

## **Welcome to the Alcoa Pt Henry Community Update**

*I hope this finds you all safe and well.*

*Due to ongoing restrictions to prevent the spread of COVID-19, our quarterly Point Henry Community Advisory Board (CAB) is still unable to meet.*

*I am sorry that we can't meet in person, and I hope you enjoy reading about our activities in this update.*

*In these uncertain times we continue to safeguard our people and do what we can to minimise any impact of COVID-19 on communities close to where we operate.*

*With comprehensive measures in place aligned with government requirements, work is continuing onsite, and we continue to make good progress on the decommissioning and environmental remediation.*

*We remain committed to keeping you informed about our ongoing activities and giving you the opportunity to provide us with your feedback.*

*As always please contact me or the Point Henry team on [point.henry@alcoa.com.au](mailto:point.henry@alcoa.com.au) or visit [www.alcoa.com.au/pointhentry](http://www.alcoa.com.au/pointhentry) with any questions or feedback.*

*Stay well and safe!*

*Kind regards,*

*Warren Sharp*

*Point Henry Site Asset Manager*

## **Environment, Health & Safety (EHS) update**

There have been no injuries and no environmental non compliances in the past three months.

Unfortunately, there have been 28 security incidents including unauthorised entries to site with fence breaches and damage to property, rubbish dumping in the local area and significant hoon activity.

Onsite security remains in place including 24-hour security cameras around the site. Unauthorised entries are reported directly to the police and over time there have been several arrests.

We are also working proactively with police to deter hoon activity that has seen unsafe driving behaviour and debris left on Point Henry Rd.

### **Site EHS Metrics:**

564 days without injury and 1,465 days environmentally compliant (as at 31 August 2020).

### **Site activity update**

More than 95 per cent of the physical structures on the industrial site have now been demolished, together with 80 per cent of the concrete.

Over the past three months work has focused on preparing for the demolition of two of the three former Bakes buildings and the scrubber at the northern tip of the site. The third Bakes building is being considered for reuse as part of the Point Henry 575 Concept Master Plan.

Preparatory activities included the removal of equipment such as overhead cranes and other infrastructure, as well as cleaning. The demolition started in late August and is expected to be completed in 2021.



**Above: Demolition activity on the former Bakes buildings.**

### Environment remediation plans

Since our last update in June, we have continued to work in accordance with the Auditor approved Remediation Action Plans for the site, in line with EPA Victoria Clean Up Notice 90008914.

We have also continued to address Environmental Site Assessment reports recommendations.

To date we have not identified any imminent human health or environmental hazards.

### Solid media management / bioremediation

The remediation of hydrocarbon contaminated soils in the rolling mill area is progressing.

The affected soil has been fully recovered and is now stockpiled in preparation for the bioremediation treatment process, which will commence in the coming months.

The treatment process involves spreading, periodic turning and mulching of the soil, and once completed we plan to reuse the soil on site.



**Above: Aerial view of soil stockpiled and ready for bioremediation treatment**

### Constructed wetlands remediation

Planning is continuing for the staged remediation of the constructed wetlands on the eastern edge of the industrial site. The area is partly on land licenced from the Department of Environment Land Water and Planning (DELWP).

The constructed wetlands are engineered to receive stormwater from site and are designed to remove any entrapped sediments or traces of oil residues before discharging the water from the site boundary in compliance with DELWP and EPA State Environmental Protection Policy (Waters) discharge quality criteria.

Remediation activities will include the recovery of residual materials from the treatment system within the constructed wetlands.

### Cultural Heritage Management Plan

As part of the constructed wetlands remediation planning, Alcoa voluntarily undertook a cultural heritage assessment of the area.

A Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) was prepared by a Heritage Advisor and approved by the Wadawurrung Traditional Owners Aboriginal Corporation on 25 August and submitted to the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Register.

The CHMP identified that no Aboriginal cultural heritage sites were found in the activity area.

We will undertake discussions with other key stakeholders as planning for the wetlands remediation continues.

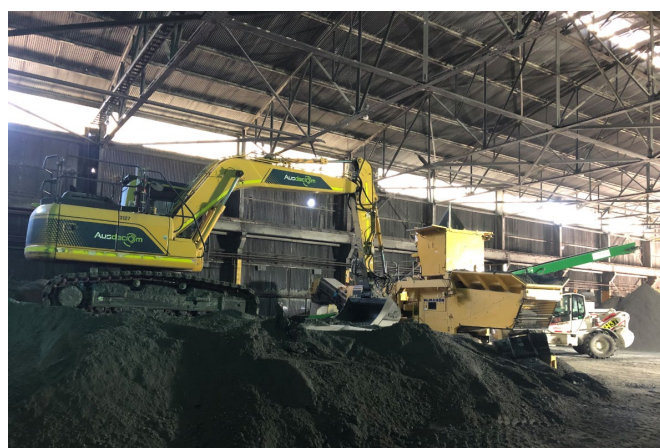
### Onsite material processing

The processing of materials onsite is progressing well.

Following a successful trial, an application to reclassify the material was approved by the EPA and the full-scale treatment has operated over the last three months and is on schedule to be completed in September.

The process involves the treatment of remnant commingled potrooms process materials to an immobilised Category C waste.

The work is being conducted inside two of the three remaining Bakes buildings.



**Above: Treatment of onsite materials**

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## Landfill consolidation project

As a key step in our site remediation strategy, planning is underway to [consolidate two existing landfill sites](#) (Moolap and CPL). This will reduce the total existing landfill sites from three to two.

After extensive community consultation, Alcoa has received a Works Approval from EPA Victoria and a Notice of Decision to Grant a Planning Permit from the City of Greater Geelong for the design and construction of two additional containment cells at the existing Moolap landfill site. Both are subject to stringent conditions. An objection has been lodged with VCAT in relation to the Works Approval and due course will be followed.

Cell construction at the Moolap site is expected to commence in 2021.

This is the first stage of remediation works related to landfills. Stage two will develop the long-term capping and closure strategy for the original industrial landfill.

## Point Henry 575 update

The Moolap Coastal Strategic Framework Plan was introduced into the Greater Geelong Planning Scheme on 24 December 2019.

Discussions are continuing with the City of Greater Geelong to gain further clarity about the City's Settlement Strategy, and the next steps on the Point Henry 575 Concept Master Plan.



## Next CAB meeting

The next Pt Henry CAB meeting is scheduled for December. We will continue to monitor COVID-19 related restrictions and confirm the meeting closer to the time.

## Keep informed

If you have any feedback or questions for the Point Henry team, please:

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