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Decommissioning of Large Mining Equipment

Decommissioning of the Large Mining Equipment (LME) in the Hazelwood Mine is continuing, with three dredgers and a mobile slewing conveyor parked in their final resting place.

These areas will be used for both the decommissioning and demolition of the four coal winning LMEs.

The clay-capped park-up area on 5 Level within the Mine houses Dredgers 9 and 10, together with Mobile Slew Conveyor S96, while Dredger 11 is parked nearby on the level below. The areas have been fenced off, with an exclusion zone established around each machine for safety reasons.

The equipment has undergone extensive cleaning to remove accumulated coal and debris. In addition, industrial cleaning is being undertaken to target areas where excessive oil and grease residue has built up. Oil and grease removal is also being undertaken.

Once the equipment has been thoroughly cleaned, made safe and fully decommissioned, it will be ready for demolition.