

# Tarago community livestream

10 December 2020

Welcome to the livestream. We'll start in a few minutes.

## **Agenda**

- Welcome and introductions
- What has been done so far
  - → Testing results
  - → Voluntary Management Proposal (VMP)
- Next steps and timeframes
- Questions and answers



Click on the 'ask a question' button to type in a question

### What we have done so far

- Analysed over 1200 samples in the lab
- Tested over 500 soil samples in the field
- Tested 36 private properties and 8 public spaces
- Set up air quality monitoring network
- 63 rainwater tanks tested
- 7 groundwater wells and 10 surface water monitoring stations set up
- Completed stage 1 of the VMP
- Started stage 2 of the VMP

### Soil testing

- From the rail corridor
  - → below threshold.
- Inside the rail corridor
  - → exceeded threshold.
- Areas on haul route
  - → exceeded threshold.



Shallow test pit at northern portion of rail formation

### Air quality monitoring

- Concentrations of lead have been below screening criteria since April 2020.
- Air quality monitoring is continuing.



Air quality monitoring station at Goulburn Street

### **Groundwater testing**

- Testing in rail corridor and public spaces.
- Presence of lead is below Australian
  Drinking Water
  Guidelines.



Groundwater bore at Tarago Public School

### Surface water testing

- Contamination from the corridor has been localised.
- Contamination from the rail corridor has not been observed in the Mulwaree River.
- Surface water is being tested every 3 months.



Culvert underneath rail line opposite Boyd Street

## **Private Property Testing**

### **Across 36 properties**

Over 400 samples were submitted and over 200 sampling points were measured.

#### The results showed

- 4 properties had lead concentrations that exceeded guidelines and needed to be cleaned.
- 4 properties had lead present, but the lead was not from the rail corridor.

### **Rainwater Tanks**

 110 samples of water and sediment from 63 tanks.

#### Results showed

- No tanks had water that exceeded guidelines.
- 8 tanks had lead levels in sediment that exceeded guidelines.
- These tanks were cleaned.



Tank before (above) and after (below) cleaning



## **Public Spaces**

- High metal concentrations identified in public road reserves appear to be unrelated to the rail corridor.
- Risks from rail corridor contamination in public areas are considered low and acceptable.

## Voluntary Management Proposal (VMP)

Stage 1

- Site assessment
- Interim Site Management Plan

Stage 2

 Develop Remedial Action Plans (RAPs)

Stage 3

- Planning approvals and earthworks
- Implement RAPs

## Voluntary Management Proposal (VMP)

Stage 1

- Site assessment
- Interim Site Management Plan



### **Completed:**

- Detailed Site Investigation report prepared.
- Interim Action Plan developed.

both documents will be available online

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Stage 2

 Develop Remedial Action Plans (RAPs)



### In progress:

- Remedial options assessment.
- Identifying preferred remediation option.

# **Next steps and timing**

What we will do	When
Finalise Stage 2 of the VMP	Apr 2021
Stage 3 of the VMP	
Complete planning approval	Aug 2021
Start remediation works	Sep 2021
Finalise remediation works	Mar 2022
Validate RAP(s) have been implemented	Sep 2022





# Thank you

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