



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

### United Wambo Open Cut Coal Mine Project and Associated Modifications MOD 3 and MOD 16 Singleton Local Government Area

The Honourable Anthony Roberts MP, Minister for Planning, pursuant to Section 23D of the NSW *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, has directed the Planning Assessment Commission to review the proposed United Wambo Open Cut Coal Mine Project and associated modifications – DA 177-8-2004 MOD 3 and DA 305-7-2003 MOD 16, and hold a public hearing during the review.

The Commission comprises:

- Gordon Kirkby (chair);
- John Hann; and
- Tony Pearson.

The terms of reference for the Commission are:

1. carry out a review of the United Wambo Open Cut Coal Mine Project, by:
  - a) considering the EIS for the development, the issues raised in submissions, the response to submissions, any other information provided concerning the development by the Applicant and any information provided during the course of the review or as part of the public hearing.
  - b) considering the likely economic, environmental and social impacts of the development in the locality, the region and the State;
  - c) assessing the merits of the development as a whole, having regard to all relevant NSW Government policies and guidelines; and
  - d) providing recommendations on any additional reasonable and feasible measures that could be implemented to avoid, minimise and/or manage the potential impacts of the development;
2. hold a public hearing during the review as soon as practicable after the Department of Planning and Environment provides its preliminary assessment report to the Commission; and
3. submit its final report on the review to the Department of Planning and Environment within 12 weeks of receiving the Department's preliminary assessment report, unless otherwise agreed with the Secretary of the Department.

The Ministerial Direction and other documents related to this application including the Department of Planning & Environment (DP&E) preliminary assessment report are available on the Commission's website ([www.pac.nsw.gov.au](http://www.pac.nsw.gov.au) reference number SSD 7142, DA 177-8-2004 MOD 3 and DA 305-7-2003 MOD 16 and the DP&E website ([www.planning.nsw.gov.au](http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au)).

#### Public Hearing

As directed by the Minister, a public hearing will be held on the project. The hearing will commence at **10:00am on Thursday, 8 February 2018 at the Civic Centre, 12 Queen Street, Singleton NSW 2330**. The hearing will be open to the public. If you wish to speak at the hearing you must register beforehand.

#### Speaker Registrations and Making a Submission

All submissions made to the Department of Planning and Environment have been forwarded to the Commission for its consideration. If you have made a submission to the DP&E before and wish to speak at the hearing, please call **Aaron Brown on (02) 9383 2112** or email [pac@pac.nsw.gov.au](mailto:pac@pac.nsw.gov.au) on or before **1:00pm, Monday, 5 February 2018** to register to speak.

If you wish to make a written submission to the Commission, please send it to Alana Jelfs (see contact details below) by **5:00pm, Thursday, 15 February 2018**.

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#### Commission Report

The Commission will report its findings and recommendations to the Department of Planning and Environment, as requested by the Minister.

Effect of the public hearing on appeal rights

After this public hearing, no appeal may be made under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* in respect of any future decision made by the Commission (including under delegation) in relation to this project application under that Act. (See section 23F of the Act.)

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