



DRAFT MINUTES

NSW Minerals Council UHMD – Joint Working Group – Land Management UMHD Resource Centre, Singleton Town Square Shopping Centre, Singleton

Thursday 20 October 2016: 1.00pm - 4.00pm

Present

Bill Baxter (Chair)
Nigel Charnock
Julie Thomas
Bruce Devonport
Simon Francis
Jim Morgan
Wendy Bowman
Digby Short
Greg Woodward
Dee Murdoch
Leonie Ball
Neil Nelson
Jason Desmond
Hannah Boyd
Greg Sullivan
Craig Milton
Bob Mackie
Kari Dahlgren

Rio Tinto
Glencore
Muswellbrook Coal
Singleton Council
NS W Department of Primary Industries
Wybong Action Group
NSW Mine Watch
Ashton Coal
Community Representative
AECOM
Singleton Beef and Land Management Assoc.
Singleton Beef and Land Management Assoc.
The Bloomfield Group
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NSW Minerals Council
NSW Minerals Council
theresource
PhD Candidate (observer)

Apology

Tim Roberts
Glenda Briggs
Laurie Perry
Rebekah Gomez-Fort
Helen Squires
Jo Powells
Neil Griffiths

The University of Newcastle
NSW Department of Primary Industries
Wonnarua Nation Aboriginal Corporation
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1. Welcome and Apologies

Mr welcomed attendees and noted apologies.

2. Minutes and actions of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed. Actions arising from discussion over the future UHMD structure won't be progressed until the next Joint Advisory Steering Committee meeting in November 2016 when it will be discussed further.



3. Update on current projects

Mr Milton and Mr Sullivan outlined the progress on current projects.

The update on the voids project attracted considerable discussion, with Mr Sullivan advising the JWG that the UHMD secretariat had met with Scot MacDonald and Michael Johnsen, who were supportive of the development of a voids committee with a forward looking vision of up to 40 years. The UHMD secretariat has also met with key personnel from the Department of Premier and Cabinet seeking their assistance to act in a coordinating role. Mr Davenport advised that Singleton Council supported this approach.

4. Presentation - Grazing study

Mr Baxter presented to the JWG on Neil Griffith's presentation regarding the grazing trials. The grazing trials are due to end in mid 2017, so the JWG supported Neil Griffiths returning at a later date to discuss the trials.

ACTION:

- **NSWMC to invite Neil Griffiths to present on the grazing trials at a future meeting.**

5. Draft rehabilitation reporting for 2015

Mr Milton provided an overview of the main points of interest for the 2015 figures. Further work needs to be undertaken by the NSWMC to reconcile some figures, which will then be published.

ACTION:

- **NSWMC to revise rehabilitation reporting figures and publish once completed.**

6. Rehabilitation awareness and promotion project - update

Mr Sullivan advised that the rehabilitation booklet is currently in its second draft and will be sent out shortly to case study participants for review. It will then go to a desktop publishing and internal review phase, with a view to be launched by the Minister for Industry, Resources and Energy, the Hon Anthony Roberts MP by late November or early December. The booklet will be co-badged with DRE and promoted mostly by digital means i.e. email, website and social media.

7. Communication Initiatives update

Mr Mackie provided an overview of the UHMD communications initiatives and provided information on the development of UHMD education resources with the assistance of Rae O'Brien that will be used in her work with students on the school bus tours. The school tour resources will ultimately lead to a standardised experience, regardless of what particular mine one might visit.

There was some discussion around the UHMD video and where this would end up. It is hoped that these would fit nicely within the Chamber of Commerce and Council's webpages to highlight the interactions between the industry, local business and local government.

Mr Sullivan also noted that the NSWMC has been invited to present at the MCA Land and Community Conference in Brisbane in the coming month.

8. 2016 UHMD Annual Forum



The JWG discussed the Forum and encouraged attendance and input from a variety of community members to ensure a robust discussion of issues. A suggestion was made to cover a whole of Dialogue journey to now that summarises the key projects and what has been achieved, that we can use for further promotion.

The JWG discussed the community presence at the Forum and it was noted that Gill Eason would appear on the panel discussion in her capacity as a JASC member. The structure of the panel discussion was also raised and Mr Sullivan advised there will be an opportunity for prepared statements, structured questions and audience questions. The JWG suggested the Voids issue be looked at from more of an asset and opportunity viewpoint as opposed to a liability issue. The JWG further advised of some potential changes to the Agenda format to enhance discussion by shortening the previous speakers lengths.

Mr Sullivan advised we had secured interest from 2MN in the event and a live broadcast would be taking place, generating significant publicity for the Dialogue in the region.

The JWG agreed that it would be good to contact local councillors, inviting them to the Forum considering the recent local elections.

ACTION:

- **NSWMC to amend the Draft Forum to accommodate for a longer panel discussion.**
- **NSWMC to liaise with regional councils to invite new Councillors to Forum.**

9. Perception Survey update

Mr Sullivan provided an update on the survey and advised that all interviews has been completed, with preliminary findings able to be shared by the JASC meeting in early November. Mr Sullivan thanked all involved in the survey and advised that we managed to interview most of our priority samples.

10. General business

The next meeting date has not been set and will be discussed following the upcoming JASC meeting in early November.

MEETING CLOSED at 3.10pm



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**Actions arising from meeting on 20 October 2016
UHMD Land Management Joint Working Group Meeting**

Action	Responsibility	Status
4. Presentation - Grazing study		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">NSWMC to invite Neil Griffiths to present on the grazing trials at a future meeting.	NSWMC	Complete
5. Draft rehabilitation reporting for 2015		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">NSWMC to revise rehabilitation reporting figures and publish once completed.	NSWMC	Ongoing
8. Annual UHMD Forum		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">NSWMC to amend the Draft Forum to accommodate for a longer panel discussion.	NSWMC	Complete
<ul style="list-style-type: none">NSWMC to liaise with regional councils to invite new Councillors to Forum.	NSWMC	Complete