



GOWRIE TO CALVERT COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Committee meeting

16 August 2022

AGENDA

1. **Introductions, Welcome to Country, Conflicts of Interest**
2. **Actions from previous meeting**
3. **Cultural Heritage**
4. **Gowrie to Helidon – project update**
5. **Helidon to Calvert – project update**
6. **Helidon to Calvert – Request for Additional Information**
7. **Social Performance**
8. **Stakeholder Engagement (Helidon to Calvert & Gowrie to Helidon)**
9. **General business**
10. **Observer questions / general discussion**
11. **Meeting close**

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Inland Rail acknowledges the Traditional custodians of the land on which we work, and pays our respects to Elders past and present.



ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

ACTION:

- Recruitment of new CCC members - CLOSED
- Toowoomba Surat Basin Enterprise Supplier Portal (TSBE): presentation by Daniel McNamara – OPEN
- Formal response to CCC regarding ARTC's receipt of EIS submissions - CLOSED

ARTC IR RESPONSE:

Nominations closed 30 June, nil applications received, move forward with existing committee

Deferred to next meeting

Formal response distributed to CCC 2 August 2022



CULTURAL HERITAGE UPDATE

Selina Nalatu

Senior Cultural Heritage Advisor

ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE

- The pedestrian Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Surveys are ongoing. They have been underway since mid 2016. A large portion of the pedestrian survey has been complete.
- Stone artefact scatters and isolated artefacts were most common Aboriginal heritage sites that were identified during the surveys, followed by scarred trees.
- These sites, items and places will be managed under the measures set out in the approved Cultural Heritage Management Plan that Yuggera Ugarapul and Western Wakka Wakka have with Inland Rail.
- As the design is finalised we will be back out in the field undertaking further field work. This will include management activities such as avoidance, salvaging of surface artefact scatters and archaeological test-pitting to determine site extents and deposit depth.

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GOWRIE TO HELIDON UPDATE

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GOWRIE TO HELIDON

Introductions:

- Kim Wheatley, G2H Stakeholder Engagement Lead
- Fleur McPherson, G2K EIS Technical Lead
- Preparing for groundwater surveys
- FFJV undertaking hydrology modelling



DRAFT EIS NEXT STEPS

Office of Coordinator General

- 60 submissions received by Office of Coordinator-General
- Awaiting additional information request from Coordinator-General

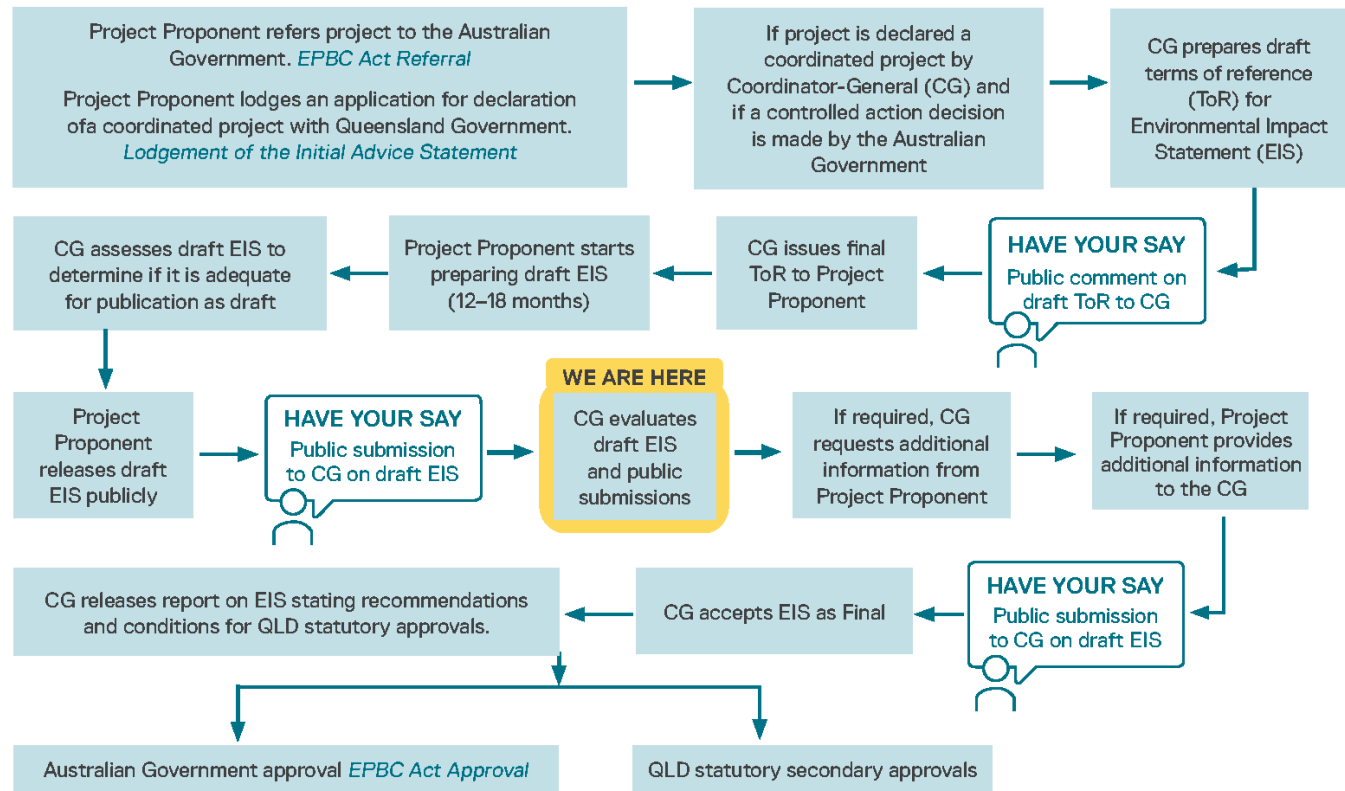
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- Continue with review of submissions and planning supplementary technical studies
- Address requested information and submissions in updated EIS documentation

Engagement

- Ongoing consultation
- Share Project updates

Approvals process for Gowrie to Helidon project





HELIDON TO CALVERT UPDATE

Robert Walker

Project Manager

HELIDON TO CALVERT – FOCUS ON EIS

- Working on addressing the Request for Information (RFI) from the Queensland Coordinator-General (Environment team will provide update)
- Preparing a revised draft EIS
- Address submissions received





HELIDON TO CALVERT

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (RFI)

Fleur McPherson, G2K EIS Technical Lead

Michael Price, G2K Senior Environmental Advisor

PROJECT RATIONALE AND DESCRIPTION

What has the CG requested?

- Identification of Project changes, including changes in response to submissions, construction schedule, workforce, source of material and water, design changes and impacted properties
- Consideration of Project changes in the impact assessments
- Demonstrate the preferred alignment results in best-case social, environmental and economic outcomes
- Clarification of Project scope and staging



APPROVALS

What has the CG requested?

- Updates to legislative definitions
- Clarification of regulatory approval and decision-making processes under various legislation
- Clarification of requirements for Environmentally Relevant Activities (ERAs)



LAND USE & TENURE

What has the CG requested?

- Provide further context regarding relevant planning schemes, including proposed schemes
- Update existing land uses including ancillary and secondary land use
- Further discussion of impacts to agricultural land uses and values
- Consider impacts to matters of regional planning interest such as strategic cropping land
- Updated native title assessment



LAND RESOURCES

What has the CG requested?

- Further detail on topography, geology and soils with regards to relevant guidelines and standards
- Further assessment of the risk around salinity and contaminated land
- Relevant geotechnical data to be included in the revised dEIS
- Assessment of erosion and scour impacts
- Updated assessment of potentially contaminated land



LANDSCAPE AND VISUAL AMENITY

What has the CG requested?

- Further assessment of the impacts to townships relevant to the Project
- Viewpoints and visualisation to be reviewed and updated, including visualisations with mitigation measures incorporated
- Lighting assessment with consideration of current standards and guidelines, including AS/NZS 4282:2019 Control of the obtrusive effects of outdoor



FLORA AND FAUNA

What has the CG requested?

- Undertake surveys in accordance with relevant State and Commonwealth guidelines
- Revise fauna impact assessment to reflect recent findings including additional fauna records and in accordance with appropriate guidelines
- Have regard for the current Conservation Advice for listed species
- Update ARTC Queensland offset delivery strategy
- Provide a preliminary fauna movement and fencing strategy
- Further information on impacts to GDEs at Little Liverpool Tunnel
- Further information on works that may be waterway barrier works
- Further details on landscape and rehabilitation management



KOALA GENETIC STUDY

- Commenced fieldwork
- Samples collected will be analysed for population genetics and diet preference
- Genetic analysis of scats to assess forage tree preference
- Includes vegetation assessments to identify eucalypts in survey areas
- Diet preference can be used to identify best species for local forage preference in restoration works and offsets



AIR QUALITY

What has the CG requested?

- Clarify the methodology used for quantifying background levels and impact assessment
- Cumulative impact assessment (e.g. existing rail traffic)
- Provide additional information on coal dust impacts and management measures
- Further discussion of proposed air quality monitoring



SURFACE WATER & HYDROLOGY

What has the CG requested?

- Baseline water quality sampling in accordance with the Queensland Water Quality Guidelines and the DES Sampling Manual
- Water Quality Objectives are provided
- Further details on construction water sources - certainty/reliability
- Update watercourse and waterway mapping in consultation with DRDMW and DAF respectively



SURFACE WATER & HYDROLOGY (FLOODING)

What has the CG requested?

- Respond to all items raised by the *Independent International Panel of experts for Flood Studies in Queensland* in their report (awaiting final report)
- Provide revised mapping illustrating flood impact objectives
- Undertake consultation with landholders in relation to potential flooding impacts
- Description of fluvial geomorphic processes and high-risk areas



GROUNDWATER

What has the CG requested?

- Groundwater survey to identify unregistered bores and confirm details of registered bores
- Undertake groundwater quality monitoring in accordance with DES's Monitoring and Sampling Manual, EPP (Water) 2009
- Model impacts to groundwater bores potentially resulting from construction of Little Liverpool Tunnel
- Update authorisations needed under relevant water plans
- Discuss the process for make-good arrangements



NOISE & VIBRATION

What has the CG requested?

- Review noise and vibration assessments for road traffic, construction and operation
- Demonstrate compliance with QLD State assessment guidelines
- Include commitments for consultation with sensitive receptors



SOCIAL

What has the CG requested?

- Additional information on:
 - Community and stakeholder engagement processes and outcomes
 - Workforce management
 - Housing and accommodation
 - Local business and industry procurement
 - Health and community wellbeing
- Update of the SIMP



ECONOMICS

What has the CG requested?

- Update regional economic assessment for labour markets (COVID-19), pandemic-related stimulus, and updated capital expenditure
- Cumulative economic impact assessment of full Inland Rail program
- Provide details on benefits, workforce and employment, and impacts to local businesses



CULTURAL HERITAGE

What has the CG requested?

- Assess air quality impacts on existing Indigenous heritage
- Include impacts to Indigenous Cultural Heritage in Chapter 18
- Clarify impacts on two State listed heritage sites - Forest Hill War Memorial (Queensland Heritage Register [QHR 600649] and the Lockyer Hotel [QHR 600650]) in accordance with relevant legislation



TRAFFIC, TRANSPORT AND ACCESS

What has the CG requested?

- Further information on local and state roads, pavement impacts and level crossings
- Traffic impact assessment updated to align with the DTMR guidelines
- Further information on active transport and recreation trails impacts and management



OTHER ITEMS TO ADDRESS IN THE REVISED DRAFT EIS

- Sustainability
- Hazard and risk
- Waste and resources
- Management plans
- Auditing and compliance
- Proponent commitments



SOCIAL PERFORMANCE

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Social Performance Principal

SOCIAL PERFORMANCE

- Clontarf Foundation Employment Forum, 21-22 July
- Lockyer Valley Jobs & Careers Expo, 16 June
- Gatton Show, 15-16 July
- Workforce Development Events, Q3 2022
 - Ipswich, 25 August
 - Beaudesert, 1 September
 - Toowoomba, 8 September
 - Gatton, 15 September
- USQ Deadly Trackers Careers Expo, 6-7 September
- CSIRO Indigenous Girls STEM Academy
- Scoping Project Community Wellbeing Plans
- Grand Opportunities Program
- Sponsorships and Donations, 1 August to 31 October



Living in Place for Inland Rail

Summary information sheet

What is Living in Place?
Living in Place is an independent, robust and repeatable community survey that understand and advance the liveability of Australians' local areas.

What questions do you ask?
Living in Place uses 16 critical liveability attributes to understand the community's values.

LINKS AND RESOURCES...

- Visit the Living in Place information website
- Watch a short Living in Place introduction video
- Click through a presentation that explains the 16 critical liveability attributes used in Living in Place
- Complete an example version of the survey
- Read some information about the critical liveability attributes

FACT SHEET QLD

When it comes to developing sustainable operations and services in your business, it can be difficult to know where to start.

The Inland Rail Skills Academy and The Efficiency Group (TEG) are partnering to provide education on how to improve and promote your business's sustainability initiatives to your clients and staff.

Business benefits include:

- reducing energy, water, materials and waste to lower operational costs and increase competitiveness
- building your reputation and profile through environmental and sustainability credentials
- helping your clients define an their sustainability priorities, such as contributing credits towards project related carbon sustainability ratings
- driving industry change through innovation and higher performing products and services.

Webinars

We've developed a series of webinars and downloadable toolkits to help you get started. These include:

- developing a sustainability policy
- reducing costs in relation to energy, water and waste
- determining sustainability credentials in tender submissions

View the webinars at inlandrail.com.au/building-inland-rail/sustainability/sustainability-web-seminars/

Free sustainability mentoring

Businesses that have completed the Inland Rail Business Sustainability Assessment can now apply to register their interest to receive a free four hour mentoring session on sustainability practices with TEG. These one-on-one mentoring sessions will focus on one topic of your choice, selected from the five options below:

- **Setting started** How start your business's sustainability journey. In this session, TEG will review your business's sustainability policy and provide advice on how to set up a green team and improve staff engagement.
- **Reducing resource bills** This mentoring session will look at your business's energy and water use and waste generation. TEG will advise how to establish a baseline of your current resource consumption and waste generation and suggest ways to reduce your resource costs and environmental footprint.
- **Renewable energy options - solar photovoltaic (PV)** Have you been thinking about connecting to renewable energy but are not sure if it is right for your business? In this session, TEG will go through the options available for renewable energy, with a focus on solar PV, including options for tenants, on-site generation and off-site generation, and discuss what to consider when investing in renewable energy.
- **Calculating and reducing your business's carbon footprint** TEG will walk you through the process to determine your business's carbon footprint and provide advice on how your business can become carbon neutral via the Climate Action Program.
- **Sustainable procurement** TEG will discuss your current procurement practices and provide advice on what could be included in a green procurement policy and purchasing procedures to suit your business.

Thank You

ARTC

The Clontarf Foundation Academies from the Darling Downs and South Burnett thank you for the time and inspiration you gave at our regional Employment Forum on 21-22 July, 2022. Your efforts help ensure the achievement of the Clontarf Mission Statement to improve the education, discipline, life skills, self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate more meaningfully in society. We hope to see you again at future events.

SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

- Inland Rail is committed to supporting communities along the alignment by making voluntary financial contributions
- Those eligible include community groups running events, projects and activities that will help achieve community and regional prosperity, wellbeing and sustainability
- Eligible organisations can apply for amounts between \$1,000 and \$4,000
- We have awarded more than \$820,000 to over 230 recipients from communities across regional Australia.



SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

Funding between \$1000 - \$4000, recent local recipients

- Laidley District Cricket Club (H2C)
- Lockyer District Historical Society (H2C)
- Lockyer Multicultural Association (H2C)
- Lockyer District State High School (H2C)
- Postmans Ridge Hall (G2H)
- Toowoomba Little Athletics (G2H)
- Flagstone Creek State School (G2H)





STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

Corey Doran

Stakeholder Engagement

ENGAGEMENT UPDATE



Recent events:

- Laidley RSL markets (30 April), 83 stakeholders
- FarmFest, Toowoomba (8 June), 28 stakeholders
- Grandchester Town Meeting (14 June), 17 stakeholders
- Lockyer Valley Jobs and Careers Expo, Gatton (16 June), 20 students from either Grade 11 or Grade 12
- Australian Local Government Association, Canberra (20 / 21 June), 30 stakeholders
- Rosewood Show (24 / 25 June), 100 stakeholders
- National Reconciliation Week, Toowoomba (1 June), Q&A panel with two Indigenous key speakers
- Gatton Show (15 / 16 July), 140 stakeholders
- Laidley RSL markets (30 July), 61 stakeholders

ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

Upcoming:

- Community Day, Gatton (20 August)
- Rosewood markets, Rosewood (24 September)
- Continue to liaise with landowners regarding land access and ongoing studies
- Meetings with schools, churches and community groups along the alignment
- Meetings with new landowners who have recently moved to the Toowoomba and Lockyer Valley areas
- Field visits for European Cultural Heritage and surface and groundwater testing



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