



Australian Government  
Department of Industry,  
Innovation and Science

National  
Radioactive Waste  
Management Facility

# Barndioota Consultative Committee

## Meeting Notes

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## Agenda

Time	Item	Lead
6:00-6:05pm	Project Update and Introduction of AECOM representative	DIIS - Bruce Wilson
6:05-7:30pm	AECOM presentation and overview of site characterisation study	AECOM – James Rusk

## Attendees:

Dianne Ashton	Susie Anderson	Ronald Daniel
Philip Fels	John Hennessy	Aaron Stuart
Steve Taylor		

## Apologies:

Denise Carpenter	Greg Flint	Jon Gill
Janice McInnis	David Michael	John Rowe
Paul Thomas	Rachel Vella	Cecilia Woolford

## Other Attendees:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Bruce Wilson	DIIS: NRWMF Project Team – Principal Adviser
Ian Carter	DIIS: NRWMF Project Team –Community Consultation
Stephen Clarke	DIIS: NRWMF Project Team - Community Consultation
Nicholas Clifford-Hordacre	DIIS: NRWMF Project Team - Community Consultation
Maree Barford	DIIS: NRWMF Project Team - Community Consultation
James Rusk	AECOM – Site Characterisation Study

## Action Items

Item	Status
1. Develop a confidentiality form for observers and presenters to sign	In Progress
2. Supply Proposed Site Maps	Completed
3. The department to provide members with AECOM presentation and potential job opportunities spreadsheet	Completed
4. Supply the Austender web link providing details of AECOM being awarded the site characterisation work	Completed
5. Supply contact details for David Bruce ORIMA	Completed
6. Supply the Committee Guidelines	Completed

*Meeting opened 6:00pm*

## Welcome

Bruce Wilson, Department of Industry welcomed the committee and payed his respects to the passing of a member of the community.

## Project Update

Bruce Wilson, Department of Industry, gave an update on the project particularly around site characterisation work and introduced James Rusk AECOM who were awarded the contract of works. Mr Wilson informed the committee seismic work was planned to commence on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2018 and the site characterisation work to be complete by July 2018.

## AECOM presentation

James Rusk (AECOM) provided an overview of the site characterisation work to be carried out at Wallerberdina Station.

- AECOM provided details of the activities such as seismic, hydrology, soil types, flora and fauna surveys etc.
- AECOM provided a spreadsheet outlining jobs that may be available through each stage
- The committee were informed heritage workers would be in attendance during the seismic survey.

The committee queried AECOM on topics on the type activities taking place and the level of impact to the environment. AECOM addressed the committees concerns.

Bruce Wilson, Department of Industry confirmed the Heritage Working Group approved this work.

**Action 1:** The department to provide members with AECOM presentation and potential job opportunities spreadsheet.

**Action 2:** Members to consider jobs outlined in the spreadsheet and provide contacts to AECOM and the department.

## Other business

A member of the committee raised a question in relation to a statement made by Mr Bruce McCleary, Department of Industry radio interview on the topic of the facility and effects on tourism for the region. The member believed that Mr McCleary had been unequivocal in stating there would be no impacts on regional tourism. Mr Wilson noted the members point but also noted that this was the department's clear view given that it has not found any evidence for this concern in Australia or elsewhere from similar projects nor had any evidence been presented from those claiming there are risks.

*Meeting closed 7:30pm*