

# SOUTH32 WORSLEY ALUMINA MINE CLC MEETING

## **AGENDA**



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Item	Description	Presenter
1	Open meeting and note apologies	G Cavanagh
2	Acknowledgement of Country	South32
3	Read and accept previous minutes Review actions and responses	G Cavanagh
4	Voconiq – South32 Worsley Alumina Community Survey Outcomes	K Moffat
5	<ul> <li>Worsley Business Update</li> <li>General Business</li> <li>Boddington Mine</li> <li>Worsley Mine Development</li> <li>Approvals</li> <li>Hotham River Crossing</li> <li>Environment</li> <li>Community</li> </ul>	Various
6	Discussion and members' updates  • B Metcalf items tabled for discussion	All
7	Any other business	G Cavanagh
8	Review actions from meeting	G Cavanagh
9	Arrangements for 2025	G Cavanagh
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## WORSLEY BUSINESS UPDATE

Full Year Results & Annual Reporting Suite FY24 released 29 August 2024

Completed divestment of South32's 50% interest in Eagle Downs metallurgical coal project 13 August 2024

Illawarra Metallurgical Coal sold to Golden Energy & Resources Pte Ltd & M Resources 29 August 2024

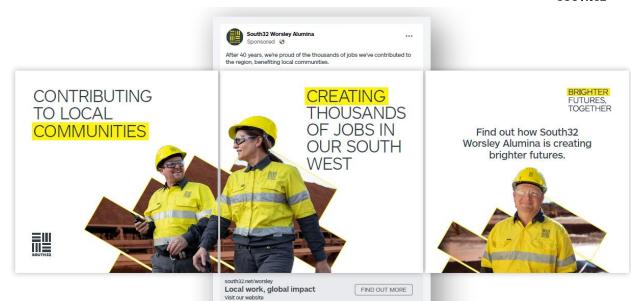
South32 Worsley Alumina achieved Aluminum Stewardship Initiative (ASI) Chain of Custody (CoC) Standard V2 (2022) Certification for its operations at Boddington Bauxite Mine, Worsley Alumina Refinery (Collie) and port facility in Bunbury in September 2024.

- The ASI CoC Standard V2 sets out requirements for the creation of a Chain of Custody for material that is produced and processed through the value chain into diverse downstream sectors. The implementation of ASI's CoC Standard links verified practices at successive steps of the supply chain certified under the ASI Performance Standard to the materials produced by ASI Certified Entities.
- The CoC Standard also confirms that appropriate policies and due diligence processes are in place to identify and address critical issues, such as corruption, human rights abuses, materials originating from conflict-affected and high-risk areas in the supply chain and support responsible sourcing.
- The independent, third-party audit of the South32 Worsley Alumina facility was carried out by KPMG Australia. No non-conformances were identified during the audit.

Quarterly Report released 21 October 2024

South32 entered into an agreement to acquire 19.9% interest in Amercian Eagle Gold Corp (AEG) on 11 November 2024

AEG holds an option to acquire a 100% interest in the Nakinilerak (NAK) exploration project, located in the Babine copper-gold district in British Columbia, Canada.





## **WORSLEY MINE & MATERIALS UPDATE**



## **Safety**

- Good performance with regards to safety.
- Safety Training for all levels of staff (Lead Safely Every Day) commenced
- Some good work happening with our vehicle/pedestrian and vehicle/vehicle interaction

#### **Production**

Total Material Movement on track YTD for the mine – still seeing challenges with grade

Conveying – remediation work paying-off. Total conveyed tonnes for the month of October exceeded budget.

## People

- Regular visits at the Mine by COO and VP offering support
- Shire of Boddington Council Site visit and rehab tour
- National Party Site visit and rehab tour
- JV partner visits to the mine.
- Recruitment continues as we try to fill vacancies with a preference for local (Boddington, Williams and Wandering) applicants SWP, HAYS and Full-time
- 40th anniversary employee events

## WORSLEY MINE ENABLING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS



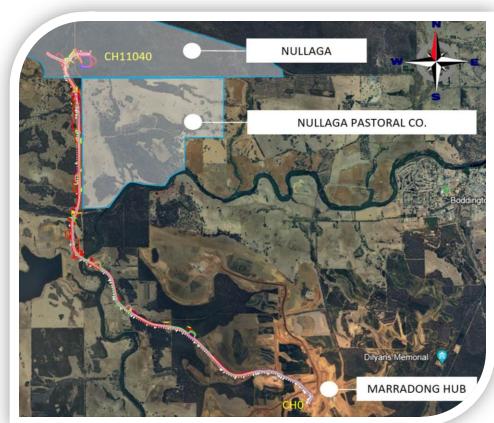
The Nullaga Mine Development Project will deliver ~11km of haul road and a bridge over the Hotham River to connect mining areas to existing infrastructure (Marradong crusher and OLC).

#### The Nullaga Project provides access to:

- 26Mt (dry) bauxite ore in the Nullaga mining area
- 18Mt (dry) of ore in the Nullaga Pastoral Company (currently subject to heritage approval)
- Is an enabling project to provide access for future northern mining areas
- Utilises existing infrastructure at Marradong for crushing and then conveying to the refinery

#### Additional Works:

- Demolition of three (3) houses along Morts Road
- A Non-Process Infrastructure facility comprising:
  - Cribs and ablutions facilities
  - Park-up area for various Heavy Mining Equipment and Light Vehicles
  - Water infrastructure
  - Fuel facilities
- Borefields development
- Communications and water storage requirements
- Installation of boundary fencing



## WORSLEY APPROVALS UPDATE



JANUARY 2021 JANUARY 2022 JUNE > AUGUST 2022

## Submission of Draft ERD (v2)

Description of how we intend to manage and mitigate key environmental impacts associated with the proposal, including proposed approach to key areas such as biodiversity and GHG emissions.

## Submission of Final Draft ERD

At this stage, commitments are still provisional and are not binding.

EPA review of the Final Draft ERD – may include request for further information or clarification prior to providing approval to provide the document for public review.

## EPA Acceptance and Public Review

Following EPA Board acceptance of the ERD — Release of ERD and associated documents for 8 week public review period.

[Note: the Worsley ERD was re-advertised for an additional 2 weeks]

## Address public comments and EPA Assessment

South32 to respond to comments received through public review period, which may result in change to proposed management approach.

Once public comments have been addressed, EPA to commence formal accredited assessment process — only assess environmental aspects.

#### **WE ARE HERE**

# Condition Setting and Approval Determination

Appeals Convenor reviews appeals and makes a recommendation via a report.

Minister reviews both reports & makes a decision on to approval and any conditions if it is decided to progress to approval through a Ministerial Statement

Commonwealth decision able to progress once Ministerial Statement received

## Secondary Approvals and Appeals

Once Part IV approval granted, Worsley can then proceed to secondary approvals (eg. Section 18 for bridge construction) – assessment process to run in parallel to previous steps where possible.

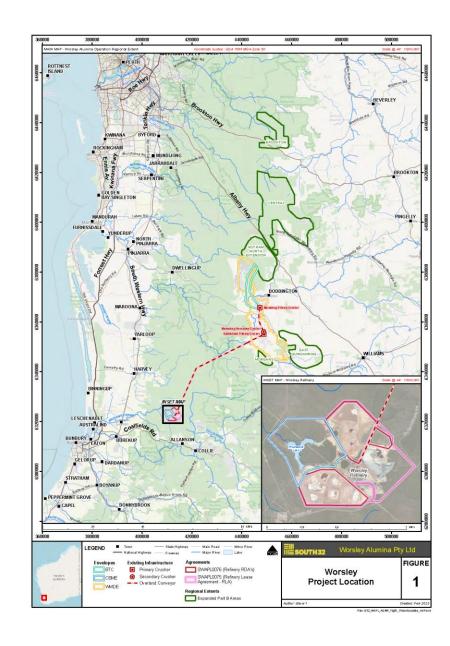
## WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

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- EPA Board released their report recommending approval with Conditions (July 2024)
- Appeals process was open for 21 days closed 29 July 2024
- Appeals Convenor now considering the appeals received

## WHAT'S NEXT?

- Appeals Convenor writes a report and submits to the Minister (~Dec 2024)
- Minister progresses application in accordance with recommendations (~Dec 2024)
- Commonwealth (DCCEEW) commence assessment utilising EPA Report (Follow state approval, if granted)
- Ministers (State and Commonwealth) make decision on application different processes & different timelines



## DILYAN'S CROSSING - HISTORY AND APPROVALS



## Heritage assessments undertaken

- 2017 (Archaeological & Ethnographic) recommended crossing location
- 2019 (Archaeological Survey) surveyed recommended crossing
- 2020 (Consultation Survey) provided info on construction and sought input
- 2023 (Survey conducted in accordance with NSHA) final survey to support submission of s18 Application

#### Geotechnical investigations

- 2020 Stage 1 Geotechnical investigations (surrounding paddocks)
  - > Approved Program of works (DEMIRS)
  - > S41 notification (DWER/EPA-S)
- 2022 Stage 2 Geotechnical investigations
  - > Approved Program of works (DEMIRS)
  - > S41 notification (DWER/EPA-S)
  - > Reg 7 & 10 (DPLH)
  - > 0.14ha of clearing
- 2024 Stage 3 Geotechnical investigations
  - > Approved Program of works (DEMIRS)
  - > S41 notification (DWER/EPA-S)
  - > Section 18 (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs)



Photograph 1: Low open woodland to low open forest of *Eucalyptus rudis-Melaleuca rhaphiophylla* on the Hotham River near the proposed Nullaga Bridge crossing, 2021



Photograph 2: Low open woodland to low open forest of *Eucalyptus rudis-Melaleuca rhaphioph* on the Hotham River near the proposed Nullaga Bridge crossing, 2021

## DILYAN'S CROSSING - INVESTIGATIONS



#### **2020 Investigations**

 Included river and road crossing locations, including the Hotham River: test pits; boreholes to bedrock; cone penetration testing to refusal

## 2021/22 Investigations

 At Hotham River crossing: test pits; boreholes; direct push probe; cored boreholes; pressuremeter testing; cone penetration test; acid sulfate soil assessment

#### **2024 Investigations**

- At Hotham River: Cored boreholes to bedrock
- To ensure design is compliant with AS 5100.1-2004



## DILYAN'S CROSSING – INVESTIGATION WORKS



#### **Approvals**

- All work is investigatory and will support the final design of the bridge. The preferred bridge location was provided by the Traditional Owners
- A section 18 Authorisation is in place for works associated with the tenement, to facilitate investigatory and future construction activity
- In accordance with the section 18 Authorisation, written notification, requesting monitors, was provided to GKBAC on 16 May 2024
- Notification to DWER was provided in accordance with section "3.4.1 Investigation work" of the EPA's *Environmental Impact*Assessment (Part IV Divisions 1 and 2) Procedures Manual. This was confirmed by DWER as appropriate notification for the work
- Construction cannot commence until if/when the Revised Proposal Approval is granted
- The bridge location and construction work has been assessed as part of the Revised Proposal. EPA have recommended approval of the Proposal with conditions, indicating that with the required conditions, the assessment is adequate

#### Other

No water is being taken from the Hotham River to facilitate this work

## DILYAN'S CROSSING - WORKS



#### **2024/25 Activity**

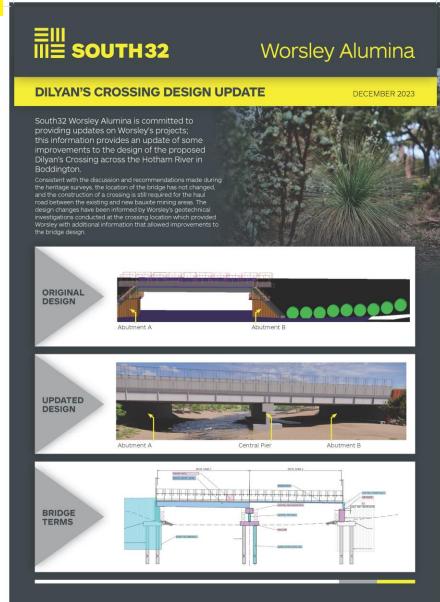
- Supplements and builds on information gathered in 2022; requiring up to 12 cored boreholes to be drilled up to 75m (to support Australian standards bridge design) further information required on competency of the basement rock
- No clearing required re-establishment of drill pads and access tracks over the same footprint as the 2022 investigation
- 2 Heritage monitors engaged to be on site each day that drilling is being undertaken





## **BRIDGE DESIGN**













## OTHER\* SECONDARY APPROVALS – WIDER PROPOSAL AREA



Secondary approvals are approvals required from Government Agencies that will support the implementation of the Revised Proposal, examples of the approvals are outlined below.

#### **Submitted (Pre Sept)**

- Works approval Mobile Crushers & Oil water separator (6887/2024/1)
- Bed & Bank Permit Hotham River & 34 Mile Brook

#### Submitted (Sept - Nov)

- Bed & Bank Permit Wattle Hollow Brook
- Mining Proposal L70/223

#### To be Submitted (Nov – Dec)

- Works Approval Mobile Crushers for Road construction
  - Includes submission of a Noise Management Plan, which also applies to previously submitted Works Approval (6887/2024/1)
- 5C licence to take groundwater (seepage related to bridge construction)
- 5C licence to take surface water (seepage related to bridge construction)
- Section 40 Authorisation (Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016) for areas outside of the current approved area

<sup>\*</sup> This does not represent an exhaustive list of secondary approvals, rather those that may be of interest to the wider community

## OTHER SUBMISSIONS / SUPPORTING INFORMATION



#### Noongar Standard Heritage Agreement (21 Aug 2024)

 Agreement between GKBAC and Worsley for ILUA wide, Worsley Operation, arrangements related to heritage

Annual Environmental Report (30 Sept 2024)

10 Year Mine Plan (31 Oct 2024)

**Environmental Management Plans** – Updated/drafted and submitted to regulators for review & feedback

- Water Management Plan
- Local Offset Environmental Management Plan
- Construction Environmental Management Plan
- Flora & Vegetation Environmental Management Plan
- Conservation Significant Fauna Environmental Management Plan

## Approvals submitted which can be provided prior to if/when the Revised Proposal is Approved:

- POW application (several)
- Section 41A application for early works (laydown to support crossing development)
- Small Mining Operations Mining Proposal (laydown to support crossing development)
- Section 40 Authorisation (x2) (*Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*) which applies to current approved area

## WORSLEY ENVIRONMENT UPDATE



### **Marradong Brook**

 Work has commenced on the Marradong brook haul road crossing. With major sump replacement and haul road entries being realigned. Next steps include cleaning out the culverts and redirecting flow away from the bridge surface. The silt curtain will remain in place during summer to account for any possible storms and silt movement during the cleanout process.



#### Rehab

- Preparation is underway for the 2025 rehabilitation season with recalcitrant and tree seedlings currently being grown in nurseries.
- 300 Ha is the rehabilitation target for 2025.

## **Spring Surveys**

- 2024 Spring surveys included targeted surveys for the Quindanning Orchid, Mustard Orchid (C. caeseara spp 'Mooradung'), Dwarf Bee orchid, Narrogin Pea, and priority Hibbertia and Halgania across targeted habitat ranges. Results of the orchid surveys have expanded the known population of the Quindanning orchid and identified another population of the Mustard orchid.
- Rechecks of the known high potential or previously confirmed cockatoo hollows is underway, with a
  previously recorded high potential tree having a chick confirmed within the hollow.



## WORSLEY ENVIRONMENT UPDATE



#### **BIODIVERSITY OFFSET**

### **Hog Hollows**

- Establishment of 40 hollows using a "hog hollow" tool
- Targeting small mammals such as red tailed phascogale, honey/pigmy possums, brush tailed phascogale
- Monitoring planned (cameras) to see if they are investigated/used

#### Mammal dens & artificial habitats

Trialing artificial mammal dens & refuges for small animals/reptiles

#### **Artificial Hollows – Black Cockatoos**

 Assessment of ex-Gibbs property to determine appropriate locations for artificial hollows (at least 313 Grade A trees)

Alternative hollow design



## WORSLEY ENVIRONMENT UPDATE



#### Research

- Quindanning orchid pollination, fungi and seed collection occurred on the remaining populations. The population in Mooradung NP senesced early making collection difficult. Seed have been placed into cyropreservation, while the fungi is being grown in cultures and is being compared to the collection from last year.
- Seed research proposal with Curtin University and Alcoa in development, this will examine the dormancy breaking options within the Ericaceae family. Processes outlined by a previously supported PhD with Persoonias shows early signs of replication, however attempting to reduce the treatment timeframes and wet dry cycles, down from a two-year process.



#### **Fox Baiting Trial**

Three rounds of an annual ground baiting trial for foxes on the eastern side of Marradong and Saddleback has occurred. The baiting program uses Canid injectors as a way of reducing by-catch. Early signs show foxes are engaging the baits, however remote cameras show ravens and ants are the biggest thieves so far, removing the baits before foxes can take them. New delivery methods to be trialed over summer months as food resources become less available and bait uptake is expected to increase.



## WORSLEY COMMUNITY UPDATE



- Monthly rehabilitation tours continuing.
- South32 Local Voices Community survey outcomes presented to the two CLC's and will be shared via email to those who participated in the survey and promoted through our social media channels.

### **Community Investment**

- SoB Social Investment Agreement \$2.5M over 4 years
- Community Grants Round 2 Outcomes (29 funded):
  - 2 Boddington (only 2 received)
    - Boddington Community Resource Centre
    - Boddington Community Newsletter
  - 1 Wandering (only 1 received)
    - Wandering Boddington Clay Target Club
  - 1 Williams (only 1 received)
    - Williams Campdraft Club
  - 3 Pinjarra/Murray
  - 3 Harvey
  - 5 Collie
  - 1 Mungalup (Shire of Collie)
  - 1 Ferguson (Shire of Dardanup)
  - 10 Bunbury & Greater Bunbury

## **Community Complaints**

- 8 complaints FY25, Q1
- All the complaints related to BBM
  - 6 complaints related to noise
  - 1 complaint related to incorrect blast information
  - 1 complaint related to plant lighting

## WORSLEY COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE



#### **CLC Committee commitment:**

The Mine CLC is the core 'community' representative body for the communities surrounding the mining operation. Members act as a proxy for the broader community of Boddington and surrounding areas. The CLC's purpose is to act as a two-way discussion and engagement mechanism between Worsley and the community.

### To support this purpose, Worsley commits to:

- Provide clear and transparent information about the operations, key issues, and other risks and opportunities that are of interest to the community. However, this does not include sharing all specific details about projects and activities.
- Seek regular feedback on the quality of the relationship between the operation and the community and how the operation is performing in the community.
- Listen, investigate, remedy and close out issues important to the community that directly result from the Worsley operation.
- Consult with members about the Social Investment activities.

**CLC Minutes** – Provided approximately one week before the next meeting, to be endorsed at the following meeting prior to sharing externally.

## MEETING SCHEDULE 2025



## Proposed meeting dates for 2025:

- 18 February Williams
- 20 May Williams
- 19 August Quindanning
- 18 November Boddington

