

AGL Gloucester Gas Project community update.

Investigations into BTEX find no evidence of harm.

After an extensive three-month investigation, the NSW Environment Protection Authority (EPA) and the Division of Resources and Energy (DRE) last week released their findings into BTEX chemicals which were detected in January in flowback water from wells and in an above-ground storage tank at our Waukivory Pilot site south of Gloucester.

The investigations found that “there was no evidence of BTEX being detected in aquifers close to the surface” and that there is no evidence of harm to human health or the environment or pollution of local waterways as a result of the BTEX detected at Waukivory.

The EPA also investigated detections of monoethanolamine borate and Tolcide and found the levels were “low and unlikely to pose any risk to human health or the environment”. They also said the chemicals “occur naturally and it is unlikely that these detections were a result of hydraulic fracturing activities”.

AGL would like to acknowledge the efforts of our entire team who are working to maintain the highest standards of safety, operational rigour and environmental protection.

Community Benefits Fund proposed.

Last week the NSW Government announced that they will begin consulting on a Community Benefits Fund for regions where coal seam gas is produced. We look forward to participating in this fund as an additional opportunity to make meaningful contributions to the Gloucester region. You can learn more about this proposal and give your feedback by visiting the DRE’s website - www.resourcesandenergy.com.au.

We want to hear from you about the Gloucester Gas Project. To find out more about our work and the ways we contribute to the community, please contact our dedicated Community Relations Manager, Karyn Looby, on klooby@agl.com.au or 1300 799 716.



Join AGL’s online community – YourSayAGL.com.au or follow us on Twitter @YourSayAGL