

Bass Strait Operations

General Direction 817 Decommissioning Progress Report 2025

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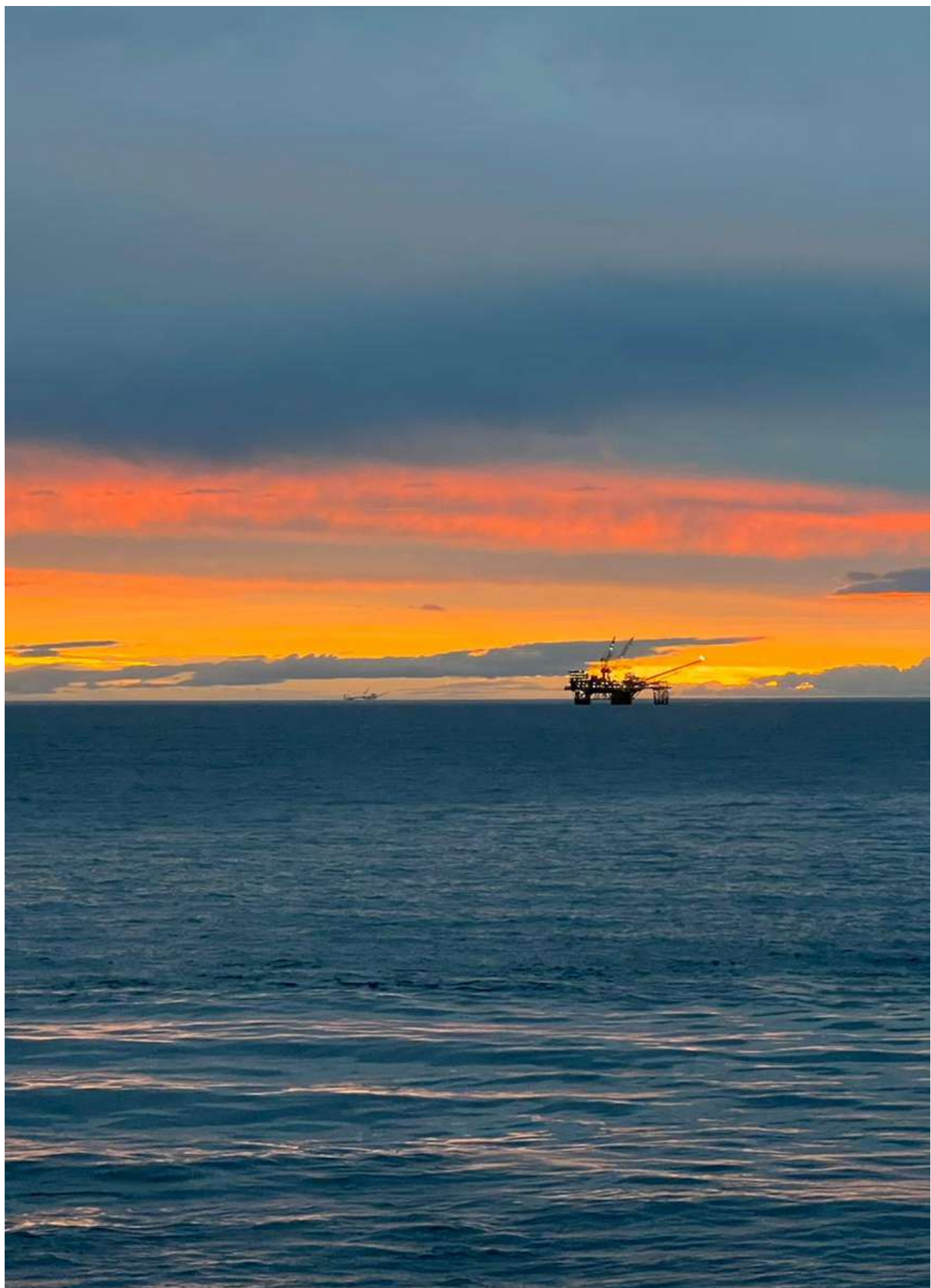


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We recognise the Traditional Custodians continuing connection to land, sea, culture and community, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.



“Esso remains committed to working with our stakeholders, including local Gippsland communities, so that we can continue to safely progress decommissioning activities in an efficient and environmentally responsible manner.”



Senior Project Manager Australia Major Projects, Andy Hospodar

Esso Australia Resources Pty Ltd (Esso), a wholly owned subsidiary of ExxonMobil Australia Pty Ltd, owns and operates the following assets in Bass Strait: 421 wells; 19 platforms; six subsea facilities; and more than 800 kilometres of subsea pipeline. These assets form part of the Gippsland Basin Joint Venture between Esso and Woodside Energy (Bass Strait) Pty Ltd (Woodside Energy) and the Kipper Unit Joint Venture (Esso, Woodside Energy, and Mitsui E&P Australia Pty Ltd).

After more than 50 years of providing energy for Australia, of the Bass Strait platforms, four subsea facilities, 26 pipelines and approximately half of all wells no longer produce oil and gas. Therefore, Esso is progressing the safe shutdown and decommissioning of the non-producing Bass Strait facilities in consultation with stakeholders. At the same time, Esso continues to safely operate offshore platforms and subsea facilities that still produce energy for the region.

This Report provides a progress update on decommissioning activities from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025 in accordance with the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority (NOPSEMA) General Direction 817 (GD 817).

Decommissioning planning

During 2025, planning progressed for Campaign #1, the first of the decommissioning campaigns.

Campaign #1 encompasses up to 13 non-producing platforms, including all 10 non-producing platforms listed under Schedule 3 of GD 817. Activities for Campaign #1 GD 817-listed platforms include:

- removal of topsides and jacket to as close as practicable to the seabed, to a maximum of 3 metres above the seabed, with deep foundation piles to remain for the Whiting and Bream A platforms
- removal of topsides and upper jacket sections to at least 55 metres below mean sea level, which applies to four platforms in deeper water (Flounder, Kingfish A, Kingfish B and Mackerel)
- one of two removal options for Fortescue, depending on the outcome of detailed removal engineering:
 - removal of the topsides and the jacket to as close as practicable to the seabed. This may be below, or just above the seabed, or
 - removal of the topsides and the jacket to a depth of at least 55-metres below mean sea level
- removal of Bream B topsides and module support frame only. The Bream B concrete substructure will remain in place, and a navigation aid will be installed on the substructure
- removal of two monotowers and gravity base foundations (Dolphin and Perch).

The Decommissioning Planning team is focused on safe, compliant and environmentally responsible outcomes.

Building on the momentum of 2024, Esso completed all well abandonments across all GD 817 listed wells, advanced facility preparation across multiple platforms, and strengthened regulatory alignment through proactive Safety Case submissions and approvals. Decommissioning activities remain on track to meet key milestones.

Esso has maintained engagement with NOPSEMA throughout the year, ensuring the timely submission, review, and acceptance of Safety Cases across multiple facilities and campaigns.

With two of the GD 817-listed platforms already in Stasis Mode, Safety Case submissions in 2025 focused on Multi-Purpose Support Vessel (MPSV) campaigns to complete facility preparations at the remaining eight facilities, and the transition of these facilities from the Cessation of Production stage of activity to Stasis Mode.

The Fortescue MPSV campaign Safety Case addendum was accepted by NOPSEMA in May. Safety Case revisions for the Whiting and Kingfish B platforms were also accepted in-principle via the Opportunity to Resubmit mechanism. In-principle acceptance was received in July for the Whiting Safety Case, which covers the transition of the platform into the Stasis Mode stage of activity; and in August for the Safety Case covering both the MPSV campaign and transition to Stasis Mode at Kingfish B.

A Safety Case covering the Stasis Mode transition of Bream B was submitted to NOPSEMA in October. An additional four Safety Cases neared completion during the year. These Safety Cases, which are expected to be submitted to NOPSEMA in early 2026, include:

- flushing activities and Stasis Mode transition of Fortescue
- combined MPSV campaign and transition to Stasis Mode for Flounder, Mackerel and Kingfish A.

Development of the combined Safety Case covering future MPSV campaigns and transition to Stasis Mode for Bream A is ongoing with completion targeted for the first quarter of 2026.

Once all facilities are transitioned to Stasis Mode, additional Safety Case submissions will be required to perform Removal Activities. In 2025, Esso agreed the structure of these Removals Activity Safety Cases with NOPSEMA. The agreed format will involve one Safety Case per facility with a section common to all facilities that addresses consistent content such as the description of Esso's Safety Management System.

Preparatory Decommissioning Activities

Throughout 2025, Preparatory Decommissioning Activities gained momentum across non-producing facilities, with several platforms reaching key

milestones in readiness for the Removal Activities stage.

The installation of all lift points required for topsides removal was successfully completed at Fortescue during the year. This is a critical step in enabling future dismantling operations. In addition, open and closed piles were thoroughly cleaned, and innovative Energy Pods were installed. The Energy Pods are designed to provide cathodic protection using solar and wind energy, which is a significant advancement in sustainable decommissioning practices for Bass Strait operations. At Kingfish B, similar progress was made with the completion of lift point installations and the cleaning of open and closed piles. The final pipeline flush is pending, contingent on the readiness of interconnected facilities.

Facility preparation continued at the Mackerel platform. A dedicated MPSV campaign is scheduled for 2026 to complete the remaining scope at this platform.

At Bream B, facility preparation began early in the year and progressed steadily towards on time completion by the second quarter of 2026. The Flounder platform also entered the facility preparation phase in 2025, focusing on set-up activities, such as scaffolding.

Planning is underway for commencement of facility preparation activities on the Whiting, Kingfish A and Bream A platforms in early 2026.

A major milestone was achieved during 2025 with the completion of wellwork on all GD 817-listed wells. Activities conducted to reach this milestone included plug and abandonment (P&A) of the remaining:

- 20 wells at Kingfish A (21 total)
- nine wells at Bream A (27 total)
- 16 wells at Bream B (17 total)
- five suspended or temporarily abandoned subsea exploration wells that were not associated with a production platform (Mulloway 1, Whiptail 1, East Pilchard 1, Halibut 1 and Marlin 1).

All conductors at Flounder, Kingfish A and Bream B were also cut and removed during the year.

Inspections were conducted on all GD 817-listed platforms in 2025, with no issues identified that could prevent compliance with removal obligations

under Section 572 of the *Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006* (Cth).

Maintenance activities were also conducted in accordance with planned campaigns, ensuring structural integrity and readiness for decommissioning.

The facility maintenance and inspection program completed major activities including:

- platform above water inspections on Mackerel, Bream A and Bream B
- flare inspections of Mackerel
- helideck inspections at Mackerel, Bream A and Bream B.

These coordinated Preparatory Decommissioning Activities reflect Esso's commitment to safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible decommissioning, supported by proactive regulatory engagement and robust planning across all assets.

Environmental studies

To support preparation of the *Decommissioning Campaign #1 Execution Environment Plan*, Esso undertook the following environmental studies during the year:

- invasive marine species risk assessment
- tracking of seals to assess habitat use and productivity
- emergency preparedness and response planning.



Seals observed on the Bream A steel piled jacket during the tracking survey

Environmental studies undertaken for the Onshore Reception Centre during the year included:

- underwater noise
- airborne noise

- invasive marine species
- artificial light
- terrestrial ecology
- marine ecology and avifauna.



Image capture for the Onshore Reception Centre avifauna survey

Esso also conducted environmental studies to support planning for decommissioning of pipelines during the year. These included:

- further spatial analysis of sediment samples near and around pipelines to characterise sediments and assess infauna species distributions in relation to pipelines and sediments
- analysis of remotely operated vehicle (ROV) footage of on- and off-pipeline areas to characterise ecology on pipelines versus reference sites
- analysis of near-shore habitat along areas of Ninety Mile Beach, including ROV footage, baited remote underwater video systems and environmental-DNA sampling
- fate and transport modelling and environmental impact assessment to evaluate the degradation of pipeline materials
- pipeline coatings analysis
- sediment dispersion modelling for activities requiring sediment movement for removal or assessment of pipelines
- cumulative effects analysis of decommissioning activities in Bass Strait
- greenhouse gas emissions analysis of pipeline decommissioning options
- environmental economic accounting assessment of Bass Strait decommissioning options

- spatial analysis of data collected from the above studies for habitat identification and assessment
- integration of data collected over the past three years to assist with habitat and impact assessment planning.

Status

Figure 1 provides a timeline showing the progression of the lifecycle stages for each platform listed in Schedule 3 of GD 817. This timeline is subject to change pending decommissioning requirements.

The status of all facilities and pipelines (excluding subsea wells not linked to a subsea facility or platform) as at the end of 2025 is shown in Figure 2.

Table 1 provides a progress update for GD 817 Schedule 3 facilities, wells and associated titles.

The timeline for decommissioning, as shown in Appendix A, has been planned and is being managed to complete all Preparatory Decommissioning Activities and commence Removal Activities as soon as reasonably practicable, and no later than 30 September 2027.

During 2025, Esso continued to progress open and ongoing GD 817 Directions, with progress updates summarised in Appendix B.



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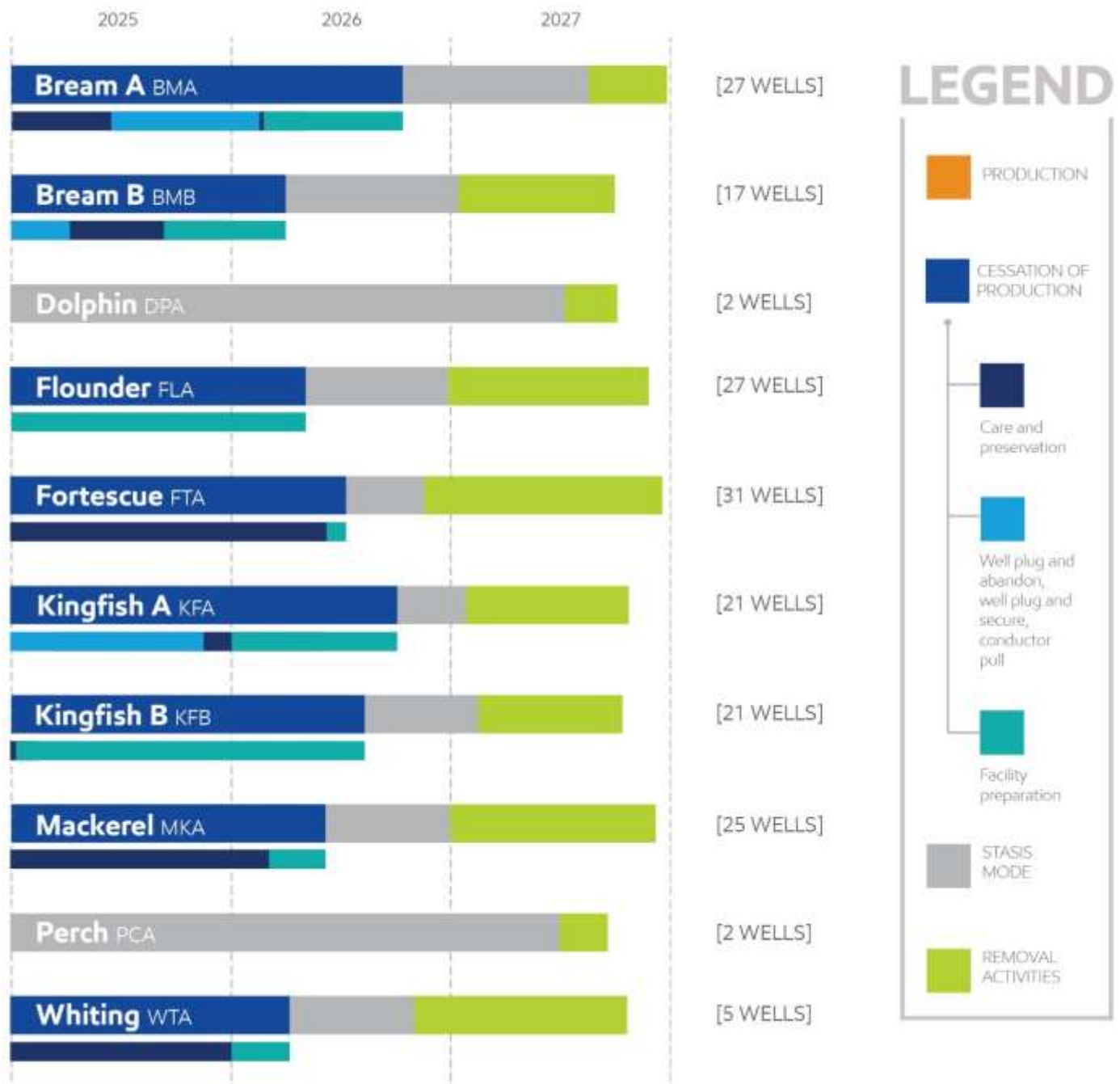


Figure 1: Timeline of estimated lifecycle stage progression for non-producing platforms¹

¹ EXPLANATORY NOTE: Durations are indicative of the extent of the lifecycle stage, not the duration of specific activities involved in that stage. For example: A Removal Activities stage may span 13 months, however, actual planned activities could occur over approximately eight non-consecutive weeks during this period as follows:

- <1 month for Allseas *Fortitude* executes final topsides lift preparation, including cutting/separation
- <2 weeks for Allseas *Fortitude* returns for final jacket lift preparation, including cutting/separation
- <2 weeks for Allseas *Pioneering Spirit* executes platform/jacket lifts.

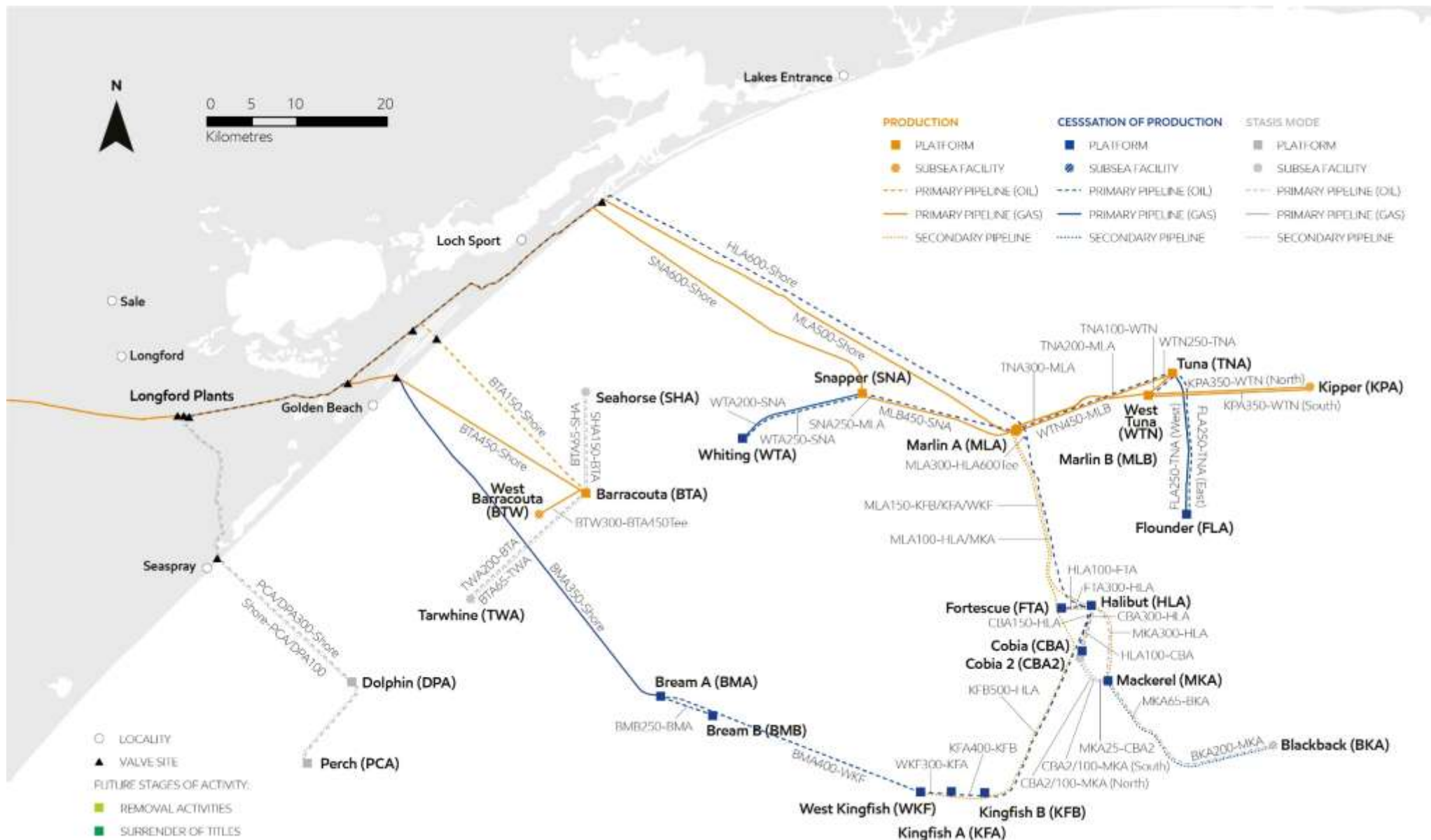


Figure 2: Status of facilities and pipelines as at December 2025

Table 1: Progress update for GD 817 Schedule 3 facilities, wells and associated titles

Facility	Applicable title	No. of wells	2025 progress	Look ahead next 12 months
Platforms				
Whiting	VIC/L02	0 ²	Stasis Mode Safety Case accepted in-principle by NOPSEMA in July	- MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the second quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the first quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2026
Mackerel	VIC/L05	25	- Safety Case for MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition under development - Facility preparation activities ongoing with final preparations focused on the living quarters	- Submit Safety Case for MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition to NOPSEMA - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the second quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the first quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2026
Fortescue	VIC/L05	31	- MPSV campaign Safety Case accepted by NOPSEMA in May - Completed installation of all lift points - Safety Case for additional flushing and Stasis Mode transition under development	- Submit Safety Case for additional flushing and Stasis Mode transition to NOPSEMA - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the third quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the first quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2026
Kingfish A	VIC/L07	21	- Safety Case for MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition under development - All wells P&A'ed - All conductors removed	- Submit Safety Case for MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition to NOPSEMA - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the fourth quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the second quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the first quarter of 2027
Kingfish B	VIC/L07	21	- MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition Safety Case accepted in-principle by NOPSEMA in August - Completed installation of all lift points required for topsides removal	- MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the fourth quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the second quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the first quarter of 2027
Flounder	VIC/L11	27	- Safety Case for the MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition submitted under development - Conductors removed - Facility preparation work commenced	- Submit Safety Case for the MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition to NOPSEMA - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the second quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the first quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2026

² P&A (including conductor removal) of the five wells at Whiting was completed in 2020 and accepted by NOPSEMA in November 2020. These wells were subsequently removed from the in-force Well Operations Management Plan.

Facility	Applicable title	No. of wells	2025 progress	Look ahead next 12 months
Platforms continued				
Bream A	VIC/L13	27	- Safety Case for the MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition under development - All wells P&A'ed	- Safety Case for the MPSV campaign and Stasis Mode transition to be submitted in the first quarter of 2026 - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the fourth quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the third quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the third quarter of 2027 - All conductors to be removed by the first quarter of 2026
Bream B	VIC/L14	17	- Stasis Mode Safety Case submitted to NOPSEMA in October - All wells P&A'ed - All conductors removed - Facility preparation work commenced	- Facility preparation work to be complete the second quarter of 2026. - MPSV campaign to complete final preparation scope by the second quarter of 2026 - Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the second quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the fourth quarter of 2026
Dolphin	VIC/L15	0 ³	No activity - platform in Stasis Mode	- Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the second quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the second quarter of 2027
Perch	VIC/L17	0 ³	No activity - platform in Stasis Mode	- Removal Activities Safety Case to be submitted in the second quarter of 2026 - Allseas scope of Removal Activities expected to commence in the third quarter of 2027
Suspended or temporarily abandoned wells not associated with a production platform				
East Pilchard 1	VIC/L09	1	COMPLETED (2025)	COMPLETED
Gudgeon 1	VIC/L06	1	COMPLETED (2024)	COMPLETED
Halibut 1	VIC/L05	1	COMPLETED (2025)	COMPLETED
Marlin 1	VIC/L03	1	COMPLETED (2025)	COMPLETED
Mulloway 1	VIC/RL01	1	COMPLETED (2025)	COMPLETED
Terakihi 1	VIC/L20	1	COMPLETED (2024)	COMPLETED
Whiptail 1	VIC/L01	1	COMPLETED (2025)	COMPLETED

³ P&A (including conductor removal) of the two wells at Dolphin and two wells at Perch was completed in 2024 and accepted by NOPSEMA in October 2025. These wells were subsequently removed from the in-force Well Operations Management Plan.

Appendix A

Indicative timeline: Decommissioning milestones

H1 2025	H2 2025	H1 2026	H2 2026	H1 2027	H2 2027	H1 2028	H2 2028	H1 2029	H2 2029	H1 2030	H2 2030	H1 2031	H2 2031	2032+
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Window: Direction 817 (4 & 5) Inspect maintain and repair equipment, publish annual reports on decommissioning progress

Well Abandonments

GD817 Well Abandonments

GD817 Well Conductor Removals

Other Well Abandonments (as platform production ceases)

Campaign #1

Execute

★
Removals Execution EP Preparation,
Submission/Assessment

Commence SPJ Removals Execution

Onshore dismantling of facilities

GD817^(NOTE 2)

2(a) Complete preparation and commence topsides dismantling
2(b) Plug and close all associated wells

Lower Jackets

Select/Develop/Execute

★
Execution EP Preparation, Submission/Assessment

★
End State EP Preparation, Submission/Assessment^(NOTE 4)

Commence SPJ Lower Jacket Removals Execution

Campaign #2^(NOTE 3)

Production: Select (Pre-CoP), Develop/Execute (Post-CoP)

Pipelines/Umbilicals (all Gippsland Basin)

Select/Develop/Execute^(NOTE 4)

★
Campaign #1A Removals Execution EP^(NOTE 1)
Preparation/Submission/Assessment

Commence Campaign #1A Umbilicals/Flexibles Removals Execution

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Removals Execution EP/s^(NOTE 1)
Preparation, Submission/Assessment

Commence Pipelines Removals Execution^(NOTE 4)

Studies, relevant persons engagement and decommissioning options assessment

Pipelines End State EP Preparation, Submission/Assessment^(NOTE 4)

CGSs (BMB and WTN)^(NOTE 4)

Select/Develop/Execute^(NOTE 4)

Studies, offshore surveys, relevant persons engagement and decommissioning options assessment

Removals Execution EP/s^(NOTE 1) Preparation, Submission/Assessment + CGS End State EP Preparation, Submission/Assessment

Acronyms:

GD817 - General Direction 817
EP - Environment Plan
SPJ - Steel Piled Jackets
CoP - Cessation of Production
CGS - Concrete Gravity Structure
WOMP - Well Operations Management Plan

Anticipated activity timing

★ Permissioning document submission

Supporting activities - studies, surveys, engagement, options assessment

Window of opportunity for activity

Note 1: The scope of the Removals Execution EP/s may be partial or full removal. The submission/assessment timing for the Removals Execution EP/s will be reviewed and updated once sufficient technical scope is available and/or following contract award for Removals Contract.

Note 2: Facilities listed in Schedule 3 of GD817 are WTA, MKA, FTA, KFA, KFB, FLA, BMA, BMB, DPA and PCA.

Note 3: Decommissioning will be dependent on gas cease of production timing.

Note 4: Final decommissioning timing will be informed by completion of studies and is subject to Regulator assessment/ acceptance. Current planning basis is removal in campaigns of all assets while assessing suitability of alternate decommissioning options.

Appendix B

GD 817 progress summary

GD 817 Direction		Key work plan items	Progress	Look ahead next 12 months
1a	Commission an independent and suitably qualified body to complete a review of the engineering and project management approach to decommissioning activities to identify opportunities and propose measures to reduce the timeframe for commencing and subsequently completing all necessary decommissioning activities.	Commission independent report and implement reasonable and practicable measures.	Review completed and two reports submitted to NOPSEMA in 2021.	Direction closed on 8 December 2021.
1b	Submit a report to NOPSEMA within 180 days from the date this direction is signed, detailing the outcomes of this review and recommended measures.	Submit report to NOPSEMA.		
1c	Implement reasonable and practicable measures based on the review and recommendations that would likely reduce the timeframe for commencing and completing all necessary decommissioning activities.	Implement reasonable and practicable measures that would likely reduce the timeframe for commencing and completing all necessary decommissioning activities.		
2a	Complete all preparatory decommissioning activities and commence the topside dismantling campaign as soon as reasonably practicable, and no later than 30 September 2027, for removal of all structures, property, and equipment no longer in use that are associated with facilities listed in Schedule 3.	Regulatory compliance for all activities. Contract specialist removals contractor to complete removal and disposal of offshore assets.	Completed regulatory compliance submissions. Facility preparation and removals contracts awarded. Ongoing planning and preparation for the Removal Activities stage.	Continue to complete regulatory compliance submissions. Ongoing planning and preparation for the Removal Activities stage.
2b	To plug or close, to the satisfaction of NOPSEMA, all wells associated with the titles listed in Schedule 3, as soon as reasonably practicable and no later than 30 September 2027.	P&A all wells associated with assets noted in GD 817. Well Operations Management Plan for Well Abandonment.	Whiting P&A campaign completed in 2020. Mackerel, Kingfish B and Fortescue P&A campaigns completed in 2023. Flounder, Perch, Dolphin, Gudgeon 1 and Terakihi 1 P&A campaigns completed in 2024. Mulloway 1, Whiptail 1, East Pilchard 1, Halibut 1 and Marlin 1 P&A campaigns completed in 2025. Bream A, Kingfish A, Bream B P&A campaigns completed in 2025. Revision finalised in December 2022. Next revision due December 2027.	Direction completed with closure to be discussed with NOPSEMA in the first quarter of 2026.

GD 817 Direction		Key work plan items	Progress	Look ahead next 12 months
3a	Conduct an integrity assessment of all equipment, structures and property associated with the Perch and Dolphin facilities located within titles VIC/L15 and VIC/L17, to demonstrate that full removal of structures, property and equipment will not be precluded.	Complete Perch and Dolphin integrity assessments.	Perch and Dolphin integrity assessments completed.	Direction closed on 28 September 2021.
3b	Provide a preliminary report on the outcomes of the integrity assessment of Perch and Dolphin facilities to NOPSEMA within 90 days from the date of this direction is signed, and a detailed report no later than 31 January 2022.	Submit reports to NOPSEMA.	Three reports submitted to NOPSEMA on 16 August 2021.	Direction closed on 28 September 2021.
3c	Conduct a separate integrity assessment of all equipment, structures and property, other than those identified at Direction 3(a) that are in a non-producing state, within the titles listed in Schedule 3, to demonstrate that full removal of structures, property and equipment will not be precluded.	Complete remaining facility integrity assessments.	Facility integrity assessments completed.	Direction closed on 10 March 2022.
3d	Provide a report on outcomes of the integrity assessment conducted as required under Direction 3(c) to NOPSEMA as soon as practicable and no later than 31 January 2022.	Submit reports to NOPSEMA.	Nine reports submitted to NOPSEMA on 31 January 2022.	Direction closed on 10 March 2022.
4a	The registered holder must undertake inspection, maintenance and repair activities on all property and wells associated with facilities listed in Schedule 3 to ensure: - property continues to perform its intended function, which in the case of non-producing facilities includes preparation for (or support of) decommissioning activities as well as supporting other facilities which may still be producing hydrocarbons; - approved decommissioning end states are not precluded; and - occupational health and safety, structural integrity, well integrity and environmental risks continue to be reduced to ALARP.	Continue to implement the following established requirements across all assets: - Facility Integrity Management System - Well Operations Management Plan - Facilities Preparation for Decommissioning/Removal - Offshore asset Safety Cases.	The following progress has been made across the GD 817-listed facilities. Facilities integrity management: - Actions identified in the integrity assessment reports completed under Direction 3 (c-d) of General Direction 817 continue to be implemented and tracked to closure. - Completed platform above water inspections on Mackerel, Bream A and Bream B. - Completed flare inspection of Mackerel. - Completed Mackerel, Bream A and Bream B helideck inspections. - Inspections did not identify any issues that would preclude removal of the facilities. - Continued periodic maintenance reviews for non-producing platforms and pipelines.	Continue to implement the following established requirements across all assets: - Facility Integrity Management System - Well Operations Management Plan - Facilities Preparation for Decommissioning/Removal - Offshore asset Safety Cases. Conduct platform maintenance review workshops throughout 2026.

GD 817 Direction	Key work plan items	Progress	Look ahead next 12 months
4a cont.		Wellwork: - Completed P&A of 21 wells at Kingfish A, 27 wells at Bream A and 17 wells at Bream B. - Completed P&A of five subsea exploration wells (Mulloway 1, Whiptail 1, East Pilchard 1, Halibut 1 and Marlin 1). - P&A of all GD 817-listed wells completed. - Cut and removed all conductors at Flounder, Kingfish A and Bream B. Facilities preparation for decommissioning/removal: - Fortescue: Completed the installation of all lift points required for the topsides removal, the cleaning of the open and closed piles and the installation of Energy Pods, which provide cathodic protection using both solar and wind energy. - Kingfish B: Completed the installation of all lift points required for the topsides removal and the cleaning of the open and closed piles. Final pipeline flush will occur in 2026 once the platforms upstream are prepared. - Mackerel: Facility preparations ongoing. A campaign from the MPSV will be required next year to complete the program. - Bream B: Work commenced and is expected to be completed by December 2026. - Flounder: Safe start to the execution campaign, still focusing on set up activities such as scaffolding. - Facility preparation activities to commence on Whiting, Kingfish A, and Bream A early 2026. Safety Cases: - Agreed Opportunity To Resubmit mechanism with NOPSEMA to enable Esso to submit Safety Cases and NOPSEMA to complete reviews well in advance of the Safety Case coming into force. - Safety Cases accepted by NOPSEMA for the Fortescue MPSV campaign (May), Whiting Stasis Mode transition (July) and Kingfish B MPSV campaign/Stasis Mode transition (August). - Safety Cases submitted to NOPSEMA for Bream B Stasis Mode transition (October).	

GD 817 Direction		Key work plan items	Progress	Look ahead next 12 months
			- Safety Cases for flushing activities and Stasis Mode transition at Fortescue, and MPSV campaign/Stasis Mode transition at Flounder, Mackerel and Kingfish A nearing completion. - Safety Case for MPSV campaigns and Stasis Mode transition for Bream A is ongoing with submission due mid-2026. - Agreed structure of Removal Activity Safety Cases – one per facility with a section common to all facilities. Platform maintenance: - Inspections completed on all GD 817-listed platforms. - No issues were identified that would preclude removal obligations under Section 572 of the <i>Offshore Petroleum and Greenhouse Gas Storage Act 2006</i> (Cth). - Ongoing maintenance conducted on all platforms in accordance with their planned maintenance campaigns.	
5a	Submit to NOPSEMA on an annual basis, a decommissioning progress report detailing progress with implementing the directions and associated decommissioning activities until all decommissioning works have been completed.	Annual Progress Report.	<i>Bass Strait Operations Decommissioning Report 2021</i> submitted prior to 31 December 2021; <i>Bass Strait Operations Decommissioning Report 2022</i> submitted prior to 31 December 2022; <i>Bass Strait Operations Decommissioning Report 2023</i> submitted prior to 31 December 2023; <i>Bass Strait Operations Decommissioning Report 2024</i> submitted prior to 31 December 2024; and the <i>Bass Strait Operations General Direction 817 Decommissioning Progress Report 2025</i> submitted prior to 31 December 2025. All reports published on Esso's website within 14 days of obtaining NOPSEMA satisfaction.	Prepare <i>Bass Strait Operations General Direction 817 Decommissioning Progress Report 2026</i>
5b	The report submitted under Direction 5(a) must be to the satisfaction of NOPSEMA and submitted to NOPSEMA no later than 31 December each year.			
5c	Publish the report on the registered holders' website within 14 days of obtaining NOPSEMA satisfaction under Direction 5(b).			



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