



SECTION 18
Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage



18.0 Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage

18.1 Introduction

Non-Indigenous cultural heritage values and impacts of the Port Expansion Project (PEP) on these values are described in Chapter B.16 (Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage) of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). No registered items or places of non-Indigenous cultural heritage significance, recorded shipwrecks or known aeroplane crash sites are located within or adjacent to the Project area. Places of non-Indigenous cultural heritage significance are known in the wider area, but lie outside the planned development area and transit corridors. It is unlikely that areas of non-Indigenous cultural heritage significance will be impacted upon by the Project. The potential remains for unregistered items of heritage value to be present within sub-tidal areas.

This section provides information to address submissions received in response to the PEP EIS relevant to non-Indigenous cultural heritage and the implications of the proposed revised design on these values.

One matter was raised from the submission process regarding notification of discovery.

18.2 Response to Submissions

18.2.1 Notification of discovery

The Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (DEHP) made reference to Part 9 of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1992* regarding the notification of any discovery of items with heritage values in the reclamation area to the department and recommended the inclusion of this requirement in the relevant environmental management plans.

Section B.16.4.2 of the EIS recognises this requirement and to ensure this is implemented the Construction Environmental Management Plan has been revised to include non-Indigenous cultural heritage values in its cultural heritage management measures (refer Appendix B2). This specifically addresses inclusion of non-Indigenous cultural heritage awareness in the cultural heritage induction and notification requirements in the event of a discovery.

18.3 Revised Environmental Impact Assessment

18.3.1 Legislation and policy

Legislation and policy changes that have occurred since the development of the EIS are identified in Section 1.0 of the AEIS. The legislative and policy changes did not impact on the assessment of Non-Indigenous Cultural Heritage values presented in the EIS, or the management of these values.

18.3.2 Design refinement

The project design has been revised as described in Section 2.0. This revision focusses on amendments to the extent of dredging and reclamation works. The revised design does not change the magnitude or likelihood of encountering items or places of non-Indigenous cultural heritage.

18.3.3 Supporting studies

No additional studies were required to assess the revised design, address comments received from public submissions or recommended to manage impacts associated with the Project on non-Indigenous cultural heritage values.

18.3.4 Revised assessment

18.3.4.1 Impact assessment

Impacts of the Project on non-Indigenous cultural heritage values remain consistent with that identified in Section B.16.4 of the EIS.

18.3.4.2 Mitigation measures

Mitigation measures to reduce the potential impact of the Project on non-Indigenous cultural heritage values are outlined in the updated Construction Environmental Management Plan provided in Appendix B2. Potential impacts and mitigation measures remain consistent with those identified in Section B.16.5 of the EIS.

18.3.5 Summary

Section B.16.4 of the EIS provided an assessment of potential impacts that may result from the construction and operation of the PEP, relevant to non-Indigenous cultural heritage. The revised design is consistent with the assessment provided in the EIS and the mitigation provided to reduce the impact on non-Indigenous cultural heritage is Section 16.5 of the EIS.

Mitigation measures will be outlined and implemented through the Construction Environmental Management Plan (refer Appendix B2).

18.4 Conclusion

The PEP is expected to have a negligible impact upon any non-Indigenous cultural heritage values on site or within the surrounding area. With the implementation of the updated mitigation measures, any discovery of items of heritage values during construction works will be appropriately managed and reported.