

Submission on draft terms of reference

INPEX Operations Australia Pty Ltd – Ichthys LNG AGRU Upgrades and CCS Preparedness, Bonaparte Carbon Capture and Storage and Ichthys Carbon Capture and Storage Project

This submission is made under regulation 103 of the Environment Protection Regulations 2020

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Government authority: Department of Logistics and Infrastructure – Transport and Civil Infrastructure

Section of terms of reference	Theme / issue	Comment
NA	Social Impacts	The Transport and Civil Infrastructure Division of the Department of Logistics and Infrastructure (TCI, DLI) has not identified any matters within the purview of TCI, DLI that must be addressed in the draft TOR. TCI, DLI requires the following information from the proponent to be addressed directly with TCI: • TCI, DLI requests that a Traffic Impact Assessment and Traffic Management Plan be submitted to TCI for consideration prior to commencement of the works. The reports must detail the project's traffic generation, trip distribution, access routes, vehicle types, traffic operation impact, the nature and timing of impacts, and recommended measures required to accommodate and/or mitigate the traffic impacts of the project, as well as other relevant matters. • Accesses (temporary or permanent) onto the NTG controlled road network are subject to approval from TCI, DLI. Accesses shall meet current standards in accordance with the Austroads "Guide to Traffic Management", "Guide to Road Design", relevant Australian Standards, and be designed and constructed to accommodate the maximum-sized vehicle expected to utilise the accesses. • No works that impact upon the road reserve, including pipeline installation grading, filling, earthworks, vegetation clearing, fencing installation, construction of access roads, or any other relevant works, may commence until the proponent has obtained all required permits and approvals from TCI, DLI. All proposed works within or affecting NTG controlled road reserves must be designed and carried out in accordance with DLI standards and specifications. Design documents must be submitted to TCI for road agency approval, and no works are to commence prior to receiving TCI, DLI approval.

Environmental impact assessment under the Environment Protection Act 2019

		• A legal agreement between the DLI and the pipeline owner must be signed before any part of the pipeline is to be installed within the road reserve. • Open cut trenching of the sealed road network will not be permitted. Road crossings of the sealed road network and driveway crossings shall be thrust bored and sleeved, in accordance with the Department's standards and specifications.
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