

# MOUNT PLEASANT OPTIMISATION PROJECT - COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS

MACH Energy has prepared a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Mount Pleasant Optimisation Project (the Project).

The Project proposes extraction of additional coal reserves within Mount Pleasant Operation Mining Leases (MLs) and an increase in the rate of coal extraction, without significantly increasing the total disturbance footprint (Figure 1 - see reverse).

## Environmental Impact Statement

The EIS considers the potential environmental impacts of the Project in accordance with the Environmental Assessment Requirements issued by the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment.

It is anticipated that the NSW Government will place the Project EIS on public exhibition in the first quarter of 2021.

## The EIS will outline:

- a detailed description of the Project;
- an assessment of potential impacts;
- continuation of existing Mount Pleasant Operation environmental management measures; and
- an evaluation of the merits of the Project.

The NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces, or the Independent Planning Commission will determine whether the Project can proceed.

MACH Energy encourages all interested people to be involved by making a submission on the Project.

Pre-Booked Community Information Sessions will be held on the following dates and times – (please see appointment booking details below).

We welcome you to attend the Information Sessions to ask questions about the Project and the EIS assessment process.

**To meet COVID-19 requirements we would like to conduct these sessions by appointment only.**

**Location:** The University of Newcastle Upper Hunter Tertiary Education Centre, 87 Hill Street, Muswellbrook.

**Dates:** Tuesday 2nd February  
Tuesday 16th February

**Times:** 9am-2pm and 6pm-8pm

- To manage COVID requirements bookings to attend the Information Sessions must be made via email to: [info@machenergy.com.au](mailto:info@machenergy.com.au) or phone 5517 1111, SMS to 0400 214 885.
- Community consultation will be undertaken in line with current NSW Health Department guidelines, which will include social distancing and increased hygiene practices. Where practical, we will provide you with options for engagement that best suit your circumstances.

The conduct of the Project Community Information Sessions will be subject to any additional NSW Government restrictions on movement or gatherings that may arise in the intervening period.



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<https://machenergyaustralia.com.au/mount-pleasant-optimisation-project/>

Project details are also available at the NSW Government Planning Portal: <https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects>

**Figure 1**

