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## MINUTES

### BORAL DUNNSTOWN COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

**Date:** Thursday 9 April 2026

**Meeting Time:** 4.30pm-6:00pm

**Venue:** Navigators Community Centre, Gerald Mullane Reserve, 344 Navigators Rd, Navigators

Attendees	Jane Lovell, Chair	Organic Systems
	Melinda Farrell, Community Relations and Engagement Specialist	Boral
	Craig Tanner, Quarry Manager	Boral
	Blair Mather, Project Manager – Quarries Development	Boral
	Wayne Austin	Community member
	Shane Murphy	Community member
	Rick Stephens	Community member
	Anthony Burnes	Corangamite CMA
Apologies	Richard Glenane	Community member
	Gail Rochelmeyer	Community member
	Karl Britt	Community member
	Jim O'May	Community Member
	Catherine McLay	Moorabool Shire Council
	John Matthew, Operations Manager	Boral
Observer	Glenn Kilburn	Earth Resource Regulation

### Agenda

<p><b>1. Welcome and apologies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jane welcomed attendees, noted apologies and called the meeting open.</li> </ul>
<p><b>2. Conflicts of interest</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All asked to declare any interest – no new interest raised.</li> </ul>
<p><b>3. Previous minutes and action items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Action items were discussed; however, some were not clearly defined. Going forward, action items should be documented clearly to ensure consistent understanding.</li> </ul> <p>ACTION: Boral to provide more information regarding rationale for decision not to proceed with wildlife corridor. This to include lessons learnt regarding process and length of time for decision making. Agenda item for next CRG meeting.</p> <p>ACTION: Following Boral suggestion that other Landcare activities could be considered for support, guidance to be provided to the CRG regarding the type of projects Boral would support, including budget, any selection criteria or preferred project scope. Agenda item for next CRG meeting.</p> <p>ACTION: Within approximately 2 months of Minister's decision regarding the expansion of the Dunnstowm site (assuming expansion permit granted), Boral to hold a community meeting with Boral technical team being present to respond to any community questions. The CRG to assist with gathering community feedback to inform the agenda.</p>



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ACTION: Newsletter to better understand community interest in quarry operational topics. (What is important to the community and the way we present the information webinar or face to face?).

- Topics of interest?
- Register you interest via QR code or email.
- Community preference for information presentation (webinar or face to face or combination).

Undertake this assist with planning for the community meeting (above). Complete within 1 month of Minister's decision.

#### **4. Standing agenda items**

- **Jordan Wilkes** introduced himself to the CRG as the newly appointed Quarry Manager of Dunnstown.
- Quarry Operational Update – refer to slide
- Street sweeping has taken place
- Sales BFC, Central Vic Stabilising, John Holland Rail Group and Fulton Hogan
- New bunding in the east paddock and tree planting will also take place.

ACTION: Anthony to send CMA tree list to Mel and Mel to send it and tree list from Jim to CRG by 18 April

#### **- Anthony Burnes CMA Presentation on Spring Creek (Restoration on Spring Creek)**

- Refer to slide
- Update on Spring Creek Project
- Project background, Project objectives and project outputs.

#### **5. Rob Medley Senior Environmental Partner Environmental Update**

- Continuous monitoring of dust levels around the quarry now operational. Dust level limits established for hourly and daily maximum levels. Responses to monitoring exceedances include automated alerts to site and environmental management, with trend analysis undertaken to proactively manage dust.
- Discussion regarding the positioning of the continuous dust monitoring stations with respect to the prevailing wind directions. Designed to protect the community and the local environment
- Monitoring locations are aligned with potential community exposure and sensitive receptors. Noted the stations are located on the edge of Boral property and with consideration of potential impact on residential properties. Monitor placement is determined in accordance with EPA requirements, this is not ERR jurisdiction
- Monitoring operates 24/7, including windy and dry conditions
- Aim is for early identification of changes before issues arise
- Monitoring data is used to inform operational decision-making.
- Quick response and operational adjustments if dust levels are approaching or breach trigger points. Operational controls, including plant shutdowns, may be implemented when required to manage dust levels.
- Dust management trials, including the use of water carts on shot rock, have been undertaken.
- The monitoring program supports responsible operations and transparency.

ACTION: Presentation of dust monitoring exceedances including corrective actions undertaken and suppression activities. What are the number of exceedances and the trigger action response? To be presented at the next meeting by Willem Venter.



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ACTION: Photos of dust suppression around the site to be shared – where sprays are placed etc. Present at next meeting by Jordan Wilkes.

**6. Planning and development**

- Boral update on work plan variation– refer to slide pack
- Draft permit conditions have been circulated to Boral, Resources Victoria and Council for review.
- Engineering design drawings for the Hewittsons Road construction have been submitted and approved by Council.
- Three additional groundwater observation bores have been installed to support ongoing groundwater monitoring.
- The site is located within the Victorian Volcanic Plains bioregion, with limited remnant Plains Grassy Woodland (EVC 55). Surrounding vegetation is sparse within a predominantly cleared agricultural landscape. The proposed plant palette reflects species typical of the local EVC and surrounding landscape.

**7. Meeting close and set next meeting date – depending on timing of decision regarding operations extension.**

ACTION: Mel to send out an email to CRG to see if they have any additions to the presentation. What they think should be included regularly? This will be asked at each meeting. By end of April.

ACTION: Blair to determine the appropriate approach for communicating with community members who raised concerns and objections to the expansion, including the responses to resident objections. Blair has suggested issuing responses via individual letters to each resident.

**July 2026, pending Minister’s decision regarding expansion.** (Please do not book during school holidays)

**Action items**

Action	Person responsible	Due date
Boral to provide more information regarding rationale for decision not to proceed with wildlife corridor. This to include lessons learnt regarding process and length of time for decision making. Agenda item for next CRG meeting	Mel Farrell	Next CRG meeting (July)
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Mel to send out an email to CRG to see if they have any additions to the presentation. What they think should be included regularly? This will be asked at each meeting.	Mel Farrell	End of April
Blair to determine the appropriate approach for communicating with community members who objected to the expansion, including the responses to resident objections. Blair has suggested issuing responses via individual letters to each resident.	Blair Mather	Boral to determine.

**Closed from last meeting April 9, 2026**

Action	Person responsible	Due date
Confirm to CRG once dust monitors have been installed	Blair	Complete
Recirculate funding criteria.	Mel	Complete
Share plantation plans with CRG including species used. Blair presented to this during April 9 meeting.	Craig	Complete
Discuss CRG's interest in holding a community meeting and confirm appropriate format. Mel reconfirmed that as per the Terms of Reference, we will hold minimum 2 a year and more if CRG feels it is necessary. I note: CRG had 4 meetings in 2025.	Boral	Complete
CRG members to send concerns regarding the intersection with the Western Highway to Catherine. Catherine will take up advocacy with VicRoads with support from Boral.	CRG members Catherine	Complete
Share video of dust emissions with Boral. Boral to cross-check dust results (see actions for 4c regarding dust).	Rick and Boral	Complete