

Wilpinjong Coal Project Draft Statement of Commitments

Item	Commitment	Timing
1. Environmental Assessment	Carry out the Wilpinjong Coal Project generally in accordance with the project description in the Environmental Assessment dated May 2005.	During construction, operation and closure.
2. Environmental Management Strategy	Prepare and implement an Environmental Management Strategy to address environmental concerns through the allocation of resources, assignment of responsibilities, and ongoing evaluation of practices, procedures and processes.	Prior to commencement of operations.
3. Completion Criteria	Development of detailed completion criteria for rehabilitation and regeneration areas, and the Enhancement and Conservation Areas (ECAs)	Prior to relinquishment of the mining lease.
4. Council Contributions	Pay the following amounts to the Mid-Western Regional Council (MWRC): (a) \$450,000.00. (b) \$40,000.00 for community infrastructure. (c) \$30,000.00 for road maintenance works.	(a) Prior to the first shipment of coal. (b) Per annum commencing in year 2 of operations. (c) Per annum commencing in year 2 of operations.
5. Road Study	<p>Wilpinjong Coal Pty Limited (WCPL) will undertake a route assessment study for the following roads in consultation with the MWRC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ulan Road between Mudgee and the intersection with the Ulan-Wollar Road; Ulan-Wollar Road between the Project and the intersection with the Ulan Road; and Wollar Road between the Project and the intersection with Ulan Road. <p>WCPL will endeavour to reach agreement with the MWRC for the carrying out by WCPL of, or contribution by WCPL towards, road works on the roads listed above. In seeking to reach agreement, WCPL will act in good faith having regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the outcomes of the route assessment study; (b) the understanding that WCPL's payment of \$30,000.00 toward road maintenance is the total amount payable for road maintenance; (c) the principle that WCPL is responsible for an upgrade only to the extent the improvement is required as a consequence of the Project, and is not otherwise required having regard to existing or predicted traffic movements which are not related to the Project; and (d) if the incremental increase in use of the road or part of the road by traffic as a consequence of the Project (over the existing or predicted traffic movements which are not related to the Project) results in a requirement for road works, WCPL will be responsible for carrying out or paying the cost of those works. <p>If agreement cannot be reached between WCPL and the MWRC, WCPL will comply with an arrangement for the carrying out by WCPL of, or contribution by WCPL towards, road works on the roads listed above determined by the Minister which has regard to the above principles.</p>	Prior to commencement of construction.
6. Land Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Land Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential impacts on land resources.	Prior to commencement of operations.
7. Construction Erosion and Sediment Control Plan	Prepare and implement a Construction Erosion and Sediment Control Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise potential erosion and sediment impacts related to Project construction activities.	Prior to commencement of construction.
8. Erosion and Sediment Control Plan	Prepare and implement an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise potential erosion and sediment impacts related to the Project.	In a progressive manner prior to the development of each Project component involving land disturbance.
9. Bushfire Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Bushfire Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related bushfire impacts.	Prior to commencement of operations.
10. Site Water Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Site Water Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related impacts to water.	Prior to commencement of operations.
11. Water Supply Borefield Plan	Prepare and implement a Water Supply Borefield Plan which describes the management of the Project borefield.	Prior to construction of the Project borefield.
12. Cumbo Creek Relocation Plan	Prepare and implement a Cumbo Creek Relocation Plan which describes the design of the Cumbo Creek relocation.	Prior to construction of the Cumbo Creek relocation.
13. Construction Flora and Fauna Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Construction Flora and Fauna Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential impacts on flora, fauna and their habitats during construction.	Prior to construction activities that require the removal of woodland, forest or mature isolated trees.

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14. Flora and Fauna Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Flora and Fauna Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential impacts on flora, fauna and their habitats.	Prior to commencement of operations.
15. Weed and Animal Pest Control Plan	Prepare and implement a Weed and Animal Pest Control Plan which describes the management measures for weed and animal pests.	Prior to commencement of operations.
16. Rail Traffic Noise Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Rail Traffic Noise Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise potential impacts from Project related rail movements.	Prior to Project related rail movements.
17. Road Traffic Noise Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Road Traffic Noise Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise potential impacts from Project related traffic movements.	Prior to commencement of construction.
18. Traffic Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Traffic Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential impacts on traffic.	Prior to commencement of works on the public road network.
19. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan	Prepare and implement an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential impacts on Aboriginal cultural heritage sites.	Prior to commencement of construction.
20. Spontaneous Combustion Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Spontaneous Combustion Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise spontaneous combustion potential.	Prior to commencement of operations.
21. Blast Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Blast Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise Project related potential blasting impacts.	Prior to commencement of mining operations requiring blasting within 500 m of the Gulgong-Sandy Hollow railway, Wollar Road or Ulan-Wollar Road.
22. Final Void Management Plan	Prepare and implement a Final Void Management Plan which describes the management measures that will be used to minimise potential impacts related to the Project final voids.	Prior to the completion of mining operations.
23. Mine Closure Plan	Prepare and implement a Mine Closure Plan which documents the final mine closure process, final rehabilitation works and post-closure maintenance and monitoring requirements appropriate to established completion criteria.	Prior to the completion of mining operations.
24. Meteorological Monitoring	Implement a programme to monitor meteorological conditions at the Project.	During construction, operation and closure.
25. Flora and Fauna Monitoring Programme	Implement a flora and fauna monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on flora and fauna and their habitats.	During operation and closure.
26. Air Quality Monitoring Programme	Implement an air quality monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on air quality.	During construction, operation and closure.
27. Noise Monitoring Programme	Implement a noise monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on noise.	During construction, operation and closure.
28. Blast Monitoring Programme	Implement a blast monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of Project related blasting.	Prior to the commencement of blasting activities.
29. Erosion and Sediment Control Monitoring Programme	Implement an erosion and sediment control monitoring programme to monitor the effectiveness of Project erosion and sediment control structures.	During construction, operation and closure.
30. Surface Water Monitoring Programme	Implement a surface water monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on surface water. This would include surface water monitoring at selected waterholes on Wilpinjong Creek immediately downstream of the Project in consultation with relevant landholders.	During operation and closure.
31. Borefield Monitoring Programme	Implement a borefield monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on groundwater. This would include the ongoing monitoring of selected/relevant Landcare bores on WCPL-owned land.	During operation of the Project borefield.
32. Aquatic Biology Monitoring Programme	Implement an aquatic biology monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on aquatic biology.	During operation and closure.
33. Weed and Animal Pest Monitoring Programme	Implement a weed and animal pest monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on weeds and animal pests.	During operation and closure.
34. Road Traffic Flow Monitoring Programme	Implement a traffic flow monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on traffic flows.	During construction and operation.
35. Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Monitoring Programme	Implement an Aboriginal cultural heritage monitoring programme to monitor the potential impacts of the Project on proximal sensitive sites.	During construction, operation and closure.