



SURAT BASIN CSG ENGAGEMENT GROUP MEETING

Meeting No 2

**VENUE: Green Room, 203 Tor St
Toowoomba**

DATE: 5 May 2011

Minutes

Item	
	<p>Meeting opened 1.30 pm</p> <p>Chair John Cotter welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p>
Actions from Previous meeting	<p>ACTION 1 – The Group endorsed the formation of a working group on Water chaired by John Cotter – report back in Agenda item 2</p> <p>ACTION 2– The Group endorsed the formation of a working group on Landholder Engagement chaired by Peter Thompson – Report back in agenda item 1</p> <p>ACTION 3 – John Cotter to follow up with Federal Ministers and representation</p> <p>ACTION 4 – all background documents to be included in minutes to be sent to Amanda Thomas by 7 April. – thank you to those who sent in document. Apology to Roderick Gilmour, his document will be sent out tomorrow</p>
Item 1 Report back on Landholder Engagement Group	<p>Landholder Engagement Working group report back</p> <p>Landholders commercial service agreement presentation and discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion on the term joint venture – was not felt or accurately reflect the aim of the document ○ Agreement at compensation and the commercial service agreement proposed were two different things ○ Agreement that there needs to be a commercial value to the agreement, but difference on what that could mean for each individual landholder. Landholders may need to develop a 'wish list' of what could value add to their property. This could include: fix fencing, fix roads, create/renovate stock dams etc. While the machinery is there for the CSG work it could be utilised for other things. ○ Would still need to be individual negotiation with each landholder to achieve 'best fit' ○ Needs to be understanding of each others business from both sides and a 'willingness to talk' ○ Discussion on the perception of the CSG on property sales – needs to be change to show that having wells is a positive for income therefore a sales plus not negative ○ Agreement that it is not just about the money, it includes the production and flexibility of the property ○ Copy of the Origin Energy draft document circulated for review

	<p>ACTION – needs to be collaboration with other CSG companies, QRC and APPEA before going to next Landholders working group – Janet Hann to lead.</p> <p>Confidentiality agreements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Discussion on the option of having/not having confidentiality agreements as part of the compensation agreements ○ Consensus from the companies is most landholder ask for the confidentially clause to be included ○ Needs to be able to be disclosed if property is for sale ○ Discussion on what sort of things are considered during compensation negotiations including noise and light pollution, the area affected, lifestyle, land values etc ○ Further discussions will be held at the next Landholder engagement working group meeting <p>ACTION – template for compensation to be circulated to the group for further discussion - John Skinner to provide template to Amanda</p>
<p>Item 2 Report back from Water Working group</p>	<p>Water Working Group report</p> <p>John Bradley – DERM and Andrew Brier LNG enforcement group presentation and discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Andrew presented a PowerPoint on the recent changes in legislation, the role of the LNG enforcement unit and response to concerns so far ○ APPEA will be holding a water forum in Brisbane 16 June ○ Website should be up week of 9 May ○ Target towards landholders, general public, CSG companies and Government staff ○ Looking at a second day in Dalby ○ Group suggested there should be an additional forum in Toowoomba <p>ACTION – Ross to provide details to Amanda for distribution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The major challenge is to get the correct information out ○ Essential that CSG staff know the legislation and how it affects operational activities ○ Suggestion that the presentation needs to be presented in an easy to use format that landholders can access 'out of hours' as producers already have a full time job. ○ Use of Skype or other technologies <p>ACTION – John Bradley DERM to work with DEEDI to progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need for a 3D display on the CSG drilling that can be used in communities across the region ○ Need for a building of confidence/relationships
	<p>Local Government priorities</p> <p>Over arching in the accumulative impact</p>

<p>Item 3</p> <p>Local Government Priorities</p>	<p>Opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All council representatives spoke on the creation of specialised jobs and expansion of existing businesses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Young people are now staying with identified career paths. ▪ Opportunity for supply chains to be created ▪ May need to look at offering jobs to partners – attraction of a ‘couple’ or ‘family’ solution ○ Companies need to invest into community life <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ community events and community projects ○ Rob Loughnan highlighted the partnerships occurring between councils and CSG Companies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ie emergency helicopter based in Roma ○ some staff coming back from energy companies to local jobs. ○ Ray Brown lead the discussion on water – beneficial uses need to be found ○ Paul Antonio highlighted Toowoombas’ Education and Health services capacity that can be utilised by the region and built on ○ Identified industrial land, ie Charlton Wellcamp area ○ Peter Blundell highlighted the flow on opportunities for towns/areas outside the Surat Basin <p>Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Housing shortage were discussed by all councils <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increased rents and buying prices ▪ Hard to attract the lesser skilled people ▪ Hard to keep trades people with has flow on affect to other areas ○ Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Water quality ▪ Perceived threats to water quantity ▪ Need for water infrastructure to meet growth of local towns ○ Infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Currently insufficient to meet growth ▪ Includes housing, road, water etc ▪ Need for rail, air and road to improve to service the area ▪ Warrego highway condition, including the range crossing and the congestion through Toowoomba ▪ Communication – CSG companies are installing infrastructure that can be used by others. ○ Fly in /fly out culture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Perceived to be a loss of business ○ All councils reported losing key staff from Council to the energy sector <p>Overall</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Needs to be communication on the positives
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<p>Item 4 AgForward sessions</p>	<p>AgForward sessions</p> <p>Report back from Ian Burnett and Greg Robbins with group discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Funding mid Jan 2011 ○ Staff started in Feb with delivery starting in April ○ All reports on the initiative are positive ○ 350 attendees so far in the Surat Basin area, over 9 centres ○ Most concerns have been on water quality not quantity ○ Suggestion that the DERM presentation on the legislation changes needs to be included. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ This suggestion will be taken to the steering committee for progression ▪ Concern that the agenda is already very full ▪ DERM will look into preparing the presentation with speaking notes to enable it to be presented at various forums. ▪ May need a second round of sessions.
<p>Item 5 Global Best Practice</p>	<p>Global Best Practice – Jim Knudsen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jim presented a PowerPoint on practices on CSG water across the world that are now being used in Australia and in particular the Surat Basin ○ Discussion on the water extracted and the impacts ○ Recharging of the coal seam area ○ Request that where there are community committees if companies can work together to create one committee for a number of companies. Large demand on the time of community volunteers to attend these. ○ Agreement from the companies they will work towards this wherever possible.
<p>Item 6 BSA Blueprint</p>	<p>Basin Sustainability Alliance Blueprint – Ian Hayllor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ian spoke to the document and requested feedback ○ Discussion on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Concern on the adaptive management ○ Want drilling standards for CSG wells, currently have best practice but not standards that can be monitored ○ APPEA will coordinate a response from their members ○ QRC would be considering the document formally next week ○ General sentiment from the meeting that the document was well prepared and showed the maturity of the group <p>ACTION – Ian Hayllor to meeting with Andrew Brier DERM regarding drilling</p>

	standards ACTION – Drilling standards to be discussed at the next meeting
Summary of proposals and action items	<p>ACTION 1 Landholder commercial service agreement – needs to be collaboration with other CSG companies, QRC and APPEA before going to next Landholders working group – Janet Hann to lead,</p> <p>ACTION 2– template for compensation to be circulated to the group for further discussion - John Skinner to provide template to Amanda</p> <p>ACTION 3 – APPEA to provide details of water forum 16 June to Amanda for distribution - Ross Dunn</p> <p>ACTION 4 – John Bradley DERM to work with DEEDI to progress the use of technology for the communication of information such as presented by Andrew Brier on legislation changes</p> <p>ACTION 5 - Paul Antonio (TRC) to talk with Michael Roche (QRC) regarding the business case for the range crossing, support also from Maranoa and Western Downs Regional Councils, AgForce and QFF</p> <p>ACTION 6 – Ian Hayllor to meeting with Andrew Brier DERM regarding drilling standards</p> <p>ACTION 7 – Drilling standards to be discussed at the next meeting</p>
Other Business	<p>No specific agenda items for the Roma and Dalby meetings raised</p> <p>Future agenda items for the SB meeting to be sent to Amanda Thomas</p>
	<p>Meeting Close: 5.30pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting – Breakfast meeting in Brisbane, details to be sent on confirmation of date and location