# Santos

#### Proposed upcoming work program – Narrabri Area (PEL 238)

# **Environmental Impact Statement (EIS):**

- Santos submitted our detailed response to submissions (RTS) on the EIS to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) in April 2018.
- DPE has recently requested further information from Santos to inform their assessment of the EIS.
- The EIS and RTS are available on the DPE Major Projects site at <u>www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au</u>

#### Western Slopes Pipeline:

- The submission of the EIS for the APA Group Western Slopes Pipeline to connect natural gas from the proposed Narrabri Gas Project to the Moomba-Sydney Pipeline is dependent on the timing of the Narrabri Gas Project EIS assessment.
- APA Group announced in October that it has deferred submission of the EIS for the Western Slopes Pipeline until the assessment of the Narrabri Gas Project EIS has further progressed.
- Further information on the Western Slopes Pipeline is available on APA's website.
  www.apa.com.au/about-apa/ourprojects/western-slopes-pipeline/

# Drilling of exploration core holes, workovers and decommissioning of wells:

• No activities planned for November.

#### **Pilot wells:**

• Bibblewindi East, Bibblewindi West, Dewhurst South and Tintsfield pilot wells are on-line.

#### Leewood:

- On 12 October 2018, the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) issued Santos with a fine for \$1,500 under the Water Management Act for an alleged administrative failure associated with the water use approval for irrigation at Leewood.
- The EPA's investigation found that there is a strict regime of water monitoring in place and that no environmental harm occurred, or is likely to occur, in relation to the matter.
- The treatment and irrigation of water at Leewood are activities engaged in to satisfy a condition of PAL 2 held by Santos and the beneficial reuse of the water is a requirement

of the grant of PAL 2, forming part of the petroleum exploration activities as a whole.

- Santos will, through the relevant administrative process seek a review of the penalty infringement notice issued by the EPA.
- Santos does not need to irrigate at this time and all water is stored in our state of the art water holding ponds at Leewood.

#### **Other work:**

- Santos will begin construction of a gas flowline from the Dewhurst South pilot wells to connect to the existing gathering network. This will enable gas from these wells to be used in the Wilga Park Power Station to generate power for the region and substantially reduce flaring.
- Rehabilitation is continuing at legacy sites, including revegetation activities at Bibblewindi.

## **Community:**

- Santos had an information stand at the Energy, Innovation and Mining Expo being held at the Gunnedah Showgrounds from 1 – 3 November 2018.
- The next meeting of the Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee will be held on Thursday 29 November. Communiques and presentations from previous CCC meetings are available from <u>www.narrabrigasproject.com.au/</u> <u>community/consultative-committee/</u>
- Community Site Visits are regularly scheduled to visit operational areas of the Narrabri Gas Project. To register for a site tour, contact 6792 9035 or email <u>Energy.NSW@santos.com</u>
- Santos has proudly sponsored the following events and activities:
  - Courier and Wee Waa News Christmas Promotion
  - NSW Regional Motorshow at Wee Waa
  - Narrabri High School Annual Presentation Night
  - Wee Waa High School Annual Presentation Night

## Other:

 The Santos 2018 Third Quarter Activities Report has been released and is available from <u>https://www.santos.com/media-</u> <u>centre/announcements/2018-third-quarter-</u> <u>activities-report/</u>