



TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT FOR NOONKANBAH COMMUNITY

In 2015, Buru Energy - Mitsubishi Corporation Joint Venture undertook a hydraulic fracturing (frac) program on and near Noonkanbah station meaning the Noonkanbah community were key stakeholders. The Noonkanbah community provided support for the frac program after their independent technical specialists reviewed the JV's plans and advised that the frac program will have very low risk to the environment and country.

Noonkanbah community members were keen to participate in the frac program so Buru Energy worked with the community to maximise training and employment opportunities during operations.

Employment opportunities for the community involved almost all operations on site with approx. 14,000 hours of paid employment completed over the four-month program.

This included providing access control and ranger services, which included 24-hour monitoring of operational areas.

Community members were also involved in road works and earthmoving, equipment maintenance, sand loading, refuelling, camp support and environmental monitoring during the frac program.

The significant training and employment opportunities during the program provided a considerable economic boost to the community as well as the establishment of indigenous businesses.

The skills and expertise developed by the community can be used on the pastoral station and in other industries across the Kimberley.

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The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia

The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia (CME) has asked its members 'What does industry spend and where?' The data provided by forty-six resources companies for the financial year 2015-2016, shows how industry's spending flows through to every part of Western Australia, by means of wages and salaries, business purchases or community contributions.

From this information we can also see the number of businesses which provide goods and services to the Western Australian resources sector, the number of employees who work in the sector and where those people live within the state.

This fact sheet provides a unique picture of Western Australia's largest export industry, noting this is not modelling, but actual spend.

The contribution of the resources sector to Western Australia is not only an economic one. As demonstrated above, companies are also active members of the community and in the environment.

Additional fact sheets can be accessed from the CME website at: cmewa.com/economic-contribution