

Bulga Coal Community Consultative Committee

Annual Report – 2020

CCC/Project Name:	Bulga Coal Community Consultative Committee	Reporting Period:	Annual 2020
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1. Executive Summary

Much of the traditional interaction by the mine and the local community was inhibited because of the COVID problems.

Dust remains a significant item of interest to the CCC and monitoring by the company has produced samples, particularly of coal dust PM 10 samples at variance with previous monitoring.

The company briefed the CCC on modifications 3 and 7 and updated the CCC on rehabilitation work in accordance with their requirement.

There is a good working relationship between the company and the CCC.

2. CCC Activities of Last 12 Months

Bulga Coal Community Consultative Committee meets twice a year. This year it met once remotely by a combination of Zoom and telephone hook-up. The second meeting was held at the mine. There were apologies by one CCC community member at both the meetings.

Because of Covid no physical inspection of the site occurred during the year.

It is expected a site visit may occur in 2021.

No joint CCC meetings were held.

3. Key Issues

Issue	Action Taken	Next Steps
Dust and PM10 particles	Sample of PM10 dust continues to be collected and are showing varying results. The company is doing all they can to manage dust, including working with the EPA to move dust monitors to more accurately assess dust deposits, particularly as it is difficult to assess dust from the Bulga site or adjoining mines.	The company will share the dust monitoring data from the EPA monitors in the north and south with the CCC.
Rehabilitation	Rehabilitation has been ongoing and the CCC has been fully informed of the short and long term rehabilitation programs. There is now a focus on attaining a more natural landform to blend with surrounds.	It is expected that the CCC will be able to inspect the rehabilitation during a site meeting anticipated for 2021.

4. Focus for Next 12 Months

There will be the two planned CCC meetings.

While dust is not an emerging issue, it is a consistent issue of concern for the CCC, bearing in mind that the CCC takes a cumulative approach in relation to dust considering the intensity of mines in the area.

The company is now working to re-establish the previous inter-community relationships which have been side lined because of Covid.

The only emerging issue was the MOD's which were managed well by the mine's presentation to the CCC

Signature of Chair:	Signed John H. Turner
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