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## 1 INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 PURPOSE

The following is prepared on behalf of TEC Coal Pty Ltd (TEC Coal), a wholly owned subsidiary of Stanwell Corporation Limited (Stanwell), in support of a minor amendment application for the current Regional Interest Development Approval (RIDA) granted under the *Regional Planning Interests Act 2014* (RPI Act) in 2015 (RPI15/001). RPI15/001 was granted in respect of an extension of surface mining rights (the Surface Rights Extension (SRE) Project) within the Meandu Mine Mining Lease (ML) 6674. Appendix A is a copy of RDI15/001 as granted.

TEC Coal is seeking to amend the existing RIDA RDI15/001 to clarify the status of an identified 29-hectare (ha) area within the total approved 130 ha disturbance area.

- The proposed amendment relates to part of the approved disturbance footprint area, also referenced as a 'Vegetated Buffer area' (Table 1: Approved Activities) and 'Clearance Areas Unharvested' (Attachment 2: Approved Plan).
- The proposed amendment seeks to amend Table 1 and Attachment 2 of the current approval (RPI15/001) by removing references to 'Vegetated Buffer' and 'Unharvested' respectively to clarify the status of the area as part of the approved mine disturbance footprint. Appendix B provides an amended approval document and map to replace the existing RPI15/001.

#### 1.2 BACKGROUND

The Mining Lease for Meandu Mine (ML 6674) is located within the South Burnett Regional Council and Toowoomba Regional Council local government areas; with most of the existing surface rights area located within the South Burnett Regional Council.

TEC Coal owns the Meandu Mine and is the holder of ML 6674 and the relevant Environmental Authority (EA) EPML00709113. The Meandu Mine has been supplying coal to the adjacent Tarong Power Station since 1983 and the Tarong North Power Station since 2003.

#### 1.3 RPI15/001

In 2015, Stanwell sought and received approval for a 130 ha Surface Rights Extension (SRE) to the Meandu Mine surface rights area and associated Regional Interest Development Approval. In summary:

- The SRE area is located within Lot 289 on FTY1859, which is 'State Forest' tenure and is characterised by a Hoop Pine (*Araucaria cunninghamii*) plantation used for commercial forestry.
- Lot 289 on FTY1859 is owned by the State of Queensland, and forms part of the Yarraman State Forest. The forest is managed by HQPlantations Pty Ltd (HQPlantations) under a 99-year Plantation Licence, which grants rights to manage, harvest and re-grow plantation timber on Government owned land (HQPlantations 2014).
- Prior to RPI15/001, the SRE was located within a Priority Agricultural Area (PAA) in the Darling Downs Regional Plan 2013 (Regional Plan). Yarraman State Forest had then been under plantation forest (Hoop Pine) since at least 2001.
- Based on this evidence, the most relevant Priority Agricultural Land Use (PALU) would have been Class 4.1.0 irrigation plantation forestry.

- Stanwell's 2015 RIDA application and supporting information demonstrated that the area of the SRE was not then being used for a PALU and had not been used for a PALU for the previous 10 years. The PAA designation under the Regional Plan did not therefore reflect current or recent land use of the SRE area. Assessment of the 2015 Project against Required Outcome 1 and Prescribed Solution 1 demonstrated that the SRE area would not be located on land in a PAA that was used for a PALU.
- The then Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning granted a Regional Interest Development Approval for the SRE area in March 2015 (RPI15/001).
- Condition 1 and Condition 2 of the RPI15/001 approval require that Stanwell carry out and maintain the activity and disturbance of land generally in accordance with:
  - Table 1: Approved Activities; and
  - Attachment 2: Approved Plan.
- Table 1: Approved Activities identifies 27.9 ha of the total disturbance footprint (130 ha) as a 'Vegetated Buffer', while Attachment 2: Approved Plan identifies the same area as 'Clearance areas Unharvested forestry'.
- 'Vegetated Buffer' is defined in Attachment 1 of the RPI15/001 approval as: "A vegetated area separating the mining activities from the adjacent land use (in this case being the Yarraman State Forest)."

## 2 PROPOSED AMENDMENT

Stanwell seeks to amend RPI15/001 under Part 3, Division 9, section 55 of the RPI Act to amend Table 1: Approved Activities, and Attachment 2: Approved Plan by removing the references to 'Vegetated Buffer' and 'Unharvested' respectively to clarify the status of the area as part of the approved disturbance footprint.

Appendix B provides an amended approval document and plan to replace the existing RPI15/001.

#### 2.1 JUSTIFICATION

- The area in question was assessed in 2015 against the RPI Act and the RPI Act Statutory Guideline 05/14 and approved as part of the 'Total disturbance area'.
- The adjoining use is plantation forestry and a permanent vegetated buffer to separate the mine from the plantation forestry is not considered relevant. Historically, Meandu Mine has adjoined the Yarraman State Forest directly (i.e. without specified vegetated buffers) with no reported amenity or operational impacts to the plantation forestry. The State Forest in the area of Meandu Mine is relatively low use and generally unoccupied for the most part, with the exception of HQPlantation's planting, thinning or harvesting activities. Furthermore, the risk of amenity impacts on surrounding land uses are suitably regulated under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*, the site's Environmental Authority and the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*.
- Stanwell's intention for the area, identified as 'Clearance areas Unharvested' in the Attachment 2: Approved Plan was to provide a temporary mitigation to stormwater runoff during harvesting of the wider forestry area and the premining stripping and earthworks. A permanent vegetated buffer was not envisaged for this area. The temporary nature of the buffer area was discussed with the then Department of National Parks, Sports and Racing (DNPSR) in 2015 and reflected in the terms of the compensation agreement entered into with DNPSR. In particular, the compensation agreement:
  - noted that TEC Coal intended as at the date of that compensation agreement (July 2016) to retain the vegetation within the identified "buffer area" after partial surrender of the Plantation Licence, but might in future wish to clear that area; and
  - included an acknowledgement by the State that TEC Coal, having fully compensated both HQPlantations and the State for all vegetation within the entirety of the surface rights extension area, including the buffer area, is entitled to deal with the vegetation as it considers appropriate (and requires no further licence or permit under the Forestry Act 1959 to do so).
  - (in clause 5.1(a)(vi)): 'the Leaseholder intends as at the date of this Agreement to retain the Forest Products within the Buffer Area after the partial surrender of the Plantation Licence, but may in future wish to clear the Buffer Area.'
  - (in clause 5.2(a): '...the Landowner acknowledges that, having compensated HQP for HQP Natural Resource Product ... and having compensated DAF as contemplated by ... this Agreement, the Leaseholder has paid full compensation for any destruction of Forest Products within the Surface Rights Extension Area (which includes the Buffer Area). As a result, the Leaseholder:
    - (i) may deal with Forest Products within the Surface Rights Extension Area as it considers appropriate; and
    - (ii) does not require any further licence or permit under the Forestry Act 1959 to get, deal with or remove those Forest Products (and may enter into any arrangement with any third party for that purpose).
- The planned future Meandu Mine operations require the Meandu Mine pit crest to extend over part of this area.

#### 2.2 PUBLIC NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

TEC Coal requests an exemption from any public notification requirements associated with this amendment application pursuant to section 34(3) of the RPI Act, on the basis that sufficient public notification has already occurred under legislation other than the RPI Act. In particular, the SRE Project underwent two public notification processes in 2015 as follows:

- notification by print advertisement in a locally circulating newspaper in respect of the additional surface area and the associated EA amendment under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Qld) and the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Qld); and
- notification by print advertisement placed in a locally circulating newspaper, government gazette and individual notices to stakeholders in respect of the right to negotiate process under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

Relevantly, the proposed amendment does not change land use outcomes for the area. The disturbance of this 29 ha area was approved as part of the total approved 130 ha disturbance area, which was advertised in 2015.

Further, the requested amendment is limited to a minor amendment of RPI15/001, namely of Table 1: Approved Activities and Attachment 2: Approved Plan to clarify the status of the area as approved disturbance area.

TEC Coal notes that RPI Statutory Guideline 06/14: Public Notification of Assessment Applications otherwise requires that any previous public notification of a proposed activity or project needs to meet certain criteria to be considered as sufficient public notification. TEC Coal's comments in respect of each of those criteria are set out below:

- the period between the previous public notification and the receipt of the application under the RPI Act does not exceed 12 months *Not relevant, as the application seeks amendment of an existing approval.*
- the publicly notified activity or project included the land the subject of the application made under the RPI Act –
   Compliant, the proposed amendment applies to land that is the subject of a previous application, public notification and approval.
- the publicly notified activity or project detailed the surface area impacts of the activity the subject of the application made under the RPI Act – Compliant, the proposed amendment is consistent with the overall surface area impacts previously notified.
- the publicly notified activity or project provided sufficient information about matters relating to an area of regional interest. For example, existing land uses on the site and the impact of the proposed resource activity on the town Compliant, the proposed amendment does not change the previously provided assessment of the matters relating to an area of regional interest.

## 3 CONSULTATION

TEC Coal consulted with HQPlantations and a number of other key stakeholders throughout the 2015 SRE Project and has done so again as part of the current King 2 East Project<sup>1</sup>.

A summary of these stakeholders and consultation is provided as Appendix C, with specific further comments noted below.

#### 3.1 HQPLANTATIONS PTY LTD

Notwithstanding the prior public notification outlined in Section A.3 above, TEC Coal consulted with HQPlantations in 2020 in relation to the proposed amendment. Appendix D is written confirmation from HQPlantations that the area relevant to the K2E Project and the area relevant to the previous SRE Project within Yarraman State Forest (Lot 289 on FTY1859) has been used for forestry production without irrigation.

#### 3.2 RIDA DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT TEAM

In late 2020, Stanwell engaged with the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning in relation to the proposed amendment. The following approach was discussed, and acknowledged as appropriate by the Department:

- the entire 130 ha footprint of the previous approval is currently authorised for disturbance and clearing;
- the proposed amendment is unlikely to meet the criteria for a major amendment; and
- TEC Coal may seek an exemption from public notification based on the previous public notifications made in 2015.

This application has been prepared to be consistent with those discussions.

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The King 2 East (K2E) Project is TEC Coal's current project to increase the existing surface rights area within ML 6674 by an additional 187 ha to allow the progression of the existing King 2 East mine pit to the east.

## 4 SUMMARY AND REQUEST

TEC Coal is seeking to amend the existing RIDA RDI15/001 to clarify the status of an identified 29 ha within the total approved 130 ha disturbance area.

Specifically, the proposed amendment seeks to amend Table 1: Approved Activities, and Attachment 1: Approved Plan of RPI15/001, by removing references to 'Vegetated Buffer' and 'Unharvested' respectively to clarify the status of the area as part of the approved disturbance footprint.

#### In conclusion:

- The area which is the subject of this amendment was included in the permitted total disturbance footprint of existing approval RPI15/001.
- TEC Coal's intent for the area was to provide a temporary mitigation to stormwater runoff during harvesting of the wider forestry area and the pre-mining stripping and earthworks.
- The adjoining land use is plantation forestry, which historically has not required a permanent buffer from the Meandu Mine operations.
- The planned future Meandu Mine operations require the Meandu Mine pit crest to extend over part of this area.

For the reasons outlined in this application and summarised above, TEC Coal requests that its amendment application is granted.

# APPENDIX A RIDA RPI15/001 APPROVAL





# REGIONAL INTERESTS DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL (RIDA)

# RPI15/001 TEC COAL – MEANDU MINE SURFACE RIGHTS EXTENSION PROJECT

Given under the Regional Planning Interests Act 2014 section 53 on 30 March 2015.

#### Description of the land

Real property description: Part of Lot 289 on FTY1859
Local Government Area: Toowoomba Regional Council

#### Approved activities

Resource activities (open cut coal mine and associated infrastructure) as set out in Table 1 below. Definitions of the resource activities are included in **Attachment 1**.

Table 1: Approved activities

Resource activity	Location	Total area of disturbance (Ha)
Open cut mine and associated infrastructure	Part of Lot 289 on FTY1859	98.11
Vegetated buffer		27.29
Fire break, fence and access track		4.27
Total area of disturbance		129.67

#### **General Advice**

This approval does not relieve the applicant of the obligation to obtain all approvals and licenses from all relevant authorities required under any Act.

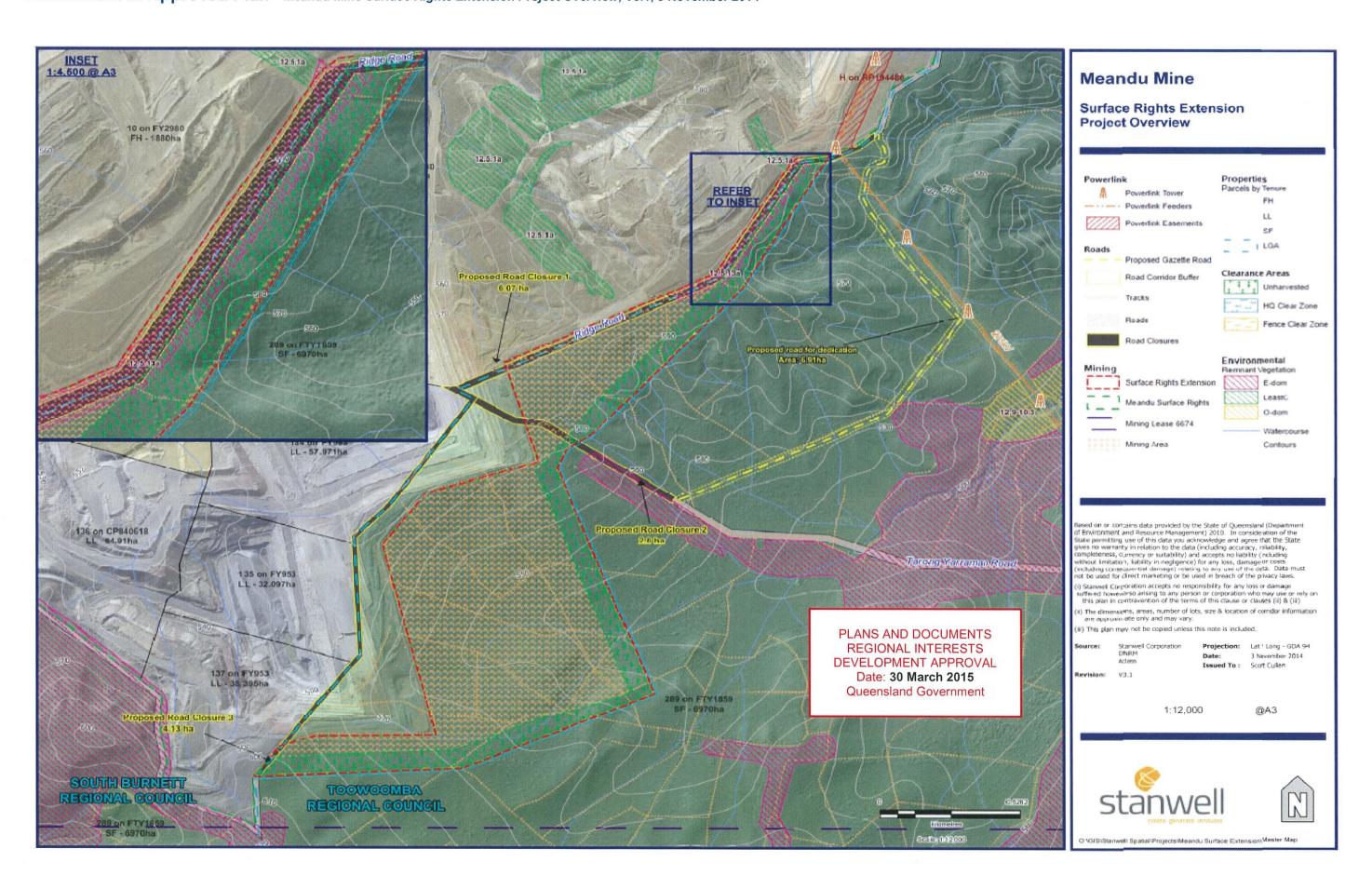
#### Regional interests conditions

A person who is the holder of, or is acting under, this RIDA must not contravene a condition of this approval.

Condition number	Condition	Timing for condition
1.	Carry out the approved activity and disturbance of land generally in accordance with:  a) the activities identified in Table 1: Approved activities, as defined in Attachment 1: Definitions b) the approved drawing, Meandu Mine Surface Rights Extension Project Overview, V3.1, 3 November 2014 (See Attachment 2: Approved Plan).	For the duration of the conduct of the approved activity
2.	Maintain the approved activity generally in accordance with the approved drawing (Attachment 2: Approved Plan) and the approved activities (Table 1: Approved activities).	For the duration of the conduct of the approved activity
3.	<ul> <li>a) Any disturbance of land in accordance with this RIDA is not to impact adversely on other priority agricultural land uses in the PAA.</li> <li>b) All complaints received, and resulting actions taken, about the impact of the approved activities on the priority agricultural land uses in the PAA must be recorded. The record must include: <ol> <li>i) name, address and contact number of the complainant</li> <li>ii) time and date of complaint</li> <li>iii) reasons for the complaint</li> <li>iv) investigations undertaken</li> <li>v) conclusions formed</li> <li>vi) actions taken to resolve the complaint</li> <li>vii) any abatement measures implemented</li> <li>viii) person responsible for resolving the complaint.</li> </ol> </li></ul>	While construction is occurring and then for the duration of the conduct of the approved activity
	c) The records of any complaints received and recorded in accordance with this condition must be provided to the chief executive within three business days of receipt of the complaint.	

### **Attachment 1: Definitions**

Activity	Definition
Open cut mine  Mining activities may include but are not limited to an open pit trench at the surface from which coal is extracted, vegetation r and topsoil stripping, construction of safety bunds, overburden and rehabilitation.	
Associated infrastructure	Includes plant, equipment and infrastructure that are ancillary to the mining activities.  This includes but is not limited to fencing and the extension of existing haul roads.
Vegetated buffer	A vegetated area separating the mining activities from the adjacent land use (in this case the Yarraman State Forest).
Fire break	An obstacle to the spread of fire, such as a strip of open space in a forest.
Access track	A gravel-surfaced roadway to provide vehicular access.
Other terms	Definition
Chief Executive	Chief Executive responsible for administering the Regional Planning Interests Act 2014.



# **APPENDIX B**

RIDA RPI15/001 APPROVAL MARKED UP WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AND MAP





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Open cut mine and associated		97.5
infrastructure	Part of Lot 289 on FTY1859	125.4
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Total area of disturbance		129.67

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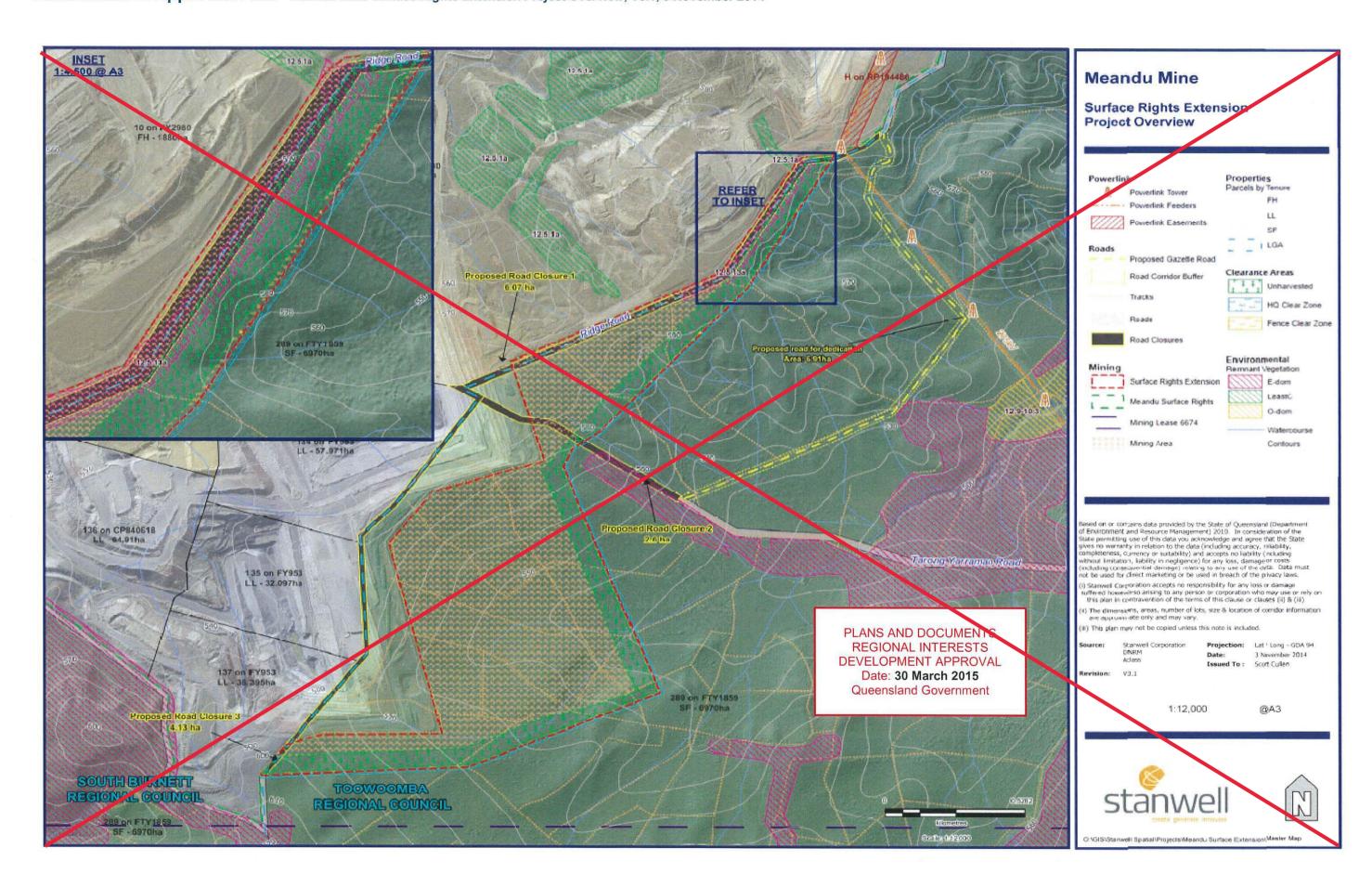
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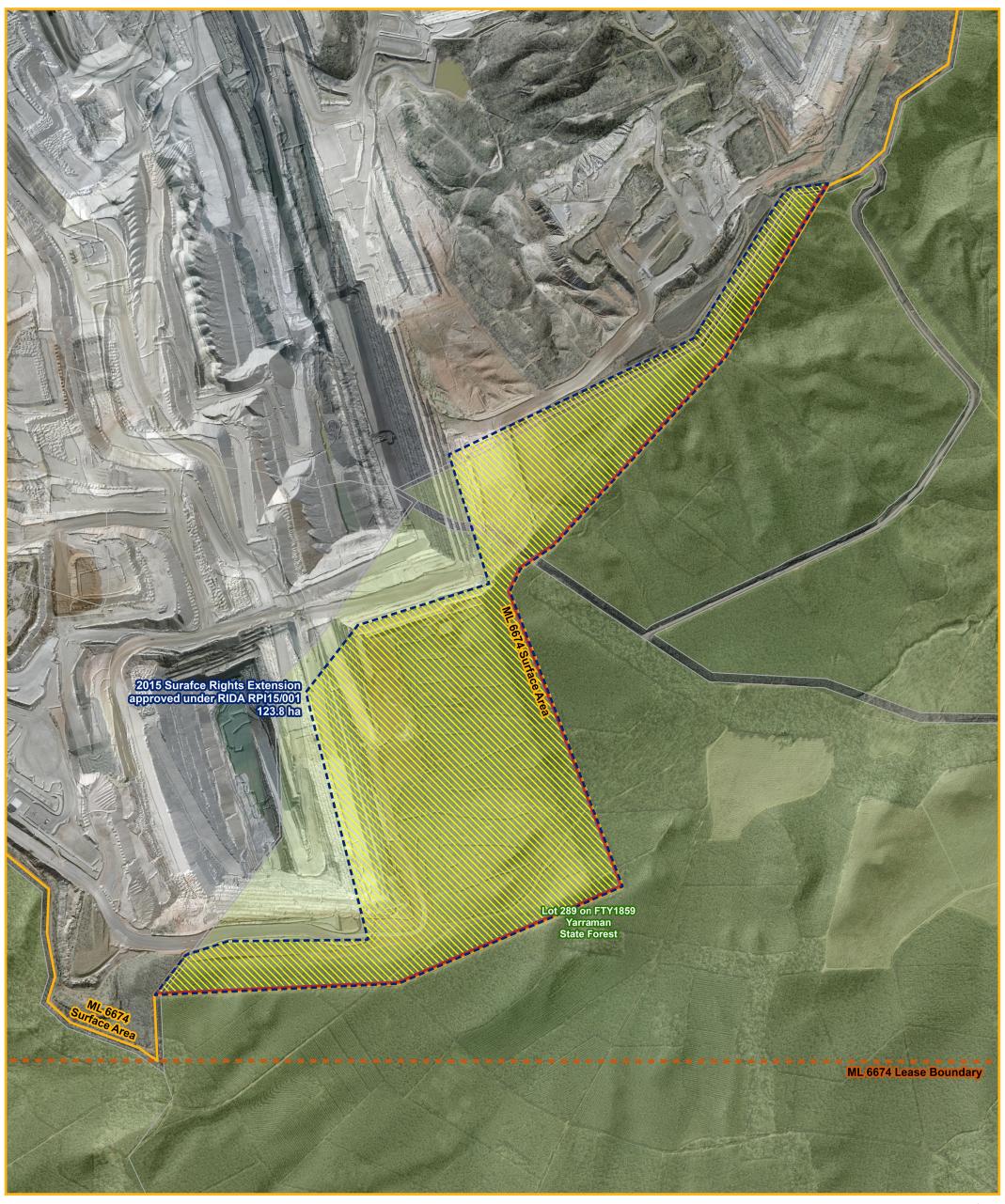
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# **RIDA RPI15/001** Attachment 2





#### Legend

Mining Lease Boundary

Mining Lease Surface Area

2015 Surface Rights Extension

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Firebreak, fence and access track

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# APPENDIX C CONSULTATION SUMMARY



## C1 CONSULTATION SUMMARY

### C1.1 2015 SURFACE RIGHTS EXTENSION (SRE) PROJECT

Prior to the submission of the Additional Surface Area application to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines and the Environmental Authority amendment application for the SRE to DEHP, Stanwell representatives attended a number of meetings with various affected persons and parties to discuss the details of the SRE, including regional planning aspects. A number of meetings were held with:

- HQPlantations Pty Ltd;
- Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (now Department of Environment & Science);
- Department of Natural Resources and Mines (now Department of Resources);
- Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (now Department of Agriculture & Fisheries);
- Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (now Department of Environment & Science);
- Toowoomba Regional Council;
- South Burnett Regional Council;
- the South Burnett community (through Stanwell's regular contacts with opinion leaders of the community);
- near neighbours and downstream stakeholders; and
- representatives of the Traditional Owners (via Indigenous Land Use Agreement Committee; Cultural Heritage Coordinating Committee; Agreement Implementation Group).

The SRE project underwent two public notification processes outside of the RPI Act:

- notification by print advertisement in a locally circulating newspaper of the Additional Surface Area and Environmental Authority Amendment under the *Mineral Resources Act 1989* (Queensland) and the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (Queensland).
- notification by print advertisement placed in a locally circulating newspaper, government gazette and individual notices to stakeholders in relation to the *Native Title Act 1993* (Commonwealth) Right to Negotiate process.

Given the two notification processes previously completed above, the applicant seeks and exemption from public notification for the amendment application under section 34(3) of the RPI Act.

## C1.2 2021 KING 2 EAST (K2E) PROJECT

Stanwell has a well-established stakeholder consultation program built around its standing relationships in the local area through the existing Meandu Mine operations. The stakeholder consultation program has and will continue and be extended to address the K2E Project. The program includes consultation with all affected persons and interested parties.

The objectives of the continued stakeholder consultation program for the K2E Project include:

- establishing open communication with all stakeholders;
- identifying stakeholder issues and concerns;
- addressing all stakeholder issues through project planning, communication and engagement;
- providing feedback to stakeholders in relation to their issues or concerns and how they have been addressed; and
- facilitating stakeholder understanding of the K2E Project.

The following key stakeholders have been identified for the K2E Project.

- Key approval agencies:
  - Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (DAWE);
  - Queensland Department of Environment and Science (DES);
  - Queensland Department of Resources (DoR); and
  - Queensland Treasury (RIDA).
- Landowners:
  - DES (Parks and Forests);
  - Department of Agricultural and Fisheries; and
  - HQPlantations (Forestry Licence Holder).

#### — Infrastructure:

- Toowoomba Regional Council (in conjunction with South Burnett Regional Council is responsible for the public road (Ridge Road) within the K2E ASA);
- South Burnett Regional Council (in conjunction with Toowoomba Regional Council is responsible for the public road (Ridge Road) within the K2E ASA); and
- Powerlink Queensland (transmission line).
- Traditional owners:
  - Wakka Wakka people.
- Indirect landholders (near neighbours and local residents).

Stanwell has hosted a number of meetings with various affected persons and interested parties to discuss the details of the K2E Project, prior to submission of this RIDA amendment application. A summary of the stakeholder consultation undertaken to date is provided in Table C1.

Table C1 K2E Project: summary of consultation

STAKEHOLDER	DATE OF CONSULTATION	DETAILS OF CONSULTATION	OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION
Toowoomba Regional Council	31 October 2017 19 April 2018 8 May 2019 26 August 2019 15 October 2019 12 November 2019 July 2020 6 March 2020 to current, over the phone as required.	Meetings, presentations, updates and/or site visits with Toowoomba Regional Council Infrastructure team.  The purpose of the discussions was to seek support from Council for the closure of a section of Ridge Road and the associated compensation agreement required for the K2E Project.	Council has given in principle approval for the permanent closure of Ridge Road. The formal compensation agreement is close to final draft. Updates have been noted by Toowoomba Regional Council representatives.

STAKEHOLDER	DATE OF CONSULTATION	DETAILS OF CONSULTATION	OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION
South Burnett Regional Council	June 2019 2 July 2019 15 October 2019 6 November 2019 to current, over the phone as required. June 2020	Meetings, presentations, updates and/or site visits with South Burnett Regional Council Infrastructure team and/or South Burnett Regional Council Councillors.  The purpose of the discussions was to seek support from Council for closure of a section of Ridge Road and the associated	Council has given in principle approval for the permanent closure of Ridge Road.  Formal compensation agreement is close to final draft.  Updates noted by South Burnett Regional Council representatives.
		compensation agreement required for the K2E Project.	representatives.
Local Landowners (presented to individually)	At the point of writing this document, 27 nearby landowners have been provided individual updates or information on the K2E Project.	K2E Project updates provided and any questions about the Project were addressed.	No new issues identified.  Scheduled updates continue to be provided about the Project's progress through newsletters, information sessions, neighbour consultative committees and other stakeholders with a direct link to the K2E Project.
Community Information Sessions	8 May 2019  No face-to-face information sessions were held during 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic (refer to individual engagement).	K2E Project slide incorporated in General Manager - Mining presentation. This was during the K2E Project's planning phase.	Provided local key opinion leaders and community members with information about the progress of the K2E Project to maintain their ongoing support of Stanwell's operations in the South Burnett.
Near Neighbour Committee	8 April 2019 21 November 2019 No face-to-face information sessions were held during 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic (refer individual engagement).	During the neighbourhood meet and greet at the Maidenwell Trading Post, a K2E Project presentation was provided and questions were addressed. An additional K2E Project and Progressive Rehabilitation and Closure Plan update was provided at Nanango (Ringsfield house).	Informed, with opportunity to ask more questions.

STAKEHOLDER	DATE OF CONSULTATION	DETAILS OF CONSULTATION	OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION
Community Newsletter	Delivered 6 December 2019 Delivered June 2020	Included K2E Project map and article – "Planning for Tarong's long-term fuel supply at Meandu Mine". Contact details were provided for any enquiries.  Provided general Meandu Mine updates at individual engagements with stakeholders during 2020.	No questions or concerns raised.
Traditional Owners Wakka Wakka people	27 October 2017 17 July 2020	Cultural Heritage Coordinating Committee under the CHIA discussed the K2E Project and cultural heritage work needed for the planning phase of the Project. Meeting regarding negotiations for Cultural Heritage Management Plan included presentation slides on the K2E Project.	No new issues raised, further updates to be provided during negotiation meetings about the K2E Project's progress.
DES (Parks and Forests)  Department of Agriculture and Fisheries	September 2019 22 October 2019 8 November 2019 June 2019 22 February 2021	Briefings, updates and discussions regarding the compensation agreement required for the K2E Project.	General terms of agreement have been discussed. Drafting of compensation agreement will occur in 2021.
HQPlantations	13 November 2017 22 January 2018 19 April 2018 28 February 2020 26 June 2020 19 October 2020 1 February 2021	Initial K2E Project briefings and meetings regarding access for environmental assessment work. Updates and discussions regarding the compensation agreement required for the K2E Project.	General terms of agreement have been discussed. Negotiating commercial terms then will progress to drafting of agreement.

STAKEHOLDER	DATE OF CONSULTATION	DETAILS OF CONSULTATION	OUTCOME OF CONSULTATION
Powerlink	14 July 2017 21 December2017 11 January 2018 1 June 2018 November 2018 14 March 2019 12 September 2019 21 September 2020 12 February 2021	Meetings and/or site visits for feasibility and planning work for the relocation of the transmission line.	Currently meeting and working on terms for the transmission network asset relocation agreement (TNARA).
DES	15 January 2021  September 2017  August 2019  6 December 2019  21 February 2020  30 July 2020  4 November 2020  10 November 2020  4 February 2021  23 February 2021	Project briefings, updates, site visits and discussions regarding the EP Act requirements for the K2E Project applications.  K2E Project EA amendment application pre-lodgement meeting.	Discussion and information provided by DES regarding the EA Amendment Application process.
DAWE	3 December 2020	K2E Project briefing together with representatives from DES.	Information noted by DAWE and further meetings to be organised prior to lodgement of EPBC referral.
Department of Resources - Coal Assessment Hub	26 March 2019 24 August 2020 12 February 2021	Project briefings, updates, and discussions regarding the Mineral Resources Act requirements for project application.  Pre-lodgement meeting.	Discussion and information provided by Coal Assessment Hub regarding the Mineral Resources Act applications process.
Queensland Treasury - RIDA	15 October 2020	K2E Project briefing and pre- lodgement meeting to discuss the RIDA application and amendment that is needed for the existing RIDA.	Discussion and information provided regarding the RIDA amendment and application process.

# **APPENDIX D**

CONSULTATION WITH HQPLANTATIONS



## **CONSULTATION WITH D1 HQPLANTATIONS**

Good Afternoon Scott

As per discussions and below, confirmation that the area contained within the King 2 East Area and the previous Surface Right Extension Area of Yarraman State Forest (Lot 289 on Plant FTY1859) have never been used for irrigated forestry production. They have been used for plantation production without irrigation.

Regards

Dan

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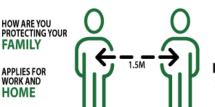
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From: Cullen, Scott

Sent: Monday, 14 December 2020 12:07 PM

To: O'Regan, Dan

Cc: Cabrera, Javier; Jarick, Lester

**Subject:** Yarraman State Forest - Question on irrigation?

Hi Dan

Hope all is well in the run up to the holidays.

As discussed at our last meeting, Stanwell has started preparing applications to:

- 1. Amend our 2015 Surface Rights Extension regional interest development approval (RIDA) to remove a buffer area around the edge of the pit within the current approved surface area.
- 2. Seek a RIDA for the K2E ASA Project area for the proposed mine extension outside of the current surface area.

Please find attached a map showing the two areas and the proposed K2E pit crest to show their relative locations. In support of the applications we are seeking some information on HQPlantations forestry within the area. We intend to attach your reply to the application to demonstrate the areas are not a priority agricultural land use (requires irrigation in this case).

In 2015 Lester was able to confirm via email that the SRE area of forestry was not irrigated (nor any part of Lot 289 on FTY1859) – we would now like to refresh this correspondence to assist with the amendment and the new K2E approval.

We would appreciate if you could please confirm that the area of the King 2 East Area and the previous Surface Rights Extension Area of Yarraman State Forest (Lot 289 on FTY1859) has never been used for irrigated forestry production?

Any questions please give me call.

Thanks and regards

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