



## MAXWELL INFRASTRUCTURE & MT ARTHUR COAL

### Joint Community Consultative Committee

#### Minutes for the Meeting held 12 June 2019 at Maxwell Infrastructure

##### ATTENDANCE

James Nixon  
Kat Stojakovic  
Leah Scheepers  
John Bancroft  
Diane Gee  
*Apologies*  
Rosemary Munn

##### MT ARTHUR COAL

Principal HSE  
Analyst Corporate Affairs  
Specialist Community  
Community Representative  
Community Representative  
  
Community Representative

##### ATTENDANCE

Jennifer Lecky  
Rob Hayes  
Donna McLaughlin  
Rebecca Harcus  
Gerrit de Boer  
Peter Horder  
*Apologies*  
Robert Halloran  
Ron Baxter  
Carolyn O'Brien

##### MAXWELL INFRASTRUCTURE

Chair – Maxwell Infrastructure CCC  
Operations Manager  
Environment & Community Manager  
Environmental Advisor  
Community Representative  
Community Representative  
  
Community Representative  
Community Representative  
Muswellbrook Shire Council

### 1. WELCOME - Attendees & Apologies

Jennifer Lecky welcomed the group. Apologies were recorded for Carolyn O'Brien, Ron Baxter, Robert Halloran and Rosemary Munn.

### 2. HOUSEKEEPING & SAFETY

Donna McLaughlin provided an overview of evacuation procedures and the location of amenities. Rob Hayes advised that a motorcyclist recently hit a kangaroo on the Maxwell Infrastructure access road and requested meeting attendees to be aware that kangaroos frequent the area and to travel at a safe speed.

### 3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

#### 4. CONFIRM MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING

Jennifer Lecky called for confirmation of the Minutes for the Meeting held on 19 December 2019. Peter Horder confirmed, and Diane Gee seconded. Jennifer Lecky recorded the minutes as accepted.

#### 5. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

*ACTION 1 - Gerrit de Boer noted that at around 4.00 a.m. on a Saturday, either 24 November or 1 December, he was woken by train noise. James Nixon stated that MAC would investigate this concern.*

ACTION 1 was closed in the December 2018 Joint CCC Meeting Minutes.

#### 6. ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

*Reporting Period: November 2018 to April 2019*

*Presented by Donna McLaughlin for Maxwell Infrastructure and James Nixon for Mt Arthur Coal.*

##### Rail Movements:

	Total Tonnes	Maximum Train movements per day
Maxwell Infrastructure Annual Limits	7 Mtpa	12
Maxwell Infrastructure Actual	0.0 Mt	1
Mt Arthur Coal Annual Limits	27 Mtpa	30
Mt Arthur Coal Actual	8.03 Mt	Max: 20 Average: 11.4

##### Complaints:

No rail related complaints were received by Maxwell Infrastructure for this period.

Kat Stojakovic reported one rail noise complaint was received by Mt Arthur Coal during the reporting period:

- Complaint was from the period 24 November to 1 December 2018.
- During that period Mt Arthur Coal had no trains railing due to train load-out (TLO) outage, which was effective from 2300hrs 18 November to 0600hrs 1 December. The only activity during this period was wet and dry commissioning testing for the TLO. Trains did not go any further than the Mt Arthur Coal loop during that period.

##### Air Quality Monitoring:

Donna McLaughlin noted seven elevated 24-hour average PM<sub>10</sub> results were recorded during the reporting period. Each occurrence was investigated, and it was found on each day that predominant winds were not from the direction of operations. Donna McLaughlin presented deposited dust results for the reporting period, which were below the average limit.

James Nixon advised that a regional dust event resulted in elevated 24-hour average results above impact assessment criterion in November 2018. This was reported to DP&E, who confirmed the regional event.

John Bancroft queried whether Maxwell Infrastructure and Mt Arthur Coal shared any monitoring sites. Donna McLaughlin and James Nixon confirmed that the sites did not.

John Bancroft queried whether information from on-site monitors could be communicated. Donna McLaughlin and James Nixon confirmed that these monitors were used for management purposes and results would not be communicated.

John Bancroft noted that the number of Mt Arthur Coal's depositional dust monitors had been reduced. James Nixon confirmed this and noted that this had been discussed at the Mt Arthur Coal CCC meeting.

#### **Attended Noise Monitoring:**

Donna McLaughlin advised that all attended noise monitoring results in the reporting period were inaudible, and below criteria.

James Nixon advised that all attended noise monitoring results in the reporting period were below criteria, including many inaudible results.

### **7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

John Bancroft questioned whether PM<sub>2.5</sub> would need to be monitored for the Maxwell Underground Project. Donna McLaughlin advised that the air quality monitoring program would be revised as a part of the Maxwell Underground Project but could not confirm if PM<sub>2.5</sub> monitoring would be a requirement of the project approval.

Gerrit de Boer noted that he observed visible dust in the Muswellbrook area on 18 February 2019. Gerrit noted that he had lodged a complaint with DP&E but was told that no mine had exceeded their monitoring limit. Gerrit also noted that soon after this, the media reported that the area's air quality was the worst in the State.

Peter Horder questioned whether Mt Arthur Coal's stockpiles are watered down as coal dust had seemed to increase at his property. James Nixon confirmed that sprays were used to water down coal stockpiles and conveyors were covered to reduce coal dust.

Jennifer Lecky closed the meeting and thanked all for their attendance.

### **8. NEXT JOINT CCC MEETING**

10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 11 December 2019 at the Maxwell Infrastructure site.