SITE ASSESSMENT:

**Location/Site:** EX-HMAS Adelaide  
**GPS:** 33 27.743'S - 151 27 26.010'E

**Depth:** Top deck 21m, Bottom hull 36m

**General Currents:** No strong rips or currents at this site, but when currents and surge increase they may cause a Venturi effect when diving near openings in the ship, causing the diver to get sucked into ship.

**Entry/Egress:** Boat access from Terrigal haven with various moorings on the wreck site.

**Benthos/Substratum:** Ship wreck on sandy substratum

**Dominant Marine Species Identified:** Various fish species. This will need to be updated as the wreck becomes.

**Hazards Identified:**
- **Marine Life:** Many fortescues on top deck, possible sharks  
- **Moorings:** Keep clear to avoid entanglement  
- **Ship structures:** There are minimal overhead structures. Divers not to enter shipwreck without authority from Dr. Officer.
- **Sharp edges:** Avoid sharp edges of ship, use PPE  
- **Boat traffic:** Especially during weekends.
- **Depth:** The wreck is at a great depth so care must be taken to ensure planned depths are not exceeded. Maximum depth for Unrestricted Scientific Divers is 30 meters under University policy.
- **Altitude:** For divers driving over Mount White after diving (i.e. returning to Sydney), Appendix L of the DCIM tantal should be adhered to.

**Closest Medical Institution:**
Central Coast Day Hospital, 1/2 Ilya Avenue, Erina NSW 2250 PH (02) 4367 3880  
Gosford Hospital, Holden St, Gosford NSW 2250 PH (02) 4320 2111

**Recompression chamber:**
HMAS Penguin on Middle head Rd, Mosman PH (02) 9960 0333

**Additional Special Requirements:**
Permits required from [http://www.hmasadelaide.com/bookings](http://www.hmasadelaide.com/bookings)

**Directions:** 1.5-2 hours north of Sydney. Take M1 then take Gosford/Terrigal turnoff.

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