

Community Engagement

At Aeris, we believe community engagement is an essential component of successful mining projects and are committed to working with the community to understand local challenges and expectations, enabling the development of socially and economically sustainable projects.

The Stockman Project has a longstanding commitment to engagement with the local community, which began during initial exploration and continues today. We will maintain and build meaningful relationships well into the future, as we progress into construction, operation and ultimately closure and rehabilitation.

Our formal community engagement commitments for the Stockman Project are detailed in the Stockman Project's Social Management Plan and Community Engagement Plan.







COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP (CRG)

A Community Reference Group was established for the Project during its Environment Effects Statement (EES) phase. The CRG represents a wide range of local opinions and experiences which may need to be considered by the Project and assists in disseminating information to the public. CRG representatives are from towns within the region including Omeo, Benambra, Swifts Creek and Ensay.

PROJECT OFFICE AND COMMUNICATION

The Stockman Project Office in Omeo is accessible to all members of the public. A project-specific webpage has been established on the Aeris website with a dedicated email address and toll-free number for Project enquiries. A Project Community Newsletter is also published twice a year, via local noticeboards, the Stockman Project webpage and a subscription email list.

LOCAL PROJECT STAFF

The Stockman Project employs four local team members who work from our Project Office in Omeo. Our local, on-the-ground team is supported by the Aeris Corporate Office in Brisbane. We look forward to welcoming more local team members in the future as the Project progresses towards construction.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ERC)

The primary function of an Environmental Review Committee (ERC) is to review a mine's environmental performance against relevant standards and approvals. An ERC will be established for the Stockman Project prior to its construction commencement, comprised of community representatives and other stakeholders from East Gippsland Shire Council, Department of Jobs, Precincts and regions, the Environment Protection Authority, and other relevant agencies.

REGULAR ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

In addition to running our Project Office, the Project also facilitates two key engagement opportunities each year. During our annual Community Forum event, community members are invited to hear from the Aeris CEO about our current progress on the Project, while our manned stall at the annual Omeo Agriculture Show is a great opportunity to drop by and engage with our staff about the Project.

PROJECT INFORMATION FACTSHEETS

A series of Project factsheets are available from our Project Office and on the Stockman webpage. These factsheets cover a range of topics including Rehabilitation, Community Benefit, the Community Grants Program and Tailings Management.



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