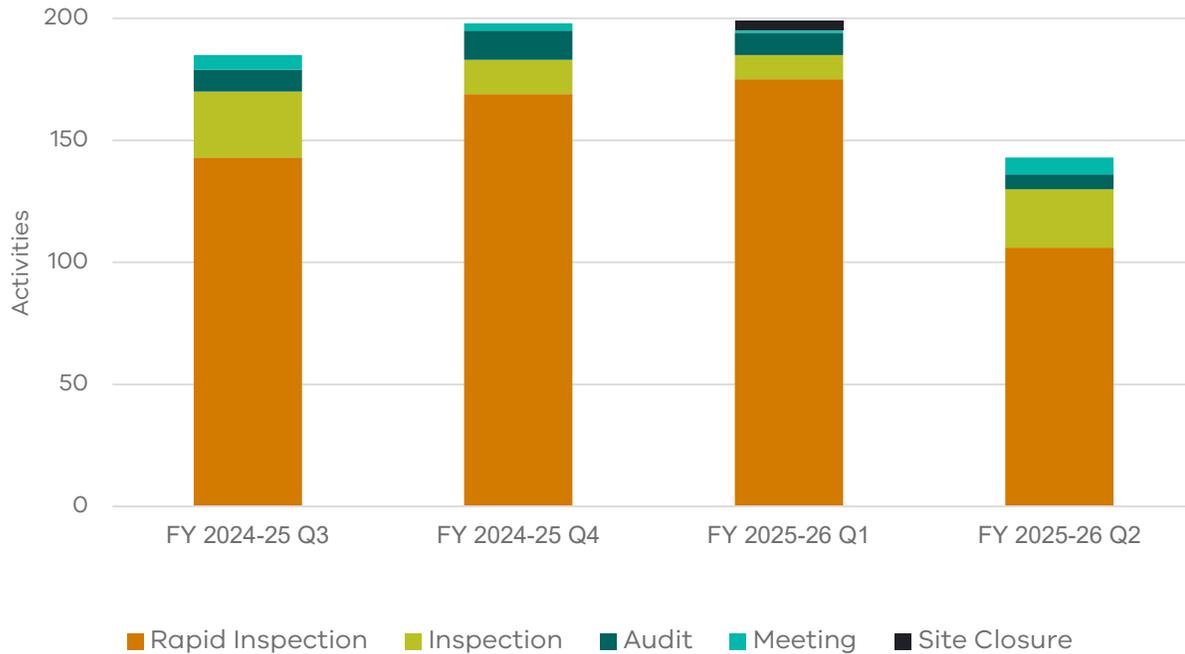
- In Q2 there were 7 bond increases assessed totalling \$2.2M.
- The median amount increased over the last four quarters was \$332K and the median years since the last increase was 16.1 years

Compliance Activities

Compliance Activities

Compliance Activity	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Rapid Inspection*	143	169	175	106
Inspection	27	14	10	24
Audit	9	12	9	6
Meeting	6	3	1	7
Site Closures	-	-	4	-
Total	185	198	199	143

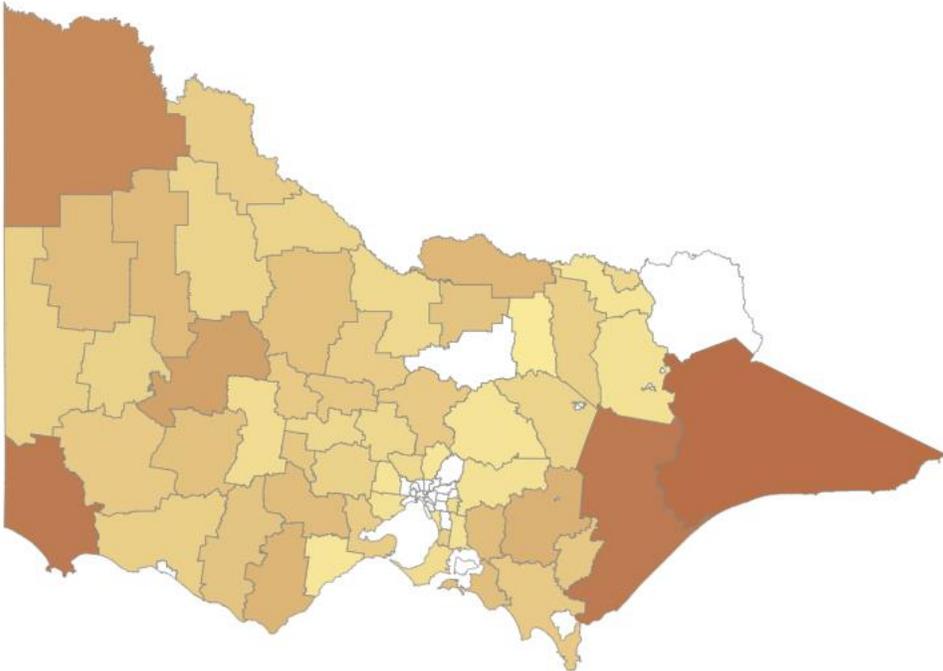
*Rapid Inspection program commenced in Jan 2025



342
Compliance Activities YTD

312
Unique sites

LGA Heatmap - Compliance Activities last four quarters



- In Q2, 143 compliance activities were conducted.
- YTD 342 activities were conducted from 312 unique sites, 82% (281) were rapid inspections.

Compliance Actions

Education

Compliance Actions	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Written Instruction/Education	36	51	34	27
Official Warning Letter	-	-	2	54
Actions	36	53	34	81

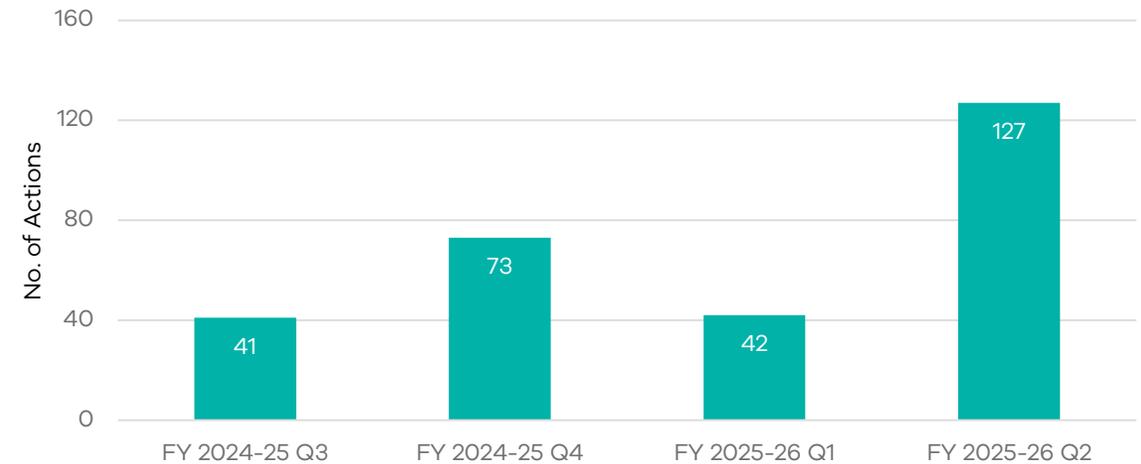
S110 / S110A Notices

Reasons for notice	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Rehabilitation of Site	-	4	2	2
Waste and Redundant Plan	1	3	-	2
Tailings and Slime Management	1	3	1	
Work Without Licence or Consents	-	2	1	1
Hazardous Materials Management	2	1		
Slope Stability	1	-	1	1
Buffer Zones	-	3	-	-
Noxious Weeds, Plants and Pests	-	2	-	-
Environmental Incident Notification	-	-	1	-
Authorised Activity Compliance	-	-	1	-
Documentation and Records	-	-	1	-
Tenement Boundaries	-	1	-	-
Water Dams	-	-	-	1
Total notices issued	5	19	8	7

Enforcement

Compliance Actions	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Infringement Notice	-	-	-	39
Direction	-	-	1	-
Actions	0	0	1	39

Quarterly Summary – Compliance Actions



In Q2 there were 127 compliance actions issued out the 54 official warring and 39 infringements issued were mainly related to failure to submit the annual returns on time.

Compliance Incidents

Incidents	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Slope Stability	-	1	2	-
Explosives Air & Ground Vibration	-	-	-	2
Other (Not Specified Above)	-	-	-	-
Fire Precautions & Risk Control	1	-	-	-
Groundwater Impacts	1	-	-	-
Rehabilitation of Site	-	-	-	-
Complaints Management	1	-	-	-
Environmental Incident Notification	1	-	-	-
Public Safety & Site Security	-	-	-	-
Buffer Zones	-	-	-	-
Total Incidents	4	1	2	2
Unique sites	4	1	2	2

- In Q2 there were 2 incidents reported from 2 unique sites

Community Complaints

Complaints	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
Explosives Air & Ground Vibration	1	3	5	3
Dust Emissions	5	1	-	3
Working Hours	-	1	4	1
Noise Emissions	2	3	-	-
Other (Not Specified Above)	1	1	1	1
Impacts Outside Tenement Site		-	2	-
Native Vegetation & Fauna	1	-	1	-
Waterway Quality & Aquatic Habitat	1	-	-	-
Buffer Zones	-	-	1	-
Groundwater Impacts	-	1	-	-
Rehabilitation of Site	-	1	-	-
Community Engagement	-	-	-	1
Total Complaints Received	11	11	14	9
Unique Tenements	11	10	10	6
Unique Informants	10	11	12	9

Compliance Community Reference Group Attendance

Tenement	Tenement Holder	LGA	FY 2024-25 Q3	FY 2024-25 Q4	FY 2025-26 Q1	FY 2025-26 Q2
WA102	Boral Resources (Vic) Pty Ltd	Whittlesea	1	-	-	-
WA158	Holcim (Australia) Pty Ltd	Colac Otway	1	-	1	-
WA385	Heidelberg Materials Australia Pty Ltd	Knox	-	1	1	-
WA41	Barro Group Pty Ltd	Greater Geelong	-	-	-	1
WA82	Boral Resources (Vic) Pty Ltd	Moorabool	-	1	-	1
Attendance			2	2	2	2

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