

**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 on site and online* on Tuesday 3 May 2022 at 9:00am.

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

In attendance: Janet Fenwick (**JF**) – Community Member
 Dave Thelander* (**DT**) – Community Member (*left at 9.59am*)
 Brian Atfield (**BA**) – Community Member
 Dianne Gee* (**DG**) – Community Member
 Cr Godfrey Adamthwaite – (**GA**) Singleton Council
 Mick Webster (**MW**) – Community Member, Hunter Valley Gliding Club
 Jan Davis* (**JD**) – Hunter Environment Lobby Inc (*joined at 9.45am*)
 Sean Pigott (**SP**) – UWJV
 Jake Hawkins (**JH**) – UWJV
 Dan Brogan (**DB**) – UWJV
 Peter Jaeger (**PJ**) – Wambo Coal
 Olivia Lane (**OL**) – UWJV (observer)

Apologies: Shane Gee (**SG**) – Community Member
 Robert Ball (**RB**) – Community Member
 Aislinn Farnon (**AF**) – UWJV
 Nick Slater (**NG**) – UWJV
 Michael Alexander (**MA**) – Wambo Coal

1.	Welcome & Apologies (LA)
	The chairperson opened the meeting at 9:07 am, welcoming all to Wambo / UWJV CCC meeting. LA introduced OL, who had recently joined the E & C team with UWJV. Apologies, as per above.
2.	Declarations
	LA declared that she is an approved Independent Chairperson, appointed by the Secretary for the Department of Planning and Environment – engaged by UWJV to chair the CCC. No changes to members’ previous declarations.

3.	<p>Business Arising</p> <p>The minutes from the previous meeting held on 1 February 2022 were finalised and distributed to members on 23 February 2022.</p> <p>Action items from the previous CCC:</p>							
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	Item 1							
	1/02/22	Provide additional information on Fly Ash use as part of MOD2	AF	Y				
	Comments: Scoping works still ongoing, will provide further details to the CCC once a plan has been finalised							
	Item 2							
	1/02/22	Investigate layer submission and whether they will be added to the NSW Resource Regulator Portal	SP	Y				
	Comments: All layer submissions will upload to Mine Rehabilitation Portal - by 2 July 2022 - no timeframe on when they will be made available to the public							
	Item 3							
	1/02/22	Find out proportion of diesel used in electric truck	AF	Y				
	Comments: While electric trucks are used on site, they still require diesel in generators to produce the electricity							
	Item 4							
	1/02/22	Determine why rainfall values are different	JH/PJ	Y				
	Comments: Have checked the meteorological stations and it is localised rainfall between the areas							
Item 5								
1/02/22	Advise CCC when the technical reports for MOD19 (LW24-26 Extraction) are available for consultation	PJ	Y					
Comment: Assessments are ongoing, reports are planned to be completed and made available to the public in July 2022								
4.	Correspondence (LA)							
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15/2/22 - Email to members with the draft minutes for review. • 23/2/22 – Email to members with the finalised minutes. • 26/4/22 - Email to members with the Meeting Notice, Agenda and Correspondence Report for this meeting Wambo. • 4/5/22 – Email to members with the video-conference link for this meeting. 							

5.	UWJV Business Update (SP)
	<p>SP provided the members with an update on UWJV via a PowerPoint presentation (attached), noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP - A figure showing a summary of the UWJV mine plan – advised that quarter one production values were behind due to the wet weather. DB also noted that a reduction in manning due to COVID-19 affected production. • SP – Provided a summary of rehabilitation activities for 2022, shaping and seeding will occur before the summer rainfall. There is a small area of rehabilitation in 2022, larger areas in 2023. No new disturbance, however re-disturbance of previously rehabilitated land. • SP - Provided and update on management plans – all plans have been sent to DPE and approved. Request for more information received for two management plans which are currently being resolved. • SP – Summarised UWJV government interactions including with DPE, DPE-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). • SP – advised that all six stewardship sites have been submitted, there is a new land tax condition which may require the areas to be broken up into smaller sections, and there are a few Council questions which need to be answered. A meeting was held with BCD to discuss ‘Reasonable Equivalence’ process. This is how offset credits assessed under a former methodology could be recalculated under the new approved method. At this stage, all offset areas have progressed – however additional credits may need to be purchased. • SP – outlined UWJV have recorded the annual average rainfall volume after 3 months of 2022. This has doubled the water stored onsite. Working internally and with Wambo to manage the water onsite. • SP – advised that water level sensors are to be installed onsite. Also, that the MIA sediment dam capacity is scheduled to be increased. • SP – indicated that UWJV had completed the tailings capping project of dam 1 and 2. Mining fleet are now working on Layers 4-7. • SP – Summarised the environment and community performance for the 2022 year. • SP – Discussed each of the complaints for 2022. Advised that structural assessments were underway for the blast vibration complaints. • SP – provided an update on the UWJV Community Information Evening, stating that it was quieter than expected. Discussed the opportunity to have a dinner of sorts later in the year. • SP – provided an update on the VPA meeting. • SP – provided a summary on the Jerrys Plains Bicentennial event. • SP – in general business introduced Olivia Lane, recently commenced Environment and Community Officer • DG asked if the presentation could be posted to her. LA agreed to do this. • GA requested the presentation be emailed to him to report to Council. Agreed.

	<p>QUESTIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvals update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GA – what section of road is to be purchased and how long is it? ○ SP – a two-kilometre section, this will be relocated. ○ MW – is there a potential that the road relocation won't go ahead? ○ SP – at this stage it will be going ahead. ○ GA – how many tonnes of coal will you be able to mine? ○ DB – 5 million tonnes. • Stewardship Agreements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JF – asked what activities are carried out in the offset areas. ○ SP – advised that UWJV have a condition to improve/remediate the areas (fencing, weed management, etc) and that funds must be allocated to each offset each year. ○ MW – asked how grasses were managed in the offset areas. ○ SP – advised that ecological burns will be conducted every 2-3 years to keep grass load low. • Community Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JF – asked about tank cleaning program and replacement of UV filters. Had to change them in 2021. ○ JH – advised he would look into ensuring it is included for the 2022 tank cleaning program. • General Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ BA – asked how far across the Golden Hwy will be moved. ○ SP – advised it would be approx. 500m. It will add 28 seconds and be located on the outside of the 330kV powerlines, closer to the Gliding Club.
6.	Wambo Coal Business Update
	<p>PJ provided update on the Wambo operations via a PowerPoint presentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ – provided an organisational update that the General Manager of Wambo Coal has moved on, and someone is acting in the position until it is filled. • PJ – provided a plan of the current operations at Wambo and key areas of approval. He advised that after the longwall move commenced in February 2022, LW22 will start to be mined this month. • PJ – advised that an application is projected to be submitted in July to allow mining of LW24-26. • PJ – advised that there were no complaints to date, no changes from the last CCC meeting. There were 5 reportable incidents which were spoken about later in the presentation. • PJ – advised that the sump at Hales Crossing spilled into the Wollombi Brook on the 8 March 2022. Rising water levels of the brook meant the pump had to be removed as per the TARP. Water came up and engulfed the sump, causing the incident.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ – outlined that while discharging under HRSTS elevated TSS results were recorded in two grab samples. Discharging activities were stopped. • PJ – elevated surface and groundwater triggers for EC are being investigated. The source of the results is unknown, but an assessment is underway to find out more information. Wambo are having a meeting with DPE regarding the trigger investigation and any updates will be presented to the CCC. • PJ – spoke to the approvals slide, indicating that Wambo have a current approval to LW25, however there are geological structures impacting resource recovery. PJ discussed the mine re-orientation minimises impacts to the Groundwater Dependent Ecosystems and upper area of North Wambo Creek. • PJ – provided an update on the Longwall 24-26 Mine Plan Modification, stating that all was on track, waiting on the ecology and groundwater assessments. • PJ – outlined that the 2021 Annual Review was submitted and talked through each of the non-conformances. <p>QUESTIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hales Crossing Sump Inundation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JF – asked how long the road was closed. ○ PJ – advised that it was 5 days and that it was skeleton crew/staff onsite over that period. • Surface Water Triggers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JF – asked whether the water was flowing through the creek as it usually doesn't. ○ PJ – advised that it was odd that values are greater than long-term trends. Reiterated that Wambo were in the process of finding out where the water is coming from. PJ to communicate findings to the CCC.
7.	General Business (LA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JD – advised that she would like to see the results of the investigation as she was concerned about the elevated EC results, especially as the underground goes back to the 80's. LA said she would place it as an action item. ACTION.
8.	<p>Next Meeting (LA)</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for 2 August 2022. LA wished GA good luck in the upcoming Singleton LGA re-election (bi-election for 9 positions). GA advised that it was likely to be 23/7/22 or 30/7/22.</p>
9.	Meeting Finalisation
	Meeting closed at 10.15 am with LA thanking members for their contribution.

Action Register:

Item	Action	Responsible
1	Provide an update to the surface and groundwater trigger assessment to the CCC when available.	PJ