Brooklyn Community Representative Group Information Update July 2016





Odour Reports 2015/16





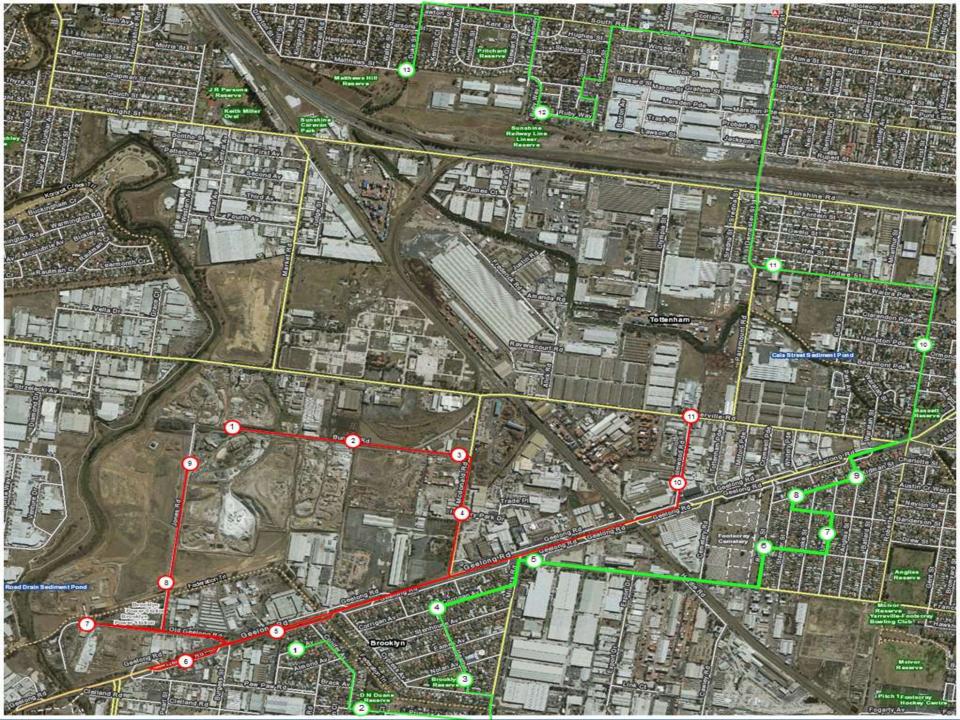


Brooklyn Odour Survey 2016

- Conducted from May 2016 June 2016
- Residential monitoring in:
 - Brooklyn
 - Yarraville
 - West Footscray
 - Sunshine
- Industrial monitoring around major industry in Brooklyn
- At each point on the odour monitoring route an officer would stop and smell (check for odour)
- 454 Individual Odour Checks across 20 surveys.
 - 285 Residential survey point/checks
 - 165 Industrial survey points/checks







How The Data Was Analysed

- Using weather data, and officer observations, the trajectory of odour plumes were determined and linked to local industries
- Data compared with Brooklyn Surveys in 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2012



Odour By Suburb











Odour Sources



Unknown

Brewing

Traffic

Animal Pens





Landfill

Residential

Rendering





Oilseeds



Reports vs Observations

- Increase in odour reported by the community,
- It's real and has been confirmed by surveillance
- Brooklyn community reports are a good indicator of odour impacts
- The recent spike in odours was found to be caused by;
 - Burning Waste,
 - Manure (from Stockyards/Abattoir), &
 - Rendering Plants.



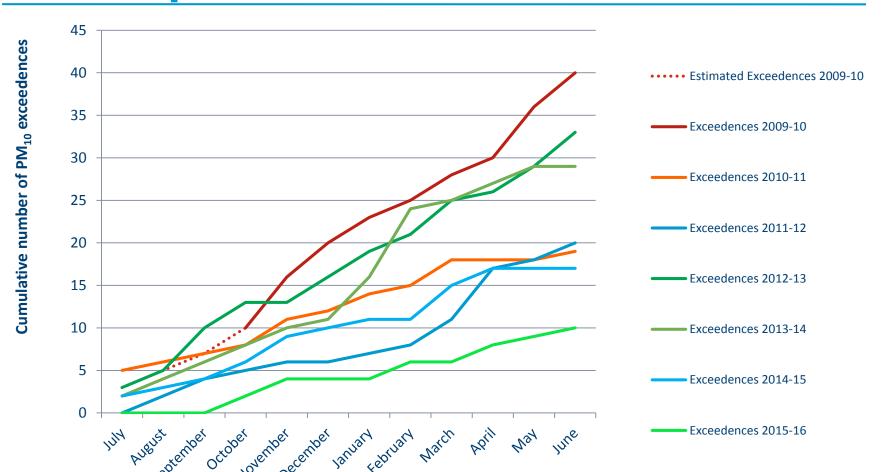


Actions

- Pollution Abatement Notices issued on 2 companies
- Penalty Infringement Notice issued on 1 company
- 2 Investigations are ongoing
- More notices are planned
- Reformed licenses for all landfills being rolled out



Dust Update







Air Quality Update

- Sealing of roads has lead to significant improvements in air quality.
- 2015/16 lowest number of poor air quality days since monitoring began
 (10) smashing previous record in 2014/15 (17).
- 2015/16 was also the equal driest year since monitoring began.
- Review of Dust strategy to commence in the next 2 months, looking at deployment of portable dust sensors at key locations to get a better understanding of remaining sources.
- Over the last 5 years EPA has issued <u>58</u> Pollution Abatement Notice's (PAN's) AND <u>10</u> sanctions for dust related issues and 2 sanctions and a prosecution for odour related issues.



Questions

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