



OVERVIEW			
Meeting	BC Community Consultative Committee		
Date	13/08/2013 Time 3:00pm		
Venue	Boggabri Coal Office		
Chairperson	John Turner (JT)		
Note Taker	Sue Kirkby (SK)		
Attendees	Bob McGregor (BMc), Catherine Collyer (CC), Jim Picton (JP)		
	Boggabri Coal:		
	Ken McLaren (KMc), Chase Dingle (CD), Joe Rennick (JR)		
Apologies	Marty Brennan (MB), Richard Gillham (RG), John Bastardo (JB), Steven Talbott		
	(ST)		
Guests	Wayne Jones (WJ) – Boggabri Coal Expansion Project (BCEP)		
Guest Speakers			
Next Meeting	3 months' time unless a meeting is required prior to this		
Attachments	Attachment 1 – s75W presentation		
	Attachment 2 – 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 75W modifications	
3	To provide an update on the BCEP	
4	To discuss any complaints received and raise any further complaints	

ITEM	AGENDA/DISCUSSION ITEMS	Action
1 BCCC chair greetings and welcome	CD - welcomed all attendees and introduced new Chairman John Turner (JT) and thanked outgoing chairman BMc for his conduct and commitment JT responded and gave a short account of his background – a copy of JT's CV will be made available upon request	
Apologies, previous minutes and business arising	Minutes were checked by those present at the last CCC meeting Moved CC, Seconded BMc that the minutes of the 29 April 2013 were a true and accurate record of the meeting	
	Business Arising Dust: BMc – has there been any advancement on the Dust Management Plan (DMP) that Jan Green spoke of at the last meeting CD – DMP still under review with DOPI	





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	 JP – Whitehaven (WH) have put in a submission to DOPI to build a road through to BC MIA and are saying there will be minimum noise and dust issues CD – This plan has already been approved in WH's consent, and will be discussed further during agenda item no. 4. CC – consideration should be given by all the mines to install a camera off site giving a better view of dust levels from a distance General discussion on the legalities of using cameras to monitor dust, especially with regards to whom owns the data and permissions of local landholders CC – was advised by Steve O'Donaghue (EPA) to bring the camera proposal up at both WH and BC CCC meetings CD – the Leard Forest Mining Precinct Air Quality Management Strategy will include a shared environmental monitoring network and data sharing protocol 	
3 Boggabri Coal Expansion Project update WJ	WJ - Most subsidiary approvals obtained. Works continue on the Leard Forest Road Closure Strategy. • Early works continuing at site, these include: • Water management structures & surveys • minor adjustments to services or facilities • 11kV modifications • Construction laydown pads • MIA upgrade works continue, including the Heavy Vehicle Workshop. The new Downer Office is complete • Common and Boggabri Rail Spur construction scheduled to commence October/November 2013 • 132kV Transmission line and 132kv Substation imminent Leard Forest Road Diversion (Proposed Route - figure provided) • Proposed closure of Leard Forerst Road near mine entry road and along northern lease boundary • Potential opening date - May 2014 • NSC Support • AHIP process scheduled to begin in September 2013 • Part 5 Approval	
	WJ – asked for CCC Feedback on a proposed quarterly Newsletter	





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	 BMc - Maules Creek Newsletter seems to work JP - Newsletter needs to include what is happening, and what will be happening in next 3 months BMc - Potential to have a newsletter for review by CCC at next meeting BMc - need a major improvement on the article published in the Namoi Valley Life Magazine about the BCCCwhich was totally inappropriate General discussion on distribution to the entire Boggabri community i.e. all of Boggabri plus clubs and associations, IGA pin board etc General discussion on allowing more opportunities for the Boggabri community to visit the Boggabri Coal Mine. JR - Historically, the last day of the Drover's Campfire site visits was always for the Boggabri Community CC - would like to see another opportunity later in the year JR - BC will investigate opportunities to periodically hold site visits for the Boggabri community 	BC to draft a site newsletter for consultation at the next BCCC meeting BC to organise another site tour in consultation with the BCCC
4 s75W Modifications	 WJ cont. 1. Boggabri Coal Mine Modification (Construction Activities) – drafting document • Kamilaroi Highway temporary and permanent access design (Figure provided) • RMS has passed the approval authority to DOPI • Few additional minor modifications like transmission lines and stockpiles. 2. Boggabri Coal Mine Modification (Boggabri & Tarrawonga) – submitted • CD – s75W presentation (attached) General discussion – rail joint venture, rail capacity and quantities • KM – explanation of rail capacity issues • CD – s75W modification now on public exhibition and open for comment 	
5 Presentation of environmental monitoring results	JR – Presentation and explanation of environmental monitoring results since last meeting General discussion on results	





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6 Community	2 complaints since last meeting	
Complaints	o BC64 – Dust	
	o BC65 Blasting	
	 CD – following a directive from DOPI - the blast 	
	monitors are being moved from mine owned	
	properties; Bollol Creek and Greenhills to Goonbri and	
	Jeralong properties which are privately owned	
	CD – the 50m inversion tower is now in place so	
	weather data can be recorded at 50m giving a much	
7.5	better indicator of temperature inversion conditions	
7 Pest	JR – Currently organising a helicopter feral pig shoot in	
management	consultation with landholders	
	 JR – has approached Whitehaven Coal and requested their involvement 	
	JR – BC would like to get a trapping and baiting	
	program in place that will coordinate with all	
	landholders	
	CD – Feedback would be welcomed on what programs	
	are working in the area	
	 JP – currently baiting and shooting on his property 	
	JR – LHPA has been a great support for his program	
8 MOP update	CD – Spoke to plans showing clearing works ahead of	
	mining, and mentioned the planned integration of	
	dumps to minimise impact	
	General discussion on clearing works	
9 General	CD – asked for ideas as to how to better communicate	
Business/	with the local community	
questions	 JT – Suggested a spot on community radio 	
	 CC – Community newsletter a very good idea 	
	 JT – Transparency is most important and Boggabri 	
	needs to be the main target	
	CC – Suggested a blanket drop to Boggabri post code	
	(700 newsletters)	
	General discussion on fatigue management, staff limits on	
	distance lived from site. MAC camp preference for	
	 accommodation. CC – Would like clarification on break up of funds for 	
	Boggabri Pool and Caravan Park upgrades. Need to	
	organise a catch up with KM	
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