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Dear Mr Fitt

**RE: Senate Economics References Committee into the Selection process for a national radioactive waste management facility in South Australia**

Thank you for your email of 3 April 2018 requesting information on what community consultation and/or selection process activities or milestones will take place for both the Hawker and Kimba sites, over the next 12 months.

The department has compiled the attached table of planned activities with indicative dates. As explained in the department's submission, provided on 3 April 2018, the process is being undertaken closely with the communities. Accordingly, the milestones and precise dates of activities will depend on community feedback and will be determined with community representatives. The timing of certain decisions within government are also the prerogative of the Executive and could be subject to change. For this reason, we have included a high-level timeline of activities, with broad date ranges, to allow flexibility to respond to the needs of communities and executive government processes.

In addition to planned activities, the department undertakes continuous community consultation through community liaison officers engaged at the local offices established in both Kimba and Hawker.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like further information on the process.

*Yours sincerely,*



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Radioactive Waste Management Taskforce

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**Table: Planned community consultation and activities and indicative dates to April 2019**

Activity	Topic	Indicative timing
Information	RWMF Governance Framework released	Q1/2018
Consultation	Kimba Economic Working Group established	Q1/2018
Engagement	Quorn Work Experience Program - ANSTO	Q1/2018
Consultation	Barndioota Consultative Committee meets	Q1/2018
Consultation	Kimba Consultative Committee meets	Q1/2018
Information	Wallerberdina Aboriginal Heritage	Q1/2018
Information	Monthly newsletters – Wallerberdina and Kimba	Q1/2018
Consultation	Barndioota Consultative Committee meets	Q2/2018
Consultation	Kimba Consultative Committee meets	Q2/2018
Consultation	Barndioota Economic Working Group meets	Q2/2018
Consultation	Kimba Economic Working Group meets	Q2/2018
Consultation	ANSTO visits and consults Hawker and Kimba	Q2/2018
Event	Hawker Community Industry Expo	Q2/2018
Event	NRWMF Agriculture meeting	Q2/2018
Information	Monthly newsletters – Wallerberdina and Kimba	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Agriculture information	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Waste Acceptance Criteria	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Safety and Security	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Transport	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Site Suitability Assessment	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Facility design	Q2/2018
Information	NRWMF Infrastructure and enabling services	Q2/2018
Information	NRMWF Operation and jobs information	Q2/2018
Consultation	Barndioota Consultative Committee meets	Q3/2018
Consultation	Kimba Consultative Committee meets	Q3/2018
Consultation	Barndioota Economic Working Group meets	Q3/2018
Consultation	Kimba Economic Working Group meets	Q3/2018
Information	Senate Inquiry hands down report	14 August 2018
Event	Communities vote	Q3/2018
Site selection	Community sentiment assessment	Q3/2018
Site selection	Site Selection report	Q3/2018
Site selection	Minister gives notice of intent on preferred site	Q4/2018

Site selection	60 Day consultation commences	Q4/2018
Site selection	Minister declares a site	Q4/2018
Site selection	Minister acquires the land	Q4/2018
Milestone	Detailed Business Case finalised	Q4/2018
Consultation	Regional Consultative Committee established	Q1/2019
Milestone	Public Works Committee	Q1/2019
Consultation	Environment Protection Biodiversity Conservation approvals process	Q1/2019
Consultation	Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency approvals process	Q1/2019