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# Stockman Project



## Project Update

We are gearing up to begin more detailed metallurgical test work and to get underway with preliminary engineering designs for our proposed offsite processing facility which will use the Albion technologies to improve metal recoveries. This is essential in order to select a single preferred processing option that is technically and economically sound.

The testwork program will produce product samples, which will provide more confidence on expected quality and quantity of final products through the new Albion process. A number of site locations for the Albion facility are being assessed specifically for permitting, infrastructure and services. Marketing for the new products is also continuing, with several interested parties requesting samples for testing. The work will also focus on firming up the concentrate transportation and logistics requirements and an update on availability of key chemicals.

The results of the work will inform an economic update in mid-2025.

## Annual Community Meeting



We were pleased to host the Annual Community Meeting for the Stockman Project in Omeo on Thursday 14th November 2024.

Executive Chairman Andre Labuschagne provided an update on the progress of the project and answered community questions.

Locals who attended the meeting were keen to understand more about the Albion process and timelines for the project.

## Community Small Grants Program

Aeris Resources was pleased to support some great community initiatives during the last few months, including the Omeo Show.

The Omeo show is one of the largest events run in the Omeo Region and draws people from near and far. Aeris hosted an information stall and answered questions about the Project and our continued support for the community. Stockman is proud to be a long-time sponsor of the Omeo Show

We also supported the High Country Women's Association with the Tagalong Tour as part of the Omeo Caravan and RV Muster held over the Melbourne Cup weekend. The tour involved visiting four local gardens in the Omeo region.



### Benambra School

We have installed two new split system air conditioning units at the Benambra School and we are continuing more improvements, including assessing the sewerage system and the toilet blocks for potential repair or replacement. Both these works are planned for next year.

### Aidan Joins the Team



Since the last newsletter, we have had a change in our Project field technicians. We wish Bill Richardson and his family all the very best as they settle into a new life in sunny regional Qld. Bill was instrumental in completing the first stage of capital works at the Benambra School.

We have welcomed Aidan Keyte to the team. Aidan lives locally in Bindi and will now play a key role for the next stage of capital works planning for Benambra School and any other onsite and offsite maintenance activities.

## Environmental Update

We have recently conducted animal pest control to manage wild deer on the Bush Block offset property owned by the Stockman Project. During the year, two weed control and general inspection events were undertaken. The reports from these management events will be used to draft the 10th annual return for the property, which is due to be submitted to DEECA in December.

We are currently finalising the method that will be used to set groundwater quality criteria for the Stockman mine during its operational phase. The proposed methodology, developed by a groundwater specialist, was reviewed by the Independent Technical Review panel for the Project before being submitted to the EPA for their review. The EPA provided two rounds of feedback on the proposed methodology. Aeris' response to the second round having been submitted this month.

We have developed a Seed Collection and Management Plan to identify how seeds will be collected, treated, and stored in preparation for future use in rehabilitation activities at the site. The seeds will be collected, prior to commencement of site activities, for specific vegetation communities. The document has been submitted to DEECA for review.

## Community Reference Group

In November we held a Community Reference Group (CRG) meeting. This group and its members act as a conduit for understanding and addressing community issues relating to the Project. We've been pleased to provide the CRG updates relating to the metallurgical test work from the Albion Process, updates to the Benambra School and our Community Grants Program. The names of the members and their contact email addresses are provided below. Members can be contacted to communicate queries through to the Stockman Project team.

Aeris Resources encourages any community queries to be sent to the Stockman Project team via [info@stockmanproject.com.au](mailto:info@stockmanproject.com.au) or 5159 1300

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