



# BARALABA

## COAL COMPANY LIMITED

## APPROVALS PROCESS

### Community Participation

There are a number of opportunities through the approvals process for the community to be involved and provide feedback. These include:

- Draft Terms of Reference (ToR) - available for public comment between **6 March 2017 and 18 April 2017**.
- Stakeholder engagement - stakeholder events held throughout the EIS process.
- Baralaba South Project EIS - the EIS will be released for public comment during the assessment period.

Stakeholders are encouraged to participate to ensure that your views, concerns and opinions are heard. BCL will continue to hold Baralaba Community Advisory Group meetings and will keep stakeholders informed of opportunities for feedback through regular newsletters/bulletins, letters, emails, through the website, the local newspaper, community meetings and one-on-one discussions.

In 2011 Wonbindi Coal Pty Ltd (Wonbindi Coal), a subsidiary of Baralaba Coal Company Ltd (BCL), commenced an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) process for the Baralaba South Project (the Project). In 2013, the Project was put on hold while the expansion of the Baralaba North Mine was progressed.

Following the grant of Mining Lease 80201 for the Baralaba North expansion in early 2016, the company is now recommencing the approval process for the Project.

### EIS Process

BCL is seeking approval to develop a greenfield, multi-seam, open-cut coal mine using truck and excavator methods to mine up to 6 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) of run-of-mine coal to produce pulverised coal injection and thermal coal product for up to 40 years within an area of approximately 2,214 hectares covered by Mining Lease Application (MLA) 80193. The proposed project would be operated in conjunction with the existing approved Baralaba North Mine. The product rate between the two operations would be approximately 3.5Mtpa, as per the separate approvals in place for the Baralaba Mine Haul Route and Train Load-out (TLO) Facility.

An EIS will be prepared for the Project once the Terms of Reference are finalised. Baralaba Coal Company Ltd will then have two (2) years to prepare and lodge the EIS for assessment by the Queensland Government. The EIS will be required to identify the environmental values of the Project area, the potential environmental impacts and the ways of avoiding, mitigating or offsetting the impacts.

Typically, an EIS will include the following impact assessments:

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| ■ Flora and Fauna                          | ■ Land                |
| ■ Water Quality                            | ■ Biosecurity         |
| ■ Water Resources                          | ■ Waste Management    |
| ■ Flooding and Regulated Dams              | ■ Cultural Heritage   |
| ■ Air Quality (including Greenhouse Gases) | ■ Social and Economic |
| ■ Noise and Vibration                      | ■ Hazards and Safety  |
| ■ Transport                                |                       |

For more information about the Project or about getting involved in the Approvals Process, please contact BCL's **Community Liaison Team** via email [baralabasouth@baralabacoal.com.au](mailto:baralabasouth@baralabacoal.com.au).

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The diagram below outlines the work flow for the Baralaba South Project.

