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Good morning,

I have reviewed the Invitation to comment on Referral - Melville Island Road Upgrades and provide the following heritage comments:

- The EIA includes the comments that were provided to DIPL by Heritage Branch in 2020.
- At the time, Heritage Branch advised that as most of the works were to be conducted in the existing road corridors, there would be no requirement for any archaeological surveys.
- We did also acknowledge that there will be some vegetation/land clearing for gravel pits and bores, and that care should be taken during these activities, and that if any Aboriginal archaeological places or objects are discovered, then all works in the immediate vicinity should cease and Heritage Branch contacted for comment.
- Heritage Branch stands by these recommendations and are satisfied for the moment that all heritage and archaeological issues have been addressed for this project.

Regards,  
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