

Meeting Minutes

Narrabri Gas Project (NGP)
Community Consultative Committee (CCC)

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 18 June 2024
9:30am

LOCATION

Narrabri Shopfront Conference Room
125 Maitland Street, Narrabri

FACILITATOR

Garry West

MINUTE TAKER

Garry West

ATTENDEES

- Stuart Murray (People for the Plains) (P4P)
- Lynn Trindall (Narrabri LALC)
- David Scilley (NSW Farmers)
- Jocelyn Cameron (Community representative)
- Abby McClure (Santos)
- Janelle Twyman (Santos)(MS Teams)
- Carlee Miller (Santos)

APOLOGIES

- Ken Flower (Community representative)
- Russell Stewart (Chamber of Commerce)

Discussions

NO.	DISCUSSIONS
1. Welcome	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>It was noted that Todd Dunn has resigned from Santos. Members requested appreciation be passed to Todd for the support he provided to the CCC.</p> <p>The Chair noted Lyn Firth had resigned as minute taker as she and her husband were planning to leave the Narrabri district.</p>
Declaration of Interest	Chair asked if there were any new declarations of conflict of interest. None declared.
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting	The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated to attendees. Comment was received from Stuart Murray – some changes were made to the minutes and finalised and uploaded to the project website. No further objections received.
Action from Previous Meeting	<p>Department of Planning Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) were advised of the request by P4P for a review of the CCC's performance as provided in the CCC Guidelines. DPHI in response advised the issue needed to be investigated as a complaint. Stuart Murray was advised of this action. DPHI action is ongoing.</p> <p>No further business arising.</p>
Correspondence	NIL
3. Santos Update	<p>Santos Corporate Update (Carlee Miller)</p> <p>See presentation slides for details.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Moomba Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) Project is 85% complete and commissioning activities have commenced. This involves CO₂ being injected into depleted reservoirs. <p>Q - Stuart Murray asked if this CO₂ is used to enhance oil and gas production.</p> <p>A – Carlee Miller took the question on notice and will seek advice from the business [ACTION]</p> <p>Narrabri Gas Project Development Update (Janelle Twyman)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1 activity continues to progress. Shallow water bores are complete. Further works approved for phase 1 include deep aquifer monitoring bores and coreholes. Santos will make the final investment decision subject to receiving all required approvals to support the development, including the pipelines.

- Micro-siting including ecological and cultural heritage scouting ongoing through 2024.
- Annual Review submitted to DPHI on 28 March 2024. Review will be available on Narrabri Gas Project website when accepted by DPHI.
- Planning for other activity required prior to Phase 2 is underway.

Phase 1 Activity and Management Plans (Janelle Twyman)

- DPHI has approved all submitted revised management plans following the minor change to the Dewhurst 34 corehole location.
- The management plans for Phase 2 & 3 of the project are currently being worked on and engagement will progress through 2024.
- Management plans and DPHI approvals are available on the NGP website.
- Santos will progress engagement on Phase 2/3 management plans towards the end of 2024. Noise, Air Quality and Social Impact management plans will be submitted to the CCC for review when complete as detailed in the conditions of consent.

Q - Stuart Murray questioned if a management plan for salt was being prepared.

A - Janelle Twyman confirmed a Salt Management Plan will be prepared. A draft will be available later in the year.

Hunter Gas Pipeline update (Carlee Miller)

- The NGP, supported by the Hunter Gas Pipeline (HGP), is critical for energy security and reliability in NSW with 100 per cent of the gas committed to the domestic market.
- HGP is declared Critical State Significant Infrastructure (CSSI) by the NSW Government.
- The underground pipeline route passes close to the NGP, and the goal is to work with infrastructure developers and owners to construct the pipeline to deliver gas to east coast domestic markets in the shortest timeframe possible.
- The pipeline construction will commence construction once the route is finalised and all secondary approvals are completed.
- The 833-kilometre HGP has planning approval from the NSW and Queensland governments and was determined to

	<p>be a “not a controlled action” under the EPBC legislation by the Federal Government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The approvals are driven by land access negotiations and what is required under the Pipelines Act. • Staging request was approved by DPE (now DPHI) and Stage1 was commenced in Q4 2023 with works supporting construction such as laydown areas. Early works have commenced around Quirindi and more laydown sites will be developed along the route as needed. • In excess of 6500 personal landholder engagements have been conducted in conjunction with 36 community information sessions. • Deed of Option Easement Agreement process is underway. This involves payment of \$30,000 for each landowner to seek independent advice including legal, valuation, accounting and agronomic advice, \$10,000 option fee for signing the agreement and \$10,000 early completion payment if the agreement is signed within 40 days. Easement compensation will be determined by valuation and paid at the exercising of the option. <p>Narrabri Lateral Pipeline (NLP) update (Carlee Miller)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This connects the approved NGP gas processing facility at Leewood to the Hunter Gas Pipeline east of Baan Baa. It also has Critical State Significant Infrastructure status. • Landowner and community engagement continues with survey activities and voluntary agreements. • The EPBC referral to the Commonwealth Government has been delayed by the Pilliga bushfire impacts – the impact of the fires needs to be incorporated into the report – expected to occur soon. • The NLP EIS is being prepared based on the SEARs for submission to NSW DPHI and will be placed on public exhibition for submissions by the DPHI. <p>Exploration & Other Activity (Carlee Miller)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEL 1 – Kahlua pilot activity (workover of existing wells) – wells now online. Any produced water from these wells is being transported offsite by a local contractor. • PEL1 & 12– Scouting for future minimum tenure commitments.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PEL 238/PAL2 – Operations and monitoring continuing. Q - Stuart Murray questioned where the water from Kahlua is being transported to. A – Abby McClure advised Leewood Ponds. <p>Ongoing Engagement (Carlee Miller)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Santos has participated in two Regional Development Round Table sessions. • Hosted Minister Houssos, NSW Minister for Natural Resources for a tour of existing operations. • Hosted a Regulator Tour of the NLP with various regulatory groups represented. • Santos are open to conducting future community tours for interested stakeholders. Members agreed tours are worthwhile. <p>Santos in the Community (Abby McClure)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numerous sponsorship, volunteer, donation and community events undertaken outlined.
4. Member updates	<p>Lynn Trindall advised the Narrabri LALC is involved in cultural heritage surveys of the NLP. Expressed concern their numbers were limited when compared to the Native Title Groups who are able to send more representatives.</p> <p>Lynn reminded Santos that when ground is being broken for the pipeline that cultural heritage advisors need to be present.</p>
5. General Business	<p>Q - Jocelyn Cameron asked if there was an update on the Native Title Tribunal determination. A - Carlee Miller explained that Santos is awaiting a date for the re-hearing. An outcome is not expected until early next year.</p> <p>Q - Jocelyn Cameron asked how the HGP will be progressed as it traverses the Great Dividing Range. A - Carlee Miller advised the pipeline will be underground and the final design will take many factors into consideration including soil type, topography etc. Construction Management Plans will also be prepared in collaboration with the landholder (metre by metre) to</p>

	define constraints and considerations that the contractor must take into consideration once construction commences.
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Actions

NO.	ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
1	Re-use of CO ₂ injected into depleted wells	Carlee Miller	ASAP

Next meeting

17 September 2024 – to be confirmed

Meeting closed

10.30am