Rehabilitation Efforts at Wilkie Creek Showcase Peabody’s Sustainability Value in Practice

Ten new recruits – all locals and Peabody employees – at Wilkie Creek near Dalby are hard at work giving the former coal mine a new lease on life as the site moves beyond mining.

The recruits are part of a team busy transforming the once-productive coal mine into a variety of post-mining land uses, including cattle grazing land.

Peabody has progressed rehabilitation of Wilkie Creek following the end of coal mining in 2013 with more than 60 percent of rehabilitation now complete.

“Peabody understands that mining plays an important, but temporary role in the life of a region,” President Peabody Australia George J. Schuller Jr. said. “We take our commitment as responsible custodians of the land and good neighbours seriously, and our progressive rehabilitation approach means we started rehabilitating the land well before the closure of Wilkie Creek in 2013.”

“The team members at Wilkie Creek are not only locals – most are farmers who have worked the land here and know what the soil and conditions respond to best,” Schuller said. “As a business, you have to support the community that supports you.”