COMMUNIQUE 2

Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

Summary of 10 February 2015 meeting

- CCC #2 action items
- Santos Operations Update
- Well Integrity presentation
- Santos Core Board presentation.
- Links to EPA public register information
- NoW presentation on water monitoring framework / water monitoring plans.

About the CCC

The Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee (CCC) brings together community, industry, local and state governments to explore and discuss issues relating to the exploration and extraction of CSG in the Gunnedah Basin.

Chaired by the NSW Land and Water Commissioner, members of the dialogue include Narrabri Shire Councillors and officers, independent community members, senior Santos representatives and senior agency officers from the Office of Coal Seam Gas (OCSG), the Division of Resources and Energy (DRE), the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA), the NSW Office of Water (NOW) and the Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E).

The NSW Office of Water (NoW) provided information regarding groundwater data collection and data collection timeframes. NoW will provide a map of all bores tested, old and new, and also the real-time parameters tested for.

NoW also provided information to the committee regarding the monitoring of bores adjacent to Dewhurst 13-18; NoW stated that it has not at any stage monitored bores in this location. As part of this discussion NoW provided information on the current NSW Water Monitoring Framework and water monitoring plans.

Santos provided the monthly update, February edition. Also provided were the January and December 2014 editions.

Links were provided for:

Secretary's environmental assessment requirements

http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/page/development-categories/mining--petroleum---extractive-industries/petroleum/?action=view_job&job_id=6456

Information provided within this link outlines the Secretary's environmental requirements under Section 78A(8A) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Environment Protection Authority (EPA) Public Register

http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/publicregister/

Information provided within this link outlines a list of activities licensed by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) under Schedule 1 of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997.

The EPA also provided electronic versions of the powerpoint presentations for Water Sampling Requirements and Parameters for EPL20350 and the EPA Compliance Regime; both of which have been forwarded via email to NGP CCC members.

The Office of Coal Seam Gas (OCSG) provided a comprehensive well integrity presentation focusing on regulation, compliance and enforcement, well casing components, design and construction and operation and maintenance. The Code of Practice for Coal Seam Gas Well Integrity and the Well Integrity presentation will be provided to committee members prior to the next CCC meeting.

Following on from the well integrity presentation, Santos introduced and presented their Core Board; this centred on outlining the various geological strata along with providing physical samples of the main strata relevant to the NGP.

Santos confirmed that the Monthly Activities Update they prepare has been distributed to Narrabri Gas Project CCC members, more broadly to their project stakeholders and posted on their website. It has been modified to include information about well name clarity as requested by the committee.

NOTE: The content contained within the document above is a record of the Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee #3. The views expressed are not necessarily endorsed by all committee members.