

## Narrabri Gas Project CCC

## **Information Request Response**

Request:	Leewood - Centre Pivot Irrigation Project
	Can you clarify that :
	1. The Leewood Pivot irrigation system being installed is on the eastern
	side and only approx. 50 hectares
	2. No work on the drip irrigation has commenced
	3. Will the pivot irrigation system be finalised by the 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter of 2017?
	4. No produced water plan been finalised and submitted.
	5. Name of company doing the work and are they employing locals as
	contract workers?
Response:	1. The irrigation infrastructure being installed at Leewood as part of the
	approved Leewood Produced Water Treatment and Beneficial Reuse
	Project is a centre-pivot irrigator fitted with Variable Rate Irrigation
	technology to cover approximately 50 hectares. The irrigation area is
	on the eastern side of the Leewood property (refer to map RPS:
	Review of Environment Factors Leewood Produced Water Treatment
	and Beneficial Reuse Project, 2015, page 7) available at
	https://search.geoscience.nsw.gov.au/report/R00070789 Document
	reference D006349100.
	2. Work has not commenced on the installation of the subsurface drip
	irrigation system.
	3. It is expected that this work will be completed in the first quarter of
	2017, however time frames are indicative as schedules are dependent
	on factors such as weather and equipment availability.
	4. The Produced Water Management Plan was approved by Department
	of Trade and Investment in March 2014. An Irrigation Management
	Plan must be submitted to and approved by the NSW Department of
	Industry, Resources and Energy prior to irrigation commencing at Leewood.
	5. Where goods and services are available in the local area, Santos
	endeavours to use local providers where possible. Our primary civil
	works contractor is locally based; the centre pivot is being sourced
	locally; and we will be engaging a local agronomist to assist with
	implementing the program. Santos does not request or record the
	residential addresses of contractors' employees.
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