

Santos Activities Update

October 2017

SANTOS UPDATE – October 2017 **Proposed upcoming work program –** **Narrabri Area (PEL 238)**

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

*References to pilot wells are grouped in well sets as follows:
Biblewindi East includes Biblewindi 12 – 21 & 27 - 29;
Biblewindi West includes Biblewindi 22 – 26. Biblewindi 9
Spot includes Biblewindi 3 – 9; Dewhurst North includes
Dewhurst 6, 22 – 25; Dewhurst South includes Dewhurst 26 –
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Environmental Impact Statement (EIS):

- A copy of the EIS is available on the Major Projects site of the Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au
- The submissions received from the exhibition of the Narrabri Gas Project EIS are being reviewed by Santos and a response is being prepared.

Western Slopes Pipeline:

- APA Group is undertaking preliminary studies for construction of the Western Slopes Pipeline to connect natural gas from the proposed Narrabri Gas Project to the Moomba-Sydney Pipeline.
- The first meetings of the pipeline Community Consultative Committees were held at Narrabri and Warren on 13 and 14 September. Community information sessions on the pipeline were also held at both locations.
- Information on the Western Slopes Pipeline is available from www.apa.com.au

Drilling of exploration core holes, workovers and decommissioning of wells

- No activities planned for October.

Pilot wells:

- Biblewindi East, Biblewindi West, Dewhurst South and Tintfield pilot wells are on-line.

Leewood:

- Irrigation is underway. The initial crop of barley has been ploughed back in to improve the soil quality and lucerne has been planted.

Other work:

- The Wilga Park Power Station is on-line.
- Groundwater monitoring activities for Environmental Protection Licence compliance are ongoing.
- Rehabilitation is continuing at legacy sites, including revegetation activities at Biblewindi.

Community:

- Community Site Visits are scheduled for the third Thursday of each month. To register for a site tour, contact 6792 9035 or email Energy.NSW@santos.com
- The next meeting of the Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee will be held on Tuesday 10 October 2017, with the November meeting scheduled for Tuesday 14 November.
- Communique's and presentations from previous CCC meetings are available from www.narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/
- Santos is a proud sponsor of the following organisations and events:
 - The Australian Stock Horse Association's NSW State Show and Youth Nationals competition

Other:

- Researchers from GISERA (the CSIRO's Gas Industry Social and Environmental Research Alliance) visited Narrabri to update stakeholders on the nine GISERA research projects underway in NSW. To view a summary factsheet visit: <https://gisera.org.au/factsheet/new-south-wales-coal-seam-gas-research-projects-update-summary/>
- Late last month two Government-commissioned reports were released which indicated the shortfall in the east domestic gas market would be considerably higher than previously estimated. Santos estimates the Narrabri Gas Project could supply up to half of NSW's natural gas needs. The reports can be viewed at:
 - <https://www.aemo.com.au/Gas/National-planning-and-forecasting/Gas-Statement-of-Opportunities>
 - <https://www.accc.gov.au/regulated-infrastructure/energy/gas-inquiry-2017-2020/september-2017-interim-report>