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| Meeting | Community Consultative Committee | | | | |
| Date | 3/3/2016 Time 9.30am | | | | |
| Venue | Boggabri Operations Office | | | | |
| Chairperson | John Turner | | | | |
| Presenter | Dan Martin | | | | |
| Attendees | Dan Yates (DY), Richard Gillham(RG), John Turner (JT), Lloyd Hardy(LH), Daniel Martin | | | | |
| | (DM),Lynne MacKellar (LM), Jim Picton (JP), Marty Brennan (MB), Catherine Collyer (CC), | | | | |
| | Mitchum Neave (MN), John Bastardo (JB), Alex Cockerill (AC) | | | | |
| Apologies | Alistair Todd(AT), Greg Griffiths (GG) | | | | |
| Next Meeting | 2.30pm 11 th August 2015 | | | | |
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| 3 | Previous minutes |
| 4 | Business arising from previous minutes |
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Discussion Items

- 1. Apologies:- Alistair Todd(AT), Greg Griffiths (GG)
- 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interests:

RG declared that his property is located in the zone of affectation. JT declared he is a paid chairman. CC declared she leases a Boggabri Coal owned property.

3. Acceptance of previous minutes:

Moved by CC and seconded by RG. Minutes accepted.

4. Business from previous minutes:

DM provided a map showing the noise monitoring points and also noted that the property named Roma 1 was in fact called Springfield, but until the Noise Management Plan was approved it will still refer to it as Roma 1 so as not to confuse the issue.

DM responded to concerns raised last meeting as to the commitment that Boggabri Coal is to build additional houses in Boggabri township. Boggabri Coal have not agreed to a timeframe with NSC at this stage. CC noted that the economic conditions have changed but suggested that maybe a program of releasing the building blocks 2 at a time for sale, would not flood the Boggabri housing market. JB commented that it is getting too expensive in Boggabri which is why everyone is going to Gunnedah. LH was of the understanding that rents had dropped considerably. CC said it was because of the mine and people with a gold rush attitude. DM to liaise with NSC. CC asked to be informed when he does this.

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5. Correspondence:

DM referred to slide presentation. EPA contacted Boggabri Coal to review recent blast event on 18th Feb. LH commented that this event has triggered a major review of the way shots will be carried out in future with regards to favourable conditions leading up to detonation. CC commented that if all the conditions were not favourable then the shot should not go ahead. MB asked how long shots are in the ground. LH responded that it depends but could be 7-10 days. JP thanked Boggabri Coal for the way they responded to the complaint.

Dept of Planning provided the submission's to Mod 5. DM Mod 5 Response to Submissions is still in the process of drafting. CC made a note again of her concern with the level of draw down with the bores in neighbouring properties. JP commented that this is the 1st time in 14 years that some of his bores are dry. CC has requested a physical copy of our Hydrology Report and model contained in Mod 5.

6. Company Reports & Reviews:

Attended Noise -DM gave an overview of the map in presentation with copies to all in attendance.

MN asked if we share with other mines in the area our dust monitoring resources. DM responded that at the moment we each do our own monitoring but there is work moving forward to combine resources in the future. DM handed out another map with Air Quality monitoring points. JM asked what sort of monitors were used. DM replied that multiple types from TEOM, HVAS and Dust deposition. DM explained that a future monitoring site was also marked on the map. CC asked where on our website are the monitoring results displayed. DM directed to go through to the Idemitsu Web Page and search for Boggabri Coal. DM explained Air monitoring at Merriown and Roma as per slides and noted that a spike in the monitoring results was from a region-wide dust event. DM handed out water monitoring map for the mine lease area. LH explained that very little water comes out of the high wall with most coming out of the low wall. MB asked what are the units of measurement on the map. DM explained it was measured in metres. Rainfall slide self-explanatory.

7. General Business:

Complaints/Feedback

 $\mathsf{DM}-\mathsf{no}$ complaints from Oct 2015 to Jan 2016. One dust complaint on $\mathsf{18}^\mathsf{th}$ Feb and another from a disgruntled community member expressing displeasure with the mine regarding water but would not leave their name.

MN has requested to show the Red Chief Aboriginal Land Council boundaries showing a map of the area, pointing out that this area does not follow any council or shire boundaries. CC has requested a copy of this map. RT explained that the Trust area was not decided with any maps but by a 25km radius around the centre of Leard State Forest. RT said that the applications for this round will be closing soon with allocation to be announced on 1st July. The next trust meeting will be held in May and decision to be made then. CC has notified the Rotary and Lions Clubs as well.

DM Biodiversity Management Plans were sent to all CCC members. CC requested that any future mail to her be sent to her private address, not to the council. LM has updated her address details. DM gave overview of slides. MB asked about tree clearing and asked to explain offset – like for like. AC explained that like for like replacement is commonwealth driven and there are very complex conditions controlling the outcome. MP asked if we are planning to plant anything in cleared areas and what would we plant. AC we will be planting and there are strategy and proximity considerations. DM we will look at what is the native local vegetation and try to link with that. MB asked how we plant when and where. AC try to match like for like with a good

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mix that meets the requirements of the Biodiversity Strategy. MN asked if the three mines share some of the biodiversity offsets. DM we share information but each mine has their own conditions to adhere to. AC explained that there is no doubling up of offset land between co-owned land. CC explained that this is outlined in the conditions of consent. MN asked why boundaries overlap. AC explained the split is very clear with Biodiversity offsets and these have been verified by third party reviewers. MN asked about the corridor for habitat and can it be locked. AC replied the offset areas form a joiner between properties. DM said he can supply MN with a copy of the plan. The corridor width will always stay the same but the position can change. MN commented on a corridor that was removed. AC said the area he was referring to was a wildlife corridor because of the trees but had not been a designated corridor. DY our corridor is managed and reviewed and there will always be a corridor. AC any change to it will require project approval.

Community Sponsorships as per slide. CC asked to acknowledge the support of Boggabri Coal to the Boggabri Art Exhibition. MB would like to thank Boggabri Coal for the support to Maules Creek Camp Draft. CC invited all present to attend the Boggabri Art Exhibition.

DM Explained that Boggabri Coal has had 3 EPA inspections (random and planned) in recent times. All have been welcomed. MB asked what the outcome was. DM replied all happy on the day and we would have been told if anything was amiss.

DM Dept of Planning arrived on site yesterday (2/3/16) for a random audit mainly covering 2016 year's tree clearing. LH They spent all day on site and also visited the pit and coal preparation plant.

MN expressed that we could contact the Rural Fire Brigade to conduct hazard reduction burning on the grassland around our properties. DM responded that we have already had the RFS captain do a fire audit for us. RG asked if tree clearing has been affected by the high temperatures at the moment. DM replied we have lost several days with the high temperatures.

DM Explained Boggabri Coal will be conducting feral pest monitoring with the view to carry out baiting later this month. Will keep you updated so others can tie in with our program. MB said it was important to engage other landholders about fox eradication programs. DY asked for Boggabri Coal Pest Management Activities to be brought to the next meeting.

CC would like to comment on the increased amount of cars that are using the Braymont Bridge road again. LH said there will be a memo issued that if we can identify any of those cars then they will be banned from site. It was also noted that they could be from Tarrawonga as well.

CC asked who was seen monitoring near Richards property. RG replied they were monitoring noise for Tarrawonga.

LH asked what the trespassing around was like at the moment. JP said he has noticed it has backed off at the moment as he has locked a gate at Thunderbolts way. MB said local pressure in town has helped as well.

JP commented that there are still a large number of feral pigs around.

MN asked about the road closure. DM replied that Leard Forest road is now permanently closed and there is a replacement road around the mine.

DM has invited all to a site inspection. No one accepted.

CC asked when tree clearing will be finished. DM replied 30th April for us as well as other mines in the area.

DM next CCC meeting will be 19 May at 9.00am followed by an Environmental Trust meeting followed by a Joint CCC Meeting

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| JT Meeting Closed at 10.58am | | |
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