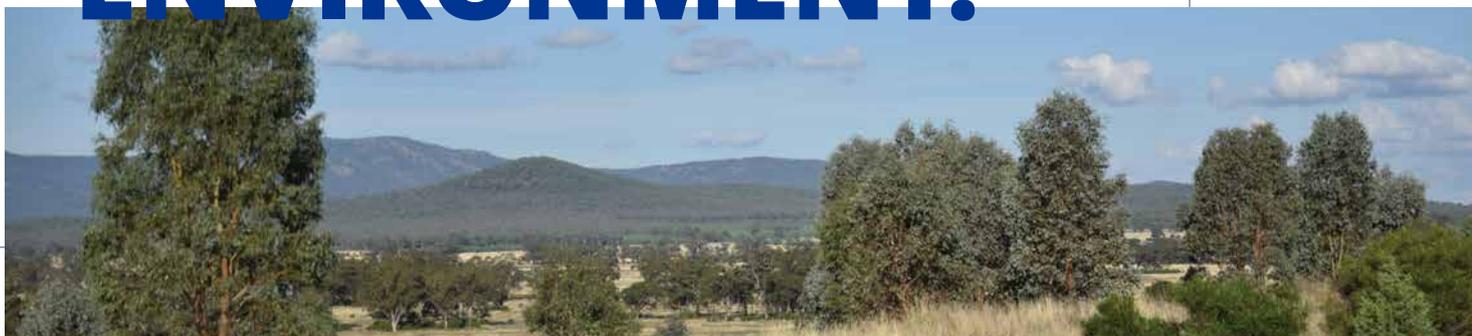


RESPECTING THE LOCAL ENVIRONMENT.



The Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) shows that noise, air quality and visual impacts of the mine are similar or better than what was previously approved.

Being a positive part of the local community means caring for the environment and the livelihoods that depend on it.

While the Extension Project will mean more jobs and local investment, the public can also be assured that we continue to take our environmental responsibilities seriously.

On any given day, we comply with about 7,000 environmental obligations across our six operational mines and our commitment is to always plan carefully, mine responsibly in-line with our approval conditions, and progressively rehabilitate land as we go.

We will continue to work closely with government regulators and local stakeholders to ensure there is confidence in how we manage things like air quality, water and noise.

The Vickery EIS is a detailed technical document that provides comprehensive information about the Project and the steps we will take to ensure environmental impacts are minimised.

This includes how we will implement the strict government guidelines that apply to mining operations and which we already observe at our other operational sites.

The Vickery EIS incorporates some 18 specialist assessments from scientific and technical experts, including studies on groundwater, surface water, flood, noise, air quality, biodiversity and cultural heritage. These assessments tell us that the Project can proceed safely without adverse significant impacts in these areas.

- The comprehensive EIS for Vickery shows the mine can proceed safely, with minimal environmental impacts.
- We have been careful to ensure the revised EIS represents an overall improvement on the Approved Mine.
- We have responded to community feedback and decided not to mine the previously-mined 'Blue Vale' pit. This means Vickery is no closer to the Namoi River the Approved Mine.
- We value community consultation, which is why, even before we lodged the Vickery EIS, we had more than 400 separate stakeholder meetings and interactions about the Project.
- Now the EIS is on public display we encourage you to take a look, have your say and show your support so we can keep powering the region, together.

If you have any further questions, please call us on 1800-WHCOAL (1800 942625), email us at vickeryfeedback@whitehavencoal.com.au or visit us at 231 Conadilly Street, Gunnedah, NSW, 2380.

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