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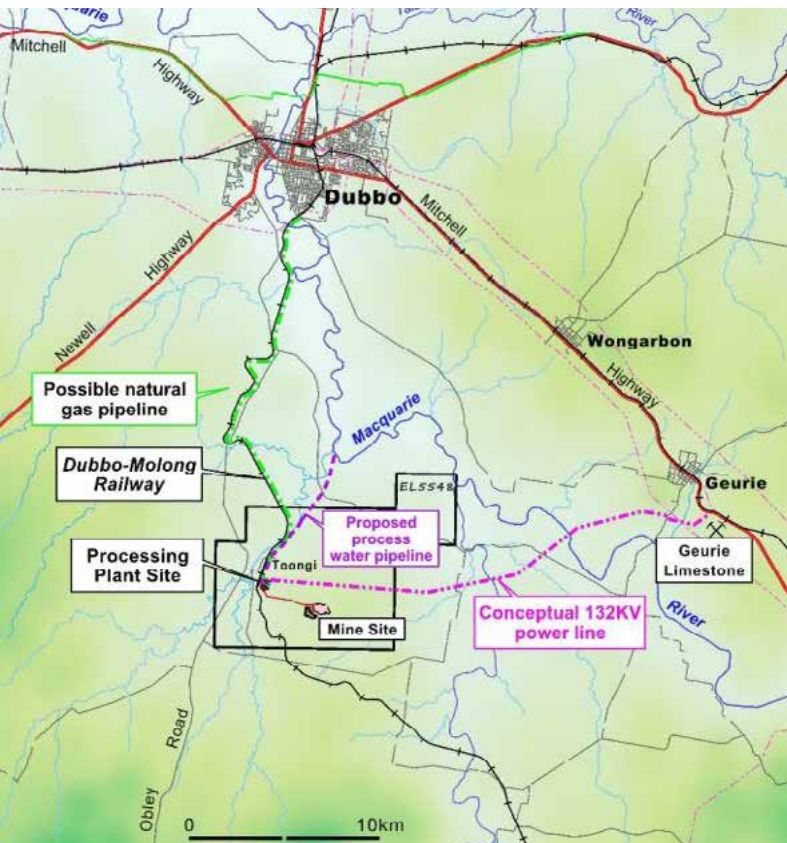
Dubbo Zirconia Project (DZP) Community Newsletter

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PROJECT UPDATE

Dubbo to Toongi railway line

Alkane's decision to re-activate the Dubbo to Toongi railway line in order to service the DZP is still pending. The company is seeking flexibility from the NSW Government to delay the decision on rail right through to Toongi for another few years while critical issues of reagent (chemical) supply are bedded down.



Map showing the DZP site

Rail remains the preferred option for transport for nearly half of the reagents to and from the DZP, and Alkane is working on reagent logistics with prospective suppliers. The railway line would be used to transfer four or five key reagents from a port facility, most likely Newcastle, via Dubbo to the DZP site. However, unless we can be guaranteed supply from bulk storage or direct import into Newcastle, a fully utilised train service (three Newcastle return trips per week), and efficient and reliable train pathing on the Dubbo-Newcastle line through the coal train traffic of the Hunter Valley, rail will not be a viable option.

More information will be provided in future newsletters and on the Alkane website:
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COMMUNITY UPDATE

Environmental Impact Statement – your opportunity to provide feedback

The DZP Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is on public exhibition until 18 November 2013. During this period, community members have the opportunity to provide feedback and comment on the document direct to the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure.

Alkane would like to invite Dubbo and Toongi locals to attend a series of community meetings to discuss the EIS prior to giving formal feedback to the NSW Government. The Alkane team will also

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be available to listen to your queries and concerns about the EIS and, by extension, the DZP, in order to better understand current community issues.

Before the community forum, we encourage you to review the EIS so that you can provide comment and ask questions about specific sections of the document. A number of the specialist consultants who were engaged to contribute to the EIS will be there to answer your questions and help clarify any issues that you feel are unclear.

The EIS can be found in the State Significant Development Projects listing on the NSW Planning website (<http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/on-exhibition>). The community forums are scheduled to be held at:

Toongi Hall

7-9pm on Tuesday
22 October 2013

Dubbo RSL

7-9pm on Wednesday
23 October 2013

Prepare yourself for a career with the Dubbo Zirconia Project

The DZP is expected to create 300-400 jobs during construction in the second half of 2014 and around 250 jobs within the Dubbo region once the mine and processing plant are operational in 2016. The Alkane team have been in talks with educational and vocational providers in Dubbo and the surrounding areas to start preparing the future workforce for a career with the DZP.

If you're interested in a long-term career, now is the time to start building the skill set you will need in order to be eligible for one of our roles. While the final configuration of roles is yet to be determined, jobs at the DZP will fall into five basic categories:

Entry-level roles

On-the-job training will be provided for these roles, but HSC-level chemistry qualifications will be regarded favourably.

Semi-skilled roles

Operating a range of vehicles and other machinery is expected to be a key component of these semi-skilled positions. Vehicle licenses, forklift and reach tickets are expected to be among the sought-after qualifications in this area.

Trade-based roles

Electrical or mechanical trade qualifications will be required in these positions.

Degree qualified roles

A range of degree qualified roles will be on offer, but chemical engineering degrees are expected to be highly regarded by the Alkane recruitment team.

Support roles

As well as technical and hands-on positions in the mine and plant, a range of administrative roles will be created to support DZP operations. Qualifications and experience in fields like accounting, human resources and IT will be a valuable asset for prospective applicants.

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