

**Bonville Upgrade Project
Community Interest Group**

NOTES

**Meeting #8
Wednesday 11th April 2007
Project Site Office
Bonville Station Road, Bonville
6.00 pm – 8.00 pm**

CIG members in attendance

Tony Brindley	Peter Haskins
Ann Coyle	Mike Newcombe
Mike Edsall	Angela O'Brien

Project representatives in attendance

Chris Clark, RTA	Jason Moran, Abigroup
Colin Solomon, RTA	Matt Frodsham, Abigroup
Adam Cameron, RTA	Cindy Douglas, Abigroup

Apologies

Chris Bryce, Abigroup	Ron Duncan
Neil Pittaway, Abigroup	Peter Lubans
Gordon Boer, Abigroup	Rod Lynn
Ian Irwin, Abigroup	

Martin Hicks, EMR (Environmental Management Representative)

Tabled/Handouts

Abigroup presentation – Project Update

Abigroup presentation – Community Update

No.	Item	Issues / Actions	Action by
1	Welcome & Introductions	<p>Matt Frodsham - Facilitator</p> <p>Welcome to all attendees. Adam Cameron was introduced from the RTA</p> <p>Apologies noted.</p>	
2	Actions arising from last meeting	<p>#3.2 Community Update Abigroup advised the CIG that the June/July edition of the Community update will have a later delivery date as it will include project milestones. Abigroup confirmed the next edition of the Community update will feature information on noise.</p>	
		<p>#4.3.1 Complaints Report The CIG inquired as to how many complaints were received for the month and if it is possible to present the number of complaints and the reasons in the next Community and Communications update.</p> <p>Abigroup has incorporated the number of complaints in the Community and Communications update presentation.</p>	
		<p>#5.1 CIG Questionnaire Abigroup and the CIG agreed for Martin Hicks (EMR) to provide a feedback questionnaire to the CIG.</p> <p>The feedback questionnaire will be addressed at the next CIG Meeting as Martin Hicks was unable to attend this meeting.</p>	
3	Abigroup Project update		
3.1	Construction update	<p>Jason Moran – Abigroup, Project Manager Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clearing is now complete except for Strouds Road and staging works near Overhead Bridge Road • Currently fencing from Archville Station Road to Bonville Station Road • Total distance fenced to date: 3.2 km • Storm water pipes placed: 1200 m • Permanent Sediment Basins built to date: 5 • All Sediment Controls have been placed on the entire Project • Fleet 1 – Operating at East Bonville Road and adjacent to Grandis Road • Fleet 2 and 3 – Cut/fill operations from Perrys Road to Overhead Bridge Road • Fleet 4 – Top soil removal from Williams Road to Lyons Road 	

3.1	Construction update continued	<p>Jason Moran – Abigroup, Project Manager Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top Soil moved to date: 57 000 m3 • Earth moved to date: 480 000 m3 • Paving commences 23.04.07 from Perrys Road to the speed camera on the eastern side on the highway • Concrete cutting to commence approximately 07.05.07 at Perrys Road • East Bonville Road sidetrack was operational on the 04.04.07 • Archville Station Road will be open to traffic 12.04.07 	
3.1.1	Questions		
3.1.2		<p>The CIG inquired as to why the bottom level of concrete does not require cutting and the lifespan of the concrete.</p> <p>Abigroup explained concrete cutting is only required for the top level so any cracking is controlled.</p> <p>The RTA advised the lifespan of the concrete is approximately forty years.</p>	
3.1.3		<p>The CIG inquired as to when the Batch plant will be operational.</p> <p>Abigroup informed the CIG the Batch plant will commence commissioning on the 12.04.07 and concrete pouring on the 23.04.07 along Perrys Road.</p>	
3.2	Community and Communications update	<p>Cindy Douglas – Abigroup, Community Relations Assistant Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 163 visitors for the month of March • Total to date 432 visitors <p><u>Complaints</u></p> <p>January 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 dust • 1 working hours • 1 fencing <p>February 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 dust • 1 fencing • 2 working hours • 1 traffic management • 2 'other' <p>March 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 noise • 1 working hours • 2 erosion and sediment controls • 2 local roads • 1 traffic management <p>Media Coverage</p> <p>Various print and media – NSW election related material</p>	

4	General Discussion		
4.1		<p>Abigroup proposed changing the frequency of the CIG Meetings to every second month with the next CIG being scheduled for Wednesday 13th June 2007.</p> <p>The RTA agreed providing the majority of the CIG members agreed.</p> <p>The CIG members were agreeable to the scheduling changes and requested that those members of the CIG absent from the meeting are provided with the opportunity to respond.</p> <p>The CIG suggested for the month we do not hold the meeting an update is provided and should any urgent matters arise then a meeting be scheduled.</p> <p>Abigroup agreed to provide a written update for the alternate month.</p>	
4.2		<p>A CIG member inquired if construction updates were advertised in the local papers.</p> <p>Abigroup informed the CIG advertisements are placed in the local papers quarterly providing construction updates plus additional advertisements advising of specific traffic changes.</p> <p>Abigroup mentioned the Community Update distributed quarterly will include milestones of the project.</p>	
4.3		<p>A CIG member requested an update following the media attention regarding Strouds Road as several residents had approached him.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the local residents from Strouds Road are concerned about the removal of tress along Lyons Road. Residents approached Abigroup to consider re-designing the clearing of this section as they feel it provides a natural noise barrier.</p> <p>Abigroup and the RTA have entered into discussions with the local residents and will keep the CIG updated on progress.</p>	Abigroup
4.4		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the re- location of the fauna fence once the traffic is re-directed from the Pacific Highway onto the service road and how long will the service road be operational. The CIG member is concerned when the service road is operating the fauna fencing will be on the wrong side to protect wildlife from traffic.</p> <p>Abigroup will follow up and respond at the next CIG Meeting.</p>	Abigroup

4.5		<p>A CIG member inquired if any evidence of Quolls had been reported as they are concerned that the fauna studies undertaken have missed the presence of Quolls.</p> <p>Abigroup will follow up and respond at the next CIG Meeting.</p>	Abigroup
4.6		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the horses that were reported on the highway and was it a result of construction works.</p> <p>Abigroup advised only one (1) incident of a horse escaping had been reported and this was not a result of Abigroup's fencing works.</p>	
4.7		<p>A CIG member reported a resident was concerned with the double glazing works to be installed at their property. They felt the option of installing an additional sheet of glass would not provide sufficient noise mitigation.</p> <p>As per the EIS, Abigroup is required to provide upgraded glazing to the bedrooms, the proposed treatments are considered adequate noise mitigation.</p>	
4.8		<p>A CIG member inquired if all air-conditioners installed for noise mitigation were working.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the CIG as far as we were aware all air-conditioners have been installed and were operational.</p>	Abigroup
4.9		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the depth of cuts along the project as the plans show cuts below the water table and would the dams at the Batch plant interrupt the water table.</p> <p>Abigroup advised that there is no infiltration of water tables with the approved works. If water tables were intercepted this would be at Abigroup's risk.</p>	
4.10		<p>A CIG member inquired as to a representative being nominated for the residents of Grandis Road.</p> <p>Abigroup advised that a replacement CIG member for the Grandis Road Action Group had not been nominated.</p>	
4.11		<p>A CIG member inquired as to the piezometers being back filled.</p> <p>Abigroup and the RTA advised the CIG member this inquiry was outside of the scope of this meeting and would not be discussed at this forum.</p> <p>The RTA extended an invitation to discuss this matter outside of the CIG meeting.</p>	

4.12		<p>The CIG inquired if the Eucalyptus Grandis Gum tree will be planted along the alignment as concerns were raised as to the suitability of this species along the alignment.</p> <p>Abigroup advised there was a selection of hundreds of seeds and were unsure if it was nominated for planting. Abigroup will follow up and respond at the next CIG Meeting.</p>	Abigroup
4.13		<p>The CIG inquired if Butlers Road and Mailmans Track will be upgraded.</p> <p>Abigroup advised the upgrade of Butlers Road and Mailmans Track was not in the scope of works. If local residents are concerned with the road they need to contact their local council.</p>	
4.14		<p>A CIG member inquired as to why the Project Information Centre was not open to the public on a Saturday morning to access reports and what the cost of obtaining a copy would be.</p> <p>Abigroup advised persons are able to contact the Project Information Centre and make an appointment for a Saturday if necessary. Abigroup advised there would be no charge for photocopying small sections of documents (within reason).</p>	
5	Next Meeting	<p>Meeting #9 13th June 2007</p> <p>Project Site Office, Bonville Station Road, Bonville 6.00pm – 8.00pm</p>	