

**MINUTES OF CALGA COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE  
COMMITTEE MEETING**



**Meeting Date:** Monday, 11 May 2015  
**Venue:** On Site – Rocla Quarry

**Apologies:** Terri Thompson (Community Representative)  
Tassin Barnard (Community Representative)

**Absent:** David O'Bryan

**Present:** Tony Tuxworth - Chairperson  
Angus Richmond (Rocla Representative)  
Paul Slough (Rocla Representative)  
Margaret Pontifex (Community Representative)  
Debbie Chancellor (Community Representative)  
Annette Wilby (Community Representative)  
Graeme Ausburn (Community Representative)  
Julie Renshaw (Minute taker)

**Item 1 – Site Inspection**

A short site tour was carried out at 5.15pm. Paul Slough provided a brief update on the status of works which are currently in progress on the site.

At conclusion of the site tour formal meeting proceedings commenced.

**Item 2 – Minutes of Previous meeting held Monday 10 November 2014**

A review of minutes revealed that no amendments were required.

**Motion:** That the minutes be accepted as a true record of the meeting of 10 November 2014.

**Moved:** Debbie Chancellor

**Seconded:** Margaret Pontifex

**Motion carried.**

**Matters arising**

- Debbie asked about links for the 2014 AEMR. Julie advised that she sent an email containing this link. Graeme and Margaret would like a hard copy of the 2014 AEMR. Paul Slough will provide a copy when available.

- With regard to Cabbage Tree Creek claims of silt in the creek downstream of the quarry, Angus asked if Margaret would be able to take Rocla representatives to the location. After a brief discussion it was agreed that Angus would speak to Barton Lawler of Glenworth Valley Outdoor Adventures about any silt issues and specific direction to the location.
- The matter regarding the white powdery substance on vegetation in the Popran National Park was raised and it was suggested that it be investigated by taking a sample and having it tested. It was agreed that this process should be carried out after a dry weather spell. It was also suggested that it would be beneficial to speak to a horticulturist for further advice. Annette asked Margaret whether she thought it had got worse since Rocla commenced operations and Margaret said yes.

### **Item 3 Non Compliances**

Paul – No non compliances. 2014 AEMR should be out in the next couple of weeks.

### **Item 4 Current Operation of Quarry**

#### **Compliance issues**

- Conducted attended and unattended noise monitoring
- No Complaints since last meeting
- Department of Planning requested Independent Consent Compliance Audit
- Umwelt prepared Compliance Audit report and should be on the Rocla website
- 2014 AEMR was held up due to Land & Environment Court

#### **Current Operation**

- Currently extracting in both Stage 3 - Cells 3 & 4
- Stripping of the remaining overburden on Cell 4
- Ongoing development of main entry road to the new admin and washplant area
- Stage 2 of the new weighbridge and Admin area is near completion, estimated change over date is 21st May 2015
- Rocla engaging a mining engineer to provide a mine plan which will provide more detail than is shown on the staging plan and extraction sequence plan.

#### **Rehabilitation**

- Weed spraying has been ongoing around the quarry's perimeter by James Dutton
- Seed banking of natives has commenced. There has been 1000m<sup>2</sup> of native planting.
- Monitoring of southern boundary spray mulch growth to determine planting requirements
- Consultants were engaged to conduct Annual Rehabilitation report, Noxious Weed report, Endangered Species report & Feral Animal report during November 2014. The Consultants have prepared reports and will be included in the 2014 AEMR.
- An application has been submitted to council for approval for the onsite effluent system which should be approved soon.

## **Management Plans**

- No changes to the current Environmental Management Plans pending the southern extension approval.

Margaret questioned whether the preparation of the outline of monitoring reports had occurred as requested in previous meeting. Paul advised that this has been completed and a copy will be dropped off with 2014 AEMR.

## **Item 5 2014 Annual Environmental Management Report**

Monitoring normally done every month. Tony asked if any issues had arose since last meeting. Testing of all discharge points by Rocla indicated that the major storm event in April caused an exceedance in the total suspended solids in the stormwater that was discharged from the site. Carbon Based Environmental Pty Ltd tested the same points on 1 May 2015 and results were back to normal compliance standard.

No noise complaints received since last meeting.

## **Item 6 General Business**

Umwelt report on the compliance with the conditions of the consent should be completed shortly. Graeme and Margaret would like a hard copy when it is available. Paul Slough to provide a hard copy to Margaret and Graeme.

### ***Court Case***

- The appeal to Rocla's southern extension DA was completed in March 2015. The outcome isn't expected until the end of the year.
- Aboriginal Heritage was the main issue.
- Rocla is now waiting for the Commissioner to make a decision which is likely to take at least 6 months.
- Angus to advise outcome should it happen before next meeting.

### ***Other General Business***

- Margaret suggested that the depth of siltation near Barton's (Glenworth Valley Outdoor Adventures) end of the creek be checked. This should be checked again a year later to ascertain the extent of the siltation issue. Paul will discuss with the owner of the adjoining property.
- Angus expressed his gratitude to everyone who came along to the meeting and stated that he appreciated community feedback and urged the community to approach Rocla should they require Rocla to support any community events in the future.

Closed 6.25pm

Next meeting Monday 2 November 2015 5.15pm