



MINUTES OF CRG MEETING:

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August @ 12.00pm Super Pit Shop, 2 Burt St, Boulder

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*"This will be achieved through consultation on issues of importance to the community in relation to KCGM's performance and future planned activities so that the community and KCGM achieve as far as possible each others long term needs and expectations."*

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Declared meeting open at 12.10pm

1. ATTENDANCE :

*CRG Members:*

Anne Petz (AP)  
Deborah Botica  
Tim Champion (TC)  
Kathleen Bentley (KB)  
Max Bentley (MB)  
Kevin Smallhorn (KeS)  
Kylie Sharpe (KS)

*KCGM Members:*

Danielle van Kampen (DvK)  
Kapila Karunaratna (KK)  
Michelle Berryman

**Invited Guests**

**DoH** - Charles Douglas  
**DoIR** – Kate Mills  
**DoCEP** - Jim Boucaut  
**DEC** - Wayne Astill (WA)  
**DEC** – Fiona West (WA)

**APOLOGIES:**

Murray Joyce (MJ)  
Guy Brownlee (GB)

**NO SHOWS**

Rick Lockhart  
Jeff Jones

**Previous Minutes**

Minutes of previous meeting not recorded because of Social Impact Assessment workshop..

**Environment / Approvals – MeB**

- **Dust Levels** - In June and July there were no events above the NEPM standard of 50 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at Boulder Shire Yard or the Hannans Golf Course (HGC). There was however a dust storm on 6 August which resulted in levels above 50 ug/m<sup>3</sup> at HGC.
- **Noise Monitoring Report** - The quarterly noise monitoring advertisement was in the Kalgoorlie Miner on 28 July 07. There were more triggers than the previous quarter but similar trends to the same period in previous years. There tends to be an increase in triggers in winter months with the cold still nights. No complaints were received during the quarter, one inquiry received regarding the science behind noise bunds.
- **Environmental Noise Bund Realignment** - Construction on the noise bund realignment commenced in mid June 07. There were some modifications to the final design of the noise bund. The final design allows for two alternative Loopline positions - Climbing to the top of the bund and Along original ground surface, however this means that the Loopline Reserve is no longer available as part of bund footprint which reduces the bund height.

Extensive noise modelling was undertaken to understand what the potential change in bund height would mean for noise levels. Results indicated very little difference in noise mainly because noise levels are dominated by existing mining rather than the proposed Golden Pike cutback. However to compensate for the change in height KCGM will limit Golden Pike operations for the first bench to day/evening periods.

Near residents were notified of the commencement of construction via letter drop on 12 June 07. Work commenced in mid June 07 with topsoil stripping and recovery the initial focus. Environment and Community Awareness Training has been given to all personnel involved in construction and refresher training for Open Pits Operators is underway.

- **Fimiston TSFs** – The Seepage and Groundwater Management Plan Annual Audit Report was released for public comment on 4 August 2007. It is available for a 21 day public comment period which closes on 24 August 2007. CRG members are encouraged to review this report and provide comments.

KCGM submitted a Works Approval application in June 2007 for the second 2.5m lift on the Fimiston I TSF. The DEC have requested further information primarily related to demonstrating that a trend of lowering groundwater levels has been achieved. The application will not be considered complete until this information is provided.

There has been some progress on the approval for the height increase of the Fimiston II TSF. The Works Approval was approved by the DEC on 26 February 07. A bond request letter was received from the DoIR on 11 July 07 which included a significant increase in bonds in line with the state wide performance bond review. Once the bonds have been lodged and processed final approval should be received.

- **Parliamentary Questions** – There were a number of PQ's asked in May/June 07. Key issues raised include Fimiston TSFs Seepage/Groundwater, Gidji Sulphur Dioxide, Fimiston Open Pit Public Safety, Kaltails TSF Seepage and Mt Percy Saline Spill.

#### **CR Update – DvK**

- **Sponsorships** –  
APPROVED: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Pet Adoption & Welfare Services \$5,000; Boulder Promotion & Development Association Sponsorship towards Boulder Market Day (Discover the Round) \$1,000; Saint Barbara's Festival Inc Sponsorship towards 2007 Saint Barbara's Festival \$7,500; Investing In Our Community Sponsorship towards HYPE Drumbeat Youth Event, \$400; Golden Quest Trails Assoc. 2007 Mine Managers Dinner; Goldfields Junior Soccer Assoc. (GJSA) \$1,500
- DECLINED: WASAC Sponsorship towards National Indigenous Tertiary Education Student Games
- MORE INFORMATION: Nooda Ngulegoo Aboriginal Corporation NAIDOC Week;

#### **Sponsorship Budget snapshot:**

- Total Budget : \$156,000 for the year
- Total Allocated: \$119,824 so far
- Remaining : \$ 36,176
- + Shop Profit~ \$ 30,000
- Remaining \$ 66,176
- Aug commitments \$ 17,000 (not inc borderline)
- Remaining Budget \$ 49,176

**Visitors**

July was our busiest month this year, with a total of 3,368 people which is an increase of 294 visitors July 2006. The total includes 861 from Boulder Market Day. The average number of visitors for the year each day (not including BMD) is 94. Total sales for the month was \$16,481.72 with a profit of \$6,252.34.

**NEXT MEETING**

Next meeting Thursday 6th September at the Chamber of Minerals & Energy

**CLOSE**

Meeting Closed at 1.50pm