

ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION LICENCE

(Pursuant to section 34 of the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act*)

Licensee	Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia Pty Limited
Licence Number	EPL179 - 02
Registered Business Address	Voyages Indigenous Tourism Australia Pty Limited 179 Elizabeth Street NSW NSW 2000
ACN	146 482 591
ABN	82 146 482 591
Premises Address	Lot 00248 Town of Yulara plan(s) LTO94/017B YULARA
Anniversary Date:	01 July
Commencement Date:	01/07/2020
Expiry Date:	30/06/2025
Scheduled Activity	<p>Operating premises for the disposal of waste by burial that service, or are designed to service, the waste disposal requirements of more than 1000 persons.</p> <p>Operating premises, other than a sewage treatment plant, associated with collecting, transporting, storing, re-cycling, treating or disposing of a listed waste (as per Table 1) on a commercial or fee for service basis.</p>
Description	The Yulara landfill receives putrescible, solid and listed waste streams from the Yulara Township that are segregated for storage or disposal by burial at the premises.

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Table 1 - Listed Wastes Authorised to be Handled

Listed Waste	Collection	Transport	Storage	Treatment	Recycling	Disposal
Containers that are contaminated with residues of a listed waste	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
Grease trap waste	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓
Lead, lead compounds	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
Soils contaminated with a listed waste	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
Tyres	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
Waste mineral oils unfit for their original intended use	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
Waste mixtures, or waste emulsions, of oil and water or hydrocarbon and water	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗

✓ Activity authorised by this licence

✗ Activity not authorised by this licence

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ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments

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INFORMATION ABOUT THIS LICENCE

- This licence does not in any way relieve the licence holder from its obligations to comply with the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act (WMPC Act)*, including the general environmental duty in section 12 of the **WMPC Act** and the duty to notify of **incidents** causing or threatening to cause **pollution** under section 14 of the **WMPC Act**.

Duration of a licence (section 40, 43 and 45 of the WMPC Act)

- A licence will remain in force until its expiry date or until it is surrendered by the licensee or is suspended or cancelled in accordance with the **WMPC Act**.
- The licensee must notify the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) within 14 days after ceasing to conduct **the activity**.
- The licensee may, with the approval of the NT EPA, surrender the licence to the NT EPA.

Amendment or Revocation of a licence (section 37 of the WMPC Act)

- The licensee may apply to amend or revoke a condition of this licence.
- A fee applies and the application must be made using the designated form via **NT EPA Online**.
- The NT EPA may also amend or revoke a condition of this licence as set out in section 38 of the **WMPC Act**.

Transfer of a licence (section 46 of the WMPC Act)

- The licensee can apply to transfer their licence to another person.
- A fee applies and the application must be made via **NT EPA Online**.

Renewal of a licence (section 40 of the WMPC Act and section 3 of the Regulations)

- The licensee may apply for the renewal of their licence not earlier than 90 days, and not later than 30 days, before their licence expires.
- A fee applies and the application must be made via **NT EPA Online**.

Public Register

- A copy of environment protection licences and any plans for environmental management, required as a condition of an environment protection licence, will be placed on a register in accordance with section 9 of the **WMPC Act**.
- A copy of the **Annual Return** will also be placed on the register.
- The NT EPA makes this register freely available from the NT EPA website.

Cultural Interests

- It is the licensee's responsibility to contact the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority, appropriate land council or other governing body and ensure that any Authority Certificates required as a result of conducting the licenced activity are obtained and complied with.

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RULES FOR INTERPRETING THE CONDITIONS OF THIS LICENCE

- Where there is a discrepancy between the conditions of this licence and any plan, standard, guideline or other document referred to in this licence, the conditions of this licence prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.
- Any reference to any standard (Australian or international) in this licence means the relevant parts of the current version of that standard.
- A reference to any guideline or code of practice (or to the relevant parts of any guideline or code of practice) in this licence means the current version of the guideline or code of practice.
- Under section 39 of the **WMPC Act**, any contravention of or failure to comply with this licence by the licensee may be an offence.
- In determining whether the licensee has committed an offence, the licensee may be liable for the conduct of its directors, employees or agents.
- The licensee should ensure that each of its directors, employees, contractors or agents are aware of, and comply with, this licence.
- In this licence, unless the contrary intention appears, words that are defined in the **WMPC Act** are intended to have the meaning given to them in that Act.

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LICENCE CONDITIONS

GENERAL

- 1 The licensee must ensure the contact details recorded in **NT EPA Online** are accurate.
- 2 The licensee must at all times have a **24 hour emergency contact**.
- 3 The licensee must pay the **annual fee** calculated in accordance with the method prescribed in the **Regulations** within **50 business days** of the anniversary of the commencement date of this licence, for each year or part of a year that this licence is in force.
- 4 The licensee must cause clear and legible signage, in English, to be displayed in a prominent location at each **public entrance** to the **premises** that includes the following details:
 - 4.1 environment protection licence number issued under the **WMPC Act**; and
 - 4.2 **24 hour emergency contact** details.
- 5 The licensee must cause a copy of this licence to be available for inspection by any person, in hard copy form, at the **premises**.
- 6 The licensee must provide to the **NT EPA**, within **10 business days** of a request, a copy of any document, monitoring data or other information in relation to **the activity**, in the format requested by the **NT EPA**.
- 7 All notices, reports, documents or other correspondence required to be provided as a condition of this licence, unless otherwise specified as a condition of this licence, must be provided in electronic form by uploading the document via **NT EPA Online** (or by e-mailing waste@nt.gov.au).
- 8 The **NT EPA** may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit any amended document. Where the **NT EPA** requires a document to be resubmitted the date for the re-submission will be specified and becomes a condition of this licence.
- 9 The licensee must **maintain a Complaint Log** for all complaints received by the licensee in relation to **the activity**.
- 10 The licensee must ensure that the **Complaint Log** includes, for each complaint received by the licensee, the following information:
 - 10.1 the person to whom the complaint was made;
 - 10.2 the person responsible for managing the complaint;
 - 10.3 the date and time of the event(s) that led to the complaint;
 - 10.4 the contact details of the complainant if known, or where no details are provided a note to that effect;
 - 10.5 the nature of the complaint;
 - 10.6 the nature of event(s) giving rise to the complaint;
 - 10.7 prevailing weather conditions at the time relevant to the complaint;
 - 10.8 the action taken in relation to the complaint, including any follow-up contact with the complainant; and
 - 10.9 if no action was taken, why no action was taken.

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- 11 The licensee must implement, **maintain** and follow an **Emergency Response Plan** that addresses procedures for responding to emergencies associated with **the activity** that may cause **environmental harm**.

EARLY SURRENDER OF LICENCE

- 12 Any reports, records or other information required or able to be provided by the licensee under this licence must be submitted to the **NT EPA** prior to the licensee surrendering the licence. If the date on which a report, record or other information is required falls after the date the licensee requests to surrender this licensee, the licensee must provide the report, record or information as far as possible using data available to the licensee up to and including the date the request to surrender the licence is made.

OPERATIONAL

- 13 The licensee must not collect, transport, store, recycle, treat or dispose of **listed waste** other than the **listed waste** specified in Table 1.
- 14 The licensee must ensure any **plant and equipment** used by the licensee in conducting **the activity**:
- 14.1 is reasonably fit for the purpose and use to which it is put;
 - 14.2 is **maintained**;
 - 14.3 is operated by a person trained to use the **plant and equipment**; and
 - 14.4 is operated by, or operated by a person accompanied by, a person trained to handle, store or dispose of **listed waste** in connection with **the activity**.
- 15 The licensee must ensure that **wastewater** generated from washing **plant and equipment** associated with **the activity** does not cause **pollution**.
- 16 The licensee must segregate **waste** received at the **premises** in clearly designated areas for recycling, re-use or disposal.
- 17 The licensee must segregate **waste** generated at the **premises** in clearly designated areas for recycling, re-use or disposal.
- 18 The licensee must ensure that only the following **wastes** are disposed of by burial at the **premises**:
- 18.1 **putrescible waste**;
 - 18.2 **solid inert waste**; and
 - 18.3 **listed waste** as specified for disposal in Table 1.
- 19 The licensee must ensure that **litter**:
- 19.1 is contained within the boundary of the **premises**;
 - 19.2 is not deposited or allowed to accumulate in **stormwater** drain(s), **water** or **leachate** dam(s); and
 - 19.3 does not accumulate along the boundary of the **premises**.
- 20 The licensee must not cause or permit **waste** to be burned.
- 21 The licensee must **maintain** a log of fires occurring at the **premises** including the following information:
- 21.1 the time and date of when the fire was reported;

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- 21.2 the circumstance which ignited the fire;
 - 21.3 the time and date of when the fire ceased and whether it burnt out or was extinguished;
 - 21.4 the location of the fire on the **premises** (e.g. timber stockpile, **putrescible waste**);
 - 21.5 prevailing weather conditions;
 - 21.6 observations made in regard to smoke direction and dispersion;
 - 21.7 the amount of **waste** combusted by the fire; and
 - 21.8 action taken to extinguish the fire.
- 22 The licensee must notify the **NT EPA** of any fires at the **premises** by contacting the Pollution Hotline on telephone number 1800 064 567 as soon as practicable after (and in any case, within 24 hours after) first becoming aware of the fire. The licensee must provide the status of the fire and this licence number when contacting the Pollution Hotline.
- 23 The licensee must cover **waste** in accordance with the *NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory*.
- 24 The licensee must ensure that all **leachate** is managed in accordance with the *NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory*.
- 25 The licensee must ensure that neither **leachate** nor **water** pond on the surface of the landfill.
- 26 The licensee must ensure that **leachate** does not **pollute** either **land** or **water**.
- 27 The licensee must implement, **maintain** and follow a **Rehabilitation Plan**.
- 28 Where a **landfill cell** is no longer in use, the licensee must ensure that the **landfill cell** is closed and capped so as to achieve the landfill cap design objectives in the *NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory*.
- 29 The licensee must:
- 29.1 prepare a **Landfill Closure and Post Closure Plan** in accordance with the *NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory*;
 - 29.2 ensure the Plan is reviewed by a **qualified person** and they prepare a written report of their review, prior to submission of the Plan to the **NT EPA**; and
 - 29.3 submit the Plan to the **NT EPA**, with a copy of the **qualified person's** review, at least 12 months prior to the forecast closure of the landfill.
- 30 The **NT EPA** may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit any **Landfill Closure and Post Closure Plan**. Where the **NT EPA** requires a **Landfill Closure and Post Closure Plan** to be resubmitted the date for the re-submission will be specified and becomes a condition of this licence.
- 31 The licensee must implement, **maintain** and follow the **Landfill Closure and Post Closure Plan**.
- 32 The licensee must ensure that all **listed waste** being transported [to and from or from] the **premises** is transported by a person licenced under section 30 of the **WMPC Act** to transport the **listed waste**.

DISCHARGES AND EMISSIONS

- 33 The licensee must ensure there is no migration or overflow of a **contaminant** or **waste**, which causes or may cause **environmental harm**, beyond the boundary of the **land** on which the **premises** are located. For the avoidance of doubt, this condition is not intended to authorise the **discharge** of a **contaminant** or

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waste to any **land** or **water** which **discharge** has not been specifically authorised by another condition of this licence.

- 34 The licensee must not allow a **contaminant** or **waste**, which causes or may cause **environmental harm**, to enter **water**.
- 35 The licensee must ensure that **stormwater** does not come into contact with a **contaminant** or **waste**, which causes or may cause **environmental harm**.

Emissions to air

- 36 The activity must not cause or release, beyond the boundary of the **premises**:
- 36.1 smoke;
- 36.2 offensive odour;
- 36.3 dust or particulates; or
- 36.4 noise which unreasonably interferes with or is likely to unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of the area by persons who occupy a place within the area or are otherwise lawfully in the area.

MONITORING

- 37 The licensee must implement, **maintain** and follow the Monitoring Plan from the commencement date of this licence.
- 38 The licensee must ensure that any proposed revisions to the Monitoring Plan (other than typographical changes or revisions to formatting or referencing) are:
- 38.1 reviewed by a **qualified person**, who must produce a written report about their review; and
- 38.2 submitted to the **NT EPA**, in both hard copy and electronic form, [with a complete copy of the **qualified person's** written review], 20 **business days** prior to the proposed implementation date.
- 39 The **NT EPA** may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit the Monitoring Plan. Where the **NT EPA** requires a Monitoring Plan to be resubmitted the date for the re-submission will be specified and becomes a condition of this licence.

RECORDING AND REPORTING

- 40 The licensee must **maintain** records of the nature, quantities and source of **waste**, other than **listed waste** received at the **premises** in each successive 12 month period following the commencement date of this licence.
- 41 The licensee must keep and **maintain** records relating to **the activity** undertaken and the **listed waste** handled by the licensee in each successive 12 month period following the commencement of this licence which include:
- 41.1 the date of collection;
- 41.2 the source of the **listed waste**;
- 41.3 the name of the transport company, if not the licensee;
- 41.4 the vehicle registration;
- 41.5 a description of the **listed waste**;

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- 41.6 the quantity of the **listed waste**;
 - 41.7 the final destination of the **listed waste**; and
 - 41.8 whether the **listed waste** was stored, recycled, treated or disposed of.
- 42 The licensee must retain records relating to **waste**, including **listed waste**, as required by the conditions of this licence, for a period of 2 years after the end of the 12 month period to which the record relates.
- 43 The licensee must keep records of all **non-compliances** with this licence. These records must be adequate to enable the licensee to comply with the **non-compliance** notification conditions of this licence.
- 44 The licensee must notify the **NT EPA** of any **non-compliance** with this licence by completing the Non-Compliance Notification via **NT EPA Online**, as soon as practicable after (and in any case within 24 hours after) first becoming aware of the **non-compliance**.
- 45 The licensee must include in the notification of **non-compliance** the following information:
- 45.1 when the **non-compliance** was detected and by whom;
 - 45.2 the date and time of the **non-compliance**;
 - 45.3 the actual and potential causes and contributing factors to the **non-compliance**;
 - 45.4 the risk of **environmental harm** arising from the **non-compliance**;
 - 45.5 the action(s) that have or will be undertaken to mitigate any **environmental harm** arising from the **non-compliance**;
 - 45.6 corrective actions that have or will be undertaken to ensure the **non-compliance** does not reoccur and
 - 45.7 if no action was taken, why no action was taken.
- 46 The licensee must complete an **Annual Return** via **NT EPA Online** within 10 **business days** after each anniversary of the commencement date of this licence, which relates to the preceding 12 month period.
- 47 The **NT EPA** may require the licensee to revise or amend and resubmit any **Annual Return**. Where the **NT EPA** requires an **Annual Return** to be resubmitted the date for the re-submission will be specified and becomes a condition of this licence.
- 48 The licensee must complete and provide to the **NT EPA** a Monitoring Report, as prescribed by this licence, within 10 **business days** after each anniversary of the commencement date of this licence, which relates to the preceding licence period.

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END OF LICENCE CONDITIONS

This licence is not valid unless signed below:



Leonie Cooper
Director Environment Authorisations
Delegate of the Northern Territory
Environment Protection Authority
Dated: 25/09/2020

END NOTES

This licence is a renewal and supersedes EPL179-01 which was issued on 30 March 2019.

EPL179-01 was an amendment that superseded EPL179 which was issued on 1 October 2015.
EPL179 was a licence renewal that superseded EPL16-01 which was issued on 1 October 2012.
EPL16-01 was an amendment that replaced EPL16 which was issued on 27 May 2011.
Previous versions of EPL16 were issued on 29 August 2003 and 31 January 2008 respectively.

The End Notes are to assist with historical records.

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DEFINITIONS

All terms in the Licence which are defined in the *Waste Management and Pollution Control Act* have the meaning given in that Act unless otherwise or further defined in this section.

Term	Definition
	In this licence, unless a contrary intention appears:
24 hour emergency contact	the phone number of a person who can be contacted at any time and be capable of responding to and providing information about any incident associated with the activity .
air	includes any layer of the atmosphere.
annual fee	yearly fee payable in respect of the activity as specified in the WMPC Act and the Regulations .
Annual Return	an NT EPA prescribed format for demonstrating and reporting compliance with the conditions of this licence and providing information on waste volumes for the preceding 12 month period.
business days	a day not Saturday, Sunday or a public holiday, in the Northern Territory.
Complaint Log	a register of complaints to be maintained by the Licensee that records the details of each complaint received in relation to the activity .
contaminant	a solid, liquid or gas or any combination of such substances and includes: (a) noise, odour, heat and electromagnetic radiation; (b) a prescribed substance or prescribed class of substances; and (c) a substance having a prescribed property or prescribed class of properties.
discharge	allow a liquid, gas or other substance to flow out from where it has been confined.
disposal schedule	a plan for disposing of asbestos containing material such that asbestos containing material is not stored in perpetuity.
Emergency Response Plan	a written plan documenting the licensee's procedures for responding to emergencies caused by, resulting from or associated with the activity and that may cause environmental harm .
environmental audit	has the meaning given in section 47 of the Act.
environmental harm	(a) any harm to or adverse effect on the environment; or (b) any potential harm (including the risk of harm and future harm) to or potential adverse effect on the environment, of any degree or duration and includes environmental nuisance.
incident	includes: (a) an accident, emergency or malfunction; and (b) a deliberate action, whether or not that action was taken by the person conducting the activity in the course of which the incident occurred.
land	includes water and air on, above or under land .
landfill cell	a purpose built area for the disposal of waste within a landfill.
Landfill Closure and Post	a written plan which specifies the landfill closure and post-closure activities as set

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Closure Plan	out in the <i>NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory</i> .
leachate	any liquid produced by the action of water percolating through waste , and that contains contaminants .
listed waste	a waste included under Schedule 2 of the Regulations .
litter	litter , garbage, rubbish, refuse or waste matter, and includes the body of a dead animal.
maintain	kept in a manner that it does not present or cause a risk of environmental harm or a hazard to persons or property.
material environmental harm	environmental harm that: (a) is not trivial or negligible in nature; (b) consists of an environmental nuisance of a high impact or on a wide scale; (c) results, or is likely to result, in not more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or (d) results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of not more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater).
non-compliance	failure or refusal to comply, whether by act or omission, with obligations or requirements and includes any exceedance of a licence limit.
non-compliance notification	an NT EPA prescribed format for notifying the NT EPA of a non-compliance .
NT EPA Online	online system for Environment Protection Licence (EPL) and Environment Protection Approval (EPA) lodgement and maintenance.
NT EPA Online Vehicle Register	the vehicle register found at NT EPA Online .
plant and equipment	all material items used in association with the activity , including (but not limited to) storage vessels and containers, pipe work and hosing, vehicles (including vessels), tools, and measuring equipment.
pollute	(a) emit, discharge , deposit, or disturb, directly or indirectly, a contaminant or waste ; or (b) cause, permit, or fail to prevent, directly or indirectly, the emission, discharge , deposition, disturbance or escape of a contaminant or waste .
pollution	(a) a contaminant or waste that is emitted, discharged , deposited or disturbed or that escapes; or (b) a contaminant or waste , effect or phenomenon, that is present in the environment as a consequence of an emission, discharge , deposition, escape or disturbance or a contaminant or waste .
premises	the premises identified in this licence which includes equipment, plant and structures, whether stationary or portable, and the land on which premises are situated.
public entrance	access to the premises that is utilised by the public.
putrescible waste	the component of the waste stream liable to become putrid. For example, organic matter that has the potential to decompose with the formation of malodorous substances, usually refers to vegetative, food and animal products.

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qualified person	a person registered under section 68 of the Act.
qualified sampler	a person who has training and experience in obtaining samples from the relevant environmental medium.
Regulations	<i>Waste Management and Pollution Control (Administration) Regulations.</i>
Rehabilitation Plan	a written plan to ensure that the objectives of rehabilitation are achieved as set out in the <i>NT EPA Guidelines for the Siting, Design and Management of Solid Waste Disposal Sites in the Northern Territory.</i>
serious environmental harm	environmental harm that is more serious than material environmental harm and includes environmental harm that: (a) is irreversible or otherwise of a high impact or on a wide scale; (b) damages an aspect of the environment that is of a high conservation value, high cultural value or high community value or is of special significance; (c) results or is likely to result in more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater) being spent in taking appropriate action to prevent or minimise the environmental harm or rehabilitate the environment; or (d) results in actual or potential loss or damage to the value of more than \$50,000 or the prescribed amount (whichever is greater).
solid inert waste	solid waste that has no active chemical or biological properties. These wastes do not undergo environmentally significant physical, chemical or biological transformation.
stormwater	water flowing over ground surfaces in natural streams and drains as a direct result of rainfall over a catchment and consists primarily of rainfall runoff and any material (soluble or insoluble) mobilised in its flow path.
the activity	the Licenced activity as described on the covering page of this licence.
waste	(a) a solid, a liquid or a gas; or (b) a mixture of such substances, that is or are left over, surplus or an unwanted by-product from any activity (whether or not the substance is of value) and includes a prescribed substance or class of substances.
waste transport certificate	the NT EPA waste tracking documentation used to track listed waste being transported interstate as required in accordance with the <i>National Environment Protection (Movement of Controlled Waste Between States and Territories) Measure.</i>
wastewater	water that contains a contaminant or waste .
water	includes: (a) surface water , ground water and tidal waters ; (b) coastal waters of the Territory, within the meaning of the <i>Coastal Waters (Northern Territory Powers) Act 1980 of the Commonwealth</i> ; and (c) water containing an impurity.
WMPC Act	the Northern Territory <i>Waste Management and Pollution Control Act.</i>