

HVO CCC Meeting

1:30 PM Wednesday 17 February 2021



**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
8. Heritage
9. Community Representative Feedback
10. General business
11. Next meeting

Apologies

- Hollee Jenkins
- David Love
- Di Gee

Correspondence

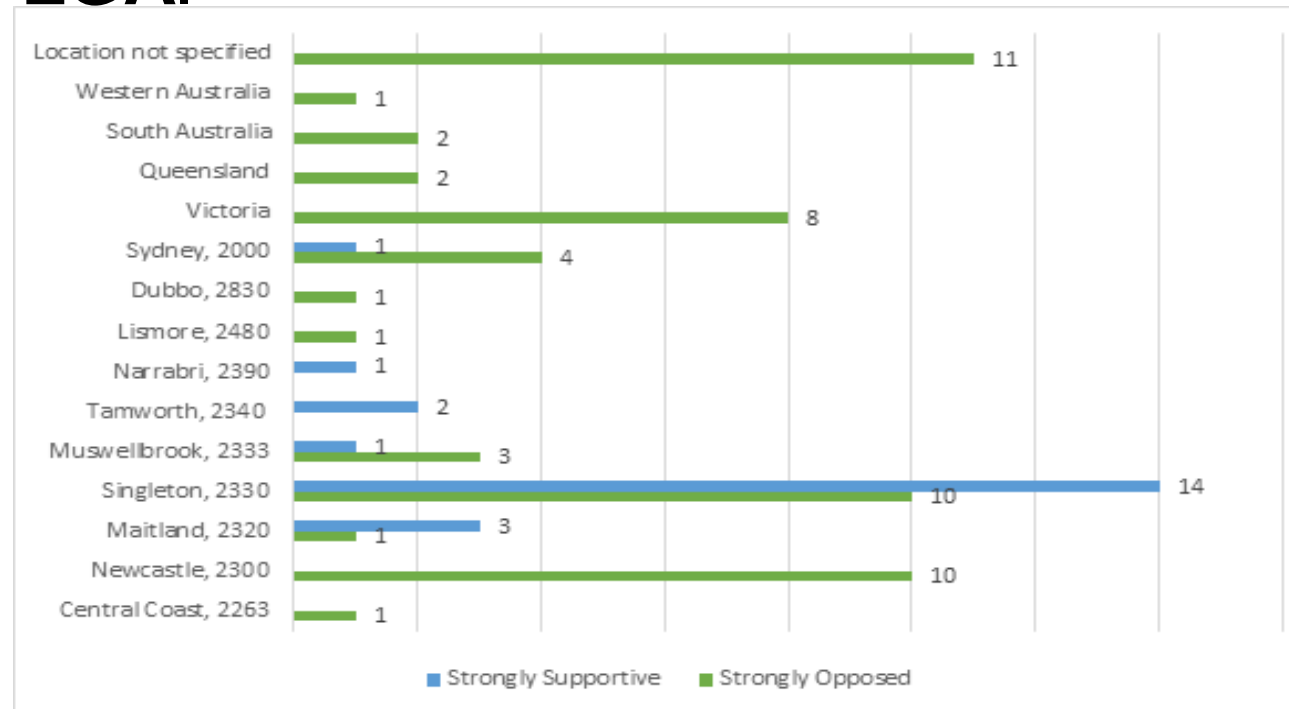
Date	From	Content
23/12/2020	AS	CCC Minutes from November meeting and community newsletter
4/02/2021	MB	CCC Agenda and Business papers for meeting on 17 Feb

Confirmation of previous minutes

- Minutes from previous meeting (18 November 2020) have been circulated for comment and are awaiting finalisation, requiring confirmation at this meeting (17 February 2021).
- The draft minutes are available on our public website, In-site. The minutes can be accessed on-line via:
<https://insite.hvo.com.au>

Action arising from previous CCC meeting

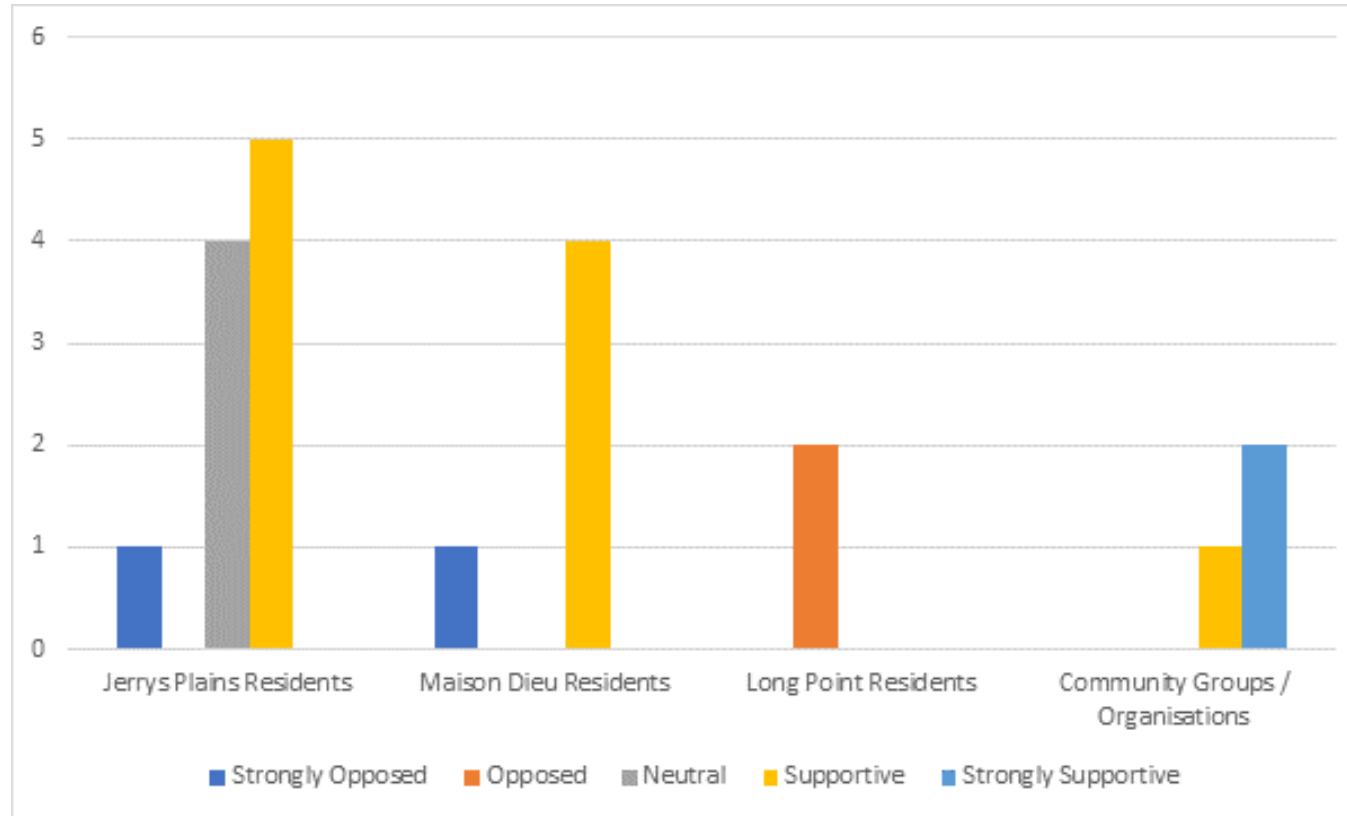
Action 1: HVO to provide Continuation Project survey responses broken down to LGA.



- An invite to complete the survey was distributed via the community newsletter which was sent to HVO near neighbours in the Singleton LGA
- In addition, the survey was listed on the project website which was not advertised to those outside of the Singleton LGA
- Near neighbours were also contacted by telephone to discuss the project.

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Company update

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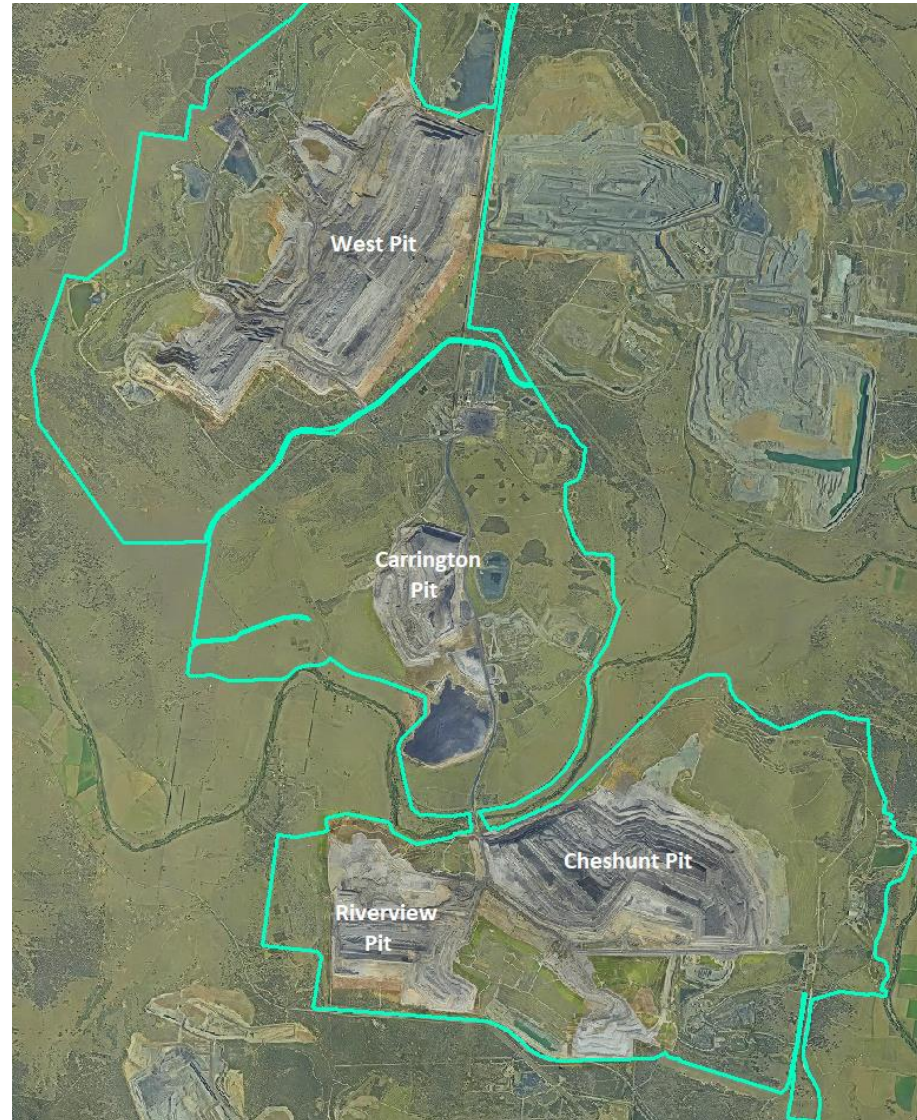
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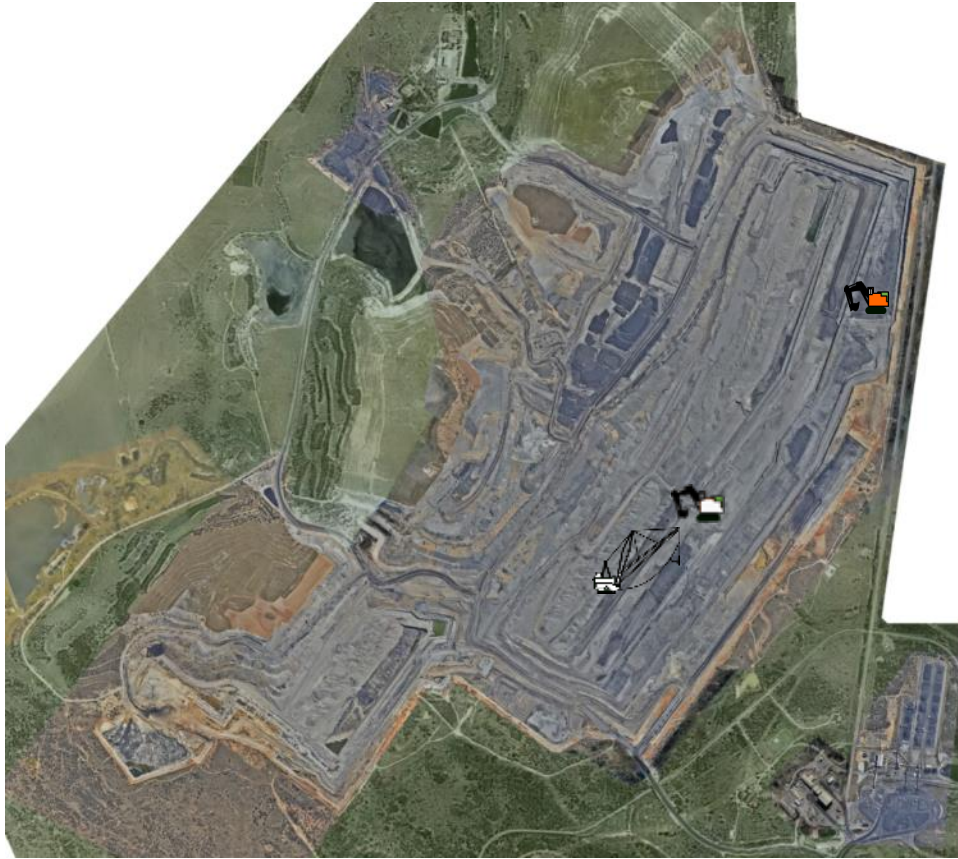
Injury Rates (as at end January 2021)

Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate: 8.26 (target 3.00)

Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate: 0 (target 1.00)

Mining Operations





Howick CHPP in care and maintenance

New Shovel 330

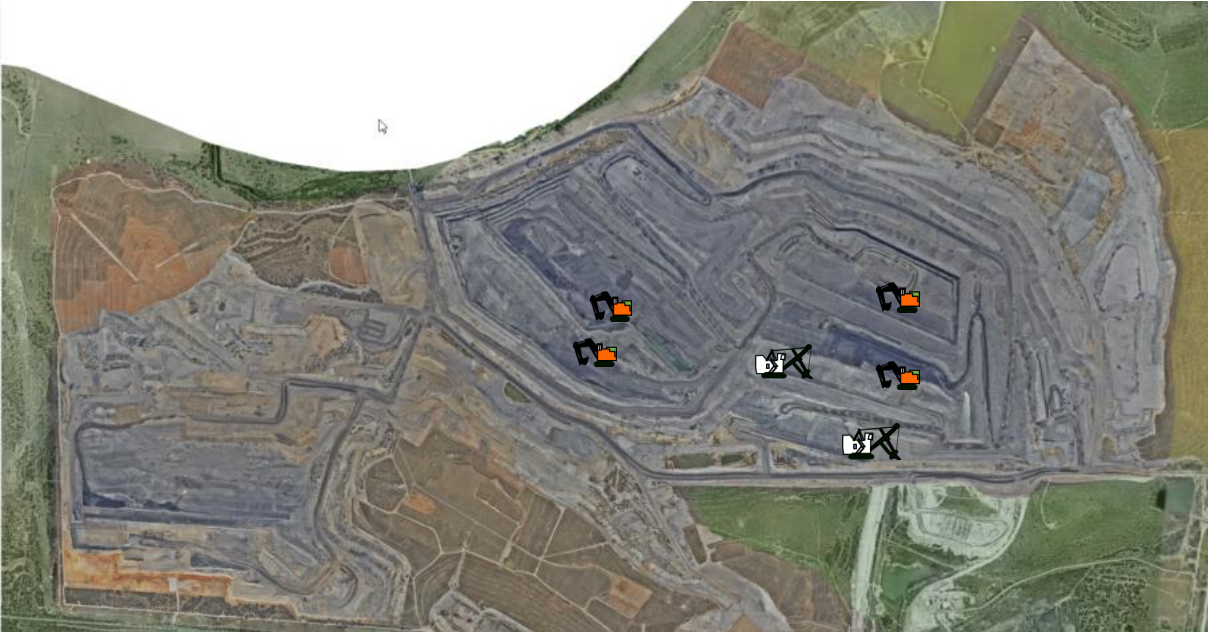
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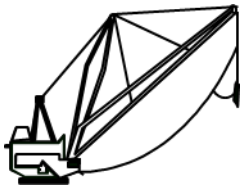


Carrington – as at November now TSF

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Dragline in Riverview Pit to be moved on Sunday 21 February

HVO Continuation Project – Update

- Scoping Report and request for Secretary’s Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs) lodged with NSW Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment (DPIE) on 4th December
 - Working through method of test excavation of Aboriginal site CM_CD1 with Heritage NSW
- Application for Site Verification Certificate (SVC) lodged with DPIE on 24th December
 - Verifies not strategic agricultural land in areas where new mining lease is required
- Project referral to the Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and Environment in preparation for lodgment this quarter
- Technical studies to support the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) are well underway, with a number of draft reports due next month (March)
- Proposing to undertake further targeted community consultation to discuss outcomes of technical studies
- Documentation can be accessed on the Major Project Portal sites (maintained by DPIE)

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40761> (HVO North)

<https://www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/project/40756> (HVO South)



HVO Continuation Project Scoping Report

Prepared for HV Operations Pty Ltd
November 2020

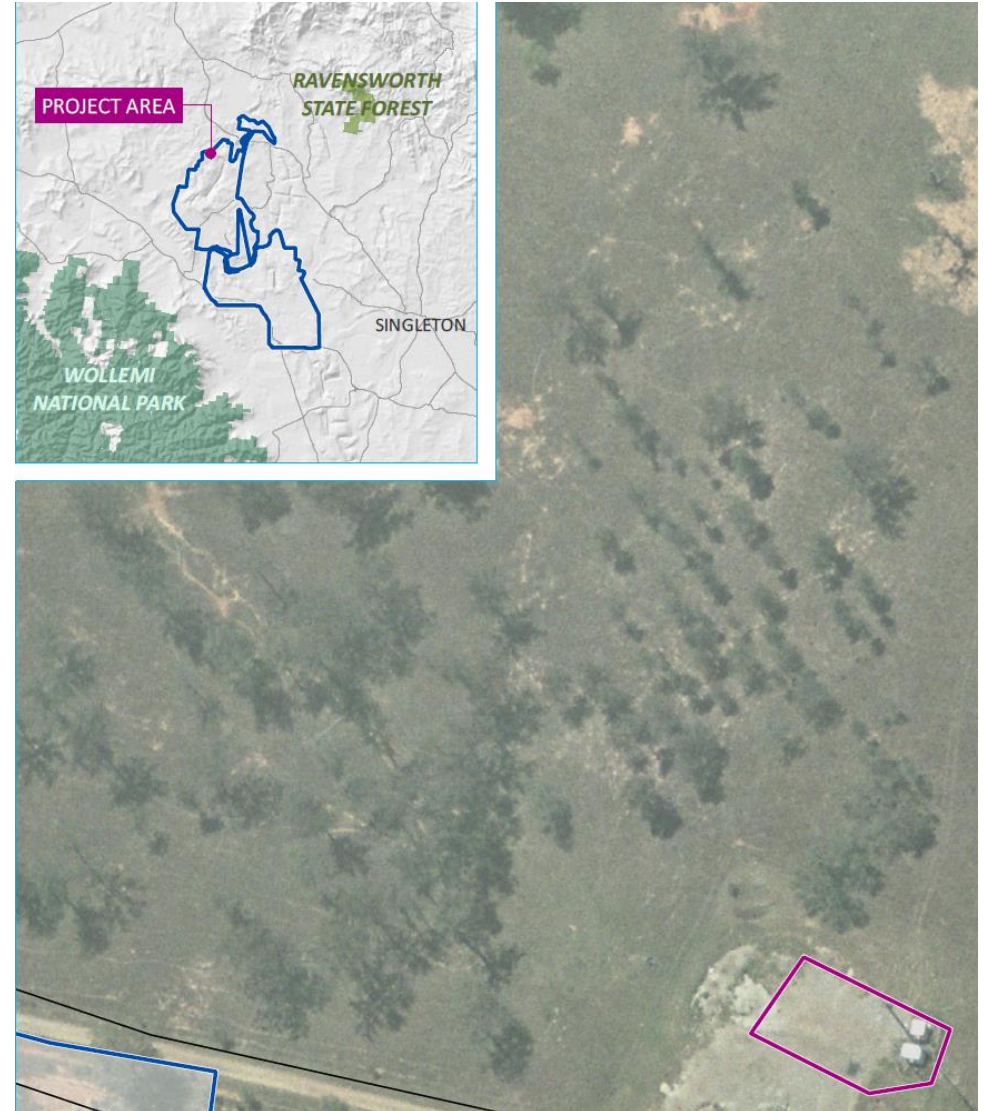
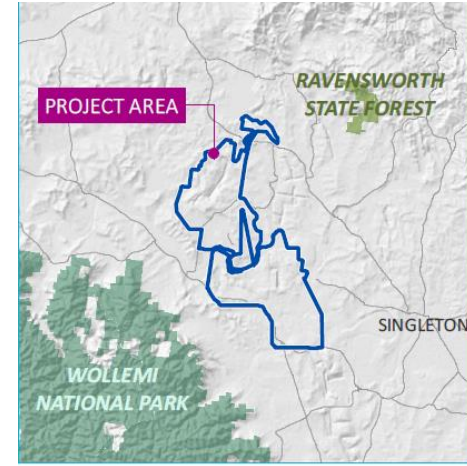


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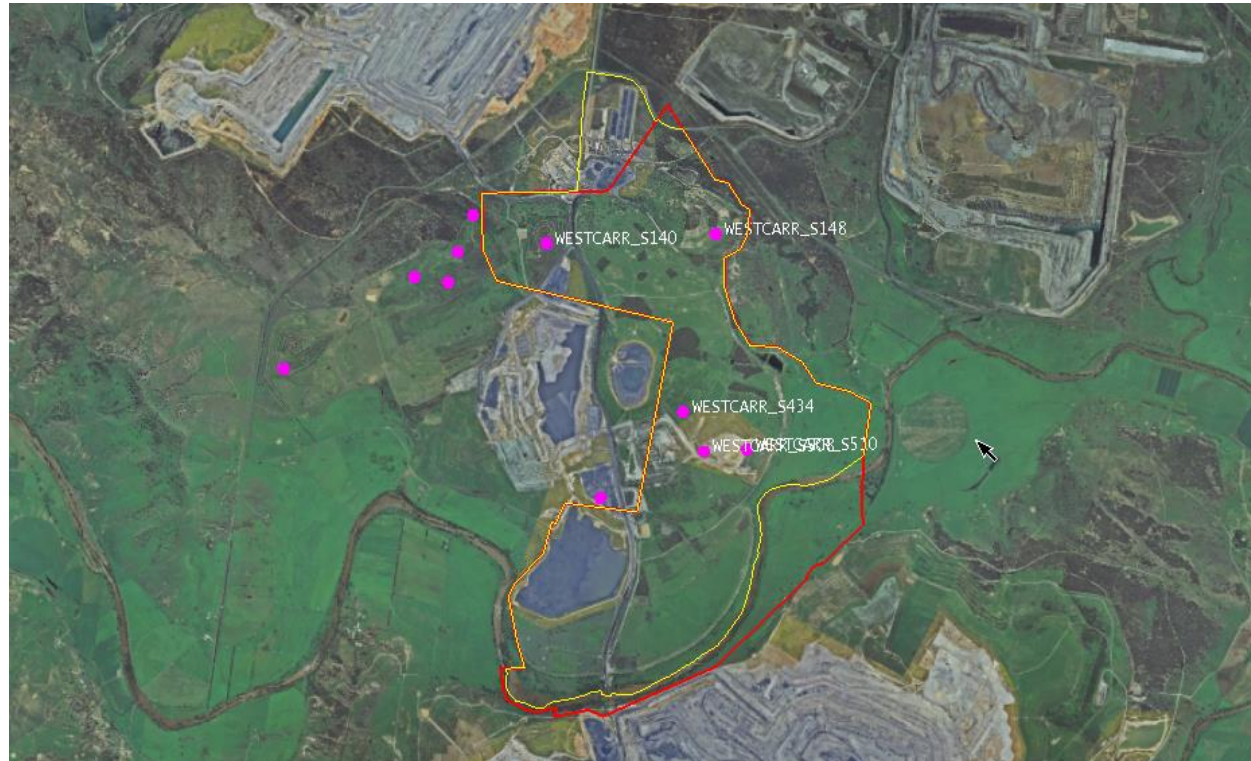
Howick Communications Tower

- 25 m tower install for site communications
- Area outside of HVO development consent boundary
- Development application and Statement of Environmental Effects submitted to Singleton Council for assessment



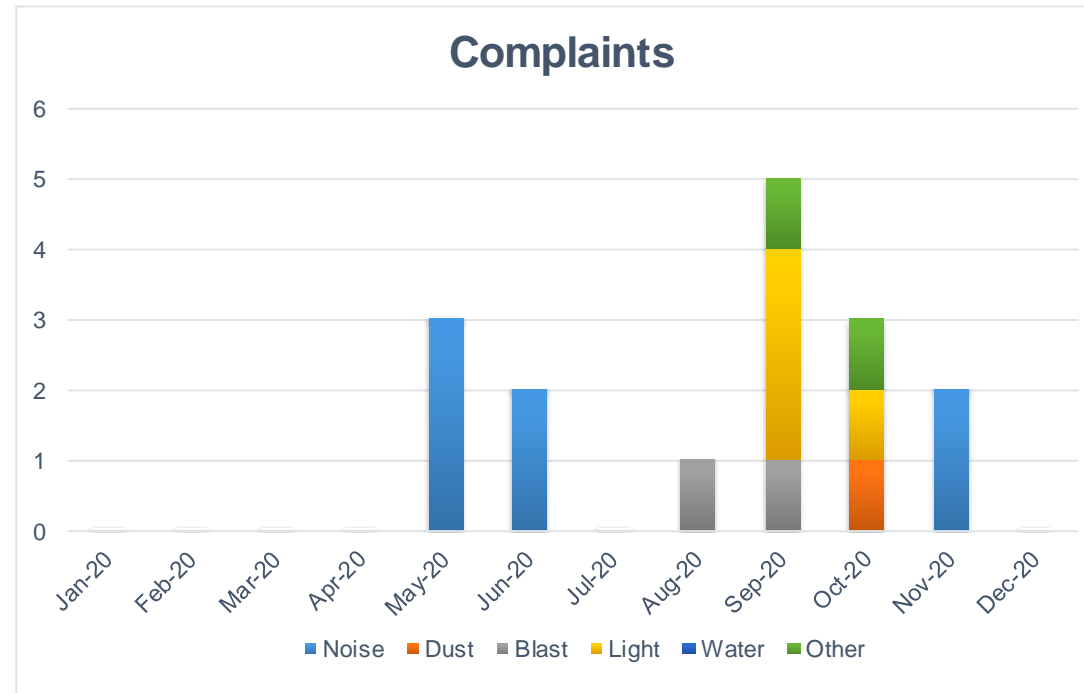
EL5606 and EL8821

- Five drillsites on EL5606 and the underlying EL8821 are proposed for 2021.



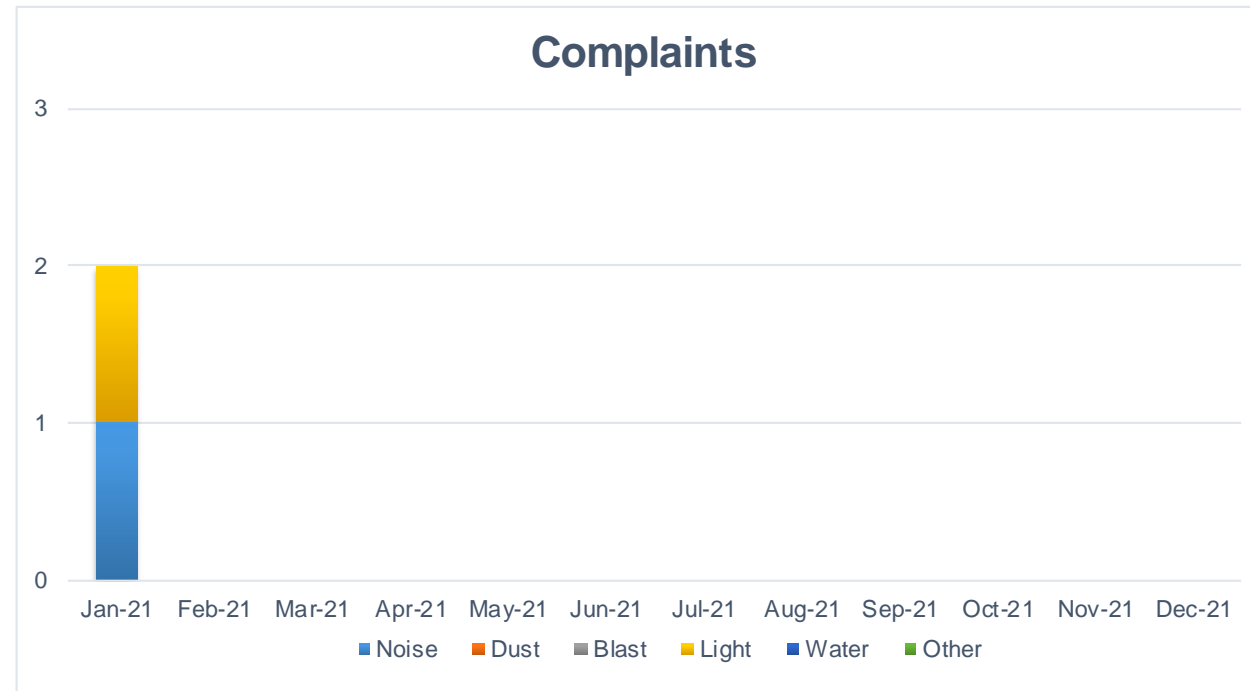


Complaints (2020) – 16 complaints in total



9 November – Jerrys Plains, Noise
21 November – Singleton, Noise

Complaints (2021) – YTD 2 complaints



2 January – Long Point, Lighting

3 January – Long Point, Noise

Rehabilitation

Total rehabilitation 2020 = 94ha

EOM December:

Released: 124 ha

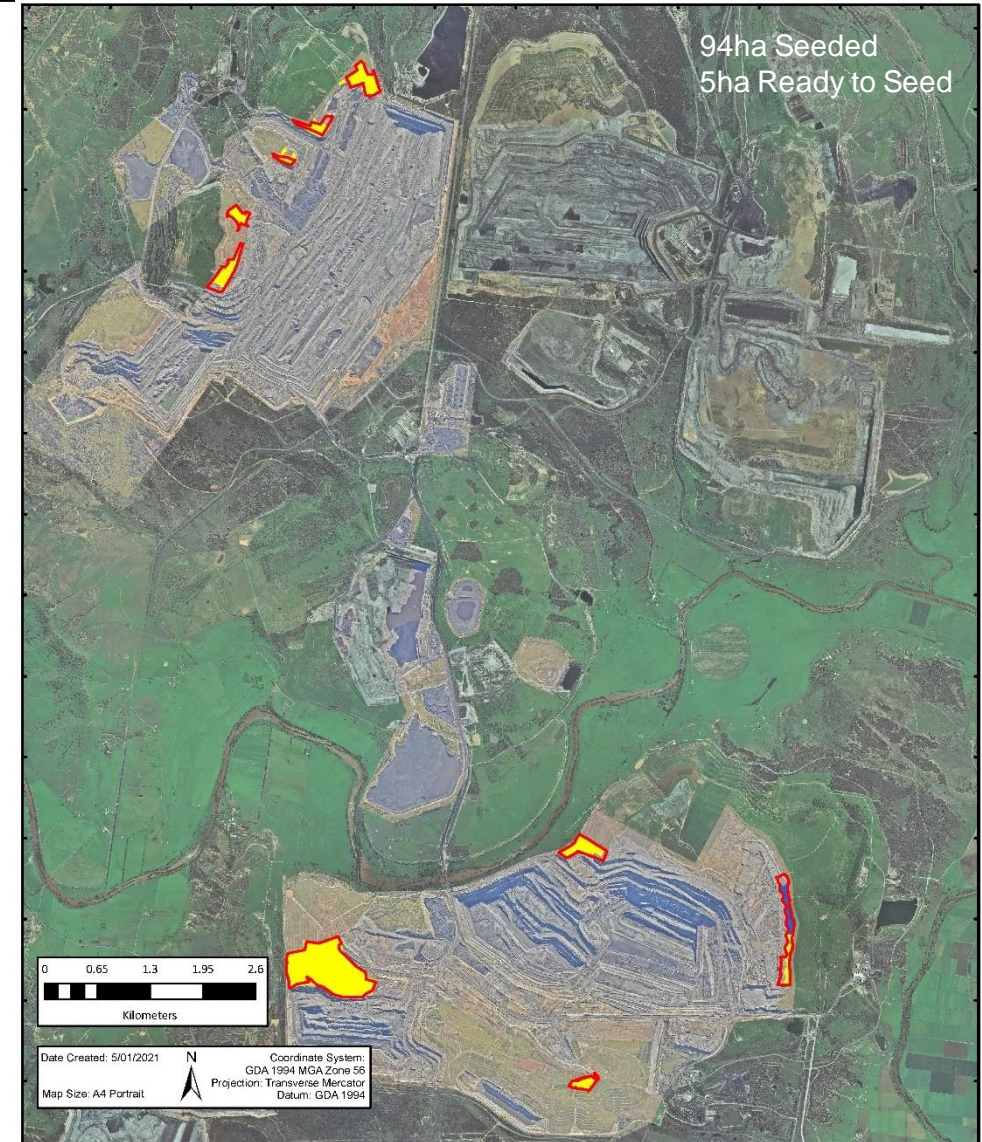
Shaped: 105 ha

Topsoiled: 99 ha

Seeded: 94 ha

Seeded – End of 2020

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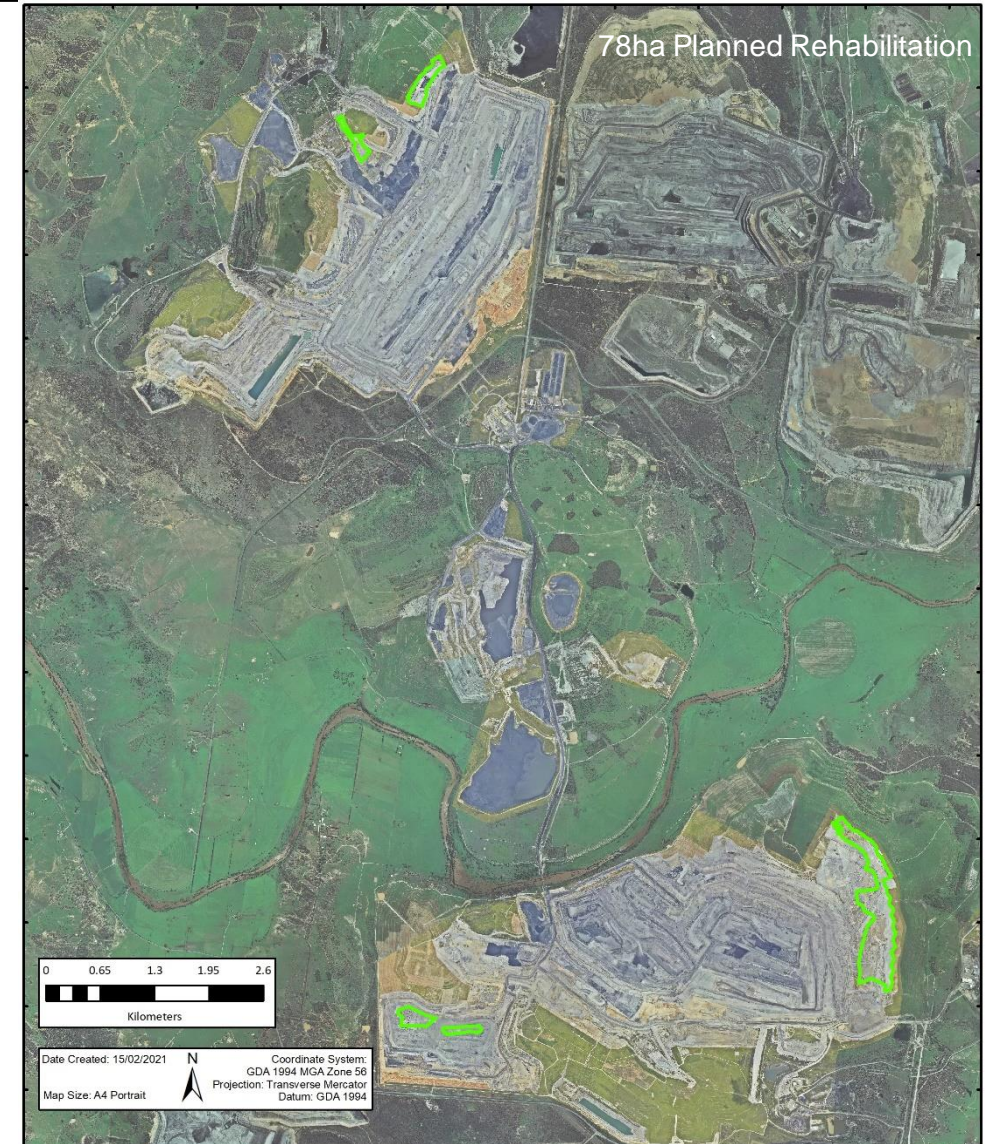
2021 Rehabilitation Plan

Planned Rehab 2021

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**Rehabilitation target for 2021 =
78ha**

EOM January:
23 ha: Released
23 ha: Shaped
5 ha: Seeded



Program of activities 2021

- Kangaroo culling (commercial harvest ongoing).
- Open range shooting (on-going bounty system linked to commercial harvest program)
- 2 Commercial Kangaroo harvests completed January 2021 (awaiting data)

Synchronized baiting/trapping programs, targeting pigs, wild dogs and foxes in conjunction with the LLS.

Summer

- 1080 Wild dog/fox control program to commenced 1st February 2021 and scheduled to complete 19th February 2021.

Autumn

- 1080 Wild dog/fox control program to commence on date to be confirmed with the LLS (likely May 2021)

Winter

- Hog –eye pig trapping program to commence on date to be confirmed with the LLS (likely July 2021)

Spring

- 1080 Wild dog/fox control program to commence on date to be confirmed with the LLS (likely September/October 2021)
- **Increase mice baiting around office buildings. Awareness provided to employees and contractors about crib room cleanliness and removing food sources.**

HVO Vertebrate Pest Control Summary			
Vertebrate Pest		2021 YTD	2020
Kangaroos		0	454
feral pig		0	20
feral pig (bait)		0	0
fox		0	14
fox (bait)		0	23
hare		0	42
feral cat		0	0
rabbit		0	30
wild dog		0	0
wild dog (bait)		0	172
deer (other)		0	0
Overall TOTAL		0	755

Heritage

Activities undertaken in previous quarter:

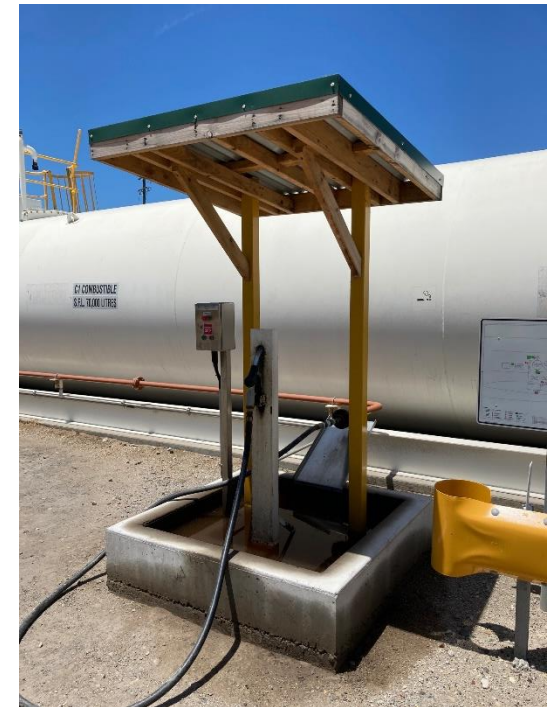
- Reinstatement of security boarding at Chain of Ponds Inn completed

Proposed activities:

- Planning for temporary onsite storage of Archerfield agricultural heritage items while repair/preservation works at the Archerfield Stables progress in the forthcoming year.
- Archerfield Stables structural works
- Yard maintenance works at LEP listed properties ongoing
- Termite Interception System inspections at LEP listed properties ongoing.

Reporting, Exceedances and Inspections

- EPA undertook an inspection on 21 January overall feedback was positive.
- Three areas requiring action included:
 - Pumping out the bulk fuel tank refuelling catch bund at the Orica explosive reload facility
 - Removing minor amount of ammonium nitrate spillage
 - Wheel generated dust from the coal stockpile
- All actions have been addressed
- Combined and revised Mining Operations Plan (MOP) submitted to Resource Regulator Dec 20



Community Information Sessions

- Community Information Sessions held in November and December at Jerrys Plains, Maison Dieu and Long Point
 - Issues raised by attendees included:
 - the realignment of Lemington Road as part of the HVO Continuation Project, noise, dust and feral animals



Community Grants

- Round One of the Community Grants Programme opens in April
- Provided \$6000 donation to the Ovarian Cancer Australia
- HVO has made a donation in support of the Hunter Valley Mining Charity Rugby League Day



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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>

- **Suggestions for meetings:**
 - 12 May**
 - 18 August**
 - 17 November**
- **Expressions of interest for HVO Site Tour**

- Brian Atfield
- Di Gee
- Jeannie Hayes
- Cr Hollee Jenkins
- David Love
- Todd Mills
- Dr Neville Hodgkinson
- Janelle Wenham
- Michael Wellard

