

Rix's Creek North Continuation Project



RIX'S CREEK NORTH CONTINUATION PROJECT



The Bloomfield Group owns and operates Rix's Creek Mine (RCM) northwest of Singleton. RCM is an existing coal mine located approximately five kilometres north of Singleton and has been operating for more than 30 years. Mining occurs on either side of the New England Highway in the Rix's Creek North (RCN) and Rix's Creek South (RCS) operations.

The Bloomfield Group is a proud Australian-owned and operated mining and engineering group. We employ local people, work with local businesses and have been part of the Hunter community for more than 85 years.

We are seeking approval to continue mining at RCN beyond our current approval of 2035 through to the end of 2049. The project builds on the existing operation, using much of the infrastructure and systems already in place. It proposes mining to continue north and west within the Camberwell and Falbrook mining areas.

PROJECT SNAPSHOT



Peak Run of Mine coal extraction rate of 4.8 million tonnes per year, compared with the currently approved 6 million tonnes.



Realignment and upgrade of approximately four kilometres of the New England Highway.



An improved final landform with no remaining highwalls and approximately 1,500 hectares available for agricultural use.



Continued mining towards Middle Falbrook and Stony Creek Roads, with no impact to Stony Creek Road.



Progressive rehabilitation throughout the life of the operation.

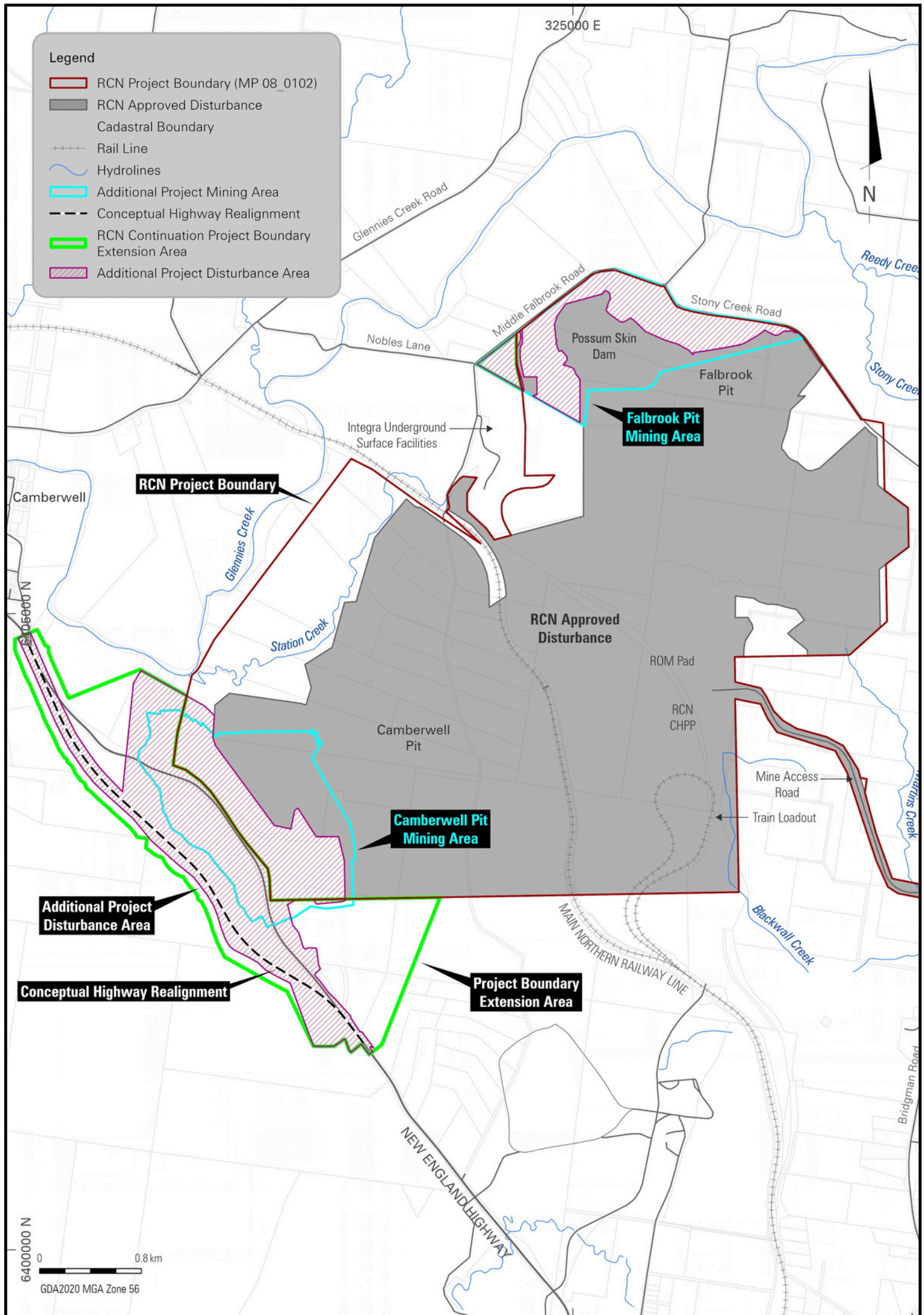


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CONTINUING EXISTING OPERATIONS

The continuation project is an extension of the existing Rix's Creek North operation, not a new mine. It would allow us to recover additional coal resources within existing mining authorisations.

The project proposes:

- mining continuing to the north and west of the existing operation
- a peak run of mine extraction rate of 4.8 million tonnes per annum, lower than the currently approved rate of six million tonnes per annum
- continued use of existing infrastructure and operational systems at Rix's Creek
- mining operations continuing to the end of 2049.

The project has been assessed through the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This process has identified potential impacts and the measures proposed to avoid, minimise, manage and, where required, offset those impacts.



JOBS AND THE REGIONAL ECONOMY

Continuing Rix's Creek North would provide greater certainty for the people, businesses and suppliers that rely on the operation. Independent economic assessment has found the project would deliver substantial economic benefits to Singleton, the Hunter, NSW and Australia through continued employment, business expenditure, royalties and taxation.

The project would:

- provide certainty for approximately 250 full-time equivalent jobs
- support around 520 suppliers, with approximately \$170 million spent annually on goods and services
- support ongoing training, apprenticeships and skills development across mining, technical, environmental and trade roles
- help build transferable skills that can support workers as the Hunter economy continues to evolve
- create approximately 60 direct construction jobs through the proposed New England Highway realignment.

BIODIVERSITY, ENVIRONMENT AND REHABILITATION



Environmental assessment and rehabilitation planning key measures and outcomes include:

- improved final landform with no remaining highwalls and 1,500 hectares for agricultural use
- progressive rehabilitation to improve stability, reduce erosion and support vegetation
- biodiversity offsets for impacts to approximately 236 hectares of native vegetation
- continued water reuse and recycling, with no expected increase in regional water demand or adverse impacts to private bore users
- ongoing dust monitoring and management, with no additional privately owned receptors predicted above air quality criteria
- our comprehensive noise management program continuing with forecasting, real-time and attended monitoring and proactive operational controls
- managing property-specific impacts in accordance with the Voluntary Land Acquisition and Mitigation Policy (VLAMP).

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Greenhouse gas emissions have been assessed as part of the EIS against relevant NSW and Commonwealth policy and regulatory frameworks, including NSW's legislated Net Zero targets and the Commonwealth Government's Safeguard Mechanism.

While Rix's Creek Mine is not currently regulated under the Safeguard Mechanism, it is expected to be in the future. The Safeguard Mechanism requires a gradual reduction in baseline emissions over time.

NEW ENGLAND HIGHWAY REALIGNMENT

The project includes the proposed realignment and upgrade of approximately four kilometres of the New England Highway near Camberwell.

The existing highway would remain open while the new alignment is constructed, helping to minimise disruption to motorists.

COMMUNITY



Our RCN project team are hosting two pop-ups at 750 Bridgman Road, Bridgman. Pull into the driveway, grab a coffee from the coffee cart and chat to the team about the continuation project or Rix's Creek Mine operations more generally.

Pop-up dates are:

- 7am to 10am, Tuesday 27 October
- 7am to 10am, Thursday 29 October
- 2pm to 5pm, Thursday 29 October

Our project team is available to answer any questions you have about the project, the EIS and our day-to-day operations. Please feel free to contact:

RCN Continuation Project Team



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INFORMATION & BLASTING HOTLINE

Our community telephone hotline operates 24 hours a day. If you have any questions about our operations, please contact the hotline on 02 4930 2665.

PROJECT BENEFITS



Supporting local jobs and ongoing employment opportunities.



Supporting hundreds of businesses and suppliers across Singleton, the Hunter and beyond.



Continuing to contribute to the regional economy through employment, business expenditure, royalties and taxes.



Delivering more than \$400 million in estimated net social benefits to NSW.



Creating around 60 direct jobs during construction of the highway realignment.



Delivering an improved section of the New England Highway for the community.



Providing a rehabilitated final landform suitable for future agricultural use.

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The RCM Community Consultative Committee (CCC) generally meets twice per year, with the aim of keeping the community informed about our operations and our environmental performance. The CCC will next meet in early 2027.

It is an important forum for open discussion between the community, local government, stakeholders and RCM representatives. Additional meetings are also held as required.

If you have any enquiries about the CCC, please contact the Independent Chairperson, Lisa Andrews, at lisaandrews.ic@gmail.com

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