

11. CONCLUSION

The EIS is the principal document by which the environmental aspects of the Wonarah Phosphate Project will be assessed by the key regulatory authorities, i.e., Department of Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport (DNRETAS) and Department of Regional Development, Primary Industry, Fisheries and Resources (DRDPFR). The EIS has been prepared in accordance with the EIS guidelines issued by DNRETAS, with Attachment 1 identifying where each aspect has been addressed in the EIS.

Section 1.5.1 of this report identified Minemakers' objectives for the EIS, how these have been addressed is summarised below.

The first objective was to provide details of the project to the regulatory authorities, the general public and other stakeholders. The provision of the EIS to the Northern Territory Government and the Central Land Council, and making the EIS available to the general public on the DNRETAS and Minemakers websites, meets this objective. The EIS is also available for public display at the following locations:

- Environment, Heritage and the Arts Division, DNRETAS, Darwin.
- Minerals and Energy Information Centre, DRDPFR, Darwin.
- Northern Territory Library, Darwin.
- Darwin City Council Library, Darwin.
- Tennant Creek Public Library, Tennant Creek.
- Arid Lands Environment Centre, Alice Springs.
- Barkly Shire Council, Tennant Creek.
- Barkly Roadhouse, Barkly Tableland.

The second objective of the EIS was to identify, quantify and assess the potential environmental and social impacts associated with the development of the project. Provided in Chapter 6, this forms the bulk of this report. Specialist studies contained within the appendices and/or material referenced in the body of the EIS have been used to support this impact assessment.

The third objective of the EIS was to outline the proposed mitigation and management measures Minemakers will implement for each potential impact. These are also detailed in Chapter 6 along with the monitoring program for each potential impact, which has been designed to provide early warning if further management and mitigation measures are required or if they have failed. Chapter 9 provides details about Minemakers' environmental management framework for the project.

The fourth and final objective of the EIS was to provide to an assessment of the effectiveness of the mitigation measures and the residual impacts following their implementation. The residual impact assessments for each potential impact are provided in Chapter 6.

