

## Record of Meeting – Community Consultative Committee

<b>Date</b>	17 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
<b>Time Start</b>	12:05 pm
<b>Time Finish</b>	1:47 pm
<b>Location</b>	Mount Pleasant Operation – Thiess Training Room
<b>Minutes</b>	Lesley McLoughlin LM

<b>Opening of Meeting</b>	Meeting opened at 12:05pm
	<b>Chair:</b> Wej Paradise WP
	<b>Community Consultative Committee Members:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Llewellyn Bates LB</li> <li>2. Jonathan Moore JM</li> <li>3. Trevor Parkinson TP</li> </ol>
	<b>Apologies:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ian Webber IW</li> <li>2. Tim Troon TT</li> </ol>
	<b>Government Department Representatives:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NIL</li> </ol>
	<b>Muswellbrook Shire Council:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NIL</li> </ol>
	<b>Mount Pleasant Operation:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ngaire Baker NB, Lesley McLoughlin LM, Richard Bailey RB, Chris Lauritzen CL via teams, Sandy Lettice SL, Andrew Reid AR, Mariah Lane ML</li> </ol>
	<b>Thiess:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Peter York PY</li> </ol>
<b>Declaration of Pecuniary Interests</b>	<b>WP requested that Members disclose if they have any pecuniary interests:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WP Receives payment to Chair the CCC meeting for the 17.03.22.</li> </ul>
<b>Safety Share</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RB shared the recent break-ins within the community surrounding Kayuga and Wybong road. Notifying near neighbours of the matter to make all aware of the current issue.</li> </ul>
<b>2. Previous Minutes</b>	The Minutes from the previous meeting, <b>December 3rd, 2021</b> , were accepted as a true record of the meeting
<b>3. Matters Arising</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LB asked about the works on Wybong Road located down the hill at the entrance to the old rail loop site. Are they adding a diversion lane to ease the increase in truck and traffic movements?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed it is a diversion lane and to support the access to the</li> </ul>

	<p>South.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JM asked how long before repairs on Wybong road will be completed?</li> <li>• MACH replied they are working with Muswellbrook Shire Council. The aim is to be completed around mid-June. There is a long assessment process included with these repairs. Additional culverts to be included within these works.</li> <li>• JM asked once road works completed, will the speed limit return to normal?</li> <li>• MACH advised the speed limit was currently under review and may be increased outside the immediate works areas over the next period. Under discussion with Muswellbrook Shire Council and MACH Project team.</li> <li>• JM asked if the vacancy for a new member had been advertised?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed add has been included within the local newspapers etc., and the chair to discuss in general business.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4. CCC Community Update</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NIL</li> </ul>
<p><b>4. Mount Pleasant Operation Update – RB</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MACH Energy (MACH) provided the Operation Overview.</li> <li>• Covid update provided with RAT testing to continue and reviewed regularly.</li> <li>• Discussion of Wybong Road update provided.</li> <li>• JM commented on how successful the bulk shaping has progressed.</li> <li>• JM wanted to understand what shields are in place when trains are loaded? When the train is facing straight into Muswellbrook, will there be lighting protection?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed there is a green shield to assist with noise and lighting. MACH Energy confirmed a redesign to benefit with the lighting, visual impacts.</li> <li>• JM indicated he did not understand how the silo works. Is the conveyor filling the bin?</li> <li>• MACH explained the bin is refilling as the train is loaded. Coal is discharged from a weigh bin which releases the weighed coal into the wagon. The weigh bin has high accuracy wagon weights to maximise haulage.</li> <li>• JM asked how it is being controlled?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed that it is automated through the CHPP control room. Operators use cameras and screens to load trains.</li> <li>• TP asked what the weight of the wagon is?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed wagons are around 96.7 to 97 tonne depending on wagon type.</li> <li>• LB asked what will happen to the rail line material that is no longer required?</li> <li>• MACH explained we have a few interested parties that would like the materials to sell to.</li> <li>• The Chair noticed the logo on the presentation and questioned if JCDA is a new addition?</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MACH confirmed they have been Joint Venture partners for several years. JCDA are a 5% shareholder.</li> </ul>
<p><b>5. Applications &amp; Approvals – CL</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of The State Significant Development (SSD) Application for the Mount Pleasant Optimisation Project provided. The DPIE is currently preparing their Assessment Report and we expect the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) to consider the application later in 2022.</li> <li>Chair asked if there is an official response regarding the issue of signal disruption to the Rossgole communications tower.</li> <li>MACH noted that the transmission shadow results from the already approved Mount Pleasant Operation landform and is not just a factor resulting from the Optimisation Project. MACH has already noted the issue in its Response to Submissions and confirmed MACH would not object to a condition which required MACH to address service impacts to affected residents. MACH has already engaged with ACMA to work on the engineering solution and approval, which would likely be a repeater or retransmission facility for those affected. There is ample time to address the issue.</li> <li>MACH asked the Chair whether the transmission issue was raised directly with CCC members by a resident or whether the issue came from a review of EIS submissions?</li> <li>Chair explained it was sent to a CCC member and the chair, but also submitted to the SSD first.</li> <li>JM asked if MACH would have been aware that their mining landform would interfere with the Rossgole tower if it was never mentioned in the first place?</li> <li>MACH Energy explained that the issue is actually caused by the currently approved landform and had not been identified or raised in the original 1997 EIS. Nevertheless, MACH was now aware of the issue, and it can be addressed by a installing a suitable repeater for those who will be affected.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6. Land Management</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview provided on various land management and off set properties.</li> <li>Chair asked about the process when leasing or changing lease with MACH owned properties.</li> <li>MACH explained that Licences contain obligations that the licensee and MACH must meet. If a licensee wasn't meeting their obligations, MACH would notify them of the breach and give them the opportunity to rectify. If the breach continues to occur MACH could terminate the licence. MACH follows its procurement process when selecting a new licensee from local faming business. On the Offset properties, MACH conducts quarterly agricultural audits.</li> <li>Chair asked about the Federal Governments requirements. Is there a 5 -10 years to lease for a property?</li> <li>MACH confirmed the Federal approval does not specify licensing requirements. MACH uses a rollover lease system that gives licensees a long-term licence, provided that the requirements of the Offset Management Plan are met.</li> </ul>
<p><b>7. Environment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview provided on all aspects of environment including, air quality management, blasting, noise, and operational activities.</li> <li>MACH provided a water management schematic to show where water is transferred on site.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LB asked about the runoff event from the dams. To please confirm where were these dams are located?</li> <li>• MACH discussed the spillway discharges from five sediment control dams SD1, SD4, SD6, SD7 and TSB2 on March 8 2022. SD1 and SD4 are located on the eastern perimeter of the Mining Lease, SD6 and SD7 are on the southern perimeter along Wybong Road, and TSD2 is a temporary construction sediment control dam south of Wybong Road, adjacent to the new access road parallel to Overton Road.</li> <li>• LB wanted to know if the current classification of “high risk” still applies to the Fines Emplacement Dam?</li> <li>• MACH explained we have three prescribed dams. Confirming these dams are, ED3, FEA, Mine Water Dam (MWD).</li> <li>• JM wanted to understand what the ‘Keeping Place’ means?</li> <li>• MACH confirmed we have a dedicated area of all Aboriginal artefacts are kept. These artefacts cannot be transported to any area, and any change must be in consultation with the Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) and in Heritage NSW.</li> <li>• JM expressed interest in viewing what has been discovered and led by an Elder to explain.</li> <li>• MACH will coordinate a visit with the RAPs once the new Keeping Place at Ascot Farm has been completed.</li> </ul>
<b>8. Community</b>	<b>Community Engagement &amp; Sponsorship</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of Community Engagement &amp; Sponsorship.</li> <li>• CCC member mentioned that the main complaints are about the various speed limits on Wybong Road.</li> <li>• MACH explained that we are working together with the MACH Project team and Muswellbrook Shire Council to have works completed within the next six weeks to return speed back to normal.</li> </ul>
<b>9. General Business</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair discussed about recent applications received for membership of the CCC. Chair explained that only one application was received, which has now been forwarded onto the Department to review. There are still three vacancies to fill. The Chair asked if CCC members could discuss membership with people within the community that would be interested in joining. Requirement is to live in the Muswellbrook Local Government area.</li> <li>• MACH discussed the Community Investment Committee. With the recent resignation of one of the CCC members, who was originally appointed to this committee, this position is now vacant and requires someone from our CCC to be appointed.</li> <li>• Chair mentioned that this should be clarified. There would be a need for protocols to be in place for a member to speak on behalf of the committee, however if the member is a community representative for Council then such protocols would not be needed.</li> <li>• <b>ACTION: Chair to follow up and confirm with Muswellbrook Shire Council of the appropriate protocols of the appointment process.</b></li> </ul>
<b>10. Next Meeting</b>	<p><b>Date:</b> Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2022</p> <p><b>Time:</b> 9.30-9.45am</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Site Tour of Train Load Out, meeting, lunch on site at Mount Pleasant Operation.</p>
<b>11. Close</b>	<p>Meeting closed at 1:47pm</p>

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