

**Port Botany Expansion  
Community Consultative Committee**

**Date:** 8 April, 2008

**Meeting number: 11**

Nancy Hillier – Community Representative  
 John Burgess - Community Representative  
 Paul Pickering - Community Representative  
 Neil Melvin - Community Representative  
 Jill Yeomans - Minutetaker  
 Kamini Parashar – Sydney Ports Corporation  
 Christa Sams – Sydney Ports Corporation  
 Marika Calfas – Sydney Ports Corporation  
 Colin Rudd – Sydney Ports Corporation  
 John Taylor – Baulderstone Hornibrook  
 Margaret Harvie – Baulderstone Hornibrook  
 Quentin Pitts – Baulderstone Hornibrook  
 Angus Northey – Baulderstone Hornibrook  
 Glen Homes – Hyder Consulting

**Apologies:**

Paul Shepherd – City of Botany Bay Council  
 Roberta Ryan - Chairperson  
 Vince Newton – Baulderstone Hornibrook  
 Paul Jerogin – Sydney Ports Corporation  
 Neil Brener – Business Representative  
 Bronwyn Englaro – Randwick City Council  
 Linda Armstrong – Baulderstone Hornibrook

**Not present:**

Item	Issue	Action	By whom	When
<b>1</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>			
1.1	No comments were received on minutes from the previous meeting sent out by KP for comment.			
1.2	NH asked whether there would be odours from any of the drains/portaloos/rotting vegetation etc. QP stated that there will be some odours from existing soils on site, Millstream and organic materials in sand and soils naturally decaying. BHJDN will prepare a management plan to address these.			
<b>2</b>	<b>Presentation on construction methodology - BHJDN</b>	MH will send a copy of the presentation		

		to those not in attendance.		
2.1	JT showed artistic representation and plan of the proposed new port			
2.2	Discussed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Site Establishment</li> <li>2. Wharf Construction methods</li> <li>3. Dredge methods</li> <li>4. Estuary works methods</li> <li>5. Estuary works timing</li> </ol>			
	Questions and discussion			
2.3	JB asked for confirmation of the plan for parking near the existing boat ramp during construction. JT showed the planned changes visually. JB noted that some land has already been given up by the boating community to Patricks and is not currently being used and asked why more needs to be taken. CR noted that the road is as close to the fence as possible and the vegetated area is being used as an access road. KP requested that this matter be discussed at the meeting planned for 9 April 2008 with the boating/fishing representatives.			
2.4	JB questioned whether dredge material will be used to make the new boat ramp. JT confirmed this.			
2.5	JB suggested that NSW Maritime has stated there will be restricted access to the bay. JT stated this is incorrect and there will be a permanently open channel as shown on the plans. JB stated that Maritime will need to be re-informed. This will be further discussed at the meeting 9 April 2008.			
2.6	PP queried whether vibrations from compaction will be felt in the community. JT stated that vibration should not be felt outside 3-4 metres from the site of compaction.			
2.7	NM queried what access there will be to Penrhyn Estuary for recreational boating. JB confirmed that there will be no access to Penrhyn Estuary for boats due to the bridge and the tidal flushing channel. NM questioned where the car	SPC will look into this land area and report back		

	park and office will be. JB noted it will be between the boat ramp and the amenities block. JB also noted there is space inside the Patricks wall that is not being used and it would be useful to have access to this. He also stated that Patricks are blocking access to the boat ramp in contradiction to the agreement by using the area for overflow parking.			
2.8	PP queried the materials used for the new roads. JT stated that the roads will be chipped and sealed.			
2.9	NM requested community members visit the area again to enable fresh knowledge of the area. KP suggested the next meeting include a visit to the boat ramp and expansion area.	SPC to organise a vehicle and BH to obtain permission for site visit.		
<b>3</b>	<b>Presentation on Noise and Vibration plan followed by discussion – BHJDN/All</b>			
3.1	Presentation distributed by QP <i>Noise and Vibration Issues</i> providing information on: Background Background monitoring Key Issues Noise sources Sound Power Levels Noise Assessment Daytime Typical Case Daytime Worst Case Nighttime Typical Case Nighttime Worst Case Nighttime Boat Ramp Noise Assessment Results Mitigation Measures Noise Monitoring			
	Questions and discussion			
3.2	PP queried where the piling will be. CR advised it is about 35 metres behind the wharf line and will be mainly augured rather than driven.			
3.3	NH noted that the area being monitored was limited and should have included	MC to liaise with NH		

	<p>the residents along Bunnerong Road. QP responded that it is not anticipated that noise will carry to these areas. NH stated that noise is travelling to these areas currently and so will likely carry to these areas for other developments. GH noted that the monitoring locations are the same as in the EIS.. NH stated that the EIS is not sufficient and there are residents in numerous areas not covered who should be included. MC noted that the selection was made in relation to the residents closest to ensure that noise above 5dba is not experienced. Other residents may still be affected however to a lesser degree. CR responded that SPC will look into putting an additional monitor in another area.</p> <p>JB expressed surprise that only 5dba will be added to the noise of the area. He noted that noise currently carries to Maroubra from the Port and asked whether this would increase. He noted that wind and large machinery may affect this. GH replied that there is a considerable buffer zone. NH suggested soundproofing of houses should also be considered by the Port. JB agreed that this should be considered by the Port as a gesture of Corporate Citizenship, even if not supported by the science.</p>	<p>regarding investigation of areas for additional monitors.</p>		
3.4	<p>NH asked which method of piling is quieter. CR confirmed that augured piles are quieter than impact hammered piles. There will be some piles that need to be driven, however most will be augured.</p>			
3.5	<p>PP queried where the clay silt taken will be disposed of. JT stated that this material will be put under water on the Eastern side of the airport strip.</p>			
3.6	<p>PP questioned what happens when noise targets are not met. QP stated that it depends on the activity and the impact it is having. NH asked whether there are penalties. QP confirmed there are penalties for breaking the noise</p>			

	levels.			
3.7	KP requested that the diagrams which were unclear be redistributed in a larger format at the next meeting.	BHJDN to supply larger copies of the plans to members requesting them at the next CCC meeting		
<b>4</b>	<b>Presentation on Soil and Water plan followed by discussion - BHJDN/All</b>			
4.1	Items covered: Purpose of Soil and Water Management Plan Goals of Soil and Water Management Plan Legislative Requirements Key Issues During Land-Based Construction Mitigation Measures Continued Key Issues for Water-Based Activities Mitigation for Water-Based Activities Other Key Issues During Construction Erosion and Sediment Control Plans Register – Anticipated Progressive Erosion and Sediment Control Plans Monitoring Training and Resources Emergency and Incident Response Water Quality Monitoring Location Map			
	Questions and discussion			
4.2	NH asked what well stocked spill kits are. QP stated that they are filled with absorbent materials in case of chemical spillage. QP noted that there will be times that spills occur, however measures are in place to deal with these efficiently.			
4.3	NH queried communication between BHJDN and Orica. QP stated that some communication is required when there may be possible impact on their monitoring equipment in the Penrhyn Estuary.			
4.4	PP queried what sort of aggregate is being brought in for the rock wall. QP stated that it will be a dense basalt (black) colour. PP queried where this			

	will be coming from. CR stated that this is yet unknown.			
4.5	CR asked whether it will be real time monitoring. QP confirmed this.			
4.6	PP questioned whether the acid sulphate soil materials would surface. QP confirmed they will be kept under water and handling would be limited.			
4.7	NH asked how complaints will be registered. MH confirmed that during construction there will be the opportunity to have the phone directed through to people working onsite. The system is yet to be confirmed. CR stated that it is in SPC and BHJDN interests to respond to any complaints quickly.			
4.8	Regarding the water quality monitoring location map PP queried what is happening to the sediment being deposited into the Estuary and on the beach. QP stated that this is on the map purely for monitoring purposes as a maximum of 2cm per year is allowed in the Estuary.			
4.9	NH asked if an immediate result will be available following testing. QP confirmed that most testing will be immediate. Some water quality testing will need to go to a laboratory.			
4.10	NM questioned the silt curtain opening around the seagrass shown on the map. CR confirmed that there is no opening. NM asked where the turbidity will settle whilst the silt curtain is up, would it be the beach. JB expressed the opinion that he expected the beach to be 'ordinary' during the construction phase. NM questioned whether the Silt Curtains would trap fauna. QP stated that this is not anticipated due to the material being used for the silt curtain. There is a plan in place to monitor and mitigate this. NM questioned what the turbidity will be like inside the silt curtain and the effect on fauna. JB stated that the fish will likely leave the area during the construction and it would not have a major effect. NM asked how the	BHJDN will check the drawing for accuracy.		

	turbidity is monitored. QP stated there is background monitoring already being done and during the construction period this will continue.			
4.11	JB requested comments provided to BHJDN be provided to members. MH stated that summaries are available for all members and handed out the summaries of the CCC previous comment on the waste and the dust plans..	Comments from CCC members on the Soil and Water Plan and the Noise and Vibration Plan are to be provided to BHJDN by the 14 <sup>th</sup> April 2008.		
<b>6</b>	<b>Other issues raised by community members for discussion</b>			
	VN has requested a meeting on 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2008 for the Emergency Response Plan.	Meeting to be held on 29 April.		
	JB stated that some diagrams provided to the CCC from BHJDN are difficult to follow.	BHJDN will provide A3 versions of 2 of the diagrams to CCC members at the next meeting.		
	<b>Next Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> April 2008 – commencing with a site visit.</b>			

These minutes have been endorsed by SPC in the absence of the Chair.