



ACTIVITY: Install Plants Tubestock – 300mm Pots SWMS No.: QSW10017									
SAFE WORK METHOD S	TATEMENTS (SWMS	5)							
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Project Details									
Project Name:			Job Addres	SS:					
Principal Contractor (PC):	[Name, contact details]		Date SMW PC:	'S provided to					
Projected Start and End Dates:	and End Dates:								
Job Description:									
High Risk Activity:	yes (if working with or around mobile plant)								
Name of person responsible for ensuring compliance with SWMS:	Supervisor		Date SWMS received:						
What measures are in place to ensure compliance with SWMS?	Pre job safety inspection	ns, Induction training, Toolbox	∢ Talk/ JSAs						
Person responsible for reviewing SWMS control measures:	Supervisor/ Team Leade	er	Date SWM reviewer:	S received by					
How will the SWMS control measures be reviewed?	Control measures review	ved during Toolbox Talk/ JSA	completion p	orior to job comn	nencement and each time a ne	ew hazard is identified.			
Training required:	WH&S General Induction	for Construction (White Card)	Competen	cies Required:	equired: SPP PTY LTD Employment Induction and WH&S Handbook				
Relevant workers must be consul	ted in the development, ap	proval and communication of	this SWMS:			IOCHILA CANCOM			
Name:	Signature:	Job Title:	Date:		SWMS Approved by Managing Director's	JOSHUA SANSOM PAUL HARMS			
Claudia Harms		Secretary		25/11/2022	Date prepared: 12/08/2015	Review date: 25/11/2022			

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# **SWMS Scope**

This SWMS includes / covers the safe planting procedures that includes the excavation of holes and planting of all plants from tubestock to 300mm pots.

## **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)**

Ensure all PPE meets relevant Australian Standards. Inspect, and replace PPE as needed

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Foot Protection	Hearing Protection	High Visibility	Head Protection	Eye Protection	Hand Protection	Protective Clothing	Sun Protection
L		<b>(X)</b>	स्थि			M	Broad brimmed hat, UV rated clothing, SPF 30+ sunscreen, tinted safety glasses with adequate UV protection)

Hazards - What can cause harm?

Risks - What can happen?

# **Control Measures to Reduce Risk**

# Job Step: Planning

Hazards include:

- Working in remote areas
- Not being aware of site specific hazards
- Working outside

Risks include:

- Staff are not able to be contacted in the event of an emergency
- Site Specific safety regulation are not being adhered to
- Sunburn or dehydration caused by working in heat

Consultation in relation to hazards and risks. Ensure:

- Consult with the person you are carrying out the work for on the potential hazards and risks associated with the task.
- If represented by an elected health and safety representative, the representative is included in any consultation
- Any other person on site who is effected by the same matter is consulted and co-operative arrangements are made (e.g. co-ordination or alternative measures)
- Document consultation and action items.

Liaise with Principal Contractor to establish the following on-site systems and procedures are in place:

- Health and Safety rules
- Induction for all workers site specific
- Supervisory arrangements
- Communication
- Injury reporting
- Hazard reporting

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		<ul> <li>Personal Protective Equipment</li> <li>Exclusion Zones</li> <li>Risk Assessments</li> <li>SWMS and JSA's.</li> <li>Notify Client Foreman of arrival onsite</li> <li>Ensure all staff sign in on Roster Plus and relevant SWMS</li> <li>Ensure all staff area ware of emergency procedures for the site</li> <li>Ensure traffic control is in place prior to driving to job site</li> <li>Ensure all staff have been inducted on the site – Site Specific Induction</li> </ul>
		RB: 2M Person responsible to implement control measures: RA: 1L
Job Step: Preparation		
<ul> <li>Hazards include:</li> <li>Driving to the job site</li> <li>Pre start check of machinery</li> <li>Fuelling up machinery</li> <li>Unloading the tools</li> <li>Unloading plants</li> </ul>	Risks include:  - Accidents with other vehicles/machinery - Colliding with onsite personnel - Parking in high traffic area - Cuts and Bruises - Back strain	<ul> <li>Drive with caution and maintain high alert</li> <li>Use flashing orange light if required onsite</li> <li>Give right of way to heavy machinery</li> <li>Make radio contact or eye contact with the operator before passing behind heavy plant and machinery.</li> <li>Keep to the site speed limit</li> <li>Park in designated area or low traffic area</li> <li>Conduct Toolbox talk and fill in JSA for the day</li> <li>Ensure Ecoplant client has revelavnt certification to dig holes</li> <li>Unload machinery in an orderly fashion</li> <li>Refer to Auger SWMS for safe refueling procedure</li> <li>Refer to Manual Handling SWMS for correct handling of heavy loads (unloading plants etc.</li> </ul> RB: 3H Person responsible to implement control measures: RA: 2M
Job Step: Pre - Operational I	nspection	
Hazards include: - Manual handling	Risks include: - Back Strain - Slips, trips and falls	<ul> <li>Check all machines are in good working order</li> <li>Ensure all tools and bolts are secure</li> <li>Ensure drill bit is securely fastened</li> <li>Identify any potential hazards for the day</li> <li>Ensure all workers have required PPE for task</li> </ul>

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<ul> <li>Don't wear loose clothing</li> <li>Tuck in laces on lace-up boots</li> <li>Wear steel cap toe boots</li> <li>Keep spare PPE in ute</li> <li>All workers apply sunblock</li> <li>Tie up long hair</li> <li>Stretch before commencing work</li> </ul>	
RB: 2M Person responsible to implement control measures:	RA: 1L

## References:

WHS Act 2013

WHS Regulations 2013

WorkSafe WA (2011) Nursery and Garden Centres: Information and Checklists

The Nursery Papers (1998): Handling Potting Mix Safely WorkCover NSW (2005): Security Plan for SSAN – Guide

DEIR QLD (2010): Rural Chemicals Guide

AS 4326: Oxidizing Agents

WorkSafe Victoria (2005): Regulating the Use of Ammonium Nitrate – Balancing Access and Protection

DEIR QLD (2010): Designated Dr Program: Cadmium health Surveillance Guidelines

WorkSafe WA: Hazardous or Combustible dust, fumes and fibres

Agricultural Standards Act 1994

Agricultural Standards (Regulation) 1997

SafeWork Australia (2013): Code of Practice for Managing the Work Environment and Facilities

SafeWork Australia (2013): Code of Practice Hazardous Manual Tasks

SafeWork Australia (2013): Code of Practice How to Remove and Control Asbestos in the Workplace

SafeWork Australia (2013): Code of Practice labelling of Workplace Hazardous Chemicals

AS 1742 – 2009 Manual Uniform Traffic Control Devices

Government Gazette s276, Road Management Act (2004) Code of Practice for Work Site Safety - Traffic Management

Road Management (Works and Infrastructure) Regulations 2005

AS 4602 – standard for high visibility safety garments.
AS 1906 – standard for high visibility materials for safety garments.
WorkSafe Victoria (2008) Sample Site Induction Checklist
Environmental Protection Legislation in all States (EPA)

#### **Job Step: Operation** Hazards include: Risks include: Refer to manual handling SWMS for correct handling of heavy trays of plants etc Refer to Auger SWMS for safe use of Auger Back strain due to incorrect Strains Refer to Brush cutter SWMS for safe use of Brush cutter Back Injury manual handling techniques Use foot to drive shovel into earth Severed limbs Back injury caused by Bend knees when removing earth or rest on haunches Crushed Limbs incorrect use of auger Pick up plants by bending knees Injury from flying debris Cuts Carry maximum two plants at a time or two travs Eye injury from flying debris, Burns Walk with care Flving Debris spikey plants etc. Ensure stable footing on steep slopes Hearing damage from Eve Injury Carry heavy plants using a wheelbarrow or trolley prolonged exposure to noise Hearing Damage Bend knees when planting Carpel Tunnel Carpel tunnel syndrome Remain on haunches or knees when planting, do not bend over Syndrome caused by prolonged use of Always wear gloves Soil handling machinery Staff should not work for more than 5 hours continuously without a break Slips, trips and falls Diseases caused by Ensure there is water onsite Working outdoors contaminated soil In extreme heat take breaks every hour Slips, trips and falls caused Refer to Heat Stress SWMS by obstacles in the way, Take lunch/Tea in a shady area steep slopes etc Staff to pack lunch or tea the day before Sunstroke, dehydration Stack pots/trays continuously through the day and store in a common area, away caused by working in from workers extreme heat. Leave worksite tidy and in an orderly fashion Ensure all staff sign off register Notify client foreman of leaving site Refer to Soil and Mulch Handling SWMS for the safe handling of soil and mulch Refer to the Fertilizer SWMS and MSDS for the safe handling of fertilizer Refer to Bite and Sting prevention SWMS for working in bushy areas

		RB: 3H	Person responsible to implement control measures:	RA: 1L			
Job Step: Maintenance							
Hazards include:  - Hazardous Manual Tasks  - Objects on ground  - Hazardous Chemicals – fuel.	Risks include:  - Muscular Stress / Musculoskeletal disorder - Objects on ground and/or slippery surface – causing slips, trips, falls injuries - Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals	- En	Refer to Auger and Brushcutter SWMS for correct maintenance Ensure a tidy work are by picking up empty pots as you go. Refer to Fuel and fertilizer SWMS for safe and correct handling and storage of these items				
	causing illness –fuel.	RB: 2M	Person responsible to implement control measures:	RA: 1L			
Emergency Procedures / Er	nergency Response						
Develop and implement an emergency	response plan for the site. Include:		Develop site-specific rescue procedures/SWMS.				
<ul> <li>Assembly points</li> <li>Communication</li> <li>Consultation methods</li> <li>Responsible persons</li> </ul>			Ensure all workers on-site are trained and familiar with emergency procedures.	y and evacuation			
	ames and phone numbers		Person/s responsible to implement and follow emergency promeasures:	ocedures and control			
Review							
plans and other applicable Control measures will be Spo Con Sch	ings will be undertaken consulted on hazards and contents of SWI		<ul> <li>Ensure all controls are reviewed as per the following:         <ul> <li>If controls fail to reduce risk adequately</li> <li>When changes to the workplace or work activity occur different risks where controls may no longer be effe</li> <li>New hazards identified</li> <li>After an incident involving work activities relevant to During consultation with relevant persons indicate requirements of the legislation.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	ctive o this SWMS eview is needed			

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Person/s responsible to implement and follow monitoring and review procedures and control measures:

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Formal Training, Licences required for work	ers undertaking this task:	Duties of workers undertaking this task:	Details of Supervisory Arrangements for workers undertaking this task:
<ul> <li>Construction Industry White C</li> <li>On-site training in the safe use</li> </ul>		- Operator - Supervisor	<ul> <li>Suitably qualified supervisors for job</li> <li>Direct on-site supervision</li> <li>Remote site – communication systems/ schedule</li> <li>Audits</li> <li>Spot Checks, etc.</li> <li>Reporting systems</li> <li>JSA</li> </ul>
Details of: regulatory permits/licenses Engineering Details/Certificates/WorkCover Approvals:	Relevant Legislation Note: Retain only the le	, Codes of Practice: egislation references applicable to your state	of operation for this SWMS
Local council permits     Building Approvals     EPA approvals/permits     Certain plant to be registered with State Authority  PPE to comply with relevant Australian Standards  Plant/Tools/Equipment: (List plant and equipment to be used on the job.)  STIHL BT 121  STIHL BT 130  Brush cutter	<ul> <li>Work Health an</li> <li>Northern Territory</li> <li>Work Health an</li> <li>Work Health an</li> <li>SA, Tasmania</li> <li>Work Health an</li> <li>Work Health an</li> <li>Codes of Practice: S</li> <li>First Aid in</li> <li>Managing</li> <li>Managing</li> <li>Managing Nois</li> <li>How to M</li> <li>Hazardou</li> <li>Managing</li> </ul>	SW, QLD, ACT and Safety Act 2011 and Safety Regulations 2011 and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Act 2011 and Safety (National Uniform Legislation) Regulations and Safety Act 2012 and Safety Regulations 2012 and Safety Regulations 2012 and Safety Regulations 2012 and Feel Work Australia (2011): an the Workplace at the Risk of Falls at Workplaces at the Risk of Plantin the Workplace are and Preventing Hearing Loss in the Workplace and Preventing Hearing Loss in the Workplace and and Preventing Hearing Loss in the Workplace and Risk of Health and Safety Risks as Manual Tasks ag Risks of Hazardous Chemicals ansultation, Cooperation & Coordination	<ul> <li>Victoria         <ul> <li>Occupational Health &amp; Safety Act 2004</li> <li>Occupational Health &amp; Safety Regulations 2007</li> <li>Codes of Practice:</li> </ul> </li> <li>Western Australia         <ul> <li>Occupational Safety &amp; Health Act 1984</li> <li>Occupational Safety &amp; Health Regulations 1996</li> <li>Codes of Practice:</li> </ul> </li> <li>Australian Standards:         <ul> <li>AS/NZS 1269:2005 Occupational noise management</li> <li>AS/NZS 4501:2008 (set) Occupational Protective Clothing</li> <li>AS 4024.1:1996 Safeguarding of machinery - General principles</li> <li>AS 4024.1: 2006 Safety of machinery</li> <li>AS 1319:1994 Safety Signs for Occupational Environment</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Reference Documents WorkCover NSW: Safety Alert: Augers		FarmSafe Australia:	website
Maruyama: Earth Auger Operator's Manual Rural Industries Research & Development Corpo	ration: Horticultural Industry	OHSA (2003): Haza  v Safety Manual  • Safety Data Sheet:	rds of AugerDrilling Chemwatch: Unleaded petrol

# **SAFE WORK METHOD STATEMENT - Part 3**

This SWMS has been developed in consultation and cooperation with *employee/workers* and relevant *Employer/Persons Conducting Business or Undertaking (PCBU)*. I have read the above SWMS and I understand its contents. I confirm that I have the skills and training, including relevant certification to conduct the task as described. I agree to comply with safety requirements within this SWMS including risk control measures, safe work instructions and Personal Protective Equipment described.

Overall Risk Ratin	g after Controls		1 Low			2 Moderate			3 High	1		4 Acute
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# **RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX**

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### Step 1: Determine Likelihood What is the possibility that the effect will occur? Description Criteria **Almost** Expected in most circumstances. Effect is a common result. certain Will probably occur in most Effect is known to have occurred at this Likely circumstances. site or it has happened. Effect could occur at the site or I've heard **Possible** Might occur at some time. of ithappening. Effectisnotlikelytooccuratthesiteorl Unlikely Could occur at some time. have not heard of it happening. May occur only in exceptional

Step 3 Determine the risk score											
Consequence											
Likelihood	Insignificant	nsignificant Minor Moderate Major Catastrophic									
Almost certain	3 High	3 High	4 Acute	4 Acute	4 Acute						
Likely	2 Moderate	3 High	3 High	4 Acute	4 Acute						
Possible	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High	4 Acute	4 Acute						
Unlikely	1 Low	1 Low	2 Moderate	3 High	4 Acute						
Rare	1 Low	1 Low	2Moderate	3 High	3 High						

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Step 2: Determine Consequence		
What will be the expected effect?		
Level of Effect:	Example of each level:	
Insignificant/Acceptable	No effect – or so minor that effect is acceptable.	
Minor	First Aid treatment only; no lost time injury.	
Moderate	Medical treatment; serious injuries, temporary partial disability; lost time injury < 7 days.	
Major	Hospital admittance; extensive injuries; lost time injury > 7 days; Permanent Total Disability injury; death.	
Catastrophic	Multiple Permanent Total Disability injuries; multiple deaths.	

Step 4 Record risk score on worksheet (Note – Risk scores have no absolute value and should only be used for comparison and to engender discussion.)

Score	Action
4 A: Acute	DO NOT PROCCED. Requires immediate attention. Introduce further high level controls to lower the risk level. Re-assess before proceeding.
3 H: High	<b>Review before commencing work</b> . Introduce new controls and/or maintain high level controls to lower the risk level. Monitor frequently to ensure control measures are working.
2 M: Moderate	<b>Maintain control measures.</b> Proceed with work. Monitor and review regularly, and if any equipment/people/materials/workprocessesorprocedureschange.
1 L: Low	Record and monitor. Proceed with work. Review regularly, and if any equipment/people/materials/work processes or procedures change.

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circumstances.

Effect is practically impossible.