

MEPAU in the Mid West

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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.



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

Dongara Field Flowlines Decommissioning Underway

MEPAU worked alongside local Geraldton contractor Subterranean Service Locations WA (SSLWA) to inspect buried flowline locations ahead of planned removal works.

To prepare for decommissioning of the Dongara Gas Field flowlines, MEPAU worked with SSLWA to carry out potholing at several flowline road crossings across the Dongara/Yardarino region. This work was completed in line with Main Roads WA requirements. Potholing involves safely digging small holes using water and vacuum technology to expose the top of the flowline, enabling the team to confirm its depth, alignment, and type.

The work was successfully completed between 17 - 20 November 2025, in line with safety requirements and regulatory standards, with support from local expertise.



Image: Team locating Telstra fibre optic cable during potholing.



Image: Dongara Horse Riding Club with newly installed horse yards.

Boost for the Dongara Horseriding Club

The Dongara Horse Riding Club is riding high after installing new horse yards, funded by a \$4,000 Mid West Community Grant sponsored by MEPAU and Beach Energy.

Built with strong, long-lasting materials such as steel, concrete, and chain, the new yards improve safety for horses, riders, and visitors. The yards securely hold horses and ponies and create a safe, enclosed space where children can confidently tack up and take care for their horses.

Diving into water safety in the Mid West

In 2025, the Royal Life Saving Society WA continue to bring vital swimming and water safety programs to the Mid West, helping communities at risk around water.

Demand for the Specialised Access and Inclusion Lessons (SAIL) program in Geraldton increased from six to 15 one-on-one spots. Since July 2025, 354 students have joined 10 programs, with more sessions on the way.

These lifesaving programs are supported by \$200,000 in funding over two years from MEPAU and Beach Energy, providing Mid West communities with the tools to stay safe in and around water.



Image: Children learning to swim and practicing water safety in RLSSWA's Swim and Survive and infant aquatics programs at Coorow Aquatic Centre.

Mid West Student Expo

MEPAU participated in the Energy Club WA's Mid West Student Expo, which was attended by over 100 regional students.

Attending schools included Geraldton Grammar, Carnamah District High, Dongara District High, and the WA College of Agriculture, Morawa. MEPAU's information booth, hosted by Freya Contos and Paul Whiteaker, featured a scaled model of the Waitsia Gas Plant and sparked discussions on gas, wind, energy storage, batteries, and carbon capture, highlighting regional energy projects and career pathways.



Image: Paul Whiteaker, MEPAU's HSE Advisor, speaking with students at the Mid West Student Expo.



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