

MEETING MINUTES



MINUTES OF: **Arrow Surat Community Reference Group**
 HELD AT: Burke and Wills Hotel Toowoomba
 DATE: **Thursday December 15th 2011,**
 COMMENCEMENT TIME: **09.30am**

PRESENT:	ATTENDEES: Leisa Elder, Tony Knight, Sarah Delahunty, Ian Hayllor, Patrick O'Flaherty and kylie Holms(Guests) Cr Mick Cosgrove, Bill Date, Wayne Newton, Anna Stephenson, Sarah Due, Marie-Louise Offner, Graeme Clapham, Cr Ray Jamieson, Carolyn Collins, Cr Paul Antonio, Carey Bradford (Guest), Gillian Smith (Guest), Ainsleigh Wixon & Andrew (Guests)
	MINUTES: Sarah Delahunty
	APOLOGIES: Andrew Brier, Geoff Hewitt, Ben Maher
CHAIRMAN:	Leisa Elder
DISCLOSURES	None recorded

		ACTION
ITEM 1	SAFETY MOMENT	
	<p>Tony Knight spoke about why safety is considered so important in Arrow and the measures that the company takes to ensure the safety of its employees</p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk assessments are used before activities are carried out and any changes are made to actions and/or equipment (eg ATV) is used. • Arrow will work with the landholder to ensure the safety of both the Company's and the farm's employees are aware of any safety concerns and actively put measures in place to minimise risks • In Vehicle Monitoring System (IVMS) data on road use etc can be shared with local government to assist with maintenance and upgrade planning. 	TK: send committee info on decision to modify ATVs
ITEM 4	DEEDI – Farming Sustainably with CSG	
Joint AIFLC	<p>Ainsleigh and Andrew presented an outline of the project ***see flyer in file</p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The communication and focus of the project should be on the CSG modifying their business rather than the landholder changing their business to accommodate CSG as the onus should be on CSG to adapt not the other way around. The committee recommended that DEEDI amend the presentation so that the message reflects the true focus of the project. • Timing of project timeline information from the CSG companies critical for farm business plans 	
ITEM 5	Project update: Theten Beneficial Use (BU) approval	
Joint AIFLC	<p>Patrick presented an update to the BU approval outlining any of the recent changes **see presentation in file.</p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns expressed that Theten remains a new use of water and is not consistent with preferred approach of substitution • Committee would like to tour Theten to get a better understanding of project. • Consideration needs to be given to the water production curve (high at peak activity, tapering off over time) in regards to long term water supply plans. 	SD/CC will arrange tour early 2012

ITEM 6	Project update : New water management policy (revised)	
Joint AIFLC	<p>Carolyn outlined some of the changes to the policy that Arrow are working through including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Policy mandates injection (including virtual) as first priority. • Absence of transitional arrangements to manage water in the interim while regulatory framework and approval processes to support the policy are established • Need to develop a framework to transfer water take licences from an impacted aquifer eg Walloons to one that receives injected water eg Precipice • CSG Water Management Plan requirements need clarification and streamlining as it currently spans a number of different regulatory instruments and duplicates compliance obligations • That the General Beneficial Use Approval be retained and updated to facilitate substitution and beneficial use. Ensure that there are no additional compliance obligations for users of CSG water where existing regulatory obligations for water and soil management apply eg Land & Water Management Plan • Role of government in commercial agreements <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irrigators believe that BU of CSG water should be substituted and tied to existing allocations. 	
ITEM 7	Project update: Environmental Impact Study (EIS)	
Joint AIFLC	<p>Carolyn presented an update on the EIS including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrow Bowen Pipeline (ABP) EIS was submitted early this week and the Surat Gas Project (SGP) and the Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) project EIS will be submitted by the end of the week • It is expected that the Government will assess the EIS's for compliance against the terms of reference by early February 2012. • Arrow has no control over release however expected date for public consultation is March 2012 <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public submissions are to be sent to DERM. Arrow receives a copy of the submissions and provides DERM with a summary of issues and the extent to which they are addressed. 	
ITEM 2	Previous minutes	
	The minutes of the previous meeting were presented and accepted as true and correct and will be available on the Arrow website.	SD to put min on Arrow public website.
ITEM 8	Projects Update: Exploration Results (Chinchilla to Wandoan)	
	<p>Tony Knight presented an update on the exploration results, water management plans and proposed petroleum leases (PL) applications in the Chinchilla, Miles and Wandoan area.</p> <p><i>**see presentation in file</i></p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose of exploration is to determine the economic boundaries of CSG. • Differences between 'tight' gas and 'shale' gas were discussed 	
ITEM 9	Project Update: Pitless Drilling and Showcase well	
	<p>Carey presented an update on overview of progress on the pitless drilling trials and proposed improvements including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coagulation, flocculation and centrifugal process which will also significantly reduce water usage and increase water reuse in the drilling process. • Alternatives to using KCl have also been identified to enable the drilling muds to be beneficially used. <p><i>**see presentation in file</i></p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee noted that it was pleasing to see that their concerns for drilling on Intensively Farmed Land (IFL) are being addressed. • This new method for drilling has been captured in the EIS 	
ITEM 10	Project Update : Pipelines	
	<p>Tony Knight presented an update on the Arrow Surat Pipeline including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • changes to the route to avoid areas of IFL <p><i>**see presentation in file</i></p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IFLC are working through concerns and restrictions regarding the above ground associated infrastructure. • Common easements for the CSG pipelines have used where economically and environmentally allowable. • Compensation only applies to the point in time that land use (ie crop) is returned. 	
ITEM 11	DET: Workforce Projects in the Region	
	<p>Gillian Smith presented an outline of the Qld Gov workforce development plan and the processes that are in place to address skill shortages across the region.</p> <p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With so many projects in existence it is good to see some collaboration. 	
ITEM 12	Any other business	
	<p>The following points were discussed and noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .Arrow's community investment – Brighter futures. Applications are available on the website. • Industry, through the John Cotter engagement group are working on new compensation agreements including common terms regarding the 'added value' approach. • Arrow open to land access review being a public document • Disappointment in comments made to landholders regarding CSG concerns – respect needed at all times by industry to landholders. 	
ITEM 13	NEXT MEETING: Thursday 8 th February 2012 – Dalby RSL	
ITEM 14	CLOSE	
	Meeting Close 1pm	

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 12:50pm

CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

Chairman