

**Minutes of Community Consultative Committee Meeting
Wambo Coal Pty Ltd and United Wambo Joint Venture**

Meeting of the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) for Wambo Coal Pty Ltd (**Wambo**) and United Wambo Joint Venture (**UWJV**), held UWJV Administration building on Tuesday 5th August 2025.

Chairperson: Lisa Andrews (LA) – Independent Chairperson

In attendance: Janet Fenwick (JF) – Community Member
Shane Gee (SG) – Community Member (online)
Brian Atfield (BA) – Community Member
Shane Armitage (SA) – Hunter Gliding Club (online)
Godfrey Adamthwaite (GA) – Singleton Council (online)
Peter Jaeger – (PJ) – Wambo Coal Environment and Community Manager
Morgan Katsch (MK) – Wambo Coal Environmental Advisor
Aislinn Farnon (AF) – UWJV Environment and Community Manager
Skye Vickers (SV) – UWJV Environment and Community Coordinator

Apologies: Dianne Gee (DG) – Community Member
Jan Davis (JD) – Hunter Environmental Lobby
Robert Ball (RB) – Community Member
David Thelander (DT) – Community Member
Nick Slater (NS) – UWJV Operations Manager

1.	Welcome & Apologies (LA)
	The chairperson opened the meeting at 09:10 am, welcoming all to Wambo / UWJV CCC meeting and delivering an acknowledgment of Country.
2.	Declarations
	LA declared that she is an approved Independent Chairperson, appointed by the Secretary for the Department of Planning and Environment – engaged by UWJV and Wambo to chair the CCC.

	Business Arising The minutes from the previous meeting held on 6 May 2025 were finalised and distributed to members on 20 May 2025. Action items from the previous CCC:																				
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4.	Correspondence (LA)																				
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">12 May 2025 – Email to members with the draft minutes for review20 May 2025 – Email to members with finalised minutes and presentations25 July 2025 – Email to members with the Meeting Notice, Agenda and Correspondence Report4 August 2025 – Email reminder to all members																				
5.	United Wambo Coal Business Update																				
	<p>AF - Provided the members with an update on UWJV via a PowerPoint presentation (attached), noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">AF outlined the agenda for the presentation. <p><i>Rehabilitation Reforms and Rehabilitation Guidelines</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">AF discussed in broad scope the updates to the Rehabilitation Reforms and Rehabilitation guidelines including how existing mines and in particular UWJV comply with this. AF outlined the different things that capture rehabilitation.AF presented public accessible information through the Department regarding the rehabilitation for mines.LA asked if the rates are updated based on CPI. AF responded that new costing updates will be reviewed and provided to sitesPJ commented Tailings Dam costs have increased. RMPs are more dynamic which allows more flexibility for operations with 3yr plans (updated yearly). Reporting is also more consistent with all mines reporting using the same template.																				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF provided the URL to access the information. (Link: Homepage SEED Portal) <p><i>Focus for 2025</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF outlined the focus areas for UWJV for 2025. <p><i>Production</i></p> <p>AF disclosed the production targets for ROM and waste tonnes for 2025. Some months were below budget due to rain events however overall on target.</p> <p><i>Approvals Update and Government Interactions</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF stated that all the management plan updates are still with the Department. AF discussed the changes to the plans format in accordance with ISO14001. AF discussed the NFI from DPHI in regard to a fume incident that was reported on 9 July 2024. AF commented the exploration program is currently under review with the Corporate Office. AF mentioned coal lease has been renewed. AF advised that the Resources Regulator will be on site 2 September for the Landform Establishment Targeted Assessment Program. AF commented that all Biodiversity Offset Credits have been retired in consultation with BCD. AF also discussed outcomes of Show Cause for delay in Biodiversity Credit Retirement was a variation to EPBC approval and three yearly independent audit which will align with the SSD audit. AF discussed TD1/2 dam revocation. AF discussed the salvage of the Dog-Leg Fence during the U1 Dam construction which will be stored until it can be placed at the Jerry's Plains Recreation area. <p><i>Key Project Updates</i></p> <p><i>Rehabilitation and Disturbance 2025</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF discussed rehabilitation targets and current progress including a trial for using rock sourced on site with positive results and use of drone for seeding in West United Rehabilitation area. <p><i>Stewardship Sites</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF discussed offsets and works currently underway including boundary fencing, grading access roads etc. <p><i>Land Management</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF provided update of Land Management activities on site and buffer lands. <p><i>Exploration</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF commented the exploration program is currently on hold. Land Access agreements are currently on hold until further notice from GCAA. <p><i>Projects</i></p> <p><i>Sealing Works</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF provided an update of the Sealing Works project – use of fly ash grout and progress.
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	<p><i>Light Vehicle Workshop</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF gave an update with the NMIA demolition affecting the LV workshop and new shed being built at SMIA to be completed ahead of mining. <p><i>U1 Dam</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF provided an update with the U1 Dam construction, mulching and topsoil stripping completed and Geotechnical studies currently underway. <p><i>Environment and Community Performance</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As per presentation. AF discussed no further complaints from previous meeting. Monitoring data was provided YTD. AF noted highest rainfall for August based on current records. <p><i>Cultural Heritage</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF commented that First Nations Program has commenced with 2 participants on site. AF stated that the program has been successful for previous participants with previous cohort gaining full time employment. AF reiterated that the Dog-Leg Fence Salvage from the U1 construction and will be placed at the Jerrys Plains Recreation area in consultation with consultant. <p><i>Employment</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF provided update of employment opportunities and conversion of contractors to full time. AF also provided update regarding the Fair Work: Same job same pay. <p><i>Community Investment & Engagement</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AF updated the grant supported programs in the community including the Singleton PCYC – Safer Driving Course, Bulga Hall Mental Health First Aid Course and Branxton-Greta Junior Football Club canteen facilities. <p><i>General Business</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JF asked about Wild Pig Management. ACTION - AF to provide more detailed update to JF.
6.	Wambo Business Update
	<p>PJ provided update on the Wambo operations via a PowerPoint presentation (attached) noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PJ outlined the presentation agenda. <p><i>Current operations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PJ provided an overview of South Dam (1.6GL) and discharge opportunities and the overall water management plan for the complex. PJ discussed Longwall 26 will be completed in September 2025 and therefore the completion of mining in South Bates extension. PJ discussed the sealing of the mine to commence in September 2025. Changes to workforce to commence during the end of production and at time of mine sealing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ mentioned there is an overall plan for tailings, overall site tidy up and CHPP will be continuing. • PJ advised that operational management plans will be updated in accordance with the removal of underground mining. • LA asked to have relevant point of contact during transitional period. • LA thanked PJ & MK for their professionalism and contribution to this CCC, wishing them well in their future endeavours. <p><i>Environment and Community metrics</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ updated metrics including 2 regulator inspections in 2025 (as per presentation) and 2 community tours including Singleton Historical Society who toured the Wambo Homestead. • PJ presented rainfall data and the closure of Hales Crossing due to water levels since last meeting. • PJ commented on water discharge from Eagle’s Nest and the HRSTS and relevant water quality parameters to allow discharge. <p><i>Approvals Update</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil updates. <p><i>North-East Tailings Dam Capping</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ provided update of ~45% completion, with target completion in 2026. PJ discussed the importance of productivity through shorter bulk push movements. Key to that is UWJV delivering material closer to push face, once stability and safety is confirmed from geotechnical specialists. <p><i>Community Engagement</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ reiterated that members of the Singleton Museum and Historical Society visited the Wambo Homestead 18 June 2025. • PJ commented the Conservation Management Plan will be updated for the next 5yr plan for the Wambo Homestead. <p><i>General Business</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PJ offered tour of Wambo Homestead for the CCC. • PJ mentioned the transition to underground closure plan for the workforce.
7.	General Business (LA)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LA asked for any general business from CCC members • GA asked PJ if anything is going to happen with the Wambo Coal Hall of Fame. PJ is currently working through that with Peabody Corporate – ACTION to update CCC / Council. • JF asked – noticed there are some pegs in Stoney Creek, is it the boundary line and is that the Offset boundary and therefore private property boundary. MK mentioned surveyors have pegged this as South Wambo Offset fencing which is also the private property boundary. PJ mentioned a private catch-up meeting. JF also asked for the current tenant / lessee in South Bulga contact details for communication purposes in regard to livestock and land management. MK also updated their land management plan for feral pigs in the same area.

8.	Meeting Finalisation
	<p>LA provided reminder for next CCC meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11 November 2025 <p>Meeting closed at 10:37am with LA thanking members for their contribution.</p>

Action Register:

Date	Action	Responsible
06/05/2025	Video detailing the works on the homestead works and provide an update of the works	Wambo – PJ
06/05/2025	Video of the NETD and the works/methodology current being undertaken	Wambo – PJ
5/08/2025	Arrange and conduct Wambo Homestead Tour	Wambo - PJ
5/08/2025	Update for Wambo Coal Hall of Fame to be provided to CCC and Singleton Council	Wambo - PJ
5/08/2025	Confirm with JF Wild Pig Program for South Wambo	UWJV - AF