

Meeting title	Inner Darling Downs Community Consultative Committee		
Attendees:			
Professor Steven Raine (SR)	Chair		
Joy Mingay (JM)	Toowoomba Chamber of Commerce		
Lance McManus (LM)	Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise		
Larry Pappin (LP)	Inner Downs Inland Rail Action Group		
Paul Hanlon (PH)	Individual		
Jennifer Schmidt (JS)	Individual		
John Cameron (JCa)	Darling Downs Cotton Growers and Cotton Australia		
Ian Jones (IJ)	Darling Downs Shire Steering Committee		
Ken Murphy (KM)	Individual		
Jason Chavasse (JCh)	Gowrie Junction Progress Association		
Belinda Saal (BS)	Individual		
Geoff Penton (GP)	Queensland Murray-Darling Committee		
David Taylor (DT)	Individual		
Mercedes Staff (MS)	Manager Stakeholder Engagement – Queensland		
David Foster (DF)	ARTC Design Manager – Queensland		
Gareth Rees (GR)	ARTC Approvals Manager - Queensland		
Laura Jarman (LJ)	ARTC Engagement Lead – NSW/QLD Border to Gowrie		
Jo Tait (JT)	ARTC Engagement Lead – Gowrie to Helidon		
Apologies:			
Kylie Schultz	Individual		
Rob Loch	Pittsworth District Landcare Association		
Chris Joseph	Individual		
Adrian Beattie	Western Wakka Wakka		
Location	Pittsworth Function Centre, Pittsworth	Secretariat	Jo Tait
Date	6 March 2018	Time	6:00 – 7.45pm

1. Welcome (Steve Raine)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed members and observers and noted recording and photography of meeting. • Commented that it's been a privilege to visit landholders and committee members since the last meeting. • Noted his concern at what he's heard about the lack of information about impacts. • Noted that there are a lot of conversations to be had between now and when the final alignment is decided. Concerned that we are have active involvement in the alignment. • Emphasised that the Committee's role is to ensure that ARTC is informed by the inputs from the community as early and as effectively as possible. • Noted that tonight's agenda is a substantive agenda which will talk more about
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	the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
2. Update conflicts of interest register	No additions or changes to the register.
3. Actions arising from last meeting	Noted. No queries raised in relation to ARTC's responses.
4. Project update (David Foster)	<p>Border to Gowrie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future Freight Joint Venture (FFJV) (a joint venture between Aecom and Aurecon) has been engaged to progress the study on how to cross the Condamine floodplain. • ARTC has lodged the Initial Advice Statement (IAS) with the Coordinator-General and the referral to the Commonwealth Government under the <i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act</i> (EPBC Act). • A start-up meeting was held on 1 March 2018, FFJV is currently mobilising the team, developing management plans, providing ARTC with methodology and a schedule of the work. • The priority work for FFJV is to get methodology for the flood study to ARTC for the Condamine floodplain solution • The management plans will involve site investigation locations and we expect these site investigations to start in April 2018. <p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GP: Are we able to see the methodology? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: Yes, that's one of the first steps for the Condamine floodplain solution. • DT: Is the tender for just the floodplain work or the whole line? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: The whole line, there's a lot of work to be done to prepare for that work. • MS: Part of the program of planning is that we've given a commitment to prioritise the Condamine floodplain solution. • SR: What do you expect around the timeline of the floodplain study? When are we expecting to have our first line on a map? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: There are a few major milestones April 2018: Condamine floodplain methodology June/July 2018: Draft initial Condamine floodplain solution September 2018: 30% design milestone - this is when we will have the first line on the map November 2018: Preferred Condamine floodplain solution. • LP: In this EPBC submission you do have a line on a map – I don't have any faith that these coordinates are going to change as a result of consultation. • MS: ARTC will circulate a high level engagement program before Easter. Consultation activities will include information sessions, focused workshops and one-on-one meetings, as an example. • PH: What's the study going to tell you? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: The floodplain study will look at how we get the railway line across

<p>Max Nichols</p>	<p>the floodplain without having an impact on the community. It will require calibration of the flood model, gathering information, making sure that the records that we have line up with anecdotal evidence. It will analyse all the different options. We will then consult around that to come up with the best solution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LS: There are a whole series of scenarios that drive the studies, we look at a series of exceedances. There's a basis of design criteria that we have to build to and it involves engaging with everyone. It's not just hydrology. ● KM: how do we get the rail line across the floodplain without an unacceptable effect on the community? Who makes the decision about what is acceptable? Is that ARTC? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: Ultimately it will be the Coordinator-General. ARTC will take the impacts to the impacted landholder and ask is it acceptable or not. We understand that what is acceptable to one person in one scenario is not in another area. ● GP: Is part of the negotiation around ARTC and consultants getting access to properties? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: Community engagement people make contact and set up a meeting. The Property Access Form is simple. It details conditions that the landowner sets for us to access their land. ● GP: How many access agreements do you think you need compared to what you have? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MS: We have about 33 signed Property Access Forms, one under negotiation and three people have declined to sign. Access to more properties will be required in the future. ● LP: So people can have them checked by a lawyer and ARTC will pay for that? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MS: That's not our understanding but we will take this on notice and come back to the committee with a response. ● Action: ARTC to investigate whether Simon Eldridge committed to looking into paying for landowners to seek legal advice on the Property Access Form. ● LP: How long before the Draft Terms of Reference are released? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GR: It will probably be about a month or two after the declaration of a Coordinated Project that we might expect the Draft Terms of Reference. ● LP: Is this too early? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: No, we have a good understanding based on the concept level designs. ● LP: I found out about the lodgement of the IAS second-hand, I just want to have known earlier. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee noted that they received an email. <p>Gowrie to Helidon:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● G2H is a few steps ahead of B2G, we have a protected rail corridor which we were able to adopt as a preferred alignment. ● ARTC has lodged its IAS, received our Draft Terms of Reference, have final
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	<p>Terms of Reference which is our rule book for undertaking and developing the EIS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In January ARTC was able to engage the FFJV team for B2G. This is advantageous for ARTC because it offers consistency across projects. • ARTC is starting to understand where the challenges lie and understand all the feasibility and design processes. We have started mapping community interactions against technical and environmental aspects of the projects. We expect to have that program complete for the Lockyer Valley CCC meeting on 14 March 2018. We will also be able to share that with this committee. • The primary activities are obtaining land access agreements, making sure that plans and approvals are in place to commence geotechnical investigations in mid-April. We expect these to be done in a west to east direction. • After those site activities are undertaken, we hope to have vertical and horizontal alignments, level crossings and a good understanding of social impacts. <p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JC: I don't feel like the Gowrie Junction Progress Association is going to be appropriately represented at the Lockyer Valley CCC. • Action: ARTC to investigate opportunities for cross-representation and provide a response to JCh. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MN: The issue is the state of the projects and their approvals. We can discuss options for representation at LV CCC.
<p>5. EIS process update Gareth Rees</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARTC has lodged the Initial Advice Statement (IAS) with the Coordinator-General and the referral to the Commonwealth Government under the <i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act</i> (EPBC Act). • ARTC has made a specific request to have the Draft Terms of Reference consultation period extended to a minimum of 6 weeks. The minimum period Understanding that these timeframes are at the discretion of the Coordinator-General, but as a general guide we are envisaging: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ IAS – Submitted in the last week of February 2018 ○ Declaration as a Coordinated Project – about a month after IAS submission ○ Draft Terms of Reference publicly available – 1-2 months after declaration • Committee and registered stakeholders normally applied is 20 business days. • will be notified of each milestone. <p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LP: Will you carry out workshops or drop-in locations? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ GR: Yes. • LP: How many submissions did you receive on other projects? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MN: About 130 on H2C and 50 on G2H.
<p>6. Hydrology and flood study update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DF: The first task for FFJV is to get the methodology together about how they will assess and design for the floodplain.

<p>Luke Smith</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LS: The Condamine floodplain is the initial focus, FFJV have only just been engaged, we're in the planning and investigation phase, we have specialist sub-consultants engaged. Finding a Condamine floodplain solution is not purely about hydrology and water. We are currently identifying locations where we want to perform investigations. • We need to get out into the field and do geotechnical investigations and have anecdotal conversations with landowners. • Investigations up front will determine what information we have and what else we need. The guidelines and implementation of Australian Rainfall and Runoff (ARR) needs to be applied to existing models. • There will be value management exercises we go through prior to determining a preferred alignment. These will involve consultation, workshops and then evaluating each option to come up with some solutions. • There are environmental and social aspects that form part of these investigations. We need to appreciate how people are operating their properties. • If anybody would like to provide inputs and evidential information, feed that back through ARTC. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ March 2018: come up with a defined methodology, report back on what that is ○ Mid-2018: aiming to present a draft of findings, ○ End-2018: produce the final report (and preferred solution). • FFJV have engaged Dr Mark Jempson from an external consultancy with vast experience across infrastructure projects. Dr Jempson will attend presentations as a peer reviewer. • DF: We have heard clearly that the community doesn't feel listened to. We need to demonstrate that we've heard people's concerns, and we have to record them and tell people how we're going to address them. <p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PH: How high up will the floodplain study go? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Luke Smith: The regional floodplain captures all the watershed. We will look in much greater detail a couple of kilometres upstream and downstream • IJ: a lot of flooding is about timing. It should include the whole catchment. • KM: Once you start getting through the design components, who's making the call of how many zeros are on the final line? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MN: The Coordinator-General will be an arbiter, the CG will determine what is an appropriate solution. • LP: Are you going to start with a methodology or develop it along the way? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: We have to develop the methodology first. • LP: Will you look at the floodplain only? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: we have to do the whole lot, we are working on a plan for which order we will do the rest. • SR: In parallel with floodplain studies, what activity would we be expecting to occur in the next 3-6 months? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: All site investigations will be underway including flood studies, utility

	<p>identification, geotechnical investigations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LM: Who's managing those contractors, is there an option to have an office/presence in the region, it would be good to utilise people in the region who know the region really well. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LS: Aurecon has an office in Toowoomba, we may use local survey firms for some of our survey work. ○ MN: Social and economic impact are key parts of the EIS. We have to document and address aspects such as opportunities for local workforce and indigenous participation in the workforce. Transparency around opportunities for sub-contractors is an important part of that.
<p>7. Consultation and communication</p> <p>Mercedes Staff</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARTC will provide a high level engagement program before Easter. • Looking at opportunities to reach as many people as possible with community meetings and information. ARTC will share proposed engagement activities with the CCC before we go out to the community. • MS distributed social media guidelines or tips. Noted. • MS distributed documentation timeframes. Noted. <p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SR: ARTC will provide an indicative engagement program by Easter. This will include various types of consultation methods. There is an open offer for landholders to reach out to ARTC. ARTC is willing to do individual and small group consultation plus broader public sessions. • PH: ARTC have missed opportunity to go to this year's Millmerran or Pittsworth shows. We need to be more out there in the general population, being visible. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Noted. • JS: How will you let people know? I suggest lots of notice for snail mail or for people to call their networks. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MS: Noted. We would also use newspaper advertising, emails, website, posters in communities etc.. ○ DF: Let us know what works best with people. • Action: Members to provide advice to ARTC about how best to communicate with your community. • KM: It would be good if ARTC could make it clear when providing information to the CCC whether it's embargoed or for public release. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Noted. The majority of information is for immediate public release. • JM: Is it appropriate to load the Chair's summary onto the Chamber website? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MS: Yes, that's fine as it is a public document.
<p>8. General business</p>	<p><i>Questions and discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PH: Can you guarantee that the line doesn't go through Pittsworth? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: The line through Pittsworth does not fit inside the study area, therefore it is not something we are investigating. • GP: Weed spread is a risk. • JS: Does ARTC have a washdown plan?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: ARTC needs to be confident that FFJV will not spread weeds and seeds. • Action: ARTC to provide detail around biosecurity and weed/seed washdown procedures. • LP: Do you have info on a fatal flaws report? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DF: ARTC have asked FFJV to do some mapping on constraints. I am not aware of a fatal flaws report. • Action: ARTC to report on whether a fatal flaws report has been developed. <p>Next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 10 April. 6 – 8pm. The focus of this meeting will be the methodology for the Condamine floodplain study.</p>
<p>9. Close and confirmation of actions</p>	<p>Meeting closed at 7.45pm</p> <p>Actions arising from this meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ARTC to investigate whether Simon Eldridge committed to looking into paying for landowners to seek legal advice on the Property Access Form. • ARTC to investigate opportunities for CCC cross-representation to JCh. • Members to provide advice to ARTC about how best to communicate with your community. • ARTC to provide detail around biosecurity and weed/seed washdown procedures. • ARTC to report on whether a fatal flaws report has been developed.

Attachment 1: Conflict of interest declaration

Steve Raine	Extended family members own property within the study area.
Adrian Beattie	Potential for MOU with Indigenous community employment.
Jason Chavasse	Works for Queensland Government, Department may assess the Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Would exclude himself from this process if the CCC role would directly conflict with work responsibilities.
Rob Loch	Owns property within the study corridor. May potentially provide a resource to planning groups working/bidding on project but no current plans in place. Would exclude himself from the consulting work if this arose.
Paul Hanlon	Owns property within the study corridor. Interested in potentially sourcing Brisbane treated water for irrigation through a pipeline that could possibly use the rail corridor.
Belinda Saal	Owns property within the study corridor. Interested in potentially sourcing Brisbane treated water for irrigation through a pipeline that could possibly use the rail corridor.
David Taylor	Owns property within the study corridor.
Larry Pappin	Owns property within the study corridor.
Jenny Schmidt	Owns property within the study corridor.
Kylie Schultz	Owns property within the study corridor.