



OVERVIEW						
Meeting	Community Consultative Comm	nittee				
Date	29/10/2020	Time	9.30am			
Venue	Boggabri Golf Club					
Chairperson	David Ross					
Attendees	Tim McDermott (TM), Hamish	Russell (H	R), David Ross (DR) Cath Collyer (CC),			
	Ros Druce (RD), Robert Kneale (RK), Richard Gilham (RG), Geoff Eather (GE),					
	Peter Forbes (PF), Pat Murphy	(PM)				
Apologies	Mitchum Neave (MN), Russell	Taylor (RT	-)			
Next Meeting	18 <sup>th</sup> February 2021					

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

#### 1. Apologies:

See above.

#### 2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interests:

- DR Declared he is paid a fee for his chairing services.
- RG Declared that his property is located in the zone of affectation.

#### 3. Acceptance of previous minutes:

Endorsed.

### 4. Business from previous minutes:

DR – Welcomes and thanks PM for joining the BCOP CCC. A discussion was then held about representation and if there was a necessity to have an environmental group represented.

HR – Are there any timeframes around when we can advertise for CCC members?

DR – No, BCOP has advertised at different times in the past with varying degrees of success. To get 3 applications in the recent campaign was great!

HR – Also extends welcome to PM.

Map of approval boundaries and progress update (Slide 4)

HR – Explained map and production statistics.

PM – Does a rough calculation and questioned the approx. 7T of overburden moved per tonne of coal mined? What is the overburden to coal ratio in the rest of the industry?

PF – The ratio of overburden to coal is called the overburden ratio. BCOP's overburden ratio is about average in the industry, some mines in the Hunter are much lower but some mines operate at about





15:1. One advantage of BCOP is that is very good quality coal but is further away from the port than mines in the Hunter Valley.

RG – Is the overburden ratio going to get better or worse as mining progresses? PF – It will stay about the same for the life of the mine.

CC – Is 6 million tonnes of coal mined so far in 2020 below the approved tonnage?

HR – BCOP can mine 8.6 million tonnes of coal/ year and we are below schedule.

PF – BCOP is behind it's targets for the year – advantage for the business is that the area has good coal. The disadvantage is the long haul to port. Covid-19 and a wetter than average year have not helped.

Review of blast complaints (slide 5)

HR – Explained slide.

RD – Queried the new blast notifications sent to the community. The notification previously used to contain a map of the blast but the new one does not? Would the community email be able to get the map back? **ACTION: Review community blast notifications.** 

PF – Due to the blast complaints, a review was conducted into the blast notification process and it was simplified as much as possible. BCOP appreciates the feedback and is going to review the current notifications to ensure the community gets as much information as possible.

CC – It is good to see how the company responded to the blast complaints. Commented how it is good to see corrective action has been taken and had concerns after the last meeting but now these have been addressed.

RD – Comments how surrounding mountains are a factor and makes it hard due to inversions. PF – Blast conditions are monitored right up until blasting. It is not uncommon for a blast to get postponed at the last minute due to environmental factors.

CC – Would like to see continued communication with the community.

ELF update (Slide 6)

HR – Explained slide.

DR - Is the first ELF advisory committee meeting next week?

HR – Yes, on the 5<sup>th</sup> November.

RD – Asked if she can have an electronic version of certain slides?

HR – Yes, we can provide slides as requested before minutes and presentation is released.

Exploration update (slide 7)

HR – Explained map and how the drill pads in the forest are 40mx40m.

RD – What rehabilitation will occur once drilling has finished?

HR – They will be bunded and shaped to ensure all water is directed around the pad and reduce erosion and sediment issues.

2021 Tree clearing

HR – Explains map, tree clearing is to occur for mining and exploration in 2021.

RG – Why is BCOP only clearing a small amount this year compared to recent years?

HR – We can only clear what we are going to mine and/or do exploration in for the next 12 months. Last year we did approx. 80ha and the exploration program was much larger.

PF – Every year BCOP tries to keep the balance between clearing too much but also clearing enough for 12 months of mining operations.





RG – Asks where the mine will progress in the next few years?

PF – Explains while talking to the map that the mine's plan is to swing around to the west into A355, but more drilling information is required from that area to assess it's profitability.

RD – Is BCOP planning to mine into A355?

PF – BCOP is planning to convert A355 into a mining lease. It will be a good few years before BCOP starts to mine in A355.

#### 5. Correspondence (slide 9 -10)

HR – Explains Correspondence.

RD – When was the SIMP submitted?

HR – BCOP submitted the SIMP on the Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October. Feedback from the CCC will be considered for inclusion in the SIMP.

RD – Referenced to correspondence from EPA, asks what BCOP does with it's end of life tyres?

HR – We have a process to dispose of end of life tyres in pit. It is done to a high standard.

RD – Do you have a licence to dispose of heavy vehicle tyres in pit?

HR – We have the concurrence of the EPA and DPIE.

HR – Explains correspondence between BCOP & Narrabri Shire Council surrounding the annual gravel share program. Explains brief recent history of the gravel share program.

RG – Can the public access some of the gravel for community projects?

HR – Explains how BCOP must be careful about exporting gravel offsite. BCOP would have to make sure it is an activity that is allowed for in its approval and management plans.

PF – If anyone is interested, they are encouraged to write a letter requesting gravel to the mine.

#### 6. Company Reports & Reviews:

Noise monitoring (Slide 12-15)

HR – Shows slide and monitoring results.

RD – Asked if all the noise limits are the same for all mines?

PF – Explains how all mines have noise limits, but they are different based on many factors.

Air quality monitoring. (Slide 16-19)

Results presented, no issues.

#### Groundwater monitoring (Slide 21-25)

HR – Explains slide.

RD – Are there groundwater monitoring bores on all the offset properties?

HR – There are numerous monitoring bores on offset properties.

RD – How many offset properties and bores does BCOP own?

PF – Lots, will let you know.

RD – Explains concerns about groundwater in broader area, not just around the mine.

PF – The locations of monitors was decided by experts who chose areas which were most likely to be affected by mining.

**RD** – **ACTION: BCOP to provide a list of number of offsets and groundwater monitoring bores.** 

HR – Explains groundwater modelling slide.





RD – Will the groundwater model for the BTM complex be complete by the end of the year?

HR – There have been some recent issues outside of BCOP's control.

DR – Has the BTM groundwater model been discussed with DPIE?

HR – Yes there has been lots of consultation with DPIE and the experts.

DR – How long will it take to get the groundwater model back once it is complete?

HR – Hopefully straight away as there has been significant review.

PM – Explains how earlier in the presentation in the 'correspondence' section the Groundwater model was mentioned. Is the BTM groundwater model to measure the cumulative impacts that the mines are having?

HR – The BTM are doing the groundwater model together to assess the cumulative impact.

PM – Is there any talk of Narrabri Underground mine and/or Vickery Coal mine joining the BTM? HR – No there is nothing yet, BCOP has not received direction to collaborate with Narrabri Underground or Vickery.

RD – How large is the Zone of influence that the Groundwater model extends to?

PM – How far away from the BTM is there zero impact?

HR – The BTM groundwater model will show a zone of influence.

Rainfall (Slide 26)

PF – Explains how BCOP has had more rain so far in 2020 than in 2018 & 2019 combined.

Water storage (Slide 27)

HR – Approx. 800ML currently stored onsite.

RD – How much have you been importing from the bores recently?

HR – Around 1-2ML/day. Will report the figures.

RD – ACTION: How much water was imported from the bores since previous meeting?

Water Allocations (Slide 28)

HR – Explains slide.

PM – Are these the allocations from BCOP's drawdown?

HR – No, these are the allocations for BCOP's production bores at Cooboobindi and Victoria Park.

<u>Complaints</u>

Nil Complaints.

#### 7. General Business

MOD 8 (slide 32)

HR – Refers to MO8 slide and explains how BCOP is in the process of preparing an 8<sup>th</sup> modification to its project approval. The plan is to mine deeper to the Templemore seam and extend the mine life. A fauna crossing over the current haul road is also being planned.

RG – How will the fauna crossing work?

HR – Will be an overpass, design not finalised yet.

HR – Further explains MOD 8, BCOP will apply to increase the workforce to reflect actual numbers. The production rate of 8.6Mtba will not be affected due to going deeper. The modification will also aim to extend the mine life til 2039.

RD – Can BCOP mine into the 500m wildlife corridor?

HR – BCOP's project approval currently precludes access to the 500m corridor.





HR – Modification 8 will also have an adjustment in the final landform due to the additional overburden that will be dug up by going deeper to the Templemore seam. Despite this, the intensity of mining will stay the same.

RD – What will happen to the final landform?

PF – Explains that the final landform will be "fuller" than before. Also explains that modification 8 will be consulted to the CCC and they will receive more information about it.

CC - Will details about the final landform rehab be considered?

PF – Yes, MOD 8 is a heads up for now and there will be a lot more consultation in the future.

DR – When will modification 8 occur?

PF – The planning is currently occurring, modification to be lodged in 2021.

<u>TreeTroff (slide 33)</u>

HR explains slide.

Social Impact Management Plan update (slide 34)

HR – Explains slide, SIMP reviewed and submitted.

Found here on website: <u>https://www.idemitsu.com.au/mining/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/BCOP-</u> DRAFT-2020-SIMP-FOR-CONSULTATION.pdf

PM – Thanked BCOP for making their employee numbers public.

Offset areas (slide 36)

HR – Explained slide, planning for a CCC offsets tour next year after summer and there is potential for an ecologist to support the visit.

CC – Agrees that early next year would be a good time in isolation of a CCC meeting.

PF – Explains how offset tours can be challenging due to the distance between them, will be a half day tour.

RD – Are BCOP engaged in selling offset properties?

PF – No, BCOP is leasing properties out through an agent. Previously the management was conducted in house but now will be done externally with one focal point. Will make the tenants on offset properties easier to manage.

End of Presentation – General Business

PF – Explained that advertisements have been put out for positions on the ELF advisory committee.

CC – States that she has joined and there are some good applicants.

HR – BCOP will try and make appropriate candidates aware of the opportunity to get involved.

CC – Was really impressed about the follow up from last meeting.

RD – Had few questions as direct quotes for BCOP to answer:

Has Boggabri Coal ever been contacted in the past by the Hunter Gas Pipeline company? Does Boggabri Coal hold any concerns about the Hunter Gas pipeline, and the proposed route? How much land would the existing route for the Hunter Gas Pipeline impact if any, of Boggabri Coal's offset properties? Which properties would the pipeline route pass through or next too?

ACTION: Respond to questions regarding the Hunter Gas Pipeline

RD also explains that MN was concerned about the Hunter Gas Pipeline. Explains how if compulsory acquisition is involved then people need to be made aware about it.





DR – Advised that he and CC are no longer involved in the Namoi Regional Air Quality Advisory Committee, encourages members to apply if they are keen.

PF – BCOP has been notified of this and are looking into having a representative.

CC – Explains how she was informed that the Namoi Regional Air Quality advisory committee would be advertising for members.

DR – There will be a reflection held at the next meeting to look back on the CCC in 2020. Also explains why the Joint BTM CCC was cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions. The next meeting will hopefully occur in May 2021. The mines would hopefully prepare a few slides and ask the community any questions.

#### 8. Next meetings

PF – Explains that he is retiring from BCOP, explains how the company is still keen to keep engaging the CCC.

RD, PM, DR, CC & RG – All thank PF for his service to the CCC and the Boggabri community.

DR – Thanks everyone for their efforts during a challenging 2020.

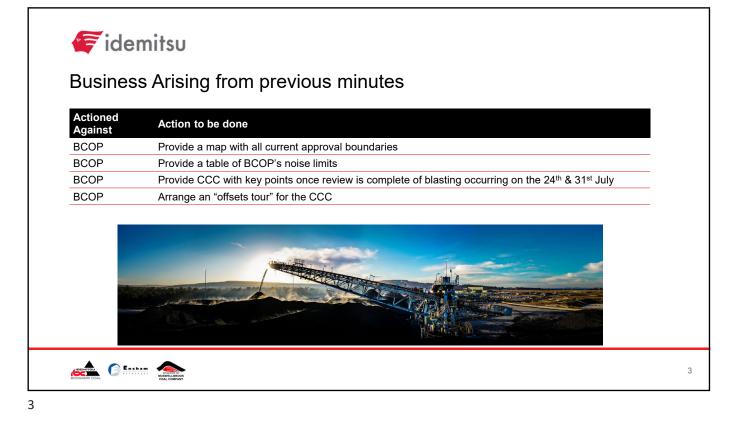
Next Meeting: Thursday 18th February.

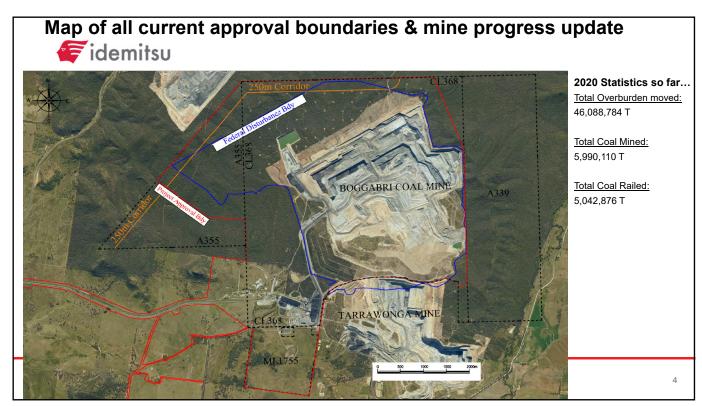
Meeting close 11:24am.

Actioned against	Action to be done
BCOP	<ul> <li>Respond to questions regarding the Hunter Gas Pipeline: <ul> <li>Has Boggabri Coal ever been contacted in the past by the Hunter Gas Pipeline company?</li> <li>Does Boggabri Coal hold any concerns about the Hunter Gas pipeline, and the proposed route?</li> <li>How much land would the existing route for the Hunter Gas Pipeline impact if any, of Boggabri Coal's offset properties?Which properties would the pipeline route pass through or next too?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
всор	How much water has been imported to site from the borefield since the August CCC meeting?
всор	Provide a list of all offset properties and monitoring bores.
всор	Review community blast notifications.











# **Review of blast complaints from July 2020**

#### Findings:

- Following 24/7's blast, prevailing meteorological conditions caused a dust cloud to travel significant distance eliciting complaint from several residents,
- Such circumstances hadn't been encountered previously, and were not considered likely to occur.

#### Corrective Actions:

- · Procure improved dust dispersion modelling technology,
- · Evaluating NoX monitoring equipment,
- · Develop risk assessment process accommodating NoX monitoring,
- · Subject approved risk assessment process to change management process,
- · Include contact details of interested individuals in the blast notification process.





## **Boggabri Early Learning Facility**

Construction is progressing well and should be operational 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2021 subject to operator approvals.

Advertised for members for a community advisory committee. First meeting to be held on the  $5^{th}$  of November.







We are currently calling for community representatives to join the Boggabri Early Learning Facility Advisory Committee.

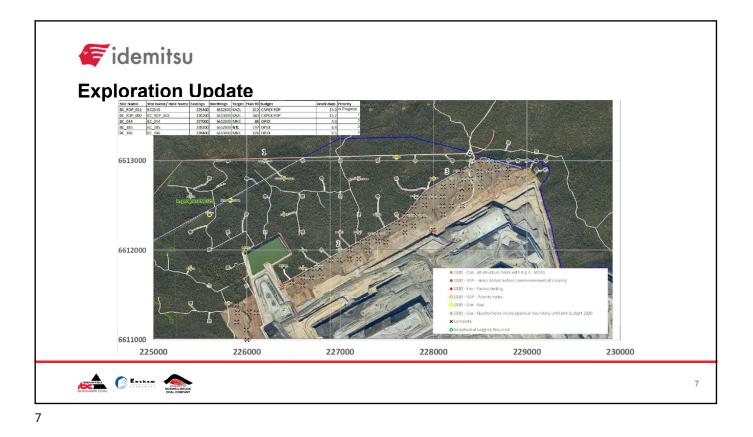
Committee members provide local contact points for the community regarding the facility, provide a means for information distribution regarding the facility and advise the facility's management team on relevant community issues or concerns. Your role as an advisory committee member is voluntary.

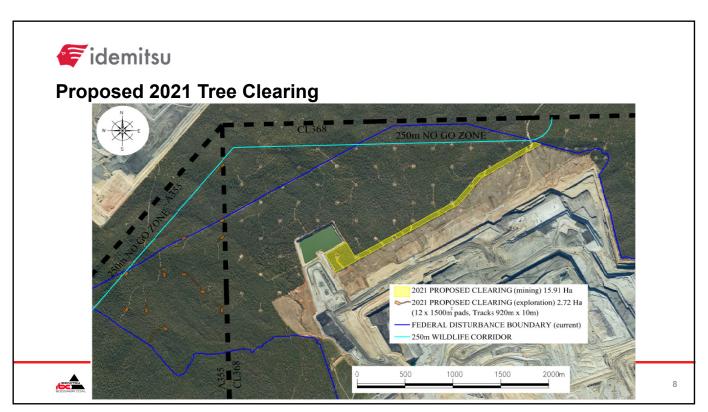
Selection criteria: You will be expected to contribute constructively to committee discussions, live in the area or have a demonstrated involvement in local groups or activities, attend monthly meetings in the lead up to the facility beginning operations which will be reviewed once operational and communicate information about the facility between the communicate and the broader community.

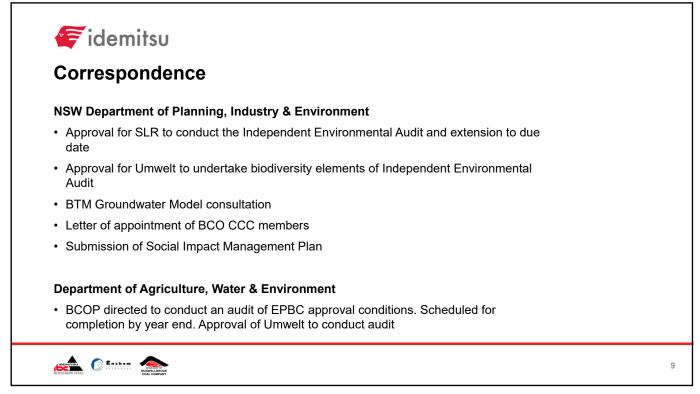
If you would like to apply, contact Prue Jamieson by phone on 6792 6566 or email nurruby@bigpond.com

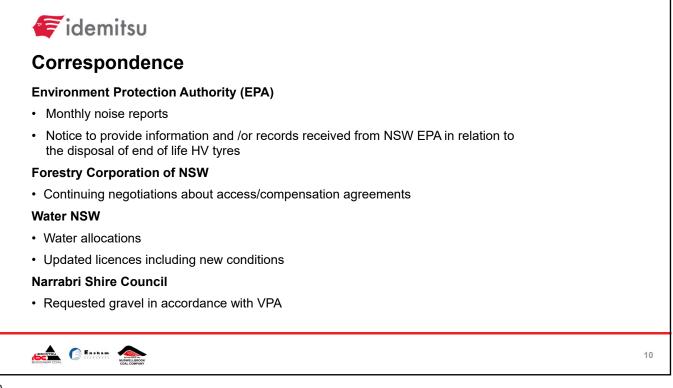
Applications must be lodged by the 21st October 2020. The first meeting will be held Thursday 5th November 2020.

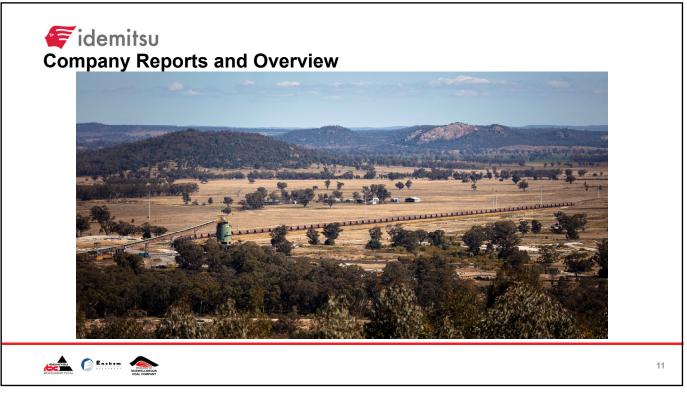


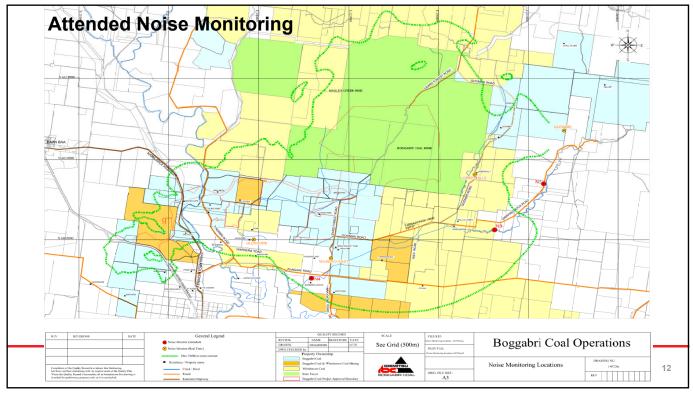


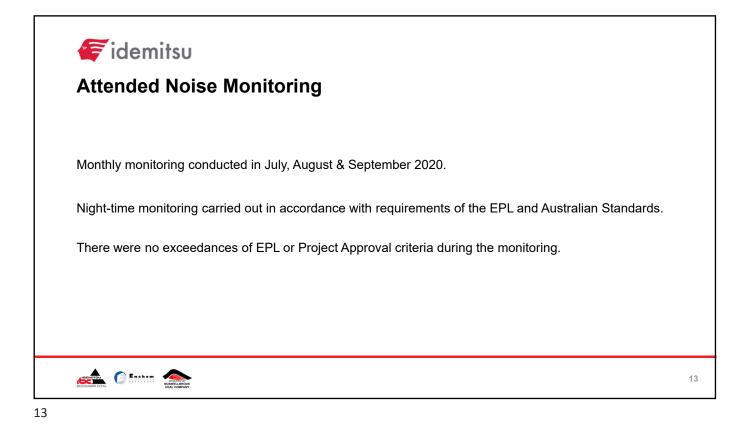






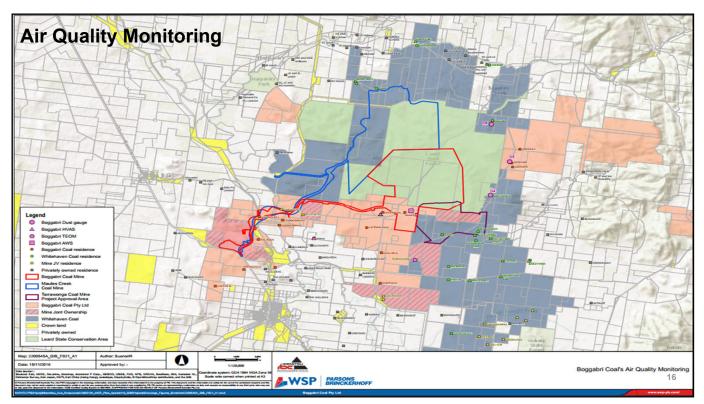




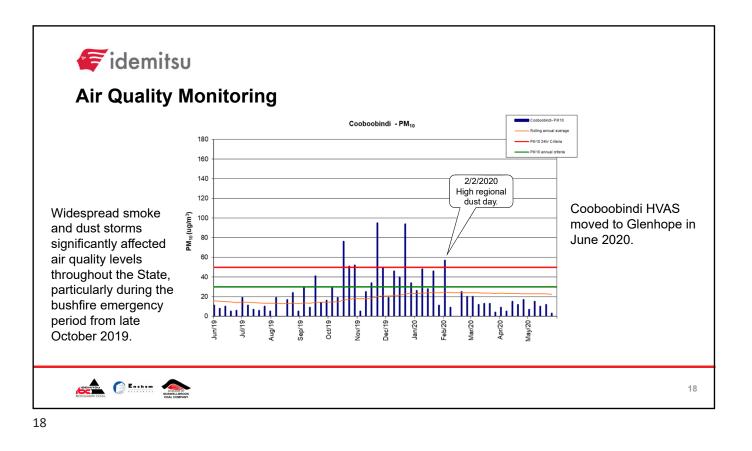


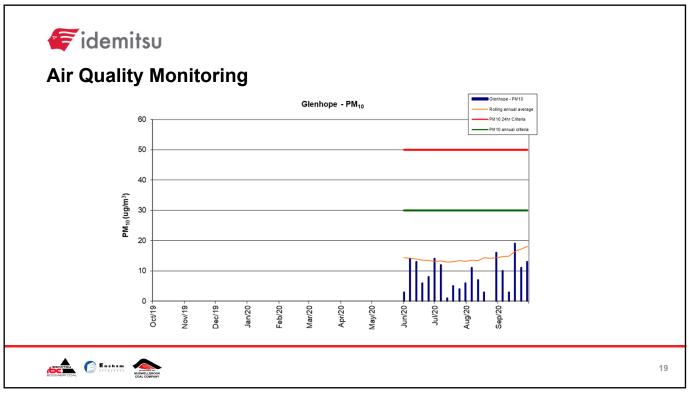
Attended Noise monitoring location	LAeq, 15min Impact Assessment Criterion	Oct - 19	Nov- 19	Dec- 19	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May- 20	June- 20	July- 20	Aug – 20	Sept – 20
Sylvania	35	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	28	IA
Picton	35	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	IA	<25	IA	IA	28	>25	IA
arbers Lagoon	35	NM	IA	IA	IA	29	IA	IA	IA	25	IA	IA	27
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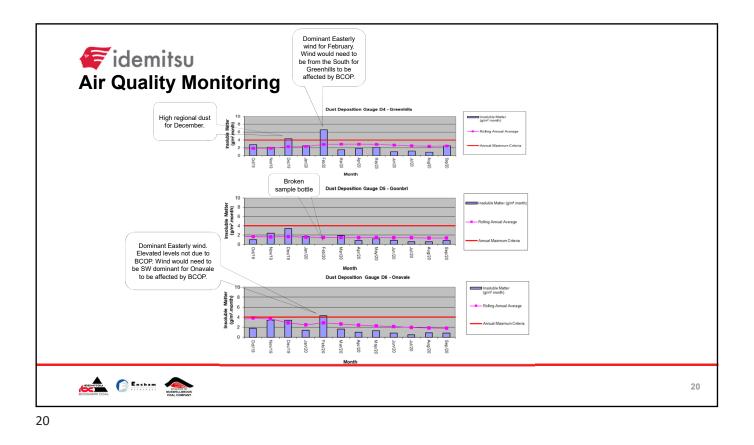
Location/Property ID		Noise Impact Assessment Criteria					
	Day L <sub>Aeq (15 min)</sub>	Evening LAeq (15 min)	Night L <sub>Aeq</sub> (15 min)	Night LA1 (1 min)			
All privately owned residences	35	35	35	45			

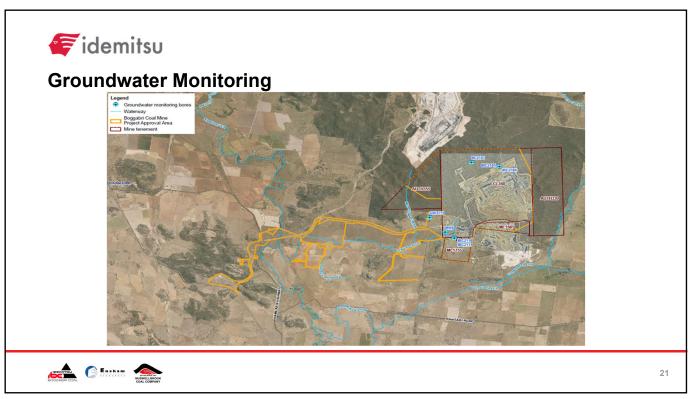


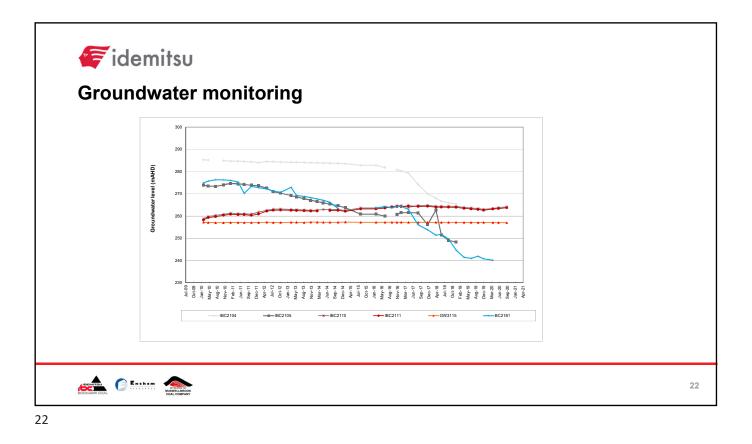
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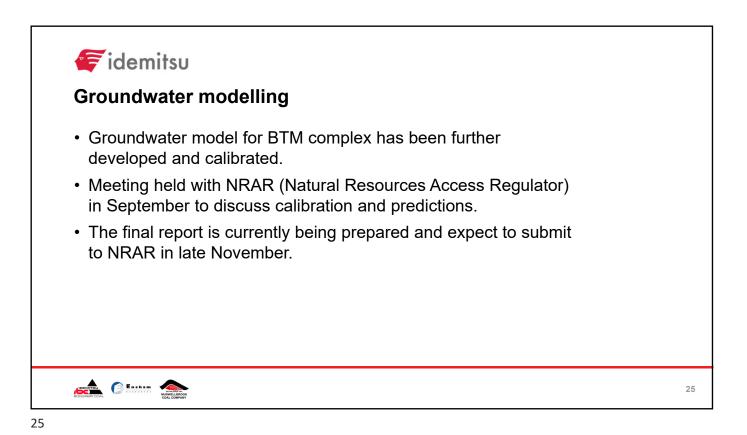


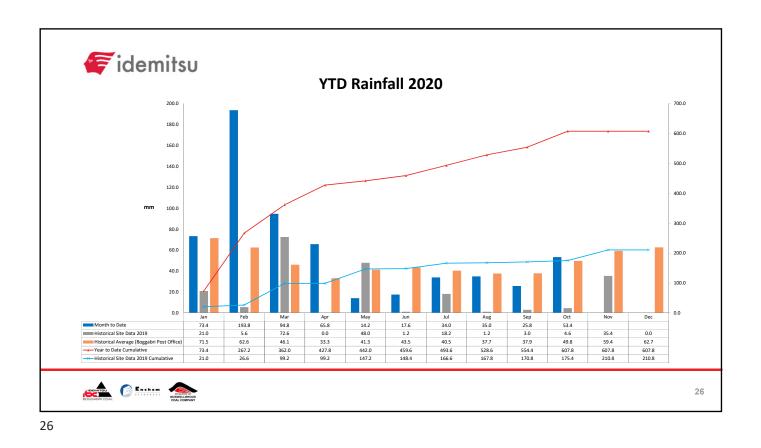


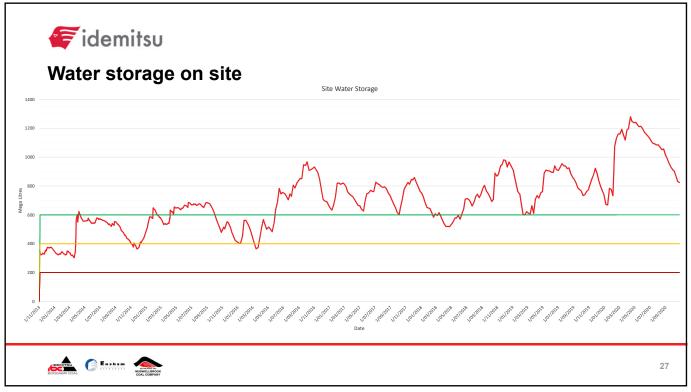






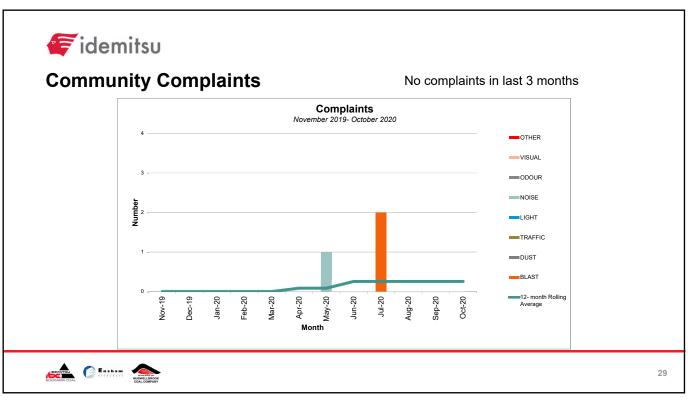




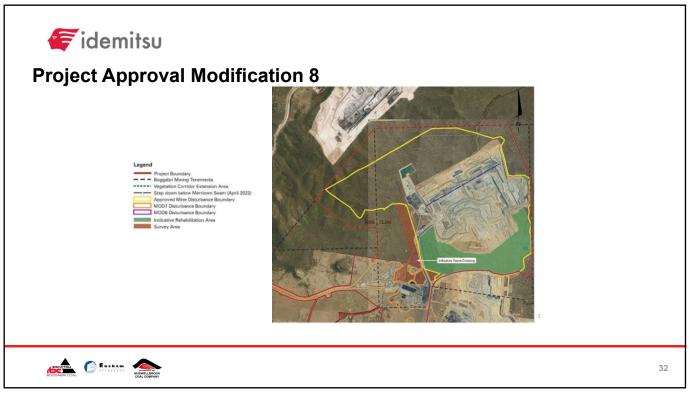


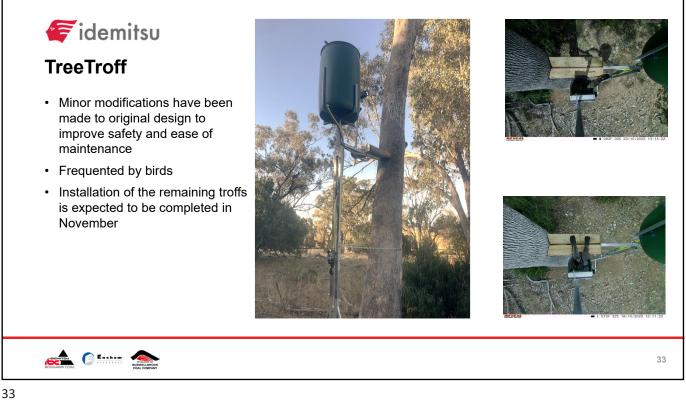
Water Source	Date	AWD
Gunnedah Oxley Basin MDB Ground Water Source	1-Jul-20	1.0 ML/ share
Lower Namoi Regulated River (General Security)	8-Sep-20	0.042 ML/share
	7-Oct-20	0.014 ML/share
Lower Namoi Regulated River (Supplementary Water)	1-Jul-20	1 ML/share
Upper Namoi Regulated River (General Security)	8-Sep-20	0.5 ML/share
Upper Namoi Zone 11, Maules Creek Groundwater Sour	ce 1-Jul-20	1.0 ML/share
Upper Namoi Zone 4, Namoi Valley (Keepit Dam to Gins Leap) Ground Water Source	1-Jul-20	1.0 ML/share



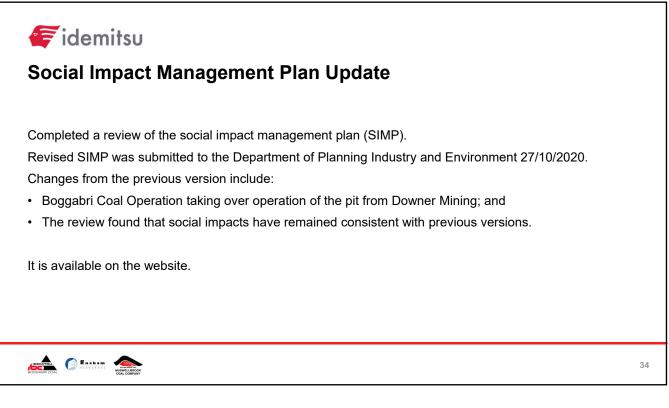












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# Social Impact Management Plan Update

Workforce numbers are approximately 750 people

<b>Locality</b> Boggabri	Residency 56	Locality	Employees (operators and	Goldings	Orica	Action and Bl
Baan Baa	4		maintainers)			
Curlewis	5	Boggabri	4	12	8	3
Gunnedah	186		05	10	40	
Manilla	20	Gunnedah	25	42	10	3
Moore Creek	2	Narrabri	3	11	2	5
Narrabri	42	Other NSW	21	88	13	21
Other NSW	82					
QLD	7	QLD	2	8	4	6
Sommerton	2	Total	55	161	37	38
Tamworth	46					
Villala	2					
Total	454					

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# **Biodiversity Offset Areas**

- CCC offsets tour to be conducted
- · Contracts for works in the offsets to be awarded imminently
- Weed and pest management
- Handing properties to local real estate agent



