

**Community Consultative Committee
Hitchcock Road and Lot 198 Maroota
Sand Extraction and Rehabilitation Projects**

**Minutes
17 May 2010**

Attendance

Kristine McKenzie – Baulkham Hills Shire Council (BHSC) - Chairperson
Robert Buckham – Baulkham Hills Shire Council (BHSC)
Daniel Giffney – Baulkham Hills Shire Council (BHSC)
David Gathercole – Department of Environment, Climate Change & Water
Marianne Sheumack – Resident
Shaunagh Hitchcock – Resident
David Fingland – DFA Consultants
John Graham – PF Formation
Peter Cummins – PF Formation
Joshua Graham – PF Formation

Minutes of Previous Meeting

- Accepted

Report on Current Status of Operations by John Graham

- No complaints received in the previous six months
- Operations have continued in a routine manner
- The main project during the period was the de-silting of the main dam on Lot 198. The sediment out of the sand and surface run-off drains through a pre-sediment trap and into the dam below the production area. Capacity was reduced and in January the dam was emptied and cleaned out. A new submersible pump has been installed and is working well to prevent the silt entering the dam.
- The new steel rubber-lined pipeline has been installed.
- Greening Australia were commissioned over two months ago to prepare a plan to rehabilitate a further 1.5 hectares and supplement the area already planted. They are to advise on seeds in stock and recommendations as to how much further seed will have to be collected. Given the delays encountered the planting will probably now occur in autumn 2011.
- Quarterly Safety and Environmental meetings with staff have continued to encourage all staff to take responsibility for environment and rehabilitation matters.

Reporting

- The Noise Management Plan, Air Quality Monitoring Program, Water Management Plan and Environmental Strategy incorporating the above have been approved by the Department of Planning and are available for viewing on the website.
- The third draft of the Landscape Management Plan including a Rehabilitation and Offset Management Plan and Quarry Closure Plan has been sent to the Department of Planning. Upon approval it will be placed on the website.

- An Annual Environment Management Report based on the year ending 30 June 2009 and covering both the old and new consent has been submitted and approved by the Department of Planning NSW. This report is available on the website.
- An Independent Environment Audit will be undertaken during this year and every three years after that. We are awaiting approval from the Department of Planning of the nominated auditor. On receipt of this approval the audit will commence
- The 2010 Annual Environmental Management Report will be prepared during June and July.

Environmental Review

- Results for the dust deposit gauges were reviewed.
- Other environmental reporting was discussed

Other Matters

- Lot 1 DP 595538 (Accursos) has received approval from Hills Shire Council for this small development. The site has been cleared and all extraction should be completed within two years.
- Old Telegraph Road development was acquired in 2009 and the Annual Management Plan is currently being prepared. In conjunction with the annual reporting PF Formation is liaising with Hornsby Shire Council with regard to all the consent conditions.

Site Visit

- A full site inspection including the Lot 1 DP595538 Old Northern Road Maroota site was conducted.

Next Meeting

- Friday 10.00 am Friday 5 November 2010