

Air Quality Dashboard | March | 2023

AIR QUALITY MONITORING IN TOWNSVILLE

Air Quality Monitoring in Townsville is conducted separately by both the Department of Environment and Science (DES), and Port of Townsville Limited.

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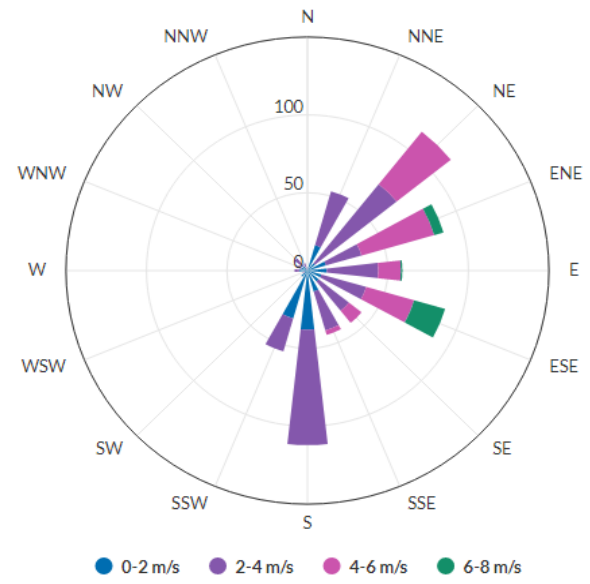
Rainfall Data - BOM

Air Quality Monitoring Plan

Air Quality Monitoring Locations



Wind speed ranges correlating to wind direction



Shipping Movements in March 2023

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Date In/Out	Vessel Name	Cargo	Berth
27 Feb 2023 - 01 Mar 2023	KODIAK ISLAND	COPPER CONCENTRATES (EXPORT)	3 NTH
27 Feb 2023 - 03 Mar 2023	DL OLIVE	ZINC FERRITES (EXPORT)	4
28 Feb 2023 - 05 Mar 2023	AFRICAN RAVEN	SULPHUR (IMPORT)	10
28 Feb 2023 - 02 Mar 2023	ATLANTIC INFINITY	FUELS (IMPORT)	1
01 Mar 2023 - 03 Mar 2023	SUMMIT SW	FERTILIZER (EXPORT)	8
01 Mar 2023 - 02 Mar 2023	KYOWA ORCHID	TYRES (IMPORT) EMPTY CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	3 NTH
01 Mar 2023 - 02 Mar 2023	ERIDANUS LEADER	MOTOR VEHICLES (IMPORT)	9
03 Mar 2023 - 04 Mar 2023	HANSA FREYBURG	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	3 STH
03 Mar 2023 - 05 Mar 2023	THERESA MICRONESIA	MOLASSES (EXPORT)	9
04 Mar 2023 - 04 Mar 2023	GOLDEN LEADER	FUELS (IMPORT)	1
04 Mar 2023 - 07 Mar 2023	BW OSPREY	FUELS (IMPORT)	1
06 Mar 2023 - 07 Mar 2023	EIDSVAAG OMEGA	GENERAL CARGO (IMPORT)	3 STH
07 Mar 2023 - 16 Mar 2023	EIDSVAAG OMEGA	GENERAL CARGO (IMPORT)	3 STH
07 Mar 2023 - 09 Mar 2023	GREAT PROFIT	ZINC CONCENTRATES (EXPORT)	11
08 Mar 2023 - 08 Mar 2023	VIKING ORION		10
08 Mar 2023 - 08 Mar 2023	CSAV RIO NEVADO	MOTOR VEHICLES (IMPORT)	4
08 Mar 2023 - 12 Mar 2023	AFRICAN ORIOLE	SCRAP (EXPORT)	3 NTH
09 Mar 2023 - 09 Mar 2023	SOFRANA TOURVILLE	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	4
09 Mar 2023 - 11 Mar 2023	ADF		9
09 Mar 2023 - 10 Mar 2023	JAWAN	CATTLE (EXPORT)	4
09 Mar 2023 - 10 Mar 2023	GREAT PROFIT	ZINC CONCENTRATES (EXPORT)	8
09 Mar 2023 - 10 Mar 2023	CAPRICORNUS LEADER	MOTOR VEHICLES (IMPORT)	10
10 Mar 2023 - 18 Mar 2023	HAMBURG WAY	ZINC CONCENTRATES (IMPORT)	10
12 Mar 2023 - 17 Mar 2023	BENJAMAS NAREE	SCRAP (EXPORT)	9
12 Mar 2023 - 13 Mar 2023	HAFNIA LOTTE	FUELS (IMPORT)	1
15 Mar 2023 - 17 Mar 2023	BERGE SNOWDON	FERTILIZER (EXPORT)	8
15 Mar 2023 - 19 Mar 2023	NADI CHIEF	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	4
18 Mar 2023 - 19 Mar 2023	MEREL D	ZINC CONCENTRATES (EXPORT)	8

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18 Mar 2023 - 19 Mar 2023	GREAT PROFIT	ZINC CONCENTRATES (EXPORT)	10
19 Mar 2023 - 21 Mar 2023	GOLD OAK	GENERAL CARGO (EXPORT)	4
19 Mar 2023 - 20 Mar 2023	GEORGIA M	FERTILIZER (EXPORT)	10
20 Mar 2023 - 22 Mar 2023	BUNUN RESPECT	UREA (IMPORT)	8
21 Mar 2023 - 22 Mar 2023	PACIFIC CONDOR	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) COPPER REFINED (EXPORT)	3 NTH
21 Mar 2023 - 21 Mar 2023	POLARIS HIGHWAY	MOTOR VEHICLES (IMPORT)	10
21 Mar 2023 - 24 Mar 2023	LUGA	CEMENT (IMPORT)	4
22 Mar 2023 - 22 Mar 2023	CONTSHIP YEN	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	3 NTH
22 Mar 2023 - 25 Mar 2023	AC SESODA	CONCENTRATES (IMPORT)	10
22 Mar 2023 - 23 Mar 2023	FPMC 25	FUELS (IMPORT)	1
22 Mar 2023 - 24 Mar 2023	AUDREY SW	TYRES (IMPORT)	3 NTH
24 Mar 2023 - 26 Mar 2023	ANL DHAMBI	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	3 NTH
24 Mar 2023 - 24 Mar 2023	DEVON EXPRESS	CATTLE (EXPORT)	4
25 Mar 2023 - 26 Mar 2023	OCEAN UTE	CATTLE (EXPORT)	4
25 Mar 2023 - 26 Mar 2023	THERESA MICRONESIA	MOLASSES (EXPORT)	9
26 Mar 2023 - 29 Mar 2023	DL LAVENDER	ZINC FERRITES (EXPORT)	4
26 Mar 2023 - 26 Mar 2023	SEABOURN ODYSSEY		10
26 Mar 2023 - 27 Mar 2023	YASA ALBATROSS		1
27 Mar 2023 - 27 Mar 2023	VIKING MARS		10
28 Mar 2023 - 29 Mar 2023	ENTERPRISE		3 STH
29 Mar 2023 - 31 Mar 2023	LAUTOKA CHIEF	CONTAINERS (IMPORT) CONTAINERS (EXPORT)	4



First established in 1864, the Port of Townsville operates eight berths handles around \$8 billion in trade; servicing more than 136 ports around the globe.

In 2020-21, the Port of Townsville delivered strong financial results and continued to roll-out major infrastructure investments despite the impacts of the ongoing global pandemic, COVID-19. In a year where supply chains across the world have been tested, a total of 7.7 million tonnes of freight passed over our wharves, which was a 6.3 per cent decrease on last year. With a focus on cost management, the Port also reported a \$14.33 million net profit for 2020/21, see the Annual Report.

The role of mining, resources and agricultural industries have never been more significant with our growth primarily driven by exports of mineral concentrates (down 8.14%), fertiliser (up 9.7%) and livestock (down 6%). Townsville is the number one port in Australia for copper, zinc, lead and sugar exports and services 75% of the Northern Australia population. More than 20 shipping lines operate out of the Townsville Port offering more than 40 different services. Townsville is also a strategic Navy port and facilitates cruise ship visits.

Commodities/cargo that passes over the Townsville Port's berths include:

Imports

Containers and general cargo, motor vehicles, tyres, bulk products - cement, sulphuric acid, fertiliser, sulphur, zinc concentrate and petroleum (fuel) products.

Exports

General cargo, containers, timber, cattle, tallow, refined metal products, bulk products - sugar, molasses, fertiliser and mineral concentrates (zinc, copper, lead).

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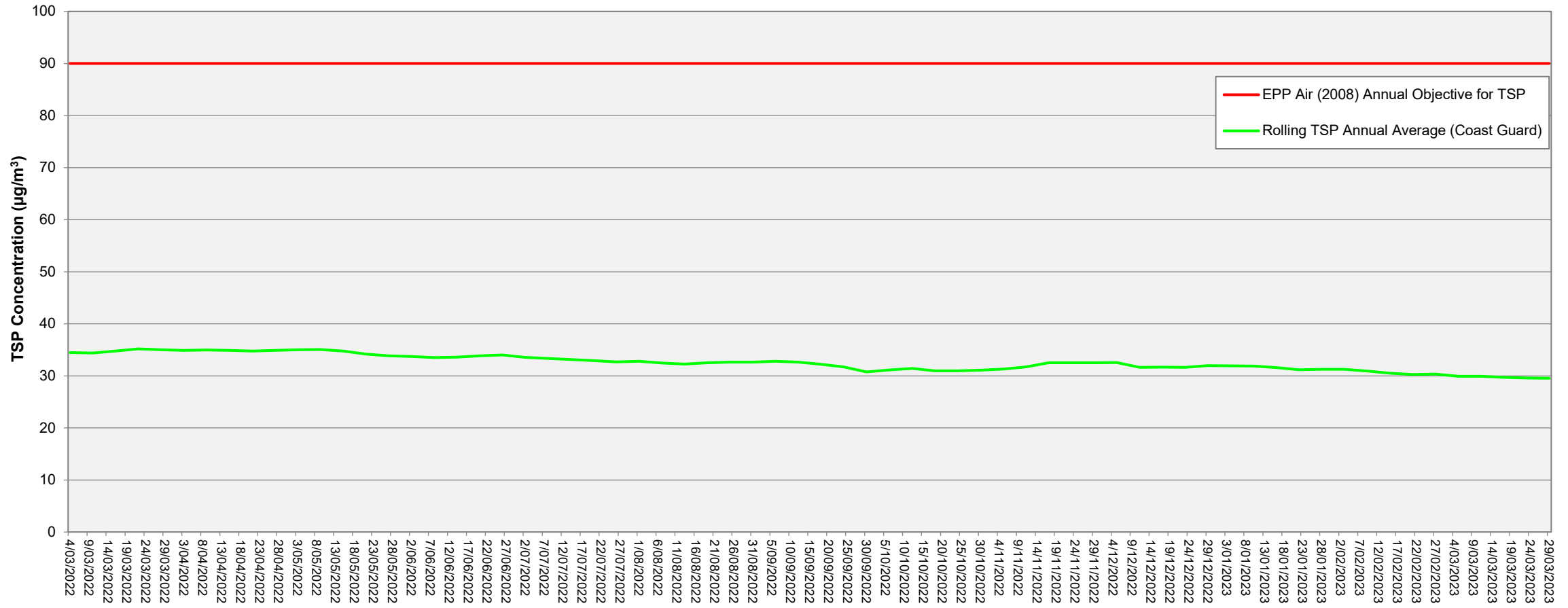
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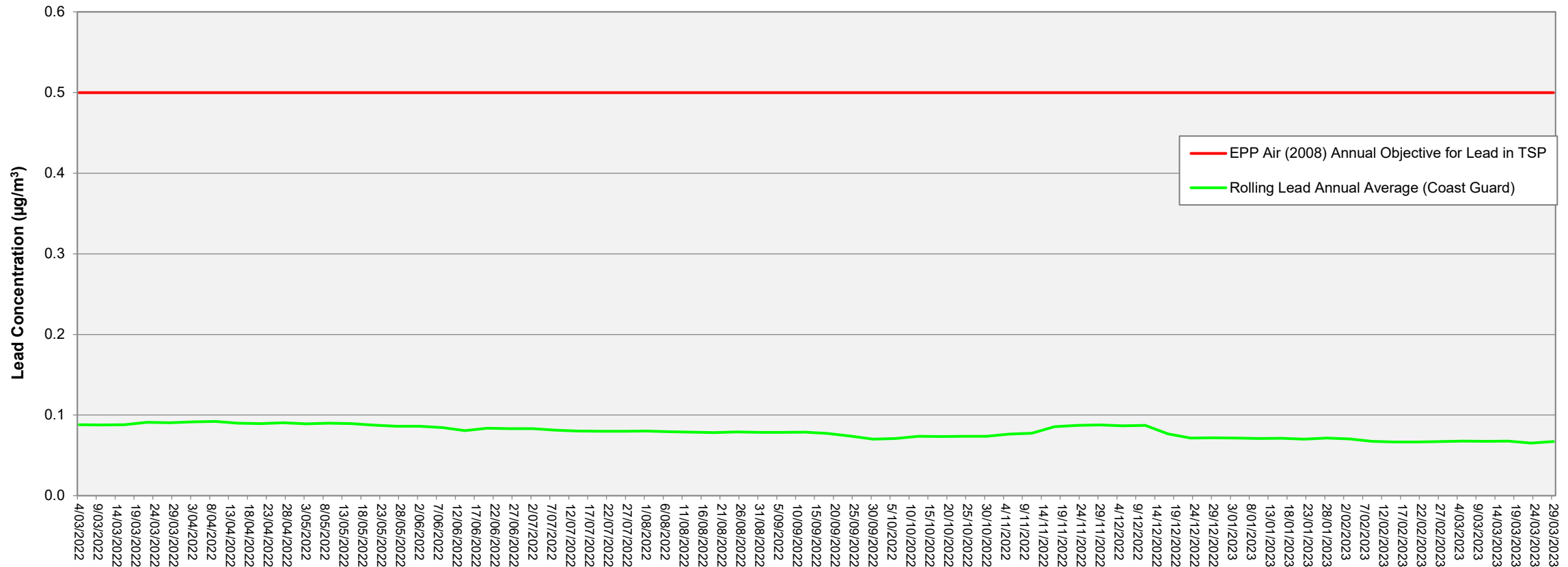
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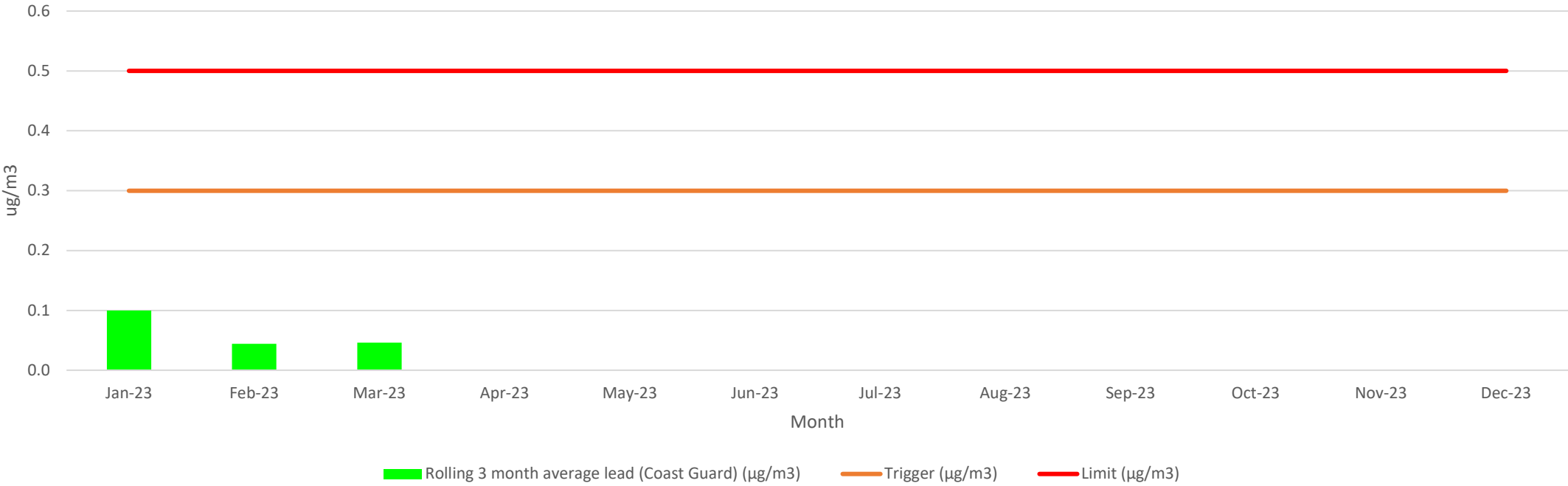
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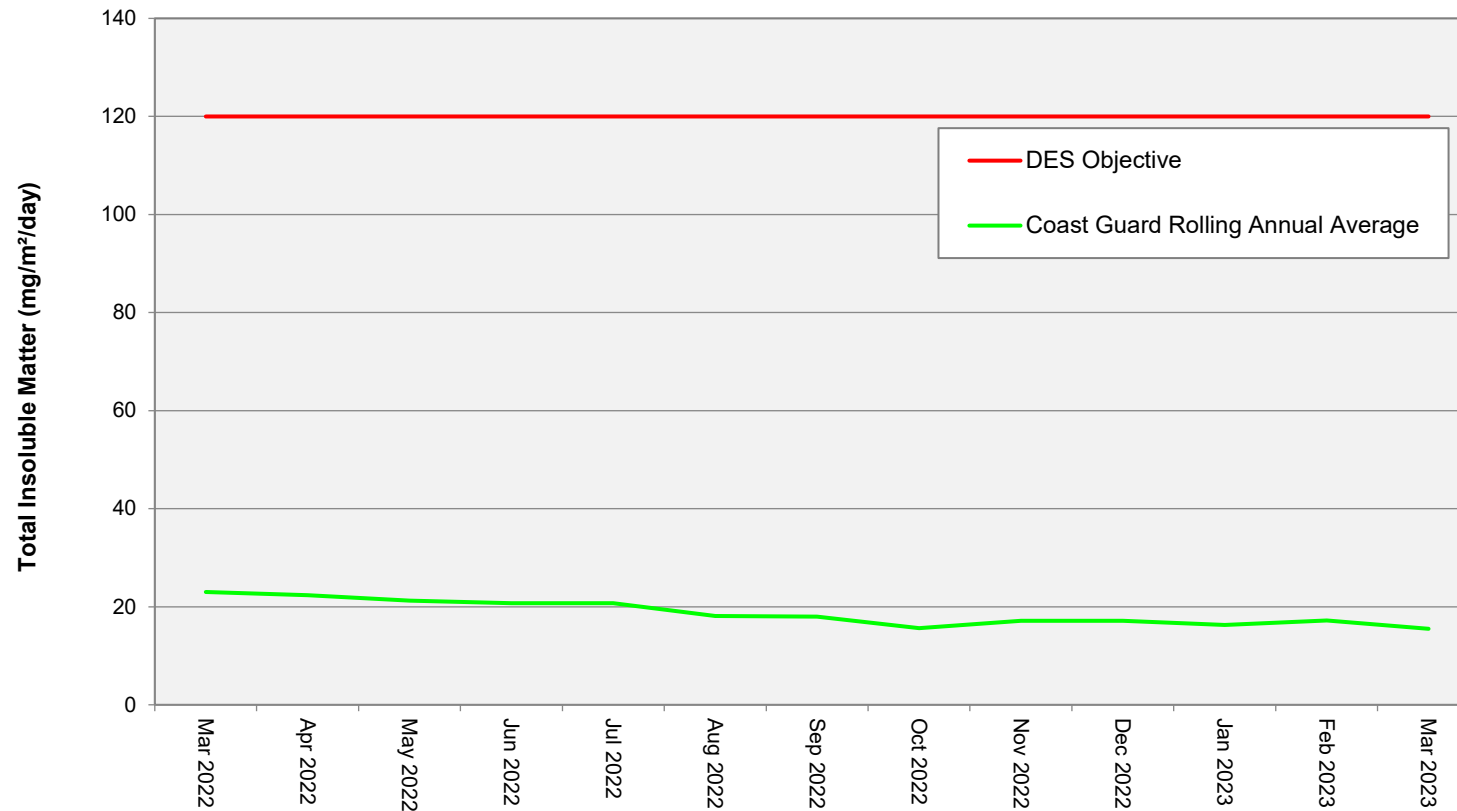
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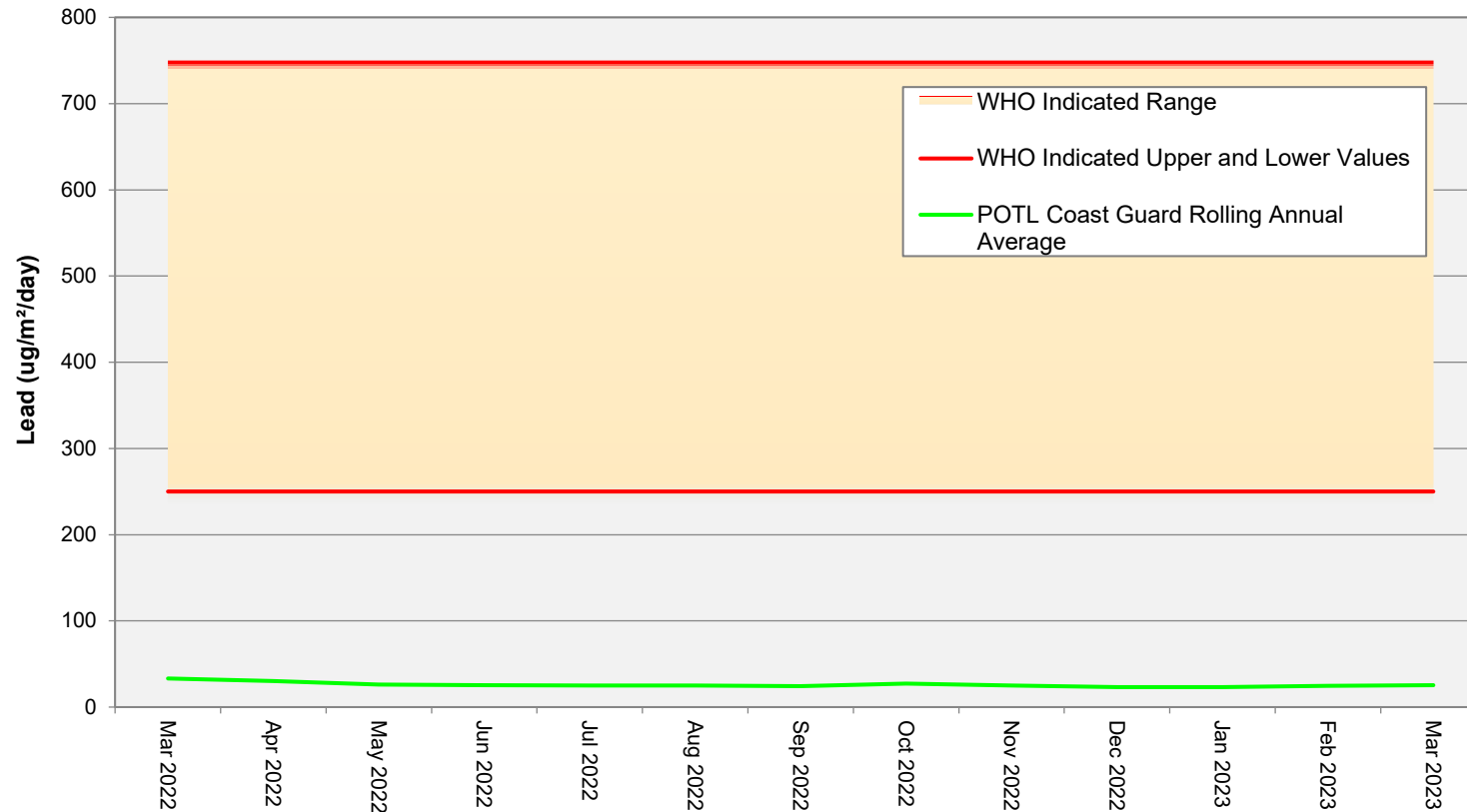
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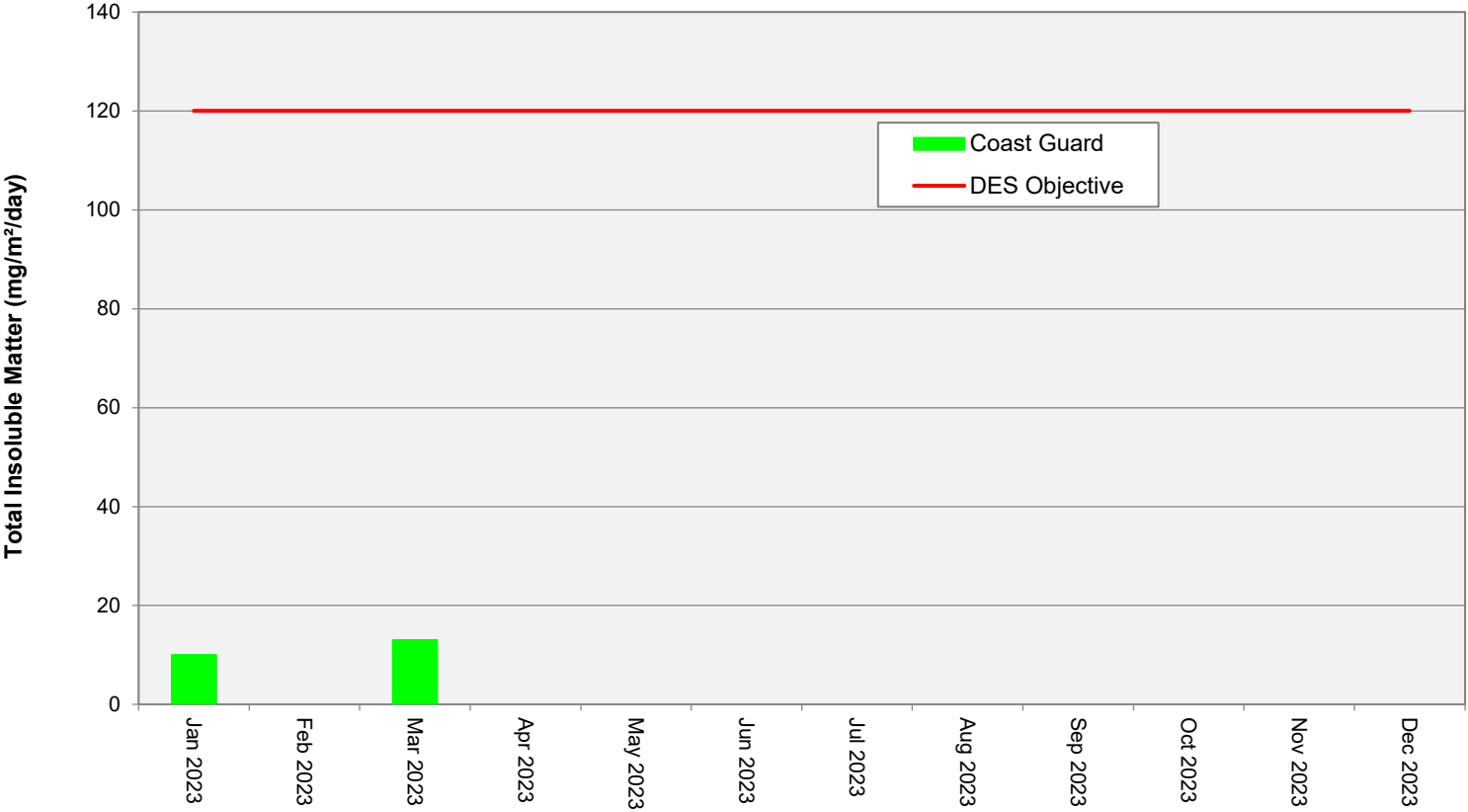
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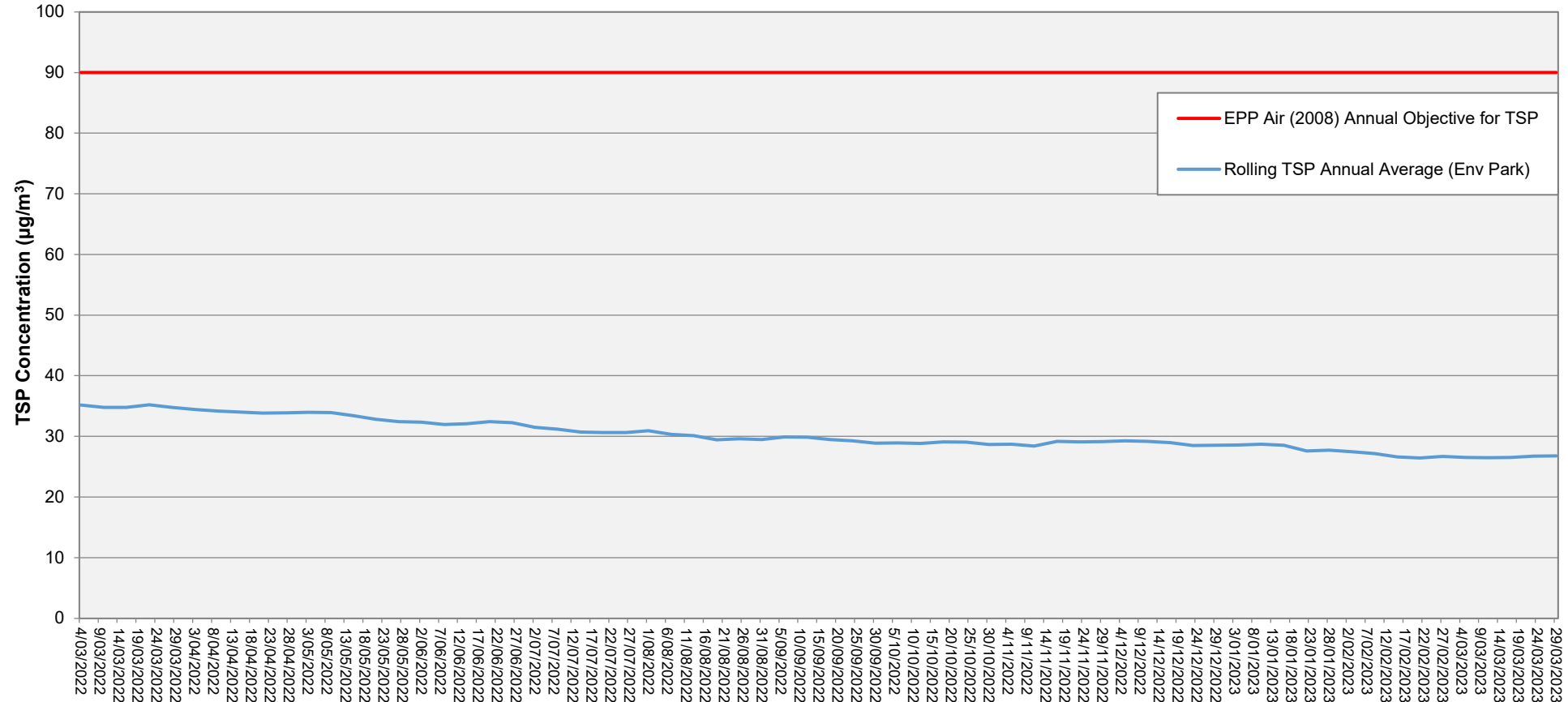
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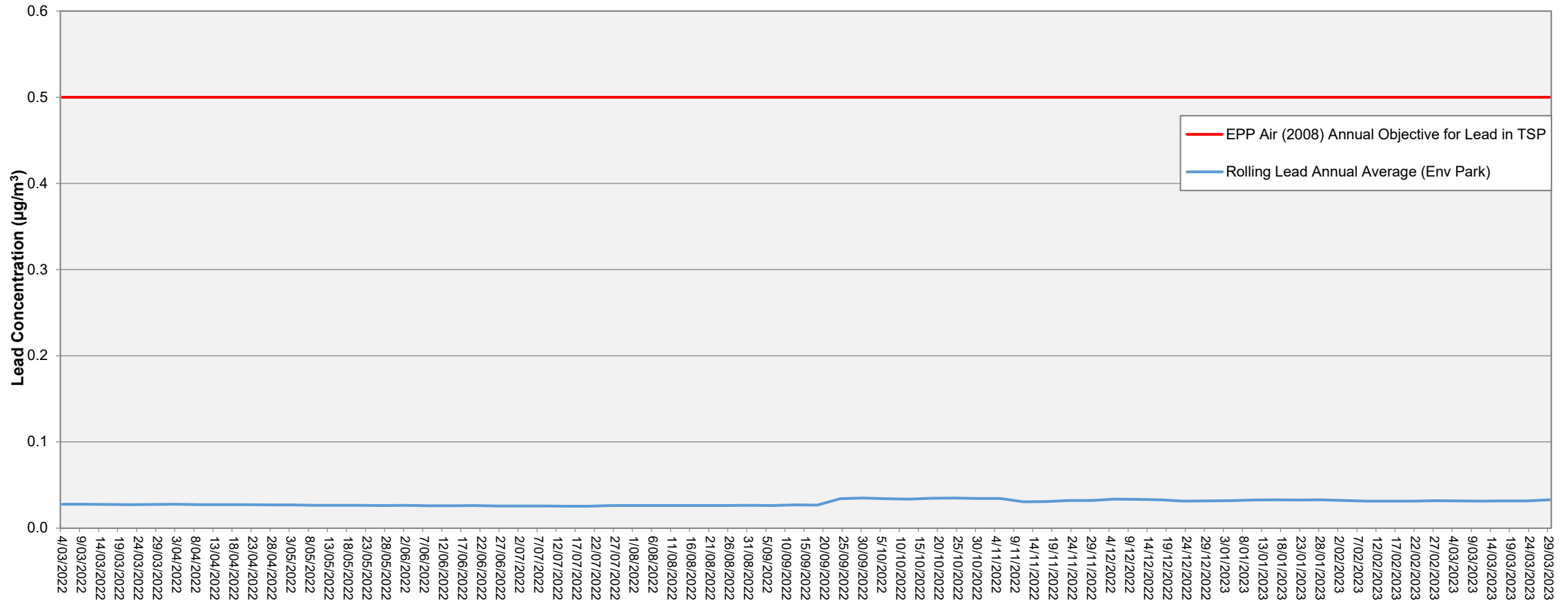
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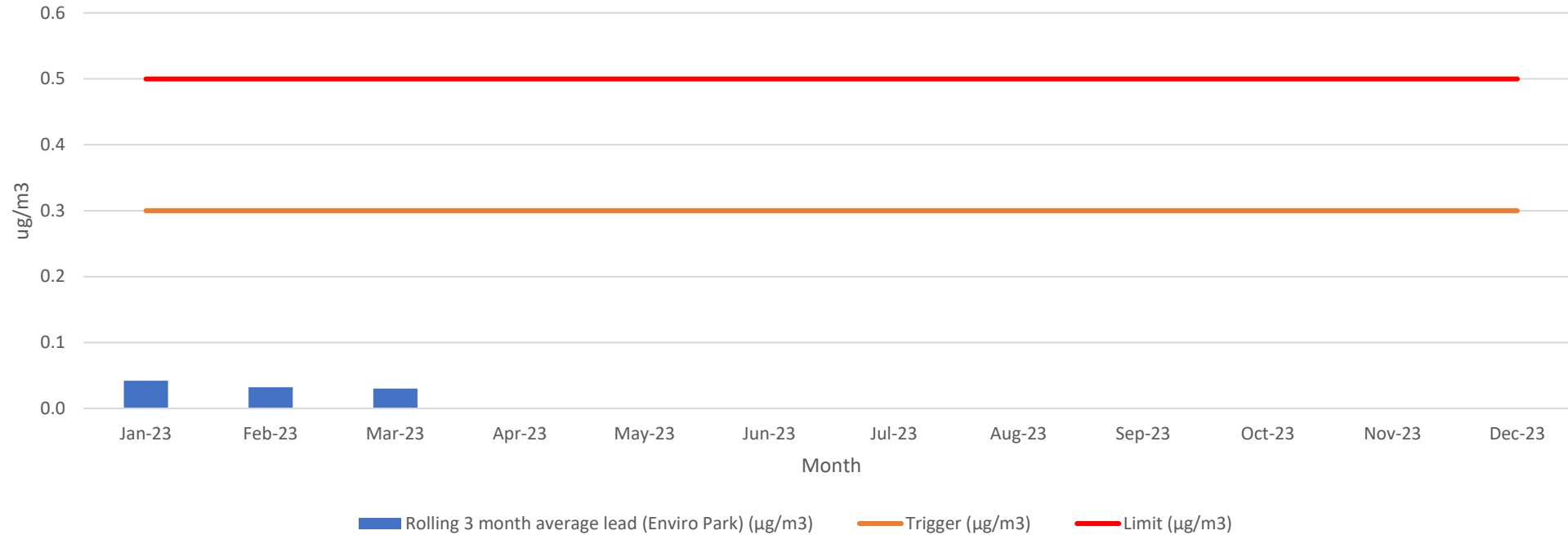
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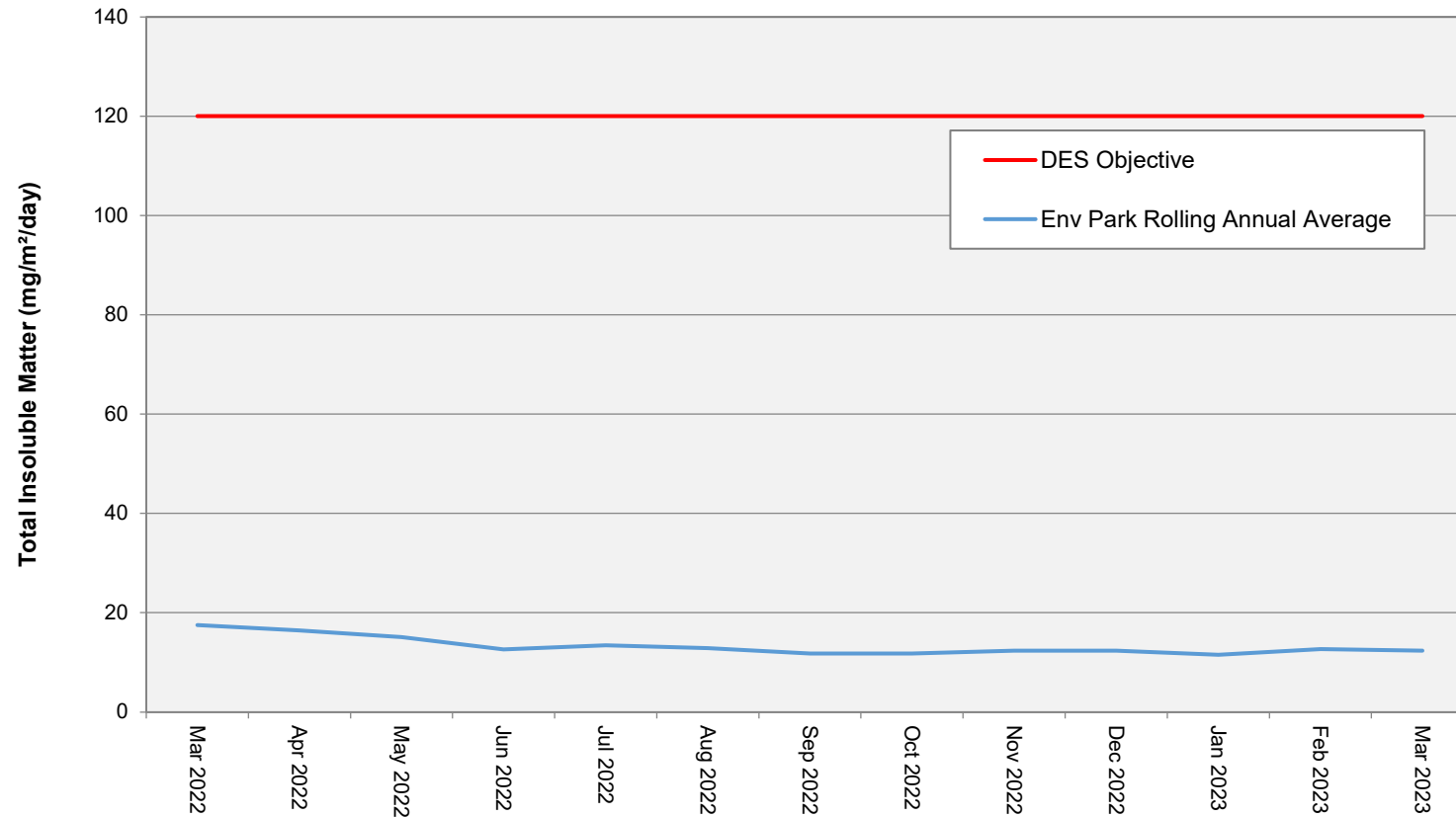
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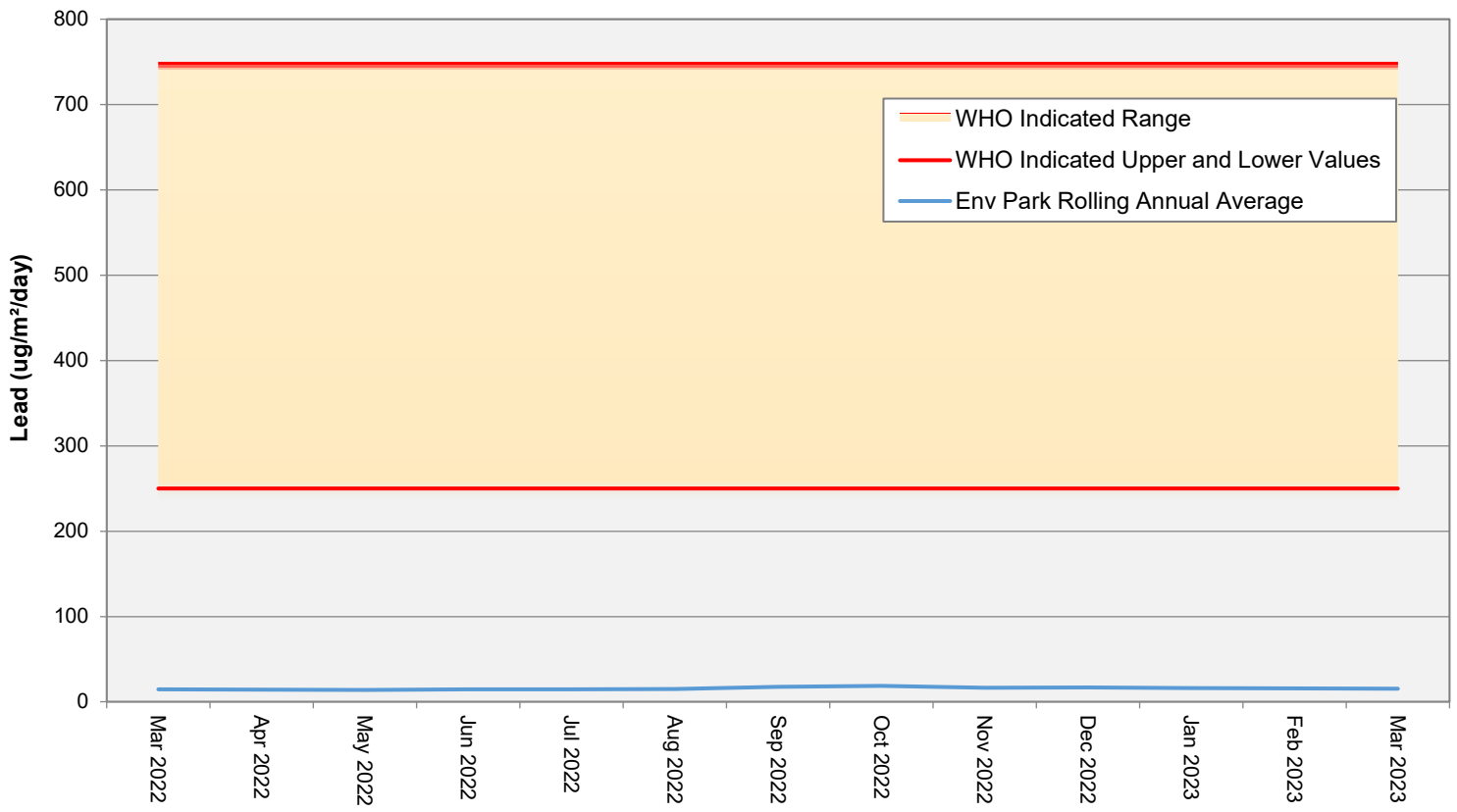
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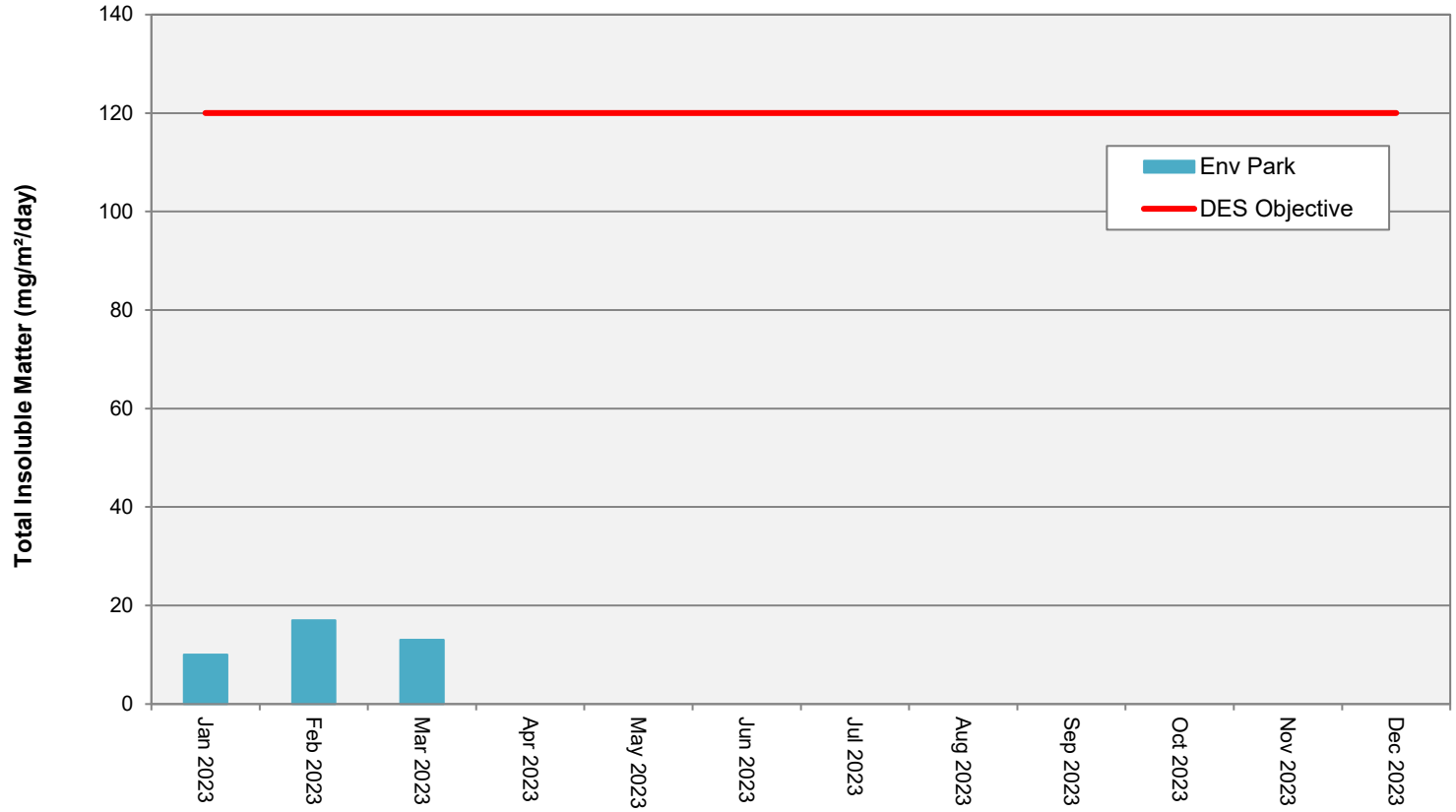
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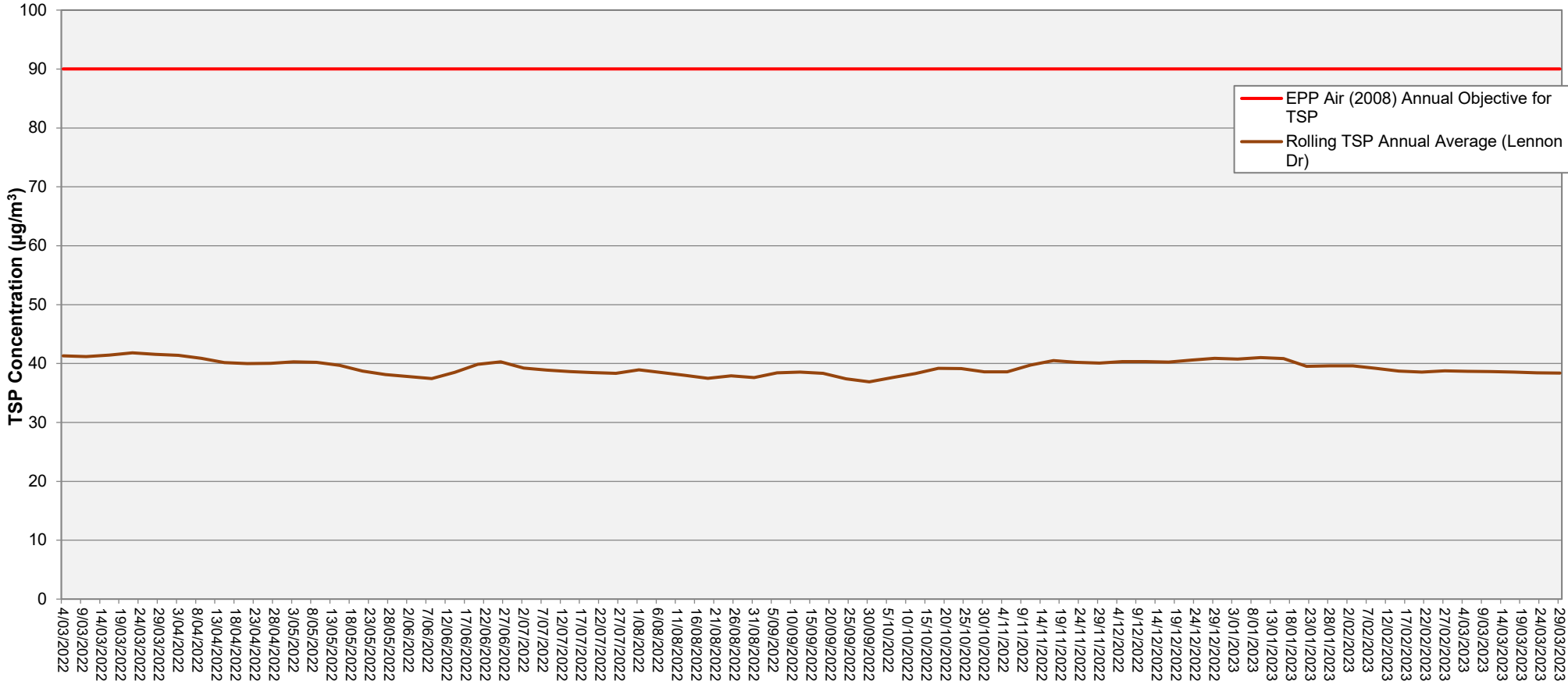
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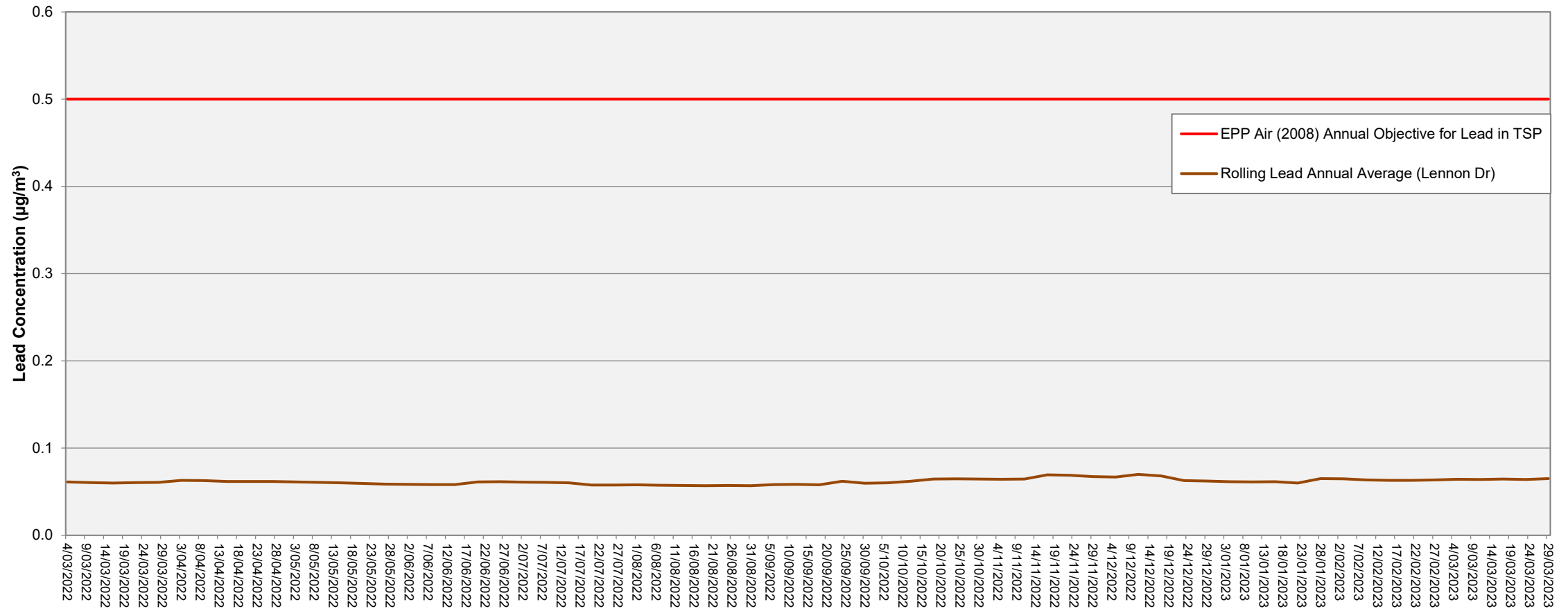
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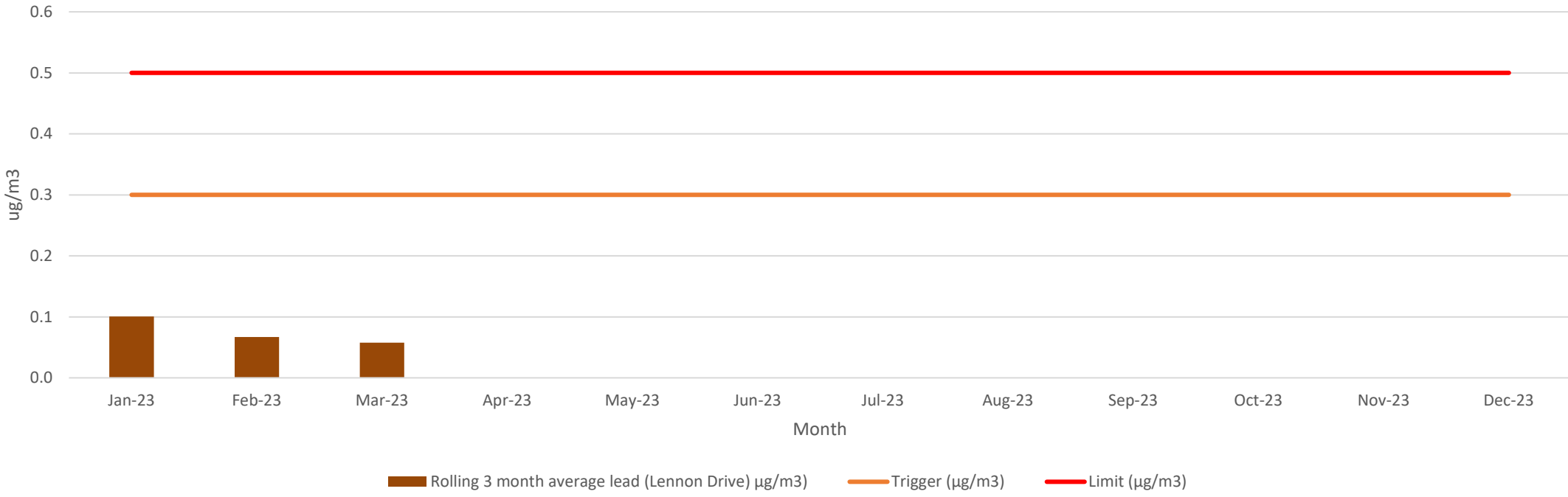
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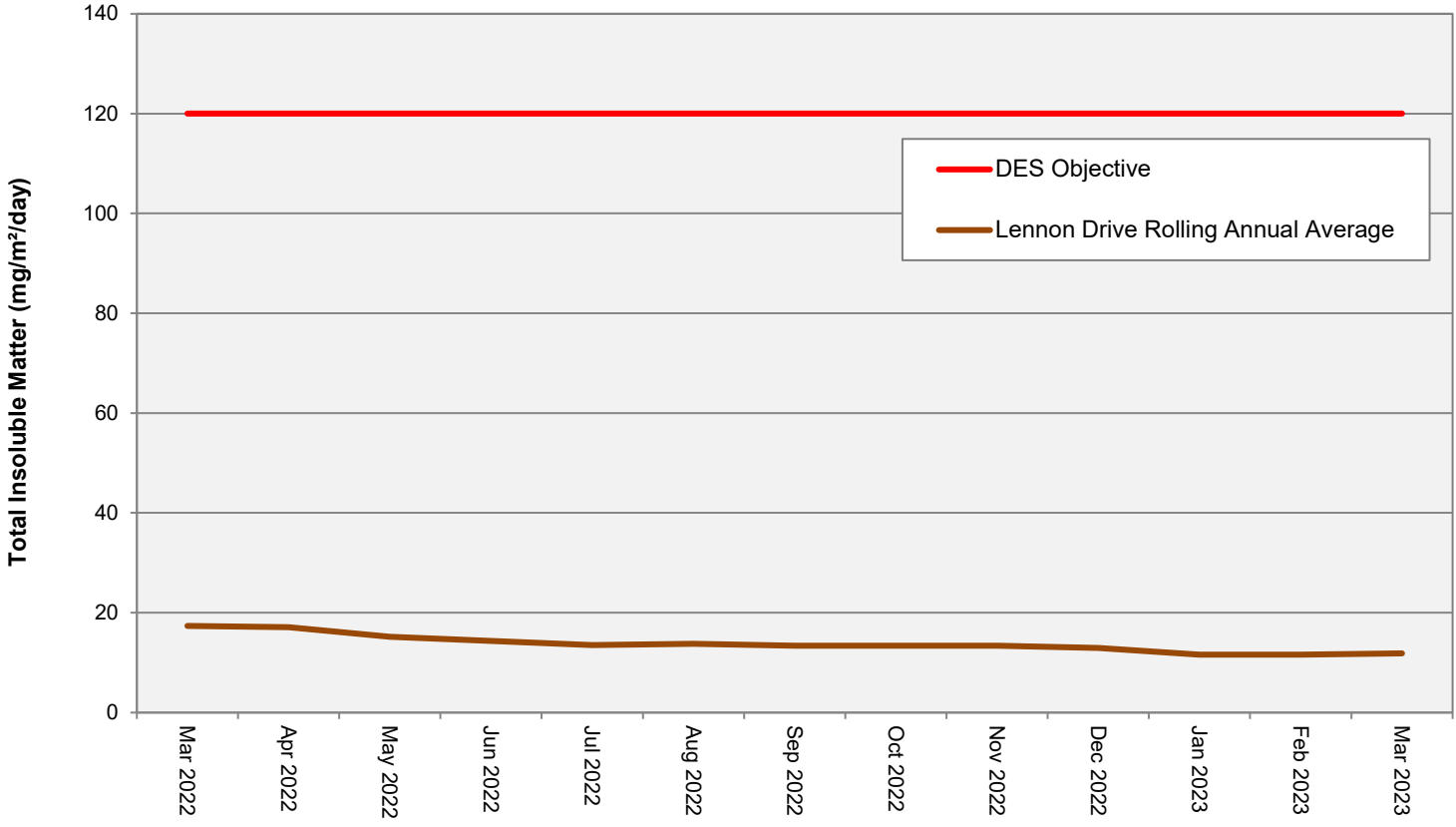
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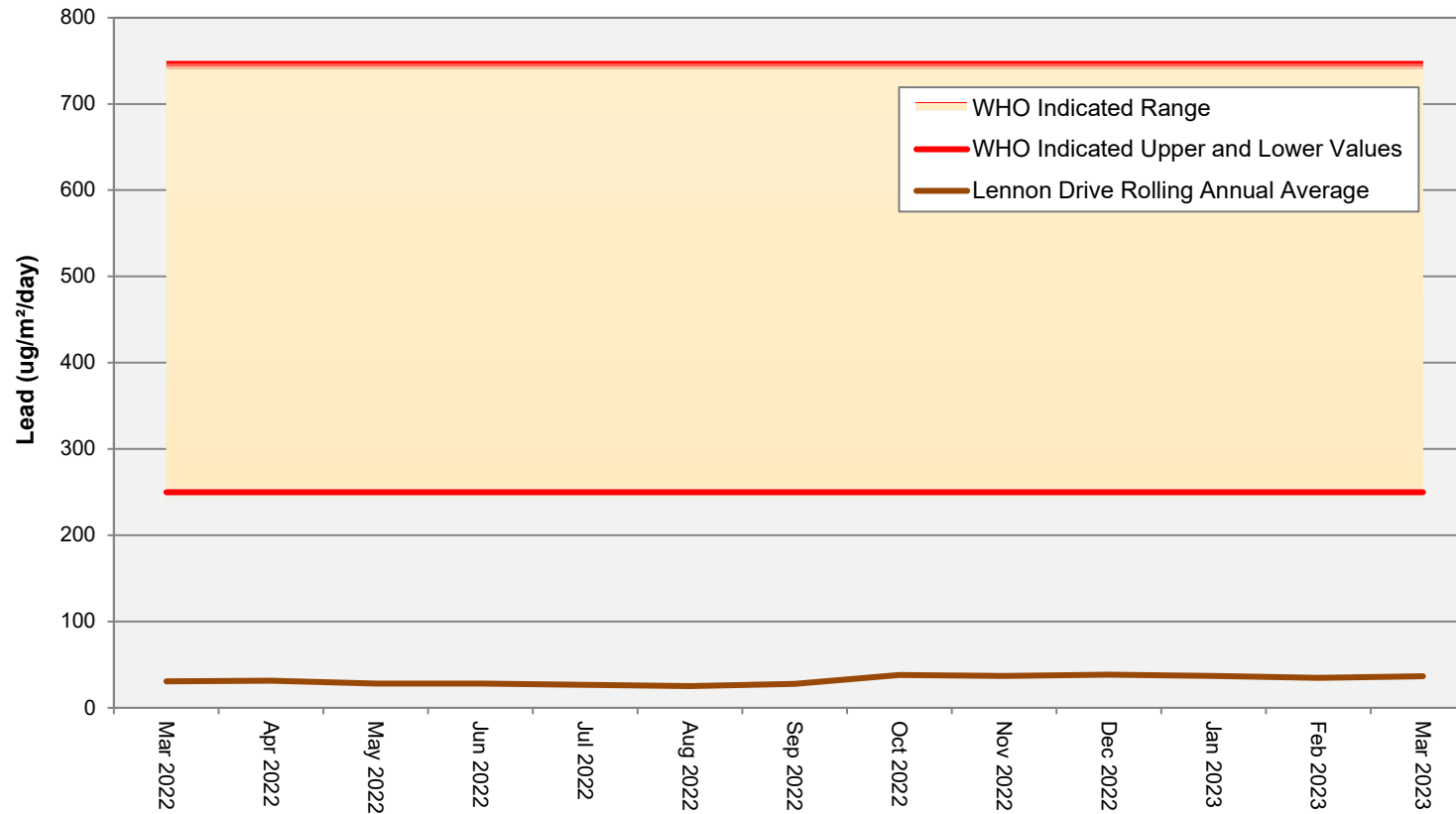
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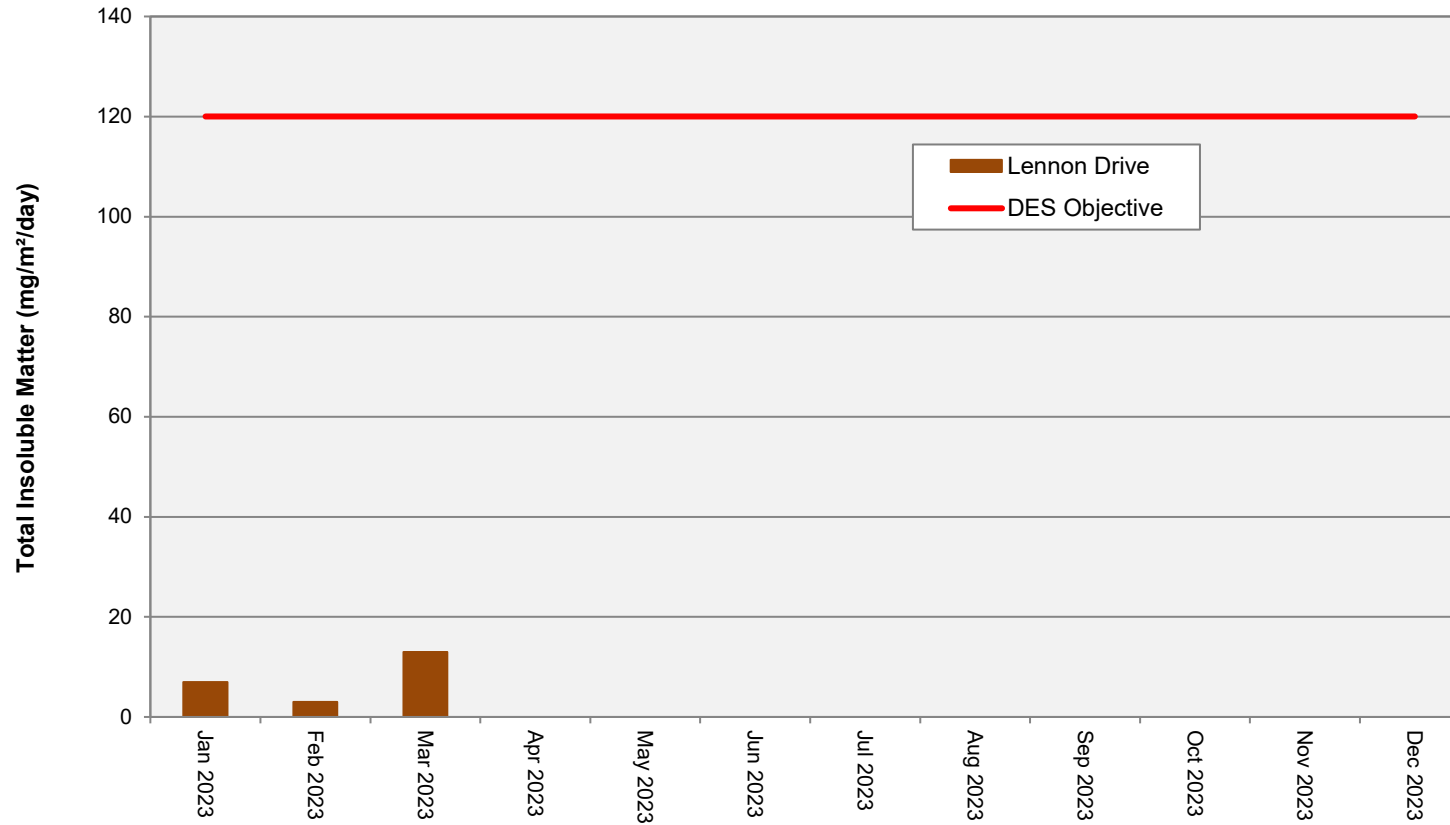
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This statement/advice was provided by Queensland Health in relation to blood lead levels in Townsville in April 2016

Environmental limits for lead are set using a number of possible criteria including potential health effects.

Blood lead level within the Australian population have been decreasing over time as the use of lead – particularly in petrol and paint - has been phased out. The most recent NHMRC guidance document suggests that a blood lead level of less than 5 µg/dL is what should be expected in the general population.

Elevated blood lead levels are notified to Queensland Health for investigation. Previously this level was 10 µg/dL but since the beginning of 2016 has been reduced to 5 µg/dL. This is not an indication of a safe blood level, but is a trigger level that requires investigation into what in the individual's environment is contributing to the level.

Based on studies recognised by the World Health Organisation into the relationship between lengthy exposure to ambient air lead levels and increases in blood lead levels, the current 12 month rolling average for measurements (as at March 2016) at the Townsville Coast Guard Site could be expected to add between 0.36 µg/dL and 0.6 µg/dL to a person's total blood lead level. This increment is only about 10% of the level that would require further investigation. Along with other normal exposure, this would not be expected to exceed that level, is well within the expected community range, and below the level that would trigger further investigation.

The highest rolling annual average in recent years (recorded in May 2014 at the Townsville Coast Guard Site) yields a predicted result of between 1.14 µg/dL and 1.9 µg/dL, still well under the level which should trigger concern.