

Proposed Cabbage Tree Road Sand Quarry

Welcome to Edition 2 of the Cabbage Tree Road Sand Quarry Newsletter. Williamtown Sand would like to thank members of the Community, Interest Groups and Government representatives who were able to attend the Information session on Monday 1st of August 2016 and also those other interested parties who contacted us by phone.

The session was well attended by 27 people and ran from 5:30pm, concluding at 9:00pm. Those in attendance were able to raise concerns and ask questions regarding the project and we thank all those attendees for openly providing their views.

This meeting has given us further opportunities to consider how our project can either avoid, mitigate or offset these concerns through further changes to the current project.

Many of the community extended the invitation to Williamtown Sand to explain in more detail the proposal through one-on-one meetings and to inspect and witness their concerns at their properties or onsite.

CONCERNS RAISED

As requested at the information session we have tabulated the issues raised which are presented on the following page in Table 1. In addition to the submissions received on the EIS, the issues and concerns raised during the information session will continue to be worked through by our project team. If you believe that key issues or discussion isn't captured in this list, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

In order to ensure your individual concerns are responded to our next phase of community engagement is to meet with individuals at their homes or alternate convenient locations to gain a detailed understanding of the specific concerns and

discuss suggested modification or improvements which could be incorporated into the project.

INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS

Those interested in having individual meetings with the project team to discuss in detail the project and any concerns are encouraged to get in touch with us on the details below by the Monday 15th August 2016.

CONTACT US

If you have any comments or additional issues not raised at the meeting, would like to arrange an individual meeting, or have any questions or feedback relating to the Cabbage Tree Road Project, please contact:

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ABOUT WILLIAMTOWN SAND

Williamtown Sand Syndicate Pty Ltd, the proponent of the project is a Newcastle based privately funded investment business utilising local employees, contractors, consultants, resources and suppliers of services to undertake this project.

Table 1 – Summary of issued raised, Information Session 1st August 2016

Issue Summary	Interim response
Noise from the deceleration and acceleration of trucks accessing and leaving the site.	Under assessment / consideration
Change operating hours to 'business hours' or avoid peak hour traffic.	Under assessment / consideration
Air quality concerns from truck cleaning onsite (e.g. that happened at Macka's)	No truck cleaning proposed onsite.
Noise from trucks traversing proposed shaker grid	Shaker grid will be positioned 500m from nearest residence at the transition of gravel to sealed road.
Remove blocks 9A/9B from project to avoid noise and dust impacts to neighbours	Noted
Proportion of resource being higher grade silica sand	Areas of exposed white sand may be suitable for use in higher grade applications such as glass making and industrial applications are estimated at approximately 10% of the resource. Additional sampling as the quarry progresses will determine exact amounts and viability of its use. Additional processing to be offsite at processors facility.
Baseline health monitoring of nearby residents	Under assessment / consideration
Williamstown/Joint Strike Fighter noise impacts due to topography change from project.	Under assessment / consideration
Provide feedback from information session to attendees	This newsletter
Transport of contaminated groundwater due to surface water infiltration capacity	Under assessment / consideration
Hydrology and potential for surface water contamination and transport offsite	Under assessment / consideration
Scale-up of operation after approval - commitment to not increase rates	Under assessment / consideration
Employment for 20 truck drivers disputed	Noted
Haul road threat to koala and other fauna in wildlife corridor	Noted
Zoning of properties as RU2	The subject site is zoned RU2 Rural Landscape, same as surrounding properties minimum lot size 20ha.
Williamstown Sand Syndicate structure & WSS Trust	Nil
Will there be a bond for more than just rehabilitation?	Noted
Number of additional trucks on road	Noted
Time of arrival and site access	Under assessment / consideration
Independence of truck operators	Noted
EIS data only 2 days (including Saturday)	Automated traffic counts were taken in front of the site on Cabbage Tree Road for a 7 day period, including weekends from 6th to 12 March 2015
Management and occurrence of rogue truck drivers, fatigue, speeding	Noted
Existing road condition; rutting; uneven surface (drain)	Noted
Shoulder/intersection treatment and width and resultant change in corridor for cyclists	Under assessment / consideration
Sand on road	Noted
Impacts to groundwater levels, surface water runoff and flooding due to the removal of the trees and the removal of the dunes, and how this may affect contamination.	Under assessment / consideration
What is in it for the Community? Above that proposed to go to Council in royalty.	Under assessment / consideration
Air quality modelling to ensure the silica sand measures are fully addressed in terms of how the sand should be managed and monitored.	Under assessment / consideration
Existing safety of Cabbage Tree Road, dangerous for left in and right turn into driveways.	Under assessment / consideration
Macka's sand has approval for increase in haulage rates that are only now being realised by the community, and they are not sure that the peak has been met.	Noted