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COAL MINE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TASKFORCE

As part of the Hazelwood Coal Mine Inquiry implementation plan, a Taskforce has been established to examine preparedness for the 2014/15 summer fire season and for 2015/16.

Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce

The Taskforce will be known as the "Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce" and be led by the Emergency Management Commissioner and will have two groups to the Latrobe Valley and Anglesea coal mines.

The "Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce" will work with the four coal mine operators (namely the three in the Latrobe Valley and the one at Anglesea) and include the CFA, Local Government Authority (LGA), EPA, VWA, and DSDBI Earth Resources - Mine Regulator.

Community representative groups will be engaged through the process to ensure the preparedness and achievements are communicated.

Terms of Reference:

The "Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce" are:

- review the fire / emergency preparedness of the four Victorian brown coal mines,
- oversee the implementation of the relevant Hazelwood Coal Mine Inquiry affirmations and improvement plans,
- supporting improved capability and interoperability between the coal mine industry and government agencies.

Membership:

Latrobe Valley Taskforce

- Emergency Management Commissioner Craig Lapsley (Chair)
- CFA District 9 OM, District 10 OM and CFA Latrobe City District OM (when appointed)
- Latrobe City - David Alder and Lance King
- GDF Suez - Luc Dietvorst
- AGL Loy Yang - Doug Jackson
- Energy Australia Yallourn - Richard McIndoe
- EPA tbd
- VWA tbd
- DSDBI Earth Resources - Mine Regulator - Kylie White

Other persons as appropriate



Surf Coast Taskforce

- Emergency Management Commissioner Craig Lapsley (Chair)
- CFA District 7 OM Michael McGuinness
- Surf Coast Shire - Mayor Margot Smith
- Alcoa Anglesea - Chris Rolland
- EPA tbd
- VWA tbd
- DSDBI Earth Resources - Mine Regulator (Kylie White)

Latrobe Valley Improvement plan

The following themes require discussion and action:

- Surveillance / Monitoring of hot spots within the Hazelwood coal mine
- Control / Management of hot spots and fires
- Development of Compressed Air Foam Systems (CAFS)
- Integration of GDF Suez into the Incident Management structure
- Capability to respond and manage fires in the Hazelwood coal mine
- Operational Improvement plan (local)
- Training and preparedness
- Industry Relationship
- Welfare / Staging Areas
- Incident Naming
- Hazard Removal
- others