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## Rix's Creek Mine

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This newsletter provides our community with an update on the Rix's Creek Mine. It also provides an opportunity for the local community to comment on the Draft Social Impact Management Plan for Rix's Creek South Mine.

### The Bloomfield Group and Rix's Creek Mine

The Bloomfield Group is a proud and successful Australian mining and engineering group. Australian owned and operated, Bloomfield has been part of the Hunter for more than 80 years and now employs almost 600 local people. Bloomfield operates the Rix's Creek Mine northwest of Singleton. The mine includes Rix's Creek North (RCN) and Rix's Creek South (RCS) operations.

### Rix's Creek South Update on Operations

Rix's Creek South Mine commenced operations under the new State Significant Project Approval (SSD 6300) on 24 February 2020. The new consent brings a number of contemporary conditions for environmental management, monitoring and operational requirements to minimise impacts on our neighbours.

As part of the new conditions, a number of new and revised Management Plans have been distributed for consultation to our Community Consultative Committee and various Government Regulators. Over the coming months, copies of the new and revised Management Plans, once approved, will be available on the Bloomfield website at: [www.bloomcoll.com.au](http://www.bloomcoll.com.au)

### Social Impact Management Plan - Rix's Creek South

As part of the Rix's Creek South Continuation Project, a Social Impact and Opportunity Assessment was undertaken. The assessment seeks to understand, from a community perspective, the issues, impacts and opportunities associated with the Project as well as the broader community values and land uses associated with the assessment area. As required by the Project Approval, Rix's Creek Mine has drafted a Social Impact Management Plan (SIMP) and invites the local community to review and comment on the Draft Plan.

The specific objectives of Social Impact Management Plan are to:

- Document an understanding of the existing social environment;
- Identify and document the potential social impacts associated with the Project;
- Develop management strategies aimed at mitigating any potential adverse impacts and at maximising identified opportunities arising from the Project; and
- Facilitate further continued community and stakeholder engagement during the life of the development.

You can view the Draft Social Impact Management Plan at:

<https://www.bloomcoll.com.au/sustainability/environmental-management/rixs-creek-assessments/management-plans-and-strategies>

If you have any comments or questions on the draft Social Impact Management Plan please email Chris Knight, Environmental Manager, on [cknight@bloomcoll.com.au](mailto:cknight@bloomcoll.com.au).

Consultation on the plan will close on 31 July 2020.

### More information

If you have any questions about Rix's Creek Mine or require further information please contact:

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