

Newcastle Community Dialogue Group

05 December 2019 – Meeting 12

Agenda



Open and welcome, apologies, declarations, previous minutes and business arising

Newcastle Gas Storage Facility
Latest news

Newcastle Power Station Project Latest news and next steps

General business

Next meeting and close

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Project Milestones



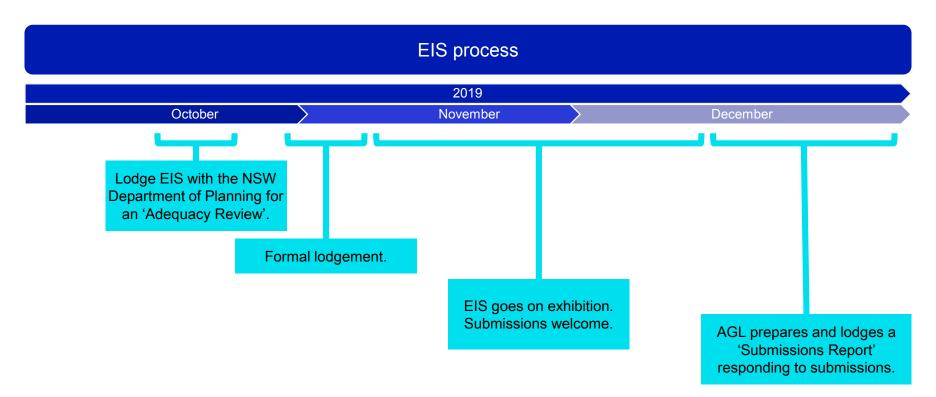






Environmental Impact Statement





EIS Findings





Air quality:

AGL is committed to minimising and monitoring the effects on air quality and supporting emission reduction.

This is what the Newcastle Power Station Project proposes as part of its Critical State Significant Infrastructure application to the NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment



Aboriginal heritage:

Archeological surveys, test excavations & consultation with Aboriginal community found low impact.



Biodiversity:

Project designed to reduce clearing vegetation and habitat by utilising previously cleared areas..





Traffic and transport:

Construction and operational traffic negligible on existing network performance.



Soils:

Management of Acid Sulphate Soils during construction and operation would apply.



Visual impacts:

Moderate to low from most viewpoints.



Noise and vibration:

Acoustic attenuation systems will ensure operational noise is below noise criteria.



Socio-economic:

Local economic driver offering employment opportunities.



Surface water:

Negligible flood risk. Negligible operational impacts. Opportunities for water reuse.

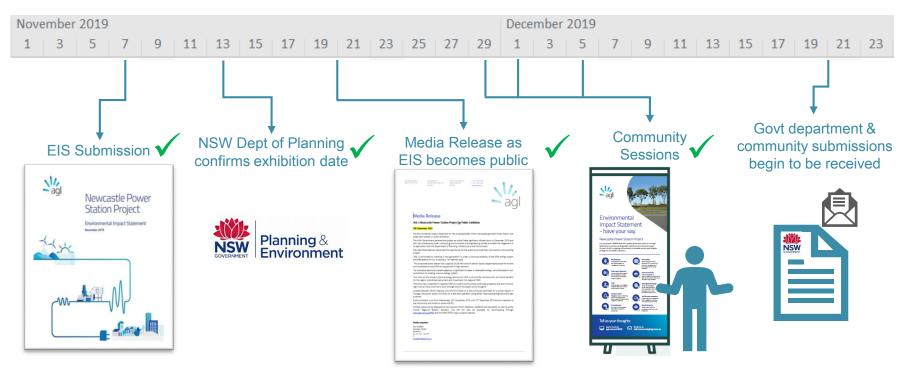


Groundwater:

Mitigation measures proposed to reduce contamination, ensure that it's managed and does not leave the site.

Community Engagement

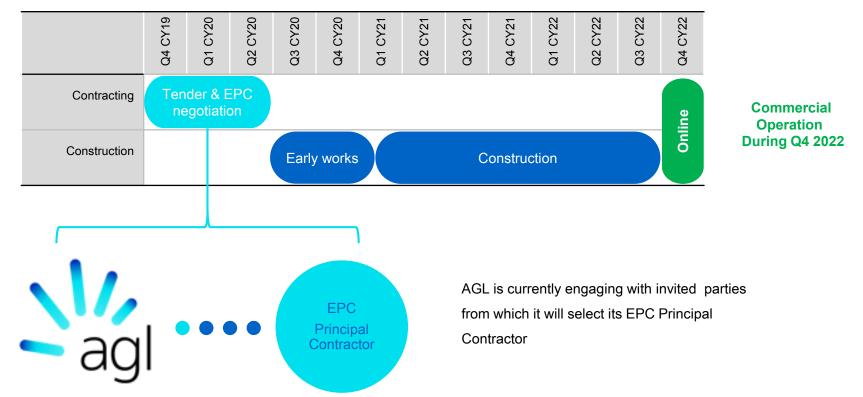




You can make a submission at the NSW DPIE's Major Projects portal







Environmental Impact Statement



EIS Exhibition Station



Hunter Region Botanic Gardens 2100 Pacific Hwy, Heatherbrae NSW 2324

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EIS Drop-In Sessions (30 November and 05 December)



Tomago Bowling and Sporting Club 657 Tomago Rd, Tomago NSW 2322

Local Community Investment Program



- Delivery of community wide benefits, encouraging innovation and support for issues of community significance.
- Newcastle Gas Storage Facility's LCIP:
 - More than 25 community organisations engaged
 - More than \$100K provided in funds
 - Thousands of members of our community positively impacted, directly and indirectly
- With the Newcastle Power Station Project:
 - Originally in Port Stephens, the LCIP is expected to grow to Newcastle and Maitland
 - Funds expected to grow as well
 - More community organisations will access the grant







Newcastle Gas Storage Facility

Latest news



Newcastle Gas Storage Facility

Environmental update

- We have completed our bushfire management audit and are undertaking vegetation pruning in the coming weeks.
- We are soon to trial weed management alternatives to Glyphosate.





Newcastle Gas Storage Facility General

- > We are currently purging and commissioning the plant for start up.
- > Installation of additional isolation valves is now complete.
- We have tested our bushfire emergency response plan and have completed our site familiarisation tours with NSW Fire and Rescue.
- > Have completed installation of our secondary UPS.
- ➤ Have completed the installation of an upgrade to our fire and gas System.
- SafeWork NSW MHF Division have scheduled our annual audit for February 2020.



Local Community Investment Program FY 2019 – Round 2



| Organisation | Initiative | Money granted | Paid? | Program complete? |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------|-------|-------------------|
| Hunter Breast Cancer Foundation | Funding of 600 HBCF Comfort Care Packs. | \$6,782.00 | Y | Y |
| Nelson Bay Croquet Club | Purchase of boom sprayer for maintenance of the club's croquet courts. | \$1,255.00 | Y | Υ |
| Tanilba Bay Senior Citizens | Installation of air con unit, purchase of new photocopier/printer, purchase of table with lockable wheels for large TV, purchase of storage units. | \$3,000.00 | Υ | Υ |
| Tilligerry Arts Group | Purchase and installation of aircon in the main gallery space, roof thermal insulation, contribution towards workshop room conversion, computer upgrade and Internet provision. | \$3,000.00 | Υ | Υ |
| Tomaree Neighbourhood Centre | Early intervention swim safety program, providing disadvantaged children with the opportunity to attend weekly swimming lesson. | \$6,523.25 | Υ | Υ |
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Total \$20,560.25

Local Community Investment Program FY 2020 – Round 1



Local Community Investment Program expected to be advertised during December 2019 in the following publications:

- Port Stephens Examiner
- Maitland Mercury
- Newcastle Herald
- Facebook paid advertising for three LGAs.

General Business

Next meeting and close



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