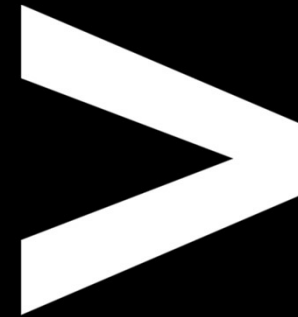




CCC Meeting

21 May 2026



HUNTER VALLEY
OPERATIONS

> 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

- Todd Mills
- Michael Wellard
- Janelle Wenham
- Neville Hodgkinson



ToR and Pecuniary Interests

HVO CCC Terms of Reference update:

- 'Tood' changed to 'Todd'
- Andrew Speechly deleted as HVO E&C manager
- Ben de Somer added as HVO E&C manager
- Peter Nichols added as community representative
- Time changed:

Meeting times will be either 9:30am or 1:30pm on a weekday, unless HVO and/or the chairperson proposes an alternative in consultation with the committee.



ToR and Pecuniary Interests

Individual Declarations of Pecuniary Interest Forms

Examples of pecuniary or other interests include:

- holding a private contract with the proponent (HVO)
- holding voluntary acquisition or mitigation rights under the proponent's (HVOs) approval or consent
- receiving sitting fees or payments for personal expenses from the proponent (HVO)
- if the member represents a stakeholder group, the stakeholder group receiving funding or a grant from the proponent (HVO)



Correspondence

HVO CCC Correspondence

Date	From	To	Content
18/02/2026	BD	Sarah P	Email: CCC meeting presentation for minutes compilation
26/02/2026	NM	CG / SP	Email: CCC meeting time change - 1:30pm for 5 August meeting
	CG / SP	NM	Email: Acceptance of CCC meeting time change
	CG	NM	Email: 2025 HVO CCC signed Annual Report
8/03/2026	NM	Sarah P	Email: Draft February meeting minutes for HVO review
6/03/2026	NM	All (email)	Invitation to community information session: 13 March at Maison Dieu Correction to February 2026 Business Paper – 2026 weather data Email from HVO CCC Chairperson with attached letters from DPHI
18/03/2026	Sarah P	NM	Email: Draft February meeting minutes for member review
19/03/2025	NM	All	Email: Draft February meeting minutes for review
31/03/2026	DO	All	Email: Link to 2025 HVO Annual Review
9/04/2026	Sarah P	NM	Email: Finalised minutes from November meeting
8/05/2026	NM	All	Email: Invitation to CCC members, including agenda and business paper for quarterly meeting on 21 May

NM = Nic McLaughlin

CG = Col Gellatly

SP = Sarah Purser

DO = Darby O'Sullivan

BD = Ben de Somer



Confirmation of Previous Minutes

- Minutes from previous meeting (18 February 2026) have been:
 - Circulated for comment for a period of four weeks
 - No changes were suggested by members
 - Await confirmation / finalisation at this meeting (21 May 2026)
- Previous CCC meeting minutes are available on the HVO website. The minutes can be accessed online via: [Documents – Hunter Valley Operations \(hvo.com.au\)](#)



> 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



OPERATIONS UPDATE





West Pit (North)





Mitchell Pit (North)





Cheshunt (South)





ENVIRONMENT

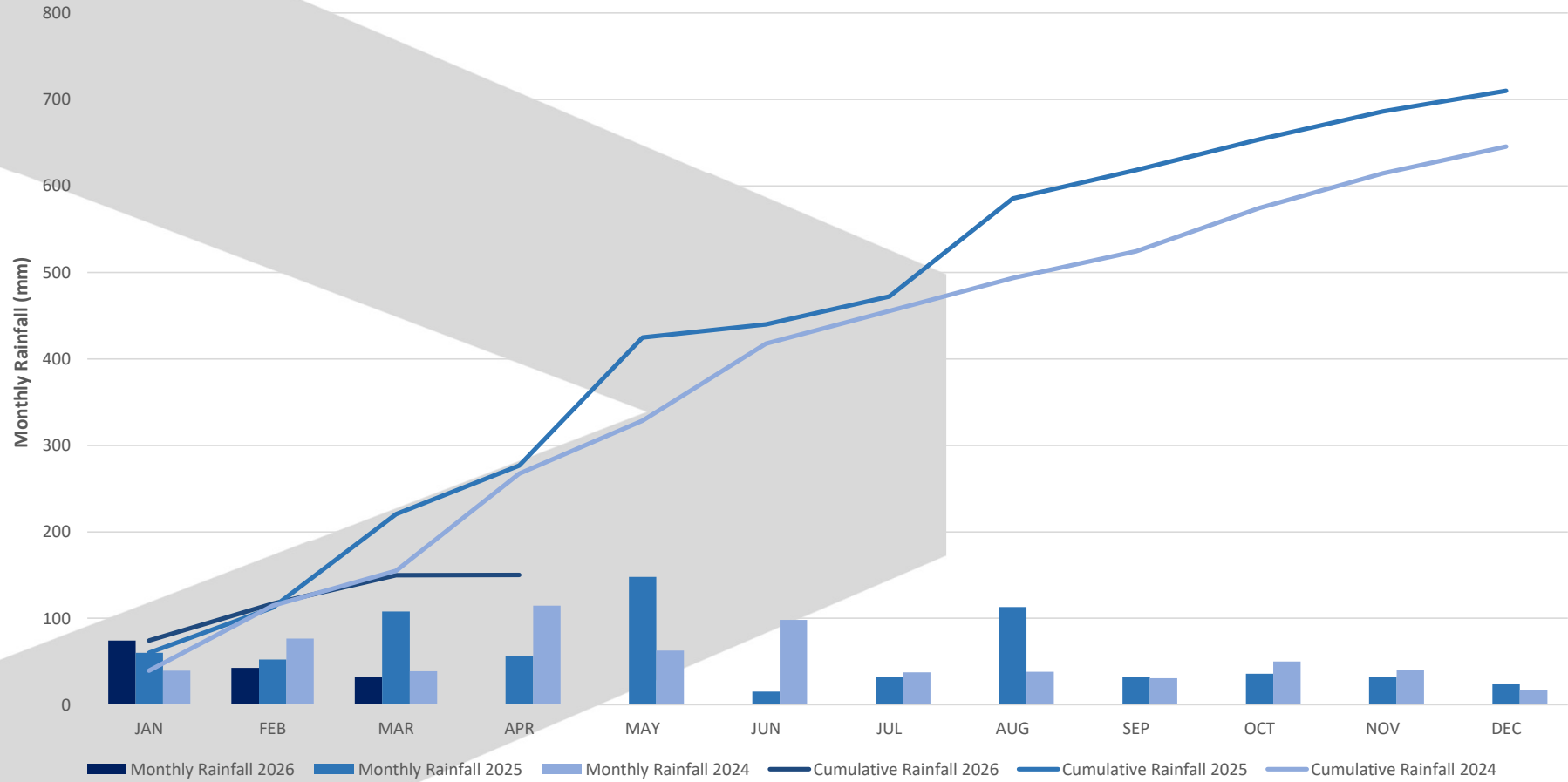
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Rainfall

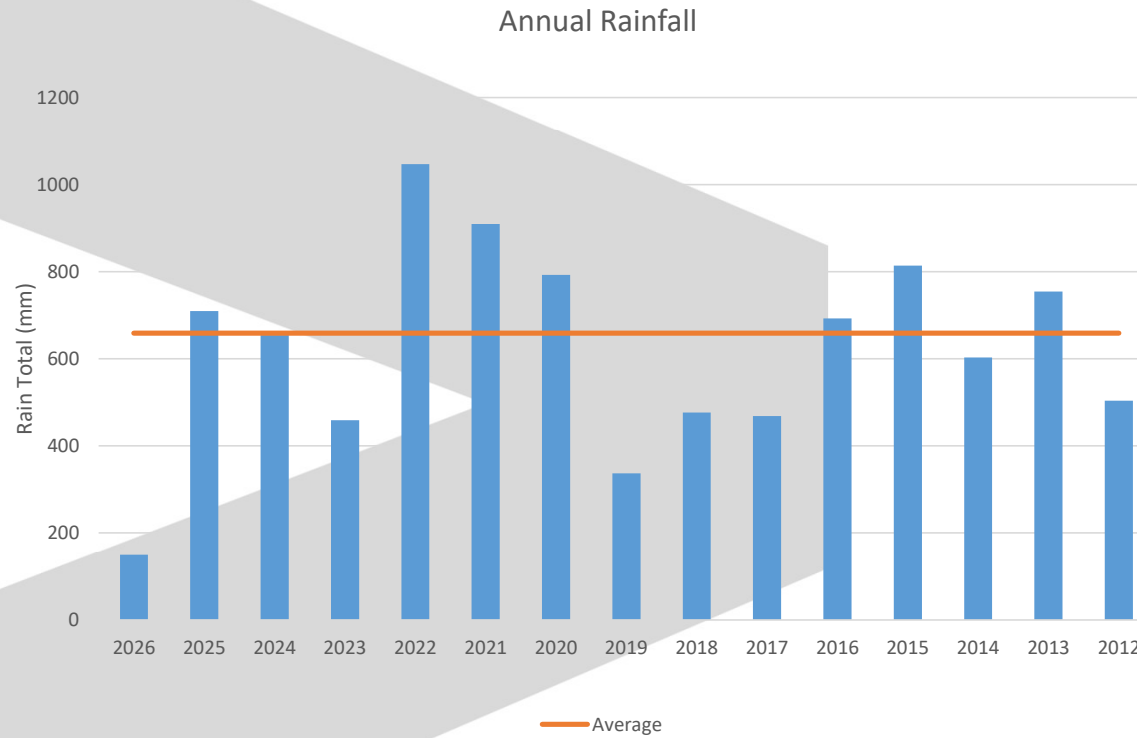
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Rainfall

Comparative Rainfall: 2013 to April 2026





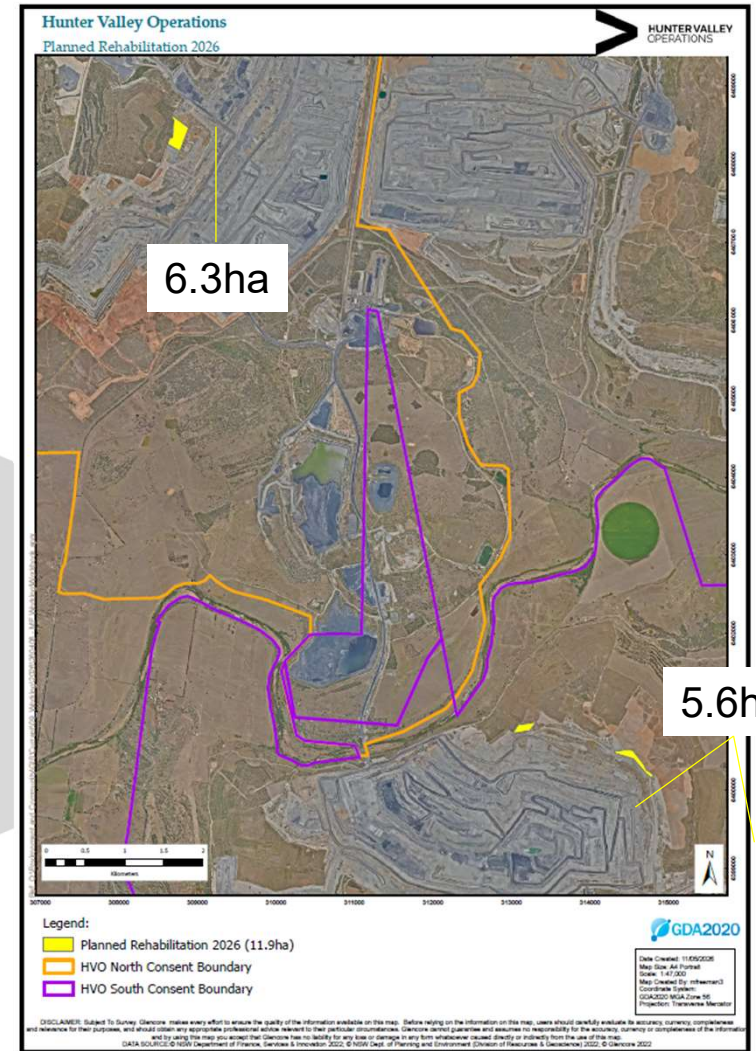
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Monthly Rainfall: 2026

Month	Monthly Total Rainfall (mm)	
	Cheshunt	HVO Corporate
Jan-25	57.6	74.2
Feb-25	29.8	42.8
Mar-25	35.2	32.8
Apr-25	1.2	0.4
May-25	-	-
Jun-25	-	-
Jul-25	-	-
Aug-25	-	-
Sep-25	-	-
Oct-25	-	-
Nov-25	-	-
Dec-25	-	-
Total	123.8	150.2

> Rehabilitation

HVO has a 2026 rehabilitation target of 11.9ha of new rehabilitation. As such will have an increased focus on maintenance tasks.



> Rehabilitation – Maintenance

- Maintenance work of Cheshunt drop structure
- Installation of nestboxes planned for June 2026
- Weed control continued targeting priority weeds
- Infill planting planned for end of May 2026
- Oversowing of ~25ha pasture rehabilitation block in Cheshunt via drone





Biodiversity

Weed Management

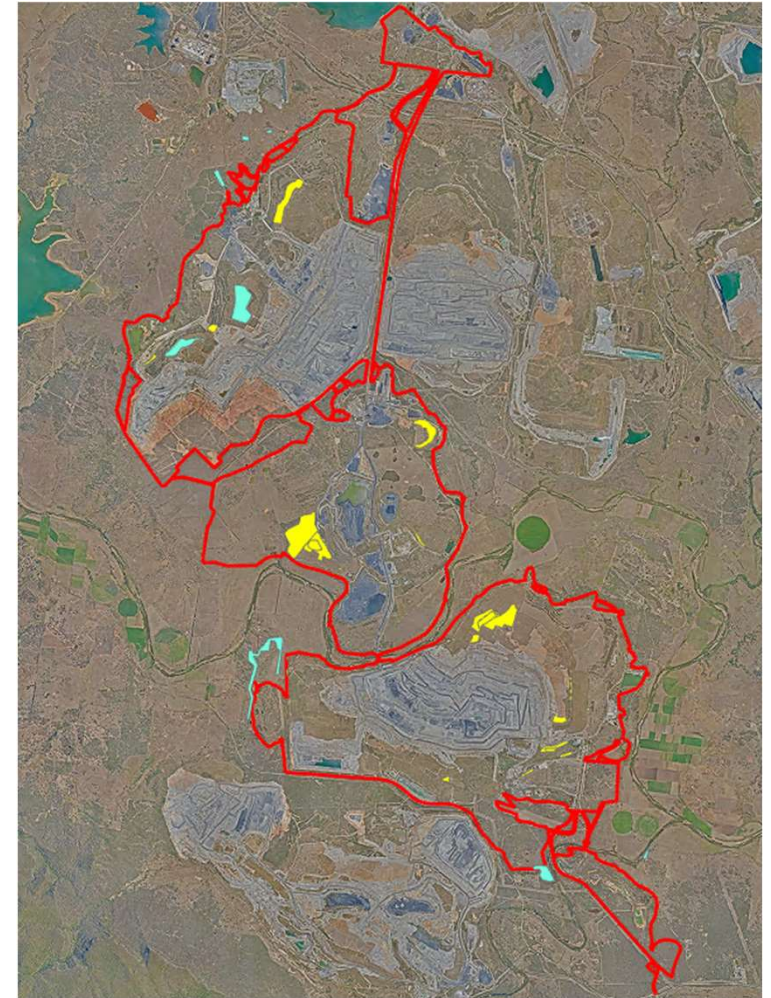
- River Red Gum (RRG) inspection complete at the beginning of May 2026.
- Remnant Veg Zone annual inspection to be complete beginning of June 2026.
- Infill planting planned for RRG areas in August.
- End of Q1 2026 ~243ha of weed control complete.
- Fencing works to be complete in July across RRG priority sites.



*Galenia control –
Remnant Veg Zone*



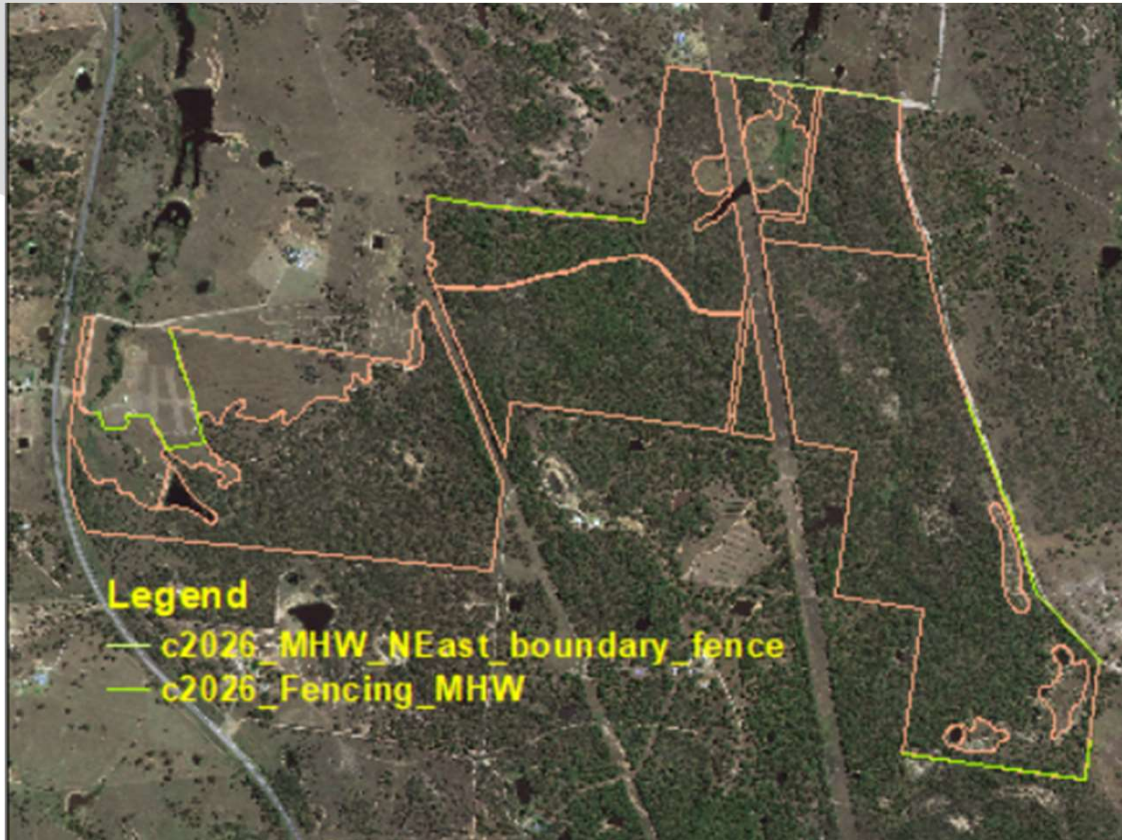
Pear control - RRG



*Weed management areas within HVO Remnant
Vegetation Zones, RRGs and Rehab Q1 2026*



Biodiversity - Offsets



Fence replacement at Mitchellhill West Biodiversity offset.

Offset management has focused on:

- Boundary and track slashing
- Weed management for planned rehabilitation areas at Wandewoi, Hook and Mitchellhill West
- Mitchellhill West – boundary fence replacement
- Crescent Head – s138 approvals for access track repair

> Vertebrate Pest Management

Current happenings:

- 1080 baiting – 11 May till 12 June
- LLS Interagency field day – Monkarai
- LLS pest managers annual meeting

Proposed 2026 activities:

- Further pig trapping based upon sightings
- 1080 wild dog and fox programme Hunter LLS and surrounding mines – October
- Commercial kangaroo harvest
- HVO rural licensee feral pest bounty program ongoing



LLS Interagency Field Day

HVO Vertebrate Pest Control Summary				
Pest	2026 YTD	2025	2024	2023
Kangaroo	0	0	593	460
Pig (trap)	5	178	24	31
Pig (bait)	0	12	67	45
Pig (shoot)	53	99	35	43
Fox	0	2	0	0
Fox (bait)	0	28	176	56
Hare	0	0	0	0
Cat	0	0	0	0
Rabbit	0	1	0	0
Dog	5	10	0	0
Dog (bait)	0	19	96	120
Deer	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	63	349	991	755



Heritage – Aboriginal

2026 update:

- South biennial compliance audit undertaken during April
- Sorting of returned 'Kuske' artefacts. 100% of approx. 7,000 artefacts sorted and accounted for
- Care Agreement – amalgamation of all historic agreements to be confirmed
- Support of 2026 Singleton NAIDOC Awards and Cessnock NAIDOC Family Day celebrations



South ACH compliance audit fieldwork

> Heritage – Aboriginal

On 5 February 2026 DPHI identified:

- signage on fence of site CM-CD1 had fallen on the ground
- 20m buffer fencing for CM-CD1 had not yet been erected
- Identified as a non-compliance within Schedule 3, Condition 41 of development consent DA 450-10-2003
- Breach recorded
- No further action required at this time

In response HVO has:

- Re-erected signage – 9 February
- Installed CM-CD1 20m buffer fence – 6 March



Replacement of signage at CM-CD1



Heritage – Historic

Wandewoi, Archerfield and Carrington homestead upgrade works:

- Multi-year project
- Baseline condition, CMP (Archerfield) and scoping 2023 / 24
- Wandewoi ‘Year 1’ works completed 2025
- Archerfield – ‘Year 1’ works nearing completion
- Carrington – ‘Year 1’ works nearing completion



Archerfield Conservation Management Plan

Archerfield Homestead

Year 1 Refurbishment works

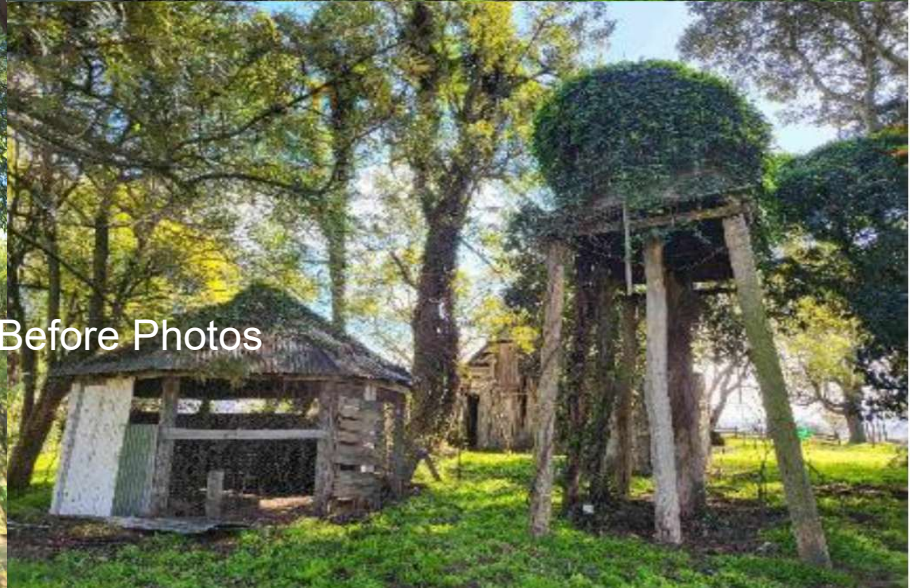


Dairy Bails Before Photo



Dairy Bails Completed photos

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Tank Stand Before Photos



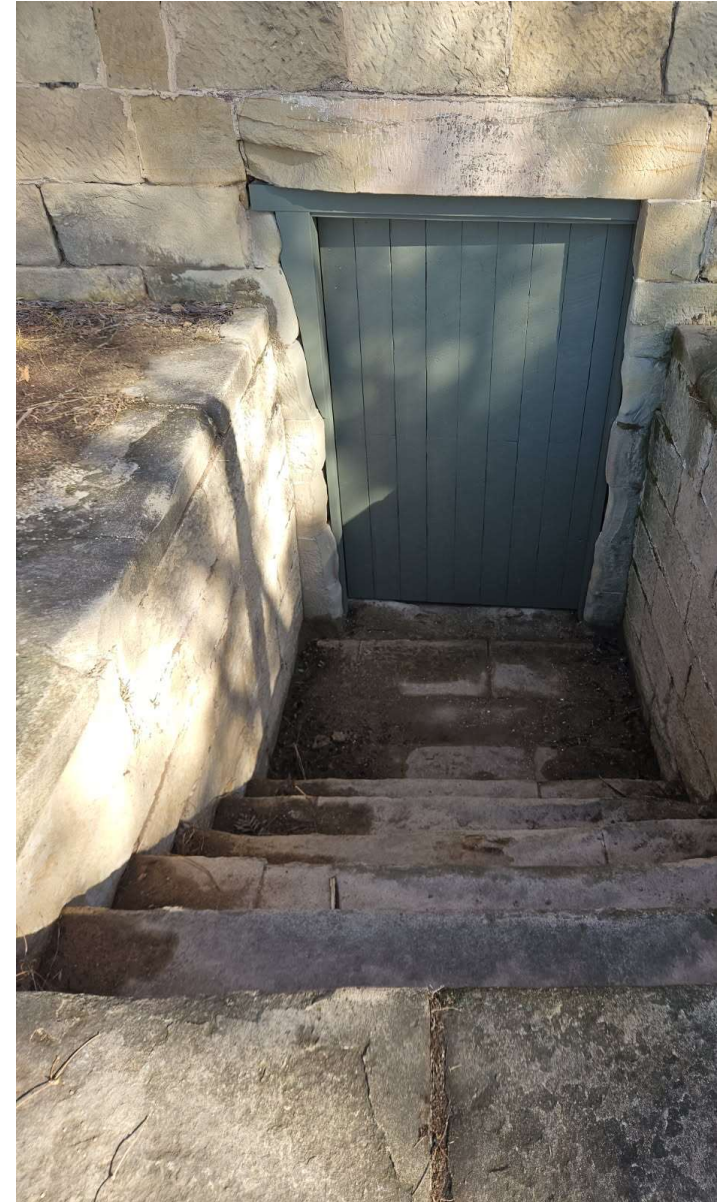
Tank Stand – Progress photo

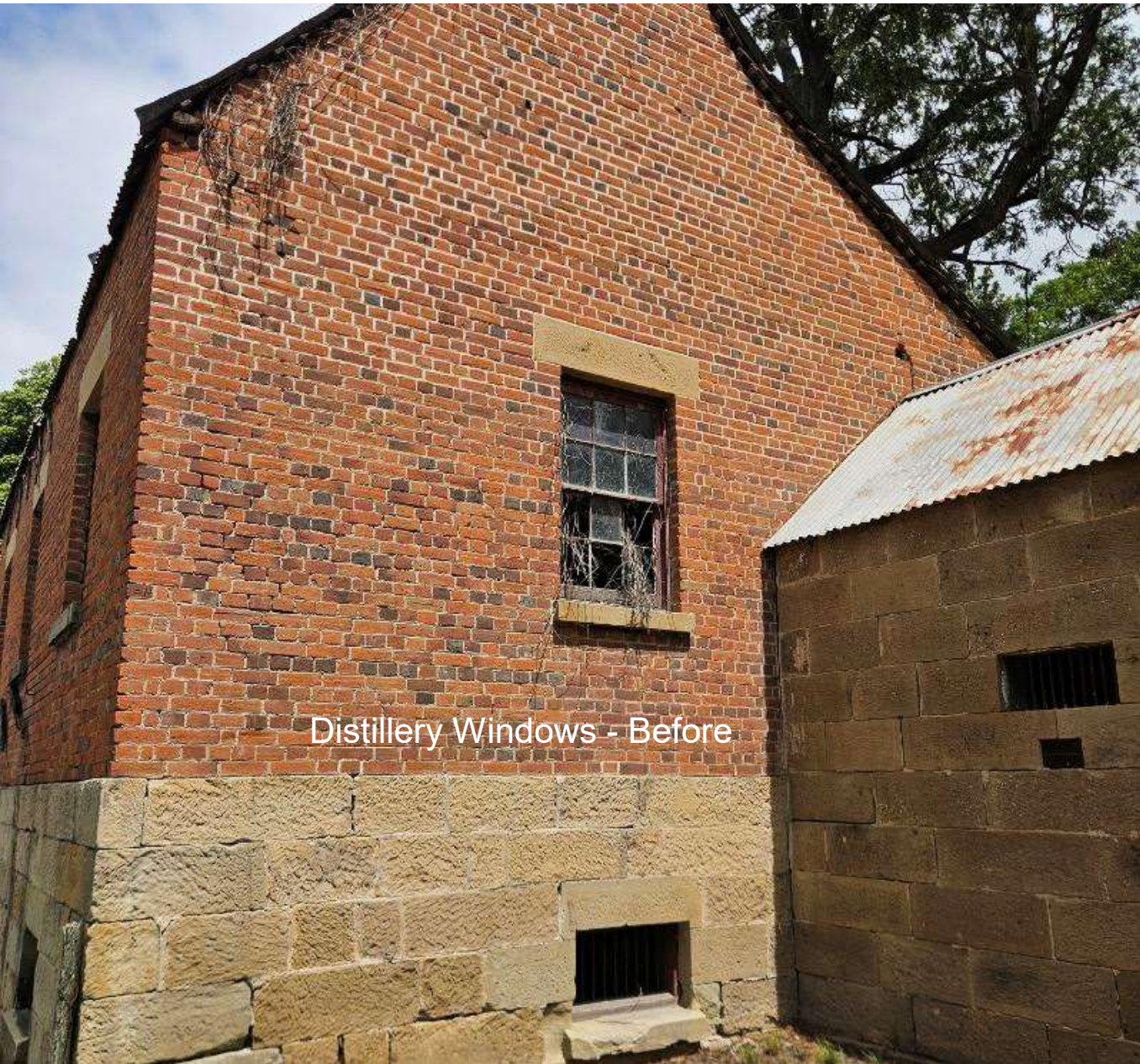


Distillery Doors Before



Distillery Doors Completed





Distillery Windows - Before





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Distillery Windows Completed



Distillery Window grills before

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Distillery Window Grills Complete

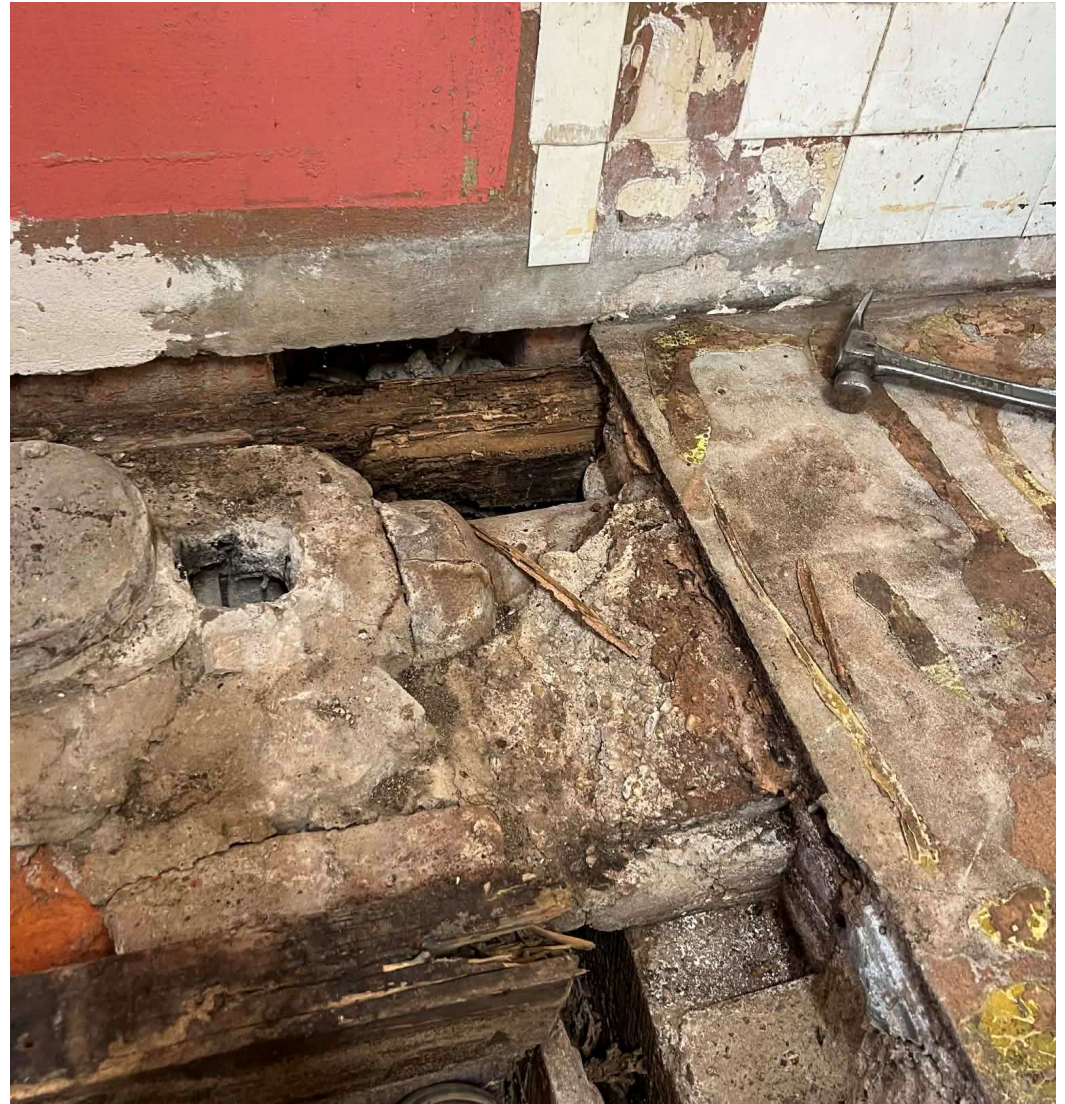


Stable Roof and Cladding Before

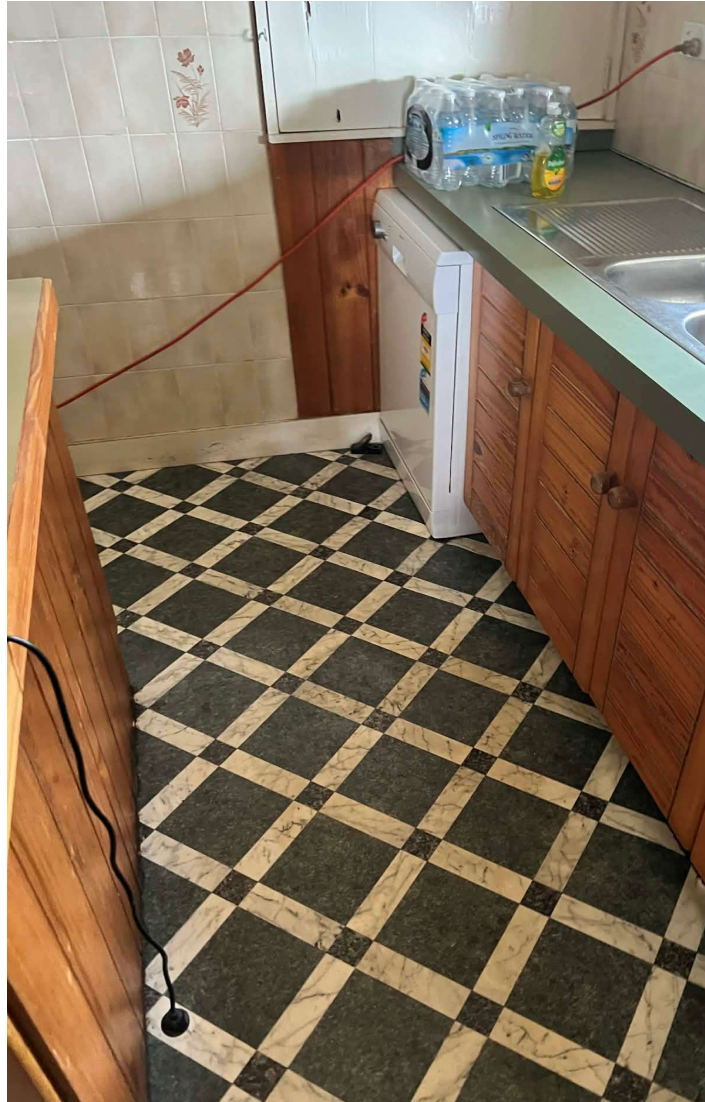




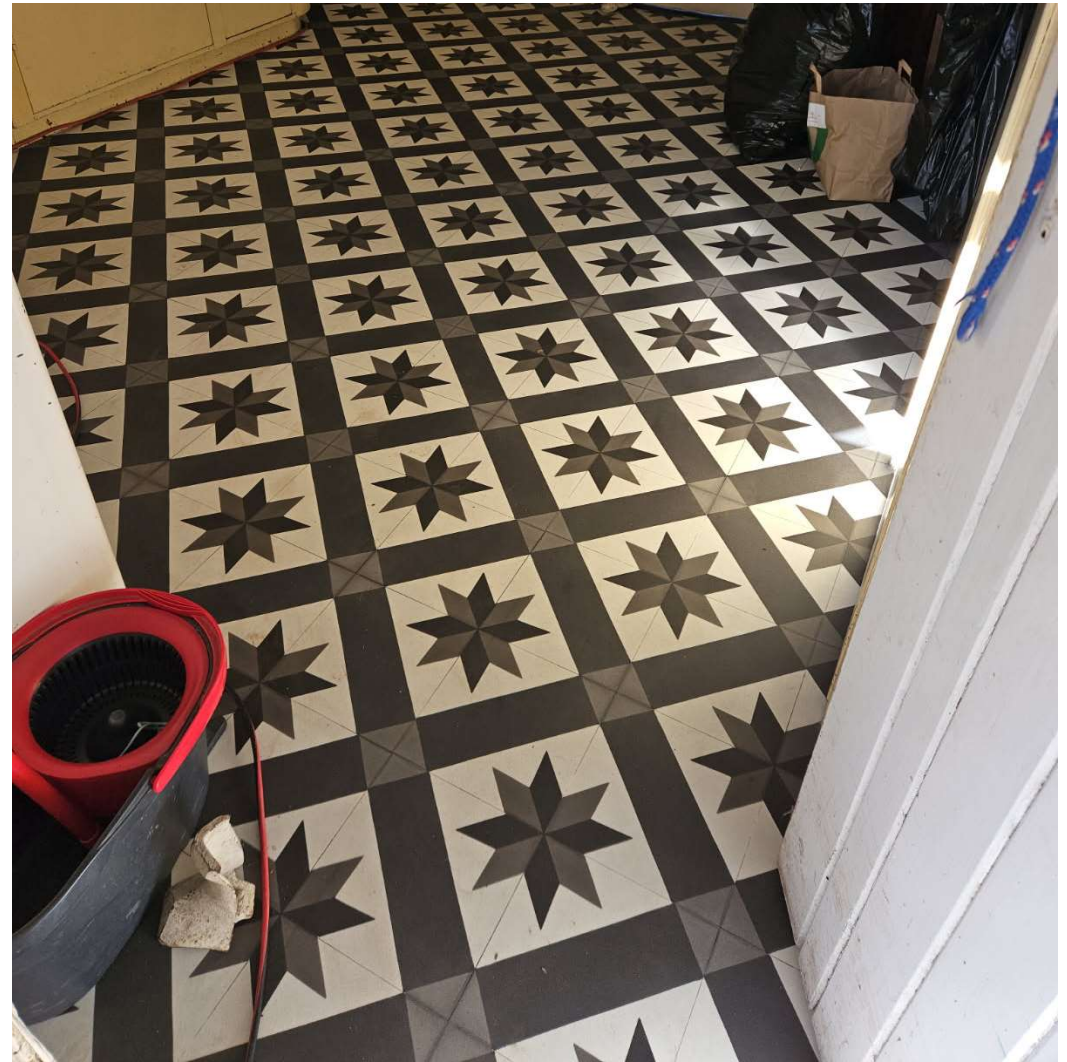
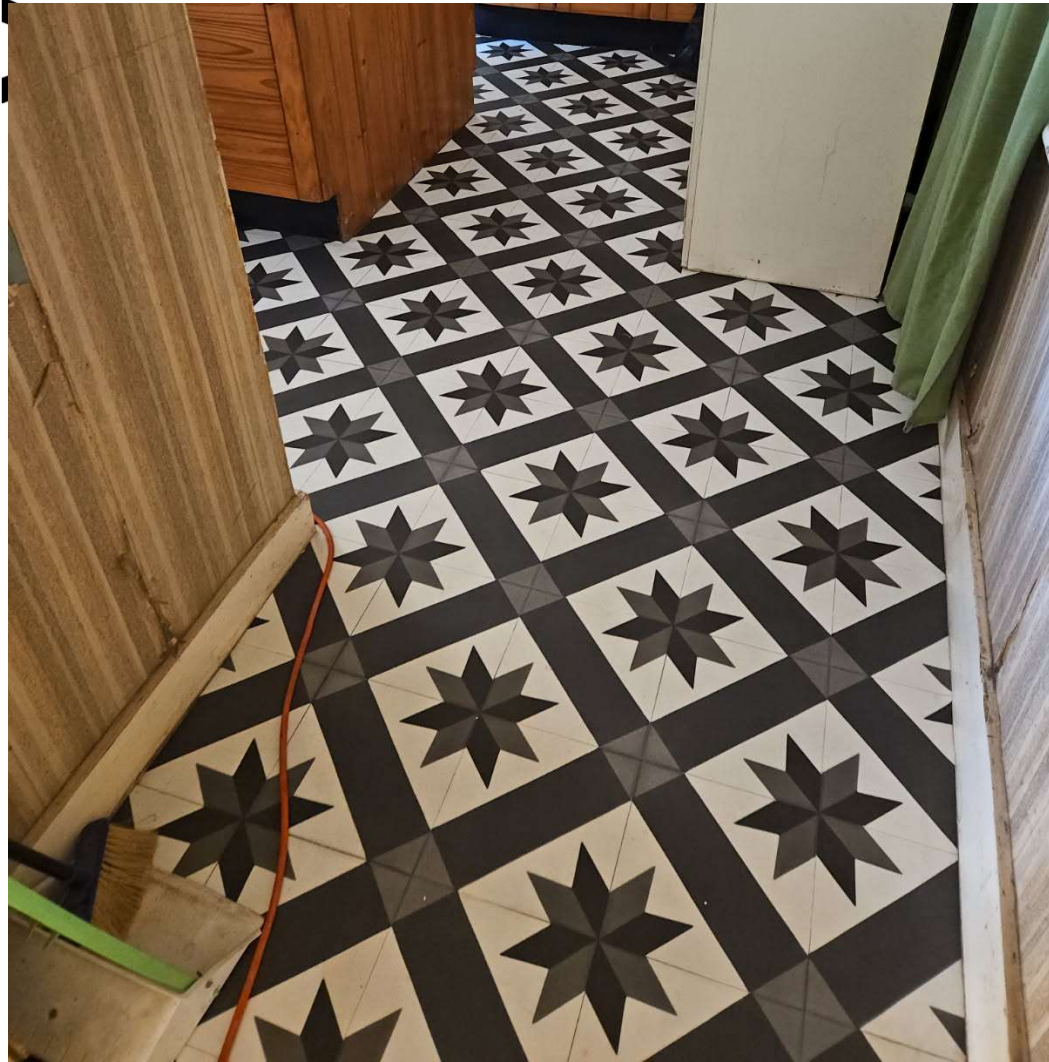
Stable Roof and Cladding Completed



Homestead, Kitchen, Laundry and Flat Flooring Before
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Homestead Kitchen, Laundry flooring and Termite damage before



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Kitchen and Laundry Floor Complete



Homestead Courtyard Guttering and Water damage Before



Homestead Courtyard water damage and repainting After

Carrington Homestead

Year 1 Refurbishment works



Carrington Balustrading and nosing board Before





Carrington Rear Decking Before





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Carrington Rear Deck Complete



Carrington Old Stable Unsecured Before



Carrington Stable, Secured After



Heritage – Historic



COPI Stable Roof – remnant vs covered

- Assessment and repair of Chain of Ponds Inn stable roof still under investigation
- Awaiting inspection report
- Works dependant upon structural integrity



Chain of Ponds Inn stable



Heritage – Historic

Significance assessments undertaken by Urbis for:

- Great Lodge
- Greenleek homestead
- Tennis Court homestead
- Orchard homestead

Stafford homestead and Chain of Ponds Inn Conservation Management Plans being updated by Urbis

COPI – Ground floor room with fireplace



Chain of Ponds Inn updated CMP

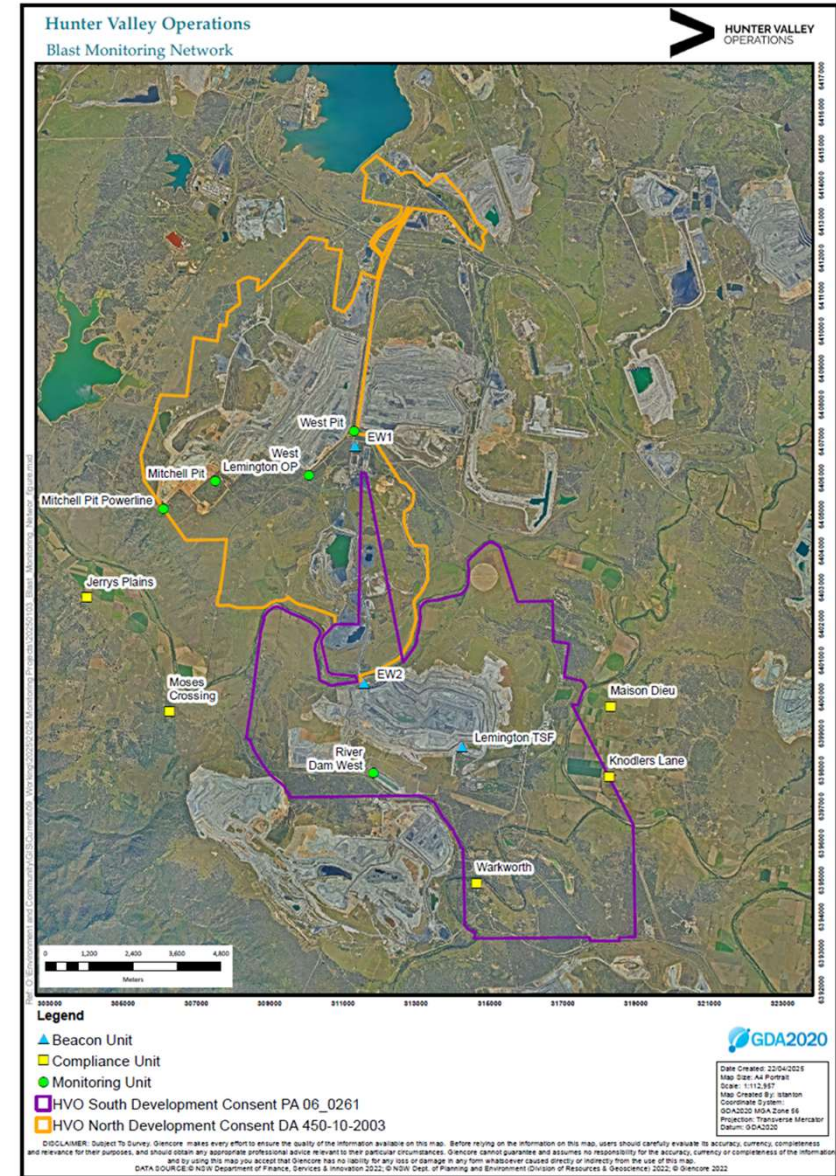


Blast Monitoring

Summary of blast monitoring results:

HVO maintains a network of blast monitoring units located at nearby privately owned residences and function as regulatory compliance monitors

- No reportable exceedances occurred during the reporting period (Q1 2026)



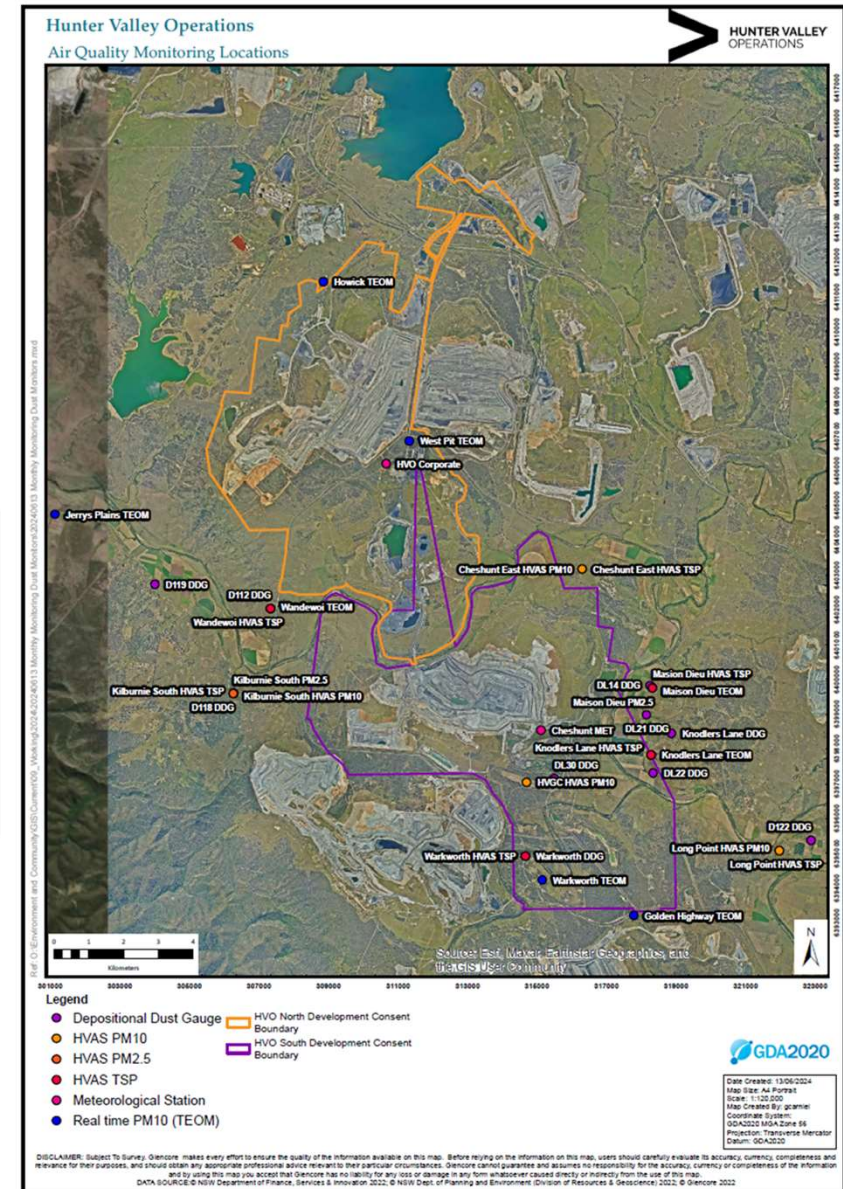


Air Quality Monitoring

Summary of air quality monitoring results:

HVO maintains an extensive network of air quality monitoring equipment within and surrounding the operation

- No reportable air quality exceedances occurred during the reporting period (Q1 2026)
- There was one (1) non-compliance reported relating to air quality data mis-capture at Long Point due to suspected power outage during the reporting period (Q1 2026)





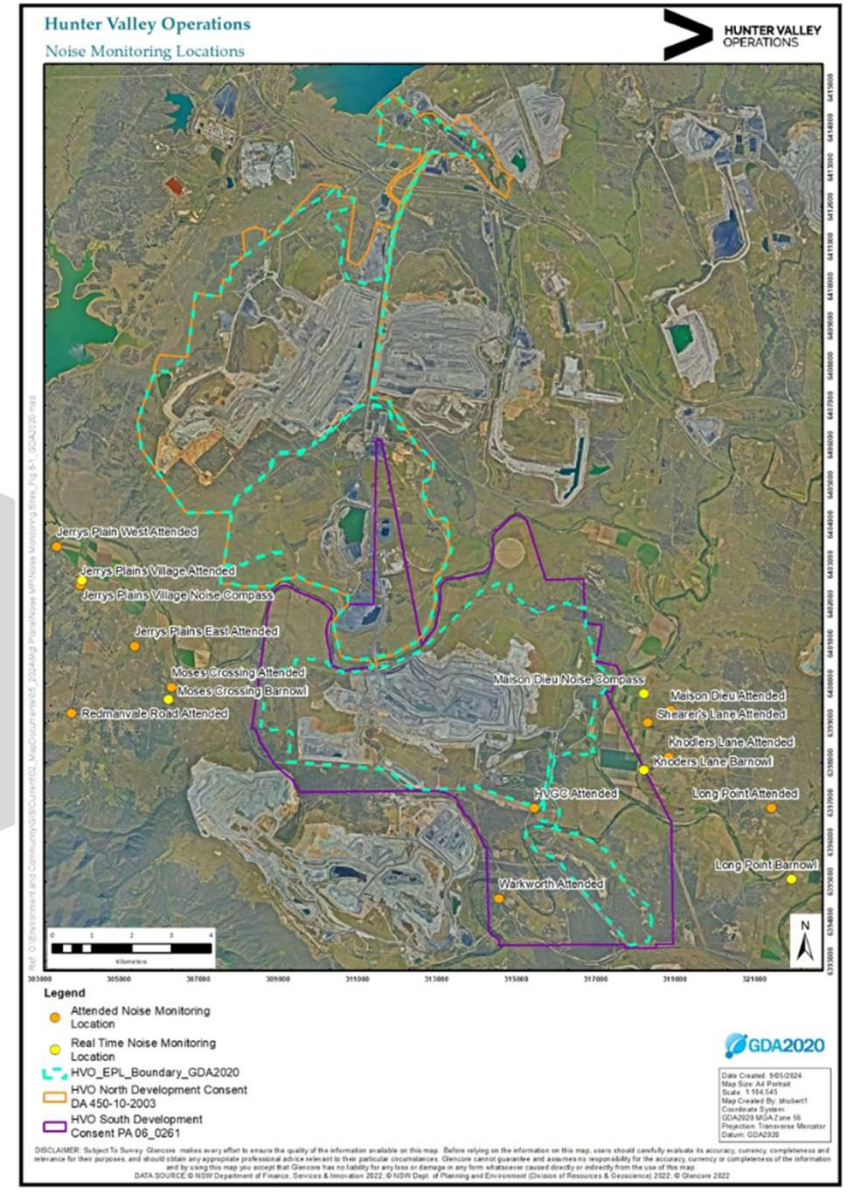
Noise Monitoring

Summary of noise monitoring results:

HVO maintains an extensive network of real-time noise monitors located around the perimeter of HVO at locations representative to nearby neighbouring communities

In addition to real-time monitors, monthly and quarterly attended monitoring is conducted at night by a noise specialist at various locations surround the operation

- There was one (1) noise exceedance at Knodlers Lane which occurred during the reporting period (Q1 2026). HVO South generated a site only LAeq of 41 dB and LA1,1min of 48 dB against the HVO South criterion of 40dB and 45 dB respectively. The follow-up measurement was below the noise criterion





Exploration Works

No changes from last meeting:

- No surface exploration planned in Exploration Licences during 2026. If this changes, HVO will conduct consultation with impacted stakeholders
- All surface exploration has been contained within Mining Leases



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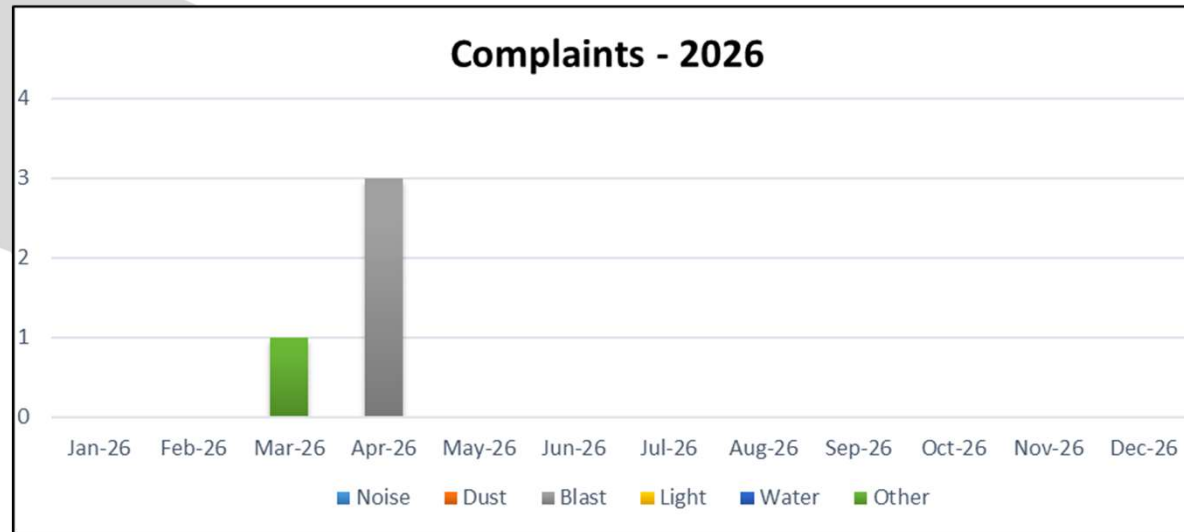


COMMUNITY



Complaints

Monthly Summary - 2026



4 March – Traffic (cnr Golden Highway / Comleroi Road)

10 April – Blast overpressure (Jerrys Plains / Camberwell / Bridgman)



Community – Grants

Round 1 2026

- 35 applications received
- Seeking \$218,264
- Singleton, Muswellbrook, Cessnock, Maitland, Upper Hunter LGAs as well as regional scope
- Announcement of successful Round 1 recipients by end of May



*Cessnock Piranhas Cricket Club
(blowing machine / ipads) 2025 Rd 2*





Community – FNPP NSW

Glencore First Nations Pathway Programme



Malakai Archibald



Monique Bettini



Joel Cullerton



Tobie Dixon



Callum Honey



Kaden Patten



Terrance Pout



Danien Punola



Izabelle Rossiter



Ashley Sampson



John Wilson



Tristyn Woods

> Community – Jerrys Plains Public School

HVO partnership update for 2026:

- New playground equipment installation set for end of year completion

Vocabulary Tree – Term 2 learning



HVO UHMD tour – 29 April



Community – various



*Singleton Community Garden
Tech Services – 17 April*

Business Singleton Breakfast HVOCP Presentation





Community – Community Grants



*Group 21 Rugby League
Uniforms / training / mentoring*





Community – Mine Tours

*Witmore
(disability support services)
1 May*



UHMD Jerrys Plains and Milbrodale 30 April



Community – Truck Tray Partnership



Team SFS

Singleton Family Support

HVO support used to fund community education and capacity building events such as Network Your Wellbeing – debriefing for community support staff to prevent burnout





Community – Truck Tray Partnership



*Morning tea for HBCF supporters
Attended by Madi from E&C (22 April)*

*Singleton Family Support
Hunter Prostate Cancer Alliance
Hunter Breast cancer Foundation
Type 1 Foundations
Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service*

**Partnerships
extended for an
additional three
years!!**



Community



NRL Voice for Mining Round – 5 April – McDonald Jones Stadium





Community



Community Information Session – Maison Dieu – 13 March



Community

AGL has submitted their 'response to submissions' on their Maison Dieu Solar Farm ('Development of a 60MW Solar Farm with Energy Storage and Associated Infrastructure')

Further information on the Planning Portal here:

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/projects/maison-dieu-solar-farm>



APPROVALS

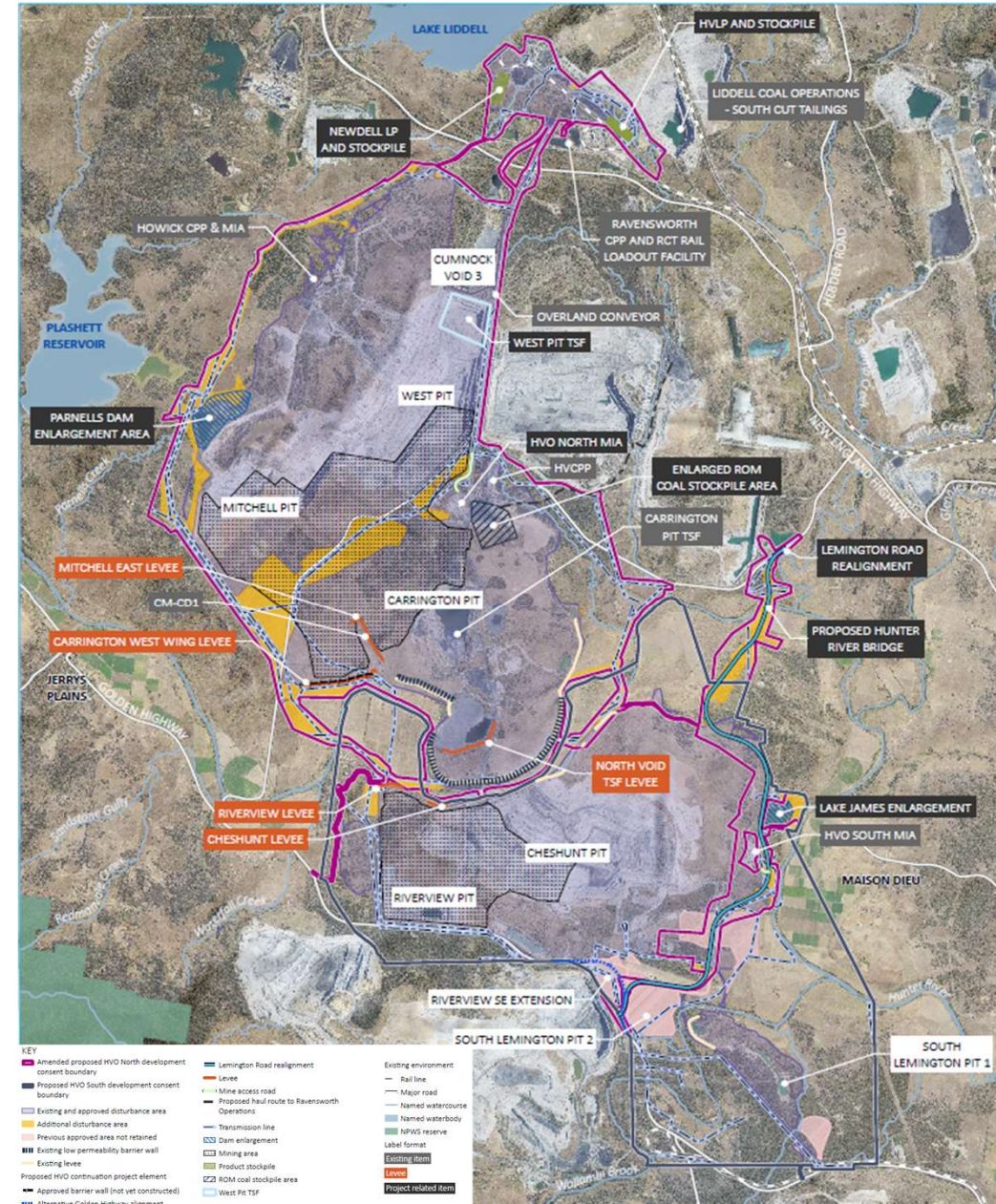
HVO Continuation Project - NSW Approval

Current Status

- Responded to RFIs to address final agency advice or to inform DPHIs Assessment Report
- Continuation of stakeholder engagement

Key Next Steps

- DPHI completes Assessment Report including conditions of consent
- Referral to the Independent Planning Commission (IPC) – May/June
- IPC Phase (~12 weeks)
 - Public Submissions
 - Various meetings – HVO, Councils etc
 - Site inspection
 - Public Hearing/Meeting
 - Determination



HVO Continuation Project – Federal Approval

Current Status

- Draft Public Environmental Report (PERs) prepared in accordance with the final PER Guidelines for both HVO North (EPBC 2025/10177) and HVO South (EPBC 2025/10176)
- Approval to publish draft PERs received – April 2026
- Public exhibition commenced – 5 May 2026 to 17 June 2026
- Notification included in local, State and National Newspapers for both HVO North and HVO South

Key Next Steps

- Review of submissions received following completion of public exhibition
- Finalisation of PERs for submission to DCCEEW
- Publication of Final PERs
- Federal DCCEEW assessment and determination

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
Public Environment Report (PER) for Hunter Valley Operations (HVO) North
Open Cut Coal Continuation Project
EPBC No. 2025/10177

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EPBC No. 2025/10176

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HV Operations has made a separate referral under the EPBC Act (EPBC No. 2025/10177) to continue mining at HVO North until the end of 2045.

HVO South has been determined to be a controlled action requiring assessment by Public Environment Report (PER). The controlling provisions under the EPBC Act are listed threatened species and communities (section 18 and section 18A) and a water resource, in relation to unconventional gas development and large coal mining development (sections 24D and 24E).

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Email: continuationproject@hvo.com.au
Post: Hunter Valley Operations (Attn: E & C Manager)
PO Box 315, Singleton NSW 2330

Comments must be received by 5.00 pm AEDT on 17 June 2026.

For more information please contact HV Operations on 1800 888 733 or email continuationproject@hvo.com.au

Example Draft PER Notifications – HVO North and HVO South

HVO Continuation Project – Federal Approval

How to View the draft Public Environment Reports

- Visit HVO.com.au
- Follow the prompts to 'Invitation for public comment'
- The draft PERs for HVO North and HVO South are available under 'Resources'

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How to make a submission

Have your say

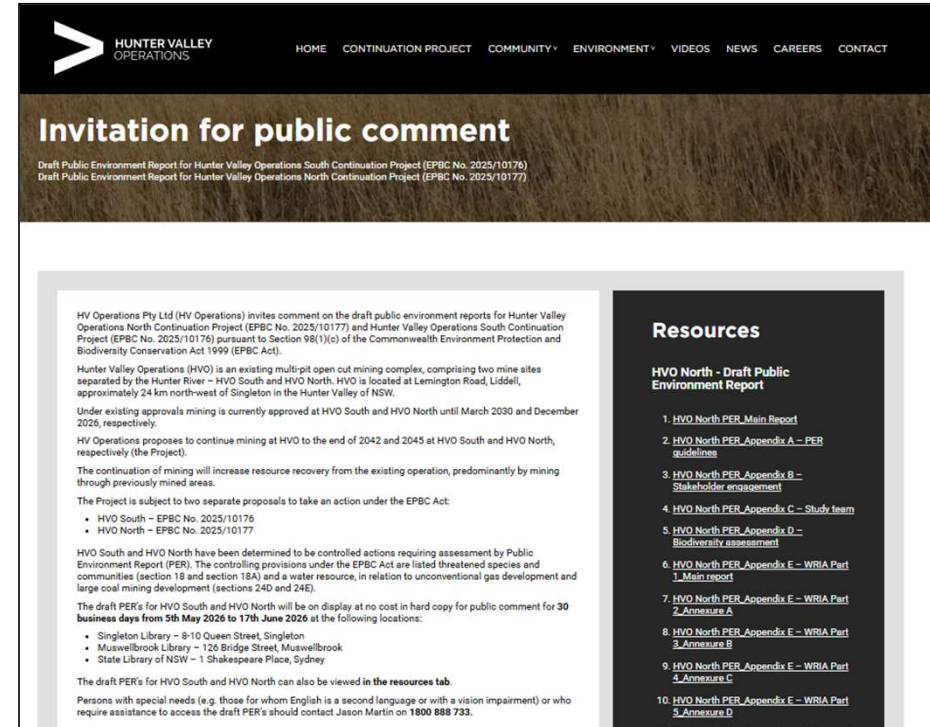
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HUNTER VALLEY OPERATIONS HOME CONTINUATION PROJECT COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT VIDEOS NEWS CAREERS CONTACT

Invitation for public comment

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The continuation of mining will increase resource recovery from the existing operation, predominantly by mining through previously mined areas.

The Project is subject to two separate proposals to take an action under the EPBC Act:

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- HVO North – EPBC No. 2025/10177

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Resources

HVO North - Draft Public Environment Report

1. [HVO North PER_Main Report](#)
2. [HVO North PER_Appendix A – PER guidelines](#)
3. [HVO North PER_Appendix B – Stakeholder engagement](#)
4. [HVO North PER_Appendix C – Study team](#)
5. [HVO North PER_Appendix D – Biodiversity assessment](#)
6. [HVO North PER_Appendix E – WRIA Part 1_Main report](#)
7. [HVO North PER_Appendix E – WRIA Part 2_Annexure A](#)
8. [HVO North PER_Appendix E – WRIA Part 3_Annexure B](#)
9. [HVO North PER_Appendix E – WRIA Part 4_Annexure C](#)
10. [HVO North PER_Appendix E – WRIA Part 5_Annexure D](#)

www.hvo.com.au/invitation-for-public-comment/ (20 May 2026)

HVO Continuation Project – Supplementary Approvals

Additional approvals required to enable commencement of construction & continued mining

- HVOCP has continued planning to enable commencement of construction and continued mining
- Require additional approvals should the HVOCP be approved by the IPC, for example:
 - Approval of any required State and Federal Management Plans
 - Acquittal of Biodiversity Offsets prior to impact
 - Mining Lease Applications – Coal & Mining Purposes
 - Road Closure & s138 Applications
 - EPL Variation
 - Other licences, leases and approvals
- Commencement of construction Q1 2026




Community Representative Feedback

- Jeannie Hayes
- Peter Nichols
- Di Gee
- Brian Atfield
- Cr. George



General Business




**We need your Support.
This mine matters.**


HVO is seeking approval to continue mining at our operation until 2045.

The HVO Continuation Project is not a new coal mine. It is an extension of our existing HVO mine, consistent with the NSW Government's policy on coal and emission reduction targets.

Over the past four years Hunter Valley Operations has:

- >** contributed **\$6.9 billion** to the economy
- >** supported **1,500** mine workers
- >** supported **750** suppliers

 Support continued operations at HVO by scanning the QR code or visit hvo.com.au

 **HUNTER VALLEY OPERATIONS**



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



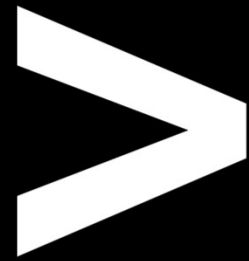
Next CCC Meeting

Next meeting/s?

Q3: Wed. 5 August (1:30pm)

Q4: Wed. 4 November





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