



Latrobe Valley  
Mine Rehabilitation  
Commissioner

# What have we learnt?


Wednesday 27 November 2019



# Milestones since 2014

- February, 2014**    **Hazelwood Mine Fire**
- August, 2014**    **First HMF Inquiry Report**  
Concentrated on fire management and health
- April, 2016**    **Second HMF Inquiry Report**  
Broadened scope to include progressive and final mine rehabilitation  
Identified pit lakes as most viable option, but recognised significant uncertainties around their feasibility considering water availability.
- December, 2016**    **Commencement of the LVRRS project**  
Initiation of the Feasibility Studies for Pit Lakes  
**Creation of the Integrated Mines Research Group**  
A 10 year program of applied rehabilitation research coordinated by the 3 mines
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- March, 2017 Hazelwood Power Station Closed
- June, 2017 Commissioner appointed
- September, 2017 Hazelwood WPV  
Continuation of no regrets rehabilitation and start of development of the rehabilitation and closure plan
- October, 2019 Published LVRRS Technical Synopses  
Outcomes of the  
Geotechnical Studies  
Water Studies  
Land Use Studies  
released for public consultation
- November, 2019 LVRR Strategy Overview  
Principles guiding the form of the Strategy released for public consultation
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# Milestones in the next 12 months

December, 2019 Hazelwood Rehabilitation and Closure Plan submitted for Assessment

Preferred option of a full pit lake

Staged approach to allow for review and reflection

June, 2020

Publication of the LVRR Strategy

Implementation of new mining regulations

Establishment of the Mine Land Rehabilitation Authority



# Community Preferences

- Rehabilitated land should
  - be attractive and productive as well as safe, stable and sustainable
  - not adversely impact the region, in particular, downstream water bodies and water users
  - be publicly accessible
  - not prevent future coal development
  - be available quickly
  - celebrate the region's history



# What should we know about the Strategy?

.... Welcome Anthony Feigl, LVRRS project manager.

