

Narrabri Gas Project CCC - Meeting # 22

31 January 2017

Date/Time:	Tuesday 31 January 2017, 11.00am – 2.00pm	
Location:	Narrabri RSL, 7 Maitland Street Narrabri	
Attendees:	<p>Jock Laurie – Land and Water Commissioner (Chair) Cr Ann Loder – Narrabri Shire Council Cr Ron Campbell – Narrabri Shire Council Jack Warnock – Lower Namoi Cotton Growers Association Jocelyn Cameron – Country Women’s Association Russell Stewart – Narrabri Chamber of Commerce Tony Pickard – People for the Plains Lynn Trindall – Narrabri Local Aboriginal Land Council Conrad Bolton – North West Local Land Services Matt Norrie – NSW Farmers Jon-Maree Baker – Namoi Water</p>	<p>Carmen Dwyer – Environment Protection Authority Samantha Wynn – Environment Protection Authority Addy Watson – Environment Protection Authority Bridie George – Environment Protection Authority Nick Butler – Division of Resources and Energy Neale House – Santos Annie Moody – Santos</p>
Guests:	<p>Mike Young, Director – Department of Planning and Environment Steve O’Donoghue, Senior Planner – Department of Planning and Environment Tim Kirby, Principal Case Manager – Department of Premier and Cabinet Rob Wheals, Group Executive Transmission – APA Group Paul Maloney, General Manager Infrastructure Planning and Protection – APA Group Jim Fjeldsoe, Access and Approvals Manager – APA Group Malou Atayde, Manager Corporate Communications – APA Group Bruce Clement, Vice President Asia, NSW and WA Oil – Santos Andrew Carman, NSW Asset Manager Developments – Santos Armon Hicks, Manager Public Affairs Onshore – Santos</p>	
Apologies:	Peter Mitchley – Santos	
Meeting Chair:	Jock Laurie	
Secretariat:	Annie Moody	
Agenda Item	Discussion/Outcomes	Action
Santos Presentation – Environmental Impact Statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Santos representative advised that an application would be submitted in early February to the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) for the Narrabri Gas Project State Significant Development and accompanying Environmental Impact Statement. 	

<p>for Narrabri Gas Project</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annie Moody, Team Leader Community and Land provided a presentation on the Narrabri Gas Project EIS • The proposed project includes up to 850 wells on up to 425 sites , an underground gathering pipeline network, gas processing and gas compression. • The EIS is a comprehensive assessment of the potential impacts of the Project, and the presentation included slides showing the various Chapters and Technical Appendices forming the EIS. The EIS concluded the Project can proceed safely with minimal and manageable risk to the environment. • Submissions on the EIS will be invited by DPE during the exhibition period, with DPE having a number of exhibition points including their website so that the EIS will be accessible to the community. • Narrabri Gas Project CCC members will be provided a USB with a copy of the EIS <p>Presentation/Handout/Links:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A copy of the Narrabri Gas Project EIS presentation; 2. Narrabri Gas Project EIS Fact Sheet; and 3. Santos Media Release <p>will be available from https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/january-2017/</p>	
<p>APA Presentation – Western Slopes Pipeline</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob Wheals from the APA Group provided presentation on the proposed Western Slopes Pipeline (WSP). APA is Australia’s largest natural gas infrastructure business with more than 15,000km of natural gas pipelines. • A Preliminary Environment Assessment and request for Secretary’s Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) will be shortly submitted to the Department of Planning and Environment • The proposed pipeline will connect natural gas from Santos’ proposed Narrabri Gas Project to the NSW gas transmission pipeline system, connecting to the Moomba Sydney Pipeline at the Bundure mainline valve station approximately 100km west of Condobolin. The WSP would be designed and constructed in accordance with Australian Standard AS2885 Pipelines Gas and Liquid Petroleum. • APA will shortly commence the detailed environmental assessment and stakeholder consultation process for the project including contacting Local Government and landowners along the preliminary pipeline alignment to discuss the project in more detail. • Further information is available from www.apa.com.au or E: westernslopespipeline@apa.com.au and 1800 941 145. <p>Presentation/Handout/Links:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. A copy of the Western Slopes Pipeline presentation; 5. Western Slopes Pipeline Fact Sheet; and 6. APA Group Media Release <p>will be available from https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/january-2017/</p>	

<p>Department of Planning and Environment</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mike Young from the Department of Planning and Environment spoke about the process of assessing an application for a State Significant Development and provided a handout for members. • Spoke about the bilateral agreement under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> between the Commonwealth and the State of New South Wales relating to environmental assessment and approval • NSW Planning Assessment Commission (PAC) is delegated by the Minister for Planning to determine applications for major developments including a State Significant Development Application (Narrabri Gas Project). State Significant Infrastructure (Western Slopes Pipeline) may be determined by the PAC or Minister. • During the exhibition period, DPE will hold community information sessions in the local area and will meet with key stakeholders including landholders in the project area. • DPE seeks input from other key NSW State Government agencies for technical assessment of the EIS relevant to their area and may also call on the Independent Expert Scientific Committee on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development (IESC), a statutory committee of the Australian Government that provides scientific advice to decision makers in relation to water resources • Spoke about indicative timing of assessment process from lodgment with the EIS being on exhibition for 60 days, which is twice the standard exhibition period. • The Narrabri Gas Project CCC will continue in current format as it operates well, however the PAC could make future recommendations in relation to structure and format of a Community Consultative Committee • Further information will be available from the DPE Major Projects website at http://majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au/ <p>Presentation/Handout/Links:</p> <p>7. A copy of the State Significant Development Flowchart distributed by DPE will be available from https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/january-2017/</p>	
<p>Santos Operations Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santos Monthly Activity Update January 2017 distributed to members out of session 19 January 2017 and hard copies distributed at meeting. <p>Presentation/Handout/Links:</p> <p>8. Santos Monthly Activity Update January 2017 will be available from https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/january-2017/</p>	
<p>EPA Monthly Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided a draft Narrabri CCC EPA Newsletter November and December 2016 with final newsletter available on EPA website <p>Presentation/Handout/Links:</p> <p>9. Final Narrabri CCC EPA Newsletter December 2016 will be available from</p>	

	http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/resources/licensing/narrabri-ccc-newsletter-dec2016.pdf	
Next Meeting	Tuesday 14 March 2017, Narrabri RSL Club 11.00am – 2.00pm	
Meeting closed	2.00pm	

Action Items

REF	Action	Entity/Person	Status
21.1	Is Santos still using organic polymers in drilling fluids? Response emailed to members 22/12/16	STO	Complete
21.2	Is there a sunset date for current Narrabri Gas Project CCC? Discussed at January 2017 meeting. No, although the PAC or Minister could make recommendation in the future to change the CCC.	DRE	Complete
21.3	Do the revised Community Consultative Committee Guidelines for State Significant Projects apply to the Narrabri Gas Project CCC? Discussed at January 2017 meeting. No, it is a Ministerial appointed committee, although the PAC or Minister could make recommendation in the future to change the CCC	DRE	Complete
22.1.	Will the Division of Resources and Energy provide copies of the Annual Community Consultation Reports for Petroleum Exploration Licenses in NSW? Discussed at January 2017 meeting. Reports are not released.	DRE	Complete

Future Agenda Items

REF	Action	Entity/Person	Status
1	Methane emission survey update when report available (Santos)	STO	Q1 - 2017