

APPENDIX J
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Organization	Questions / Issues / Other Comments	PER chapter
AFANT (Amateur Fisherman's Association of the NT)	• Why not offshore? • Where is water to be sourced from for the project – will Daly River be used? • Interruption to dry season flows in rivers. • Silting up of down stream regions. • Land clearing which can lead to erosion, weeds. • Impact on fish – particularly Daly River. • Disruption to major rivers, again particularly the Daly River – interested in HDD sites • General issues which assumes will be covered such as management of chemicals and bunding of HDD sites. • Ensure check for fishable waters. • Could have freshwater swordfish in the area. • MacArthur River submission was one of the best done to date in relation to presentation of material that AFANT are interested in. • Would like detailed maps of watercourse crossings as project progresses.	3. 2,4 2 4 4 4 2 5 4 2
Wangamaty (Lower Daly) Landcare Group	• Weeds and wash down. • Rehabilitation. • No visible concern shown over BFC proposal for pre-burn or to maintain fire break. Appeared to accept that as inevitable from BFC and a benefit to the wider community.	4,5 4

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Environment Centre of the NT (ECNT)	• Why not offshore?	3
	• Clearing width of 30m = considerable hectares of clearing.	4
	• Corridor for weeds.	4
	• Impacts on wetlands.	4
	• River and creek crossings and the extent of the use of HDD.	2
	• Hydrotesting water sourcing, volume and location – potential impacts to watercourses (e.g. Daly River).	2&4
	• Extent of fauna studies to be undertaken – potential species could include Red Goshawk; Gouldian Finch; Partridge Pigeons, aquatic species such as the freshwater swordfish	4
	• Fauna trapped in open trench.	4
	• Erosion control and reestablishment of creeks and rivers in sufficient time to ensure stability before the wet.	4&5
	• Construction camps – number and location.	2
	• The cleared corridor attracting 3rd parties into the area that they could not otherwise access.	2
	• How to ensure construction and other contractors meet the obligations entered into by APT during the EIS/EMP process – explain how this will be implemented.	5
	• ECNT made extensive submission in relation to the TTP and Blacktip EISs.	

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Bushfire's Council of the NT (BFC)	• Vehicles sparking against rock and initiating fire. • Preconstruction: plan with BFC for aerial burning. • Construction: Capability to manage in a fire situation. BFC provides training programs 1/2 day wildfire awareness 2 day basic fire fighting in the NT. Would like all personnel to have done wildfire awareness (or equivalent) and some personnel to have done basic. They use the training as fund raising to maintain the BFC. • On-going: Strategic value of corridor as a fire break – would like to review and discuss as route is bedded down. • Would like to pre-burn the corridor to mitigate the risk of APT starting a fire and reduce risk to crews in the event of a fire starting elsewhere. • Notify in February for a May start, will fit it into their standard aerial firing program, this will minimize cost to APT. • Has the Project considered using the Beeboom/Jeeboom crossing of the Daly River (very good causeway). • Regional meeting in September if Project could provide mapping for that.	5
Naiyu Council	• Very informal consultation. Brief rundown of project given. • No issues raised at that time.	
Katherine Region Tourism Association	• Pipe truck movements and impact on tourists. • Potential damage to road surface and safety issues. • Variability of the wet season on-set/duration and ability to access/exit the area. • Does the project have a web site that regularly updates information? • What are the traffic management plans? • Truck and extra traffic movement on the road. • Potential damage to road surface and safety issues. • 2 specific areas of concern are 1. the narrow section of bitumen north of the Daly River crossing, and • the first 4kms of the unsealed section from the Daly River crossing (high level of tourist traffic and many accidents.)	2 2 2 2 2 (RUMP appendix D)
Daly River Community Development Association (DRCDA)	• Pipe truck movements and impact on tourists. • Potential damage to road surface and safety issues. • Variability of the wet season on-set/duration and ability to access/exit the area.	2 2
NT Horticulture Association	• Weeds. • Erosion.	4 4

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Katherine Town Council	- Pipe truck movements and impact on tourists/town. - Potential damage to road surface and safety issues.	2 2
NT Cattlemen's Association	- Balanced approach to compensation for all landowners. - Vegetation clearing during the moratorium in the Daly River Basin. - Weed management during operation should be based on appropriate timing for weed growth not a fixed calendar event (e.g. every quarter). 2nd year after construction will be the critical one for weeds and management plans and budgets should reflect this.	(2) 4
NT Minerals Council	- The Mineral Council will raise the issue at their next monthly meeting so as to make all their members aware of the project. - Aware that direct consultations with miners in the affected region had and were taking place.	
Australian Gov't Dept of Environment and Heritage (DEH), now (DTEWR)	Presentation on project – as introduction	
NT Environmental Assessment Forum	Presentation on project – as introduction.	
Australasia Rail Corporation	- Construction activities inside rail corridor - Rail safety construction - Operational access	
NT Dept. of Natural Resources, Environment and the Arts. (NRETA)	- Native vegetation clearing - Requirements when constructing near or altering waterways.	2 2
NT Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). (part of NRETA)	- TTP was conceptual, too many unknowns - EMP signoff / contractor management - Seeking agreement and/or signoff of all appropriate licences / permits - Creek and river crossings - Alignment selection - Assessment of all possible needs e.g. camps, access, quarries/borrow pits, MLV's and scraper stns. - Water extraction – for Hydrotest / Camps and track maintenance from bores and rivers/creeks - Disposal of Hydrotest water, septic and grey water and other wastes - Weeds - Traffic - Clear and grade and rehabilitation and - Ongoing maintenance - Assessment report	5 5 2 2,4 2 4 4 4 2
NT Roads Division	Use of existing roads	2

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Dept Planning and Infrastructure	• Future issues re Wadeye road becoming public	
NT Department of Primary Industries, Fisheries and Mines (DPIFM)	• licensing • land access and tenure • permitting • approvals	
NT Department of the Chief Minister.	• Social impact • Employment and community benefit	4 4