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# Community Newsletter

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**The Bylong Coal Project is  
100% owned by  
KEPCO Bylong Australia**



### Exploration Update

Exploration drilling on KEPCO-owned properties has started and is expected to continue throughout August. The current exploration program will further define the extent of the resource in one of the planned open cut areas and the planned underground mine area. Geotechnical investigations taking place on KEPCO-owned properties have now been completed.

Mining Lease Applications for the proposed mine footprint have been lodged with the NSW Department of Industry - Resources and Energy. The Mining Lease Applications will be publicly advertised in the coming weeks.

The mining lease application process will continue in parallel with the planning approvals process and conclude following the grant of development consent for the Project. For further information, please refer to the NSW Department of Industry - Resources and Energy website: [www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au](http://www.resourcesandenergy.nsw.gov.au)

### Homestation Restoration Works

KEPCO engaged a well-known and respected local stonemason with extensive experience to undertake restoration works to the historic 'Homestation' (c. 1848) building, also known as Lee Homestead. The historic building has been badly weathered since its last extensive renovation in 1909, but remains the only structure from the early Victorian period in the Bylong area. Restoration works have now been completed and include reinforcement and moisture-proofing of the remaining walls and chimney, and improving site drainage.

### Agricultural Land Management

As a component of KEPCO's agricultural land management activities, we have commenced further wild dog and feral pig control programs to help protect local livestock and reduce crop and pasture damage. Operated in conjunction with other local landholders and the Local Land Services' (LLS) Central Tablelands office, the control programs are ongoing and implemented in accordance with the *Pesticides Act 1999*.



Homestation (c. 1848)



**Project Status**



\*Option available to Minister

**Community Investment Fund**

Congratulations to Rylstone Hospital Auxiliary and Mudgee Disability Support Service, grant recipients from KEPCO's Community Investment Fund. Both organisations provide essential services to people in need and make a positive and lasting difference within our community. The Community Investment Fund invests in strategic community-based projects through sponsorships and donations. Community groups and organisations in Bylong, Rylstone, Mudgee and Kandos are encouraged to apply for funding or in-kind support for events, programs and initiatives that support the community.

Individual organisations can apply for up to \$3,000 per round of funding. The second round opens 15 September 2015 and closes 31 October 2015.

If your community organisation would like to apply for the next round of funding, please visit the project website [www.bylongproject.com.au](http://www.bylongproject.com.au) to download the application form and eligibility guidelines or contact the Community Liaison Officer on 1800 BYLONG (1800 295 664).

Completed applications forms can be submitted by:

Email at [bylong@worleyparsons.com](mailto:bylong@worleyparsons.com)

Post: Community Liaison Officer, Bylong Coal Project, 367 Upper Bylong Road, Bylong NSW 2849

If you have any questions regarding the application process, or you would like more information, please contact our Community Liaison Officer.

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**Community Consultation**

KEPCO has lodged a Development Application for the Bylong Coal Project with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E).

The lodgement of the Development Application is a formal step in the planning approvals process.

In the coming months an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) supporting the Development Application will be placed on public exhibition for comment.

You will have the opportunity to review and formally comment on the EIS during the public exhibition period. The timing of the release of the EIS for public exhibition is determined by DP&E. When the EIS is placed on public exhibition, KEPCO will advise where it can be viewed and how to provide comment.

In the coming months, KEPCO will host information sessions to update the community on the EIS and approvals process, and to receive community input. We will advertise the information sessions closer to their dates.

We are also meeting with individual landholders to discuss property specific aspects of the EIS. If you would like to arrange a one-on-one meeting, please contact our Community Liaison Officer.

**CONTACT US:**

The Bylong Coal Project welcomes your feedback.

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