

ANGLO COAL AUSTRALIA



FACT SHEET: MINES & PROJECTS

CALLIDE MINE

Description: Callide is an open cut mining operation providing low sulphur, sub-bituminous thermal coal primarily for Queensland's domestic power generation. Callide consists of four major pits. The Southern area of the mine consists of Dunn Creek, Trap Gully and The Hut pits. The fourth pit, Boundary Hill, is located 20 kilometres to the north-west. Callide currently employs approximately 450 people (excluding contractors). The mine uses both dragline and truck and shovel methods of overburden removal.

Location: Callide is situated 20 kilometres north-east of Biloela (population 6,000) and 120 kilometres south-west of the port of Gladstone.

Coal Production and Resources: Coal reserves at Callide mine are estimated at approximately 240 Mt. Annual production is 10.2 Mt of saleable coal. The coal fields cover an area of 176 square kilometres and contain seams up to 26 metres thick. Coal is sold under long-term contracts to the nearby Callide Power Stations. It is transported via overland conveyor or by train to customers at Gladstone.

Ownership and Operation: Callide mine is 100% owned by Anglo Coal Australia (ACA).

Regional Profile: The township of Biloela services the local rural community engaged in cattle and grain crop farming, as well as mining and power generating industries. It is the centre of the surrounding Banana Shire, which also incorporates part of ACA's Dawson mine to the west of Biloela. Nearby cities include Rockhampton, about 145 kilometres to the north, and Gladstone.

Environmental issues: The Callide mining lease area is home to a rich biodiversity, with 10 rare or endangered plant species present in the regional ecosystem. Mine management works with Government conservation authorities and local environment groups to assist in the protection and regeneration of rare or endangered species. Thorough vegetation mapping is carried out to maintain the valuable ecosystem and the final post mining land use strategy is to return rehabilitated spoil landforms to native ecosystems suitable for nature conservation and wildlife corridors.

Community relations: Callide plays an important role in the township of Biloela, supporting community events and assisting with the provision of important services. Of major significance is the partnership with the local high school which strives to promote and support the development of skills and employment opportunities within the community.

Cultural Heritage: In 2004, a landmark agreement, the Cultural Heritage Investigation Management Agreement, was signed with the traditional owners of the area, the Palmtree Wuturu and Gangulu people. This agreement provides the framework for ongoing relationships and the management of site activity.

