



Bylong Coal Project

We are holding a public meeting to listen carefully to the community's views and encourage you to have your say!

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment has now completed its evaluation of the Bylong Coal Project and referred it to us – the Independent Planning Commission NSW – for determination.

The three-member Panel appointed by Chair of the Commission, Professor Mary O'Kane AC, to determine this state significant development application comprises Mr Gordon Kirkby (Panel Chair), Mr Stephen O'Connor and Ms Wendy Lewin.

Because there's been so much interest in this proposal, we're holding a public meeting to listen carefully to the community's views. This is your last chance to comment on the Department's assessment report before our independent experts make a final decision.

The meeting will be held at **Parklands Resort and Conference Centre, 121 Ulan Road, Mudgee**, on **Wednesday, 7 November 2018**, at **10:00am**. However, if we receive a large number of applications to speak at the meeting, we may need to hold an additional session on the afternoon/evening prior (Tuesday, 6 November 2018) to hear from as many people as possible.

If you wish to apply to speak at the public meeting, you must complete an expression of interest form and return it via email to ipcn@ipcn.nsw.gov.au so that it is received by no later than **5:00pm on Monday, 29 October 2018**.

And if you can't make it or just don't like public speaking, that's not a problem! You can make a written comment up to one week after the meeting. Written comments are weighed the same as spoken presentations.

The former Planning Assessment Commission previously undertook a Review with a Public Hearing in relation to this project which means merit appeal rights in relation to our determination of this application have been extinguished. See Division 8.3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act for more details.

This public meeting will be recorded, and a written transcript published on our website.

Speakers should familiarise themselves with the Commission's '*Public Meeting Guidelines*' prior to presenting to the Panel.

For more information

You can find the Department's final assessment report on our website: www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au under Bylong Coal Project D532-18. Other relevant documents are accessible at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au under Bylong Coal Project SSD 14_6367.

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