

## APPENDIX 4-1-V1.4

CONSULTATION PLAN AND STAKEHOLDERS LIST



Wandoan Coal Project

# Community Consultation Plan

# Feasibility Studies Environmental Impact Statement



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#### How to use this document

This plan articulates Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) and PB's public consultation and community involvement activities for the XCQ Wandoan Coal Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This plan is intended to be a working document for use by the project team.

This plan will guide consultation activities during the pre feasibility, feasibility and EIS stage of the project and will assist XCQ, PB and other consultants to work in a cohesive partnership. It is recognised that community discussions and specific consultation needs during this stage of the study may influence future consultation activities.

#### 1. Introduction

In May 2007, Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) engaged PB to assist with a community consultation process as part of a pre-feasibility, feasibility and environmental impact statement (EIS) for a proposed coal mine project located at Wandoan in South West Queensland, approximately 400 km from Brisbane.

The proposed Wandoan Coal Project (the Project) will comprise an opencut coal mine to initially produce in excess of 20 Mtpa run of mine coal and have an expected life of 30 years. It is expected that the mine will produce thermal coal for export markets and possibly domestic markets. The Project is participating in a rail joint venture to examine the possible alignment and construction of a new rail connection between Wandoan and the existing Moura-Gladstone line at Banana.

Initial consultation with the local and surrounding communities and project stakeholders was conducted by XCQ, with assistance from PB, throughout the initial pre-feasibility stage of the project and will continue through the EIS. This process will identify the potential social impacts that may develop as a result of the project. Environmental and economic management strategies to minimise these potential issues will be addressed during ongoing technical studies and consultation to minimise these potential. Local knowledge will be used to help understand the local area and broader issues within the community.

This plan outlines the consultation activities that will be conducted during the EIS stage of the project. Proactively involving the local community and key stakeholders in the consultation process encourages community ownership of the project and its outcomes. Gaining an understanding of the local community and identifying any concerns, issues, needs or expectations ensures that potential obstacles are avoided as the project progresses. Comprehensive and flexible consultation will provide opportunities for the local stakeholders and the wider community to provide input and gain a sense of ownership related to the project.

This consultation plan is a working document that supports the Wandoan Coal Project's overarching Community Engagement Plan. This is Stage 1 of a three staged consultation process.

Specifically, this plan articulates how the project team will:

- undertake an open, accountable and transparent consultation process
- continue to consult with a range of stakeholders during the consultation process
- continue the roles and responsibilities of key stakeholders
- provide the community with accessible information about the consultation process and identified issues

- respect the needs, views and concerns of stakeholders in the development of the final studies.
- consider the needs, views and concerns of affected properties with empathy and understanding

# 1.1 Phase of studies and consultation approach summary

The project will incorporate three stages:

Stage 1 - Feasibility studies including EIS and approval

Stage 2 - Project development (including construction) and, if approved

Stage 3 - Operation.

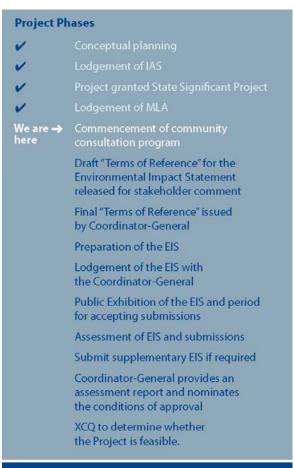


Figure 1-1: Project phases

As community attitudes and project outcomes change, community consultation and social monitoring activities will be updated in the detailed consultation plan.

The consultation activities outlined in this plan will provide an understanding of the communities and stakeholders and provide an appreciation of the potential impacts of the project. Activities for the following stages will be based on previous consultation results to complete the studies, gain approval for the project development and reinforce developed and existing relationships for the life of the project.

As the project progresses detailed plans for each of the three stages will be generated to ensure activities and key messages support each stage.

#### 2. Consultation objectives and activities

#### 2.1 Consultation objectives

The broad objectives of the community consultation:

- conduct an overarching consultation process that provides integral data to the Social Impact Assessment (SIA) and other technical studies forming part of the EIS, project feasibility and further planning of the Project.
- provide a consultation process that can be integrated into the community with minimal disturbance
- provide a foundation for a long-term relationship between XCQ and the community that is based on trust and mutual respect
- identify, assess and manage the community's expectations of what XCQ, and the Project can bring to their area
- facilitate a consultation process which balances the community's need for information with opportunities to provide input into the SIA and EIS approval processes
- ensure community feedback is included in the SIA and EIS processes
- ensure that opportunities for community input are maximised.

#### 2.2 SIA objectives

The SIA for the project will consider the information gathered in the community consultation program and the analysis of the existing socio-economic environment. It will describe the project's impact, both beneficial and adverse, on the local community and region. The impacts of the project on local and regional residents, community services and recreational activities will be analysed and discussed for all stages of the development. Information provided by the community will assist in understanding potential impacts and mitigation strategies associated with the project.

#### 2.3 Groups to be consulted

Stakeholders can be defined as individuals, communities, non-government organisations, private organisations, government agencies, small businesses and others who have an interest or a "stake" in a project and its outcome. Stakeholders may be impacted by, or influence the planning and operations of, a project in varying degrees of significance.

For the purpose of this plan, stakeholders have been grouped depending on the anticipated level of impact (positive or negative) the Project may have on them; and/or their level of influence over the Project and their expected level of interest in The Project.

**Tier One Stakeholders**: High/frequent level of impact, interest or influence in Project activities and decisions. This group includes employees, contractors, XCQ Corporate, nearby residents/neighbours, local community of Wandoan and Taroom Shire

**Tier Two Stakeholders**: Medium/semi-frequent level of impact, interest or influence in site activities and decisions. This group includes local businesses and academics, support services (fire, ambulance), Aboriginal Groups, State Ministers, other local councils, environmental and other non-government organisations, and government agencies.

**Tier Three Stakeholders**: Low/infrequent level of impact, interest or influence in site activities and decisions. This group includes research groups, high level government (Federal Ministers, Director Generals), Xstrata investors and shareholders, residents of neighbouring communities and other industry groups or businesses.

Appendix A lists each of the organisations and individuals that have been identified within each of these broad groups.

#### 2.4 Overview of consultation activities

The community consultation activities, the aim of each activity and the stakeholder groups involved, are broadly outlined in Table 2.1. Each activity reflects the need to provide the community with timely and accurate information and opportunities to comment on the Project.

Table 2-1: Consultation Activities, Aims and Stakeholder Groups

Consultation activity	Consultation aim	Stakeholder group
Initial and updated community consultation plan	Approved consultation framework and activities	Project team
Issues database	Collect and analyse information and inform technical studies	Project team
Free-call telephone hotline, reply- paid address and email contact	Collect, exchange information and inform technical studies	All groups

Consultation activity	Consultation aim	Stakeholder group
Media releases and advertisements	Distribute information (about the project)	Broader community, Residents and businesses
Newsletters	Distribute information about (about the Project, stages and its involved studies)	Broader community Residents and businesses
Fact sheets for the public display and the free-call telephone hotline calls	Distribute information and answer 'frequently asked questions'	All groups
Community Reference Group	Exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources (to inform the feasibility and EIS study process)	Local residents, businesses, community groups and special interest groups
Open days/site tours	Visit site and exchange information about XCQ and the project.	Broader community, residents, businesses, schools
Meetings with elected representatives, key stakeholders and special interest groups	Exchange information and identify community resources and issues (to inform the prefeasibility, feasibility and EIS)	Elected representatives, key stakeholders and special interest groups
On site staff	Exchange information and provide a key contact for site based community contacts.	Local community both residents and business
Meetings with landowners	Exchange, collect and analyse local information.	Landowners, key stakeholders
Web Page	Exchange information with stakeholder and the wider community	Broader community and stakeholders
Form letters	Direct and personal way to distribute information to identified parties.	Landowners, key stakeholders
Property owner forums	Exchange information and identify property owner issues to inform the EIS	Affected property owners
Community information meeting and workshops	Exchange information and identify community issues (to inform the EIS).	Broader community Residents and businesses
Display at Wandoan Show	Exchange information and identify community issues (to inform the EIS).	Broader community, residents and businesses
School Programs – "Living with heavy vehicles" and "Our town, Our history"	Exchange, collect and analyse local information.	Local school children, broader community, residents, businesses.

A detailed plan outlining planned consultation tasks for the EIS stage of the project is presented in Appendix B. An outline of consultation activities already completed during pre-feasibility studies is included as Appendix C.

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#### 2.5 Community reference group

One of the key components of the initial consultation plan was the establishment of a community reference group (CRG), which will meet regularly during the three stages of the Wandoan Coal Project. The size, purpose and representation of the CRG may change depending on project outcomes and stages. Each CRG meeting will require pre-planning by XCQ and PB, and should foster a sense of common purpose, mutual commitment and respect.

The role of the CRG is consultative, rather than decision-making and all input from the group will be considered by the study team.

The aims of the CRG are to:

- create a forum for discussion and exchange of information on topics related to feasibility of the Wandoan Coal Project.
- assist the project team (i.e. XCQ and PB) to identify issues related to the project that will input into the pre-feasibility, feasibility study and EIS process.
- act as a two-way communication link between the study team and the community and stakeholders.

The CRG was formed to represent the interests of local community groups and organisations in Wandoan and involves representatives from key local community and special interest groups as well as service providers from the Dawson Valley. These representatives were identified and nominated by local community members because of their knowledge of local environmental, economic, cultural and social issues. The process of involving these groups is outlined in the detailed planner.

The CRG included representatives from the following groups:

- Wandoan Chamber of Commerce
- Wandoan Progress Association
- Queensland Fire and Rescue Area 5
- Dawson Valley Development Association
- Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland Upper Dawson Branch
- Wandoan Show Society
- Wandoan Showgrounds Improvement Committee
- Landcare Taroom
- Queensland Police Service

- Queensland Health
- Department of Housing South West Queensland Area Office
- Wandoan State School
- Queensland Ambulance Service
- AgForce
- Taroom Shire Council

#### 2.6 Key contacts

Should you need to re-direct enquiries or concerns, please call Naomi Holmes in the first instance.

**Table 2-2:** Contact details

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#### 3. Consultation protocols

A crucial aspect of managing community issues and expectations is to ensure that is a coordinated approach to community and stakeholder contact throughout the project. It is important that XCQ, PB staff and contractors working on the project inform the project team of any contact they have with stakeholders and community members.

In order to develop mutual trust with the community regarding the project and its processes it is imperative that the project team delivers a consistent message to interested community members.

#### 3.1 Key messages

The following key messages should be used when conducting consultation activities or site work.

- Xstrata Coal Queensland is a division of Xstrata Coal and is a coal mining company with interests in operating underground and open cut coal mines and a coal port facility in central Queensland.
- Xstrata Coal Queensland has engaged PB to undertake community consultation, feasibility studies and Environmental Impact Statement for the open cut coal-mine at Wandoan.
- Xstrata Coal Queensland and PB are committed to open two-way communication and will be consulting the local community and other key stakeholders on an ongoing basis.
- This stage of the project is focussed on collecting information for use in the Environmental Impact Statement.
- Technical studies being carried out for the Environmental Impact Statement include but are not limited to:
  - o flora and fauna
  - o soil, water, noise vibration and air quality
  - o visual amenity
  - o cultural heritage including European history
  - o community consultation.
- Comments are important to the Wandoan Coal Project Team and feedback can be provided on 1800 052 797.

#### 3.1.1 Sample pit key messages

The following key messages should be used when conducting consultation activities or site work in relation to the sample pit operations.

- Xstrata Coal Queensland has commenced operations at Wandoan and is currently removing 55,000 tonnes of coal from it will be removed for washability testing and combustion trials.
- The new sample pit is an extension to the existing sample pit and is due to be in operation between April and August 2008.
- Extracted coal will be crushed and loaded at the Wandoan mine site before being trucked north on covered trailers for further processing.
- Coal will transported to the Blackwater region at a rate of 20 truck loads over a 24-hour period.
- A Road Haulage Management Plan will be prepared to ensure community safety to minimise disruptions on local and regional roads.

#### 3.2 Media procedures

No consultants are permitted to communicate with any member of the media about any aspect of the Project.

All media enquiries should be recorded and reported to the Naomi Holmes or Amanda Campbell who shall direct the enquiry to the Xstrata Coal Communications Manager, James Rickards.

#### 3.3 Stakeholder and community contact

#### 3.3.1 Recording community issues

All conversations with the community (and their contact details) will be recorded on the Record of Consultation Form. A copy of this form is attached in Appendix E. The information from these forms will be recorded in a consultation database established, managed and maintained by PB. Records of Consultation can be faxed to PB on 07 3854 6500.

#### 3.3.2 Issues management

An issue is a matter that has the potential to impact on the project's outcomes.

The PB consultation coordinator, Naomi Holmes, must be immediately notified of any key stakeholders or community members that have indicated that they are distressed by any aspect of the project. The coordinator will determine the potential impact of the issue and where necessary contact the project manager and project director to discuss potential strategies to address it.

#### 3.3.3 Coordination between XCQ and PB

#### Regular liaison

Regular liaison will occur between PB's Consultation Coordinator and XCQ's Wandoan Coal Project Manager and Project Director due to the mutual involvement in undertaking consultation with the community. To achieve this, regular contact will be maintained, including meetings, to discuss emergent issues, the content of material to be distributed to the community, and the general implementation of the community consultation strategy.

#### Approvals process

An approvals process has been created to enable a clear pathway of authorisation between PB and XCQ.

A copy of first draft text of documentation will be sent to Rob Thatcher and Bill McKinstrey for comment and returned to PB for collation of comments and edits. Documentation is then issued to James Rickards and Lucy Roberts for further revision before being returned to PB for final processing. These documents will then be returned to James Rickards and then to Bill McKinstrey for final approval.

The flow of the approvals process can be seen in Figure 3-1.

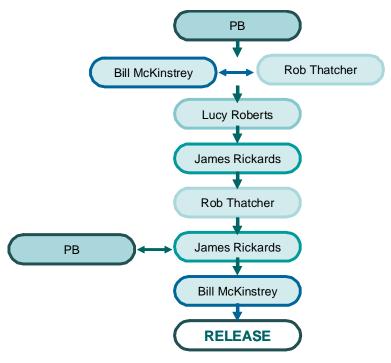


Figure 3-1: Approvals process

#### **XCQ** community contact

Where community members directly contact XCQ (or other study consultants) to discuss the project, XCQ is to record community issues on a Record of Consultation form. This form should then be forwarded, on the day that it is completed, to PB to be recorded on the issues database.

#### **Taylor Byrne community contact**

Taylor Byrne representatives are undertaking direct contact, on behalf of XCQ, with property owners impacted by the project during the valuation and negotiation process.

Taylor Byrne are asked to notify the consultation coordinator, Naomi Holmes of any community member or property owner that has indicated their distress about any aspect of the project. The coordinator will determine the potential impact of the issue and where necessary contact the project manager to discuss potential strategies to address it.

#### XCQ on-site community contact

XCQ's on-site community contact is to record contacts with the community on the project Record of Consultation form and forward a copy to PB for entry into the project contacts database. They are to notify the consultation coordinator, Naomi Holmes of any community member or property owner that has indicated their distress about any aspect of the project. The coordinator will determine the potential impact of the issue and where necessary contact the project manager to discuss potential strategies to address it.

Regular contact will be maintained between the project director, project manager and on site community contact to ensure proactive management of any potential issues or concerns that may arise within the community.

#### 3.3.4 Site protocols

A site induction needs to be completed prior to any on-site work.

#### 3.3.5 Site visit notification

Site visit notifications are to be made as indicated in the site induction.

#### 3.4 Reporting consultation findings

All comments received through the consultation process will be summarised into broad issues in the issues database.

Throughout the consultation process, PB will prepare issues summaries for XCQ which will be discussed at the project fortnightly meeting. These summaries will list the issues raised through community contact. Summaries will also be provided by PB to XCQ after community workshops and meetings are conducted.

PB will prepare a chapter for the EIS that will detail outcomes of the consultation process for XCQ. This chapter will include a summary of the issues raised by the community.

# Appendix A

Stakeholder list

#### Wandoan Coal Project Stakeholders -

#### **Tier 1 Stakeholders**

Employees/staff and contractors (including exploration)
Landholders/neighbours
Local residents/communities (Wandoan)
Taroom Shire Council
Xstrata Coal Queensland

#### Tier 2 Stakeholders

Other local shires (Banana Shire Council, Murilla Shire Council)

Hospitals and emergency services (Police, Fire and Rescue)

State and Australian Government Agencies (Housing, Main Roads, DNRW, DME, EPA, DPI, DEW)

IMAN #2 Traditional Owners and Guarng Land Council

Xstrata Coal

Local businesses and Chamber of Commerce

State schools (Taroom, Wandoan, Grossmont)

Local community groups (CWA, religious groups)

Surat Basin Rail and Queensland Rail

Conservation groups (QCC, Local Conservation Groups, MCG, EDO)

Landcare

Suppliers and consultants

Ergon Power Provider

Central Queensland Ports Authority (CQPA)

Dawson Valley Development Association

Petroleum companies (Arrow, Origin, Santos, Queensland Gas Corp (Govt))

Local and State Ministers

#### Tier 3 Stakeholders

Xstrata Plc

Potential customers

Industry organisations (QRC, MCA, CQMRG)

Shareholders and Joint Venture partners

**Federal Ministers** 

Political parties (Coalition, Australian Labor Party, Greens)

Research and educational institutes (ACARP, SMI, CMLR)

Unions.

#### Sample Pit Key Stakeholders

#### Tier 1 Stakeholders

Landholders/neighbours Local residents/communities (Wandoan) Local schools Taroom Shire Council Xstrata Coal Queensland

#### Tier 2 Stakeholders

Hospitals and emergency services (Police, Fire and Rescue)
Department of Main Roads
Department of Planning and Infrastructure
Department of Mines and Energy
Suppliers and consultants
Local and State Ministers

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# Appendix B

Detailed consultation activities planner for 2008



### EIS - Consultation Plan - as at 23 January 2008

Dates provided in the timing are indicative and provides weekly timeframes.

Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ		Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Update planner	Planner updated for activities to be conducted in 2008	PB prepare, XCQ and XQ approve	•	Ongoing activities and key messages are updated.	January 2008	Internal document	Plan prepared with activities and timings as well as updated activities.	Overall project.
Project database and issues register	Ongoing management of register allows easy and accurate access to stakeholder contact details and key issues and concerns.	PB	•	Project contact with stakeholders will continue to be monitored and entered into existing issues register	Ongoing	Information	Register and     Database     managed and     maintained by PB     over life of     project.	Overall project
Prepare letter to property owners	Issues raised are summarised and consultation changes identified. Continues relationship between XCQ and affected property owners	PB/XCQ	•	Prepare and distribute letter	Distributed January 2008 COMPLETED	Information	Property owners informed of discussion outcomes	Overall project



Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #2 (A3 double- sided)	Newsletter provides an information update.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be distributed to the Project mailing list.</li> </ul>	January 2008 COMPLETED	Consultation	Newsletter will inform on the progress of the Project and discuss how the information previously obtained has been used during the technical studies.	Overall project
Project website	The website will provides an easy to view information point for those interested in knowing more about the project.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>Prepare text for project webpage on Xstrata website</li> <li>Provide information on the sample pit.</li> </ul>	Design to be approved January 2008. Website to be live by March 2008.	Information	Information is readily accessible by stakeholders and the community. Up- to-date information is always at hand	Overall project
CRG Meeting  Sample Pit	Provides opportunity to exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources through community representatives	Project Team	<ul> <li>Exchange and distribute information about the project.</li> <li>Provide information about the opening of a sample pit.</li> <li>Agenda items include:         <ul> <li>A review of the CRG Charter</li> <li>Project progress report</li> <li>Issues &amp; questions</li> <li>Proposed field trip</li> <li>Review of property owner consultation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	13 February 2008 COMPLETED	Active participation	Provides community views for input into the EIS.	SIA

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Project Factsheet	Factsheet will allow general information regarding the project to be outlined in a way that can easily be referenced by stakeholders and communities.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Factsheet</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Factsheet</li> <li>Approval of content and design to be provided by XCQ</li> </ul>	February 2008	Information	Information on the project to be able to be easily referenced by stakeholders and the community to ensure understanding of process and project.	Overall project
Sample Pit advertising	Ensure community members from outside the area are aware of changed conditions and safety.	PB XCQ	Prepare written and radio based advertising for distribution	Throughout March	Information	Information about the sample pit distributed to broader community	Overall project
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #3 (A4 double-sided)  Sample Pit	Newsletter provides an information update focussing on the sample pit.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be</li> </ul>	Distribute Week commencing 3 March 2008	Consultation	Newsletter will inform the community about the opening of a Sample Pit in the project area.	Overall project
			distributed to the Project mailing list.  • Provide information on the sample pit.				

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare and distribute letter to stakeholders  Sample Pit	Tier one and two stakeholders are informed of study progress and have the opportunity to meet Project team representatives. Provide information on the sample pit	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>PB to prepare copy and design</li> <li>XCQ and XC to approve</li> <li>PB to distribute</li> <li>Provide information on the sample pit.</li> </ul>	Distribute Week commencing 3 March 2008	Information	<ul> <li>Stakeholders, residents and businesses actively participate in the Project.</li> <li>Qualitative information is gathered and key messages relating to the Project are delivered to stakeholders.</li> </ul>	SIA and overall project
Ring property owners and near neighbours Sample Pit	Provide information about the project and sample pit. Build relationships	РВ	Make phone calls to property owners and near neighbours to provide a general update on the project and notify about the opening of a sample pit	March 2008		•	
Call elected representatives and key stakeholders about the Sample pit	Provide a general update on project  Provide information on the sample pit  Stakeholder relationship building	РВ	PB to make phone calls to elected representatives and key sample pit stakeholders to discuss the project and the sample pit.	March 2008	Information/cons ultation	Elected     representatives     and key     stakeholders     provided with     qualitative     information on     the project and     sample pit.	SIA and overall project.
School Group Consultation – "Living with heavy vehicles	School Group to learn about the sample pit process and safety around vehicles that will be in use	PB/XCQ	<ul> <li>Coordinate times, attendance and activities</li> <li>Key information delivered at the schools will include information relating to the project, sample pit and safety around the vehicles</li> </ul>	March 2008	Information/ consultation	<ul><li>Relationship building.</li><li>Two-way information flow</li></ul>	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Workshop Two – Property owner forum and community workshop  Sample Pit  Conduct Property Owner Forum  Sample Pit	This activity will ensure that a structured approach is developed for the workshop process and that useful information is derived from workshop outputs.  This activity will enable property owners who have already had contact with project team to come together with XCQ and discuss the project before an update is given to the	Project Team  Project team	<ul> <li>A property owner forum is to be held prior to a larger community workshop.</li> <li>A workshop presentation and worksheet will be developed.</li> <li>Key information delivered at the workshop will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, and consultation process</li> <li>Venue and logistical arrangements to be made</li> <li>Key information delivered at will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, negotiation and valuation processes and consultation process</li> </ul>	Week commencing 31 March 2008	Information	During the workshop participants will work in groups to discuss their issues and concerns of the ongoing project     This information will feed into the continued technical studies.      This information will feed into the continued technical studies.	Overall project  Overall project
Conduct Community Workshop Sample Pit	community.  This activity will provide an update for the community on The Project.	Project Team	Key information delivered at will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, negotiation and valuation processes and consultation process, changes to local infrastructure.	Week commencing 31 March 2008	Information	This information will feed into the continued technical studies.	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Meetings with Service Providers regarding SIA	Service providers are contacted by PROJECT and informed of study progress and have the opportunity to meet Project team representatives.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>PB to prepare contact list and questionnaire</li> <li>XCQ and XC to approve</li> <li>PB to distribute</li> <li>Service providers are listed in Appendix F</li> </ul>	April 2008	Information	<ul> <li>Service providers actively participate in the Project.</li> <li>Qualitative information is gathered and key messages relating to the Project are delivered.</li> </ul>	SIA and overall project
Site visit for Government Agencies for the Terms of Reference	Identified government agencies to view the site, meet the study team and learn more about XCQ, the Project stages and approvals process.	XCQ	Coordinate meeting times and invited government agencies.	April 2008	Information/ consultation	Two-way information flow established.	Overall project
School Group Consultation and involvement program	School Group and community to view the site, meet the study team and learn more about XCQ, the Project stages and approvals process.	XCQ	Coordinate meeting times and activities	April 2008	Information/ consultation	<ul><li>Relationship building.</li><li>Two-way information flow</li></ul>	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Ongoing contact with property owners	PB team can discuss social issues and the general outcomes of the project to date should potential issues be identified during ongoing consultation	PB	<ul> <li>Monitor community feedback and issues.</li> <li>Meet with property owners if necessary</li> <li>Collate data</li> </ul>	Ongoing where necessary	Consultation	Two-way information flow established	Overall project
Prepare draft consultation report and SIA	Throughout the consultation process PB and XCQ will be exchanging summaries information obtained. The consultation and report and SIA will address the overall findings of the consultation process	PB prepare XCQ review	<ul> <li>Research wider social impact and existing social and natural environments.</li> <li>Collate information gathered during active participation with stakeholders and community members</li> <li>Review issues database</li> <li>Prepare plan</li> <li>XCQ to approve</li> <li>Key activities and issues are recorded for public review and comment.</li> </ul>	April 2008	Information	Evaluation and social indicators are included in the EIS along with a formal understanding of potential project impacts on the local social and economic environment.	Overall project
CRG Meeting	Provides opportunity to exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources through community representatives	Project Team	Exchange and distribute information about the project.	May 2008	Active participation	Provides community views for input into the EIS.	SIA

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Workshop three – Property owner forum and community workshop	This activity will ensure that a structured approach is developed for the workshop process and that useful information is derived from workshop outputs.	Project Team	<ul> <li>A workshop presentation and worksheet will be developed.</li> <li>Key information delivered at the workshop will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, and consultation process during the EIS display period.</li> <li>Venue and logistical arrangements to be made</li> </ul>	June 2008	Information	During the workshop participants will work in groups to discuss their issues and concerns of the ongoing project     This information will feed into the continued technical studies.	Overall project
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #4 (A3 double-sided)	Newsletter provides an information update.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be distributed to the Project mailing list.</li> </ul>	June 2008	Consultation	Newsletter will inform on the progress of the Project and discuss how the information previously obtained has been used during the technical studies.     Future consultation events will be discussed	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ		Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Conduct Property Owner Forum	This activity will enable property owners who have already had contact with project team to come together with XCQ and discuss the project before an update is given to the community.	Project team	•	Key information delivered at will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, negotiation and valuation processes and consultation process	June 2008	Information	This information will feed into the continued technical studies.	Overall project
Conduct Community Workshop	This activity will provide an update for the community on The Project.	Project Team	•	Key information delivered at will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, negotiation and valuation processes and consultation process and the EIS display period.	June 2008	Information	This information will feed into the continued technical studies.	Overall project
EIS display and Supplementary process			•	Newsletter Display Factsheet Advertising Staffed display Community Update Meetings	June – Dec 2008		•	

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #5 (A3 double-sided)	Newsletter provides an information update.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be distributed to the Project mailing list.</li> </ul>	September 2008	Consultation	Newsletter will inform on the progress of the Project and discuss how the information previously obtained has been used during the technical studies.      Future consultation events will be discussed	
CRG Meeting	Provides opportunity to exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources through community representatives	Project Team	Exchange and distribute information about the project.	September 2008	Active participation	Provides     community views     for input into the     EIS.	SIA
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #6 (A3 double-sided)	Newsletter provides an information update.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be distributed to the Project mailing list.</li> </ul>	December 2008	Consultation	Newsletter will inform on the progress of the Project and discuss how the information previously obtained has been used during the technical studies.     Future consultation events will be discussed	

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
CRG Meeting	Provides opportunity to exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources through community representatives	Project Team	Exchange and distribute information about the project.	December 2008	Active participation	Provides     community views     for input into the     EIS.	SIA

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# **Appendix C**

State 1 – Consultation Detailed Planner (2007 activities)

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### **Stage 1 - Consultation Plan**

Dates provided in the timing are indicative and provides weekly timeframes. Further detail is provided in the Wandoan Coal Project Resource Program.

Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Phase 1 – In Identify stakeholders	Stakeholders can be defined as those who have an interest or a "stake" in the project and its outcome. Accurately identifying stakeholders ensures accurate access to issues and concerns within the community.	PB	<ul> <li>Research local and surrounding communities.</li> <li>Identify Stakeholders based on their tiered level of potential impact.</li> <li>Create an extensive list of those who need to know about the Project and those who may have concerns about the project.</li> </ul>	May 2007  COMPLETED	Information	<ul> <li>Stakeholders categorised into appropriate three tiers.</li> <li>Ensures appropriate stakeholders will be engaged in the process.</li> </ul>	Overall project
Project database and issues register.	Creation of register allows easy and accurate access to stakeholder contact details and key issues and concerns.	РВ	A register will be prepared to track emerging issues and ensure contact and personal details are managed through one place.	May 2007  COMPLETED	Information	Register and Database established, managed and maintained by PB over life of project.	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Establish community contact points	Communication through easily recognised contact points encourages two-way information flows as community members and other stakeholders are able to access information, provide feedback and ask questions.	PB	<ul> <li>Contact internal and external suppliers of contact points.</li> <li>Establish 1800 number</li> <li>Establish email address</li> <li>Establish Reply paid address</li> </ul>	May 2007  COMPLETED	Information	Consistent contact details available for publication and dissemination over the life of the project.	Overall project
Compile contact database.	Contact database ensures current details of contacts are available over duration of project.	РВ	PB to source details of key contacts and establish a contact database.	June 2007  COMPLETED	Information	Easy to manage database for issue management and data extraction	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Write Initial Consultation Plan.	The plan articulates and PB's consultation and community involvement activities for the Project and is used as a working document by the PROJECT.  Will guide consultation activities during Stage 1 and assist XCQ, PB and other consultants to work in a cohesive partnership during these activities.	PB Approval by XCQ	Develop guidelines and objectives for engaging with the community and stakeholders.	Late June 2007  COMPLETED	Information	Agreed approach is developed for initial stages of the consultation process and overarching plan.     Ensures a cohesive approach to consultation activities.	SIA Economics Feasibility

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Newsletter #1 (A3 double sided, two colour).	Newsletters provide general information about the project and allow stakeholders and the community in an easy to read format. Expectations and issues can then be communicated through publicised contact points.	PB XCQ XC	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ and XC.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> </ul>	Late May/ Early June 2007  Newsletter distributed to community in late June  COMPLETED	Information	Newsletter will introduce the Project and the Project team to the broader community.     Upcoming consultation events will be publicised along with the release of the Terms of Reference (TOR).	Overall project SIA
Preparation of community values survey	The survey provides responses from community members to gain quantitative and qualitative information on current issues and existing community attitudes to the social, economic and natural environment.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>Establish key questions for inclusion in Survey</li> <li>Preparation and design layout</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Survey to be distributed as attachment to Newsletter #1</li> </ul>	Ready by Late June  COMPLETED	Information	Clear and concise information on community attitudes to be incorporated into the social impact assessment and local knowledge can be used to inform technical studies.	SIA

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Newspaper advert	To invite the wider community to the community workshops which will be taking place to discuss the project	PB XCQ and XC to approve	PB to prepare copy, design and organise publishing:  Chinchilla News - Thur - 28 June and 5 July  Toowoomba Chronicle – Sat – 30 June and 7 July  Taroom Tidings - July issue  Windows on Wandoan- July issue	Late June, early July  COMPLETED	Information	Publication of Workshop details helps to encourage wider community participation.	Overall project
ABC Radio	Announcement to advertise the community workshops and invite community participation	PB	Information sent to ABC for broadcast (news item)	Early July	Information	Broadcast of community details encouraging wider community participation.	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Potential affected stakeholder letter.	This letter will form an important first step in the MLA process. All potentially affected property owners should be aware of the MLA and what it means for them. This letter will also invite property owners to meet with the Project team to discuss the project.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>Prepare and distribute letter to potentially affected property owners.</li> <li>Ensure that key messages in the letters are consistent with all other material</li> <li>Letter will include IAS and newsletter</li> </ul>	Letter distributed: June – week 2 COMPLETED	Consultation	<ul> <li>Introduces         the Project         and the         broader         Project team.</li> <li>Contact         points         provided         along with         information         on proposed         studies</li> <li>Information         re: upcoming         newsletter         and Terms of         Reference         consultation.</li> </ul>	SIA and overall project
Letter to elected representati ves	This letter will form an important first step in the MLA process and introduce the project. This letter will also offer an opportunity for a face-to-face briefing with the project team.	XCQ – Rob Thatcher	<ul> <li>Prepare and distribute letter to elected representatives of area.</li> <li>Ensure that key messages in the letters are consistent with all other material</li> <li>Letter will include IAS and newsletter</li> </ul>	Letter distributed: June – week 2 COMPLETED	Information	<ul> <li>Introduces         the Project         and the         broader         Project team.</li> <li>Contact         points         provided         along with         information         on proposed         studies</li> <li>Information         re: upcoming         newsletter         and Terms of         Reference         consultation.</li> </ul>	General

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Workshop One	This activity will ensure that a structured approach is developed for the workshop process and that useful information is derived from workshop outputs.  Workshops in Wandoan, Taroom and Miles	Project Team	Venue booking, catering, travel, notification etc  Develop a workshop presentation and worksheet  Wandoan - Monday 9 July  Taroom Tuesday 10 July  Murilla Shire  Wednesday 11 July	June 2007  COMPLETED	Information	Key information delivered at the workshop will include information relating to:     Introduction to XC     Project timeframes     Technical studies     Consultation process     MLA     Process	SIA Economics Feasibility
Update Notice Of Entry to affected landowners.	Entry notices are required to advise directly affected property owners of key dates for access.	XCQ prepare	<ul> <li>Legal access to MDL's reissue</li> <li>1 July 07,</li> <li>1 October 07,</li> <li>1 January 08,</li> <li>1 April 08,</li> <li>1 July 08,</li> <li>1 October 08 etc (every 3 months)</li> </ul>	July – week 2 and onwards  COMPLETED	Consultation	Directly     affected     property     owners     appropriately     notified.	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Community Workshops	Community workshops held in Wandoan, Taroom and Miles to provide information about project to community members. Also allows community members to provide feedback to study team.	PB, XCQ and XC	Facilitate workshops     Collate feedback and on views, issues, concerns etc.	July – week 2  COMPLETED	Active participation	<ul> <li>During the workshop participants will be asking to work in groups to outlined their views on:</li> <li>their values</li> <li>perceptions of the Project and XCQ</li> <li>current issues and expectations.</li> </ul>	SIA Economics Feasibility
Meet with Taroom, Murilla, Bendemere and Banana Shire Council's.	Council's are informed of study progress and have the opportunity to discuss the project with team members	XCQ	Contact councils and arrange appointments.	July – week 2  COMPLETED	Active participation	<ul> <li>Council's are involved in the process.</li> <li>Qualitative information is gathered and key messages relating to the Project are delivered to stakeholders.</li> </ul>	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Meet with potentially affected property owners (Assume 65)	Initial letters provide the opportunity for property owners to contact the study team to arrange face to face meetings if they are concerned or require further information.	XCQ representative accompanied by PB representative	Contact potentially affected property owners to arrangement appointments	July – week 2 and onwards COMPLETED	Active participation	While the team's knowledge will be limited at this stage it is important for property owner's to understand that they can meet with the team to discuss their concerns and pass on information.	Overall project
Prepare charter for Community Reference Group (CRG)	The CRG is designed to create a forum for discussion and exchange of information on topics related to feasibility of the Wandoan Coal Project. The charter will allow a clear understanding of goals and guidelines for the group.	Project Team	Investigate the goals and guidelines for the CRG	Approval: August COMPLETED	Information	Established goals and guidelines for all CRG representatives	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare and distribute letter to prospective CRG representati ves	This letter will announce and invite community representatives to become part of the CRG.	PB to prepare XCQ and XC to approve and distribute	<ul> <li>Preparation and production and distribution of letter to prospective members.</li> <li>Ensure that key messages in the letters are consistent with all other material</li> </ul>	September COMPLETED	Consultation	<ul> <li>Introduction         of the Project,         the broader         Project team         and the role         of the CRG.</li> <li>Information         contact points         will be         provided         along with         information         on the first         CRG meeting.</li> </ul>	Overall project
Prepare and distribute letter to service providers	Tier one and two stakeholders are informed of study progress and have the opportunity to meet Project team representatives.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>PB to prepare copy and design</li> <li>XCQ and XC to approve</li> <li>PB to distribute</li> </ul>	Letter distributed Deferred to 2008 – EIS process	Information	<ul> <li>Stakeholders, residents and businesses actively participate in the Project.</li> <li>Qualitative information is gathered and key messages relating to the Project are delivered to stakeholders.</li> </ul>	SIA and overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Project Factsheet	Factsheet will allow general information regarding the project to be outlined in a way that can easily be referenced by stakeholders and communities.	PB XCQ	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Factsheet</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Factsheet</li> <li>Approval of content and design to be provided by XCQ</li> </ul>	Deferred to 2008	Information	Information on the project to be able to be easily referenced by stakeholders and the community to ensure understanding of process and project.	Overall project
Project web text	The website will provides an easy to view information point for those interested in knowing more about the project.	PB XCQ	Prepare text for project webpage on Xstrata website	Deferred to 2008	Information	Information is readily accessible by stakeholders and the community. Up-to-date information is always at hand	Overall project
Establish Community Reference Group	Provides opportunity to exchange and distribute information about community issues and resources through community representatives	Project Team	Collation of responses and feedback received back after distribution of letter to prospective CRG representatives.	October 2007 COMPLETED	Active participation	Provides community views for input into the pre-feasibility, feasibility studies and EIS.	SIA

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Interim consultation report	An interim consultation report will provide the project team with social, economic and environmental issues to investigate further.	PB prepare XCQ to review and approve.	Key issues and concerns are identified and addressed for prefeasibility studies.	November 2007 COMPLETED	Information/ consultation	Issues sharing.	Overall project
Site visit for Government Agencies for the Terms of Reference	Identified government agencies to view the site, meet the study team and learn more about XCQ, the Project stages and approvals process.	XCQ	Coordinate meeting times and invited government agencies.	(TBC)	Information/ consultation	Two-way information flow established.	Overall project
Property owner contact	PB team can discuss social issues and the general outcomes of the project to date.	PB	<ul><li>Contact property owners</li><li>Meet with property owners</li><li>Collate data</li></ul>	November 2007 COMPLETED	Consultation	Two-way information flow established	Overall project

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare letter to property owners	Issues raised are summarised and consultation changes identified. Continues relationship between XCQ and affected property owners	PB/XCQ	Prepare and distribute letter	December 2007  To be distributed 17 December 2007	Information	Property owners informed of discussion outcomes	Overall project
Prepare and distribute Newsletter #2 (A3 double-sided)	Newsletter provides an information update.	PB prepare, XCQ and XC approve	<ul> <li>Collate information for inclusion in Newsletter</li> <li>Preparation and design layout of Newsletter</li> <li>Approval provided by XCQ.</li> <li>Distribution to all stakeholders and the communities of Wandoan, Taroom, Miles and other outlying areas.</li> <li>Newsletters will also be distributed to the Project mailing list.</li> </ul>	December 2007  Distribution to commence 17  December 2007	Consultation	Newsletter will inform on the progress of the Project and discuss how the information previously obtained has been used during the technical studies.      Future consultation events will be discussed	
Update planner	Planner updated for activities conducted in 2008	PB prepare, XCQ and XQ approve	Ongoing activities and key messages are updated.	December 2007	Internal document	Plan     prepared     with     activities     and timings     as well as     updated     activities.	Overall project.

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Liming	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
Prepare Workshop Two	This activity will ensure that a structured approach is developed for the workshop process and that useful information is derived from workshop outputs.	Project Team	A workshop presentation and worksheet will be developed.     Key information delivered at the workshop will include information relating to project timeframes, technical study progress and knowledge of issues, concept designs, and consultation process     Venue and logistical arrangements to be made	Feb 2008	Information	<ul> <li>During the workshop participants will work in groups to discuss their issues and concerns of the ongoing project</li> <li>This information will feed into the continued technical studies.</li> </ul>	
Prepare draft consultation report and SIA	Throughout the consultation process PB and XCQ will be exchanging summaries information obtained. The consultation and report and SIA will address the overall findings of the consultation process	PB prepare XCQ review	<ul> <li>Research wider social impact and existing social and natural environments.</li> <li>Collate information gathered during active participation with stakeholders and community members</li> <li>Review issues database</li> <li>Prepare plan</li> <li>XCQ to approve</li> <li>Key activities and issues are recorded for public review and comment.</li> </ul>	Feb/Mar 2008	Information	Evaluation and social indicators are included in the EIS along with a formal understanding of potential project impacts on the local social and economic environment .	

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Task	Rationale	PB/XCQ	Action	Timing	Level of engagement	Outcome	Related studies
EIS display and Supplemen tary process			<ul> <li>Newsletter</li> <li>Display</li> <li>Factsheet</li> <li>Advertising</li> <li>Staffed display</li> <li>Community Update Meetings</li> </ul>	May – Dec 2008			

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# Appendix D

CRG Charter



# Community Reference Group

Charter - October 2007

# Wandoan Coal Project

#### **Preamble**

Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) is forming a Community Reference Group (CRG) for the Wandoan Coal Project. The CRG will be appointed for the period which includes the prefeasibility, feasibility study and the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

### **Aims**

- To create a forum for discussion and exchange of information on topics related to the feasibility of the Wandoan Coal Project.
- To assist the project team (i.e. XCQ and PB) to identify local issues related to the project that can be addressed as part of the pre-feasibility, feasibility study and EIS process.
- To act as a two-way communication link between the project team and the community and stakeholders.

#### The CRG will:

- meet to provide community input to the study
- consider and comment on a range of information that will be presented to the CRG in relation to the studies being conducted
- advise the project team of current and emerging issues relating to the project from the community's perspective
- identify, communicate, represent and consider the broad range of needs and interests of the local community and other stakeholders affected by the project
- assist the project team to keep the local community and key interest groups informed of the project by disseminating information via existing community networks.

#### Role of CRG

The role of the CRG is consultative (rather than decision-making) and all input from the group will be considered by the project team. The project team will consider this community input in the light of overall strategic objectives for the project, as well as statutory and other government approval requirements.

In line with the general scope outlined above, the following summarises the main functions of the CRG:

- to represent the broad range of local community and stakeholder interests
- to identify and communicate community and stakeholder concerns about the project
- to seek information from the project team about the project
- to disseminate information on the project to the local community
- to consider the broad range of community views, interests and issues related to the project's studies.



The guiding principle of the CRG will be to place the interests of the community and the surrounding environment above any personal interest or gain. The committee will strive to ensure a balance between the interests of the community including the environment and those of the Wandoan Coal Project is achieved.

The CRG will respect the guiding principles of Xstrata Coal:

- XCQ has an absolute commitment to HSEC
- XCQ is passionate in delivering outcomes
- XCQ does what they say
- XCQ behaves with honesty and integrity
- XCQ is commercially astute
- XCQ takes personal responsibility and accountability
- XCQ aspires to be the best.

The mandate of the Committee is to be reviewed on a yearly basis.

### Membership of CRG

In order for the CRG to operate effectively, membership of the group will attempt to represent the full breadth of the community. However, membership of the group is not unlimited and numbers will be decided by XCQ once interest in the group has been determined. Membership of the CRG is voluntary.

In selecting the group, the project team has focussed on those representatives that demonstrate active connections to community networks or organisations.

Meetings will be facilitated by Xstrata and attended by PB and will be restricted to members only. The project team may arrange for guest speakers from time to time to provide specialist advice or information.

The group will be chaired by Xstrata and a review of memberships will occur once prefeasibility studies have been finalised.

#### **Members**

The members of the CRG as at October 8, 2007 are listed below. They shall represent the local community as a whole, as well as the interests of any particular group or organisation to which they belong.

### **Technical experts**

The CRG may request to a technical expert attending the meeting as needed and agreed to by the Chairperson.

### Responsibilities of CRG participants

The project team agrees to:

- work within the framework of the charter for the CRG
- allow all members of the CRG to present their views
- report on study progress and seek feedback from the CRG



- distribute advice and issues raised by the CRG to relevant project personnel
- provide feedback on how the advice provided by the CRG has been actioned
- respond within agreed timeframes to requests for information
- ensure that CRG members are provided with adequate information and technical support to assist them to contribute to CRG discussions.

### Members of the CRG agree to:

- work within the framework of the charter for the CRG
- recognise the wide range of issues that must be considered in their deliberations (e.g. technical, social, environmental, Government policy)
- consider and respect the views of other CRG members and those they represent
- provide timely comments and recommendations to the project team that accurately represent current community opinion
- attend meetings and actively participate in discussions
- canvass and report a broad range of community views and issues
- provide feedback from CRG meetings to the local community, interested groups and businesses
- add value to the process by working cooperatively to achieve the best possible project and community outcomes
- maintain confidentiality, where requested, to protect the progress of the project and to minimise the impact on individual community members.

### Timing and location of meetings

The CRG shall determine the frequency of its meetings. It is suggested that the Committee meet at least quarterly.

Meetings will be conducted in Wandoan or other locations as nominated from time to time.

At least two weeks' notice must be given to all members of any meeting of the CRG (except extraordinary meetings where one weeks' notice can be given).

### **Meeting proceedings**

The Chairperson shall convene and chair meetings of the CRG. The CRG is an advisory group and it is not a requirement that consensus be reached amongst members on issues discussed. Meetings of the Committee should follow standard "good practice" for community meetings.

The Chairperson shall determine the agenda items. Any member may propose a matter for inclusion on the agenda, either before or during a meeting, providing the matter is within the purpose of the CRG. The Chairperson should ensure that issues of concern raised by community representatives on behalf of the Community, XCQ or other stakeholders are properly considered. Late items may be deferred to a following meeting.

Agenda items would normally include:

- a) Apologies
- b) Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous meeting
- c) Business arising from previous Minutes:
  - response to issues raised or provision of additional information requested.



- d) Reports and overview of activities:
  - project update
  - monitoring and environmental performance
  - report on information provided to the broader community and any feedback.
- e) General business and new business raised
- f) Next meeting.

### **Meetings of the CRG**

The CRG meetings will be facilitated by XCQ and attended by PB and will be as informal as possible to encourage open discussion/information exchange.

If a member does not attend two meetings without prior notice, they will be asked if they intend to continue their involvement. If a member decides, or is in a position, to not continue their involvement, they will not be automatically replaced unless their withdrawal would impact on the ability of the group to represent all of the key project issues/groups/community sectors/geographic localities.

CRG members will receive at least two weeks notice before each meeting. The agenda, and any supporting material that members should consider in preparation for the meeting, will be distributed at least one week before each meeting.

The project team will be responsible for compiling and distributing agendas for CRG meetings. However, CRG members may nominate issues for discussion at any CRG meeting. These will be considered for inclusion on the agenda for the following CRG meeting.

#### Notes from the CRG

Notes from CRG meetings and any actions and responsibilities arising from discussions will be documented and distributed to CRG members within two weeks of each meeting.

The CRG will meet at key stages in the project process. It is anticipated that there will be four meetings of the CRG over the next 12 months.

#### Media liaison

In relation to liaison with the media. CRG members need to:

- respect every other member's right to express an opinion within the CRG meetings, and expectation not to have those opinions repeated out of context in the media
- understand that the media have a high level of interest in the project, and that they play an important role in providing information to the broader community
- respect that no member of the CRG can speak to the media on behalf of the CRG, or on behalf of any other member of the CRG, without the prior consent of the entire CRG
- respect the project team's need to know when the media are pursuing a story about the project, or seeking CRG member comment in relation to the project.

### **Dispute resolution**

The CRG is encouraged to discuss all matters that may be the subject of substantial disagreement between its members. The Chairperson carries a particular responsibility in respect of dispute resolution, in respect of both disputes between members of the CRG and also between the CRG and XCQ.

A dispute resolution process will be agreed to by the CRG.



# Appendix E

Record of Consultation



# Wandoan Coal Project Record of Consultation Form

Date:	Job Name:	Wandoan Coal Project	
Time:	 Job Number:		
Team Member:			
Telephone Contact:	Face to face	Contact:	
<ul> <li>Hotline call</li> </ul>	• One-on-	one meeting	
■ E-mail follow-up	<ul> <li>Community</li> </ul>	nity group meeting	
■ Written submission follow-up	Present at r	neeting:	
<ul> <li>Access call</li> </ul>			
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Company/Organisation:			
Address:			
Property Description:			
Telephone:	Facsimile:		
Mobile:	<b>Email:</b>		
Interview Notes:			

Wandoan Coal Project Community Consultation Plan	xstrata
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# Appendix F

Service Provider Lists

Category	Organisation
Queensland government	Darling Downs/South West Queensland
J	Disability Services Queensland
	Queensland Transport
	Department of Communities
	Department of Emergency services
	Taroom Shire Council
	Murilla Shire council
Police	Wandoan Police
	Taroom Police
Education/schools	Education Queensland
	Wandoan State School
	Grosmont State School
	Peek-A-Doo State School (Taroom)
	St Mary's Primary School (Taroom)
	Taroom State School (Taroom)
	Miles State High School (Murilla)
	Miles State School (Murilla)
Kindergarten	Taroom Kindergarten Association
	Murilla Kindergarten Ass Inc
	Wandoan & District Kindergarten Assoc Inc
Department of Housing	South West Queensland Area Office
Emergency services	Taroom Ambulance
	Wandoan Ambulance
Hospital and health services	Queensland Health
	Miles Health Service
	Taroom Health Service
	Wandoan Outpatients Service
	Taroom Domiciliary Nursing Service
Centrelink	Taroom Centrelink Access Point
	Miles Centrelink
Sporting Groups	Taroom Amateur Swimming Association
	Taroom Bowls Club
	Taroom Golf Club
	Taroom Pony Club
	Wandoan Bowls Club
	Wandoan Golf Club
	Wandoan Gymnastics Club
	Wandoan Pony Club
	Wandoan Swimming Club
	Wandoan Tennis Club

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Category	Organisation
Churches	Uniting Church
	Anglican (Taroom)
	Catholic Church (Taroom)
	St Vincent de Paul Society (Taroom)
	Lutheran (Taroom)
Doctor	Taroom-Wandoan Medical Centre
Community Organisations	Taroom District Development Association
	Taroom Lions Club
	Taroom RSL Sub Branch
	Taroom Show Society
	Taroom Tennis Club
	Taroom Library
	Juandah Heritage Society
	Taroom Shire Landcare
	Wandoan & District Progress Assoc
	Wandoan Cultural and Community Centre
	Wandoan Lions Club
	Wandoan Senior Citizens
	Wandoan Sporting Association
	Wandoan RSL
	Miles Meals on Wheels
	Wandoan Meals on Wheels
	Taroom Meals on Wheels

#### Tier 1 Stakeholders

- Employees / staff and contractors (including exploration)
- Landholders / neighbours
- Local residents / communities (Wandoan)
- Dalby Regional Council (formerly Taroom Shire Council and Murilla Shire Council)
- Xstrata Coal Queensland

### Tier 2 Stakeholders

- Other local shires (Banana Shire Council)
- Hospitals and emergency services (Police, Fire and Rescue)
- State and Australian Government Agencies (Housing, Main Roads, DNRW, DME, EPA, DPI, DEW)
- IMAN #2 Traditional Owners and Guarng Land Council
- Xstrata Coal
- Local businesses and Chamber of Commerce
- State schools (Taroom, Wandoan, Grossmont)
- Local community groups (CWA, religious groups)
- Surat Basin Rail and Queensland Rail
- Conservation groups (QCC, Local Conservation Groups, MCG, EDO)
- Landcare
- Suppliers and consultants
- Ergon Power Provider
- Central Queensland Ports Authority (CQPA)
- Dawson Valley Development Association
- Petroleum companies (Arrow, Origin, Santos, Queensland Gas Corp (Govt))
- Local and State Ministers

### Tier 3 Stakeholders

- Xstrata Plc
- Potential customers
- Industry organisations (QRC, MCA, CQMRG)
- Shareholders and Joint Venture partners
- Federal Ministers
- Political parties (Coalition, Australian Labor Party, Greens)
- Research and educational institutes (ACARP, SMI, CMLR)
- Unions.



# APPENDIX 4-2-V1.4

FACT SHEETS AND NEWSLETTERS

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4.	What is you employment status? Are you currently:  ☐ employed for wages ☐ self-employed ☐ out of work for more than 1 year ☐ out of work for less than 1 year ☐ a student		email website other		
	□ retired □ unable to work □ other	Oth	ner comments		
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The Wandoan Project **PB Consultation Coordinator** Reply Paid 2907 **BRISBANE QLD 4001** 

**Delivery Address:** 

**BRISBANE QLD 4001** 

GPO Box 2907

## **Coal and Climate Change**

Climate change is a reality and requires a global response. If we are to meet the increasing global energy demands fuelled by the rapid social and economic progress of both the developed and developing world, we will need all forms of power generation – coal, oil, gas, renewables and nuclear.

As the world's largest exporter of thermal coal, Xstrata Coal has both a right and a responsibility to proactively engage with Government, industry, the scientific community and environmental groups to help find a sustainable and financially viable solution to the issue of climate change.

We can lead by example to both developed and developing nations by demonstrating what can be achieved through financial, scientific and political investment in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and the development of zero-emission technology.

Although action is already being taken, much more needs to be done to first stabilise and then reduce carbon dioxide emissions from the use of coal and other fossil fuels. For this reason, Xstrata Coal is committing millions of dollars to various initiatives across the globe to realise the deep cuts in greenhouse gas emissions that are not only required, but achievable.



12MW gas-fired power station using methane extracted from XCQ's Oaky Creek Mine, QLD

call telephone hotline **1800 052 797** 

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You can also find out more about XCO at www.xstrata.com.



Wandoan water reservoir

# **Community Information** Workshops

XCQ will be holding a number of community formation workshops in early July and we ncourage you to attend and participate in the project approval process and future consultation ectivities. The project team will also be gathering and community values, as well as the potential npacts and benefits of the proposed mine.

Project workshops will be held from 7pm-9pm on:

- Wandoan Cultural Community Centre Auditorium
- Taroom Town Hall
- Murilla Shire Council Corbill Function Room and Hall

# Wandoan Project



community newsletter 1 june 2007

### **Dear Resident**



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nportance to the region and is proposed to be eveloped by the Wandoan Joint Venture.

o working with the communities surrounding the Vandoan Project, as well as other stakeholders, o discuss the Project and its potential benefits

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introduce ourselves, Xstrata Coal is the world's gest exporter of thermal coal and the fifth large outh Africa and Colombia, and is part of Xstrata olc, a major global diversified mining group.

ross the State, producing both thermal and cokin al, mostly for export. Local operations include he Rolleston open cut, Oaky Creek underground perations near Emerald, and the Newlands and collinsville operations and Abbott Point coal ship

is newsletter is the first step in our ongoing oject team and discuss the Wandoan Project.



Locality plan

### **Wandoan Project**

Situated west of the Wandoan township, it is proposed the Wandoan Project will comprise:

- an open-cut coal mine using a combination of truck and excavator, dozer and dragline mining equipment
- coal handling and preparation plant, workshops, fuel and washdown facilities and offices
- initial production in excess of 20 Mtpa run of mine (ROM) coal and an expected life of over 30 years
- produce thermal coal for export markets and possibly domestic markets.

XCQ is participating in a Joint Venture to investigate the construction of a new rail connection between Wandoan and the existing Moura-Gladstone line at Banana, called the Surat Basin Rail.

### **The Wandoan Joint Venture**

The Wandoan Project is proposed to be developed by the Wandoan Joint Venture (WJV). The joint venture partners are Xstrata Coal Queensland Pty Ltd (75%), ICRA (Itochu) Pty Ltd (12.5%) and Sumisho Coal Australia Pty Ltd (12.5%).

The WJV has lodged three mining lease applications in May 2007, covering approximately 32,000 hectares of exploration tenure west of the town of Wandoan.

### **Project Studies**

The first stage of the Wandoan Project will include feasibility studies and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). These studies will assist XCQ to identify and assess potential social, economic and environmental impacts and benefits on a local, regional and state basis. This will enable the Company to determine whether the Project is feasible and seek mining approval from the Queensland Government.

### **Project Phases**

The following flow chart provides a summary of the planning process XCQ will follow in seeking approval for the proposed Project.

### **Project Phases**

**We are** → Commencement of community

Draft "Terms of Reference" for the **Environmental Impact Statement** released for stakeholder comment

Final "Terms of Reference" issued by Coordinator-General

Preparation of the EIS

Lodgement of the EIS with the Coordinator-General

Public Exhibition of the EIS and period for accepting submissions

Assessment of EIS and submissions

Submit supplementary EIS if required

Coordinator-General provides an assessment report and nominates the conditions of approval

XCQ to determine whether the Project is feasible.

### **Significant Project Status**

The Wandoan Project is considered to be of strategic significance to the region and has been declared by the Coordinator-General to be a significant project, for which an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required. This means that the approvals process is coordinated on behalf of the Coordinator-General through the Department of Infrastructure. The Department of Infrastructure also provides assistance during the approvals process by facilitating interactions with Government agencies on project-related issues.

### **Community Consultation**

XCQ has engaged consultants PB to assist with the preparation of feasibility studies and to prepare the EIS. PB will also be assisting with the community consultation and social impact assessment process.

The initial stage of the Project will focus on collecting information for the various feasibility studies and for the EIS. The project team will be collecting information and reporting back to the community on the key findings of the studies.

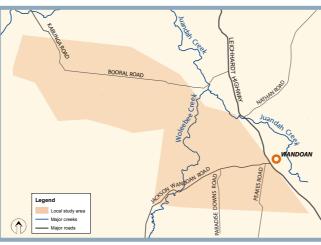
XCQ proposes to conduct the following technical studies over the next six months to complete the EIS and feasibility studies:

- exploration, coal quality and resources
- mine planning
- coal handling and preparation
- site and regional infrastructure
- water and power supply
- environment
- dust and noise
- cultural heritage and native title
- social and community issues.

Some of these studies will require access to private properties located within the project study area.



Geologist Geoff Hokin working on site



Local study area

### **How You Can Be Involved**

XCQ and PB will be conducting a range of activities to provide the community with the opportunity to provide input and feedback throughout the life of the Wandoan Project. A key part of this will be the establishment of a Community Reference Group. This group will be formed to assist XCQ in gathering and identifying issues and concerns to be addressed as part of the EIS process. A number of organisations will be involved in this group and we encourage local members of the community to also participate. Details of how the group will be established will be provided at the upcoming workshops.

### **Community Survey**

The project team is interested in finding out about the local community and their thoughts on the proposed mine development. A community survey has been attached to this newsletter for you to complete in your own time.

XCQ value your privacy and confidentiality. The information you provide will be collected for use only by the project team. See the final page of this newsletter for further instructions on returning this survey to the project team.

While the survey information you provide will be invaluable, we would also like to meet you at the local workshops held in early July. The workshops are the first opportunity for you to discuss your thoughts and ideas with the project team.

Please bring your completed survey along to the workshops, or post it to the project team by the end of July.



Exploration drilling carried out since 2003 on the Wandoan study area

### **Community Survey**

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You personally							

#### **Community Reference Group**

The first CRG meeting was held in October 2007. The CRG and its members will play an integral role in the project's consultation process by:

- being a forum for the discussion and exchange of information on topics relating to the feasibility of the project
- assisting the project team to identify local issues relating to the project that can be addressed as part of the pre-feasibility study, feasibility study and EIS process
- acting as a two-way communication link between the project, the community and stakeholders.

CRG members were chosen to represent the full breadth of the community and, in selecting the group, the project team focused on those representatives who demonstrated active connections to community networks or organisations within the Wandoan area. The CRG members are:

- Leesa Rathbone (Wandoan Show Society)
- Louise Oakman (Wandoan Showgrounds Improvement Committee)
- Roxanne Blackley (Landcare Taroom)
- Chris Guteridge (Queensland Police Service)
- Marion Randall (Queensland Health)
- Wendy Masters (Department of Housing South West Queensland Area Office)
- Ben Gaske (Wandoan State School)
- Evan Thelander (Queensland Ambulance Service)
- Helen Devlin (Wandoan Chamber of Commerce)
- Graeme O'Mara (Wandoan Progress Association)
- Neil Goodman (Queensland Fire and Rescue Area 5)
- Jo Mitchell (Dawson Valley Development Association)
- Adam Clark (Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland Upper Dawson Branch)
- Anthea Patch (AgForce)
- Cr Cecilia Donohoe (Taroom Shire Council)
- Cr Bill Blackley (Taroom Shire Council).

Notes from the meeting are available by contacting the project team using the details listed on the back page or by visiting the Council office at Taroom.

#### **The Project Team**

XCQ are currently working with a number of consultants and local people as part of the overall project and property negotiations process. We have a number of new people working on the project and some existing team members who have changed roles.

Parsons Brinckerhoff (PB) is an engineering and environment company which is conducting feasibility studies, environmental assessments and mine planning. Recently the PB consultation and social impact assessment team met with affected property owners to discuss project impacts and the local social environment. Generally PB's role relates to broader community engagement and gathering study information. Please contact the PB team to discuss any aspect of the project or the EIS process. Details are listed below.

Wally Kearnan, Tim Cavanagh and Russell Brown (Taylor Byrne, registered valuers) will be involved in land valuations and negotiations in conjunction with the project manager, Rob Thatcher. Wally, Tim and Russell plan to meet with all affected property owners to continue the process. If you would like to discuss this further please contact Wally or Russell on (07) 3840 3000.

#### **Contact the Project Team**

Community contact points give you the opportunity to provide feedback directly to a project team member.

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t www.xstrata.com

A project-specific website will be developed early this year. The website will include details of the mine development process, the studies currently underway, the approvals process and community consultation activities

# Wandoan Coal Project



community newsletter 2 january 2008

#### **Dear Resident**



Xstrata Coal Queensland's (XCQ) prefeasability investigations for the "Wandoan Coal Project" are progressing well.

Your community has provided the project team with lots of information, advice and views

throughout the initial stages of our consultation process. This feedback has helped us to understand issues and concerns which need to be addressed as part of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process.

It was great to see so many Wandoan, Taroom and Miles residents attending the community workshops last July. We also received over 120 completed feedback forms. These forms were distributed as part of our first newsletter. Our thanks goes to everyone for their participation to date.

The community, and affected property owners, are very important to XCQ. As the project involves a number of changes for the community, we want to make sure your concerns and issues are addressed. Your feedback on the project and the processes we are running will help us to review and, if necessary, change how we go about our work. One of the best ways you can find out information about the project or discuss your concerns is to ring the project team directly. Contact details are listed on the back page of this newsletter.

Recently, as part of the consultation process, we formed a Community Reference Group. The group, which includes local community representatives, met for the first time in October. You will find a list of group representatives in this newsletter, as well as information on the issues discussed during the group's first meeting. Thanks to those community members and organisations who pominated themselves or others for membership.

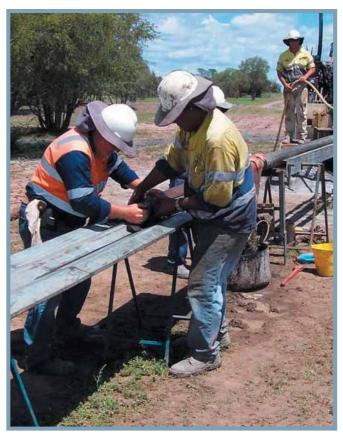
XCQ encourages community members to continue their involvement in the EIS process. I look forward to meeting with you and working through the issues raised to date.

Regards Bill McKinstrey Wandoan Project Director

#### **Continuing Technical Studies**

#### **Exploration, Coal Quality and Resources**

Drilling and geology has been an important part of the project investigations. Currently four drill rigs are operating. These drilling activities assist the project team to understand coal quality, mine planning and operations. Rain in recent months has resulted in the periodic suspension of the drilling program, it is expected that this work will continue throughout 2008.



Drillers extracting a core sample of coal from a drill rig

#### Flora and Fauna

Ecological assessments for the EIS are continuing. The fauna team have been accessing the project area to identify potential wildlife habitats and conduct fauna surveys. The surveys have included bat trapping, bird and mammal call response and spotlighting.

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The flora team have also been conducting habitat assessments, including plant species surveys, "significant" weed identification and cross checking regional ecosystem maps that relate to the site.



Ecology team out in the field during flora and fauna surveys

#### **Timeframes**

We understand that the community is particularly interested in the timeframes for the project. The following provides an indication of when studies, the approvals process and proposed mine development is expected to occur:

#### **Community Consultation**

#### **Community Workshops**

The community workshops held in Wandoan, Taroom and Miles in July were a success with over 400 people attending across the three days. This was the first time the community and project team met. It also provided an important opportunity for them to discuss the project, its potential impacts and existing community issues.



Participants at the Wandoan workshop

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Mine						
Concept Study complete						
Pre-Feasibility			• Coordinator Genera	l Report		
Feasibility						
Construction						• Commence Mining
Rail						
Stage 1 Alignment		• Loc	ge EIS			
Stage 2 Design & EIS Prep			• Coordina	tor General Report		
Stage 3 EIS Process & Bankability						
Stage 4 Financial Close						• 1st Rail
Construction						
Upgrade QR Banana-Gladstone						
Wiggins Island Port						
Concept Confirmation						
Detailed Engineering						
Construction						• 1st Rail
Commission - Shipments						

During the workshops, the project team presented information on the following:

- Xstrata Coal and XCQ projects and operations
- the current project status
- · project timeframes
- technical studies
- · related projects such as rail and power
- · the approvals processes
- · ongoing consultation activities.

During the workshops, participants were asked to work in groups to provide the project team with information about:

- community values associated with the area
- · important issues facing the community
- important features of the local area
- local lifestyles and important local connections with family and friends
- · community thoughts on the potential mine
- · community expectations of XCQ
- possible impacts and benefits of the project.

Participants were also asked to outline how they thought the project would affect the local community, environment, economy, lifestyles, services and safety.

The key issues raised during the three workshops have highlighted the value placed on safety, community-spirit and the relaxed country lifestyle enjoyed by the local and regional community. Concern over access to services and employment were consistent across the workshops.

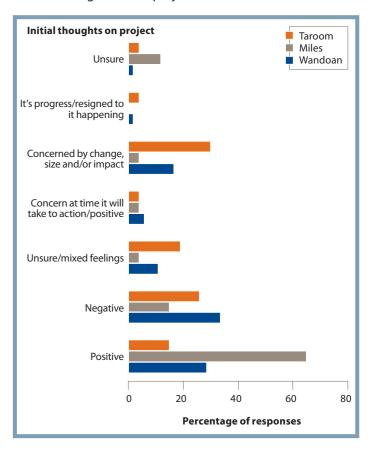
The project team appreciates the time, effort and thought that the participants put into discussing and sharing their views, and a further information community meeting is planned for around Easter 2008.

It is important to note that this is just a sample of the issues raised and further detail will be provided in the EIS.

#### **Community Survey**

The project team would also like to thank the community members who completed the community feedback form distributed as part of the first project newsletter. The team had received over 120 completed feedback forms by the end of October. The feedback provided useful information on how respondents felt the project might affect local lifestyles, the environment and the economy.

The following graph provides a summary of survey responses from each town when asked to explain their inital thoughts of the project.



Survey feedback will be used in the social impact assessment section of the EIS and feasibility studies.

<ul> <li>Key issues included:</li> <li>potential loss of families from the area</li> <li>population changes</li> <li>more community investment</li> <li>Key issues included:</li> <li>water issues</li> <li>more community investment</li> <li>Key issues included:</li> <li>more competition</li> <li>a mix of lifestyles</li> <li>a mix of lifestyles</li> <li>changes in friends and social activities</li> <li>local lifestyles may not be as quiet and relaxed</li> <li>local economic</li> </ul>	Community
growth and improved people in services area	<ul> <li>potential loss of families from the area</li> <li>population changes</li> </ul>

Key issues raised during community workshops

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# Wandoan Coal Project



community newsletter 3 March 2008

#### **Dear Resident**



Xstrata Coal Queensland's (XCQ) Wandoan Coal Project studies are progressing well and 2008 promises to be a very busy year for all involved. The project team continued its work over the New Year break, planning activities for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process and ongoing community consultation.

This is our second newsletter for the year and the team is also working to develop a dedicated project website.

In 2007, consultation activities provided opportunities for community comment and participation. Information was gathered on potential issues and community attitudes towards the project. The project team hopes to build on previous consultation, and I encourage every member of the community to get involved in the next series of workshops, which will be held in April. We hope to update everyone on the project including the EIS process, the upcoming sample pit and the next steps in our study process. We will also start working on solutions for some of the issues your community has raised.

It is anticipated that a small sample pit operation will also commence in April. The sample pit will provide XCQ with information on coal quality, washability and combustion trials to determine the viability of the Wandoan Coal Project.

An upcoming information sheet will provide you with further details about the sample pit. Please contact the project team if you have any questions or concerns about its operation. The project team is committed to working with the community to manage any issues associated with the sample pit and its operation.

Regards
Bill McKinstrey
Wandoan Coal Project Director

#### **Community Workshops**

The next round of community workshops will start in early April. The workshops are a vital part of the EIS process.

The communities of Wandoan, Taroom and Miles have already provided the project team with information regarding potential issues associated with the project. Workshops will now focus on finding solutions and ways to manage potential impacts and issues.

XCQ has developed draft plans for the potential mine infrastructure and road changes. This planning and the sample pit operations will be discussed at the workshops and the project team will gather your feedback.

The workshops will also provide the opportunity to find out more about the Terms of Reference and EIS, which are due for release this year. European Cultural Heritage specialists will be attending each workshop to discuss the local area's history.

We invite you to attend any or all of the workshop sessions at the following venues and times:

Place	Venue	Date	Time	
Wandoan	Wandoan Cultural Community Centre Auditorium	1 April 2008	7pm — 9pm	
Taroom	Taroom Town Hall	2 April 2008	7pm — 9pm	
Miles	Murilla Shire Council — Columboola Function Room	3 April 2008	7pm — 9pm	

Should you be unable to attend but still have issues you would like to discuss, please contact the project team using the details on the back page of this newsletter.

XCQ and the project team will be holding a display at the Wandoan Show on Monday 21 April and Tuesday 22 April. The display will contain further information about the project and provide another opportunity to meet with the project team.

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#### **Community Reference Group**

The second Community Reference Group (CRG) meeting, the first for 2008, was held in February. A barbecue was held for members to meet those attending from different parts of the region.

During the meeting CRG members were provided with an update of the project and the opportunity to raise new issues or ask questions.

Issues discussed at the meeting included:

- impacts on flora and fauna
- the potential use of coal seam gas water
- Glebe Weir studies
- local employment
- the mine site accommodation village and housing in Wandoan
- the proposed rail corridor
- property owner involvement
- impacts on schools and student numbers
- on-site fire prevention facilities
- weed management
- community health
- economic benefits
- community safety.

A visit to the Rolleston coal mine site is being planned to provide the opportunity for members to view the mine and accommodation village. This visit is expected to occur in May.

Notes from the meeting are available from the Council office at Taroom or by contacting the project team.

Please contact any of the CRG members if you have any issues you would like raised at the next meeting.

#### **Project Team**



Reinhold Schmidt has recently joined the Wandoan Coal Project team as Executive General Manager.

Reinhold will oversee the project, working closely with **Project Director Bill** McKinstrey.



#### **Sample Pit Operations**

It is anticipated that sample pit operations will commence in April. Coal extracted from this pit will be tested for quality, washability and combustion trials. Information gathered from these trials will assist XCQ in assessing the feasibility of the project.

Further information regarding these operations will be released in coming weeks. An information sheet will be distributed to households in the local area before operations commence. Information will also be available at the community workshops.

#### **Contact the Project Team**

We invite you to continue your involvement in the Wandoan Coal Project. Community contact points give you the opportunity to provide feedback directly to a project team member.

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# Wandoan Coal Project



community newsletter 4 august 2008

#### **Dear Resident**



Studies for Xstrata Coal Queensland's (XCQ) Wandoan Coal Project have now been underway for more than 12 months. Various study teams have been on the ground in the lead up to the completion of the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

Since the previous newsletter, several key activities have occurred including:

- another round of community information workshops
- a property owner forum
- the start of the bulk sample and coal haulage;
- a visit by several Community Reference Group members to the XCQ Rolleston Coal Mine.

The workshops once again provided the opportunity for the community to comment on the proposed mine plan and infrastructure, environmental studies and non-indigenous cultural heritage. All of the comments and feedback provided by community members at the workshops have been incorporated in the various technical studies. Another important step for the project was the lodgement of the project's Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act Referral. This referral forms part of the approvals process and will assist XCQ and the Federal Government to determine and manage the project's potential environmental impacts.

The project's draft Terms of Reference will soon be ready for government and community review and comment. Information about the Terms of Reference and how you can be involved is included in this newsletter. Please contact the project team if you have any questions or would like to find out more.

Our community open day was held at the bulk sample pit on Friday 1 August, with a great response from those that attended

Thank you to all that made the effort to come along and view the activities on site. Meanwhile, I look forward to continuing our involvement with the local community.

Regards Bill McKinstrey Wandoan Project Director

## Lodgement of the EPBC Act Referral and what this means

The Federal Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts (DEWHA) has processed the project's Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act Referral.

The Department decided that the project components are controlled actions and, as such, require assessment and approval by the Minister before they can proceed.

The referral addressed the EPBC Act and the Australian Government's interests in the protection of matters of national environmental significance. It helps to determine whether the project team has conducted enough technical studies to identify possible impacts on nationally and internationally important flora, fauna, ecological communities and heritage places.

The following diagram provides a summary of the referral process.

# EPBC Act Referral submitted to DEWHA EPBC Act Referral is assessed by DEWHA and available for public comment DEWHA determines if Project is "controlled" and accredited as part of the Queensland EIS process DEWHA provides input into the Terms of Reference Terms of Reference available for public comment EIS prepared and advertised DEWHA reviews EIS

The referral can be downloaded from the Department's website at: www.environment.gov.au/epbc/notices/index.html

#### **TOR release and viewing locations**

The Department of Infrastructure and Planning expects to release the project's draft Terms of Reference (ToR) for an environmental impact statement (EIS) during August for public comment. The ToR will describe the technical and environmental studies to be included in the EIS.

The draft ToR will be available at www.dip.qld.gov.au/proejcts and locally from the post office and library, exact locations will be advertised. The Coordinator General will also give the draft ToR to relevant government departments for comment.

#### **Technical Studies**

You may have seen a few interesting-looking contraptions around Wandoan since April. These boxes conceal high-tech equipment to measure the smallest variations in noise, dust, water flow and quality in the environment. Read on for more information on how they work and what they are for.

As part of the project's technical studies, water, noise and dust monitoring have been occurring for the past few months. The monitoring provides baseline data for the various technical studies and will set a benchmark for measuring possible future impacts from the project and for developing mitigation strategies.





Top: A creek water quality monitor. Above: An air monitoring station.

#### Water quality monitoring

XCQ is currently monitoring creek water quality within the Wandoan area. The monitors measure the quantity and quality of water in local creeks including:

- water flow
- · temperature,
- pH levels,
- turbidity (the amount of particle matter suspended in water),
- electrical conductivity; and
- dissolved oxygen as a percentage of the saturation.

There are currently four monitors located on Woleebee, Juandah, Frank and Mud creeks. Another six monitors will be installed in the coming months.

Each water monitor contains a sampler and pump tube which monitors the creek water every six minutes.

Sampling commences once there is a flow and will continue every hour while water is flowing.

All data obtained from these monitors can be accessed remotely by the project team, with data loaded onto the monitoring website and also sent via mobile phone technology.



Project team member Lee Gnezdiloff conducting hydrocensus studies for the EIS. This involves measuring water levels in local bores.

#### **Noise monitoring**

Noise monitors have been installed at three places in the Wandoan district.

The three-phase monitors operate 24-hours per day. They record ambient noise levels in decibels. They are extremely sensitive and can record the difference in noise levels if a car drives past or people have a conversation while walking close by.

The data can also be accessed remotely by members of the Project team.

#### **Air Monitoring**

Two air monitoring stations are now operating in Wandoan. The monitors, in the Wandoan township and on the property Jondale, feature a despositional dust gauge which monitors in real-time and collects on a 30-day cycle. The amount of dust that settles out of the air is measured in grams per square metre, per month.

The stations also have Tapered Element Oscillating Microballances (TEOM) monitors which measure the amount of dust particles suspended in the air at any time.

The monitors record Total Suspended Particle Matter (TSP), which is all particles suspended in the air. Even the largest of these particles is barely half the width of a human hair.

The TEOM monitors also measure  $PM_{10}$  particulate matter, which is all particles smaller than  $10\mu m$  in diameter (smaller than 1/7th of a hair width) and therefore small enough to be breathed in (respirable).

#### **Weather stations**

Weather monitoring began in April 2007. It will provide baseline data to assist in gauging weather patterns and its possible affects on mining activities.

The weather station provides the following data:

- air temperature
- · humidity levels
- wind direction and speed
- pressure
- solar radiation
- rainfall.

All monitoring is in real time and data can be accessed remotely if required. Weather monitoring is of considerable importance to mine planning.

The results will be used to assess how prevailing winds and breezes might effect the surrounding local area.

XCQ is then able to vary mining methods or plans to minimise these impacts. If a mine was to be established at Wandoan, the weather station could also be used to direct day-to-day operations to similarly reduce impacts.

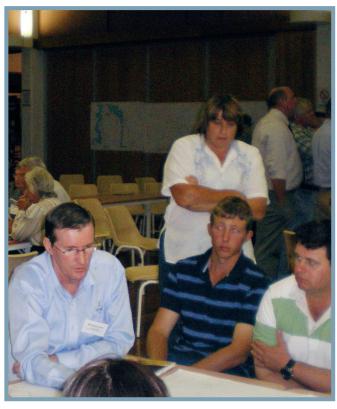
#### **Community Consultation**

Further community consultation has occurred over the last few months. The Project team has conducted a variety of activities including:

- a property owner forum
- community information workshops in Wandoan, Taroom and Miles
- · an information display at the Wandoan Show
- sample pit consultation and "Heavy Vehicles" school program
- Community Reference Group meetings and visit to the Rolleston Coal Mine
- monitoring of project contact points.

#### **Community information workshops**

With the help of the community, the project team was able to gather valuable information at the April workshops held in Wandoan, Taroom and Miles. Close to 250 people attended the three workshops, including 60 people who attended the property owner forum in Wandoan.



Wandoan Coal Project Director Bill McKinstrey discusses mine infrastructure at the Wandoan workshop.

The latest round of workshops provided the community with the opportunity to learn more about various aspects of the Project and outline specific feedback, issues and concerns. Topics covered at the workshops included mine planning and infrastructure, environment and European cultural heritage.

Valuable information gathered at the workshops related to:

- Mine infrastructure
  - o water resources
  - design and proposed alignments for rail and roads
  - o proposed water and gas pipelines
  - o weed management options
- Mine planning
  - o creek diversions
  - housing options and locations
  - o employee hours of work
  - o impacts to infrastructure and services
- · European cultural heritage
  - Juandah history
  - o burial locations
- Environment:
  - o dust
  - o noise
  - o the use of "buffer" zones
  - o the impacts to creeks
  - o managing flora and fauna impacts.

#### **Community Reference Group**

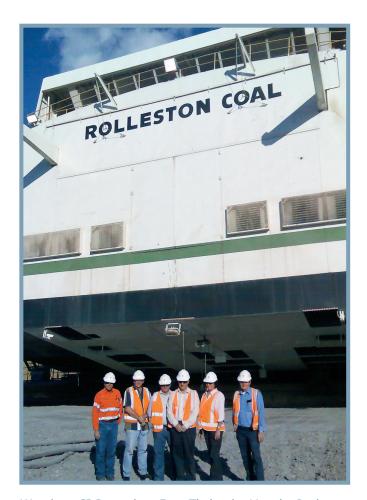
The second Community Reference Group (CRG) meeting for 2008 was held in May. Once again the CRG members provided feedback and issues from the various groups that they represent and from the general community.

This meeting was followed by several CRG members visiting the Rolleston Coal Project in June. Evan Thelander (Queensland Ambulance), Louise Oakman (Wandoan State School) John Bosward (Wandoan State School) and Vaughn Becker (Dawson Valley Development Association) travelled to Rolleston to view the mine and its related infrastructure, including the accommodation village. The group also toured Springsure and met with members of the local community who were able to give them some insights into what the mine development had meant for their community. The visit provided the CRG members with the opportunity to:

- discuss the Project with Rolleston residents about their previous experiences
- view the XCQ mine and accommodation village
- obtain an understanding of how the mining operations would work on a day-to-day basis.



Wandoan CRG members inspect the accommodation cabins at the Rolleston Coal Mine.



Wandoan CRG members Evan Thelander, Vaughn Becker, John Bosward and Louise Oakman visited XCQ's Rolleston Coal Mine to meet staff, learn about mining operations and view the accommodation village.

#### Sample pit activities



Grosmont State School student Tallia McShannon learns about the sample pit activities as part of XCQ and haulage contractors Ostwald Bros. "heavy vehicles" education sessions with schools in Grosmont, Wandoan and Taroom.

In April XCQ commenced activities at its sample pit. Since beginning, more than 30,000 tonnes of coal has been removed and taken north for quality testing, washability and combustion trials.

The pit is now 300 metres long and 23 metres deep. The coal is being extracted and crushed on-site using a mobile crushing plant.

A water run-off and catchment system is in place to ensure coal dust does not run into local waterways and vegetation rehabilitation trials will be planted in the coming weeks. Shortly after trucking operations from the sample pit began it was reported that a small amount of coal was falling off the trucks when turning on to the Leichhardt Highway.

In response XCQ built rumble grids to shake loose coal off the trucks before they left the site. An inspection platform was also installed to allow drivers to sweep loose coal from the trucks before signing an inspection sheet to confirm that the trucks leaving the site were clean.

The new system has proved to be very effective. Sample pit activities will continue during August. A second sample pit may be established to complete the feasibility studies, XCQ is expected to begin discussions with the local community and regulators on this proposed pit in coming months.



Students from St Mary's School in Taroom explore the coal haulage truck during the April school visit.



Road haulage is an important part of the Wandoan Coal Project's sample pit activities.

# Wandoan Coal Project Sample Pit Tour

The first Wandoan Coal Project sample pit tour was held on the afternoon of Friday 1st of August. The tour provided local residents with the opportunity to view activities currently underway at the sample pit, learn about the machines and meet some of the team members.

Visitors also viewed the rehabiliation work currently underway. A sausage sizzle was held at the Bowls Club following the tour.



#### On the ground



**Des Morris** 

Des Morris currently manages XCQ's operations at the project's sample pit site as the Supervisor Open Cut Examiner. He joined the Wandoan Coal Project team having accumulated 29

years of experience in the industry and previously being based at the Rolleston Coal Mine. When not at work Des can be found working on his cane farm at Maryborough and spending time with his family.



**Kate Campbell** 

Kate Campbell joined the project team as the Community Relations Manager in May. Based in Brisbane, Kate will be looking after community and government relations for the project.

Kate previously worked for Xstrata's copper and zinc businesses. In her spare time she enjoys spending time with her family, barracking for the Brisbane Broncos and going to the beach (still trying to make up for six years worth of beach withdrawal from living in North-West Queensland).

#### **Contact the Project Team**

Community contact points give you the opportunity to provide feedback directly to a project team member.

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Email aubnewandoan@pb.com.au

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# Wandoan Coal Project



#### **Community Factsheet**

















The following provides general information about the proposed Wandoan Coal Project. Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ), a subsidiary of Xstrata Coal, is managing the development and approvals process for the Project.

#### **The Project**

The Project covers approximately 25,000 hectares of exploration tenure in the Wandoan/Taroom District.

It is anticipated that the proposed Project will comprise:

- an open-cut coal mine using a combination of truck and excavator, dozer and dragline mining equipment
- coal handling and preparation plant, workshops, fuel and washdown facilities and offices
- an initial production rate of approximately 30 Mtpa run of mine (ROM) coal and an expected life of over 30 years
- thermal coal production for export markets and possibly domestic markets.

#### **Project study area**

The first stage of the Project will include feasibility studies and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The feasibility studies will assist XCQ to identify and assess potential social, economic and environmental impacts and benefits at local, regional and state levels. This will enable the company to determine whether the Project is feasible, and if so, XCQ will seek approval from the Coordinator-General to develop a mine. (see detailed study area map over the page).

#### **Project phases**

#### Significant project status

The Project is considered to be of strategic value to the region and has been declared to be a significant project by the Coordinator-General. This means that the approvals process will be coordinated on behalf of the Coordinator-General through the Department of Infrastructure and Planning.

# Xstrata Coal values your feedback

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Please provide your comments and thoughts below. Please fold the completed form with the reply paid detail to the front and post back to us.
Thank you for your feedback.

If you would like to be added to our mailing list for this Project, please provide your contact details below. All details will be maintained in strict confidence.

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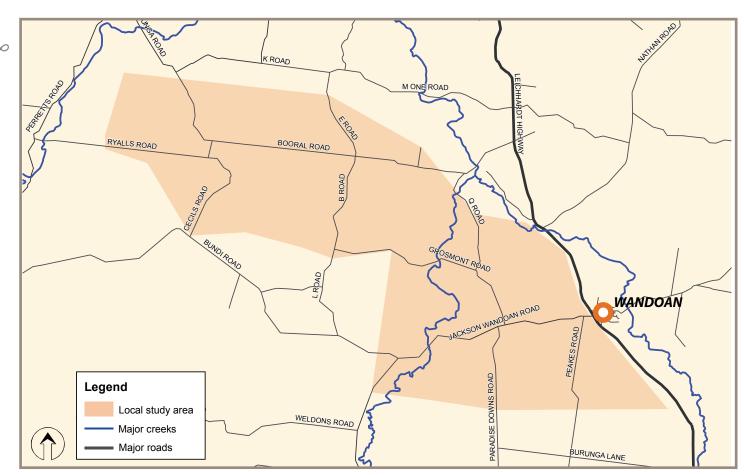
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Local study area

#### **Associated projects**

#### Railway

XCQ is a member of the Surat Basin Rail Joint Venture which is investigating the construction of a new rail connection between the existing Moura-Gladstone line at Banana and Wandoan.

#### **Power**

XCQ is investigating several options for the supply of power for the Project. Options include:

- the development of an 80km 132kV dual circuit transmission line from Miles to Wandoan
- the development of an onsite, gas-fired power station.

#### Water supply

Various water supply sources will be investigated. These sources may include the following:

- Raising the Glebe Weir
- Coal seam methane gas water

#### **Formulating the EIS**

The EIS will address the impacts and benefits of the project on social, environmental and economic aspects at local, regional and state levels. The EIS will provide detailed mitigation measures, land use impacts, and environmental management planning (relating to the construction and operation of a mine). The EIS will also include plans for rehabilitation and decommissioning of the project .

#### **Contact the Project Team**

The project team invite you to contact them with your comments and queries through any of the following community contact points:

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# **Wandoan Coal Project**Sample Pit and Truck Haulage



Operations and truck haulage for the Wandoan Coal Project sample pit commenced in April 2008. The sample pit is located on existing Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) property in the proposed Mine Development Lease area. During sample pit operations, XCQ's contractor, Ostwald Bros., will transport approximately 50,000 tonnes of coal to the Oaky Creek Coal Mine for coal quality, washability testing and combustion trials.

#### **Road Haulage Safety**

During the sample pit operations, you may notice a small increase in the number of trucks travelling between Wandoan and Tieri.

For your information and safety, XCQ would like to advise you of the details of this road haulage:

- trucks will operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- it is expected that up to eight trucks will be used
- trucks to be used will be AB Triple combinations

- all trucks will be tracked and monitored by satellite at all times
- all trailers will be covered
- operations should be finished by the end of August if there are no unforeseen delays.

XCQ and Ostwald Bros will make every effort to maintain your safety throughout the haulage contract operations. If you would like to find out more about the road haulage route or if you have any issues you would like to discuss please contact the project team on the freecall information line **1800 052 797**.

## Wandoan Project Community Information Workshops



You are invited to attend one of three community information workshops to find out more about the Wandoan Project.

Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) is investigating the feasibility of developing an open-cut coal mine near Wandoan.

The first stage of the project will include an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to help XCQ and the Queensland Government identify any impacts of a potential mine on the natural, economic and social environment.

XCQ is keen to meet local residents and business owners to find out more about the area.

Your input will assist XCQ, and its consultant PB, to understand the issues that are important to the area and the project.

The workshops will:

- introduce you to XCQ and the project team
- provide information on the proposed project
- outline the community consultation process including the establishment of a community reference group
- provide you with the opportunity to discuss your local area, issues and thoughts on the project.

#### Community information workshops will be held from 7pm-9pm on:

Monday 9 July (Wandoan)
Wandoan Cultural
Community Centre
Auditorium

Tuesday 10 July (Taroom)
Taroom Town Hall

**Wednesday 11 July (Miles)**Murilla Shire Council
Columboola Function Room and Hall

If you are interested in being involved, or wish to know more about the community reference group, please contact the project team using the details listed below.

For more information please contact the free call telephone hotline on 1800 052 797.

#### Wandoan Project Community Information Workshops



# You are invited to attend one of three community information workshops regarding the Wandoan Coal Project.

Xstrata Coal Queensland (XCQ) is continuing investigations into the feasibility of developing an open-cut coal mine near Wandoan. Studies for an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) are being conducted to identify any impacts of a potential mine on the natural, economic and social environment.

XCQ is keen to meet local residents and business owners to provide an update on the project.

The workshops will:

- provide an information update on the proposed project
- provide information on the planned activities at the site's sample pit
- outline upcoming community consultation activities
- provide you with the opportunity to discuss your local area, potential impacts and thoughts about the project.

### Community information workshops will be held from 7pm–9pm on:

Tuesday 1 April 2008 at Wandoan Cultural Community Centre Auditorium Wednesday 2 April 2008 at Taroom Town Hall Thursday 3 April 2008 at Murilla Shire Council – Columboola Function Room, Miles

For more information please contact the freecall information line on 1800 052 797.

#### **The Wandoan Joint Venture**

The Wandoan Project is proposed to be developed by the Wandoan Joint Venture (WJV). The joint venture partners are Xstrata Coal Queensland Pty Ltd (75%), ICRA (Itochu) Pty Ltd (12.5%) and Sumisho Coal Australia Pty Ltd (12.5%).

The WJV has lodged three mining lease applications in May 2007, covering approximately 32,000 hectares of exploration tenure west of the town of Wandoan.

#### **Project Studies**

The first stage of the Wandoan Project will include feasibility studies and the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). These studies will assist XCQ to identify and assess potential social, economic and environmental impacts and benefits on a local, regional and state basis. This will enable the Company to determine whether the Project is feasible and seek mining approval from the Queensland Government.

#### **Project Phases**

The following flow chart provides a summary of the planning process XCQ will follow in seeking approval for the proposed Project.

#### **Project Phases**

**We are** → Commencement of community

Draft "Terms of Reference" for the **Environmental Impact Statement** released for stakeholder comment

Final "Terms of Reference" issued by Coordinator-General

Preparation of the EIS

Lodgement of the EIS with the Coordinator-General

Public Exhibition of the EIS and period for accepting submissions

Assessment of EIS and submissions

Submit supplementary EIS if required

Coordinator-General provides an assessment report and nominates the conditions of approval

XCQ to determine whether the Project is feasible.

#### **Significant Project Status**

The Wandoan Project is considered to be of strategic significance to the region and has been declared by the Coordinator-General to be a significant project, for which an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required. This means that the approvals process is coordinated on behalf of the Coordinator-General through the Department of Infrastructure. The Department of Infrastructure also provides assistance during the approvals process by facilitating interactions with Government agencies on project-related issues.

#### **Community Consultation**

XCQ has engaged consultants PB to assist with the preparation of feasibility studies and to prepare the EIS. PB will also be assisting with the community consultation and social impact assessment process.

The initial stage of the Project will focus on collecting information for the various feasibility studies and for the EIS. The project team will be collecting information and reporting back to the community on the key findings of the studies.

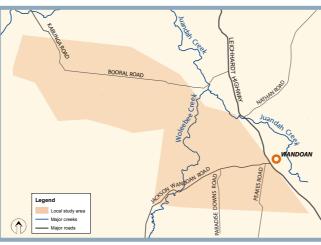
XCQ proposes to conduct the following technical studies over the next six months to complete the EIS and feasibility studies:

- exploration, coal quality and resources
- mine planning
- coal handling and preparation
- site and regional infrastructure
- water and power supply
- environment
- dust and noise
- cultural heritage and native title
- social and community issues.

Some of these studies will require access to private properties located within the project study area.



Geologist Geoff Hokin working on site



Local study area

#### **How You Can Be Involved**

XCQ and PB will be conducting a range of activities to provide the community with the opportunity to provide input and feedback throughout the life of the Wandoan Project. A key part of this will be the establishment of a Community Reference Group. This group will be formed to assist XCQ in gathering and identifying issues and concerns to be addressed as part of the EIS process. A number of organisations will be involved in this group and we encourage local members of the community to also participate. Details of how the group will be established will be provided at the upcoming workshops.

#### **Community Survey**

The project team is interested in finding out about the local community and their thoughts on the proposed mine development. A community survey has been attached to this newsletter for you to complete in your own time.

XCQ value your privacy and confidentiality. The information you provide will be collected for use only by the project team. See the final page of this newsletter for further instructions on returning this survey to the project team.

While the survey information you provide will be invaluable, we would also like to meet you at the local workshops held in early July. The workshops are the first opportunity for you to discuss your thoughts and ideas with the project team.

Please bring your completed survey along to the workshops, or post it to the project team by the end of July.



Exploration drilling carried out since 2003 on the Wandoan study area

#### Community Survey

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#### **Coal and Climate Change**

Climate change is a reality and requires a global response. If we are to meet the increasing global energy demands fuelled by the rapid social and economic progress of both the developed and developing world, we will need all forms of power generation – coal, oil, gas, renewables and nuclear.

As the world's largest exporter of thermal coal, Xstrata Coal has both a right and a responsibility to proactively engage with Government, industry, the scientific community and environmental groups to help find a sustainable and financially viable solution to the issue of climate change.

We can lead by example to both developed and developing nations by demonstrating what can be achieved through financial, scientific and political investment in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and the development of zero-emission technology.

Although action is already being taken, much more needs to be done to first stabilise and then reduce carbon dioxide emissions from the use of coal and other fossil fuels. For this reason, Xstrata Coal is committing millions of dollars to various initiatives across the globe to realise the deep cuts in greenhouse gas emissions that are not only required, but achievable.



12MW gas-fired power station using methane extracted from XCQ's Oaky Creek Mine, QLD

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Wandoan water reservoir

#### **Community Information** Workshops

XCQ will be holding a number of community formation workshops in early July and we ncourage you to attend and participate in the project approval process and future consultation ectivities. The project team will also be gathering and community values, as well as the potential npacts and benefits of the proposed mine.

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# Wandoan Project



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ross the State, producing both thermal and cokin al, mostly for export. Local operations include he Rolleston open cut, Oaky Creek underground perations near Emerald, and the Newlands and collinsville operations and Abbott Point coal ship

is newsletter is the first step in our ongoing oject team and discuss the Wandoan Project.



Locality plan

#### **Wandoan Project**

Situated west of the Wandoan township, it is proposed the Wandoan Project will comprise:

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