

# Narrabri Gas Project CCC - Meeting # 46

## 8 December 2020

<b>Date/Time:</b>	Wednesday, 8 December from 11.00am to 11.40am	
<b>Location:</b>	Via Skype	
<b>Attendees:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Craig Jenkins – Regional NSW, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE)</li> <li>• Cr Robert Kneale – Narrabri Shire Council</li> <li>• Cr Cathy Redding – Narrabri Shire Council</li> <li>• Jocelyn Cameron – Country Women’s Association</li> <li>• Jack Warnock – Lower Namoi Cotton Growers Association</li> <li>• Jocellin Jansson– North West Local Land Services</li> <li>• David Scilley – NSW Farmers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gary Whytcross – Environment Protection Authority (EPA)</li> <li>• Megan Prowse – Environment Protection Authority</li> <li>• Todd Dunn – Santos</li> <li>• Annie Moody – Santos</li> </ul>
<b>Guests:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kristina Erzikov – Division of Resources and Geoscience, DPIE</li> <li>• Ravi Chandra – Santos</li> <li>• Jonathon Cini - Santos</li> </ul>	
<b>Apologies:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Russell Stewart – Narrabri Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Lynn Trindall – Narrabri Local Aboriginal Land Council</li> </ul>	
<b>Meeting Chair:</b>	Craig Jenkins	
<b>Secretariat:</b>	Annie Moody	
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion/Outcomes</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Division of Resources and Geoscience Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Division of Resources and Geoscience (DPIE) representative provided an update to the committee on the preparation of guidelines for the Narrabri Gas Community Benefit Fund.</li> <li>• Draft guidelines have been prepared to align with grant administration guidelines and these will be distributed for further consultation in early 2021 by the NSW Government Resources for Regions program administrators.</li> </ul>	
<b>Santos Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Santos Monthly Activity Update for December 2020 was emailed out of session on 7 December 2020. The Monthly Activity Update for November 2020 was emailed out of session to members on 5 November 2020.</li> <li>• A Santos representative advised that on 24 November 2020, the Federal Minister for the Environment Sussan Ley approved the Narrabri Gas Project under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (EPBC) following her review of the New South Wales assessment.</li> <li>• Santos will now embark on a 12-18 month appraisal program ahead of a Final Investment Decision for the next phase of project development.</li> <li>• The workover program for routine maintenance activities on existing wells at Bibblewindi East, Bibblewindi West and</li> </ul>	

	<p>Dewhurst South is continuing in December.</p> <p><b>Presentation/Handout/Links:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Santos Monthly Activity Updates are available from <a href="https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/">https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/consultative-committee/</a> for the relevant month and also at <a href="https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/about/monthly-updates/">https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/about/monthly-updates/</a></li> </ol>	
<b>EPA Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The draft EPA Narrabri CCC Monthly Update for period ending December 2020 was emailed to members prior to the meeting. Feedback back to the EPA representative within a week to enable report to be finalised and published.</li> </ul> <p><b>Presentation/Handout/Links:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Final Narrabri CCC EPA Newsletter December 2020 will be available when finalised from <a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/licensing-and-regulation/gas-industry/gas-industry-in-nsw/community-involvement">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/licensing-and-regulation/gas-industry/gas-industry-in-nsw/community-involvement</a></li> </ol>	
<b>DPIE Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A condition of the IPC consent for the Narrabri Gas Project is the establishment and operation of a Community Consultative Committee in accordance with the Department's <i>Community Consultative Committee Guidelines: State Significant Projects</i> and also the establishment of a number of advisory groups including a Biodiversity Advisory Group and a Water Technical Advisory Group.</li> <li>• Mr Garry West has been appointed to the position of Independent Chair of these groups and an Expression of Interest has been advertised for community and stakeholder representatives with nominations for these positions closing on 22 December 2020.</li> <li>• It is anticipated that the committees will be formed and will meet in February 2021.</li> </ul>	
<b>General Business</b>	The Chair and Santos representatives thanked members and their organisations for their participation and contribution to the Narrabri Gas Project Community Consultative Committee since this committee was formed in December 2014.	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	This is the final meeting of the current Narrabri Gas Project CCC.	
<b>Meeting closed</b>	11.40am	