

Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce

Meeting # 4 – 28 October 2014 – The CIRC Boardroom 20 Hazelwood Road, Morwell

MEETING OUTCOMES AND ACTIONS

Attendees:

Craig Lapsley EMC (Chair)	Natalie Staaks EMV	Kylie White DSDBI	Anne Bignell DSDBI	Rob Kelly VWA
Kevin Hayes VWA	Nick Demetrios AGL	Steve Harkins GDF Suez	David Curtain GDF Suez (by phone)	
Tony Innocenzi GDF Suez	Lance King LCC	John Mitchell LCC		
Sara Rhodes-Ward LCC	Mark Pearson Energy Australia	Brad Miller Energy Australia	Liz Ratcliffe EPA	
Rochelle Parker DHS	Peter Schmidt EMV(Acting Chair)			

Apologies: Ty Graham VWA Steve Rieniets AGL Allan Rankin CFA Luc Dietvorst GDF Suez Ron Methers Energy Australia
Mark Jones CFA

Welcome and apologies

Actions from Meeting 14 October 2014:

Operational Preparedness:

Outcomes of Strategic Operations Group meeting conducted 21 October 2014 to review stocktake of priorities and treatments

Outcome: Priorities reconfirmed for action and treatments progressed via discussion between parties. Ongoing monitoring required

Communication Strategy:

Communication Group status and coordination

Outcome:

Meeting of group to be conducted at 1100 hours today, 28 October to discuss key directional aspects of the group

Meeting with Vicroads 21 October 2014:

Outcome: Vicroads have undertaken to bring slashing program forward for the key arterial roads in Latrobe City. Furthermore, plantation vegetation not to be replanted on Princes Freeway medium strip to reduce future fuel loadings. Vicroads requested to provide nomination for communications group. Yet to be received. Additional VMS trailers have been purchased for use across Gippsland to better advise communities of works and road conditions.

TFD to write to Vicroads to reconfirm their commitments

Requirement for MFPPC to ensure there is a coordinated approach between LCC and agencies in terms of works being conducted, including priorities, accountabilities and timelines. These must align with the current Latrobe City Fire Management Plan

Latrobe Valley Improvement Plan: This item to be retained in meeting notes for continual revision**Key Themes -**

The key themes tabled were amended, expanded and confirmed as follows:

- Surveillance / Monitoring of hot spots within all mines
- Control / Management of hot spots

Actions-

Weekly FLIR flights over Latrobe Valley to identify potential ignition points (hot spots) have been discontinued and will now be conducted on an as needed basis.– **Permanent mine monitoring required**

Current Status:

GDF Suez Two trailer mounted FLIR cameras being purchased to monitor northern batters in particular and monitored through Control Centre. Follow up TIC monitoring in place

Yallourn: CCTV for smoke detection around mine. Operations Fire Tower staffed

Loy Yang: Continual CCTV monitoring of mine and surrounds and TIC capacity

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of Compressed Air Foam Systems (CAFS) • Integration of industry into the incident management structure • Capability to respond and manage fires in the coal mines • Operational Improvement Plan (local) • Training and preparedness • Mine mapping • Industry Relationship • Welfare / Staging Areas • Incident Naming • Hazard Removal • Alignment of systems critical 	<p>CFA having first vehicle completed in Tasmania via a retrofit concept. Due for introduction 1 December 2014. Second unit – manufacturer to be selected, no confirmed timeline. Detail to be made available to industry Needs to be a level of consistency between units</p> <p>AllIMS structure training and implementation</p> <p>Priorities to facilitate immediate improvement identified for Hazelwood through Strategic Operations Group with ongoing actioning</p> <p>For production and review</p> <p>Integrated approach required to instil standards and confidence, Tools familiarisation eg: Phoenix modelling</p> <p>Consideration to be given to securing Spatial Mapping capability to produce detailed 3D maps of all mines to facilitate planning, training and guidance. See section below regarding presentation on mapping project by CFA</p> <p>Identification of issues and structures required to address. Consistent tool to be developed. We must be connected in systems approach</p>
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<p>Building Our Plan:</p> <p>Implementation and Monitoring Plan released by Government mid October. No media release accompanying publication. Multiple copies not available through IDC.</p> <p>Members advised by email of procedure to receive copies</p> <p>Implementation Monitor – Neil Comrie to be invited to Taskforce meeting</p>	<p>Next Steps/ Actions</p> <p>Meeting to be conducted with Brian Hine DPC to identify process and required structures and timelines for reporting</p> <p>Invite as part of meeting with Brian Hine</p>	<p>Responsible</p> <p>TFD</p> <p>TFD</p>	<p>Due Date:</p> <p>TBA</p> <p>TBA</p>
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<p>Communication Strategy:</p> <p>Meeting of group being conducted 1100 hours 28 October to discuss matters including group management and coordination, strategy and direction</p> <p>Communications to be managed around upcoming election. Planned releases and communications to be planned for first/second week of December</p>	<p>Next Steps / Actions</p> <p>Recognised Resource requirements to be investigated</p>	<p>Responsible:</p> <p>EMV</p>	<p>Due Date:</p> <p>ASAP</p>
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<p>Reporting Capability:</p> <p>See Building Our Plan above</p>	<p>Responsible:</p>	<p>Due Date:</p>
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Key Term of Reference Summer Preparedness	Responsible	Due Date
<p>A staged approach is required to test our readiness for the current fire season and it was agreed some scenario type testing is to be conducted over the next three scheduled meetings for familiarisation and confirmation of preparedness and capability levels.</p> <p>11 November 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention activities • Preparedness – Capability • Air monitoring capacity <p>All days will require a stocktake approach to identify capability and shortcomings to be based around</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Strategic Operations group priority treatments 2. GDF Suez community presentation of 24 October and implementation of affirmations 3. Mechanisms in place and their capability <p>25 November 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response capability • Recognise improvements for publication • More hands on day with site visitations in the afternoon <p>Members are requested to invest the day with this total activity of morning meeting room afternoon in the field</p> <p>9 December 2014</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recovery • Communications – Information to communities as soon as practicable following this set of activities • Police Arson Squad to be included for further understanding of their planning and initiatives and to share understanding of taskforce 	ALL	As detailed

<p>Spatial Sectoring – Major Hazard Mapping</p> <p>LFF Emma Conway provided a brief to the meeting on her work in the development of the mapping tool to aid response as part of the Latrobe City Fire Management Plans.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. External ignition threats to industry 2. Morwell and Traralgon landscape plans 3. Toongabbie and Moe landscape plans 4. Specific site landscape plans <p>Chair and Taskforce recognised Emma’s good work in this vital piece of work.</p>	<p>Actions</p> <p>Requirement for GIS mapping support</p> <p>Document control regime</p> <p>Version review process</p>
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<p>Other Business:</p> <p>Each of the attending members provided an update of their activities related to the Inquiry outcomes</p>	<p>Next Steps/Actions:</p> <p>As required</p>	<p>Responsible:</p> <p>All</p>	<p>Due Date:</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
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Next Meeting:

11 November 2014

0900 – 1200 Hours

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CIRC Building

20 Hazelwood road

Morwell.