

**Bonville Upgrade Project
Community Interest Group**

NOTES

**Meeting #11
Wednesday 10th October 2007
Project Site Office
Bonville Station Road, Bonville
6.00 pm – 8.00 pm**

CIG members in attendance

Tony Brindley	Trish Herraman
Gary Carr	Mike Newcombe
Ann Coyle	
Ron Duncan	
Mike Edsall	

Project representatives in attendance

Colin Solomon, RTA	Jason Moran, Abigroup
	Neil Pittaway, Abigroup
	Rebecca Walker-Edwards, Abigroup
	Matt Frodsham, Abigroup
	Cindy Douglas, Abigroup

Apologies

Chris Bryce, Abigroup	Evan Clark
Gordon Boer, Abigroup	Ron Sprudd
Chris Clark, RTA	Martin Hicks, EMR(Environmental Management Representative)

Tabled/Handouts

Abigroup presentation – Community Update

No.	Item	Issues / Actions	Action by
1	Welcome & Introductions	<p>Matt Frodsham - Facilitator</p> <p>Welcome to all attendees.</p> <p>Apologies noted.</p> <p>No comments from the previous meeting notes were received.</p> <p>No comments from the previous monthly update were received.</p>	
2	Actions arising from last meeting	<p>5.1.4 The CIG requested pedestrian access near the bridge works along Bonville Station Road be widened as the walk way has insufficient room to walk along without having to go out onto the road.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the pedestrian access had been completed.</p>	
3	Abigroup Project update		
3.1	Construction update	<p>Jason Moran – Project Manager, Earthworks Abigroup presentation</p> <p>Perrys to Overhead Bridge Road – drainage, topsoiling batters and rock drainage works are continuing. The fauna underpass box culvert base slab has been completed and is ready for backfill. Major asphalt works are underway on service road B in preparation for the traffic switch in December 2007.</p> <p>Overhead Bridge Road to Pine Creek – concrete paving works are continuing. Select material is being placed, compacted and sealed ready for the concrete sub-base.</p> <p>Pine Creek to Bonville Creek - traffic has been switched onto the Archville Station Road permanent works to allow the placement of fill for the western bridge approach. Traffic is expected to be switched to the Archville Station Road Bridge during December 2007.</p> <p>Bonville Creek to Lyons Road – cut to fill operation using scrapers is complete ready for the Williams Road bridgeworks. Remaining mainline earthworks is sourced from trucking excess material from the southern end of project.</p>	
3.1.1	Questions		
3.1.2		<p>The CIG inquired if Abigroup require additional fill.</p> <p>Abigroup informed the CIG that no additional fill is required.</p>	

3.2	Bridges Update	<p>Neil Pittaway – Project Manager, Structures Abigroup presentation</p> <p>Mailmans Track - the bridge deck has been poured with guardrails and safety screens expected to be completed early in November.</p> <p>The substructure for the twin bridges for the Fauna Underpass (North of Mailmans Track) is complete. It is expected that girder installation will occur early in the new year.</p> <p>Excavation is in progress at the Fauna Overpass (North of Mailmans Track) to enable the western wall and some of the eastern wall of the arch to be completed prior to the traffic switch which is expected mid December.</p> <p>Northbound Bridge (behind the RTA inspection bay opposite the Sid Burke Rest Area) - the deck is scheduled to be poured on the 18.10.07; this is the first of two major pours with a 3.30am start and a late finish.</p> <p>Southbound Bridge (behind the RTA inspection bay opposite the Sid Bourke Rest Area) – super tee girders are placed with the construction of bridge deck continuing.</p> <p>Pine Creek - two spans are completed with the third span currently underway, construction of the launching truss has commenced for the placing of the super tee girders on the centre span on the northbound lane.</p> <p>Reedys Creek - piling is completed with work on the abutments commenced. Placement of the super tee girders is expected to commence in the new year.</p> <p>Archville Station Road- super tee girders have been placed with half of the deck poured and the final half being poured next week. It is expected that traffic switch will occur in December.</p> <p>Fauna Underpass Bridge (north of Archville Station Road) piling works are complete.</p> <p>East Bonville Road - abutment and central pier footings have been poured. Works are underway constructing the reinforced soil wall at both abutments, formwork for the deck will be installed November/December with the deck pour scheduled for January/February 2008.</p> <p>Bonville Station Road Bridge - is nearing completion and it is expected that bridge furniture will be completed in December.</p> <p>Bonville Creek - abutments and footings for the central pier are complete. Piling on the southern bank is now complete with piling works continuing on the northern bank. Three of the four piers on the southbound lane are complete with works continuing on the north bound lane.</p> <p>Williams Road Bridge – substructure is being completed. Following deck construction and bridge furniture installation, it is expected that traffic will be switched over late January.</p> <p>The substructure for the Fauna Underpass Bridge (South of Lyons Road) is nearing completion and it is expected that girders will be erected in January. Construction of piers on the southern side has commenced.</p>	
3.2.1	Questions	<p>The CIG inquired if soundproofing will be installed on Bonville Creek Bridge as it appears the slope from Lyon's Road to Bonville Creek is downhill.</p> <p>Abigroup advised there were no provisions for soundproofing and the slope is relatively flat.</p>	

3.3	Community and Communications update	<p>Cindy Douglas – Community Relations Assistant Abigroup presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 visitors for the month of September • Total to date 1179 visitors <p>Complaints</p> <p>September 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 – Traffic • 4 – Damage (Third Party) <p>Boambee Football Club Sponsorship On the 21st September Abigroup along with T & M Concrete, Johnson Pumping and Kancon Concrete donated their time and resources providing the foundations for the new amenities block for the club.</p> <p>Golf Charity Auction Day Abigroup, Leighton and John Holland provided major sponsorship for a Golf Charity Auction Day held at the Coffs Harbour Golf Club raising funds and awareness for three local charities; Early Childhood Intervention Program, Coffs Coast Autism Spectrum Disorder Parent Support Group, Life Education New South Wales. A great day was had by all with \$62,500.00 raised.</p> <p>Media coverage</p> <p>05.09.07 The Bellingen Shire Courier Sun Bonville deviation on schedule – article</p> <p>07.09.07 The Coffs Coast Advocate Safer Highway will be good for all – article post the Chamber of Commerce presentation</p> <p>22.09.07 The Coffs Coast Advocate Boambee Football Club Sponsorship</p>	
3.3.1		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the nature of the damage complaints received for the month of September 2007.</p> <p>Abigroup advised three complaints related to cracked windscreens the other complaint being a letterbox knocked over which upon investigation proved to be unrelated to Abigroup.</p>	
3.3.2		<p>The CIG inquired if the postal address had been changed as a member of the community had received return to sender mail from the P O Box in Sawtell.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the postal address had been changed with a mail divert in place for the mail still addressed to the P O Box in Sawtell. Abigroup will inquire as to if this divert is still in place.</p>	Abigroup

4	Presentations		
4.1		Abigroup Video Presentation of the project Matt Frodsham	
5	General Discussion		
5.1.1		<p>The CIG inquired as to the shut down days over Christmas.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the site and office will be closed from Friday 21st December 2007 and re-open Wednesday 2nd January 2008.</p> <p>Please note; subsequent to this meeting the re-opening date has been changed and will now be Monday 7th January 2008.</p>	
5.1.2		<p>The CIG inquired as to how the sediment control withstood the recent flooding and if there were any problems with compliance.</p> <p>Abigroup advised all sediment controls are inspected daily by the Foreman and Environmental Team, there were no problems with compliance as after 55mls is collected the basins are permitted to overflow.</p>	
5.1.3		<p>A CIG member inquired if a swamp wallaby found on site was trapped in fill and what are the procedures for storing fill onsite.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the swamp wallaby was not trapped in fill; fill is typically compacted and stored in permanent storage areas.</p> <p>Noted: the CIG member also expressed her concern with the way the issue was handled.</p>	
5.1.4		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the sighting of a koala on site last Thursday and if the correct procedures were followed. Does the Abigroup induction process cover what procedures need to be followed when a koala is sighted.</p> <p>Abigroup advised upon receiving notification of the koala sighting, the correct protocol was followed. The induction procedure incorporates notifying a supervisor who then notifies the Environmental Team who notifies the relevant agencies, and this item is also toolboxed regularly.</p>	

5.1.5		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the progress of the hollow replacement (nest boxes) and if the installation of nest boxes was part of Abigroup's initial requirements. The CIG member indicated they were informed at the first CIG that there were no requirements for nest boxes, and requested it be noted that they felt misled by information provided at an early CIG Meeting.</p> <p>Abigroup advised investigations were pending a post clearance report prior to installation of nest boxes and that there had always been a requirement for the boxes. It was not Abigroup's intention to mislead the CIG member and the issue will be noted for the next agenda advising the progress and outcome.</p>	Abigroup
5.1.5		<p>A CIG member expressed concerns of the condition of Williams Road leading into the National Park.</p> <p>Abigroup will investigate and carry out works required to fix potholes.</p>	Abigroup
5.1.6		<p>A CIG member raised concerns on behalf of a member of the Community regarding access to their properties from the Pacific Highway since the closure of the Sid Burke Rest Area; they are concerned for their safety.</p> <p>Abigroup acknowledged the safety concerns and advised that both Abigroup and the RTA were currently in discussions regarding the access to properties in the vicinity of the Sid Burke Rest Area.</p> <p>The RTA advised they were considering a number of options and working towards a quick resolution.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the residents concerned would be advised tomorrow and the matter would be noted on the December meetings agenda.</p>	Abigroup
5.1.7		<p>A CIG member inquired if any complaints relating to visibility had been received regarding the barriers located on the intersection of Archville Station Road and the Pacific Highway.</p> <p>Abigroup advised no complaints had been received and the works are scheduled for completion by Christmas.</p> <p>The RTA advised there is a seagull intersection allowing for a safe exit from Archville Station Road heading North.</p>	
5.1.8		<p>The CIG inquired as to "what is a toolbox meeting"</p> <p>Abigroup advised a toolbox meeting was an information session given each Friday morning, dispersing information to all personnel on site.</p>	
5.1.9		<p>The CIG inquired as to the opportunity to tour the site next year.</p> <p>Abigroup will consider and report back to the CIG early in the new year.</p>	

5.1.10		<p>The CIG inquired if the Project was on schedule and if the rain has had any impact on the schedule.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the project is on schedule.</p>	
6	Next Meeting	<p>Meeting #12 12th December 2007</p> <p>Project Site Office, Bonville Station Road, Bonville 6.00pm – 8.00pm</p>	