

ANGLESEA POWER STATION COMMUNITY CONSULTATION NETWORK

OCTOBER 2015 MEETING SNAPSHOT

Meeting purpose: A CCN meeting was held on 12 October to provide attendees the opportunity to discuss the completion of the technical shutdown of the Anglesea power station and mine, and to update attendees on the process and timeline for the site's future decommissioning and rehabilitation.



Introduction

The meeting was independently facilitated by Jen Lilburn, who welcomed everyone to what she described as a milestone, being the first CCN meeting after the closure of the Anglesea coal mine and shutdown of the power station. 31 people attended, including representatives from Alcoa, community, local and state government.

Environment, Health & Safety

Warren Sharp (Anglesea and Point Henry Site Asset Manager) outlined that, given the level of activity at the Anglesea site in bringing about the shutdown on 31 August, it was particularly pleasing to report that there had not been any incidents, injuries, non-compliances or complaints since the last meeting.

Shutdown of Operations

All of the key milestones associated with the power station shutdown were completed and, whilst some target dates were not met for various reasons, all tasks were successfully completed by 31 August. Many of the activities associated with staff (e.g. counselling, training etc) are ongoing.

Fire Risk Mitigation

Forty-one hectares of exposed coal was covered by 31st August and going forward the coal mine will be inspected at least twice daily. A Trigger Action Response Plan (TARP) has been completed, including pre-set triggers for action in certain conditions. For example, mine inspections will increase in frequency (to two-hourly) on Code Red days. There are four main

Shutdown complete August 31, 2015

Key Activity	Target Date	
Closure Announcement	May 12, 2015	✓
Commence covering coal with overburden	May 28	✓
Commence people counselling, career transition, training, etc	May 12	✓
Complete people counselling, career transition, training, etc	July 31	✓
Complete station emergency coal stockpile removal	July 31 <small>Actual August 16</small>	✓
Establish onsite 24/7 ongoing security	August 17	✓
Complete covering coal with overburden	August 20 <small>Actual August 28</small>	✓
Cease coal mining and delivery activities	August 23 <small>Actual August 20</small>	✓
Cease generation	August 25 <small>Actual August 21</small>	✓
Complete SO2 station decommissioning and recovery	August 28	✓
Complete shutdown of auxiliary plant no longer required	August 28	✓
Complete making station safe for handover	August 31	✓
Handover to the Alcoa Asset Planning & Management group	August 31	✓

sources of water onsite and equipment has been retained for fire control. Some fittings have been replaced to ensure that they are compatible with CFA equipment.

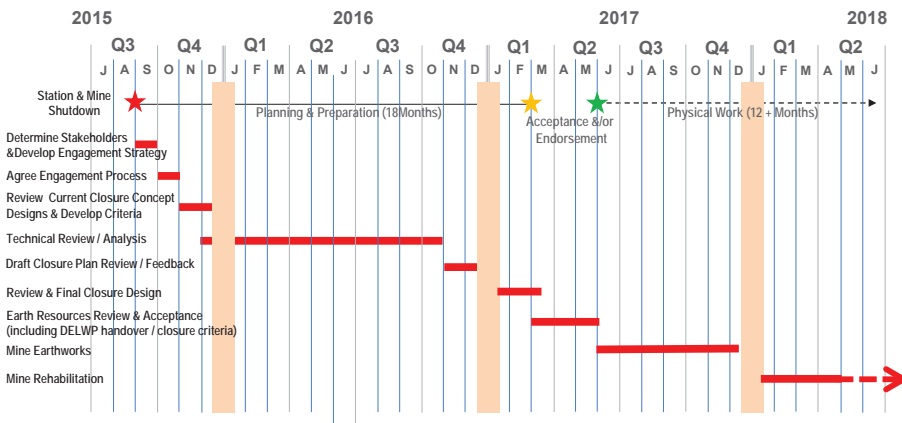
On 31 August, 2015, the Hazelwood Mine Fire Inquiry Board delivered the Governor of Victoria its findings into opportunities to minimise fire risk at the Anglesea Mine for the 2015/16 summer season. The final report issued by the Board concluded "that Alcoa has either implemented, or is in the process of implementing, a range of fire minimisation strategies that are sustainable, practical and effective." There is further information available on www.alcoa.com.au/anglesea.

Anglesea River

Warren confirmed that Alcoa's commitment to continue to discharge water to the Anglesea River is for the 2015/16 summer. EPA recently provided Alcoa with a 30A approval under the *Environment Protection Act 1970* to allow for commissioning of changes to the treatment and management system of the water discharge following the power station's closure. The link to the Media Release regarding the Section 30A document is [Media Release for Section 30A approval](#). The link to the Section 30A document is [Section 30A approval](#). The Section 30A is in force until 27 October, after which normal EPA licence conditions will recommence. DELWP has engaged the CCMA to coordinate the Anglesea River investigation work in which a number of different scenarios for the river will be tested against likely social, environmental and economic impacts.

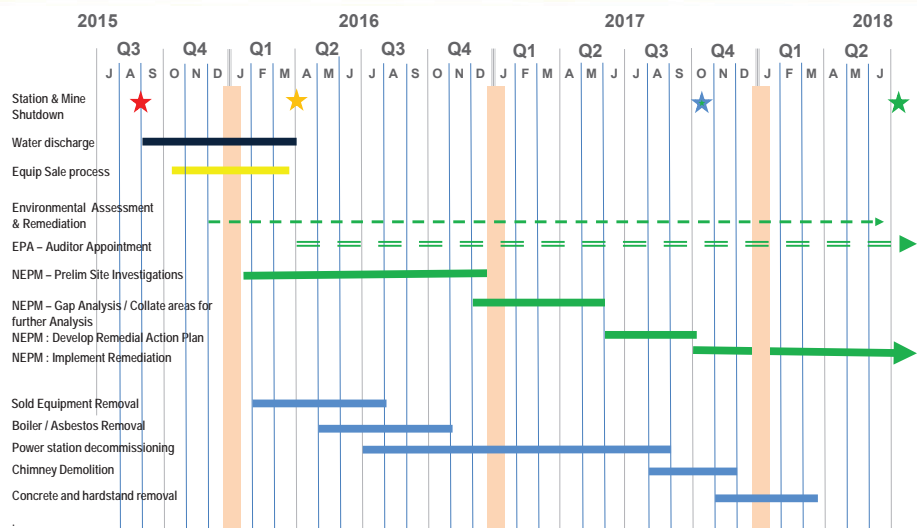
Closure, Decommissioning and Rehabilitation of the Mine and Power Station

Mine Closure Activities: DRAFT timeline



Warren ran through the draft timeline for the mine closure and rehabilitation as presented at the previous meeting. Alcoa is currently undertaking the 'Determine Stakeholders & Develop Engagement Strategy' and 'Agree Engagement Process' tasks and will present these at the next CCN meeting. Meeting attendees expressed a strong desire that the outcomes of the Department Environment Land Water and Planning (DELWP)/Surf Coast Shire (SCS) led Community Conversations be integrated with Alcoa's stakeholder engagement process.

Power Station Closure Activities: DRAFT timeline



Warren outlined the draft timeline for the power station closure. The timeline (scale) matches that of the mine closure and both closure processes will run in parallel.

Earth Resources Regulation Update – Mine

Bessie Abbott (Operations Manager, South West, Earth Resources Regulation, DEDJTR) advised that, as a result of the outcomes from the Hazelwood Mine Inquiry, DEDJTR has committed to undertaking monthly site inspections in conjunction with Worksafe Victoria. At the moment, the focus is on fire risk at the mine, particularly maintenance of the one metre capping. The next inspection, scheduled for the end of October, will involve a full geotechnical and hydrological compliance audit. These monthly inspections will be ongoing until the closure plan has been received and accepted.

Clean Up Notice – Power Station

Carolyn Francis (Team Leader - Compliance Strategy & Support, South West Region, EPA) outlined the nature of the Clean Up Notice that was to be released imminently. Three key issues at the site will be subject to clean up. These are the presence of hydrocarbons at two locations where old underground petroleum storage tanks were removed twenty years ago, boron associated with seepage from the ash ponds and general metals across the site. Part of the environmental site assessment that will be undertaken will examine whether these levels are due to natural factors and whether anything needs to be done about them and/or whether they will naturally remediate over time. The Notice will require the completion of environmental site assessments by 30 September 2017. There are three aspects that are not included in the Notice, these being the asbestos landfill, the mine rehabilitation and the discharge to the Anglesea River.

After the meeting, EPA advised that the Clean Up Notice was issued in the days immediately following the meeting. The link to the Media Release and Clean Up Notice is [Media Release for Clean Up Notice](#).

Community Conversation Series/ Anglesea Futures

Michael Noelker (Project Officer, Barwon South West, DELWP) updated the CCN as to the status of the Community Conversations. Two meetings have been held to date attracting approximately 100 attendees in total. A report has been prepared from these meetings, identifying some key themes that will be the focus of future meetings. The 'Anglesea Futures' website contains this report as well as other relevant information (see [Anglesea Futures](#)). The next Community Conversation is tentatively planned for mid-November.

Community Engagement

Several community members expressed a desire for clarity on the relationship between the Alcoa stakeholder engagement process and the Community Conversation/Anglesea Futures process, questioning the need for two processes. The multitude of community groups within Anglesea was also raised as was the challenge to provide a neater, simpler and unified community voice to feed into stakeholder engagement process. The opportunity to use the Alcoa closure as the impetus to rationalise the way the Anglesea community deals with lots of different issues was highlighted. Warren Sharp said that the intent of the Alcoa process is to bring everything together and provide the opportunity for everyone to have their say.

After the meeting, Alcoa advised that it plans to meet with DELWP and SCS and other stakeholders as appropriate to gain input into the draft engagement plan which will be presented at the next CCN meeting on 7 December.

Next meeting: Monday 7 December 2015, 6pm at the Senior Citizens Club, McMillan St, Anglesea

The purpose of this document is to give community and other stakeholders a summary of what took place at the CCN meeting on Monday 12 October. For a full account of discussions at the meeting, email angleseaps@alcoa.com.au requesting a copy of the minutes.

The CCN, established in 2001, provides advice and feedback on issues relevant to Alcoa, to assist it becoming more responsive to the needs and concerns of the community. For further information about Alcoa and any of the topics in this snapshot, visit www.alcoa.com.au/anglesea