



**Spur Hill Underground Coking Coal Project
Community Consultative Committee
Presentation**

14 October 2020

Agenda



1. Welcome and apologies
2. Declarations of interest
3. Confirmation of meeting minutes
4. Actions from previous minutes
5. Spur Hill Coking Coal Project update
6. Maxwell Underground Project update
7. Maxwell Solar Farm update
8. Maxwell Infrastructure update
9. Community Update
10. General business



5. Spur Hill Coking Coal Project

Term extended for Spur Hill CCC



- Request made to the Deputy Premier, Minister for Regional NSW and Minister for Industry and Trade to extend the term of the Spur Hill CCC.
- Malabar also provided a letter of support to extend the Spur Hill CCC.
- Letter received dated 30 August 2020 endorsing the appointment of existing members for a term of two years.

6. Maxwell Underground Project

The benefits of our project



350 
new, direct jobs and many
more indirect jobs

\$55m 
annual wages


Certainty - there will never be an
open-cut mine within EL 5460


better rehabilitation
outcomes

\$500 to 700m
annual export
income for NSW



\$1 to 1.2bn
royalties to NSW
over initial 26 years



On-going support for local businesses

Community groups we have supported include:



Status Update



The NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment has completed its assessment of the Project. The Project is now referred to the IPC for determination.



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- DPIE releases its Whole of Government Assessment Report. DPIE concludes its assessment and makes recommendations, including conditions that may address concerns raised by the community.
- NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) to review the proposal. The Project is referred to the IPC, which will review the proposal and conduct a Public Hearing.
- IPC concludes its assessment and hands down a determination.

The Department's Assessment Report



Malabar accepts the findings of the Department's Assessment Report and the recommended Conditions of Approval.

*“The Departments’ assessment has concluded that the impacts of the Project would **comply with relevant assessment criteria, policies and guidelines**. The Department also considers that the residual environment and social impacts of the Project can be **managed under recommended conditions and a comprehensive set of management plans**.”*

*“The Department received detailed technical advice on the Project from **14 government agencies and infrastructure providers**. While a number of agencies sought additional information or clarity regarding aspects of the Project, they were **all satisfied that the Project could be appropriately managed and regulated** in accordance with the Department’s recommended conditions of consent and other applicable regulatory instruments.”*

*“The proposed Project **complies with these legislative restrictions** [in the Mining SEPP] and has been designed in a manner that addresses the NSW Government’s intent of providing a **suitable buffer between mining and the CICs to facilitate coexistence**.”*

*“Overall, the Department considers that the **benefits of the Project outweigh its potential negative impacts**. The Department is also of the view that the Project represents the **best option for the successful co-existence of the coal mining, equine and viticulture industries in this location**.”*

Independent Planning Commission



The IPC will now hold a Public Hearing and determine the Project.

- The IPC has appointed Professor Mary O’Kane AC (Panel chair) and Mr John Hann as the commissioners for the Project.
- The IPC will conduct a Public Hearing (via video conference due to COVID restrictions) on **11 November 2020** and **13 November 2020** (if a second day is required):
 - Members of the public can speak at the Public Hearing by registering by **5PM, 4 November 2020**.
 - The IPC will provide technical information to registered speakers prior to the hearing.
 - The Public Hearing will be livestreamed on the IPC website.
- Written submissions can be made directly to the IPC via email, post or the IPC website. Closing date for written submissions is **5PM, 20 November 2020** (i.e. one week after the Public Hearing).
- The IPC is expected to complete its determination **prior to the end of the year**.

Maxwell Underground Project Drilling and Geotech Program



- Geotechnical drilling program to investigate the proposed infrastructure for Maxwell Underground is now complete.
- The program consisted of:
 - 17 geotechnical boreholes
 - 56 geotechnical test pits
- No safety or environmental incidents occurred during program
- Rehabilitation of sites is currently taking place

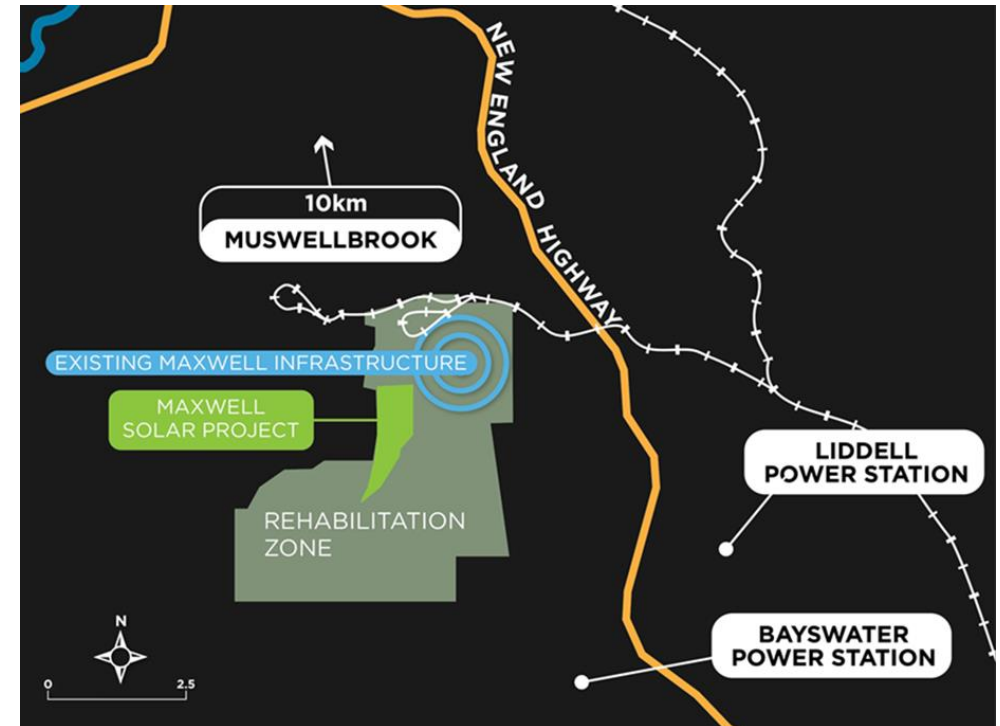


7. Maxwell Solar Farm

Solar Project Update



- Maxwell Solar Project was approved on 19 August 2020
 - A copy of the Development Consent is available on the DPIE portal website.
 - The project is expected to create roughly 50 new construction jobs and 2 operational jobs over its 30-year lifespan
 - It is expected to generate 60GWh of energy annually which is enough energy for approximately 10,000 homes.



8. Maxwell Infrastructure

Maxwell Infrastructure Rehabilitation in CY2020



- Approximately 30 hectares of rehabilitation completed.
 - 20 hectares of pasture
 - 10 hectares of woodland
- Soil amelioration with gypsum, biosolids and mulch
- Approximately 11 hectares of remedial work completed on existing rehabilitation including:
 - Reshaping
 - Recontouring
 - Reseeding



Maxwell Infrastructure Rehabilitation



- Tree planting:
 - Preparation of approximately 50 hectares for spring tree planting underway.
 - 40,000 tubestock to be planted
- Weed spraying completed during June 2020 and will recommence during September 2020.
- Wild dog trapping commenced on buffer land in late June 2020 and continuing.



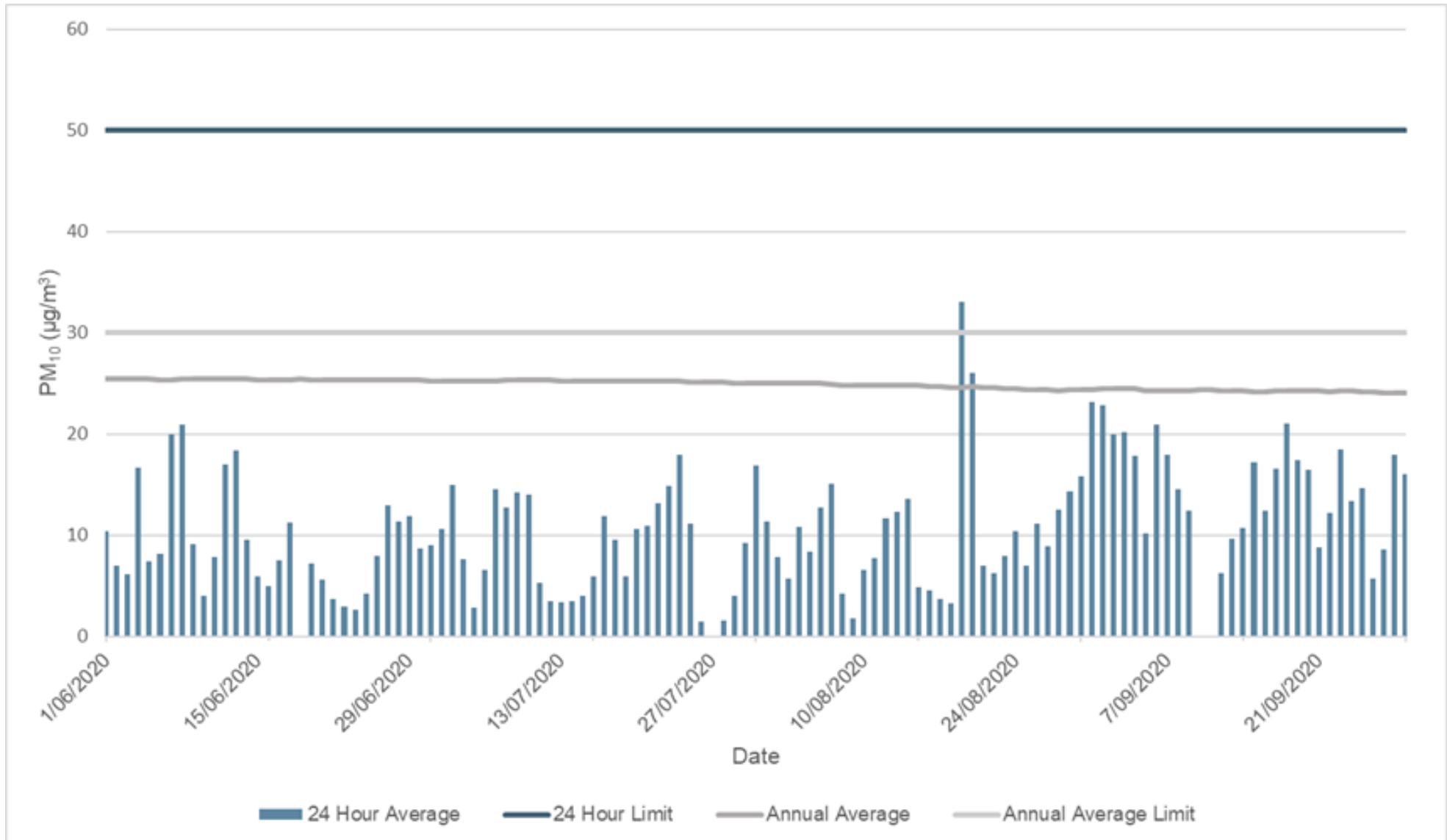
Maxwell Infrastructure Rehabilitation



- Cattle grazing update:
 - Malabar have been agisting pasture rehabilitation to a local farmer.
 - July 2020 – Angus steers were sold to a local abattoir averaging out at set weights producing a quality animal and meeting all primary marketing criteria.
 - September 2020 - Angus x Charolais heifers topped the market at the singleton sale yards selling for 360c/kg and averaging 555kg.



Maxwell Infrastructure TEOM PM₁₀



9. Our Community

Merton Living



- Merton Living at Denman:
 - Malabar have continued its long-standing partnership with Merton Living at Denman by sponsoring their Creative Therapeutic Engagement Program.
 - Program provides high level therapeutic engagement to help improve quality of life for residents.
 - Due to COVID-19 the program was adapted to provide 'Window Therapy'



Muswellbrook Public School Colour Run



- Malabar sponsored the Colour Run as part of the Muswellbrook Public School Colourful Fun Day



Complaints Register



- No complaints registered since previous CCC meeting.
- Total complaints for 2020: 0 complaints.

10. General Business

Abbreviations and Glossary



- CCC – Community Consultative Committee.
- DA – Development Application.
- DPIE – NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.
- MEG – Mining, Exploration and Geoscience
- EIS – Environmental Impact Statement.
- EL – Exploration Licence.
- EP&A Act – NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.
- EPBC Act – Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.
- MLA – Mining Lease Application.
- SHM – Spur Hill Management Pty Ltd.
- TEOM – an air quality monitoring device, Tapered Element Oscillating Microbalance.