

Mitsui E&P Australia (MEPAU) is a WA-based energy provider with two facilities in the Mid West. MEPAU is a significant contributor to the development of a sustainable supply of energy for the nation and in addition to maintaining its energy resource portfolio, is pursuing new low carbon energy and carbon abatement opportunities.



Waitsia Gas Field update

December fire in Yardarino

On Saturday, 28 December 2024, a bushfire was reported near Brand Highway and Kailis Drive in Yardarino, and the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) declared an Emergency Warning for the area, which encompassed the Waitsia Gas Field.

MEPAU worked closely with DFES, activating emergency response procedures and evacuation plans with onsite teams across the gas field, and on Sunday 29 December, all personnel were evacuated from the Waitsia Gas Field area to Perth to wait until the 'all clear' was given.

We thank the 178+ people who were on the ground, working tirelessly to manage the fire risk, including the volunteer firefighters, DFES, local farmers, emergency services personnel, Shire of Irwin staff and many others; and thank the community for providing support and encouragement to those on the frontline keeping the community safe.

Schedule of activities



MEPAU maintains an online Schedule of Activities that is regularly updated with planned activity information and timing – go to mepau.com.au.



Pictured at the Coorow Community Christmas Tree (CCCT): MEPAU Communications & Communities Advisor Freya Contos with Santa and CCCT Chairperson Shannon Kenyon.

Mid West Community Grant Recipients 2024

Congratulations to our latest Mid West Community Grant recipients – these are not-for-profit community groups, clubs and organisations with initiatives that will enhance and promote community wellbeing in the Mid West:

- **AgVocate WA** – in support of the fundraising ball 'A Night in the Moonlight' for Rural Aid, \$4,000.
- **Coorow Hockey Club** – to support the installation of a new storage shed and temporary shade structures, \$4,000.
- **Coorow Community Christmas Tree** – supporting the catering for the annual community event, \$3,500.
- **Coorow Swimming Club** – to fund a foundation swimming coaching course for parent volunteers and younger community members, \$4,000.
- **Dongara Irwin Race Club** – to upgrade electrics in club facilities and ablution blocks, \$4,000.
- **Dongara Osprey Girl Guides** – funding the supply and installation and supply of a flagpole, \$517.
- **Dongara Playgroup** – purchase of new cupboards for storing toys and equipment, \$3,750.
- **Eneabba Progress Association** – to support building a bus shelter for students traveling to Carnamah high school, \$11,000.
- **Eneabba Tennis Club** – to fund tennis coaching for four weeks, \$1,960.
- **Friends of the Big Tractor Committee (Carnamah)** – to fund lighting for the Big Tractor, \$3,500.
- **Morawa District High School** – supporting the replacement of the playground cubby, \$4,000.

The Mid West Community Grant Program is funded by the Waitsia Joint Venture partners, Mitsui E&P Australia and Beach Energy. The next round of applications will open 1 April – 1 May 2025. Find out more at www.mepau.com.au.