

New South Wales Government Independent Planning Commission

## Tahmoor South Coal Project SSD 8445

The former Minister for Planning has requested the Independent Planning Commission NSW to conduct a public hearing into the carrying out of the Tahmoor South Coal Project (SSD 8445) in multiple stages.

The preliminary stage of the public hearing will take place at **Tahmoor CWA Hall**, **98 York Street**, **Tahmoor**, **from 10am** on **Thursday 18 July 2019**. **Depending on the level of interest in this matter**, **the public hearing may run into the following day**.

The Minister has specifically asked the Commission to consider the following information at this stage:

- the EIS for the project
- submissions on the project
- any relevant expert advice, and
- any other relevant information.

The Commission Members appointed to consider this matter are:

- Professor Richard Mackay AM (Chair)
- Mr Alan Coutts
- Professor Chris Fell AM

If you wish to apply to speak at the public hearing, 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 **5pm on Thursday 11 July 2019**.

And if you can't make it or just don't like public speaking, that's not a problem! You can provide written submissions on the project up to **5pm AEDT on Thursday 26 July 2019**.

The Commission will provide notice of any subsequent stage(s) of the public hearing at a later date.

This public hearing will be recorded, and a written transcript published on the Commission's website. Speakers should familiarise themselves with the Commission's *'Guidelines for a public hearing held in multiple stages'* prior to presenting to the Panel.

## **Effect on Merit Appeal Rights**

After this public hearing, no merit appeal may be made under Division 8.3 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (EP&A Act)*, in respect of any future decision made by the consent authority under the EP&A Act, in relation to the carrying out of any development that is the subject of this public hearing. See Division 8.3 of the EP&A Act for more details.

## **More information**

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment's Preliminary Issues Report for this project is available on our website: www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au under Tahmoor South Coal Project SSD 8445. Other relevant documents are available at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au under SSD 8445.

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