



OVERVIEW	
Meeting	Community Consultative Committee
Date	19/5/2016 Time 9.00am
Venue	Boggabri Golf Club
Chairperson	John Turner
Presenter	Daniel Martin
Attendees	Richard Gillham(RG), John Turner (JT), Ray Balks(RB), Daniel Martin (DM), Lynne
	MacKellar (LM), Alistair Todd(AT), Catherine Collyer (CC), Dan Yates (DY),
Apologies	Jim Picton (JP), Mitchum Neave (MN), John Bastardo (JB)
Next Meeting	4 th August 2016 at 9.30am
ITEM	AGENDA

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ITEM	AGENDA
1	Apologies
2	Declaration of Pecuniary or other Interests
3	Confirmation of previous minutes
4	Business arising from previous minutes
5	Correspondence
6	Company reports and overview
7	General business/questions
8	Next Meeting

Discussion Items

1. Apologies:- Jim Picton (JP), Mitchum Neave (MN), John Bastardo (JB)

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interests:

RG declared that his property is located in the zone of affectation. CC leases property owned by Boggabri Coal. JT declared that he receives a fee for chairing the meeting.

3. Acceptance of previous minutes:

Moved by (RG) and seconded by (AT). (JT) Minutes moved and accepted.

4. Business from previous minutes:

(DM) No correspondence has occurred with the Narrabri Shire Council with regards to housing commitments as outlined in the project approval. Please note that the Social Impact Management plan will be revised by end of June with the housing commitments being reviewed as part of this process.

(DM) Pest management activities being undertaken will include reduction of feral animals including (foxes, goats and pigs) on the offsets surrounding the mine site. Weed control has also taken place with African Box Thorn, Tiger Pear and Rope pear currently being controlled.

(DM) BMP update, commencing planting of approximately 150 Ha of seedlings in offset areas.

5. Correspondence:

(DM) DRE and Forestry site visit in April for the AEMR and inspected mining, rehabilitation and infrastructure. No

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compliance issues were raised.

(DM) Warning letter was received from DP&E for not completing attended noise monitoring in time frame of the project approval. (CC) asked if the only problem was timing. (DM) We reported the error to the Department as we had missed the monitoring date in December and monitoring was undertaken early in January. (RB) Explained that because Boggabri Coal changed consultants there was a breakdown in communication and a misunderstanding on who was undertaking the monitoring and at what time.

6. Company Reports & Reviews:

(DM) Referred to slide presentation - Approvals update

(AT) asked what were the main issues raised. (DY) Replied the Dept. reviews model for impact zones.

(RG) asked if we have to reduce the amount drawn from the bores. (DM) replied we cannot go past 2 metres of drawdown which is in line with the Aquifer Interference Policy. (RG) asked where the recharge is from. (DM) The bores are located in the alluvial zone. CC, AT & RG have requested a copy of the Ground Water Model from Mod 5. (DM) commented that the groundwater model has been reviewed by two different parties, an independent hydrogeologist and the state government hydrogeologist. (RB) asked if there is anything else BC can supply. (RG) enquired how the approval process is sequenced. (RB) said Boggabri Coal can provide a flow diagram. (DM) Please note that the flow diagram will not have a timeframe due to some unknowns.

(RG) Asked what is the height of the current overburden areas? (DM) 395rl is the maximum of the surface level. (RB) Rehabilitation may give appearance of a bit of extra height due to tree height. (CC) asked if the western overburden side will be the same height as the eastern. (RB) replied that dump levels will reduce in height as the mining progresses to the north as the waste material will be placed back into the mining void. (DY) Said at the next CCC meeting we will bring a slide of the final conception plan.

(DM) Referred to Management Plan revisions. Asked for comments

(CC) said she will email questions

(DM) commented that the ground water and surface water plans will be combined into 1 document, and this will be sent out to CCC members before the next meeting.

(AT) asked if our water situation was ok. (DM) replied that it was reducing due to the lack of rain and higher than usual temperature requiring extra dust suppression around site, however site had a good level of water stored on site.

(DM) the Noise and Blast Plans will be sent out before the next CCC meeting.

(DM) the Social Impact Management Plan will be sent out before the next CCC meeting.

(AT) asked what do you mean by reviewing long term impacts, do you know any long term impacts. (DM) One hypothetical example would be if the Civeo camp closes, then where would people be housed. (CC) asked who we communicate with to build a body of data for the social impact management plan review (DM) Local Real Estates, Local Councils, Property valuation firms. Unfortunately the next Census results will be published in the next 12 months. We will try to line future revisions of the Plan with the next census to get better understanding of social changes. (CC) commented that Boggabri was full as far as rentable homes at the moment. (DM) commented that Maules Creek Mine is still increasing their production levels. (CC) said that Boggabri is affected by all the mines in the area. (AT) feels that the mining boom has missed Boggabri and was benefitting Gunnedah more. (CC) said that the lack of childcare in Boggabri was one of the main reasons families choose to live in Gunnedah.

(DM) referred to Exploration slide. Explaining that exploration was for resource definition rather than exploration. (RB) commented that initial exploration programs start on a wide grid pattern for long and medium term planning.

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Then further infill drilling is undertaken to better define the resource for short term planning. This is so we know where the geological structures are as well as the quality, which gives the Project certainty and confidence. (RG) asked how the coal looks. (RB) replied that the economics are good and quality is good in future mining areas. (DY) commented that both Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek have a 250m corridor either side of the coal lease boundary. Before the corridor can be changed we have to provide an alternate corridor with the equal or better quality than the existing.

(DM) Referred to Attended Noise slides and notes that monitoring occurs monthly. There were no exceedances in March or April. (DM) Referred to Air quality monitoring slides. (AT) commented that there is an air quality gauge at Onervale which has increased since the start of Maules Creek mine. (DM) commented that the graph was trending upwards. (AT) asked what happens when the limit is exceeded. (DM) said it was on mine owned land so there are no limits at this location. (RB) replied that the current location for these devices are used as a management tools. There are numerous activities that contribute to dust and we look broadly at the causes. (CC) asked for a copy of Dust results presentation. (Presentation will be supplied with the minutes) (CC) commented that it was much appreciated the efforts of our presentation and information presented and offered. The presentation will be attached in PDF format with theses minutes.

(CC) suggested that we invite a person from Maules Creek CCC to attend Boggabri Coal CCC meeting. (RB) Commented that our aim was to be transparent with our information. (DM) referred to Water Monitoring Slide. (AT) asked how much water was in on site. (DM) Boggabri Coal has enough water for the short to medium term. (AT) asked if there was much water pit inflows. (DM) replied that there was next to nothing currently coming out of the pit walls. Offered at the next CCC meeting to go out for a pit tour.

- 7. **General Business:** (DM) Complaints Local Boggabri resident has complained about traffic near Boston rail crossing. They were told to put issue forward with other mines CCC's but at this stage they have not done so. (AT) asked the date of the dust complaint. (RB) said we assess the situation and where we are contributing we follow our management plan which in this case included stopping production until the weather conditions improved. (DM) will include dates when incidents are raised (AT) would like to thank Boggabri Coal for taking the initiative to stop production all agreed. (RG) Commented that the Boggabri Campfire had a good turnout and the Campfire Committee gave a talk to another tourist group in Wagga Wagga. (CC) said the whole community gets behind the campfire (RG) said the event brings the whole community together. (AT) asked when the highway entry will be opened. (RB) Contract awarded this week and could be in use in approximately 2 3 months.
 - 8. Next Meeting will be 4th of August at 9.30am

Meeting Closed at 10.53am

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