

MEETING	Independent Expert Panel on Mining in the Catchment	
MEETING NO.	4	
DATE/TIME	26 March 2018 Meeting opened: 2.00pm Meeting closed: 4.30pm	LOCATION: Conference Room, Metropolitan Coal, Parkes St, Helensburgh
ATTENDEES	<p>Panel members in attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emeritus Professor Jim Galvin (Interim Chair) • Dr Ann Young • Professor Neil McIntyre • Mr Michael Williams (teleconference) • Professor Bruce Hebblewhite • Dr Chris Armstrong (A/Chief Scientist & Engineer) <p>Secretariat in attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suzanne Pierce • Jaclyn Aldenhoven • Jerein Kailath (teleconference) <p>In attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiona Smith, Executive Manager Water and Catchment Protection (Item 3) • Malcolm Hughes, Manager Catchment Protection (Item 3) • Peter Dupen, Mining Manager (Site visit and Item 3) 	
PREPARED BY	OCSE	

1. Welcome

Members welcomed and meeting declared open. As the meeting followed a site visit, approval of the Minutes from Meeting 3 was deferred to Meeting 5.

Action	Responsibility
1.1. Meeting 3 Minutes to be presented at Meeting 5 (3 April)	Secretariat

2. Panel Discussion

Members discussed their initial impressions from the site visit that morning which encompassed Waratah Rivulet (including Flat Rock Swamp, Pool A [WRS3], Pool F [WRS4] and Flat Rock Crossing) and the Eastern Tributary Crossing. It was agreed the discussion would be continued during Meeting 5.

It was noted members were asked to update the OCSE conflicts and interests declaration; and this would be reviewed again at the start of Meeting 5. It was decided that the scheduled meeting with WaterNSW involved a presentation and did not require any action in regard to member interests. However, if the subject matter raised potential conflicts, members would immediately inform the Chair and meeting participants. The Chair advised WaterNSW of this prior to the presentation.

3. WaterNSW Presentation

Fiona Smith, Malcolm Hughes and Peter Dupen from WaterNSW provided an overview of the legislative framework for the Special areas and WaterNSW responsibilities and activities; and developments in management, modelling, monitoring, remediation and reporting. The Panel commented that a drone flyover of the areas observed during the morning site visit would be helpful; and requested copies of reports identified during discussion.

Action	Responsibility
3.1 Follow up information requests.	Secretariat

4. Next meetings

#5 - Tuesday 3 April 2018, 10am

#6 - Thursday 19 April 2018, 10am

#7 - Friday 29 June 2018, 10am

#8 - Friday 20 July 2018, 10am