

OVERVIEW	
Meeting	BC Community Consultative Committee
Date	11/02/2014 Time 4:30pm
Venue	Boggabri RSL CLub
Chairperson	John Turner (JT)
Note Taker	Sue Kirkby (SK)
Attendees	Catherine Collyer (CC), Jim Picton (JP), John Bastardo (JB), Alistair Todd (AT), Marty Brennan (MB), Richard Gillham (RG) <u>Boggabri Coal:</u> Ken McLaren (KMc), Chase Dingle (CD), Joe Rennick (JR),
Apologies	
Guests	
Guest Speakers	
Next Meeting	3 months' time unless a meeting is required prior to this
Attachments	Attachment 1 – Presentation environmental monitoring and complaints

MEETING OBJECTIVES	
1	To communicate matters of importance at BCM to members of the community
2	To provide an update on the BCEP
3	To discuss any complaints received and raise any further complaints

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1 BCCC chair greetings and welcome	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JT - welcomed all attendees 	
2 Declaration of pecuniary or non- pecuniary interests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JT asked for anyone present to declare any pecuniary interest they may have in BCM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ RG – Property falls into the zone of affectation ○ CC – Leases property owned by BC ○ JB – Agists cattle on property owned by BC ○ JB – Lives on property owned by Whitehaven 	
3 Apologies, previous minutes and business arising	Apologies - Nil <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes were checked by those present at the last CCC meeting • Moved that the minutes of the 13 August 2013 were a true and accurate record of the meeting – All present in favour; carried • Minutes were checked by those present at the joint WH, BCM CCC meeting • Moved that the minutes of the joint meeting 19 November 2013 were a true and accurate record of 	

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	<p>the meeting – All present in favour; carried</p> <p>Business Arising - Nil</p>	
<p>4 Boggabri Coal Expansion Project update CD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full mobilisation of all 3 contractors has commenced • Work on the rail line, MIA product stockpile and reclamation tunnel and the UGL Transgrid power line have all commenced • CD – Any questions about the current construction activities or works proposed within the next 3 months? • JP – How long before the new road to replace LFR is started and when will LFR be closed? • CD – The DoPI has approved the Leard Forest Road Closure Strategy, further consultation with NSC is still required concerning the strategy implementation, all ecological and archaeological surveys have been completed and fencing of the new road will commence shortly • Whilst there is no set date for commencement/completion of the new road, I would expect the bulk of work to be completed by Q3 or early Q4 2014 • JP – Is the upgrade of Manilla Rd in Whitehaven’s (WH) VPA? • CD – Yes • AT – Asked to see plans of the proposed railway viaduct over the Namoi River – plans provided • CC – asked for an electronic copy of the Viaduct plans • CD – will request that electronic copies be sent by the contractor be sent to CC • CD – Even though the viaduct is a joint venture with WH, the management of environmental impacts during construction, rests with Boggabri Coal • JT – Do all the other mines have copies of the plans • CD – WH has copies of the plans • General discussion on viaduct height and final plans, and the mitigation of flood implications 	
<p>5 S 75W Modifications</p>	<p>CD cont.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 separate s75W modifications currently underway for the BC Project- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The processing & transportation of Tarrawonga Coal within the BC Mine Lease – with the DoPI. Response to submissions 	

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	<p>submitted. Decision Pending.</p> <p>2. BCEP construction activities (Kamilaroi Highway Access, project boundary amendments, in-pit fuelling - with the DoPI. Response to submissions submitted. Decision Pending.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JT will the approved document then go back on display? • CD – Yes, the approved documents will be placed on the BC webpage • CC – requested a copy 	<p>Copy of the BCEP s75W modification to CC</p>
<p>6 Presentation of environmental monitoring results</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JR – Presentation and explanation of environmental monitoring results since last meeting • General discussion and concerns about road dust, particularly Manilla Rd • CD – Despite no blasting exceedance since last meeting, there have been 3 independent blast audits, also trialling new and different blasting products • Dust suppressants product trial continuing in Q1& Q2 2014 and 3 new 777 water carts will soon be in use • JR – Dust off diggers is the main concern while it is so dry, operators are very diligent at placing dirt in trucks and not dumping it • AT – Took a photo of the dust coming off a blast from one of the mines last Friday, it was quite appalling 	<p>Presentation attached</p>
<p>7 Community Complaints</p>	<p>3 complaints since last meeting (see previous presentation)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BC68 – Dust ○ BC69 – Dust ○ BC70 - Blasting • AT – brought to CD attention that he had missed a noise complaint • CD – add noise complaint to complaints register and include in next meeting’s presentation • CC – Has the EPA contacted BC regarding the requirements of their new regional monitoring system • JR – The EPA is putting their own standalone system in place, they have consulted BC to see if any BC systems can be incorporated • JR – The EPA are looking at the regional picture and will use individual mine monitoring procedures to monitor regional inputs 	<p>CD to add noise complaint to complaints register and include in next meeting’s presentation</p>
<p>8 MOP update CD & JR</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CD – MOP approved on the 18th December 2013, incorporates mining activities until the end of 2014 • JR – Outline of 2014 tree clearing program and showed 	

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	<p>the area on the aerial map</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AT – Query re: 2014 topsoil stockpile • JR – pointed to the stockpile location along the existing rehabilitation site 	
<p>9 Environmental Trust Fund (ETF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JT – No emails have been received to date • JT – The best option will be to get a list of projects from each CCC meeting then form a small sub-committee to short list the options • JT – Evaluate each project on its merit to the community • JT – Asked for comment • JT – Is happy to act as the conduit for ETF ideas • AT – The whole process needs to be put on hold while people are dealing with the stresses of drought • JT – Will send out a reminder in a month or so, the process can be done electronically • JT – Any views or questions? • CC – It is important that we do not rush in and that we take time to decide on a really worthwhile project • CC – The funds will be held in trust by NSC so there is no urgency • AT – Perhaps we should advertise for ideas in the Courier • KM – Asked if anyone in the group could think of any special needs • CD – Is there some way of capturing the ideas of the whole community • CC – what about in response to the proposed community newsletter? • CD – BCEP has decided that community communication will be web based and not done via a community newsletter • CC – Very disappointed that there will be no newsletter distributed to the community as they have advised it is their preferred method of consultation • JT – Happy to do a press release to say we are looking for worthy projects • JT – Will follow up by email in a months' time, coordinate a press release with BC and also raise this issue at the next WH CCC 	<p>JT to follow up on trust fund ideas by email in a months' time, coordinate a press release with BC and also raise this issue at the next WH CCC</p>
<p>10 General Business/ questions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CD – CCC Committee members have never been ratified, we need to follow Dept of Planning Guidelines for CCC's (June 2007) and first formally advertise for interested members • CD – Asked if anyone in the group wished to decline 	

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	<p>their position, no one present declined</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CD – Will check with the department if current members need to re-apply • RG – How is the mine water supply holding out • CD – BC still running on existing surface water allocation and are being very diligent • RG – Traffic on local roads is currently well behaved • CD – We should schedule in a pit tour for the next CCC meeting 3:30 – 4:00pm followed by a meeting • CD – Requirements for meetings are only 6 monthly • JT – We should address this at the next meeting • CD – Maybe just a pit tour next? • JP – We will want to discuss the ETF further • CD – Just a pit tour and a short discussion 	<p>CD – check to see if current CCC members need to reapply for their positions</p>
	<p>Meeting closed 5:45pm</p>	