



DARTBROOK MINE

20 September 2023

Community Consultative Committee Meeting



DARTBROOK MINE CCC MEETING 9.00am – 20 September 2023

- 1. Opening, Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Declarations**
- 4. Business arising from previous minutes (June 2023)**
- 5. Correspondence Report**
- 6. Project Update / Company Reports**
- 7. Community Questions**
- 8. General Business**
- 9. Briefing – Revised DPE CCC Guidelines**
- 10. Next Meeting**
- 11. Meeting Close**





1. Opening, Welcome and Introductions

CCC Representatives	Initial	Present	Apology	Absent
Lisa Andrews (Independent Chair)	LA			
Ayten Saridas (AQC)	AS			
Geoff McKenzie (Dartbrook Mine)	GM			
Jeff Beatty (Dartbrook Mine)	JB			
James Bailey (James Bailey & Associates)	JBA			
Dorian Walsh (James Bailey & Associates)	DW			
Annette Rahn (Community Representative)	AR			
Arthur Mitchell (Community Representative)	AM			
Jennifer Lecky (Community Representative)	JL			
Tony Lonergan (Community Representative)	TL			
De-Anne Douglas (Wanaruah LALC Representative)	DD			
Theresa Folpp (MSC Representative)	TF			
Paul Smith (UHSC Representative)	PS			
Allison McPhee (UHSC Representative)	AM			

2. Apologies – Refer above



3. Declarations

- Any declarations of pecuniary interests?

4. Business arising from previous meeting

- No Actions were noted in the previous meeting.





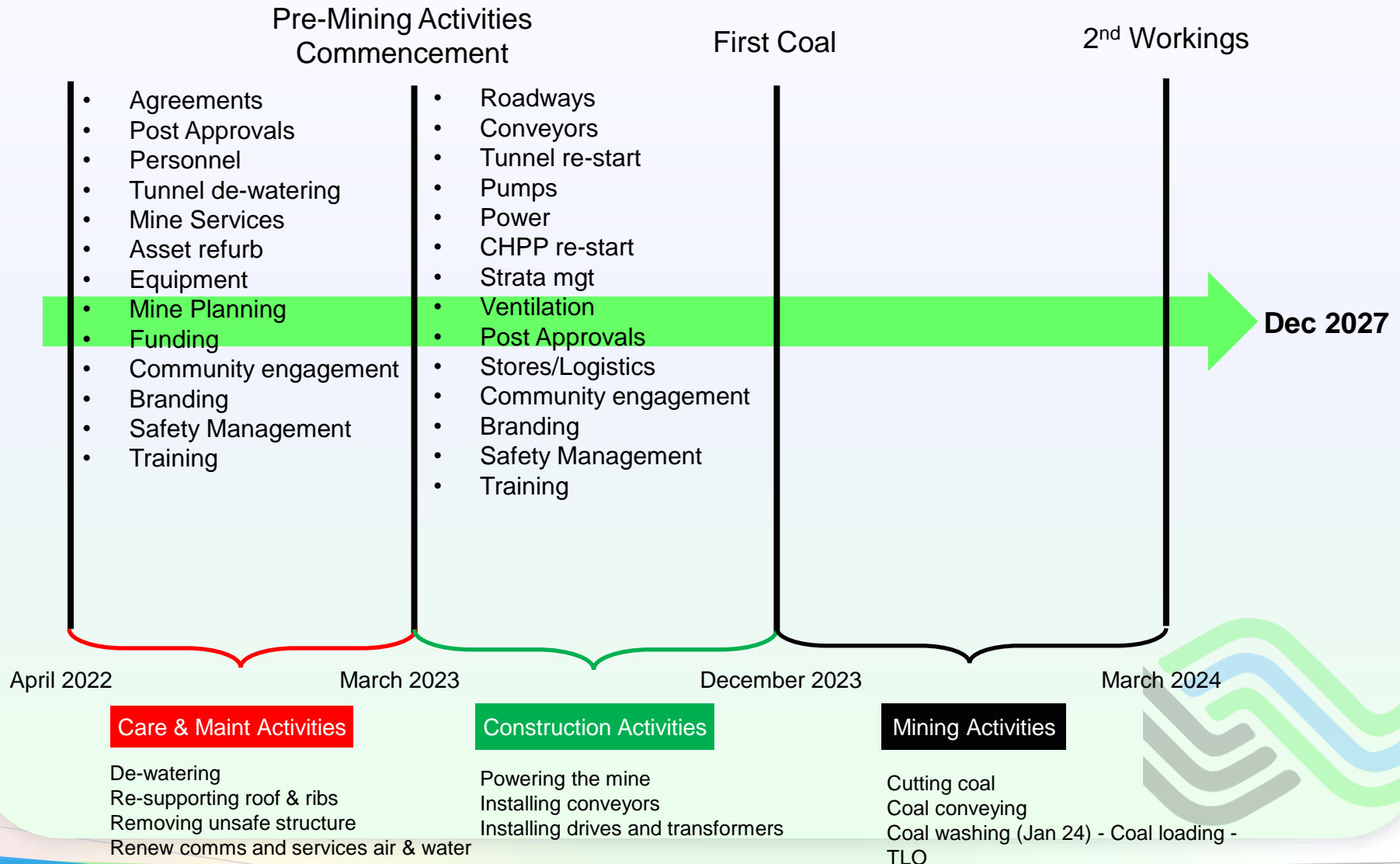
Opening, Welcome and Introductions

- 30/06/23 – LA email to members with the draft minutes for review
- 7/07/23 – LA email to members with the finalised minutes together with the presentation
- 7/09/23 – LA email to members with the meeting notice and agenda for this meeting
- 19/09/23 – LA email to members with revised DPE CCC guidelines, briefing sheet and final agenda for this meeting





Dartbrook Mine Restart Schedule:





6. PROJECT UPDATE / COMPANY REPORTS

- Environmental Monitoring Results & Activities
- Complaints Register
- Land Management Activities





- Stakeholder consultation since the previous CCC meeting includes:
 - Consultation with EPA over a variation to EPL 4885
 - Consultation with DPE over updates to the Site Water Management Plan and Spontaneous Combustion Management Plan
 - Consultation with Dam Safety NSW regarding the management of the SDD
 - Discussion with wind farm companies regarding the use of the mine access road for OSOM Vehicle movements. The three groups are:
 - I. Hills of Gold Engie (Hills of Gold Nundle)
 - II. Winterbourne Wind (Thunderbolts Walcha)
 - III. Walcha Energy (Ruby Hill Walcha)
 - Concerns over traffic interactions and road maintenance requirements would need to be addressed.





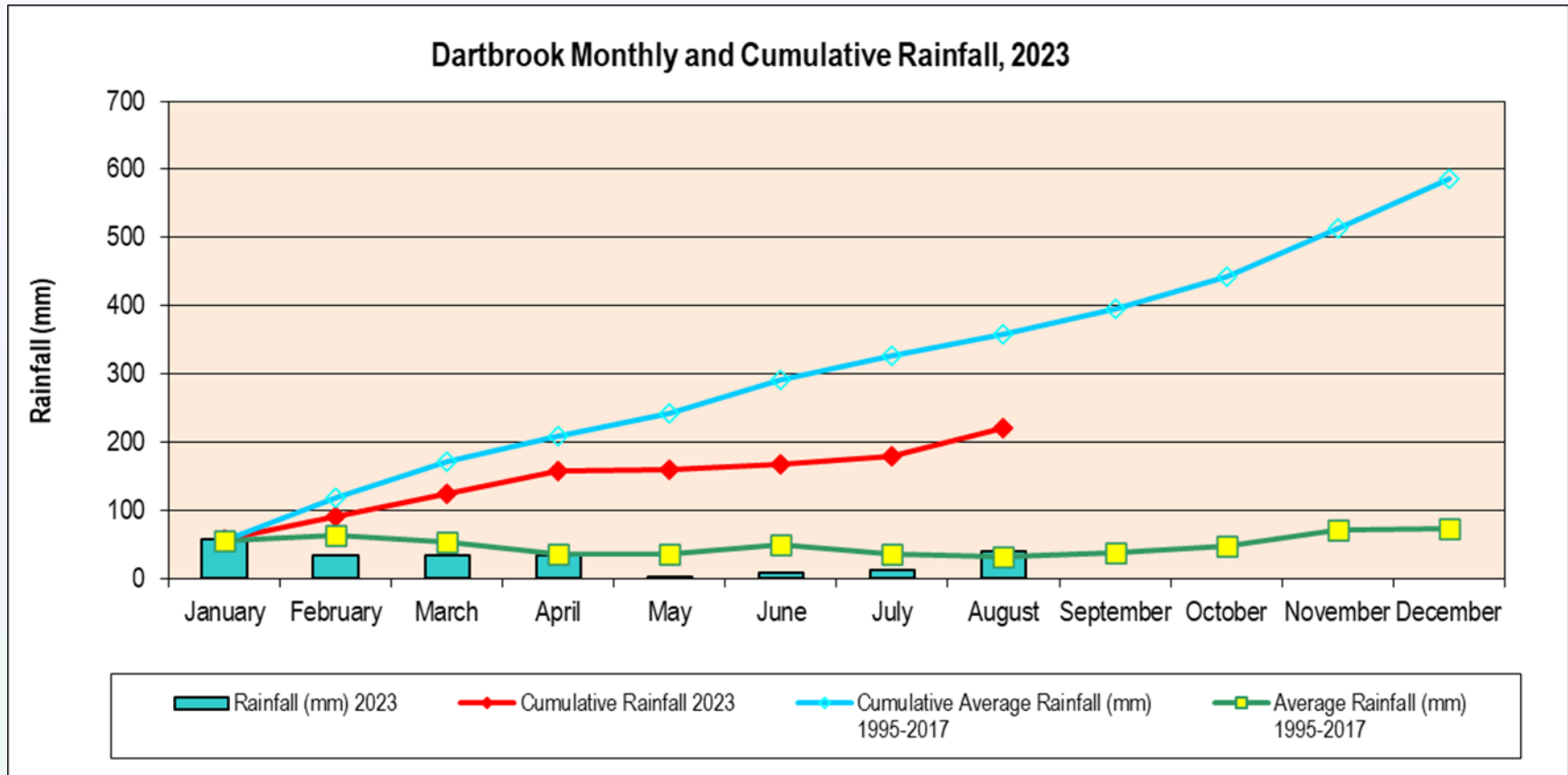
Environmental Monitoring Update:

- Rainfall
- High Volume Air Sampling
- Dust Deposition
- Surface Water – Hunter River and Dart Brook

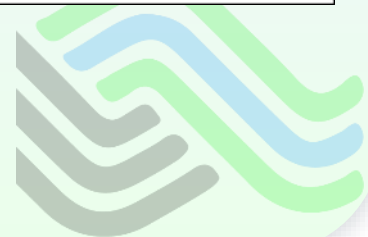




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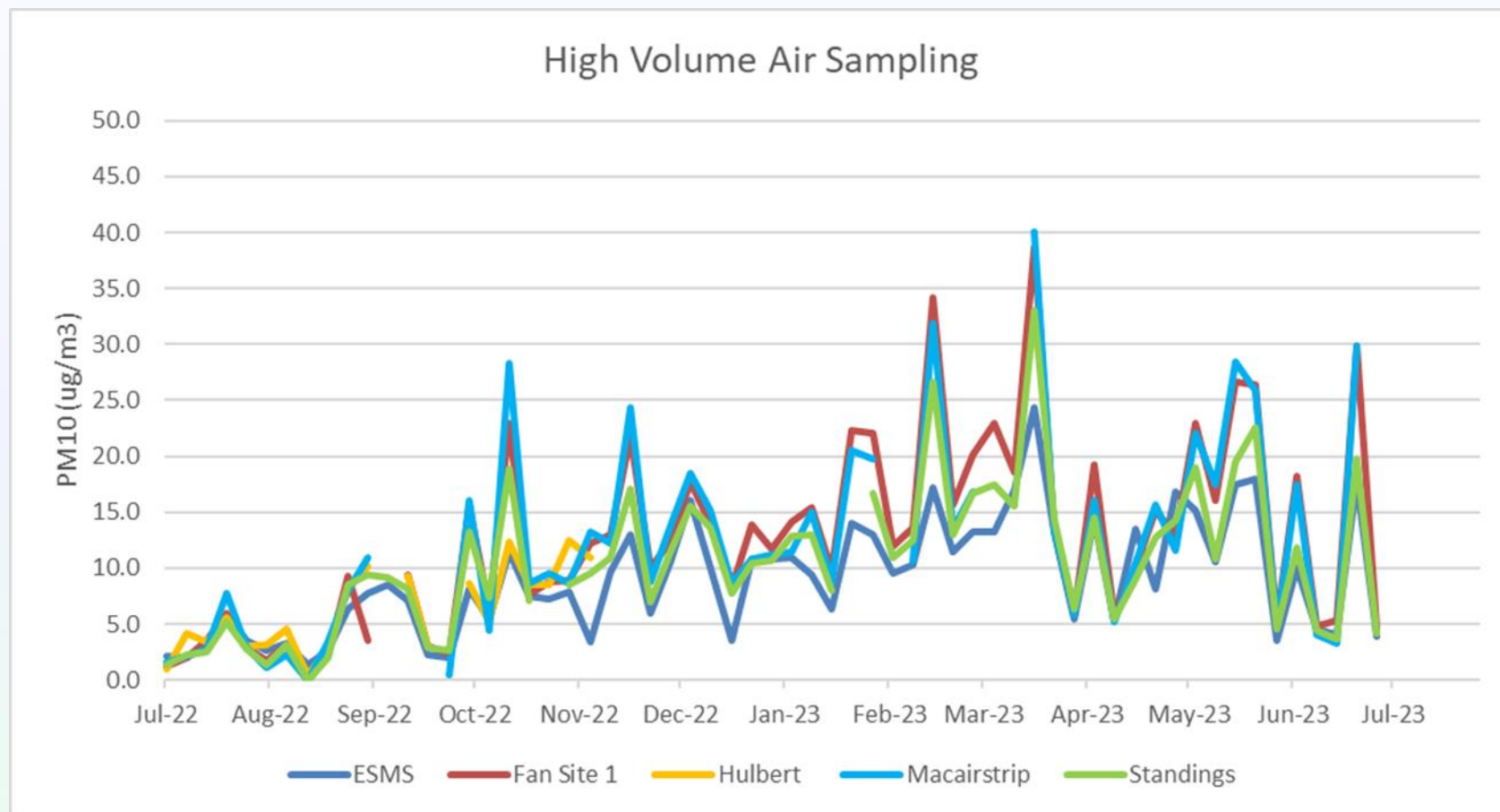


2023 rainfall: ~ 219.6 mm year to end of August
Dartbrook average yearly rainfall 1995-2017= 586 mm





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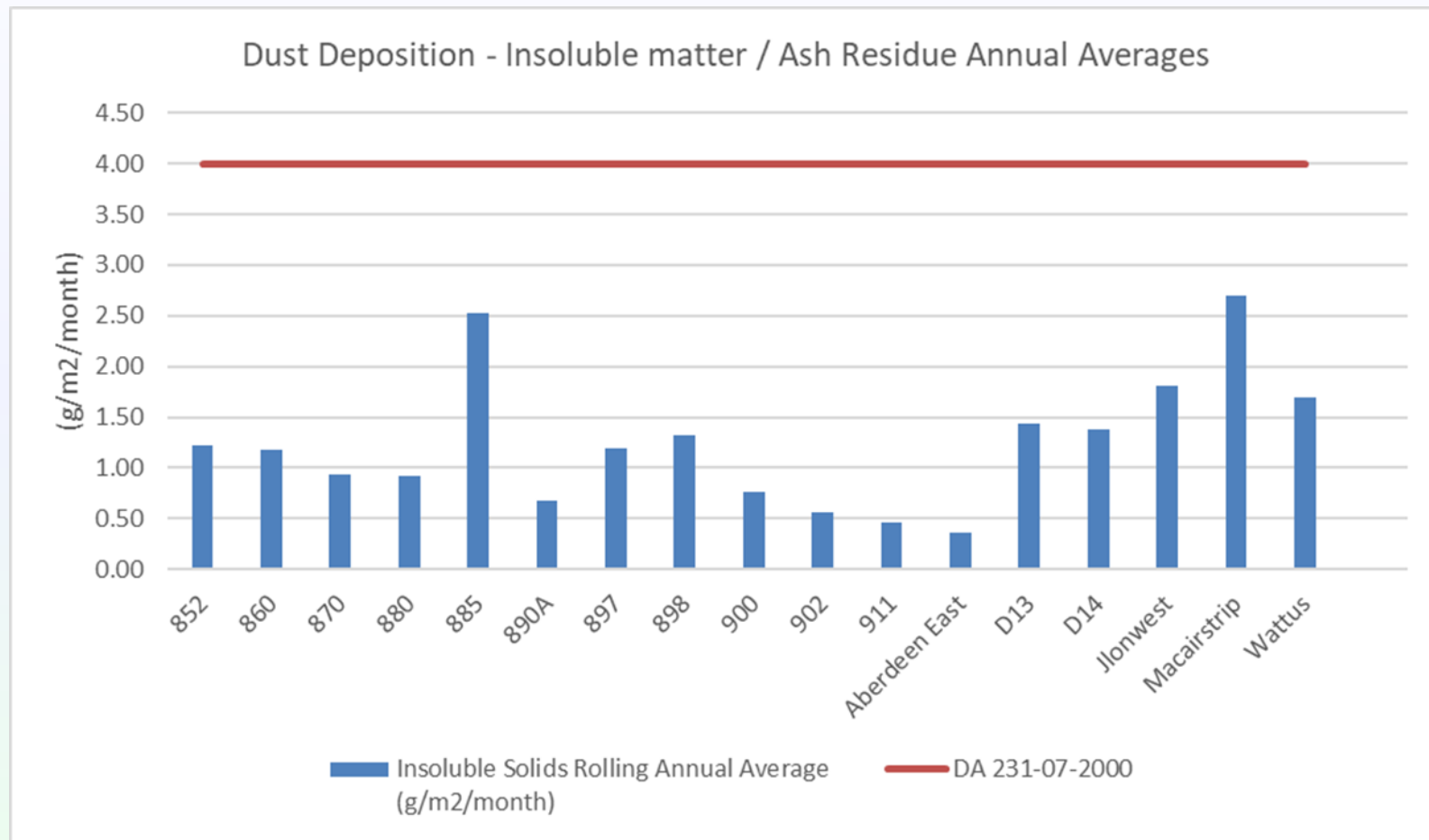


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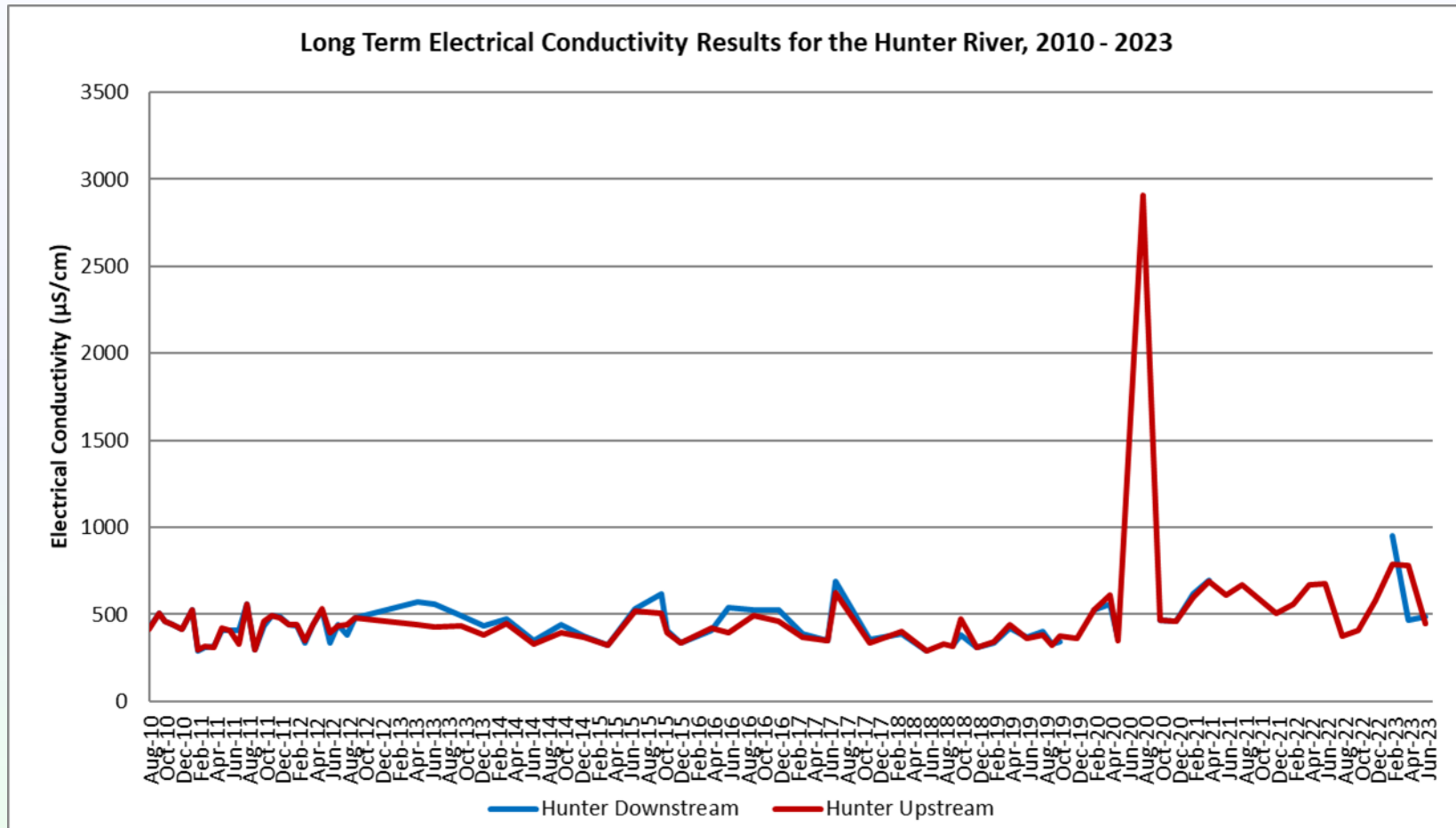


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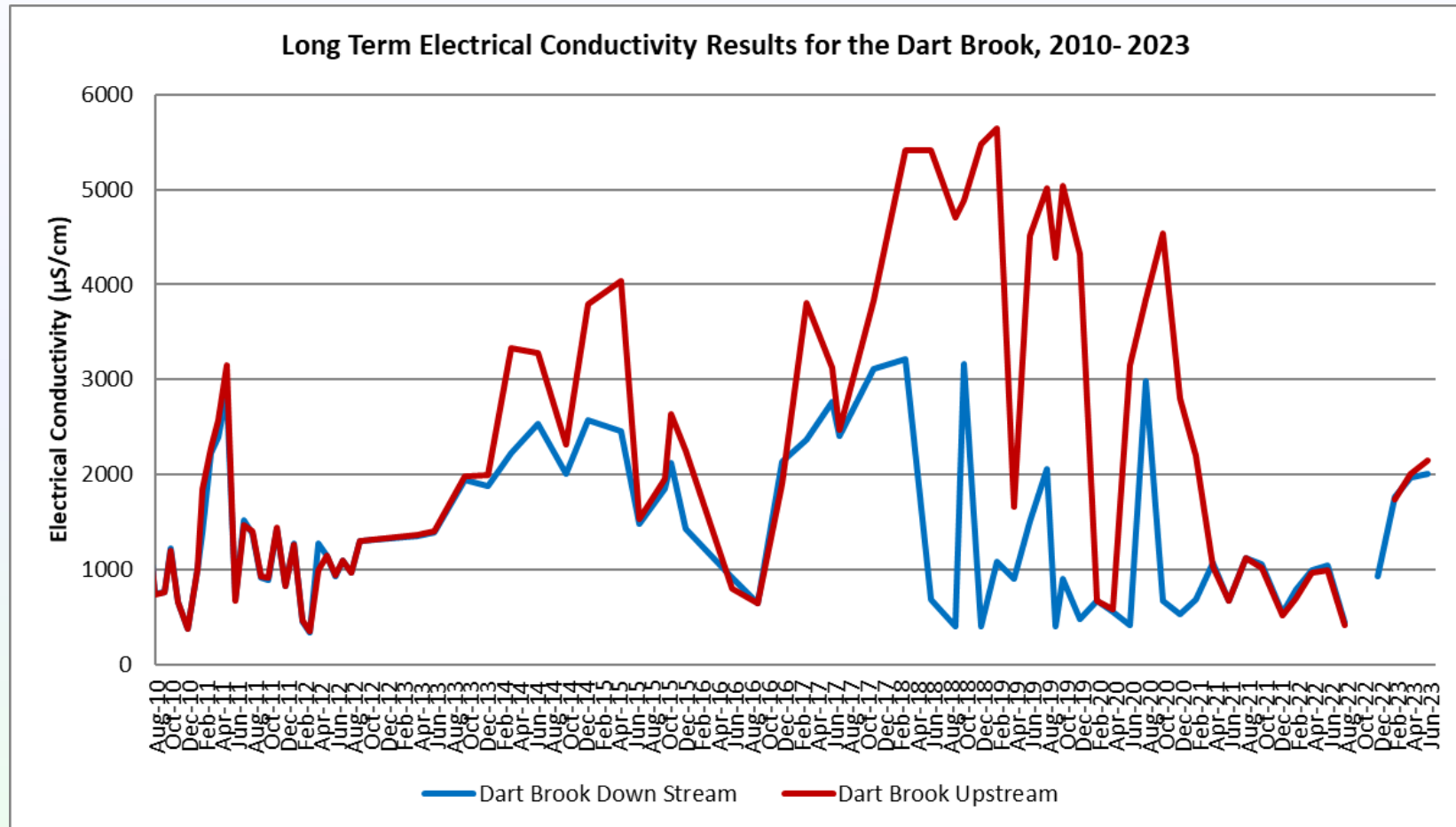


Environmental Monitoring Update:





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Environmental Monitoring Summary:

- No exceedances of compliance monitoring criteria since the previous CCC meeting.





Environmental Incidents and Complaints

- No environmental incidents or complaints since the previous CCC meeting.





Environmental Monitoring

- Ongoing activities include land management and environmental monitoring
- Roadside maintenance and slashing around site access roads and infrastructure
- Grazing of cattle on the REA





7. COMMUNITY QUESTIONS

- Bushfire management measures include:
 - Reviewed & updated Bushfire Management Plan;
 - Review of fuel loads;
 - Slashing around site infrastructure; and
 - Maintenance of vegetation around powerlines.
- Discussion of other questions from CCC representatives





8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Discussion of any other general business or questions
- Business for the next CCC meeting?





- Briefing on the revised CCC Guidelines

BRIEFING SHEET

Revised Community Consultative Committee Guidelines for State Significant Developments – June 2023

Members may recall the Department was undertaking a review of the guidelines under which all community consultative committees operate. The revised version and associated documents were released in June 2023 and are now available on the department's website, via this link [department's webpage](#)

I attended a DPE workshop last month - where chairs were briefed on the changes.

There is nothing in them that was not expected, mainly a resigning of Declarations of Interest and Code of Conduct forms, so all members will have to complete new forms and will need to do so annually.

What is new is the requirement for all committees to create and adopt a **Term of Reference (ToR)**, which has to be reconfirmed annually. The ToR aims to provide specific details about each committee's functions in relation to the approved project.

As a quick summary, DPE has also noted the following key changes:

- **Committee establishment:** limited to post approval
- **Membership criteria:** no longer based on living in the LGA
- **Recruitment:** member application evaluation and recommendation to the department
- **Governance (all committee members)**
 - disclose interests prior to / at start of every meeting
 - discuss and agree to a Terms of Reference annually, and
 - verbally confirm acceptance of Code of Conduct annually
- **Review of committee effectiveness** (in Annual Report)
- **Process to allow closure of committee or suspend**
- **All members are classed as "workers"** under the Work Health & Safety Act and therefore the company (with me) will have to undertake a Risk Assessment for CCC members.

I will go through these changes at our next meeting.

Briefing of revised DPE CCC Guidelines for SSDs – Lisa Andrews 2023

Department of Planning and Environment
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Community consultative committee guideline

State significant projects

June 2023





10. NEXT MEETING DATE

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