

# MEETING MINUTES

## Narrabri Gas Project (NGP)

### Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

#### Meeting # 1

#### DATE / TIME

17 February 2021  
9:22am

#### LOCATION

The Crossing Theatre (upstairs meeting room)  
Tibbereena Street, Narrabri

#### FACILITATOR

Garry West

#### MINUTE TAKER

Penny Magann-Jones

#### ATTENDEES

- ◆ Garry West (Independent Chair)
- ◆ Rohan Boehm (People for the Plains)
- ◆ Peter Brookhouse (Community)
- ◆ Jocelyn Cameron (CWA)
- ◆ Jocellin Jansson (North West LLS)
- ◆ David Scilley (NSW Farmers)
- ◆ Russell Stewart (Narrabri Chamber of Commerce)
- ◆ Lynn Trindall (Narrabri LALC)
- ◆ Jack Warnock (Community)
- ◆ Cr Cathy Redding (Narrabri Shire Council)
- ◆ Cr Rob Kneale (Narrabri Shire Council)
- ◆ Annie Moody (Santos)
- ◆ Andrew Snars (Santos)

#### APOLOGIES

- ◆ Ravi Chandra (Santos)

#### GUESTS

- ◆ Todd Dunn (Santos)

### Discussions

NO.	DISCUSSIONS
<p>1. Welcome</p> <p>Independent secretariat services.</p> <p>Overview of CCC function</p> <p>Member Introductions</p>	<p>The Chair welcomed all to the meeting and acknowledged Gomeroi country on which the meeting was held as well as Elders past, present and future and all Aboriginal persons present.</p> <p>Chair thanked all members for their nominations, special thanks to returning or former CCC members for their renomination as their previous experience of the CCC process will be valuable moving forward. Chair advised members that he had completed a Site Tour of NGP on Monday and gained many insights in NGP from the experience.</p> <p>Chair advised CCC members an independent Secretary would be engaged for the recording of CCC Meeting Minutes in the future. However, that is not in place for this meeting and requested to record the meeting for the purpose of preparing the minutes. No objections. Chair outlined process of Minute drafting, consultation and confirmation with a 2-3 week turnaround.</p> <p>Community Consultative Committee (CCC) established under Section A21 of Conditions of Consent as part of the approval process. CCC Independent Chair and Committee Members appointed by NSW Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE). Format differs from previous voluntary CCC. Committee is to provide community consultation into Stage 1 of NGP development (Appraisal Phase). As Stage 1 (Appraisal Phase) develops CCC Members will receive presentations and reports from Santos to distribute and consult with their stakeholders and provide feedback.</p> <p>All members introduced themselves and outlined their areas of expertise</p>
<p>2. Declaration of pecuniary or other</p>	<p>Chair advised that he would follow up any outstanding Declarations of Pecuniary or other interest forms.</p>

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interests / Code of Conduct	<p>Chair advised he is paid by Santos for his role as Independent Chair.</p> <p><b>Jack Warnock – Landholder/Community Member</b> Member advised group that he was in the process of selling his landholdings, which could be a 12 month process.</p> <p><b>Annie Moody – Santos</b> Annie advised that she, Ravinesh and Andrew were Santos staff and shareholders.</p>
3. Project Update Overview	<p><b>Andrew Snars (Santos – Regional Manager)</b> Andrew provided CCC Members with an Introduction and Background of Santos. Updated members on the current approval status of NGP. On 30 September 2020, the NSW Independent Planning Commission approved the Narrabri Gas Project with 134 consent conditions. On 24 November 2020, Santos welcomed Federal Environment Minister Sussan Ley's approval of the Narrabri Gas Project. Next steps: Address Conditions of Consent including the formation of committees and finalisation of management plans. All plans must be in place prior to the commencement of the 12-18 month appraisal program which will precede the Final Investment Decision (FID) for the Phase 2 (Construction Phase) of NGP development. Provided background information regarding the Four advisory groups: Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Group, Biodiversity Advisory Group, Water Technical Advisory Group Greenhouse Gas Emissions Advisory Group and how that information would feed back into the CCC.</p>
Phasing/Schedule	<p><b>Todd Dunn (Santos - Narrabri Gas Project Manager)</b> Currently focusing on developing key Management Plans with feedback from community, stakeholders, government, Aboriginal groups, and landholders to meet NGP Conditions of Consent prior to Management Plan lodgement for approval with NSW Planning Secretary. Once all approvals are in place, a 12-to-18-month appraisal drilling program will be undertaken to inform the phased development of the Project. Appraisal Phase to include 10 new wells (6 new wells and 4 core holes), seismic and water monitoring network works. If approved, works to be carried out in the second half of 2021 Estimate Final Investment Decision (FID) anticipated first half of 2023.</p>
Social Impacts Overview	<p><b>Andrew Snars (Santos – Regional Manager)</b> Andrew outlined the need to understand and measure potential community impacts to maximise the community benefits of NGP. Advised Santos has engaged GHD to provide an updated baseline Social Impact Assessment which will inform the Social Impact Management Plan required to meet Phase 2 Conditions of Consent prior to a Final Investment Decision (FID) and approvals to allow Phase 2 to take place. Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) will see \$14.5 million invested in partnership with Narrabri Shire Council to improve and expand community infrastructure. Community Benefits Fund (CBF) is expected to deliver up to \$120 million to the region which would be used to support major initiatives and infrastructure projects in the areas in which Santos operate.</p> <p>Q: Will presentations be made available to CCC Members? A: All CCC presentations will be made available with final CCC Meeting Minutes. Q: What seismic activities will take place? CSIRO (GISERA) Report tabled? A: Chair will discuss appropriate action with CSIRO and Santos. Q: CBF was originally advised at \$160 million? Why has it decreased? A: CBF calculation is based on 10% of royalties due in each year which is calculated based on wellhead price. Landholder Benefit Fund is to benefit hosts of NGP wells who receive a percentage of the well head price. NGP Community Benefit Fund paper was presented to NSW Government in June outlining new framework. (<a href="https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/future-investment/">https://narrabrigasproject.com.au/community/future-investment/</a> and <a href="https://www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/coal-seam-gas/community/community-benefits-fund">https://www.resourcesandgeoscience.nsw.gov.au/landholders-and-community/coal-seam-gas/community/community-benefits-fund</a>) Critical to differentiate between VPA and CBF. Important to remember VPA doesn't commence until FID is made and CBF framework is not yet finalised.</p>

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	<p>Q: Current housing availability, infrastructure, essential services and vacant land will not sustain influx of workers.          A: Santos currently has low staffing numbers based in Narrabri. Santos understands the current infrastructure constraints and plans to utilise the available camps during the construction phase. GHD study is currently in the desktop assessment phase but will progress in the future to assess baseline social key metrics.          Q: GHD Study – will the CCC to be provided with design prior to rollout.          A: GHD will consult with the community regarding design. GHD Report is a Santos study for internal use.          Q: Can CCC Members be involved with CBF?          A: They can but need to remain impartial and separate from CCC with framework yet to be released.</p>
<p>4. Proponent Reports</p>	<p>Four advisory groups are being established under the NSW Planning, Industry and Environment Conditions of Consent requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Group (ACHAG)</li> <li>• Biodiversity Advisory Group (BAG)</li> <li>• Water Technical Advisory Group (WTAG)</li> <li>• Greenhouse Gas Emissions Advisory Group (GGEAG)</li> </ul> <p>NSW Planning, Industry and Environment have approved that Garry West Chair all Advisory Groups to ensure continuity. BAG, WTAG and GGEAG still in establishment phase and formation in progress. All Advisory Groups need to be operational prior to commencement of Phase 1.</p> <p>Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Advisory Group (ACHAG) meeting held Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February with discussions regarding draft Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan taking place. Next meeting will be held Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> March to work through the Plan, provide input and feedback to ensure aboriginal culture and heritage protection.</p> <p>Q: Will minutes of advisory groups be circulated to CCC          A: Chair will refer back with response to this at the next meeting.</p>
<p>5. General Business</p>	<p>Chair reminded members that CCC membership is prescribed by NSW Planning, Industry and Environment and the process of nominating proxy/alternate members of the CCC if unable to attend scheduled meetings.</p> <p>Q: What degree of reporting will Santos provide to CCC? How will Santos respond to queries?          A: Responses will be provided asap if information is available. Annual reports are lodged to government departments and can be provided noting some of these may be confidential and therefore unable to be distributed. Santos Shopfront staff on hand to answer questions.</p> <p>Member advised in his capacity as a member of Boggabri Coal CCC that reports are provided quarterly, and he would like to see similar in this instance. Chair advised he would investigate AGL Gas Project reporting and discuss with DPIE.</p> <p>Chair envisages CCC meeting 3-4 times per year and working with Santos regarding Management Plan timelines to schedule meetings in accordance with these deadlines.</p> <p>Member and Guest names to appear on CCC Meeting Agenda. Agenda's will be provided approximately 3 weeks prior to meeting date.</p>

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**Actions**

<b>NO.</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>	<b>ACTION BY</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>
1	GHD to be invited to attend future CCC meeting	Andrew	ASAP
2	CSIRO (GISERA) to be invited to future CCC meeting	Chair	ASAP
3	Confirm Advisory Group Minutes go to CCC	Chair	Next CCC Meeting

**Next Meeting (TBC)**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2021, 9:30am, The Crossing Theatre (upstairs meeting room) – Tibbereena Street, Narrabri, 239