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From: Scott Brooks <Scott.Brooks@muswellbrook.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 9 November 2016 9:31 AM
To: Jessie Evans
Cc: Joshua Brown
Subject: RE: HVO North Coal Mine - Modification 5 (DA 450-10-2003 MOD 5) - request for comment

Jessie,

Thank you for providing Muswellbrook Shire Council the opportunity to provide comment on the Hunter Valley Operations Mod 5 Application.

The application has 2 parts:

The enlargement of a Sediment Basin near Bayswater Creek. This is within the Muswellbrook Shire LGA. This project will require the removal of Swamp Oak tree stems (not roots) on 1,400sqm of Bayswater Ck riparian area. The sediment basin construction is on disturbed mine land.

The approval of the communication towers is an administrative issue, and the towers are located on Singleton LGA land.

I am well aware of the location of the Sediment dam enlargement proposal, having been on site a number of times and agree on the need to enlarge the existing inadequate structure. With the enlargement as designed, it will need the existing power lines to be moved and there are a number of site constraints. The removal of the Swamp Oak tree tops is not a significant issue for Muswellbrook Council. It is noted that a compensatory area is to be planted.

Council has no objection to the Mod 5 proposal from Coal & Allied.

Kind regards,

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Good morning,

HVO North Coal Mine – Modification 5 (DA 450-10-2003 MOD 5)

HV Operations Pty Limited has submitted a modification application for the HVO North Coal Mine, in the Singleton and Muswellbrook local government area.

The proposal involves:

- an upgrade of a sediment basin at the Hunter Valley Load Point, including removal of 0.14 hectares of over-storey native Swamp Oak vegetation; and

- seeking approval of communication towers to remove the administrative burden associated with the need to recertify the towers every 5 years as complying development under the Mining SEPP.

The relevant documents, including the Environmental Assessment may be accessed from the Department's website (www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au).

You are invited to comment on the proposed modification and include advice on recommended conditions of consent by **Friday 18 November 2016**.

Kind Regards,
Jessie

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