



FLINDERS POWER ASH DAM Community Update #8

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In this update, we are pleased to provide information on the Stirling North air quality monitoring and summary report, recommendations from the Port Augusta community information session and the establishment of the Flinders Power Community Reference Group. Please be advised that the EPA is continuing to oversee the ash dam rehabilitation program with the latest photo provided to the EPA by Flinders Power earlier today.



Stirling North air quality monitoring and summary report

High dust readings have been attributed to localised sources. The EPA is finalising a summary report which will be available on the EPA website.

Flinders Power Community Reference Group

Flinders Power has established a Community Reference Group. The next meeting has been scheduled for Thursday 1 June 2017. For more information please contact: enquiries@flinderspower.com.au or ph: 0419 252 760.

Update on recommendations from the Community Information Session Final Report

Key outcomes - recommendations for the EPA	Status
Continue to regularly publish air quality monitoring data on website.	The EPA has real time monitoring , located at Lea Memorial Oval to validate data collected by Flinders Power at the same site and also to gather additional air quality data. The site monitor TSP, PM ₁₀ , PM _{2.5} and meteorology data. Data is published on the EPA website. Real-time air quality data can be accessed by clicking on 'Real-time air quality data' on the EPA website .
Provide monthly photos of progress.	Ongoing – Last photo uploaded 18 May 2017.
Continue to regulate Flinders Power and ensure it meets community engagement obligations.	As part of its revised Closure Plan, Flinders Power has strengthened its community engagement, including engaging the services of an experienced independent facilitator to develop a Community Reference Group.
Review and strengthen Flinders Power's commitments under the Station Closure Plan.	In response to the January 2017 dust event, Flinders Power reviewed and updated its Closure Plan to take into consideration findings from the Root Cause Analysis. The EPA reviewed and subsequently approved the revised Closure Plan in March 2017.
Publish and distribute Flinders Power's community updates.	Link to updates from the EPA Port Augusta Power Stations Site (Flinders Power) webpage under 'Community engagement'
Recommend Flinders Power involve the community in the revegetation proposal for the long term management of the ash dam.	Ongoing. Flinders Power has committed to discussing its Ash Dam Rehabilitation Plan with its Community Reference Group and has offered site tours for any community members wishing to see the progress of rehabilitation works.
Recommend Flinders Power establish a Community Reference Group and empower the group to determine how it wishes to be kept informed by Flinders Power.	Flinders Power has established its Community Reference Group and held its first meeting on Tuesday April 11. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 01 June 2017. The reference group are determining of how they would like to be kept informed and Flinders Power are also developing a community information newsletter.
Key outcomes - recommendations for SA Health	
Provide SA Health analysis of the results from the dust samples in community friendly format such as a fact sheet. To include advice about skin irritation, dust inhalation, and infogram or diagram to assist the community to interpret the EPA's air quality monitoring data from a health perspective.	Complete. SA Health fact sheet produced.
Key outcomes - recommendations for Flinders Power	
Establishment of a Community Reference Group chaired by an experienced independent facilitator. Meetings to be held regularly as determined by	Flinders Power engaged experienced independent facilitator Communicate Communication Consultants to establish a

demand and the group to advise on preferred methods of information provision.	Community Reference Group with one meeting held at the time of publication and a second one being held tonight.
Key outcomes - recommendations for Port Augusta City Council	
Provide information to the community on timeframes for the delivery of the consultant report on the preferred solution for Bird Lake.	Port Augusta City Council has received the consultant report. The report is attached to the Council meeting agenda for 22 May, available here .
Advise when the next level of implementation of the Augusta Lakes Stakeholder Engagement Plan can be expected.	On 22 May 2017 Port Augusta City Council carried a motion that it seeks the assistance of the Environmental Protection Authority and the South Australian Government in the implementation of the Augusta Lakes (Bird Lake) Stakeholder Engagement Plan.
Advise on works already undertaken on Bird Lake.	On 22 May 2017 Port Augusta City Council carried a motion that it writes to the South Australian Government requesting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a response to the Bird Lake Management Options Assessment Report prepared by Tonkin Consulting; • the urgent remediation of Bird Lake following the closure of the Port Augusta Power Stations; and • seeks the assistance of the South Australian Government and Flinders Power to ascertain the lowest cost solution.
Key outcomes - recommendations for Department of State Development (DSD)	
Promote employment and other development opportunities likely to happen in Port Augusta to raise the City's sense of pride and positive outlook for the future.	In May 2017, the Port Augusta City Council received the independent Bird Lake Management Option Assessment Report.
Promote tourism opportunities.	The report addresses options for the long-term management of Bird Lake following the cessation of seawater flow from the Port Augusta Power Stations. The options have the objective of returning Bird Lake to a 'near natural state'.
Promote redeployment opportunities.	
Communicate strongly the support Government will provide for Bird Lake and other key Task Force decisions.	

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