

Meeting Minutes

Narrabri Gas Project (NGP) Biodiversity Advisory Group (BAG)

Meeting #12

DATE / TIME

Tuesday 21 July 2026
11.30am

LOCATION

Narrabri Shopfront Conference Room
125 Maitland Street, Narrabri
(+ Videoconference)

FACILITATOR

Garry West

MINUTE TAKER

Garry West

ATTENDEES

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| • Garry West (Independent Chair) | • Michelle Bond (Santos) |
| • Steve Phillips (Independent Expert) VC | • Janelle Twyman (Santos) |
| • Ken Flower (Community Representative) | • Raphael Borough (Santos) |
| | • Abby McClure (Santos) |

APOLOGIES

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| • Kathryn Hamilton (Community Representative) | • Trudy Staines (Community Representative) |
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GUESTS

- NIL

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.
2. Declaration of pecuniary or other interests / Code of Conduct	Chair asked if there were any new declarations of interest. Nil
3. Confirmation of previous minutes and business arising	All minutes of previous meeting distributed to BAG members and are available on the Narrabri Gas Project website.
4. Correspondence	Nil correspondence received.
5. Actions from previous meeting	Nil
6. Santos Corporate Update	Santos Corporate Update – Michelle Bond (Santos) - Santos delivered increased production of 22.5 mmmboe, up 1% on the prior quarter and 3% on the corresponding period in 2025, as Barossa achieved its first cargoes. Sales revenue of approximately \$1.27 billion for the first quarter, up 3% on the prior quarter. Free cash flow from operations of approximately \$383 million, in line with the prior quarter. - Pikka phase 1 reached mechanical completion early in the quarter, followed by fuel gas introduction to support electrification. Dynamic commissioning continued through to quarter end, and oil initiation for first tank and facility fill activity is now underway. <u>Investor Briefing – 26 May</u> - Santos is committed to progressing the remaining approvals for Narrabri and the pipelines and will review a final investment decision once the approval are in place. Other projects like Beetaloo that have the necessary approvals will commence appraisal in the meantime. Narrabri Gas Project Update – Janelle Twyman (Santos) <u>Development update</u> - Phase 1 activity continues to progress, ongoing care and maintenance of existing wells, operating wells are delivering gas to Wilga Park Power Station, produced water is managed at Leewood Water Management Facility, field development planning is ongoing, and continuation of groundwater monitoring. - Annual review has been submitted to Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) and Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water (DCCEEW). - An Independent Environmental Audit will be undertaken over July-August 2026. <u>Management Plans</u> Phase 2 and 3 management plans are under development and engagement is expected to commence in 2027. All management plans and DPHI approvals are available on the NGP website. Biodiversity Advisory Group Update – Raphael Borough (Santos)

	Reporting against management plans - No new disturbance since December 2025 meeting Offset Properties – Biodiversity Stewardship Sites - Detailed ecosystem, flora and fauna surveys being undertaken across 5 properties (3 landholders) - ~ 12,300ha - Kaputar - Pilliga - Coonabarabran - Purlewaugh - Refinement of suitable properties pending final survey outcomes. Koala Research Project (KRP) - Phase 1 – desktop assessment and design of survey program - Forest permit issued by FCNSW to undertake the field survey component of the KRP. Threatened Flora Management Proposal/Seed Collection - Currently scheduling the 2026 seed collection field trips - Four of the targeted 10 threatened flora species located and seeds collected during 2025 field trips - Efficacy of seeds being investigated for storage. Comment: Ken Flower asked if there were any threatened fauna and raised concern about the increasing numbers of wild cats and foxes in the Pilliga. Hunter Gas Pipeline (HGP) Overview – Michelle Bond (Santos) - Santos has been undertaking extensive engagement for access to undertake survey activities - Continues to progress land access agreements and surveys - Early works sites are now complete, and survey activities continue - Santos has commenced the progressive submission of documentation required for the HGP Pipeline Licence. Garry West added that a community reference group has been established for the HGP which will meet twice a year. The first meeting has been held. Narrabri Lateral Pipeline (NLP) Update – Michelle Bond (Santos) - NLP Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was on Public Exhibition 20 November 2025 to 18 December 2025. 375 community submissions received (314 objected, 56 supported & 5 commented only). - Advice received from 12 NSW government agencies. EIS Submissions - The most commonly raised questions in community submissions were: - Terrestrial biodiversity impacts - Aboriginal cultural heritage - Impacts on agricultural land
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	• Adequacy and accuracy of the EIS • Strategic justification for additional gas supply A report responding to the submissions and government advice is currently being prepared and the Response to Submissions (RtS) report will be provided to DPHI in Q3 2026. Project Amendments • Michelle Bond noted some minor adjustments to the project disturbance footprint are being considered in response to further field surveys, technical studies, stakeholder consultation and ongoing engineering design and construction planning. • The amended NLP disturbance footprint will be described and assessed in an Assessment report which will be provided to DPHI for consideration in Q3 2026. Exploration Program and other activities – Janelle Twyman (Santos) • PEL 1 – Kahlua pilot activity – Maintaining wells online – Groundwater monitoring and reporting is being undertaken • PEL 1 and PEL 12 – scouting for future minimum tenure commitments Community Engagement and Consultation – Abby McClure (Santos) <u>NRL Community Weekend</u> • Santos representatives attended the junior clinic, fundraising event and home game which attracted more than 1,000 attendees. • The event raised valuable funds for the club and supported junior participation & skills development. • Local players benefited from coaching and mentoring opportunities with current and former NRL legends. <u>Narrabri Show</u> • Santos was both a sponsor and exhibitor again this year, with the Community and Land Access teams engaging with showgoers about the NSW projects. Santos has supported the Narrabri Show for over a decade. Shared <u>Shared Table</u> • Funded the purchase of a new display freezer to enhance the organisation's food storage and service capacity and recently volunteered at the Friday community lunch BBQ to support local meal services to those in hardship. <u>Recent Initiatives</u> • Volunteer Learning Lunch – hosted a practical workshop for local volunteers, providing guidance on funding, financial management, event approvals, compliance and food safety. • Clontarf Mock Interviews – Delivered interview skills and career preparation sessions for Narrabri Clontarf Academy students. • Rotary Science & Engineering Challenge – Continued long standing support as a major sponsor, with team members volunteering across the three-day event.
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	- Clontarf Gunnedah Site Tour – Welcomed students to the Narrabri Gas Project to learn about local operations and career pathways. <u>Upcoming events:</u> - National Tree Day Initiative – Community giveaway of gardening packs containing two native tube stock plants, gardening gloves, sunscreen and hats to interested community members. Pick up packs at Santos Shopfront. - NAIDOC Week Activities – Continuing to support local NAIDOC Week initiatives and First Nations community engagement. - AgQuip 2026 – Preparing for Santos’ presence at Australia’s largest primary industry field days.
7. Member updates	Ben Ellis advised that future departmental engagement needs to through the Development Coordination Authority.
8. General Business	Nil

Actions

NO.	ACTIONS	ACTION BY	DUE DATE
NIL			

Next meeting

TBA – December 2026

Meeting closed

12pm