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Communities At Bingara Pulse Facilities 50 The Irons Drive Wilton NSW 2571

NOTIFICATION OF MAINTENANCE ON HIGH-PRESSURE GAS PIPELINE EASEMENTNotice given by:APA Group (APA)Proposed Work Date Range:February 2024 to May 2024

Dear Marisa and the Bingara Gorge management team

As you would be aware, an APA Group (APA) high-pressure gas transmission pipeline is located in the location of your community. APA's pipelines are designed, maintained and operated in compliance with relevant Australian Standards and Regulations.

This notification seeks to advise you that APA will be undertaking maintenance work on its pipeline, some of which will be required in this location.

In preparation for the maintenance works, inspections may be required to identify any cultural heritage values that may survive on the easement. Access to this location (along the easement and agreed access roads and tracks) may be required for this preliminary inspection early February 2024

The essential components of these works are outlined below, with initial preliminary inspections commencing early February 2024:

- preliminary cultural heritage inspection
- initial pegging and minor pipeline excavation to confirm correct repair locations
- native vegetation assessment of excavation locations
- undertake potential management of any identified heritage values as required
- full targeted repair excavations of the gas pipeline
- pipeline coating inspection/removal
- repair and re-coating and
- backfill and remediation of excavated sites.

The above works are likely to result in an increase in traffic, noise and dust between 7.00am and 5.00pm. The construction team will mitigate these impacts as much as possible. Every effort will be made to minimise any interruption to your community's daily activities. The locations of the works (Digs) will be clearly identified and all safety precautions will be taken i.e. fencing around the works, clear demarcation signs to allow people to avoid the area.

The safety of our people and communities is our number one priority and we know that a secure and reliable energy supply is fundamental to our customers and communities.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of the proposed work or to advise of amended access considerations relevant for your community, please contact the following number/email so the information can be shared between yours elves and the project.

APA Protection: 1800 103 452 Email: apaprotection@apa.com.au

We will contact you closer to the date of works commencement and ensure any community considerations are followed and recorded in the APA landholder database.

Should you have any questions regarding our maintenance program or the gas pipeline easement, please do not hesitate to contact us on the details provided.

I would like to thank you for your cooperation and understanding whilst this essential maintenance work is undertaken.

Yours faithfully



Bill McCloghry

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