

Red Hill Community Liaison Meeting



EMRC's Community Liaison Meeting held on 6 April 2011 was attended by five community members. Previous minutes were endorsed by attending members.

Litter

A resident of Mahogany Creek, Mundaring reported that during the Clean Up Australia Day clean up, one to two trailer loads of rubbish were collected from the State Forest near Mahogany Creek. A further report of bicycles and medicines having been dumped at the intersection of Roland Rd/Toodyay Rd was also noted. Red Hill personnel had contacted the City of Swan rangers regarding the medicinal waste and it was cleaned up promptly. EMRC has since written to the DEC in regards to the Mahogany Creek littering and requested the City of Swan to remove the spoil heaps at the intersection of Roland Rd/Toodyay Rd so that there is improved visibility. The City of Swan has replied that these heaps will be removed as soon as possible.

EMRC Red Hill employees recently undertook a litter collection east of the Facility and the Justice Department also collected 0.6 tones of litter from along Toodyay Rd.

Noise

EMRC carried out noise monitoring in late January and are currently waiting for results which will be used to develop a noise model for the site. Results will be discussed with the community once they become available.

Odour

EMRC completed an extensive odour survey of the site in January as part of the Resource Recovery project. These results will be discussed with the community when they become available.

Fauna Management

Ibis numbers have increased on site in excess of 300 birds. EMRC has a damage licence from the DEC for the removal of 100 ibis. Only ten ibis have been culled to date, mainly due to less ibis being present on site

over the past month, perhaps as a result of the culling exercise. EMRC will apply to extend the damage licence period.

Groundwater

The March quarter water monitoring round has been completed and EMRC is waiting for some of the laboratory results. Results received so far indicate that the groundwater levels in the area are falling.

Previous monitoring results show that the plume is receding back within Facility boundaries. EMRC has applied to DEC for a clearing permit so it can install three monitoring bores close to Christmas Tree Creek in the John Forest National Park. These bores will allow EMRC to better understand the relationship between groundwater and surface water within this area.

Revegetation

EMRC has recently ordered approximately 3,500 native tubestock to rehabilitate sections of the landfill that have been capped. This area will be rehabilitated in late June by EMRC staff and members of the public.

Solar Cities Project

The 9kW solar PV tracking panels have recently been installed at the entrance to the Facility, however it will be another month until the system is up and running. Screens displaying the output of the system are to be placed at the weighbridge and in the education centre. The installation of solar panels at EMRC's Belmont office has been completed and that system is up and running.

Resource Recovery Facility (RRF)

Four hundred brochures which invite the community to comment on the draft Community Partnership Agreement have been delivered to residents in the vicinity of the Waste Management Facility. The Community Task Force will review all public comments in formulating the final Community Partnership Agreement, before it is sent to Council for endorsement. All public comments need to be

submitted to EMRC by 16 May 2011.

EMRC is currently collecting emissions data as part of the baseline monitoring survey. This data will be compared with predicted future emissions from an RRF to ensure these will be at acceptable levels. Two ambient air monitoring stations have been installed; one on Lot 12 and the other along Toodyay Rd. These stations monitor dust, various nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide and sulphur dioxide. Passive samplers have also been placed at each station and on a resident's property. Monitoring is to take place over two months. EMRC will consider undertaking this study again once the RRF has been commissioned, to ensure emissions are not exceeding limits. Residents asked if a site had been chosen for this Facility and were advised that Council had decided that the preferred site is on Lot 12 north of the Greenwaste Area.

EMRC has updated its website to reflect the latest developments on the Resource Recovery Project.

Other Business

EMRC staff advised that the Red Hill Annual Monitoring and Compliance Report has been submitted to the DEC. A copy has also been sent to the Gidgegannup Progress Association.

EMRC staff also reported that the Red Hill Waste Management Facility and the transfer stations at Coppin Rd and Mathieson Rd have recently been broken into. EMRC encourages residents in the area to be wary and ensure their houses are secure.

The next meeting is to be held at the Red Hill Waste Management Facility on 1 June 2011 at 6.00pm.

Agenda:

- **Litter**
- **Noise**
- **Odour**
- **Fauna**
- **Revegetation**
- **Groundwater**
- **Water Corp**
- **Solar Cities**
- **RRF**
- **Other Business**

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