

Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Community Newsletter 4 - December 2011



Q12 What do you think the potential impacts of the project could be on the following:
(please tick and make comment)

Impact	High	Moderate	Low	None	Unable to comment	Additional comment
Community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Environment	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
The local economy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lifestyle and amenity	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Employment opportunities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Services and facilities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
You personally	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

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From the Project Manager

Welcome to the fourth edition of our community newsletter, designed to provide you with up-to-date information about the proposed Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Project.

In the year since our last newsletter the Project has achieved two significant milestones in the State and Commonwealth Government approvals processes. In February, the Project's Draft Terms of Reference were released for public comment by Queensland's Coordinator-General. The Queensland Government received 17 submissions regarding the proposed Project. These submissions highlighted further studies stakeholders wished to be included in the draft environmental impact statement. This included investigations of the potential effects of the proposed terminal lighting on nesting turtles and studies into the cumulative impacts associated with increased traffic on the QR National rail network.

On 7 June 2011, the Terms of Reference for the Project were finalised. Xstrata Coal's approach to the Project studies has always been to exceed standard requirements and as such, the final Terms of Reference meant the Project Team felt it necessary to commission additional studies to provide the information needed to complete the environmental impact statement. More information on these studies can be found on the following page of this newsletter.

The State and Commonwealth Governments' approvals processes are continuing and we expect to release our draft environmental impact statement for public review



Studies are continuing for the environmental impact statement... Environmental scientists from Xstrata Coal's consultants GHD undertaking water quality sampling at Raglan Creek (above).

and comment in 2012. Until then, I encourage you to continue to ask questions and provide feedback through our Project Team by calling **1800 145 265** or sending an email to balaclavaislandinfo@xstratacoal.com.au.
Finally, on behalf of the entire Project Team, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

Kind Regards

Chris Straw,
Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal
Project Manager

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Holiday Contact Hours:

The Project Team will be unavailable during the period Friday 23 December 2011 to Monday 9 January 2012 and will respond to telephone messages and emails on their return.

Local communities supported through new fund



Community organisations receive funding... Marmor State School students (above) received funding for new outdoor seating through Xstrata Coal's Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Community Fund.

Five community organisations in Bajool, Marmor and Raglan received some much-needed support when the first donations from the new Xstrata Coal Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Community Fund were distributed in October 2011.

The fund is part of Xstrata Coal's commitment to support the communities in which it operates. The donations, totalling \$15,000, were presented at an afternoon tea held at Marmor State School.

Xstrata Coal Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Senior Project Manager Chris Straw said Xstrata Coal was pleased to be able to help local groups and their hard-working volunteers.

"We hope the children at Marmor and Bajool State Schools will enjoy their new outdoor play equipment and will also be able to learn about frogs in their area with the education campaign to be run by the Queensland Frog Society and funded by Xstrata Coal," he said.

"The hard work of Raglan and Marmor's Country Women's Association volunteers will also be made easier with the catering equipment and seating provided by Xstrata's Community Fund."

Applications for donations can be made by community organisations in Bajool, Marmor and Raglan to the Xstrata Coal Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Community Fund by contacting the Project Team on 1800 145 265 or balaclavaislandinfo@xstratacoal.com.au.

Further studies

Three-dimensional hydrodynamic modelling

Xstrata Coal acknowledges the communities' concerns regarding the potential effects of the proposed dredging program. As such, and whilst not a requirement of the environmental impact statement, Xstrata Coal has engaged consultants to undertake three-dimensional hydrodynamic modelling to supplement the modelling already undertaken. The results will be included in the environmental impact statement.

Updated alignment

At the request of landholders affected by the Project's proposed rail line, Xstrata Coal has moved the alignment north. As a result of this, Xstrata Coal needed to remobilise technical teams to the local area to undertake further studies including flora and fauna surveys. These updated studies will be made available to the public in the environmental impact statement.

Capricorn yellow chat

As part of the Project's environmental impact statement process, Xstrata Coal commissioned Wayne Houston from Central Queensland University (and author of the Species Recovery Plan for the yellow chat) to undertake a study on the possible impacts of the Project on the bird. In addition to the surveys completed in 2009 and 2010, Mr Houston completed another survey of the Project area in 2011.

Community survey

Since we began meeting with community members in August 2008 Xstrata Coal has always been interested to find out about your local community and hearing your feedback on the proposed Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal.

We last conducted a community survey in December 2008 and through your responses we received a lot of valuable information about community values, views on the Project, potential impacts and benefits of the proposed terminal and particular topics of interest.

An updated community survey has been attached to this newsletter for you to complete and return in your own time. Your responses will help inform our environmental impact statement and social impact management plan.

Xstrata Coal values your privacy and confidentiality. The information you provide is collected for use only by the Project Team for purposes of the environmental impact statement.

Community Survey

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this survey form. Your responses will help inform our environmental impact statement and social impact management plan. Please fold and tape with the reply paid details facing outward. No stamp is required for posting.

Q1 Where do you live? (please tick)

- Raglan Bajool
 Marmor Rockhampton
 Other _____

Q2 Are you: (please tick)

- Male Female

Q3 What age group are you?
(please tick multiple age groups as required)

- Under 18 18-24
 25-39 40-55
 55+

Q4 What is your current employment status? (please tick)

- Full-time employee Unemployed
 Part-time employee Student
 Self-employed Retired
 Other _____

Q5 Are you: (please tick)

- Married Single

Q6 What is your housing situation? (please tick)

- Own home
 Rent
 Other _____

Q7 What do you enjoy about living in your community?

Q8 What do you think are the most important issues facing your community at the moment?

Q9 What aspects of your community do you think have changed over the last 5-10 years?

Q10 What do you think will be the most important issues facing your community in the future?

Q11 Please rate the current level of access you have to the following community services and facilities: (please circle)

	good	adequate	poor
Health services			
Commercial facilities (retail shops, banks etc.)			
Education			
Employment			
Recreation and sporting opportunities			

Q13 What is your general impression of the proposed Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal?

Q14 What topics are you most interested to get more informations about in the future?

- Community Air quality
 Safety Onshore environment
 Economy Marine environment
 Amenity Fishing

Updated website:

We invite you to visit our updated website which is now live at www.balaclavaislandinfo.com.au. On visiting the site you will find a range of Project-related information including:

- Regular progress updates
- Project area maps
- Our full suite of past newsletters and current fact sheets
- Xstrata Coal media releases
- Artist impressions of the proposed terminal
- Our Xstrata Coal Balaclava Island Coal Export Terminal Community Fund recipients and information on how to apply
- How to sign up to receive Project update emails
- Project Team contact details