Community Update

Anglesea



Power station decommissioning nearing completion

The removal of the remaining power station structure is expected to be completed this month, with more than 90 per cent of the mainly scrap steel materials now recovered and removed from site.

Principal contractor Industrial Demolition Services is undertaking the activity in accordance with Victoria's Occupational Health and Safety Act requirements to ensure the safety of all onsite personnel and the community.

An independent occupational hygienist continues to conduct air monitoring at and around the site while the material recovery is ongoing.

No airborne asbestos fibres have been detected above the Occupational Health and Safety Regulations 2017 asbestos exposure standard.

Mine reshaping works

Major earthworks activities resumed last week following the end of year break.

Principal contractor Mibus Bros is currently reprofiling the west wall of the mine, consistent with the proposed long-term draft Rehabilitation and Closure Plan.

This work will see the small remaining amount of exposed coal in the mine covered over the next several months and is in preparation for the planned future revegetation of the area.

Fire prevention activities

Fire prevention continues to be a priority for Alcoa. Our comprehensive strategy includes a range of initiatives aimed firstly at prevention, and secondly to ensure preparedness in the unlikely event of a fire.

One important risk mitigation activity, completed in 2015, was the coverage of all horizontal coal with approximately one metre of overburden. Regular mine inspections are undertaken to ensure this is maintained.

Some of the other activities include the use of a Trigger Action Response

Plan to proactively manage elevated regional fire risk conditions, grass slashing on Alcoa's leasehold and freehold landholdings, additional onsite personnel on extreme or code red fire danger days, and continued access to onsite water sources and equipment if required for fire control.

Alcoa regularly engages with the Country Fire Authority and the Victorian Government on fire prevention matters. And WorkSafe Victoria and the Department of Economic Development Jobs Transport and Resources Earth Resources Regulation continues to undertake regular inspections, including testing of all fire prevention processes in place.



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Consultation Network Meeting

6pm, Monday 11 February Anglesea Senior Citizens Club