



## DURALIE COAL PTY LTD

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# NEWSLETTER

## FOR DURALIE COAL MINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

### Background

Duralie Coal Pty Ltd (DCPL) will be seeking approval from the NSW Minister for Planning to allow for the continued operation of the mine once reserves within existing open cut operations have been exhausted – referred to as the Gloucester Coal Project (GCP).

Preliminary consultation with the Department of Planning (DoP) has indicated that approval for the GCP could be sought through an application for consent under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979* (EP&A Act).

The purpose of this Community Newsletter (No.3) is to provide the status of Part 3A baseline impact assessments, and description of the environmental assessment process.

A Project Description for the Part 3A has been finalised and together with baseline assessment findings will form an application to the DoP. It is anticipated that the application will be submitted in September 2008.

### Status of Baseline Impact Assessments

The current status of baseline impact assessments are as follows:

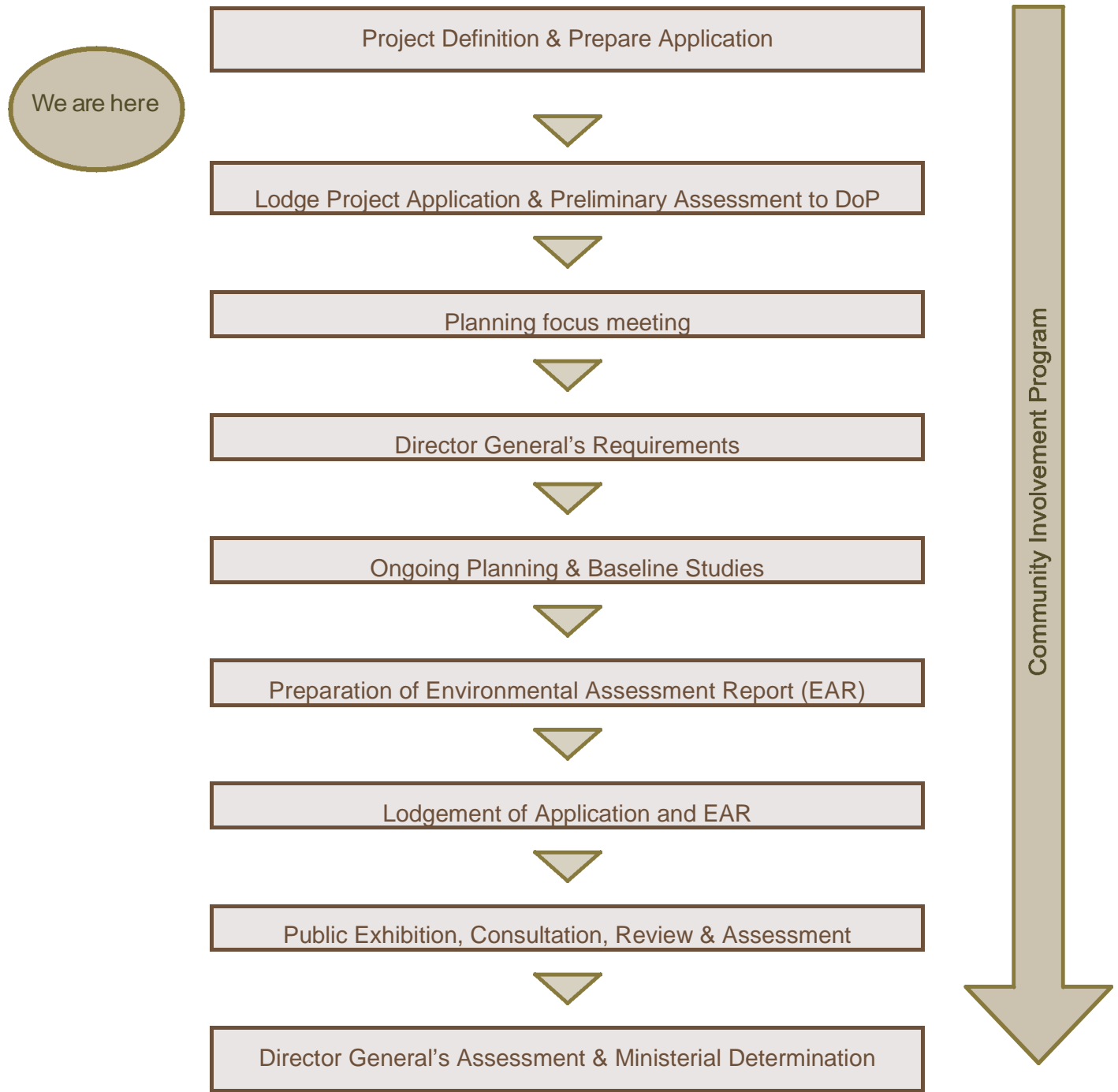
<b>Surface Water</b>	Background monitoring continuing
<b>Groundwater</b>	Preliminary report including a desktop review of previous studies and review of existing groundwater monitoring data completed.
<b>Flora and Fauna</b>	Preliminary report of baseline survey results completed
<b>Cultural Heritage</b>	Preliminary archaeological report on indigenous heritage completed
<b>Noise</b>	Baseline monitoring completed
<b>Air Quality/Dust</b>	Two additional high volume air samplers (PM10) operational. Additional dust deposition gauges under fabrication.
<b>Geochemistry</b>	Preliminary geochemical assessment report completed on CHPP reject
<b>Topsoil</b>	Preliminary topsoil assessment completed
<b>Transport</b>	Preliminary transport assessment commenced

Key findings of the baseline impact assessments will be presented to the community and stakeholders prior to the public exhibition period.

### GCP Consultation and Approval Process

GCP Consultation and approval process is presented in Figure 1.

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*Figure 1: The GCP Consultation and approval process*