

CCC Meeting

7 May 2025





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
 - 1. Operations
 - 2. Environment and Community
 - 3. Heritage
 - 4. Approvals
- 8. Community representative feedback
- 9. General business
- 10. Next meeting



Apologies

Michael Wellard

Janelle Wenham

• Di Gee

Dave Foster



Correspondence

HVO CCC Correspondence Tracker

Date	From	Content		
8/02/2025	Sarah P	Email - Template annual CCC reports to NM		
12/03/2025	Sarah P	Email - Draft minutes (5 February meeting) received by NM for HVO comment		
12/02/2025	NM	Email - Information to CCC members advising 2025 HVO CCC meeting dates and Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue key issues and priorities		
14/03/2025	NM	Email - Draft, February minutes sent to CCC members for comment		
2/04/2025	(.(-,	Email - 2023 and 2024 annual CCC reports submitted to Department of Planning		
30/04/2025	IXII\/I	Email - Invitation to CCC members, including agenda and business papers, for meeting on 7 May 2025		
2/05/2025	INII\/I	Email - Notification to CCC members of Autumn vertebrate pest management (wild dog and fox baiting) programme		



Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Minutes from previous meeting (5 February 2024) have been:

- Circulated for comment for a period of four weeks
- No changes were suggested by members
- Await confirmation / finalisation at this meeting (7 May 2025)

Previous CCC meeting minutes are available on the HVO website.
 The minutes can be accessed online via: <u>Documents – Hunter Valley Operations (hvo.com.au)</u>



Action Arising from Previous CCC Meeting

 HVO to continue to provide the CCC with updates on the HVO Continuation Project

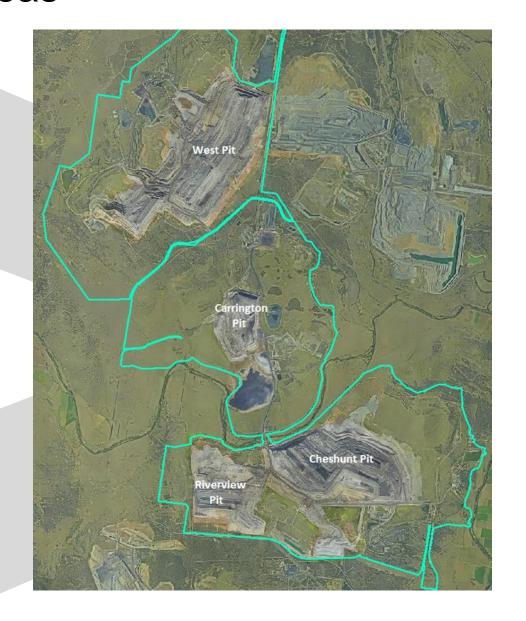
 HVO to provide continued updates on the detailed design for the North Void Tailings Storage Facility Barrier Wall

New CCC member appointed!





HVO Mine Areas





West Pit







Cheshunt







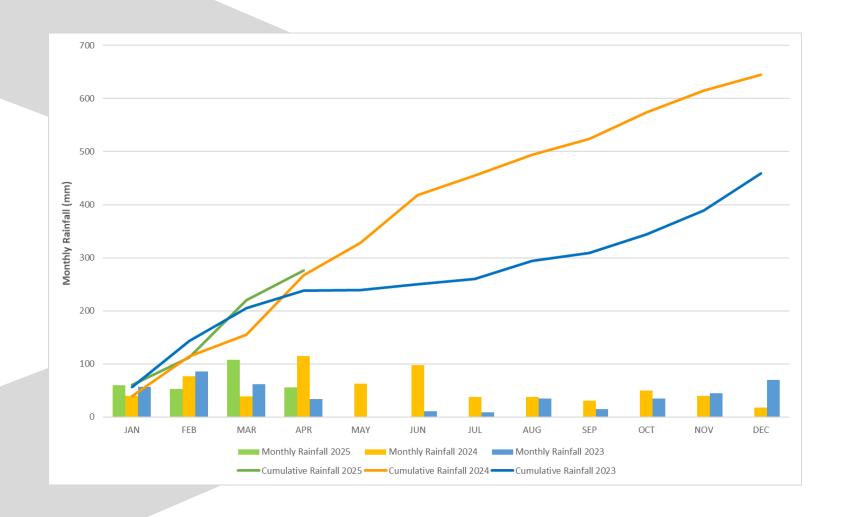
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Rainfall

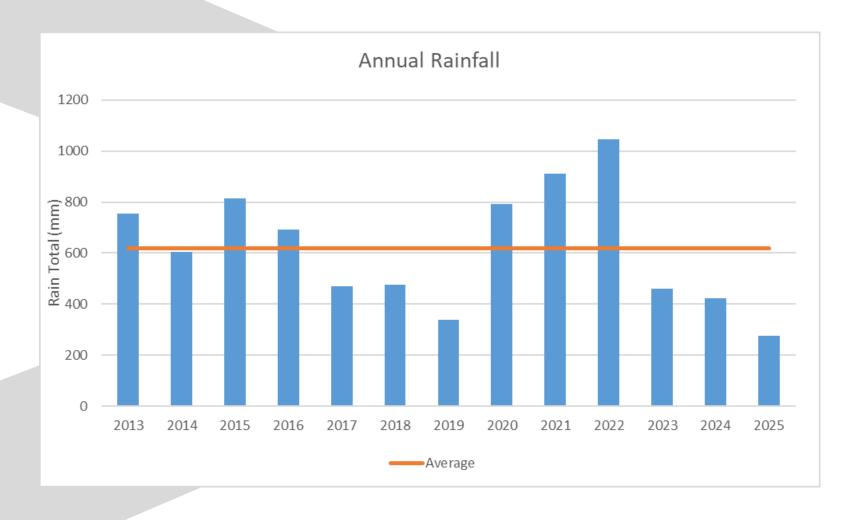
Comparative Rainfall: 2023 to 2025





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Rainfall

Monthly Rainfall: 2025

Month	Monthly Total Rainfall (mm)			
WOILII	Cheshunt	HVO Corporate		
Jan-25	87.6	60.0		
Feb-25	50.2	52.4		
Mar-25	107.0	108.0		
Apr-25	54.6	54.8		
May-25				
Jun-25				
Jul-25				
Aug-25				
Sep-25				
Oct-25				
Nov-25				
Dec-25				
Total	299.4	275.2		

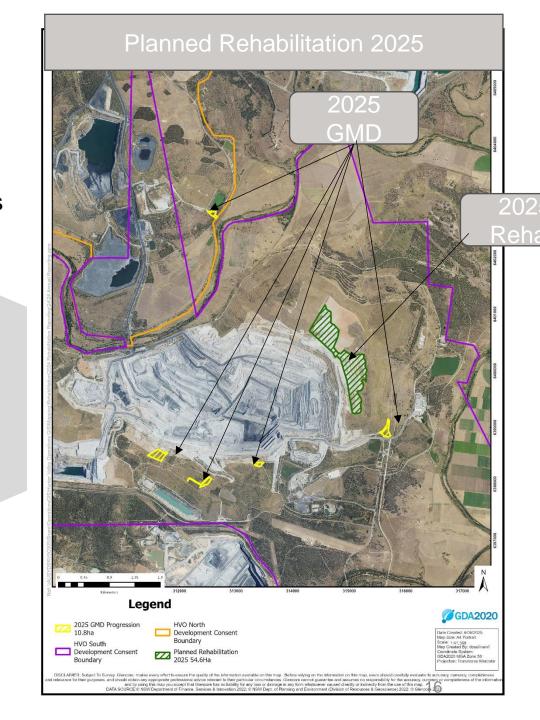


Rehabilitation

- HVO has a 2025 Rehabilitation Target of 54.6ha of new rehabilitation and 10.8ha of GMD
- All rehabilitation have now been released, and shaping has commenced with 21ha being completed
- All GMD have had an initial weed spray completed with a follow up spray and seeding to be completed in Spring



Shaping and Rock Drain Installation at 2025 Cheshunt Rehabilitation



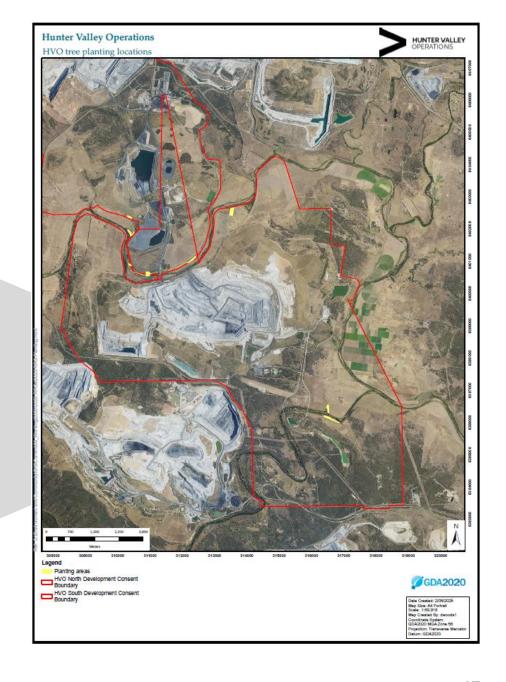


Biodiversity Offsets

Activity focus:

Tree planting – Central Hunter Valley Eucalypt Forest and Woodland and River Red Gum

Monitoring for the Glencore Biodiversity Report Card commenced with the intention to provide a consistent monitoring programme and performance assessment across biodiversity offset areas for all Glencore-managed sites





Operational Weed Management

Activity focus:

- Continued target spraying of african olive and lantana at the Hook Biodiversity Offset Area (BOA). Recent monitoring indicates 2024 management was very effective in controlling large olives
- Reducing weed coverage and pig habitat within riparian areas (Hunter River and Wollombi Brook). Target weeds including castor oil, balloon vine, green cestrum, galenia and inkweed
- Continued target spraying of pricky pear at the Mitchelhill BOA
- Reduce weed proliferation within and adjacent to priority areas



Large African Olive – Hook BOA



Control of Castor Oil
Plant - Hunter River



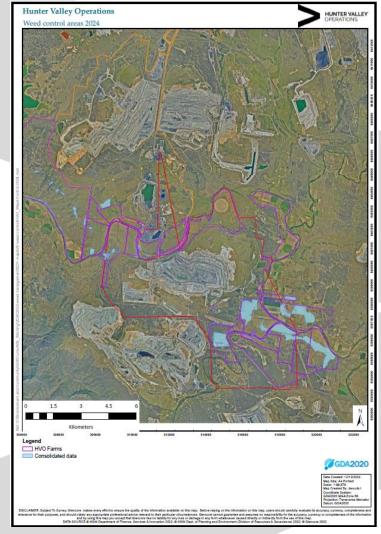
Pricky Pear – Mitchelhill BOA



Lantana – Hook BOA



Operational Weed Management



Hunter Valley Operations Legend

HVO Farm

Weed control 2025

2025 to date

2024



Feral Pest Management

Current Programmes

- Autumn 1080 wild dog and fox: 12 May to 13 June
- HVO rural licensee feral pest control program ongoing via bounty payments: 67 claimed to date
- Kangaroos cull to be carried out under license throughout the year

Proposed program of 2025 activities

Synchronised baiting and trapping programs coordinated with other mine sites and Hunter LLS:

- Autumn 1080 wild dog and fox (now)
- Autumn 'Hoggone' pig baiting
- Spring 1080 wild dog and fox
- Spring 'Hoggone' pig baiting
- Summer 1080 wild dog and fox



Trapped pigs

HVO Verterbrate Pest Control Summary						
Pest	2025 YTD	2024	2023			
Kangaroo	0	593	460			
Pig (trap)	12	24	31			
Pig (bait)	0	67	45			
Pig (shoot)	53	35	43			
Fox	0	0	0			
Fox (bait)	0	176	56			
Hare	0	0	0			
Cat	0	0	0			
Rabbit	0	0	0			
Dog	2	0	0			
Dog (bait)	0	96	120			
Deer	0	0	0			
TOTAL	67	991	755			



Heritage

Aboriginal Cultural Heritage:

- Mitchell Pit South AHIP #5350 surface salvage works complete
- Annual ACHMP compliance inspection





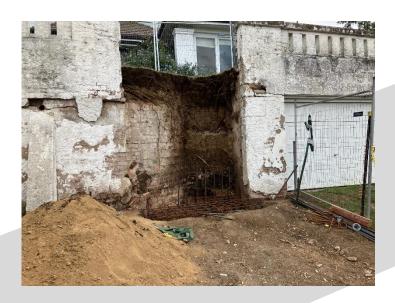
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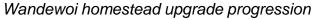
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Historic Homestead Project:

- Wandewoi homestead parapet repair works progressing well
- Due for completion during May
- Archerfield next on agenda













Reporting, Exceedances and Inspections



25 March – Post Blast Fume Event

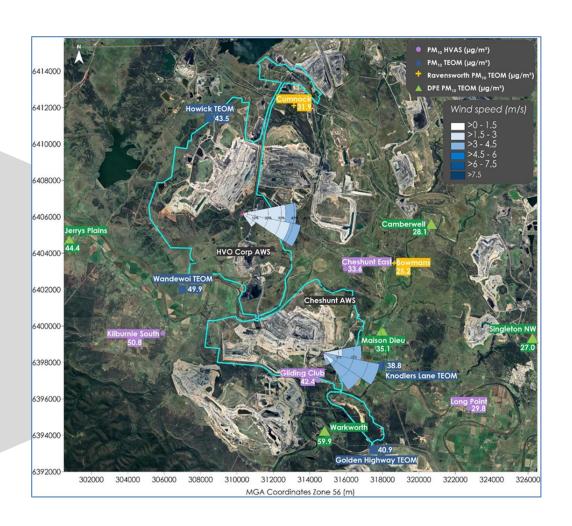
- Blast fume ranked as Level 3B in accordance with the AEISG rating scale
- Fume moved in a westerly direction and fully dissipated over HVO land
- Water contamination from higher than forecast rainfall impacted explosive integrity
- Vacuum truck was used prior to blast to extract bulk product from the hole to minimise fume
- One community complaint received as a result of the blast



Reporting, Exceedances and Inspections

1 March – Kilburnie South PM10 (24hr) exceedance:

- Kilburnie South HVAS measured 50.8ug/m³ against a criteria of 50ug/m³ (HVO North)
- HVO contribution to monitored result was 0.0ug/m³
- Reported to DPHI. Notification sent to Jerrys Plains residents

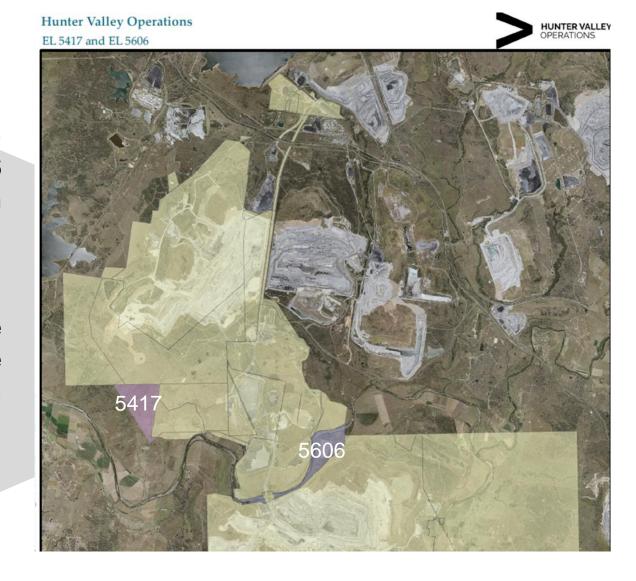




Exploration Works 2024

 Surface exploration (2 x drill holes) planned within EL 5417 and EL 5606 for 2024 will now be undertaken during 2025

 Should further exploration works be required in Exploration Licence areas, HVO will conduct consultation with impacted stakeholders







Complaints

Monthly Summary - 2025



2025 year to date:

March: Blast fume



Community contribution summary:

- Round One Community grants programme:
 - Twenty-five applications received
 - Currently under assessment
- Jerrys Plains Public School financial partnership for:
 - Digital street sign
 - Full-time learning and support officer
- Painted truck trays five charities have had their partnership agreements extended by a further two years. Donations for 2024 was \$8,000 per organisation



Maitland Steam and Antique Machinery Association had a mezzanine floor installed in their storage shed / workshop thanks to an \$11,000, 2024 grant from HVO







Singleton Clay Target club was provided some media coverage for their 'Come n try' day on April 27

Staged NSW State Championships (club first) during April





Community information sessions were run:

Jerrys Plains as part of Jerrys Plains Fair – 22 February

Maison Dieu – 12 April



GCAA Vacation Employment Programme

Applications for the GCAA Vacation Employment Program are currently open. If you know someone currently studying at university, please feel free to share this job advertisement link:

https://gcaa.wd3.myworkdayjobs.com/GCAA_Careers/job/Mount-Thorley-NSW-Australia/Summer-Vacation-Employment-Program--Environment--Community_JR104419

The programme commences on Monday 1st December 2025 and finishes on Friday 20th February 2026. It provides 12 weeks of paid on-the-job work experience during the university vacation period

Applications close: 25 May 2025





HVO Continuation Project

Refer to HVO CCC meeting minutes – 7 May 2025



Community Representative Feedback

- Cr. George
- Jeannie Hayes
- Todd Mills
- Neville Hodgkinson
- Brian Atfield
- Peter Nichols



General Business

HVO Family Day





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: 0447 448 982

Send an SMS with word "subscribe" included in text

Website: https://hvo.com.au

- HVO website includes information about the operations:
 - Management Plans
 - Approvals
 - Monitoring Data
 - Environmental Reports
 - Community Complaints



Next CCC Meeting

Next meeting/s?

Wednesday 27 August

Wednesday 5 November

9:30AM START



