

**Minutes of Community Consultative Committee Meeting
Wambo Coal Pty Ltd and United Wambo Joint Venture**

Meeting of the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) for Wambo Coal Pty Ltd (**Wambo**) and United Wambo Joint Venture (**UWJV**), held online on Tuesday 9 November 2021 at 9:00am.

Chairperson: Lisa Andrews (**LA**) – Independent Chairperson

In attendance: Janet Fenwick (**JF**) – Community Member
 Brian Atfield (**BA**) – Community Member
 Shane Gee (**SG**) – Community Member
 Robert Ball (**RB**) – Community Member
 Dave Thelander (**DT**)(online)– Community Member
 Mick Webster (**MW**) – Community Member, Hunter Valley Gliding Club
 Cr Godfrey Adamthwaite (**GA**)(online) Singleton Council Representative
 Aislinn Farnon (**AF**) – UWJV
 Nick Slater (**NG**) – UWJV
 Sean Pigott (**SP**) - UWJV
 Tamie Gray (**TG**) – UWJV (minute recorder)
 Peter Jaeger (**PJ**) – Wambo Coal
 Nicole Dobbins (**ND**) – Wambo Coal

Apologies: Dianne Gee (**DG**) – Community Member
 Kim Hines (**KH**) – Wambo Coal

1.	Welcome & Apologies (LA)
	The chairperson opened the meeting at 9:04 am, welcoming all to Wambo / UWJV CCC meeting. Acknowledgement of being at the new UWJV facilities at the North MIA. Dianne Gee and Kim Hines are apologies for this meeting.
2.	Declarations
	LA declared that she is an approved Independent Chairperson, appointed by the Secretary for the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment – engaged by UWJV to chair this CCC. No changes to members’ previous declarations.

3.	<p>Business Arising</p> <p>The minutes from the previous meeting held on 28 September 2021 were finalised and distributed to members on 18 October 2021.</p> <p>Action items from the previous CCC:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="277 338 1385 714"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="277 338 421 443">Date</th> <th data-bbox="421 338 963 443">Action</th> <th data-bbox="963 338 1174 443">Responsible</th> <th data-bbox="1174 338 1385 443">Complete (Y/N)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="4" data-bbox="277 443 1385 506">Item 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="277 506 421 611">28/9/21</td> <td data-bbox="421 506 963 611">Link and details to the upcoming Wambo Singleton Hall of Fame event</td> <td data-bbox="963 506 1174 611">PJ</td> <td data-bbox="1174 506 1385 611">Y</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4" data-bbox="277 611 1385 714">Comments: Nominees have been selected with event on 18 November 2021. Noting it is a closed event due to Covid restrictions. PJ will advise the winners when announced.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Date	Action	Responsible	Complete (Y/N)	Item 1				28/9/21	Link and details to the upcoming Wambo Singleton Hall of Fame event	PJ	Y	Comments: Nominees have been selected with event on 18 November 2021. Noting it is a closed event due to Covid restrictions. PJ will advise the winners when announced.			
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4.	<p>Correspondence (LA)</p>																
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11/10/21 – Email to members with the draft minutes for review. • 18/10/21 – Email to members with the finalised minutes with the presentations. • 3/11/21 - Email to members with the Meeting Notice, Agenda and Correspondence Report for this meeting. • 4/11/21 – Email to members advising of an Air Quality exceedance at United Wambo on the 29/10/21. • 8/11/21 – Email with video conferencing link for this meeting. 																
5.	<p>UWJV Business Update (AF)</p>																
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AF introduced the Spirit of Place photograph book by Wonnarua elder Warren Taggart which UWJV put towards funding the publishing as part of their cultural funding program. Confirmed each CCC member will receive a copy and to take one prior to leaving. <p>AF provided the members with an update on UWJV via a PowerPoint presentation (attached), noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AF - A figure showing a summary of the UWJV mine plan showing 2 open cuts and current mining progression through the upcoming years. • AF - Provided an overview of the production limits for the last 3 months showing both budget projections and actual production values. • AF -A brief overview of the current machinery on site was provided. This included all new equipment and numbers on site • AF - Photographs of current mining progress at both United pit and Montrose pit and overview of where machinery is located. The coal seams currently being mined was also identified in each pit. • SP - Rehabilitation to commence next week with 10 ha of temporary rehab to be completed in 2021. For 2022 schedule to include 15.5 ha planned. This total was then broken down to show what quarter the rehab was scheduled to be completed. • AF - MOD1 current progress was reviewed and confirmed UWJV responded to DPIE queries on 19 October 2021. It is now sitting with DPIE for assessment. UWJV are hoping for approval later this month. 																

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AF - Provided and update on management plan updates sitting with DPIE waiting for approval. Highlighted a couple of plans had received minor comments to update and have since been resubmitted. • Summarised UWJV government interactions including with DPIE, DPIE-Mining Exploration and Geoscience Division (MEG) and Resources Regulator, Environment Protection Authority (EPA), NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT), Transport for NSW (TfNSW) and Singleton Council (SC). • AF – confirmed current security was only for CCL775, waiting on Wambo security to be finalised by the Resources Regulator, PJ confirmed it would be >\$100 million • SP – Key project updates include Stage 1 Biodiversity Stewardship Sites which UWJV are currently preparing Biodiversity Stewardship agreements (BSAs) for six offset sites. A figure showing the locations and sizes of each offset was shown. BSAs are getting finalised and will be submitted this month (Nov). The complete process is proposed to be completed over the next year. UWJV will be submitting an application to DPIE to extend the deadline to retire the credits for a further 12 months. Noting if extension is granted UWJV is required to still look after these areas, including keeping up with weeding program and management. • SP – Outlined UWJV’s requirement to complete a Dog-Leg Fence Heritage Interpretation Strategy. UWJV is required to salvage and reconstruct a portion of the fence and place it on public display in some form. UWJV has nominated the Jerrys Plains Recreation Ground as the preferred location. The final location will be determined by Singleton Council. • SP – Provided an update of the progress of the Minimbah Teaching Place currently in the final stages of construction at the Wollombi Brook Conservation Area. UWJV will transport salvaged artefacts to be stored at this location. The next Annual RAP meeting will be held there on 15 December 2021. The official opening is set to occur Quarter 2 of 2022. • SP – UWJV was a part of the Indigenous Employment Pathways Program and hosted 2 participants over a 14 week work placement to gain real work experience. The aim of this program was to provide employment opportunities for Indigenous Australians with connections to Glencore’s coal mining operations. • AF – UWJV provided a project update on the sites PM_{2.5} Monitoring Campaign. This involved comparing the PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀ ratios used in the UWJV EIS modelling. The campaign concluded PM_{2.5} concentrations have not exceeded the criteria of SSD 7142, the assumed background levels of PM_{2.5} used in the EIS modelling were conservative estimates and the modelled PM_{2.5} concentrations from the EIS were higher than the current measurements on site. • AF – Summarised the community performance and confirmed no complaints have been received since the last CCC meeting at UWJV. • AF- One exceedance of air quality criteria was received on the 29 October 2021 at AQ01 (Warkworth). UWJV contribution was 51ug/m³ which was above the 50ug/m³ criteria. As this exceedance of criteria was predicted in the EIS, Section 13.1 of the Air Quality management plan does not require this exceedance to be notified to the regulators. It was also noted that no privately owned residences were affected, with all tenants in the Warkworth village informed of this information by way of letter.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AF – Community consultation at UWJV included a VPA committee meeting on the 3 November 2021, a brief overview of what is recommended was discussed. AF confirmed the scheduled community night has been postponed until February 2022 due to Covid-19 restrictions precautions. • AF – Highlighted UWJV will be conducting an Annual Community Perception Survey, which will be sent with a link in the community newsletter. • AF – Summarised UWJV spending in 2021 which included funding towards a fundraiser event Crocfest for Rural Aid, PCYC Singleton and Mark Hughes Foundation. A total spend of \$14,530 has been spent to date. AF encouraged members if they have any ideas or thoughts of what UWJV could support to please let us know. • AF – Identified key changes to the UWJV E&C team including Brent Frondall leaving UWJV to another Glencore site and the new member Jake Hawkins to take over the community role that Angela van der Kroft had left earlier in the year. <p>QUESTIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MW - Questioned whether the upcoming rehabilitation will be conducted via aerial seeding? • SP - Confirmed 2021 rehabilitation will be undertaken via dozer however UWJV are looking in to possibly utilising drones in the future. Consultation will be completed with the Gliding Club should the use of any of their facilities be sought. • BA – What kind of weed management is used on the offset properties? Where UWJV targeting any species in particular as had noticed a high level of African Boxthorn along Redmanvale Rd? • SP – Confirmed weed management which includes spraying is conducted on all UWJV offset properties with this year. Consultation is conducted with Local Land Services and the Upper Hunter Weed Alliance to determine key priorities and focuses. This year UWJV focus has been on ‘mother of millions’. SP has not noticed the African Boxthorn in those areas to date however will investigate and action as required.
<p>6. Wambo Coal Business Update</p>	
	<p>PJ provided update on the Wambo operations via a PowerPoint presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided a plan of the current operations at Wambo and key areas of approval. • Confirmed Longwall 21 is scheduled to be completed in January 2022 and Longwall 22 will continue development. • Provided an overview of the remediation works in progress at Wambo which included Chute 10 (complete), Chute 3 and Chute 13 at the North Wambo Creek Diversion. • No complaints to date, with no changes from the last CCC meeting • Noted that the rainfall numbers provided by UWJV and Wambo were different, this was noted in the September CCC meeting and since both sites have calibrated their meteorological station. Although the amounts reported in these presentations are still different the difference is approximately the same as last time. PJ also stated it was possible for Wambo to receive rain without UWJV receiving any which could also attribute to changes in values.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wambo has identified an opportunity for the continuation and improved efficiency of the South Bates Extension Underground Mine by reorientating Longwalls 24 and 25 and adding Longwall 26. To facilitate these changes to the approved mine plan, Wambo is preparing to lodge 2 separate applications for Modifications to DA 305-7-2003 which will be progressed in parallel: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Longwall 24 First workings Modification; and Longwalls 24-26 Modification. Consultation has commenced with regulators and communities with the current schedule having Longwall 24 First Workings Modification application lodged late November 2021 and the second Longwall 24-26 Modification in September 2022. Draft overview of proposed Modification locations was shown on a figure to illustrate the change in orientation of Longwalls 24 and 25 and addition of Longwall 26. ND identified a new ML will also be sought as part of this project. 2020 Annual Review was approved by DPIE on 3 November and now available on the website. Update to sponsorship and donations include wildlife aid and Wambo Coal Singleton Hall of Fame event. <p>QUESTIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil
7.	General Business (LA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GA – Singleton Council is now in a caretaker period until election on 4 December 2021. Pre-polling will be available at the Singleton Youth Venue on Pitt St. Currently 4 candidates running for Mayor. JF – Identified the first section of the Frost Track has lots of pot holes and would like this to be addressed. PJ – Confirmed both Wambo and UWJV would investigate the track.
10.	Meeting Schedule for 2022 (LA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LA proposed to keep the same schedule for 2022 being Tuesdays at 9am with draft dates to be confirmed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 February 2022 3 May 2022 2 August 2022 8 November 2022
11.	Meeting Finalisation
	Meeting closed at 10.25 am with LA thanking members for their contribution throughout 2021, wishing all members a safe and happy festive season.

Action Register:

Date	Action	Responsible
9/11/21	Investigation of African Boxthorn along Redmanvale Rd and to address if required	SP
9/11/21	Address and improve the road condition on Frost Track	PJ/SP
9/11/21	Inform CCC members of the winners of the Singleton Hall of Fame event.	PJ