

PROJECT COMMUNIQUE

EXTERNAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

20 MAY 2021



PROJECT PHOENIX

ESTABLISHING SEED SUPPLY FOR AUSTRALIAN BUSHFIRE RECOVERY AND LANDSCAPE RESILIENCE

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| Title: | Project Phoenix ESC Meeting #13 |
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Strategic Communications

Progress Update

The first Project Phoenix newsletter was distributed via email on 14 May 2021. Contentgroup presented the statistical data associated with the newsletter engagement. Information provided included location of the recipients (national / international), demographics of people accessing the newsletter, email addresses that accessed the newsletter multiple times and the content within the newsletter that attracted the most traffic. The project overview blog produced by the Project Manager, Samantha Craigie, was the most popular contribution this month.

The Project Phoenix team have engaged directly with the mining industry to build relationships and generate interest in the Native Seed and Landscape Restoration Strategy. A submission was made to the NSW Resource Regulator, addressing proposed mine site Operational Rehabilitation Reforms through their public consultation process. The project was also represented at AusIMM's Life of Mine Conference which was held in Brisbane from 28 - 30 April. AusIMM is the peak body for people working in the resources sector in Australia. The conference brings together the mining, environment and conservation sectors to encourage discussion on achieving sustainable outcomes during and after mining.

Ten-Year Strategy

Progress Update

The Online Design Workshops for Developing the Ten-year Native Seed and Landscape Restoration Strategy were commenced in April and concluded in mid-May. The focus of the Acil Allen Team is now writing the first draft of the Strategy based on the discussion paper and information that was derived from the Workshops.

ACIL Allen presented their "Strategy on a Page" to the committee and led a discussion on the thinking behind the structure. ESC members were highly engaged on the issue of sector leadership.

Project Management Report

The Project Manager presented the Project Phoenix Key Delivery Dates for completion of the project, incorporating milestones included by the Department in the recently signed Deed of Variation.

All Activities are now either Commenced (13) or Completed (17). The deadline for the completion of the majority of Project Activities is 30 June 2021 which coincides with the public submission period for the Strategy.

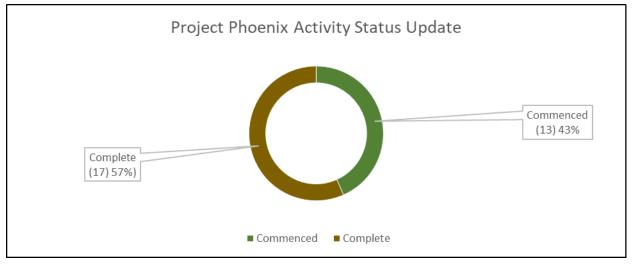


Figure 1. Project Phoenix Activity Status Update *Status reflects 11.05.2021