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Subject: Re: ILUA & JRs
Date: 27 February 2016 8:46 am
To: Barry Broe (Coordinator-General) barry.broe@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au
Cc: Graham Fraine graham.fraine@premiers.qld.gov.au



Thanks Barry.

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On 26 Feb 2016, at 4:51 PM, Barry Broe <Barry.Broe@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Update below fyi Dave, all tracking well

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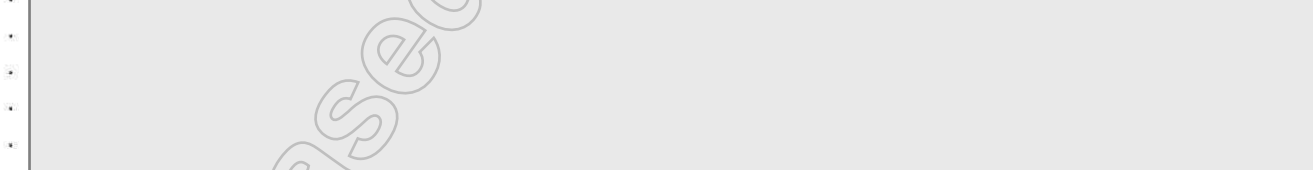
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From: **Barry Broe** Barry.Broe@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au
Subject: FW: Adani project Road Map document
Date: 5 February 2016 1:56 pm
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Fyi Dave



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Subject: FW: Adani project Road Map document

This is the detailed approvals program Adani has produced and working through. It is consistent with our roadmap, just more detailed. Priority ones for them shaded at the start



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From: Jaclyn McKirdy
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Subject: Adani project Road Map document



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Regards
Barry

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From: **Dave Stewart** Dave.Stewart@premiers.qld.gov.au
Subject: Re: Carmichael Mine
Date: 15 March 2016 11:26 am
To: Barry Broe (Coordinator-General) barry.broe@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au
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On 15 Mar 2016, at 11:25 AM, Barry Broe <Barry.Broe@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Dave

There is a key milestone today for the ML, see below

Debate later today in the House on Carmichael approvals

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From: Barry Broe

Sent: Tuesday, 15 March 2016 10:07 AM

To: 'Paul Woodland'

Cc: PURTILL James

Subject: RE: Carmichael Mine

Paul

Ill copy James in as DNRM is responsible for the ML and this aspect of it

Adani has until 15 March to finalise compensation agreements for the impacts of the mine.

If this date is achieved, consideration of the mining leases can commence by DNRM to inform a decision by the Minister.

If this date is not achieved, the matter will return to the Land Court for a decision on compensation

The two compensation agreements required are:

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Regards

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To: Barry Broe

Subject: Carmichael Mine

Can you give me a clear and succinct summary of where we stand on the Carmichael approvals that were required by today.

Thanks

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In case u didn't get this

Regards
Barry

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Here it is



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Hi Barry,

Thank you very much.





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I'll be academic, you'll get it tonight



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Sorry Barry,

I spoke with Chris McKenna just now and DPC will need to brief the Premier at 10am so they'll need to familiarise themselves with the information and hence the difference in deadline.

Apologies for the confusion.





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Its already been requested, with a 10am deadline



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Importance: High

Good afternoon Barry,

An urgent request came through from DPC (usual process is for the request to go through executive services unit and ESU would provide the information directly to DPC) however, given that the Premier has requested an oral brief by 10am tomorrow morning, we'll need to get the dot points covering the latest summary of where the approval process is up to, and what next steps are required of Government to DPC before then.

Could we please get some dot points urgently before 8.30am tomorrow so I can email them through to Chris McKenna in DPC?

Thank you very much.



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Cc: Gemma Sheahan

Subject: FW: Adani Approvals Process Update for Premier's Office

Importance: High

Hi Jo and April,

Please see below for a request for information from DPC.

Would you be able to urgently assist with this request, please?

Timeframe is short and needs to be back to DPC by 10am tomorrow morning.

Thanks.



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Subject: Adani Approvals Process Update for Premier's Office
Importance: High

Chris

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Apologies for the very short timeframe.

Regards



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Carmichael Mine DPC
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Draft Timeline of Anticipated Required Permits/Approvals for Adani (CONFIDENTIAL – FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY)*

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Hi Chris,

Attached CG approved information as requested.

Sorry trying to work on my phone I can't seem to get the ccs to work.

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8 steps in summary

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The Coordinator-General continues to meet the Adani CEO and his team fortnightly to facilitate the project and keep track of all the necessary approvals. A detailed approvals schedule is monitored and tracked daily (see current version attached).

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Subject: Copy of current version of Carmichael Coal including Adani
Attachments: Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail, including North Galilee Basin Rail (Adani....doc

Hi Chris

Jess Wu asked me for forward the attached PBN to yourself.



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Attachments: Draft Timeline of Anticipated Adani approvals - 24 Mar 2016.pdf; Carmichael Mine DPC update 31 March 2016.docx

Good Morning

Please find attached information for the Premier's briefing as requested.

For clarification on Native Title please contact Julieanne Butteriss from DNRM on 07 4936 0128

Regards



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To: Bernadette Zerba; Chris McKenna
Subject: Adani - Carmichael Mine
Attachments: DSD request for information WR163026.docx

Hi all

Copy of Adani update attached FYI

Regards

Graham



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To: Graham Marshall <Graham.Marshall@premiers.qld.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Adani - Carmichael Mine

Hi Graham

Please find attached DSD response approved by the Coordinator-General.

Regards

Chris

From: Graham Marshall [<mailto:Graham.Marshall@premiers.qld.gov.au>]
Sent: Thursday, 28 January 2016 9:51 AM
To: Executive Correspondence DSD
Subject: Adani - Carmichael Mine

Hi Chris

Minister O'Rourke is taking a delegation to Canberra next week and we have been requested to provide some background material for the visit.

Dot point information on the status of the Adani Carmichael Mine and Rail Project emailed to me by cob tomorrow would be appreciated. If any recent briefs have been prepared on Adani's project, a copy of that would be suitable.

Sorry about the short timeframe but have only just received the request.

Regards



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Request for information

Source: WR16/3026

SUBJECT:

- Request by Department of the Premier and Cabinet for information about Adani projects. Required to inform an upcoming delegation to Canberra by the Hon. Coralee O'Rourke MP, Minister for Disability Services, Minister for Seniors and Minister Assisting the Premier on North Queensland.

BACKGROUND:

- Adani Mining Pty Ltd proposes to construct and operate the Carmichael coal mine project, which will:
 - include a series of open-cut and underground coal mines covering some 44 000 hectares of mostly low-value grazing land
 - produce up to 60 million tonnes of thermal coal per year for export through the Port of Abbot Point
 - include off-site infrastructure such as workers' accommodation village, industrial area and airport
 - connect via a 389 kilometre standard gauge, heavy haul railway line from the mine to the existing coal export terminal at Abbot Point.
- The mine project is located in the eastern Galilee Coal Basin, 160 kilometres north-west of Clermont, within the Isaac and Charters Towers Regional Council areas.

KEY/CONTENTIOUS ISSUES:

Commonwealth matters

- In terms of Commonwealth approvals required under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*:
 - 24 July 2014: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment approved the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project subject to conditions.
 - 23 September 2014: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment's approved the North Galilee Basin Rail project subject to conditions.
- These decisions were subsequently set aside and re-made by the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment.
- The Commonwealth's Carmichael coal mine and rail project approval was the subject of a judicial review in the Federal Court of Australia, with the Mackay Conservation Group challenging the Commonwealth Minister's approval decision.

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- Grounds for the challenge included consideration of potential impacts to the Great Barrier Reef, consideration of conservation advices for two listed species and the proponent's international environmental record.
- On 4 August 2015, the Federal Court made orders setting aside the Minister's approval decision of 24 July 2014. The orders were made with the agreement of all parties to the litigation, including Adani and the Commonwealth Department of the Environment.
- On 5 August 2015, the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment stated the decision for the Carmichael mine would be reconsidered.
- 14 October 2015: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment re-approved the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project and the North Galilee Basin Rail project subject to conditions.
- On 9 November 2015, an appeal was lodged in the Federal Court by the Australian Conservation Foundation about the Commonwealth Minister's October 2015 remade decision, claiming the Minister failed to consider the impact of climate change and the impacts on the Great Barrier Reef.
- In terms of other Commonwealth approvals relevant to Adani, 21 December 2015: the Commonwealth approved the Department of State Development's (DSD) Abbot Point Growth Gateway project subject to conditions.
- The expansion of the port will provide export opportunities to proponents including Adani.

Current legal actions

- Adani has voiced concern in the media about delays caused due to litigation.
- The company has two court actions currently underway. As well as the Federal Court judicial review of the Commonwealth approval decision, [REDACTED]



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State approvals

- **Attachment 1** provides a general overview of milestones achieved by Adani for its projects, the projects' status, and upcoming decisions about required approvals.
- Adani is progressing with securing its state approvals, including an environmental authority and a mining lease for the mine, dredging and disposal at Abbot Point and development applications for rail construction in the Galilee Basin State Development Area. All state approvals are on schedule.
- The Coordinator-General is monitoring approvals needed for the project to proceed and meets regularly with Adani to discuss progress.

Other Commonwealth involvement with the project

- In June 2015, in line with Commonwealth and State approval requirements, Adani provided a revised biodiversity offset strategy (BOS) for the mine and rail components to the Australian Government and to the Office of the Coordinator-General for consideration and approval. The strategy provides for management of some 30 000 hectares of land for protection of the black-throated finch and other species.
- Consideration of the BOS progressed following reissue of the Commonwealth's approval. Comments from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection on the BOS have been provided to Adani.
- A workshop on the BOS will be held with the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and DEHP on 9 February 2016.

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Update: Adani projects: approvals secured, applications underway (current at 28 January 2016)

What approvals process milestones has Adani achieved?

- 12 January 2016: DNRM advised that Adani has completed commercial negotiations with landholders on make-good agreements for dewatering of affected water supply (groundwater associated with mine workings).
- 22 December 2015: the Coordinator-General approved Material Change of Use (MCU) application for Rail Package 1 (one of four applications for the rail line).
- 21 December 2015: the Commonwealth approved the Abbot Point Growth Gateway project (Department of State Development (DSD) as the proponent) with 29 conditions. The expansion of the port will provide export opportunities to proponents including Adani.
- 14 December 2015: Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (DEHP) granted the Environmental Authority for T0.
- 20 October 2015: Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) granted 1 of 2 applications for sales permits for take of quarry material.
- 10 August 2015: MCU for a dam approved by Charters Towers Regional Council.
- Late 2014/early 2015: the Coordinator-General approved 4 MCUs for quarries.
- 14 October 2015: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment re-approved the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project and the North Galilee Basin Rail project subject to conditions.
- 23 September 2014: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment's initial approval of the North Galilee Basin Rail project subject to conditions. Note that the Federal Court formally set aside the initial approval of the project under the EPBC Act on 4 August 2015 at the request of all of the parties to the court proceedings.
- 23 September 2014: declaration of the North Galilee Basin Rail project as a prescribed project.
- 12 August 2014: the Coordinator-General released his evaluation report on the North Galilee Basin Rail project EIS.
- 24 July 2014: the Commonwealth Minister for the Environment's initial approval of Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project subject to conditions. Note that the Federal Court formally set aside the initial approval of the project under the EPBC Act on 4 August 2015 at the request of all of the parties to the court proceedings.
- 4 July 2014: declaration of the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project as a prescribed project.
- 7 May 2014: the Coordinator-General released his evaluation report on the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project EIS.

Status update: Carmichael Coal Mine and North Galilee Basin Rail projects

- 22 December 2015: the Coordinator-General approved MCU for Rail package 1 (1 of 4 applications). MCU for Rail package 3 is currently under assessment, awaiting response from Adani; the Coordinator-General is anticipated to make a decision on Rail package 3 approximately 1-3 months after Adani's response is received.
- 15 December 2015: the Land Court handed down its decision for the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail project recommending:
 - the granting of the mining leases subject to additional conditions included in the environmental authority

- the environmental authority be issued in the terms of the draft environmental authority issued on 28 August 2014, subject to the insertion of additional conditions requiring further provisions of the Black Throated Finch Species Management Plan.

Upcoming milestones, actions

- February 2016: the Federal Court is scheduled to undertake a hearing on the appeal of the National Native Title Tribunal's decision that the mining lease can be granted without further consideration of native title issues.
- 8 February 2016: DEHP are anticipated to make a decision on the final EA considering the Land Court's recommendations.
- 9 February 2016: Meeting with Commonwealth Department of the Environment, DEHP and OCG regarding biodiversity offsets requirements.
- 8 March 2016: Adani has until this date to finalise compensation agreements for the mine, otherwise the matter will return to the Land Court for a decision. If this date is achieved, consideration of the mining leases can commence by DNRM to inform a decision by the Minister.
- February/ March 2016: decisions are anticipated from DILGP (SARA) and NQBP for the applications of Offshore MCU and Tidal Works.
- February/March 2016: decisions are anticipated from the Coordinator-General for the MCU for T0 Port Expansion and the MCU for the Abbot Point Growth Gateway project (dredged material containment facility).
- February/March 2016: the Coordinator-General's decisions on MCU for Rail Packages 2 and 4.
- March 2016: a decision is anticipated by DAF on the remaining application for a sales permit for take of quarry material.

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