

Bloomfield Colliery Community Consultative Committee Extra-Ordinary Meeting

Location: Bloomfield Colliery

Time: 9.00 am

Date: 27 May 2022

ATTENDEES	
Name	Organisation
Lisa Andrews (LA)	Independent Chairperson
Janet Murray (JMY)	Community Representative
Dennis Thurlow (DT)	Community Representative
Hamish Mackinnon (HM)	Cessnock City Council delegate
Kristy Cousins (KC)	Maitland City Council delegate
Greg Lamb (GL)	Bloomfield Colliery
Brad Donoghoe (BD)	Bloomfield Colliery
Steve Vickers (SV)	Bloomfield Colliery
Damian Butler (DB)	Bloomfield Colliery

Apologies	
Jack Dwyer (JD)	Community Representative

Item	Issue	Action
1	Bloomfield Mine Closure	
	<p>SV presented an overview of the Bloomfield Mine Closure requirements that must form part of the Rehabilitation Management Plan.</p> <p>BD advised that a decision had been made to mine an additional block, extending the date to cease mining out to 2025. He explained the rehabilitation benefits of doing so and SV noted that the majority of the closure milestones remained unchanged.</p> <p>JM asked if the mine had spoken to the local emergency services about the benefits of having dams for fire management. SV noted the studies on the dams that could remain are underway and that the mine would speak to the local emergency services as part of the closure process.</p>	<p>Action to provide presentation to CCC. Presentation attached.</p>

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	<p>DT requested a map of what the site was like previously, in particular the location of the native woodland that is not for grazing.</p> <p>DT said he was interested in seeing the Flora and Fauna Management Plan before that area was disturbed.</p> <p>DT asked about contamination and the final void with GL and SV explaining the purpose of the void as a ground water sink. SV outlined the requirements for the void. The water level of the void was discussed as was potential opportunities for future use of the void.</p> <p>JM asked about the water shed and if it will return back to the original. SV said this was the case with the exception of areas around Mt Vincent Road and Four Mile Creek.</p> <p>DT asked about work on the culverts at Mt Vincent Road. SV noted the current modelling did not show a need for changes however there was further work and liaison with Maitland City Council required.</p> <p>DT asked about acidity in the final void and SV explained matters related to water salinity. DT asked about fencing the void and SV noted this could be put to the landowner.</p> <p>It was agreed to distribute the Rehabilitation Management Plan once it was finalised.</p> <p>It was agreed to present the plan at the next CCC which would be rescheduled for 25 July at 9am.</p> <p>JM requested a copy of the original topography.</p> <p>JM noted that she would not like to see the area become an industrial estate.</p>	<p>Action to provide pre-clearing information to DT. NSW Spatial data have aerial photos that can be reviewed here (1954, 1966 have the site in them) - Historical Imagery (nsw.gov.au).</p> <p>Action to provide Flora and Fauna Management Plan to DT. Bloomfield do not have a Flora and Fauna Management Plan. However Section 7 of the 2008 EA provides results of ecological studies of the areas that have since been / and will be cleared. It also includes a vegetation map of the ML and surrounding area. The CCC have been provided with a link to the document on the website. https://www.bloomcoll.com.au/uploads/2008_Bloomfield-Open-Cut-Environmental-Assessment_Excludes-Appendix-E1_E2.pdf</p> <p>Action to provide topography to JM. Map attached. Higher res file transfer available on request. Historical 10m contours can also be viewed here ArcGIS - My Map</p>
2	Meeting Schedule	
	Next meeting rescheduled for 25 July at 9am.	

ITEM	ACTION	RESPONSIBILITY
1	Send Mine Closure/Rehabilitation Presentation to CCC members	SV/LA
2	Provide pre-clearing information to DT	GL/LA
3	Provide Flora and Fauna Management Plan to DT	GL/LA
4	Provide topography to JM	SV/LA

Acronyms referred to in minutes:

CCC	Community Consultative Committee
RMP	Rehabilitation Management Plan