

NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

Planning Act 1999 – section 41

REASONS FOR DECISION IN RELATION TO PROPOSED EXCEPTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT

The decision to grant a Variation to Exceptional Development Permit EDP02/0015 for Sections 01860, 01870 and 01871 (611A, 611C and 611B) Wickham Point Road, Hundred of Ayers for the purpose of alterations and additions to an existing gas processing facility (shore crossing) was made pursuant to section 40(3)(a) of the *Planning Act 1999* for the following reasons:

1. No public submissions in opposition to the proposal were received. Submissions from local government and service authorities raised no issues of concern, with all requirements addressed through conditions on the permit.
2. The variation in relation to the proposed Darwin Pipeline Duplication (DPD) project will facilitate the continued operation of the Darwin LNG facility in a location supported by the strategic framework (Part 2) of the NT Planning Scheme 2020.
3. The proposed DPD project within the jurisdiction of the Northern Territory has undertaken the necessary environmental assessments required by the relevant Act's and relevant environmental matters are addressed through the environmental approval process and environmental approval granted by the Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water Security (NT) (approval number EP2022/022-001).
4. This variation does not result in the existing facility being substantially altered and is in keeping with the expectations of the current use of the site.
5. Pursuant to section 40(1) of the Act, it is preferable to issue an Exceptional Development Permit than to amend the NT Planning Scheme 2020, as all existing development at the Wickham Point Darwin LNG Facility is approved under EDP02/0015 and subsequent variations, and a Planning Scheme Amendment would be considered excessive for the comparatively marginal works proposed.



ANDREW KIRKMAN

Delegate of the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics

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NOTICE OF DECISION EXCEPTIONAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT EDP02/0015I

I, ANDREW KIRKMAN, delegate for the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics, in pursuance of section 40(6) of the *Planning Act 1999*, give notice that –

- (a) I have, in pursuance of section 40(3)(a), granted a Variation of Exceptional Development Permit EDP02/0015 for Sections 01860, 01870 and 01871 (611A, 611C and 611B) Wickham Point Road, Hundred of Ayers;
- (b) The Variation of Exceptional Development Permit EDP02/0015 has been granted for the purpose of variation to condition 1 of Exceptional Development Permit EDP02/0015 for the purpose of alterations and additions to an existing gas processing facility (shore crossing);
- (c) The land is within Zone FD (Future Development) of the NT Planning Scheme 2020. Exceptional Development Permit EDP02/0015 granted consent for a Liquefied Natural Gas plant being within the broad definition of industry-general. Additions to this existing development would otherwise be prohibited;
- (d) Copies of the Exceptional Development Permit and the Reasons for the Decision are available online at <https://nt.gov.au/property/land-planning-and-development/our-planning-system/exceptional-development-permit-decisions>.



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