



Tritton Operations - Community Consultative Committee

Minutes

The meeting was held on 18 February 2026 at the Nyngan RSL Civic Club.

Meeting commenced at 9am

Present at the meeting:

Garry West (Independent Chair)

Paul Harris (Chief Operating Officer, Aeris Resources, Tritton Operations)

Natalie O'Connell (Senior Community Advisor, Aeris Resources)

Derek Francis (General Manager, Bogan Shire Council)

Debb Wood (Director, People & Community Services, Bogan Shire Council)

Tony Wood (Nyngan Police Sergeant)

Raylene Weldon (Nyngan Local Aboriginal Land Council)

Maria Johnson (Nyngan Local Aboriginal Land Council)

Apologies

Will Olson (Environmental Superintendent, Tritton Operations)

Antony Gibson (Community Representative)

Graeme Angove (Landholder representative)

Rachael Fanning (Community representative)

Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed attendees.

Minutes of Previous meeting

Minutes were circulated and no changes were requested and were uploaded to the project website.

Business Arising
NIL

Company Report

Business Update

Paul Harris provided the following overview:

Tritton Update

- Production was lower resulting in tonnes milled being lower quarter on quarter due to Stage 1 pit ore stockpile being processed in Q1 and a 10 day mil shutdown.
- Production was 5.0Kt at ASIC of A\$3.94/lb
- Costs have been managed well and to plan
- Third-party concentrate raling impacted by fire on rail bridge
- Over 13,000m of diamond drilling has been completed with 4 rigs
- Constellation received development consent
- High-grade intersections returned from drilling testing resource extensions at Avoca Tank and Buderygar

Murrawombie Pit

- Stage 2 waste stripping underway – no ore has been mined during the quarter
- Minor pit redesign is being undertaken for geotechnical risk management
- Updated grade control model shows 10% increase in contained metal
- Stage 2 ore to be delivered to the mill next quarter

Human Resources

- Local recruitment continues to have positive results with 10+ hires in the past 12 weeks.
- A priority for Tritton continues to be local and regional recruitment (Western NSW)
- 4 new residential hires have been successfully realised in the past 12 weeks, meaning 4 new families permanently living in Nyngan.
- Introduction of a 2nd Charter flight from Brisbane to Nyngan direct is working well, providing Monday and Thursday return. However, local and regional recruitment will continue to be prioritised.
- With the extra charter service a real opportunity now exists for essential services to utilise spare seats or the public.

Paul Harris provided an overview of the workforce breakdown:

Currently 357 employees with 253 living locally, DIDO numbers of 68, FIFO numbers of 23 and 13 contractors.

Community

TRL has proudly supported the following organisations/events during the last Community Grants round: Bogan Shire Christmas lights competition, Australia Day Colouring Competition, Girilambone Community Christmas celebrations, Hermidale Tennis & Community Centre Christmas Celebrations and the Nyngan Amateur Swimming Club for lane sponsorship.

Community grants have now moved to quarterly rounds and Round 1 will open on 1 January and close on 31 March. Successful applicants will be notified by 30 April.

Marie Johnson asked if it was possible for Tritton to support local Naidoc activities. Natalie advised that an application should be made for such support.

Environmental Incidents, Complaints & Initiatives

Nil Complaints for the quarter.

Operations:

- Environmental monitoring continues and results are published on the Aeris website
- Addition of water monitoring points for the Constellation project, and
- Pest control program has been improving with goat numbers targeted at all operations. There is a plan for feral catch control in the coming months.

Marie Johnson asked where the water for the Constellation project will be sourced? Paul advised it is the Gunningbar Creek.

Projects & Rehabilitation

- Environmental Management Plan revisions have been submitted to appropriate regulators for approval following the Tritton MOD 9 approval
- Constellation Management Plans are currently in development and will be sent to consultation / approval in the coming month.
- Continued progress on the capping of the Murrawombie Heap Leach Pad, with seeding plans being prepared.
- Slides were presented showing the Murrawombie Pit cutback, the Heap Leach Formation and the embankment wall.

Constellation Project

The Constellation Project received development consent in December 2025 with secondary permits by mid 2026.

Final designs for the Open Pit, Underground Mine design are still being assessed. The site layout and surface infrastructure facilities design have been completed with the focus now on detailed design aspects.

Metallurgical test work programs continue, awaiting a final report.

Off-site infrastructure, specifically the Haul Road, infrastructure corridor, power, water and communications design is progressing.

Landholder access is still to be resolved.

Planning / DA approval for the proposed Borrow Pits location continues – Geotech surveys completed, awaiting a report to make decisions on which borrow pits may be utilised. Local borrow pits are still preferred as they are a key source of low-cost, nearby construction materials.

The proposed mine site facilities include:

- Staged open pit development
- Waste rock emplacement
- Underground mine accessed through in-pit portal or new boxcut
- Processing treatment for Oxide material options are an on-site Heap Leach or hauled to Tritton Mill
- Mine site workshops & buildings
- HV power, water & communications infrastructure
- Various stockpiles (ROM, waste, tailings, topsoil), and
- Site water diversions / catchments

The key modifications to the project include the following:

- A lateral extension and a deeper open cut pit to access the identified mineral ore
- A corresponding increase to the area required for waste rock storage
- Relocation of some infrastructure to accommodate the modified mine and optimise operations including the following:
 - Mining infrastructure for optimal development and operation of the mine
 - Expanded areas for topsoil to support rehabilitation
 - Water management infrastructure for erosion and sediment controls
 - The addition of a portal within the open cut to facilitate underground mining operations
- Changes to electricity supply infrastructure including:
 - Advancement of the proposed connection to the grid to reduce reliance on the use of diesel generators
 - Relocation and expansion of areas to support a future solar farm (subject to further feasibility analysis)

Importantly, most of the modified surface infrastructure would be located on land that is already cropped and not habitat for native flora and fauna. Existing studies on risks associated with biodiversity, water management, Aboriginal heritage, transportation, air quality and noise would be updated to address the proposed modifications.

Due to the geometry of the optimised open cut pit, the peak production rate may be increased. This would increase from the currently proposed limit of no more than 1Mtpa to approximately 1.3 Mtpa and require a corresponding increase to the handling of materials and transport of mineral ore to the Tritton Copper Mine. Consequently, a minor increase in peak traffic movements (hourly and/or daily movements) may be required and updated traffic assessments would also be prepared. The modification is expected to be submitted to DPHI in Q1 2026.

Q: Derek Francis asked when Constellation is likely to start. Paul Harris expects mining is likely to commence in August 2026 with first ore January/February 2027.

Development Approval – Modification 9

- Aeris Resources applied for modification (MOD 9) to the Tritton Copper Mine (DA 41/98) to optimise and integrate operations in the region, including:
 - Height of Tailings Dam increased from 272m AHD to 278m AHD
 - Mining Operations extended from December 2028 to December 2036
 - Increasing export of tailings material for paste back fill
- The Modification was approved and the development consent conditions were updated on 15 September 2025.

Paul Harris provide comment on the recent announcement of the sale of Peel Mining's South Cobar Copper project (Mallee Bull and Wirlong) to be acquired by Aeris Resources via a Scheme of Arrangement. (See ASX Announcement 12 February 2026 attached)

General Business

Garry West asked questions forwarded by Anthony Gibson:

1. Tritton's experience with the Girilambone mobile phone tower in terms of signal strength and capacity and if an upgrade may be possible. Paul Harris agreed to accept that issue as an action for a future meeting.
2. Are local street and road names leading to the Girilambone site a problems for emergency service responders? Tony Wood responded saying there are a number of protocols that are required to be followed and the clearer directions given to operators is important not just using local landmark directions.
3. Energy reliability especially in peak demand cycles. Tritton has energy demands and which are constantly under review to plan for stability.

Marie Johnson asked if Tritton has school based traineeship that could lead to mining employment opportunities? Not at the moment.

Deb Wood asked if Tritton provides University scholarships with pathways to mining? Paul Harris advised not at the moment, but the idea is under review.

Raylene Weldon asked how many vacancies currently exist at Tritton. Paul advised he thought it was in the 20's across a range of jobs.

Meeting closed at 9.50am

Next Meeting is proposed to be held at Girilambone accompanied by a site tour.

Wednesday 13 May 2026 TBC