

# JULY 2024 STRATFORD & DURALIE UPDATE

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT STRATFORD?

After almost 30 years, coal extraction at Stratford has ended. Since the first train departed the site in July 1995, Stratford Coal has successfully operated an open-cut mine, with the last train leaving site in July 2024.

During this time, Stratford Coal has achieved significant milestones, **including the washing and railing of over 65 million tonnes of coal.** 

This demonstrates Yancoal's long-standing commitment to efficient and sustainable mining operations.

Our team's focus is now on decommissioning, continuing land rehabilitation and exploring potential beneficial uses for parts of the site. Work to rehabilitate and then maintain and monitor the land to achieve NSW Government sign off is expected to take between 10 and 15 years.





## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DURALIE?

Mining operations at Duralie finished in 2021 and the site has transitioned to closure. Early closure works, such as infrastructure decommissioning, have commenced while detailed mine closure planning is continuing. Rehabilitation activities are continuing, including monitoring and maintenance.





# THANK YOU FROM STRATFORD COAL

Our people are at the centre of everything we do. I would like to acknowledge, thank, and pay tribute to our **mining crews and staff who have worked at the mine over the past 29 years.** 

Additionally, I extend our gratitude to our suppliers for their invaluable contribution to our success, and to the local community for their continued support of our operation.

We will begin to prepare for a staged scaling back of our workforce. Our people will continue to work on the clean-up and decommissioning of the site over the next four years. We will also work on the continued rehabilitation of the **Stratford and Duralie sites, which is expected to take between 10 to 15 years.** 

Yancoal is supporting staff who are leaving the mine to continue their careers. This includes redeployment opportunities, where possible, to Yancoal's other operations.

John Cullen, Operation Manager



## **COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAM**

Yancoal proudly funds local projects and initiatives that have the potential to make a positive difference within the community. The Program seeks to target a whole range of community needs such as education, environment, healthcare and aged services, infrastructure projects, arts, leisure and cultural heritage.

Earlier this year we announced that we are supporting 26 local community organisations in 2024, **bringing the total contributions since 2010 to over \$1,000,000.** The next round of applications will open on the 19th of August and close on the 27th September. The CSP will prioritise projects that support the community's socio-economic transition.

For more information on the Community Support Program and how to apply, please visit:

www.stratfordcoal.com.au/page/community/community-support-program/





### UPDATE ON THE STRATFORD RENEWABLE ENERGY HUB (SREH)

The proposed Stratford Renewable Energy Hub represents an opportunity for Yancoal to transition the Stratford site from an operating mine into a renewable energy project. If the project is to go ahead, it could generate more renewable energy for NSW via a pumped hydro scheme and supporting solar facility.

We are continuing to assess the feasibility and have commenced applications for NSW and Federal Government approvals. **As of July 2024, the NSW Government has declared the SREH as Critical State Significant Infrastructure (CSSI)** given its potential significance to the NSW economy by helping to maintain critical energy security.

We will continue to update the community on progress through our next SREH newsletter and website.

www.stratfordcoal.com.au/page/SREH/





#### 2022 2023 2025 2026 2027 2028 2029 2024 STRATFORD MINING COMPLEX Coal Mining Mine Closure Planning **Closure Execution and Rehabilitation** Monitoring and Maintenance SREH Pre-Feasibility Study Feasibility Study Major Environmental Approvals ? Subordinate Approvals ? **Final Investment Decision** Construction Operation

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