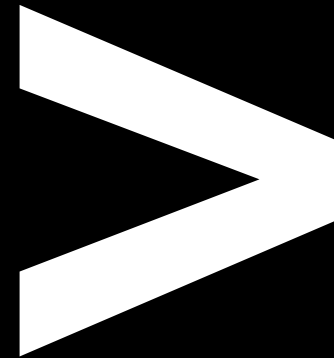




CCC Meeting

10 May 2023



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Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

- We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land where we meet today and pay respect to Elders, past, present and future.

Agenda

1. Welcome: Housekeeping, Emergency Procedures
2. Apologies
3. Declaration of pecuniary interests/conflicts of interest
4. Correspondence
5. Confirmation of the previous meeting's minutes
6. Matters arising from previous meeting
7. Company reports – Update on Hunter Valley Operations
8. Approvals
9. Heritage
10. Community Representative Feedback
11. General business
12. Next meeting

Apologies

- Janelle Wenham
- Dr Neville Hodgkinson
- Michael Wellard
- Di Gee
- Todd Mills

Correspondence

Date	From	Content
8/3/2023	DW	Draft CCC minutes for 8 February 2023 meeting
16/3/2023	JM	HVO Continuation Project update
19/4/2023	DW	HVO Newsletter and community grants
20/4/2023	DW	Vacation Programme
1/5/2023	DW	HVO Agenda, Business Papers and Minutes for meeting on 8 February 2023
1/5/2023	DW	Coolatai Grass awareness workshop information

Confirmation of previous minutes

- Minutes from previous meeting (8 February 2023) have been circulated for comment and are awaiting finalisation, requiring confirmation at this meeting (10 May 2023).
- The draft minutes are available on our public website. The minutes can be accessed on-line via: [Documents – Hunter Valley Operations \(hvo.com.au\)](https://www.hvo.com.au/Documents)

Action arising from previous CCC meeting

Ongoing Actions

- **HVO to continue to provide the CCC with a monthly update on the HVO Continuation Project.**
- **HVO to provide an update on the detailed design for the North Void Tailings Storage Facility Barrier Wall. Design scheduled for September 2023.**
- **ACTION 1: Col to correspond with the DPE Water Section, advising of concerns raised at this CCC in regard to river bank erosion as a result of the July 2022 floods and ask if they have any programs in place to address this. Col to extend an invitation to DPE Water Section to attend a future HVO CCC Meeting.**
- **ACTION 2: HVO to arrange a site tour to view Historical Homesteads, such as Archerfield, Carrington and Wandewoi, in conjunction with a CCC Meeting. Proposed that the site tour be conducted prior to meeting start.**

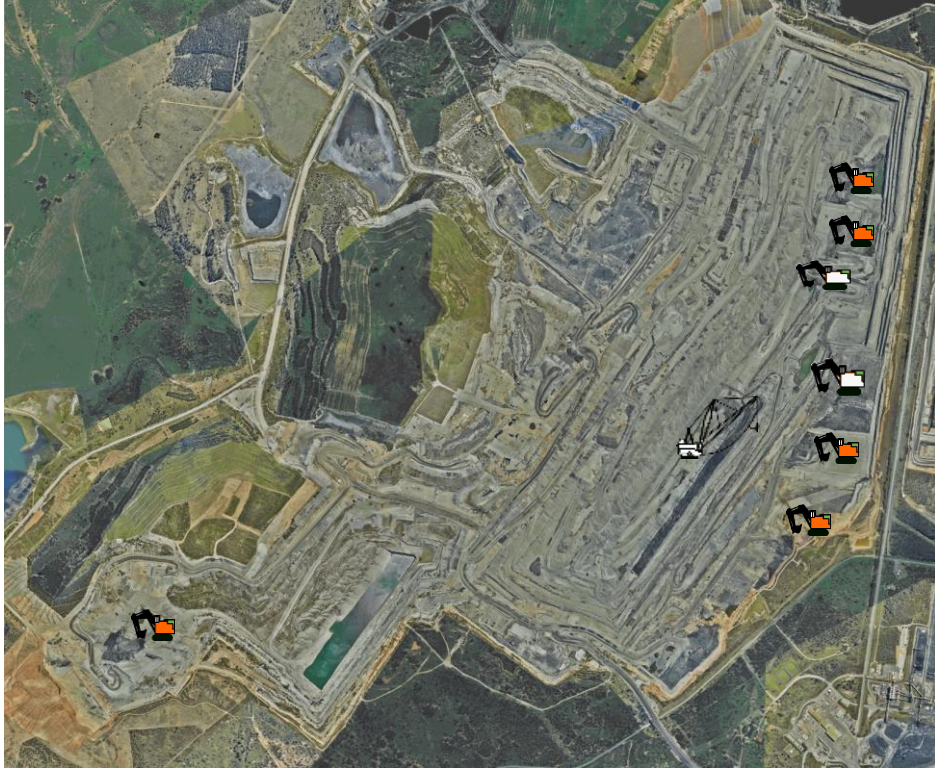
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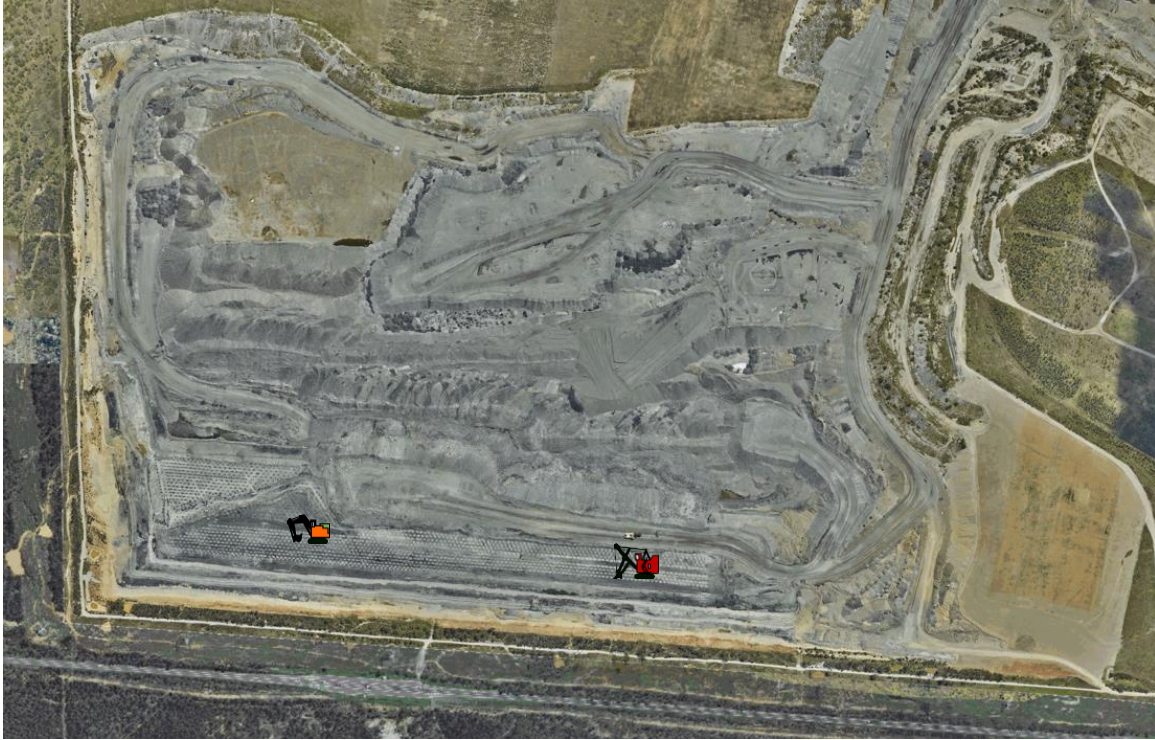
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West Pit

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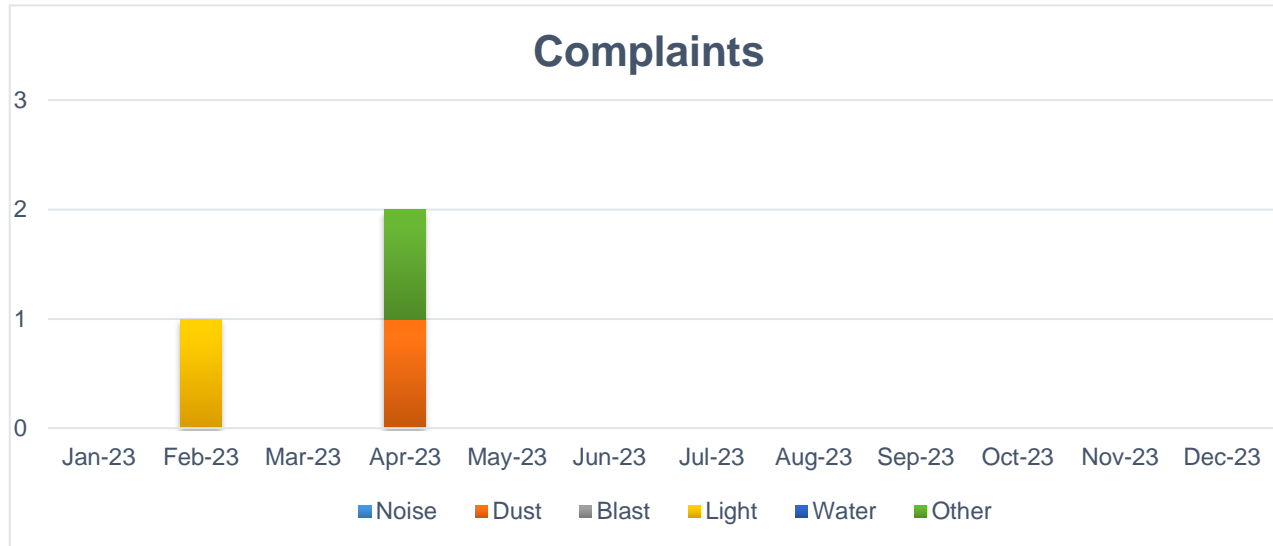








Complaints



1 February: Lighting (complaint) – Long Point

11 April: Alleged reckless driving (complaint) – Anonymous

29 April: Blast dust (complaint) – Long Point

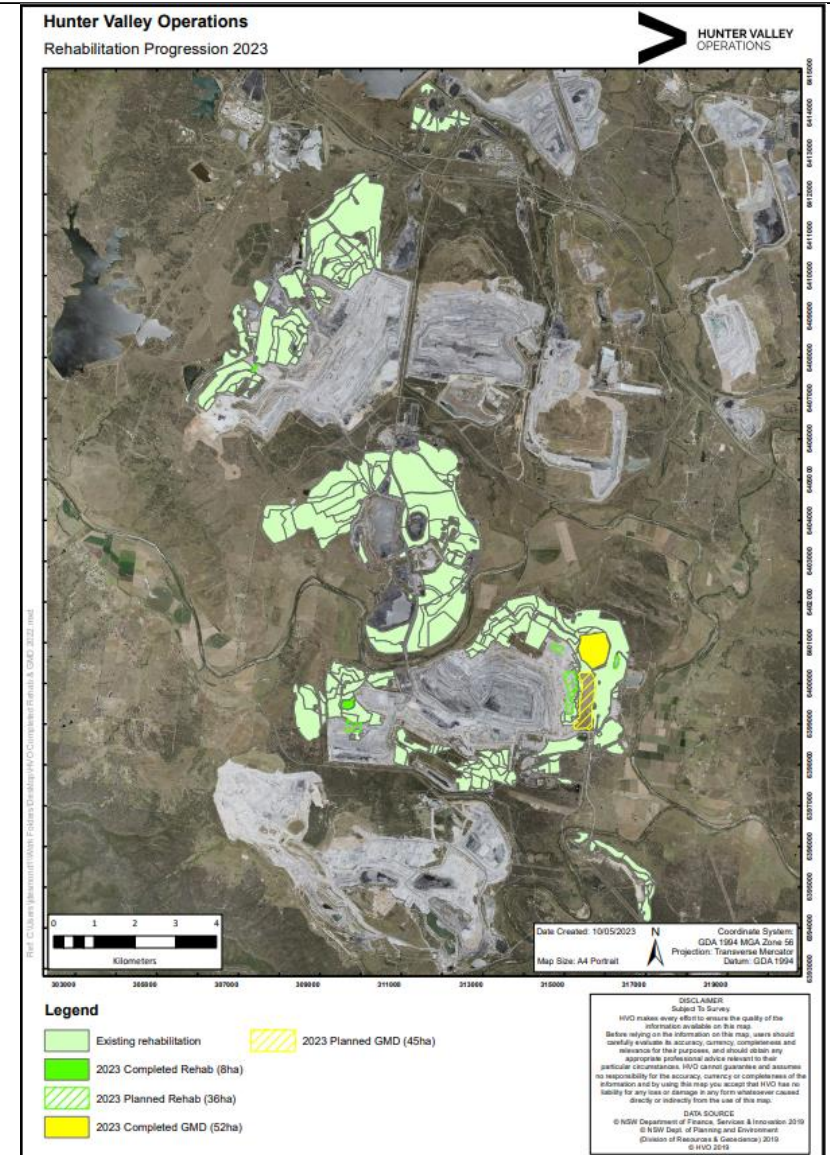
Rehabilitation

- Annual Report submitted to Govt for period July 2022 - Dec 2022. Govt approved annual reporting from 1 Jan 2023 to align to Consent reporting (annual basis).
- 8 ha seeded in 2023 (44 ha of new rehabilitation required). Cheshunt geofluff shaping has commenced.
- 52 ha second stage rehabilitation seeded since start of 2023 and 45 ha scheduled H2 2023 (97 ha required).
- Extensive maintenance works completed during Q1 2023 based on 2022 rehab monitoring data. Focus on weed management.

Riverview West – 7.03ha seeded Feb 2023



Planned Rehab Progression 2023



Feral pest management 2023

Program of activities 2023

Synchronised baiting trapping programs coordinated with other sites and the Hunter Local Land Services (LLS).

- Summer 1080 Wild Dog Control Program completed 3rd March 2023.
- Autumn 1080 Wild Dog Control Program commenced 8th May 2023
- Spring 1080 Wild Dog Control Program to commence 9th October 2023
- Autumn 'Hoggone' pig baiting program dates commenced 8th May 2023
- Spring 'Hoggone' pig baiting program to commence 4th September 2023
- HVO rural licensee pig control programs ongoing via bounty payments.

Kangaroo commercial harvests ongoing



HVO Vertebrate Pest Control Summary			
Vertebrate Pest		2023 YTD	2022
Kangaroos		30	584
feral pig (trap)		15	102
feral pig (bait)		0	37
feral pig (shoot)		0	10
fox		0	0
fox (bait)		10	22
hare		0	0
feral cat		0	0
rabbit		0	0
wild dog		0	9
wild dog (bait)		44	135
deer (other)		0	0
Overall TOTAL		99	899

Heritage

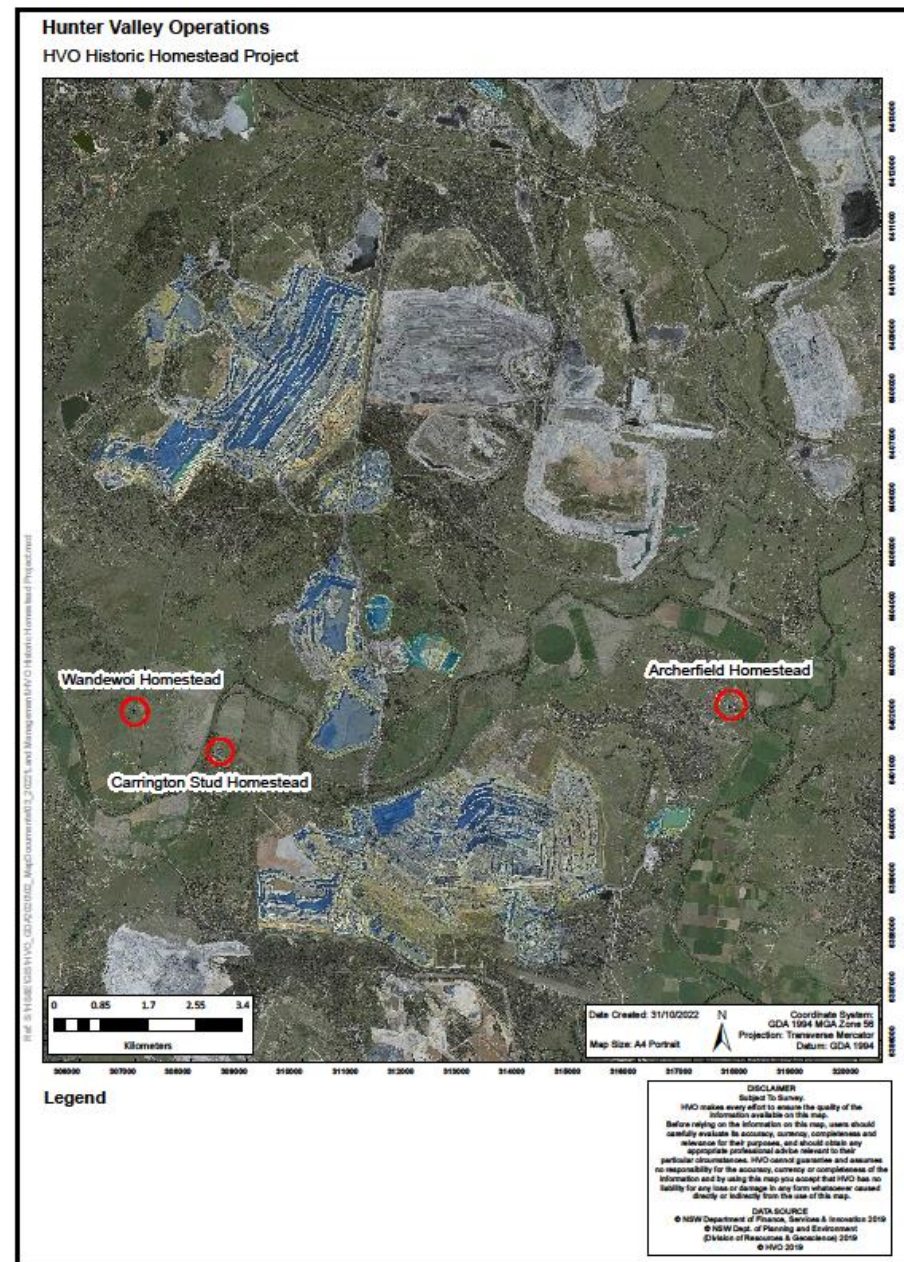
Historic Homestead Project:

- Includes Archerfield, Carrington Stud and Wandewoi Homesteads’.
- Project Manager conducted initial inspections 2nd May, detailed building inspections and assessments to follow.

Maintenance:

- Yard maintenance works and Termite Interception System inspections at LEP listed properties ongoing.

CCC Inspection Historic Homesteads 10 May 2023



Reporting, Exceedances and Inspections

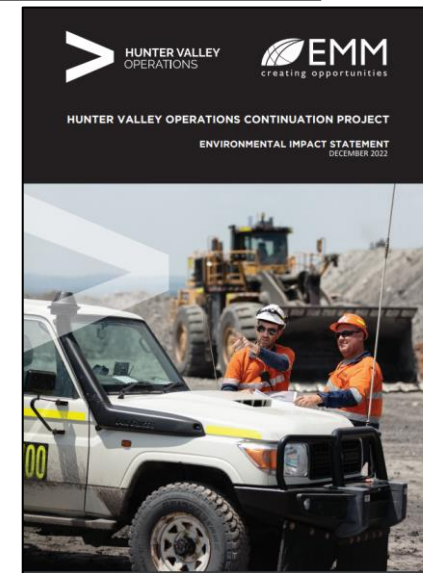
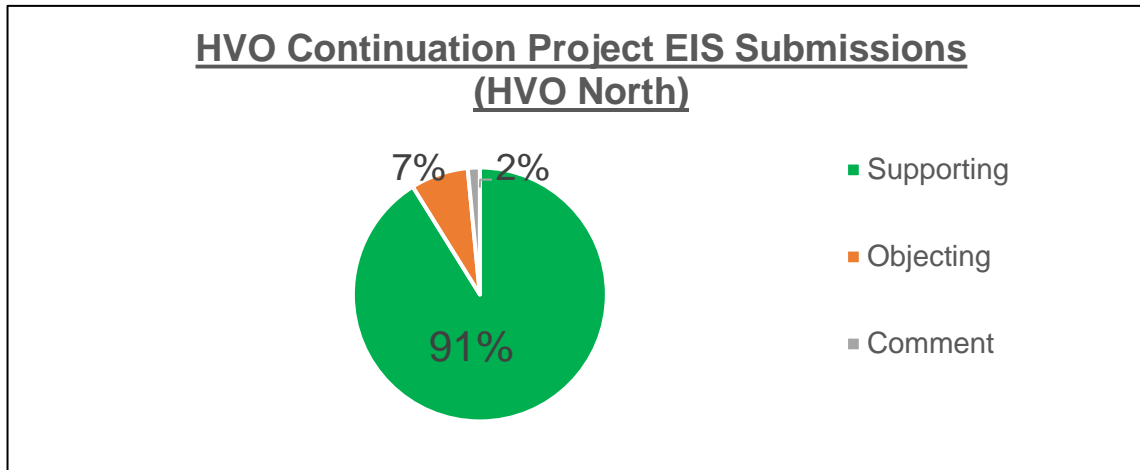
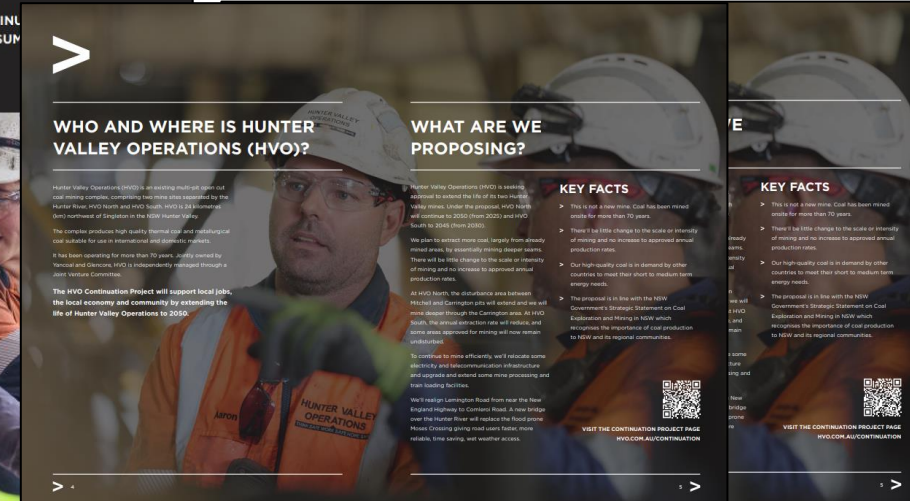
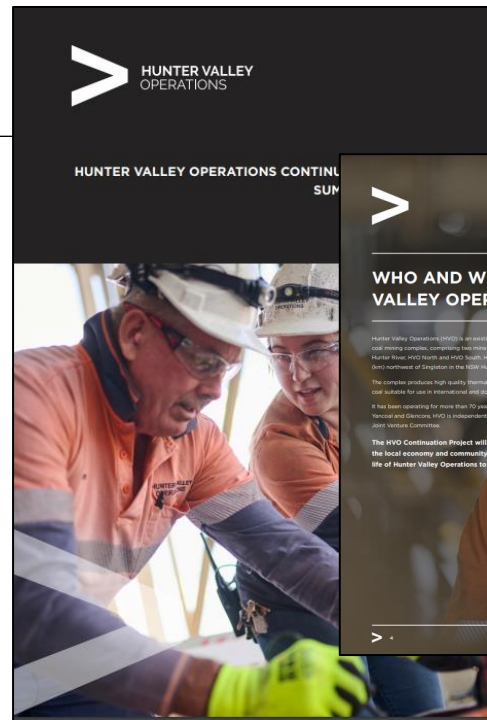
- Annual Environment Report
- Annual Analysis Report for the North Void Tailings Storage Facility
- Cheshunt East PM10 dust exceedance 6 March
 - 61.1 ug/m³ measured vs criteria of 50 ug/m³
 - Criteria is HVO and all other sources, HVO maximum contribution was calculated as 20.3 ug/m³
 - Windy day and HVO responded to dust alerts and made operational changes to reduce dust generation
 - Incident report is being prepared for DPE



HVO Continuation Project

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

- Public exhibition of the HVO Continuation Project EIS
 - 30th Jan – 27th Feb
 - High level of Project support (+90%) & relatively low level of objections (67)
- Initial review of the submissions indicates:
 - **Key supporting themes:** jobs & employment, community benefit & contribution, environmental performance, ongoing demand for coal
 - **Key objecting themes:** GHG emissions/global warming, final voids, biodiversity, noise, air quality impacts etc.



HVO Continuation Project

EIS Consultation

• Community Information Sessions (complete)

- Monday 13th Feb (4-7pm) Jerrys Plains School Of Arts Hall - 11 attendees
- Saturday 18th Feb (8-10am) 880 Maison Dieu Road, Maison Dieu - 9 attendees

• Website (HVO.com.au)

- EIS Summary Booklet
- Project Overview Video & further details on the Project

• Government Agencies

- Singleton Council
 - Pre EIS lodgement meeting – 5th Jan 2023
 - Briefing to Singleton Councillors and Staff 7th & 14th March respectively

- Commonwealth DCCEEW Meetings
- BCD & DPE Site Visit – 22nd Feb
- Ongoing interactions with DPE & PAP

• Other

- Community Newsletter prepared (Feb 2023)
- Glider Club briefing – 24th Feb
- MP Dan Repacholi Project update – 27th Feb



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Welcome from Tony Morris

General Manager Hunter Valley Operations

Just before Christmas some of the HVO team and I went to flood affected Central West NSW to distribute gifts, tully carts and toy trichereches with local Salvation Army officers. Our staff made the toys as well as wildlife nesting boxes as a team building exercise at our last training day. Local kids in need also received toys and the nesting boxes will be used to spruce up the Hunter.

Hearing of the impacts of the flooding on farmers and the community was devastating. The resilience of local people and sense of community was heart-warming and inspiring. Teamwork and partnerships are vital. Making the toys was a practical way of reinforcing HVO's values - team spirit, dig in and care.

Speaking of partnerships, we have launched our charity mining trucks - part of the expansion of our community partnership programs. The trucks are part of our \$5 year \$500 million capital equipment investment. Modern equipment increases efficiency and reduces our impacts in relation to noise and fuel use. That's good news for the operation, our people, the broader community and the environment.

Our other big news is that our Development Applications on our proposal to continue mining until 2050 have been submitted to the NSW Government. The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is on public exhibition until February 27. Details on how to have your say are in this newsletter and on our website. The investment in equipment and our Continuation Project reflects HVO's long term commitment to the region, jobs, and local communities.

Last year was challenging for everyone. I want to thank our great team and their families, our suppliers and the local community for their ongoing support.

I would like to welcome Dave Foster, who will be taking the reins as HVO's new General Manager. I am moving to another exciting role at another mine. I have really enjoyed my time at HVO especially the involvement, support and direct interaction with our broader community. Thank you and goodbye.

Warm regards
Tony Morris

Have your say on our proposal to continue mining to 2050

The EIS on our proposal to continue mining until 2050 is on public exhibition until February 27.

We've carefully developed the proposal using many technical, environmental and social studies and ongoing feedback from stakeholders and the community. The NSW and Federal governments will use feedback from the community as part of their assessments.

Read more about the proposal and how to have your say on page 3.

New trucks start work for HVO & charities

Five new partnership mining trucks have started work for the mine and for local charities.

The trays of the trucks have been painted in the colours of Westpac Rescue Helicopter Services, Hunter Prostate Cancer Alliance, Type 1 Foundation, Singleton Family Support and Hunter Breast Cancer Foundation. The charities will get an agreed donation for every load the trucks haul plus other fundraising support throughout the year.

We chose the charities because they make a positive difference to the health and welfare of HVO employees, their families and the local community.

We want to build meaningful partnerships that includes creating community awareness about the organisations and sharing information about their services with our workforce.

Read More - See The Pictures

Supporting people, jobs & local businesses

Supporting Paul to be a future leader

One of our Step Up supervisors Paul Bazath was featured in the latest edition of @theCoalArea Magazine. The former Police and Fire and Rescue Officer has been mining for 32 years.

He sees his job is about helping the people he works with to achieve their goals. We're supporting Paul to study to be an Open Cut Examiner - a future leader in our industry.

New videos feature local businesses

We've produced new videos showcasing three of the more than 700 suppliers that HVO supports to create additional indirect jobs in our community.

Programmed provides supplementary labour to HVO and has placed more than 1200 trainees with us. One trainee is 44 year old Richard who says the traineeship is the best thing he's ever done. General Manager Joel Critto, says with HVO's help the business has grown dramatically and is a result of more staff in Singleton.

ProMine Contracting has grown from three to 57 employees. Three quarters of its staff work and live in Singleton and Muswellbrook and the rest come from Newcastle and Lake Macquarie. Watch the videos at hvo.com.au/videos

Protecting the environment

2022 rehabilitation

Despite the big wet we continue to make good progress in our ongoing rehabilitation. Land no longer needed for mining is progressively seeded and managed to achieve the final land use of grazing or as woodland for local flora and fauna.

Last year we shaped and seeded 65 ha of land. We also temporarily seeded 320 ha of overburden to reduce dust prior to rehabilitation.

Watch our new video on HVO's ongoing approach to rehabilitation at hvo.com.au/videos

Watch our new video

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HVO Continuation Project

Next Steps

NSW Approval

- Response to Submissions (RTS) currently being prepared
 - RTS submission – ~Aug 2023
- Continued stakeholder engagement including with Singleton Council regarding the establishment of a VPA & Lemington Road closure application
- NSW assessment period
- IPC Determination ~Q1 2024
- Post approvals and execution planning
- Commencement of construction ~Q2 2024

Federal Approval

- Finalise Federal EPBC referrals – June 2023
- Separate Federal EIS/PER to be prepared – Dec 2023
- EPBC Act approval post NSW determination



HVO received nine applications as part of Round One of the 2023 Community Grant programme, currently being assessed:

- Muswellbrook Netball Association - Netball uniforms
- Novaskill - Mental Health First Aid Training for the Singleton Local Community
- Aberdeen Preschool INC - Social Area
- Kurri Kurri Minor Rugby League - Upgrade of safety and training equipment
- Singleton Heights Pre-School Inc - Improving Physical Development Outcomes for Children
- Singleton Neighbourhood Centre Inc - Food Program
- Singleton Mountain Bike Club Inc - Mountain Bike Race timing equipment
- Witmore - Community and Housing Recycling Crew

Round Two of the programme is scheduled to open in September with an application link to be provided closer to the time.

Sponsorships:

- Muswellbrook Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc- The Great Cattle Dog Muster
- Rotary Club of Singleton on Hunter Incorporated - The Singleton Art Prize
- Gold Sponsor for Singleton Business Awards
- Staff at a Hunter Valley coal mine have raised \$10,000 to help the Mark Hughes Foundation (MHF) to continue its fight against brain cancer



Fundraising and Community Support:

- Staff at a Hunter Valley coal mine have raised \$10,000 to help the Mark Hughes Foundation (MHF) to continue its fight against brain cancer
- HVO Apprentices planted ~420 trees at the Liddell Recreation area, supporting Landcare



Community Representative Feedback

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- Brian Atfield
- Jeannie Hayes
- Cr Sue George



HVO – contact details

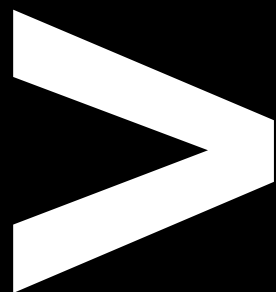
HVO Complaints and Blasting Hotline:

- **1800 888 733 (free call)**
- To make an environmental complaint
- Find out road closure times for blasting
- Attended 24 hours a day / seven days a week
- **SMS Blasting Notification System**
 - Send an SMS to 0447 448 982 with word subscribe included in text

Websites

- HVO - information about the operation: <https://hvo.com.au>

Next meeting?



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