Colin Phillips - Western Coal Services - Land use zoning

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Attachments:	lithgow_lga.pdf; Springvale Coal Services Current Zoning.pdf

Hi Colin,

We have put together a response to your questions below:

Is Centennial able to provide a figure showing the land use zones for the Spring vale Coal services site?

Attached is a copy of the current LEP Plan along with a detailed extract. The site is predominantly zoned 1(a) with the original boundary of Ben Bullen State Forest zoned 1(f). There are some portions of land owned by Springvale Coal and Delta Electricity that are still zoned 1(f) as the 1994 LEP was not updated.

Is the Ben Bullen State Forest portion of the site zoned 1(f) or 1(a)?

The current boundary of land owned by the Forestry Corporation of NSW is zoned 1(f). Under the Lithgow LEP, mining is permissible in land zoned 1(f). Whilst the Lithgow LEP does not define mining, the LEP adopts the definitions within the 1980 Model Provisions where a mine is defined as any place, open cut, shaft, tunnel, pit, drive, level or other excavation, drift, gutter, lead, vein, lode or reef whereon, wherein or whereby any operation is carried on for or in connection with the purpose of obtaining any metal or mineral by any mode or method and any place on which any product of the mine is stacked, stored, crushed or otherwise treated, but does not include a quarry.

Has Centennial been able to reach agreement with any of the remaining privately-owned landowners of Blackmans Flat village?

Of the 9 properties within the Village of Blackmans Flat, Centennial currently own 6 and will exchange contracts with a 7th at the end of October. Centennial has entered into a written agreement with the 8th resident. The last resident is currently in hospital but anticipate an agreement to be reached in due course.

Many thanks

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