MINUTES OF WALLERAWANG QUARRY COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE QUARRY, GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY WALLERAWANG ON 21ST NOVEMBER 2023

- **PRESENT**: Suzanne Little (Chairperson), John McAuley, Wayne Chapman, Emily Honeysett, Paul Curran, and Clr Cassandra Coleman (LCC)
- **APOLOGIES:** Lauren Stevens (LCC) and Lance Gillespie

<u>PREVIOUS</u> MINUTES:

Minutes of the previous meeting held 31st May 2023 were accepted as a true and correct record.

<u>BUSINESS</u> <u>ARISING FROM</u> <u>MINUTES:</u>

Suzanne Little is to get contact details so that she may contact local school principals regarding interest in CCC Membership. ACTION - Councillor Cassandra Coleman to send a short list of local school principals names & their school phone numbers to Suzanne Little by 28 February.

COMPLIANCE: Mining Leases

MLA 558 has been granted as ML 1864 Instrument of Grant was tabled at the meeting for viewing.

MLA 570 has been granted as ML 1865 Instrument of Grant was tabled at the meeting for viewing.

Walker Quarries is now in the process of combining ML 1684 with the current Mining Lease ML 1633 because their locations are adjoined geographically.

Environmental Monitoring

Data was presented at the meeting via slide show (see attached). All Deposited Dust Gauges are compliant with EPA Licence 13172 and there have been no exceedances in the past rolling 12-month period.

Dust Exceedance

The Particulate Matter monitor recorded high readings of average PM10 data on two days (orange line exceeding red line).

After a thorough investigation into the data and meteorological conditions by Umwelt (external environmental consultant) on both occasions, it was determined that the Quarry was unlikely to have caused a genuine exceedance, and the high reading was likely caused by the monitor producing anomalous data during conditions characterized by cold and humid conditions (typically cold, foggy nights) at early hours of the morning when the quarry was not operational (1:00am – 2:00am). This is a known issue with the monitor which has been discussed in detail in the 2023 Wallerawang Quarry Annual Review (submitted to DPE in September 2023). An internal investigation is continuing.

Surface Water

Surface Water Quality readings are compliant and there have been no exceedances in the past rolling 12-month period. Walker Quarries recycles approx. 85% of water used on site.

QUARRY OPERATIONS:

<u>Filter Cake</u> (very fine sand/solid compressed silt clay) – from new Filter Press is being sold to *Greenspot* for use in their ash dam.

<u>Crushing Train Relocation</u> – Walker Quarries have temporarily relocated one of their crushing trains until such time that it can be moved deeper into the pit area. The benefits of moving this train are to reduce the noise factor as it is behind a bund wall and to eliminate visual impact from the highway.

<u>Thermal Resistivity Sand</u> – Walker Quarries is producing sand that meets requirements to be used as Thermal Resistivity Sand, which is used for electric power cable installation. TR sand provides the best medium for dissipation of heat combined with high electrical resistance, especially suited for projects such as wind & solar farms and other electrical installations, where minimum impact on surrounding environment is required.

<u>Re-concreting entrance road into the quarry</u> – This project is being completed in sections and will eventually extend from the main gate to the sales yard.

<u>Sales</u> – Walker Quarries' production is going well and continues to improve each month. It supplies product to customers for projects such as: *Ertech* – Roadworks at Hatley *Greenspot* – Wallerawang Power station *Generator Property Management* – Wallerawang Power station *Transport for NSW* – Raglan/Kelso upgrades and Meadow Flat upgrades. There will be a major project in the new year to supply fine aggregate for a NSW Golf Course.

COMPLAINTS REGISTER:

There have been no complaints received since the last CCC Meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The Committee thanked Lauren Stevens (LCC) for supplying some useful CCC minute examples. Up Coming Event – Walker Quarries will be holding an Open Day on Saturday 25th November 2023. Advertising has been placed in the Lithgow Mercury (see attached)

NEXT MEETING: Next meeting to be held in May 2024 at 5:00pm.

<u>CLOSE</u>: There being no further business the meeting was closed at 18:00 hrs.

Signed as a true and correct record

Suzame G. Little

CHAIRPERSON