



## Community dialogue - meeting #7

### Hi-Quality – Bulla Spoils Facility

#### Meeting details

*Date:* 24 August 2021, 5.00pm to 6.00pm

*Venue:* Online (via Zoom)

*Attendees:*

#### Community representatives:

- Anthony White – Controller, Sunbury SES
- Chris O’Neill – No Toxic Soil Campaign
- Graham Williams – Sunbury Residents Association
- Heather Dodd – Local resident
- Michael Osborne – Sunbury Business Association

#### Hi-Quality

- Lance Ingrams – Regional Manager, Victoria
- Amy Watson – Partner (Forge Communications)

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- Todd Beavis - Principal (facilitator)

#### Purpose

The meeting was held to continue the dialogue between Hi-Quality and community representatives in relation to the establishment of the Bulla Spoil Processing Facility to collect, treat and dispose of material from the tunnel boring machines on the West Gate Tunnel Project.

#### Agenda

The key items for discussion were:

- Construction update
- Feedback from the community representatives
- Upcoming engagement activities



## Key points of discussion

- The meeting started with Lance providing an update on the commencement of major works planned to take place from 28 August as outlined in the works notification sent on Friday 20 August. He advised that major contractors, Grampians Excavations and Symal Group, are mobilising onsite in readiness to commence construction of the processing area, holding bays and the new containment cell. He explained that this would involve some land clearing which would impact some trees along the fence line.
- He advised that the water treatment plant was being built in Sydney by Enviropacific and that, while they were potentially a couple of weeks behind schedule, works to prepare for installation of the plant would likely commence at the end of September.
- A question was asked by a community representative about the use of entrances to the site. Lance advised that the main entrance was being used for all major construction activities, whereas the entrance near Shepherds Lane (at the Sunbury end of the site) was only being used for light vehicles, primarily for employees of the building contractors. A further question was raised about a large vehicle being seen using this gate, Lance advised this was unlikely, however, he would make enquiries and provide an update at the next meeting.
- Lance advised that the new barrier (bund wall) along Sunbury Road was still being constructed and at completion would be 4 metres high and 15 metres wide. He advised that it would be landscaped (hydroseeded), most likely with native grasses of some sort, in October or November.
- Lance provided an overview of the works that would be undertaken at the intersection at the main entrance, including the installation of traffic lights. A question was asked about how this work was being managed in relation to the Sunbury Road Upgrade. Lance advised that discussions had commenced with Major Roads Projects Victoria (MRPV) about aligning the two projects.
- A concern was raised about the use of reversing beepers onsite, particularly during the night. Lance advised that construction works for the new facility were taking place from 6am to 6pm, so any noise would be related to general operations. He also advised that Hi-Quality had reviewed all machinery and all beepers should have been changed to a white noise which does not travel as far. He committed to double checking all machinery ahead of the next meeting.
- Concerns were raised about dust and the condition of Sunbury Road, particularly heading toward ARC (Bulla). A community representative said that it appears when trucks are turning left when leaving the site, that they travel along a muddy section along the side of the road before driving onto the Sunbury Road taking dust and dirt with them.

## Agreed actions

- Hi-Quality to provide a response to concerns raised about the secondary entrance being used for large vehicles.
- Hi-Quality to advise outcome of a review of reversing beepers on all machinery used at night.

## Next meeting

- It was agreed that the next meeting would be held on 7 September to check-in with the group following the online briefing.