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Project	Newcastle Gas Storage Facility	From	Sue Hogan
Subject	Community Consultative Committee		
Date/Time	Wednesday 5 February 2014		
Venue	Hunter Region Botanic Gardens 10:00am – 1:00pm		
Copies to	All attendees and apologies		
Attendees	Audrey Koosman - Native Animal Trust Fund Clr Geoff Dingle – Port Stephens Council Mick Cook – Hunter Region Botanic Gardens Peter Rains – Tomago Van Park Jacqui Ashby – Port Stephens Council Warren Brooks – Tomago Aluminium Company Robyn Parker - Tomago Aluminium Company Kirby Morrison – Hunter Water Jill Dean – Visitor Steve McCall – Visitor Jeff Burns- Visitor Tim Knill – AGL Project Manager Naomi Rowe – AGL Community Relations Manager Matthew Callanan – AGL Operations Manager Alison Crocker – AGL Community Relations Manager Craig Clark– AGL Environment Manager Gino Bortolotto – Worley Parsons Barbara Campany – Facilitator (GHD)	Apologies	Rhys Blackmore – Hunter Water Declan Clausen - Hunter Water Kevin Stokes - Hunter Region Botanic Gardens Rhys Blackmore – Hunter Water Declan Clausen - Hunter Water Sean Dunn – Newcastle City Council David Hough – Newcastle City Council



Topic	Action
<p>1. Welcome and acceptance of previous meeting minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ BC acknowledged traditional owners and welcomed new members and visitors, introductions were done by all attendees.▶ Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted by Tim Knill and adopted by consensus	<p><i>Accepted minutes to be placed on AGL website</i></p>
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<p>2. Meeting Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Welcome by facilitator and acceptance of the previous meeting minutes▶ Actions from the previous meeting▶ Project update including timeline and 3 month forecast of activities<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Low Pressure Pipe Line• High Pressure Pipe Line• LNG tank▶ Environment Update▶ MHF Update▶ Update NGSF small grants program▶ Q & As▶ General business▶ Confirmation of 2014 meeting dates.▶ Close of formal proceedings, followed by site tour and lunch.	
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<p>3. Action items from the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ BC reviewed the actions from last meeting. The response to each action is listed in the table below.▶ NR outlined the following outstanding items:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grants program• High pressure drilling – unable to obtain the animation that was discussed	
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<p>4. Project update including 12 month forecast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ TK provided an update on the project via a powerpoint presentation and a brief overview of the project▶ A site tour will be held at completion of today's meeting<ul style="list-style-type: none">• refer to Tim's presentation.	



CCC: PR What's in the centre of the tank?

TK explained that it is the roof and in March CBI will lift the roof with air pressure to correct position. Benefit is construction closer to ground. Time lapse video will capture this process.

CCC: GD asked whether Port Stephens Council could come and see how the revegetation works?

NR to organise tour

NR offered to invite and bring council on tour.

CCC: RP any issue with roots of plants breaching lining?

TK responded that design will include shallow root plants so design should ensure no issue.

CCC: GD how do you protect the pipe?

TK explained that the pipe itself is coated overseas and when assembling each weld is tested by independent authority, this is then followed by coating.

CCC: GD do you have do any rehab work at low pressure line to TAC?

TK explained mainly through industrial area and some replanting will be done.

- ▶ NR outlined small grants program. NR displayed draft advert and outlined time frames. NR apologised for delay in this grants process. \$25k commitment each year for the construction phase with CPI increases. \$1.2 million over 30 year commitment.
- ▶ Environment update, CC outlined no significant incidents over last 6 months. CC informed the Committee that working within the environmental guidelines, a night crew will be starting completing checking of all welds.
- ▶ TK outlined that independent environmental representatives are onsite every couple of weeks and completing audit reports every three months and compliance reports every 6 months. These are available on our website. CC reminded the Committee that ground water monitoring information is also shared and available on web site.
- ▶ NR explained that impact of night shift has been reviewed and close neighbours informed, including Botanic Gardens and TAC.

CCC: RP why drilling on Old Punt Road not trench?

TK two areas, one industrial inconvenience we would have created trenching contractor suggested that this horizontal drilling would avoid impact on businesses. Also where the Ausgrid lines are and swampy area high ground waters and high sulphate soils were important to avoid.



CCC: PR how long drill at back of park?

TK need to do pilot hole and reamer, get each through in 3 4 days up to a couple of weeks. NR including set up a couple of weeks?

CCC: MC why not starting from other end?

NR will check with drilling construction engineer and provide details.

NR to provide details

CCC: WB hydrostatic testing of the tank what happens with water once completed?

TK explained that CBI have a plan for the water in the holding tanks and AGL. AGL responsibility from holding plans. CBI will test prior to discharge then AGL will test. Discharged through storm water system. Testing will occur at each stage.

CCC: MC would this feed back into swamps? As this would be beneficial as the swamp is very low.

TK culvert at punt road under highway and out to Hunter River

CCC: WB workforce numbers:

TK explained nearing peak 150 on site, anticipate will get to 200.

NR outlined that within next few months recruitment will commence for operational roles.

5. Q & A

n/a

6. General business

- ▶ GD not related to project Koala meeting n Monday, wildlife carers, representative from OEH who provided a background on Telegraph state forest and the dropping of the water table and the the concern that the koala population is gathering where there is surface water, and the potential for the impacts of mining dropping the table further and impacting the water table. Would like to discuss this with AGL.
- ▶ NR responded that this is a Santos project, here about it . Suggest that we will discuss with Hydro-geologists on AGL projects and may provide some information for you.
- ▶ WB notice that he would no longer be attending as he will be retiring from Tomago Aluminium. Thanked the Committee for their role.
- ▶ SMC undertaking economic benefits study and outlined their role and will be attending the site visit.

MC progress happening quite quickly now onsite, fast



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approaching time where we will be looking at operations plan around September, particularly around HPP. MC outlined planning for this next phase including stakeholder consultation, regulatory compliances safety controls in construction and operation.

7. Next meeting

Close of formal proceedings. 10:55am.

Next meeting to be held on 21st May 2014 from 11am at the Hunter Region Botanic Gardens.

8. Confirmed dates for rest of the year:

20 August and 5 November
