

SANTOS UPDATE – April 2014

Proposed upcoming work program – Narrabri Area

Time frames are indicative as schedules are dependent on factors such as approval times, weather and rig availability.

Decommissioning of wells:

- There are no plug and abandon activities planned for April

Workovers:

- There has been a slight delay to the workover program due to wet weather, however the program commenced at the end of March 2014 with activity planned for Dewhurst 22 to Dewhurst 25 and Dewhurst 6 well sites. This is expected to be ongoing throughout April
- The workover rig will then move to the Bibblewindi East and Bibblewindi West pilot wells
- The workover rig is used to install and/or maintain pumps on existing wells

Drilling of exploration core holes:

- There are no core hole activities planned for April

Pilot wells:

- Drilling continues on the Dewhurst 26 – 29 well sets
- Rig will be drilling at Dewhurst 27 and then move to Dewhurst 29 and remain at that location through April
- Tintsville pilot and Bibblewindi West pilot remain on-line

Leewood

- Major civil works are complete at the Leewood water storage facility
- The commissioning of the Bibblewindi water transfer system and the first cell of the Leewood Ponds is underway
- The transfer of water from the pond at Bibblewindi to Leewood is scheduled to commence in April
- Completion of the remaining pond cells is expected later in the year
- The Review of Environmental Factors (REF) for Leewood Phase 2 is being prepared
- The proposed activity involves the construction of treatment facilities for produced water and brine at Leewood.
- Community consultation activities for Leewood Phase 2 will be undertaken when the scope of the project is finalised.

Pilliga rehabilitation:

- Irrigation continues as part of the rehabilitation of the Bohena and Bibblewindi sites in the Pilliga

Other work:

- Wilga Park Power Station has been re-commissioned and is now operating with gas from the Bibblewindi West pilot wells.

Site visits:

- The next scheduled community site visit will take place on Thursday 17 April. If you are interested in attending or would like more information, please call Lesley Anderson on 6792 9035 or email lesley.anderson@santos.com

Community:

- Welcome to Krystle Sutherland who will be joining Santos' Aboriginal Engagement team in the role of Aboriginal Engagement and Cultural Heritage Coordinator from mid-April and will be based in the Narrabri Office

Other:

- Intermittent protest action in operational areas
- The next meeting of the Santos Community Committee on CSG for the Narrabri Shire will be held on Wednesday 9 April
- Santos received approval from the NSW Department of Trade and Investment in March 2014 for the Produced Water Management Plan relevant to PEL 238, PAL 2 and PPL 3. A copy of the Plan is available from the Santos website at <http://www.santos.com/exploration-acreage/new-south-wales/environment/environmental-approvals.aspx>
- The Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) for the Narrabri Gas Project was submitted to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure on 31 March and a copy of the document will be available on their website. Community consultation activities will continue over the coming months to inform key stakeholders and the community about the Project
- The Commonwealth House of Representatives Environment Committee will conduct an inquiry into streamlining environmental regulation, 'green tape', and one stop shops for environmental assessments and approvals. Submission period closes on Friday 11 April, 2014. Terms of reference and additional information can be found at:
http://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/House_of_Representatives_Committees?url=environment/greentape/index.htm