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## **Boral Redlynch Quarry Community Liaison Group Meeting Minutes**

**Monday 29 April 2024**

**The Northern Outlook, 646 Redlynch Intake Road, Redlynch QLD**

### **ATTENDEES**

#### **Neighbours / Community Representatives**

- Cr Kristy Vallely, Division 6 Councillor, Cairns Regional Council
- Pat Flanagan, neighbour
- Angela Greening, neighbour
- Terry Montgomery, neighbour

#### **Boral**

- Michael Rae, Quarry Manager Redlynch
- Kate Woodbridge, Stakeholder Relations Manager Northern Region (Chair)
- Kelli Adair, Property – Planning and Approvals Lead

#### **Apologies**

- Claire Simmons, Executive Manager Development and Planning, Cairns Regional Council (apology)
- Matt Allan, Senior Environmental Business Manager (apology)

**Meeting commenced at 5 pm**

#### **Introductions**

The 2023 meeting was postponed as there were no additional updates to be provided regarding quarry operations. Dust and blast monitoring for the previous year were all within limits.

#### **Operational Update**

- Haul road has now been repaired after the wet season's devastation.
- Opening the top three (3) benches will commence this coming month, in accordance with our approvals. As per standard practice all adjoining owners will be notified.
- Haul trucks have been hired to start the striping campaign.
- Weed management of bunds along the entry road has commenced with spraying still being undertaken.

#### **Boral's ongoing quarry development**

- In accordance with our current planning and environmental approvals, Boral will progressively work the main ridgeline from the top of the hill in a downward direction ("top down" extraction program) to minimise the noise and visual impact on the surrounding community.
- The haulage route has been re-established and the next phase of works involves vegetation clearing to open up the first three benches, to allow for extraction to commence in accordance with current conditions.
- Boral will work only one bench at a time and once each bench is completed, Boral will commence rehabilitation of these benches to minimise visual impact on the surrounding community.
- Visualisations of the pit development are available on our website <https://www.boral.com.au/locations/boral-quarries-redlynch>

#### **Local projects**

- Cairn's airport project starting in May, - we will be aiming for 100,000T of fill into this project
- BGH Subdivision 10,000T of Fill and Road base
- Quoted on the Port hard stand 150,000t of Fill
- Palm Cove subdivision 20,000T Fill and 10,000T spec Road base



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## **Environmental Updates**

### **Blast Monitoring**

- Vibration: 10mm/s for > than 5% of all blasts (currently 0.7%)
- Overpressure: 120 dB(L) for > 5% of all blast (currently 2.9%)
- All blast monitoring results were within compliance limits.
- Trail blast did not trigger both vibration and overpressure

### **Dust Monitoring**

Dust monitor locations:

- M2 Hooper residence
- M3 Flanagan residence
- M4 Weighbridge (for Boral records only)
  
- For the period August 2023 – March 2024
- Elevated dust results for the months of August and December 2023
- December result was reported to the Department of Environment and Science (DES) as it was recorded at a sensitive receptor.
- Detailed investigation has been conducted regarding elevated dust result.
- Result was following Cyclone Jasper (high winds etc). Result contained high levels of organic matter.
- Quarry manager consulted with the neighbor and was advised no dust issues identified.
- Subsequent results are very low and compliant with the prescribed limits.

### **Blast and vibration monitoring**

- Compliance Limit:
- Vibration: 10mm/s for > than 5% of all blasts in past 12 months (currently 0.0%)
- Overpressure: 120 dB(L) for > 5% of all blast (currently 2.1%)
- All blast monitoring results were within compliance limits.
- 0 results did not trigger monitors

### **Update on Cultural Heritage matters**

- In 2014 / 2015, Boral had three Cultural Heritage Agreements (CHAs) in accordance with the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 (ACHA). The CHAs were entered into with the Yirrganydji, Gimuy and Djabugay Peoples. Under these CHAs, inspections and clearances of much of the project area were secured in 2014.
- In 2016, a claim by the Cairns Regional Claim Group for native title over an area encompassing the Redlynch Quarry was accepted for registration. The effect of this registration is that the Yirrganydji, the Gimuy and the Djabugay are no longer considered to be relevant Aboriginal parties for the project area and Boral are required to enter into a new CHA.
- In 2023, the Cairns Regional Claim Group reformed under the Djabugay National Native Title Claim (DNNTC).
- In accordance with the Cultural Heritage Duty of Care Guidelines, Boral are in the process of obtaining a priority site clearance from the DNNTC within the top three benches.

### **Other business**

Pat Flanagan advised the committee that he will be lodging a development application with Cairns Regional Council.

The next meeting is to be held in 2025 – Kate will be in contact with everyone closer to the date.

Meeting closed at 5.32pm



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<b>ACTION ITEMS:</b>		
<b>Name:</b>	<b>Task:</b>	<b>Actioned by:</b>
Quarry Manager	- Update on Quarry Operation - Update on rehabilitation works	Next meeting
Environmental Manager	- Report on dust & blast results	Next meeting
CLG members	- Update on Community matters	Next meeting

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