

Bickham Coal Company

Media Release

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A program for further studies in relation to the Bickham Coal proposal for a 25,000-tonne bulk coal sample from a property 13 kilometres south of Murrurundi will be finalised later this month.

David Foster of Bickham Coal Company said a meeting of consultants late in December had discussed the program for obtaining the information requested by the Minister for Mineral Resources, Hon Eddie Obeid, and his Department.

The Minister has asked the company to conduct further research and community consultation on the proposal.

David Foster said once details of the proposed investigations are finalised they will be provided to the local community.

More information?

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