Community Consultative Committee Details

CCC / Project Wongawilli Coal Reporting Period: 2020 (calendar

Name: year)

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1. Executive Summary

Despite the mine being in care and maintenance mode, it was nevertheless an active year for the CCC with four standard CCC meetings taking place. Yet, due to the pandemic, it was also a frustrating year for the committee with members having to hold some of the meetings via videoconference.

Key issues that were considered included forthcoming modifications, particularly the North West Mains modification.

Representation and attendance on the CCC has vastly improved compared to previous years.

2. CCC activities over last 12 months

There were four CCC meetings held during the year. The discussion within these meetings was influenced by the mine being in care and maintenance mode. However, there were still a number of productive discussions about security around the site, localised issues and the NW Mains modification.

During one of our face to face meetings, members were able to continue to gain a more holistic understanding of the assessment and compliance processes with attendance of representatives from the Assessment and Compliance Units of Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE).

However, the pandemic continued to cause some frustrations. While video calls allowed the committee to continue having these important discussions throughout the year, video technology just does not allow for the productive discussions normally expected, face to face.

3. Key issues

As part of the review into the key issues discussed throughout 2020, feedback was sought from CCC members. The key issues are:

- Understanding of the assessment and compliance processes
- The proposed NW Mains expansions.

Issue
The assessment and
compliance processes

Actions Taken

To assist members to gain a wider understanding of the context within which the mine operates in, government representatives from DPIE attended to discuss matters with respect to the assessment process and compliance.

Next Steps

Efforts will be made to have representatives from the Dept of Agriculture, Water and Environment attend as well as NSW EPA.

NW Mains expansion

WCL announced the proposed expansion and spend some meetings outlining to the members what the proposal entailed. This stimulated much discussion and questions.

The mine will continue updating members on the associated medication. Once an assessment and determination is made by DPIE, there will be a better understanding of what this means for future CCC meetings.

4. Focus for the next 12 months

- Seeking representation from new residents within Wongawilli
- Inviting government representatives such as NRAR, Water NSW and the Resources Regulator to attend meetings for a question and answer session
- Keeping the community updated on the mine's activities and enhanced communication with the CCC, in general
- Site visits including within the catchment and the portal entrance

Signature of Chair	Moss
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