

Meeting Notes

Perilya North Mine - Community Consultative Committee

Meeting No. 3

21 September 2018 – 11 am – 2.30 pm

Location: Perilya Southern Operations, Wentworth Road, Broken Hill

Attendees:

Chairperson: Margaret Harvie

Community representatives: Linda Nadge, Allan Carter, Isabelle Eriksson, Jody Whitehair.

Perilya representatives: Geoff Hender - Deputy General Manager - Broken Hill Operations, Adam Forster - Health Safety Environment and Training (HSET) Manager, Brett Bussell - Environment Superintendent.

Apologies: Christine Adams, Chris Dougherty, Mary Ellen Jinks, James Roncon (Broken Hill City Council)

In attendance: Christie Roll (notetaker)

Item		Details
1.	Welcome and apologies	Apologies from Chris Dougherty, Christine Adams, Mary Ellen Jinks and James Roncon.
2.	Declarations of pecuniary and other interest	<p>Linda Nadge is a business owner of Outback Astronomy, located on the Barrier Highway. Linda was a former Commercial Manager employed by Perilya and her husband works for Consolidated Mining and Civil (CMC), which does contracting work for Perilya.</p> <p>Isabelle Eriksson has advised that her partner is a business owner of a steel fabrication & crane hire business that Perilya may conduct business with from time to time. There are no contracts in place.</p>
3.	Actions from last meeting	<p>Presentation from the previous meeting was uploaded to the website.</p> <p>Press Release - A draft press release was presented to the CCC members for their review and comment (this is the second press release). Discussions were held during the meeting and minor updates were provided. The press release has since been revised and sent to members for their endorsement/ further comment.</p> <p>Action – Press release – once agreed by CCC members is to be distributed by Geoff along with the photo of the CCC.</p>
4.	Update on progress of the operations and path forward	<p>Geoff Hender (GH) – presentation on the progress of the operations to date and the path forward.</p> <p>Action – A copy of the presentation from the meeting has been uploaded to the Perilya website and is available to download at http://www.perilya.com.au/health--safety--environment/community/bhnmccc</p>
5.	Questions on the presentation	The Modifications approval and the Conditions of Consent (CoC) for the changes to the trucking route, size and placement of the evaporation ponds were issued by Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) on 7/9/18.

- **Isabelle Erikson (IE)** - asked whether the conditions of consent were available on the website.
- **GH** - confirmed that the CoC are available on the DPE website and said that he would consider uploading them to the Perilya website.

The construction management plans were approved by DPE on 17/8/18 and construction commenced 18/8/18.

- **Linda Nadge (LN)** - asked whether the work will be 24 hours.
- **GH** advised that the construction will be day time only and up until midday on Saturday and no work on Sunday, as per the CoC.

There was discussions around the Lead Monitoring and Education Program.

- **IE** - asked whether the contribution of \$50,000 would be for the benefit of local programs rather than just being used for statewide health programs. Is this additional to the State government lead program.

There was a suggestions of considering having a local contact to speak about the lead program.

Subsequent to the meeting the details of the Conditions of Consent for the “Lead Monitoring and Education Contribution” were found to be as follows:

- “The Applicant must contribute \$50,000 per year (indexed to CPI) to NSW Health to fund public health monitoring and education campaigns with the aim of reducing blood lead levels in Broken Hill.”

This seems to indicate that the money is focussed on local programs – it may be that the CCC wants more detail on how this money is used.

Action – Return to this item at the next meeting to see if this is adequate information for the CCC.

Further questions in relation to the requirements of the CoC.

- **LN** - What is the water spray system for the roads?
- **GH** – There will be sprinklers installed at appropriate intervals along the tails harvesting road
- **LN** - How does the dust suppressant work and how is it applied?
- **GH** - The suppressant is mixed with water and it applied by spraying the surface area typically using a water truck. The product, which is a by product of wood pulping binds dust particles inhibiting lift off.

Discussion about the CoC that prior to mining operations commencing, the road is to be upgraded by RMS.

- **IE** asked how much the road upgrade is going to cost?
- **GH** advised that we do not have a final costing, however, Perilya will be assisting with the funding (as a main user of that section of road).
- **IE** mentioned that she had previously spoken with Kevin Humphries and asked whether Perilya had considered asking him for funding of a haul road.
- **GH** - As discussed at previous meetings, the haul road is still an agenda item for Council, it is not part of the conditions of consent / approvals related to this project.

		<p>There was a discussion about the notifications for the blasting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LN expressed her interest in signing up for notifications about blasting, etc, if it was something that Perilya are considering, whether it be via email or a facebook page. - IE asked about the blasting at the North Mine? - GH confirmed that blasting would be in line with our CoC and typically be between 6:45 and 7:00 morning and evening. When Perilya commence blasting production stopes they will consider firing at mid-day. Consideration will be given to communicating with the community re the production firing. Development firing is not likely to be an issue. All blasts are monitored. - IE had a question from a member of the public, as to whether the North Mine and Potosi were connected underground. - GH confirmed that the two operations were not connected. <p>Action – GH to incorporate an overlay of Potosi and North Mine in the presentation that will be uploaded following the meeting to the website. <i>Note that this has been done.</i></p> <p>GH asked whether there was other content that people would like to see within the presentation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LN suggested a page of answers to community questions, i.e. the misunderstanding around the green coloured dust suppressant. - GH to incorporate information about the green dust suppressant in the presentation – <i>Note that this has been done</i> - LN asked whether there would be communication around the Potosi highway intersection works. <p>General discussion around the best way to communicate with the community around the range of impacts. The plan is to communicate using BDT in the first instance. GH asked about the value of TV classifieds - this medium was used to advertise the BHMCCC applications.</p>
6.	Round the Table	<p>AC went underground at the North Mine – he said it was a real eye opener and he was amazed by the number of people already working there and how advanced mining had become since his time working on the mine.</p> <p>LN advised that she was giving feedback to Crown Lands re Line of Lode as part of a public consultation process. This presents an opportunity to create a legacy after mining finishes with a living museum. LN asked whether Perilya had any unwanted items at the North Mine that could be donated or relocated.</p> <p>GH confirmed that Perilya did not have any items currently, but would be happy to continue the conversation down the track.</p> <p>IE – no further comments to the questions she had already raised.</p> <p>JW – had a few inclusions for the press release. Adjustment to make it clear that the committee had been appointed by DPE through a nomination and appointment process.</p>

		Action – MH to follow up with James Roncon around ensuring that there is Council representation at future meetings, if James is unable to attend.
7.	Next Meeting	Friday 23 rd November 2018
8.	Close	Meeting closed at 1pm and was followed by a surface tour of North Mine until 2.15 pm to show the CCC the current construction activities that are underway.