

Enterprise Project

Staying COVID-19 Safe



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Project Overview

The Enterprise Project is part of Beach Energy's ongoing natural gas development program in Victoria. A natural gas well will be drilled from an onshore drill site west of Port Campbell, to an offshore subsea reservoir up to 3 nautical miles from the coastline. The Project team will be based at a private temporary accommodation camp nearby at Nirranda South.

Further information on the Project is explained in the [Enterprise Project information sheet](#).

Timings

Throughout September 2020, the temporary accommodation buildings, drill rig and equipment will be mobilised to the accommodation camp and drill site.

Drilling will commence late September 2020 or shortly after and run for 3 to 4 months. Upon completion, the drill rig and related equipment will be removed.

COVID-19 Safety

Beach is an essential service provider, supplying natural gas to Victorian homes and businesses. To ensure continuity of gas supply and the safety of our people, we have been operating under strict COVID-19 management plans since March 2020.

Our COVID-19 management plans go above and beyond the minimum requirements and include: pre-mobilisation health screening; maintaining an operating 'bubble'; strict PPE requirements; daily temperature checks; adhering to physical distancing requirements; strict delivery controls for supplies; and restricting contact within the community.

Our procedures are regularly reviewed and updated when new information and requirements are released by State health departments.

To date, Beach has not had any instance of COVID-19 in any of its operations throughout Australia or New Zealand. That includes the Black Watch well drilled nearby at Nirranda South during February to May 2020.

Questions and Answers

How many workers will there be?

The Project team will increase gradually to a peak of approximately 90 people during the main drilling activities.

Where will they come from?

A highly specialised drill rig and drilling crew of around 50 people will come from Easternwell Group, based in Toowoomba, Queensland. Other technical specialists will come mostly from Western Australia and South Australia, and approximately 10 from Victoria and 5 from overseas.

How will they get there?

The Easternwell team will fly directly from Toowoomba to Peterborough airport. Workers from the other States and overseas will fly directly from Adelaide to Warrnambool airport. All air travel will be on dedicated chartered flights, then by private bus to the accommodation camp and drill site. Victorian workers will drive to site in individual vehicles, with Permitted Worker Permits issued.

What COVID-19 checks will you do before they arrive?

All workers must sign a declaration that they do not have any symptoms and have not had close contact with anyone with COVID-19 in the last 14 days, and they must pass a temperature check before mobilising to site. Overseas workers must also comply with State quarantine requirements before flying into regional Victoria from Adelaide.

Victorian workers must isolate for one week and pass a COVID-19 test in that week, then undergo supervised isolation and pass another COVID-19 test, before mobilising to site.

Where will they stay?

All workers will stay in the dedicated private accommodation camp nearby at Nirranda South. Victorian workers completing their second week of isolation will stay in dedicated supervised accommodation in Peterborough before mobilising to the accommodation camp.

What will they do on their days off?

The Project team will work a roster of 4 weeks on and 4 weeks off. Interstate workers will return to their home State for their days off and comply with all quarantine requirements when they arrive.

Any workers who are unable to return to their home State on their days off will effectively become 'temporary' Victorians and comply with Victorian Government health directions and Beach's isolation requirements, the same as for Victorian workers.

What will you do if someone gets symptoms at work?

All workers must pass a daily temperature check. A worker who develops even slight symptoms will immediately undergo a COVID-19 test and remain under isolation in separate private accommodation until they have a negative test result. If a worker is found to have COVID-19 and they have mild symptoms, they may remain in isolation rather than be moved. Should a worker require medical treatment strict transportation procedures will be followed, along with all Victorian Government health directives.

Will you have medical staff on site?

There will be a permanent Project Paramedic along with a fully equipped emergency ambulance. The Paramedic will be responsible for: onsite medical support and emergency response; daily and random temperature screening; coordination of site infection control and deep cleaning procedures; supervision of testing procedures and personnel in isolation; management of any patient transport and infection control.

Could the site be shut down?

To comply with safety standards, the drilling methodology requires continuous operations after commencement. However, if a worker contracts COVID-19, Beach will work with the Victorian Government for the most appropriate course of action.

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