# Minutes



# **Dundowran Quarry Liaison Group Meeting**

Thursday 14 September 2023 5.00pm, Dundowran Rural Fire Brigade - 1 Lower Mountain Road, Dundowran

# **Agenda Items**

#### Introduction

Kate welcomed neighbours to the meeting and introduced the Boral team to attendees.

## Community news/questions/current issues?

A request was made by the Department of Environment and Science to notify the group of a notification regarding a blast vibration in September 2023 and to ask members their preferred method for blast notifications.

Two options were discussed, a notification board at the front gate or to continue with email notifications. The community agreed that a notification board at the gate would not be seen as it is too far from the main road. It was agreed that the current email notification system is sufficient for notifications. Anybody who lives nearby who would like to be included on the list just needs to call the site office and share their details.

Since the last meeting when dust was raised as an issue, the site has received no further calls or correspondence from the community. The site has undertaken a number of mitigation activities following the feedback received at the previous meeting, as always if there are any concerns, please reach out to the office so the source can be investigated.

There was a discussion amongst attendees about Boral's plan for the end of the quarry life. We ran through the rehabilitation requirements at the site, which would take a number of years to complete. Boral is currently considering a number of options about future development, but these decisions are a few years from being finalised.

#### **Operational Update - Quarry**

Nicholas Castle gave an overview of the Quarry operations:

- Purchased a new water truck with more capability which is working very well.
- Installed automated/remote control sprinklers at the entrance.
- Increased the frequency of the sweeper on Lower Mt road.
- Still crushing long hours with 2 plants operating but this will ease in the coming months to 1 plant operating lesser hours.
- Asphalt has been used to repair potholes at the front entrance of the guarry.
- Product demand has been lowering with 1 plant able to cover sales.
- Quarry end of life still approaching.
- Waiting for assessments and approvals in the pit.

### **Update on Recent Quarry Projects**

- Fraser Coast Regional Council annual tender continuing.
- Supplying SGQ Beilbly Creek project road base almost complete.
- Mobile crushing plant not on site.
- No large tenders in play.
- Concrete demand healthy but lower than 12 months ago.

## **Operational Update - Asphalt**

Bradley Cook gave an update on Boral Asphalt's operations:

- Bundaberg Plant major projects completed for BRC & TMR with 59,000T supplied 2023 to date.
- Hervey Bay Plant works included Wongi to Nulla Flat & various minor works with 37,000T supplied to date.
- FCRC Boundary Rd Project A/C supply pushed back to January 2024.
- No nightshift work is currently programmed.
- FCRC doing some ad hoc weekend work as required.
- Continuing to work on numerous other small projects for local Councils, contractors and government contracts throughout Wide Bay.

#### Site Rehabilitation Update

Phoenix Environmental Services has been undertaking rehabilitation works at the site



## **Planning Team update**

The expansion of the Dundowran quarry has been approved by Fraser Coast Regional Council, and will allow Boral to continue with its operations, consultation with the Butchulla, is required.

Boral are currently working with the Butchulla to be on-site during the stripping activities to ensure that no harm occurs to Aboriginal cultural heritage.

#### Council news

There were no issues to raise from Council.

Next Meeting: TBC (5pm, Dundowran Rural Fire Brigade, 1 Lower Mountain Rd, Dundowran)

#### **Action Items**

Owner	Task	Actioned by:
Nick Castle	Update on Quarry Development / Quarry Projects	Next meeting
Bradley Cook	Update on the Asphalt business / Asphalt Projects	Next meeting

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