

## Project News

April 2024

### **Blast activities at Image Flat Quarry** Thursday 4 and Friday 5 April 2024

Council's quarries are located at Image Flat and Dulong. Image Flat quarry has been in operation since the 1960s, and Dulong since the 1970s. Rock product is extracted from Image Flat and Dulong quarry sites through blasting activities using explosives to break the rock. This allows it to be processed into useful materials such as aggregates for local roads and infrastructure.

Today these quarries supply premium quality rock products for the construction, maintenance and repair of the region's 2597km of sealed roads and 474km of unsealed roads. Council and ratepayers receive significant savings using material from the quarries at Image Flat and Dulong.

#### **Scheduled rock blast activity**

Sunshine Coast Council wishes to share information about upcoming rock blasts scheduled to occur at Image Flat Quarry (weather and site conditions permitting). Blasting is undertaken by qualified service providers to extract rhyolite from Image Flat quarry for supply to council projects, road maintenance and external commercial contractors.

**Location:** Image Flat Quarry, 178 Image Flat Road, Image Flat

<b>Date</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>
Thursday 4 April 2024	11:00am - 3:00pm (approximately)
Friday 5 April 2024	11:00am - 3:00pm (approximately)

Council appreciates understanding and cooperation from the community as we work to ensure the safe and efficient operation of Image Flat Quarry.

#### **Vibration produced by rock blasting**

Ground vibration and air overpressure (noise) occur from blasting at Image Flat and Dulong quarries. Best practice blasting techniques are applied to minimise disturbance surrounding both quarries.

Council contracts a qualified external provider with expertise in blasting. These contractors operate blasts to meet compliance guidelines set by the Department of Environment and Science for conditions of environmental authorities issued under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

For property owners in the vicinity of Image Flat Quarry, please ensure adequate measures are in place for animals and livestock on the day of the blast.

#### **More information**

Further information about quarry blast planning and management, as well as quarry operations and quarry products, are available on Council's website at [www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/living-and-community/quarry-services](http://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/living-and-community/quarry-services)

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