

# Activities Update November 2020

# Santos

## Narrabri Gas Project (PEL 238)



### Environmental Impact Statement (EIS):

- On 30 September 2020, the NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) approved the Narrabri Gas Project.
- Following its detailed deliberations, the Commission concluded the Project is in the public interest and that any negative impacts can be effectively mitigated with strict conditions.
- The Federal Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment will now consider the project and make its recommendation to the Minister in relation to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) assessment.
- Further information on the IPC decision and a copy of the Development Consent is available from the IPC website at [www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au/projects/2020/03/narrabri-gas-project](http://www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au/projects/2020/03/narrabri-gas-project)
- Santos' statement in relation to the approval is available from [www.santos.com/news/](http://www.santos.com/news/)

### Western Slopes Pipeline:

- On 30 September 2020, the APA Group announced that it will now continue to progress development of the Western Slopes Pipeline to connect the natural gas from the Narrabri Gas Project to homes and businesses across New South Wales.
- Further information on the Western Slopes Pipeline is available on APA's website [www.apa.com.au/about-apa/our-projects/western-slopes-pipeline/](http://www.apa.com.au/about-apa/our-projects/western-slopes-pipeline/)

### Drilling activities:

- No activities planned for November.

### Pilot wells:

- Bibblewindi East, Bibblewindi West and Dewhurst South pilot wells are online. Tintfield pilot is offline to reduce flaring until additional gas is required.
- Routine pump maintenance activities are continuing with the use of a workover rig on existing wells at Bibblewindi East, Bibblewindi West and Dewhurst South pilot wells. This work is being conducted under existing approvals.

### Leewood:

- Santos does not need to irrigate at this time and water is stored in the holding ponds at Leewood.

### Wilga Park Power Station:

- The Wilga Park Power Station is online.
- Planned annual major servicing will be undertaken on generators during November.

### Other Activities:

- Spring ecological surveys and annual ecological monitoring activities are being undertaken at a number of locations during November.
- Weed spraying activities are being undertaken during November.
- Groundwater monitoring activities for Environmental Protection Licence compliance are ongoing.

### Community:

- A Contractor Forum will be held in Narrabri in November 2020 for suppliers and contractors interested in doing business with Santos. Please email [energy.nsw@santos.com](mailto:energy.nsw@santos.com) to express your interest in attending.
- The next meeting of the Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 8 December 2020. Communiqués and presentations from previous CCC meetings are available from [www.narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/](http://www.narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/)

### Other:

- Santos has released its third-quarter activities report for 2020 with Santos Managing Director and CEO Kevin Gallagher saying that Santos' third quarter production was higher in all five core assets, primarily driven by higher domestic gas and LNG volumes. Quarterly sales revenue of US\$797 million was 2% higher than the prior quarter. More information is available from [www.santos.com/news/2020-third-quarter-activities-report-2/](http://www.santos.com/news/2020-third-quarter-activities-report-2/)
- In October 2020, Santos successfully injected approximately 100 tonnes of carbon dioxide into depleted underground gas reservoirs located in the Cooper Basin as part of the final field trial for the Moomba Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) Project. Santos will now progress to finalise technical and commercial arrangements for a 1.7 million tonne per annum project. The Moomba CCS Project has the potential to store up to 20 million tonnes of carbon dioxide per annum. More information is available from [www.santos.com/news/moomba-carbon-capture-and-storage-injection-trial-successful/](http://www.santos.com/news/moomba-carbon-capture-and-storage-injection-trial-successful/)
- Santos is committed to supporting government and community efforts to limit the spread of COVID-19. Access to the Narrabri Operations Centre is restricted to staff and contractors who meet strict screening procedures and the Narrabri Shopfront is open by appointment only with team members available by phone and email. Santos will continue to monitor the NSW Government health advice and implement measures in accordance with the directives issued.