

Mount Pleasant Operation Rail Loop Project

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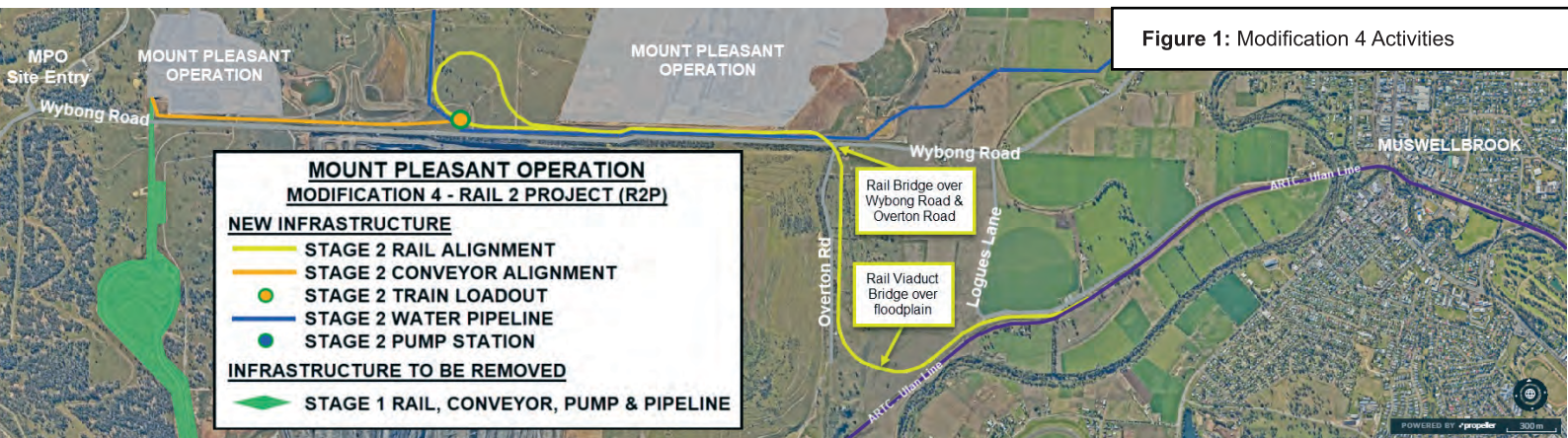


Introduction

MACH Energy Australia owns and operates the Mount Pleasant Operation (MPO) which is located approximately 3km north-west of Muswellbrook.

MPO's Modification 4 was approved by the Department of Planning and Environment in November 2018 and sought to relocate rail, water and associated electricity supply infrastructure as shown in **Figure 1** below.

Activities associated with Modification 4 (the 'Rail Loop Project') commenced in October. The work includes construction of the approved rail infrastructure, relocation of the Hunter River water supply infrastructure and associated electricity supply, and the demolition and removal of redundant, temporary infrastructure within the extent of the Bengalla Mine once the new infrastructure has been commissioned and is fully operational.



Construction Update

MPO Rail Loop Project Director, Konrad Litfin said works are now underway to establish the Daracon site facilities. "We have also received deliveries of piping, power poles and cables in preparation for the movement of water and electrical assets."

"Facilities are currently being erected to provide construction water to the construction teams from existing on-site sediment dams and we have also erected fencing around all heritage and sensitive areas to ensure the protection of environmental and culturally sensitive locations," added Konrad.



Daracon equipment now on site and in operation to establish facilities for use in the delivery of the Rail Loop Project.

Around Site



The Daracon Group's Ground Service Technicians (operators), pictured from top left, Tye Durrance, Chris Lawrence and Anthony Field taking a break during their first week at MPO.



Rail Loop Project Principal Contractors, the Daracon Group commenced mobilisation of employees and equipment to MPO in October. Daracon's Safety Representative Rob Linton is pictured on right, with MPO's Project Engineer – Rail, Richard Stevens.



MPO's Rail Loop Project Civil Superintendent Matt Dwyer.



Members of the MPO Rail Loop Project team pictured during their daily PASS safety huddle.

Further details

The MPO have commenced a community engagement program which will seek to identify issues of concern to our near neighbours and the broader Muswellbrook community. We will implement appropriate strategies to address any areas of concern.

Updates on the Rail Loop Project will also be shared, and we will maintain contact with neighbours throughout the construction phase.

If you would like to know more about the Rail Loop Project, please contact MPO's External Relations Manager, Ngaire Baker. Contact details are listed following.

Rail Loop Project updates and all issues of our Community Information Sheets are available on the MACH Energy Australia website.

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