### **COMMUNIQUE 36**

### NARRABRI GAS PROJECT COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE (CCC)

#### **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 natural gas in the Narrabri Gas Project area.

Members of the committee include Narrabri Shire Councillors, independent community members, senior Santos representatives and senior agency officers from the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment and the Environment Protection Authority.

#### Summary of 9 June 2020 meeting

- Santos Update
- Environment Protection Authority Update
- Department of Planning, Industry and Environment Update
- Division of Resources and Geoscience Update

A representative of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment chaired the meeting.

The Santos Monthly Activity Update for June 2020 was distributed to members and emailed out of session on 5 June 2020. Copies of Monthly Activity Updates are available from the Narrabri Gas Project website.

An Environment Protection Authority (EPA) representative provided a draft copy of the Narrabri CCC EPA Newsletters to members with the final newsletters being available from the EPA website and via the subscription service.

A representative of the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) advised that the Department had finalised the assessment report and recommendations for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Narrabri Gas Project.

On 12 June 2020, the Department referred the Final Assessment Report to the NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) for determination. The Minister for Planning and Public Spaces has requested that the Commission conduct a public hearing into the carrying out of the Project prior to determining the state significant development application for it. As required under COVID-19 regulations, the Commission will conduct this public hearing electronically by video conference from Monday 20 July 2020 to Friday 24 July 2020.

The Narrabri Gas Project application and EIS is available on the DPIE Major Projects website and a copy of the Final Assessment Report and information on how to make a submission to the IPC is available on the IPC website.

A Division of Resources and Geoscience (DRG) representative provided an update to the committee on the preparation of guidelines incorporating feedback for the Narrabri Gas Community Benefit Fund. Draft guidelines have been prepared and are with senior government representatives for consideration. A representative of DRG will attend a future meeting of the committee to present on the guidelines.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 14 July 2020.

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