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Progress report

Monitoring community wellbeing and attitudes to CSG in
Narrabri (Pre-construction phase)



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Progress against project milestones

Progress against milestones/tasks are approved by the GISERA Director, acting with authority in accordance with the [GISERA Alliance Agreement](#).

Progress against project milestones/tasks is indicated by two methods: [Traffic light reports](#) and descriptive [Project schedule reports](#).

1. Traffic light reports in the Project Schedule Table below show progress using a simple colour code:

- **Green:**

- Milestone fully met according to schedule.
- Project is expected to continue to deliver according to plan.
- Milestone payment is approved.

- **Amber:**

- Milestone largely met according to schedule.
- Project has experienced delays or difficulties that will be overcome by next milestone, enabling project to return to delivery according to plan by next milestone.
- Milestone payment is withheld.
- Milestone payment withheld for second of two successive amber lights; project review initiated and undertaken by GISERA Director.

- **Red:**

- Milestone not met according to schedule.
- Problems in meeting milestone are likely to impact subsequent project delivery, such that revisions to project timing, scope or budget must be considered.
- Milestone payment is withheld.
- Project review initiated by GISERA Director.

2. Progress Schedule Reports outline task objectives and outputs and describe, in the 'progress report' section, the means and extent to which progress towards tasks has been made.

Project schedule table

TASK NUMBER	TASK DESCRIPTION	SCHEDULED START	SCHEDULED FINISH	COMMENT
Task 1	Revising and conducting the 2022 survey	Jan-22	May-22	This milestone will be complete end of August 2022
Task 2	2022 data analyses, interim report, and stakeholder communications	Jun-22	Nov-22	
Task 3	Repeating survey after a Financial Investment Decision (FID)	Jan-24 (depending on timing of any FID)	May-24	
Task 4	Post-FID data analyses, final report, and stakeholder communications	Jun-24	Nov-24	
Task 5	Extended dissemination of findings (various - GISERA article, papers, and conference)	Feb-25	Jun-25	

Project schedule report

TASK 1: Revising and conducting the 2022 survey

BACKGROUND

While the survey needs to stay essentially the same for monitoring over time purposes, there is an opportunity to make small revisions to ensure the survey is as useful as possible to the local community, industry and government. This task also involves interviewing selected key informants from community, government, and industry about potential revisions that may be useful.

TASK OBJECTIVES

- 1) To obtain ethics approval; 2) To establish technical reference group; 3) To revise the survey questionnaire, where useful and feasible, using interviews and related research data, and 4) to conduct a representative survey of residents in the Narrabri Shire

TASK OUTPUTS AND SPECIFIC DELIVERABLES

- 1) Ethics approved obtained
- 2) Technical reference group established

- 3) A revised survey instrument, while still being comparable to the 2017 survey on all the main dimensions of community wellbeing and social licence to operate.
- 4) A clean and representative dataset for 2022.
- 5) A factsheet outlining the project.

PROGRESS REPORT


Milestone largely met according to schedule; project team is on track to complete this task end of August 2022.

Variations to Project Order

Changes to research Project Orders are approved by the GISERA Director, acting with authority, in accordance with the GISERA Alliance Agreement. Any variations above the GISERA Director's delegation require the approval of the relevant GISERA Research Advisory Committee.

The table below details variations to research Project Order.

Register of changes to Research Project Order

DATE	ISSUE	ACTION	AUTHORISATION
03/12/21	To allow for the purchase of vouchers that survey participants would have the opportunity to win/draw, an additional \$4,000 is required.	An additional \$4,000 (\$3,200 GISERA funding & \$800 CSIRO in-kind) is allocated to overall project budget.	

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