

# **NORTH GALILEE BASIN RAIL PROJECT**

**Environmental Impact Statement** 

Appendix B Public consultation

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# **Executive summary**

This consultation report outlines the public consultation process implemented for the North Galilee Basin Rail Project (NGBR Project) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Adani commenced formal consultation with key stakeholders and the broader community for the NGBR Project in early 2013. GHD's team has supported Adani in undertaking all public consultation for the EIS, in accordance with Section 3.7 of the NGBR Project Terms of Reference (TOR) and as per Section 2.5 of Preparing an environmental impact statement: Guideline for proponents. Public consultation activities have also been implemented to align with requirements for the Social Impact Assessment (SIA) and other components of the EIS.

A preliminary stakeholder list was developed through desk-based research and analysis of existing information materials. This list was subject to ongoing refinement throughout the consultation process, with input from Adani and other NGBR Project stakeholders.

Communication materials were developed to provide stakeholders with information about the NGBR Project, to help facilitate the two-way flow of information between the NGBR Project team and stakeholders and to record all feedback. These materials included:

- NGBR Project factsheet and posters
- 1800 free call telephone information line
- NGBR Project email address
- Community feedback forms
- Project webpage
- Paid advertising
- PowerPoint presentations.

From May to August 2013, consultation activities including meetings, briefings, community information sessions and interviews were held with NGBR Project stakeholders.

The stakeholder feedback from the consultation process identified potential environmental, social and economic impacts and benefits of the NGBR Project.

Key themes raised throughout the consultation program are broadly categorised as follows:

- Support for NGBR Project due to related economic benefits for the Whitsunday Regional Council (WRC) and Isaac Regional Council (IRC) local government areas (LGAs)
- Opportunities for workforce training programs and local procurement programs in readiness for the NGBR Project
- Increase in housing availability and improved housing affordability due to the recent downturn in the mining sector
- A sustainable mix of fly-in/fly-out (FIFO) workforce and local workforce
- Environmental impacts of the NGBR Project, notability air quality, flooding and water quality
- Support for Adani to provide a rail line with potential for third-parties to utilise the railway infrastructure to transport coal to the Port of Abbot Point





- Impacts on landholders specifically land fragmentation, potentially impacting agricultural land and infrastructure and property values
- Concerns about the cumulative impacts of resource projects on the region's roads, notably increased construction-related traffic and public safety concerns, road deterioration, new rail crossings and wait times, driver fatigue risks associated with a DIDO workforce, and emergency service response times.
- Support for Adani to have a long term presence in the WRC and IRC LGAs through investment in local towns, business and community life.

These issues, potential impacts and benefits have informed the EIS and were incorporated into technical studies as part of the EIS process.

Following acceptance of the draft EIS by the Queensland Office of the Coordinator-General, the document will be placed on public display for a period of six weeks (or as determined by the Coordinator General). Following completion of the public display period, all stakeholder and community feedback will be reviewed and addressed and a supplementary report will be provided if required.





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# **Terms and abbreviations**

Terms and abbreviations	Definition	
APSDA	Abbot Point State Development Area	
CEO	Chief Executive Officer	
CG	Coordinator-General	
CQ	Central Queensland	
DAFF	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	
DATSIMA	Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs	
DCCDS	Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services	
DCS	Department of Community Safety	
DEHP	Department of Environment and Heritage Protection	
DETE	Department of Education, Training and Employment	
DEWS	Department of Energy and Water Supply	
DHPW	Department of Housing and Public Works	
DNPRSR	Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing	
DNRM	Department of Natural Resources and Mines	
DIDO	Drive-in / drive-out	
DSDIP	Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning	
SEWPaC	Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	
DTMR	Department of Transport and Main Roads	
DTOR	Draft Terms of Reference	
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	
EMP	Environmental Management Plan	
EP Act	Environment Protection Act 1994	
EPBC Act	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	
FIFO	Fly-in / Fly-out	
Final NGBR Project footprint	The final NGBR Project footprint will accommodate all rail infrastructure required for construction and operation, scalable to accommodate 100 mtpa product coal transport, including passing loops, a maintenance road, rolling stock maintenance (provisioning, fuel storage and refuelling, maintenance, etc.), water supply and pipeline, track and signalling maintenance facilities, staff crib, accommodation and training facilities and	





Terms and abbreviations	Definition
	other necessary infrastructure associated with the operational functions of the NGBR Project.
	Temporary construction facilities are expected to include laydown areas, construction depots (warehousing, fuel storage, vehicle storage, administration facilities, etc.), sleeper manufacturing yards, construction accommodation camps, quarries and borrow pits, access tracks into the corridor and other necessary infrastructure associated with the construction functions of the NGBR Project.
Final rail corridor	The NGBR Project nominal 100 m wide corridor.
GP	General Practitioner
IAP2	International Association of Public Participation
IAS	Initial Advice Statement
IRC	Isaac Regional Council
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NGBR Project	North Galilee Basin Rail Project
NQBP	North Queensland Bulk Ports
OESR	Office of Economic and Statistical Research
PCYC	Police and Citizens Youth Club
Preliminary investigation corridor	NGBR Project nominal 1,000 m wide corridor.
QAS	Queensland Ambulance Service
QFRS	Queensland Fire and Rescue Service
QLD	Queensland
QPS	Queensland Police Service
QR	Queensland Rail
SEIS	Supplementary Environmental Impact Statement
SIA	Social Impact Assessment
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
TOR	Terms of Reference
WMP	Workforce Management Plan
WRC	Whitsunday Regional Council





# 1. Introduction

# 1.1 Project overview

Adani Mining Pty Ltd (Adani) proposes the construction and operation of the North Galilee Basin Rail Project (the NGBR Project), a multiuser, standard gauge, greenfield rail line that will transport coal from mines in the northern Galilee Basin to the Port of Abbot Point. The NGBR Project is approximately 300 km in length and connects the proposed Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project's east-west rail corridor, approximately 70 km east of the proposed Carmichael Coal Mine in the vicinity of Mistake Creek, with supporting infrastructure at the Port of Abbot Point (refer Figure 1-1). The NGBR Project will have an operational capacity of up to 100 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) of coal product expected to be sourced from both Adani and third-party mines in the northern Galilee Basin. Key features of the NGBR Project include:

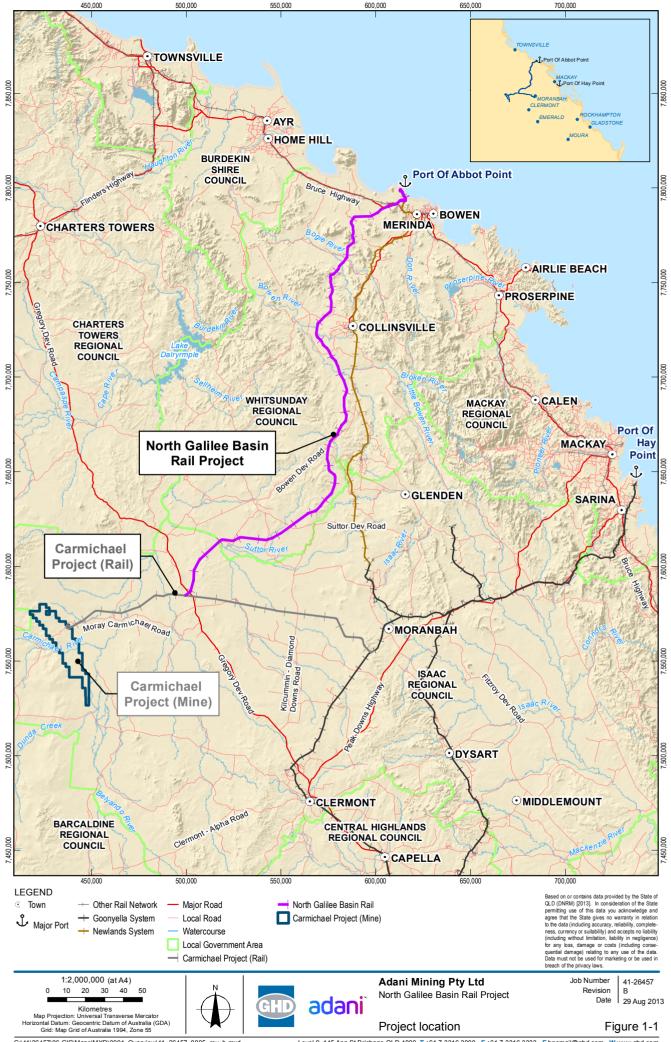
- Approximately 300 km of standard gauge, bi-directional rail track located within a nominal 100 m wide rail corridor (the final rail corridor)
- A rail maintenance access road running parallel to the rail track for approximately 300 km and wholly within the final rail corridor
- Seven passing loops, each 4.3 km in length
- Signalling infrastructure
- Approximately 4.5 km of fill greater than 15 m in depth (11 locations) and approximately
   3.4 km of cut greater than 15 m in depth (nine locations)
- At-grade and grade-separated road, rail, stock and occupational crossings
- Bridge and culvert structures at major waterways and drainage lines, and various other longitudinal and cross drainage structures
- A rolling stock maintenance facility near the Port of Abbot Point including provisioning line, train maintenance line, wagon and locomotive service sheds, wash bay and queuing line
- Five temporary accommodation camps for construction workers
- A temporary construction depot at the southern end of NGBR Project
- Temporary construction yards, concrete batching plants, bridge and track laydown areas and heavy vehicle turning circles.

During construction, quarries and borrow pits within acceptable haulage distances will be required to provide a cost effective source of fill, gravel, aggregate and ballast. The number and location of borrow pits and quarries will be investigated further during detailed design and each may require screening and crushing plants to process material.

## 1.2 Purpose of the report

This report outlines the public consultation process undertaken as part of the NGBR Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).

This report was prepared in accordance with the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the NGBR Project. A table that cross-references the contents of this report and the TOR is included as Volume 2 Appendix A TOR cross-reference.







# 2. Methodology

# 2.1 Aim and objectives

The aim of the consultation program was to inform stakeholders, including the broader community about the NGBR Project and the EIS process, actively seek stakeholder involvement in the environmental impact assessment process and report on how this input was considered in the NGBR Project EIS.

The following four objectives supported this aim:

- Establish an open two-way exchange of information, designed to meet community, government and Adani's requirements in achieving a transparent, meaningful and appropriate consultation processes.
- Communication of detailed NGBR Project information, in an easy to interpret, format
- Facilitate opportunities for local and regional communities, and other stakeholders to identify issues, impacts and possible mitigation measures to be documented for consideration as part of the EIS
- Build community understanding and support of the EIS process.

# 2.2 Consultation plan

In accordance with Section 3.7 of the TOR, a Consultation Plan (the Plan) was developed to guide effective and timely delivery of EIS consultation activities. The Plan included:

- The types of activities to be undertaken
- Timing of activities
- Identification of key stakeholder and community representatives
- Integration with other EIS activities and the NGBR Project development process
- Consultation responsibilities
- Communication protocols
- Reporting and feedback arrangements
- How results of consultation will be considered by the proponent and integrated into the EIS process.

## 2.3 Consultation approach

The core values and principles of the International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) guided the consultation approach. The IAP2 has developed a tool to define the level of public participation as a spectrum beginning with inform, moving to consult, involve, collaborate and empower (Figure 2-1). The level of participation for the NGBR Project was influenced by stakeholder groupings and included the inform, consult and involve stages of the spectrum.





Figure 2-1 IAP2 Public Participation Spectrum

North Galilee Basin Rail Project EIS **INFORM** CONSULT INVOLVE COLLABORATE **EMPOWER PUBLIC** To provide To obtain public To work directly To partner with To place final PARTICIPATION decision-making the public feedback with the public the public in each **GOAL** with balanced on analysis, throughout the aspect of the in the hands of alternatives and/or decision including and objective the public. process to ensure the development of information to decision. that public issues assist them in and concerns alternatives and the understanding are consistently identification of the the problems, understood and preferred solution. alternatives and/or considered. solutions. **PROMISE TO** We will keep you We will work with We will keep you We will look to you We will implement THE PUBLIC informed. informed, listen to you to ensure that for direct advice what you decide. and acknowledge your concerns and innovation concerns and and issues are in formulating provide feedback directly reflected solutions and on how public input in the alternatives incorporate your advise and influenced the developed and provide feedback decision. recommendations on how public input into the decisions to influenced the the maximum extent decision. possible. EXAMPLE TOOLS · Fact sheets Public comment Workshops Citizen Advisory · Citizen juries Websites · Deliberate polling Ballots Focus groups committees Open houses Surveys Consensus- Delegated Public meetings building decisions Participatory decision-making

Source: IAP2 2013

Stakeholders were informed using a range of communication materials including fact sheets, letters and the Adani website. Stakeholders were consulted and involved through face-to-face meetings, workshops, briefings, and public information sessions.

These were supported by feedback mechanisms through which stakeholders and community members could provide comment, such as feedback forms and NGBR Project specific contact channels (1800 telephone line and email address).

Representatives of NGBR Project team participated in key meetings and briefings. This enabled the two-way exchange of information between the NGBR Project team and stakeholders, and gave Adani valuable insight into stakeholder perceptions, concerns and interests (refer to Figure 2-2).





Figure 2-2 An Adani representative consulting with attendees at Moranbah Community Information Session, 23 July 2013



# 2.4 Stages of consultation

The public consultation process commenced in early 2013 and has been aligned to coincide with the following EIS milestones:

- Stage One: EIS commencement including release of the Initial Advice Statement (IAS) and draft TOR (DTOR)
- Stage Two: EIS development
- Stage Three Release of draft EIS
- Stage Four: Evaluation and EIS finalisation.

The sequencing of consultation and the activities to be undertaken at each stage is shown in Table 2-1. This report focuses on the stages of consultation which have already been completed, Stage One and Stage Two. Stage Three and Stage Four are yet to be undertaken.

Section 3 of this report provides full details of consultation and communication methods.





**Table 2-1 Sequencing of consultation activities** 

STAGE	Q1 2013	Q2 2013 – Q3 2013	Q4 2013	Q1 2014	
	STAGE ONE	STAGE TWO	STAGE THREE	STAGE FOUR	
	Commencement of EIS process	EIS development	Public exhibition of EIS	Evaluation and EIS finalisation	
Consultation Activities	Stakeholder identification  Conduct preliminary scoping of potential issues  Review of project information  Prepare  Consultation Plan  Prepare information materials  Government agency consultations	Community information sessions  Distribution of NGBR Project information materials (factsheets and information packs)  NGBR Project briefings and focus group meetings  Manage NGBR Project briefings and focus group meetings  Manage NGBR Project free call telephone information line, email address, post, and stakeholder database  Respond to stakeholder comments in a timely manner  Analyse stakeholder comments to inform EIS investigations  Social impact assessment consultation	Promote public exhibition period including public displays and community information sessions  Coordinate and manage public submissions  Analyse public submissions and draft responses	Close out activities Consultation evaluation	
	Ongoing stakeholder consultation and monitoring of feedback				
Regulatory Deliverables	Consultation Plan aligned with NGBR Project TOR	Public consultation report for EIS	Community feedback report for Supplementary EIS Report (if required)	Supplementary EIS (if required) to CG for final approval decision	

# 2.5 Integration with EIS technical studies and assessments

Consultation was undertaken with a number of stakeholders, including state agencies and local councils to inform the technical components of the EIS (refer Section 3.4). More specifically, targeted consultation was undertaken to inform components of the social impact assessment (SIA) including the social baseline study, identification of impacts and development of appropriate management strategies (refer Section 3.3).

Of particular significance to the consultation approach was the integration of the SIA and other EIS consultation activities in order to:

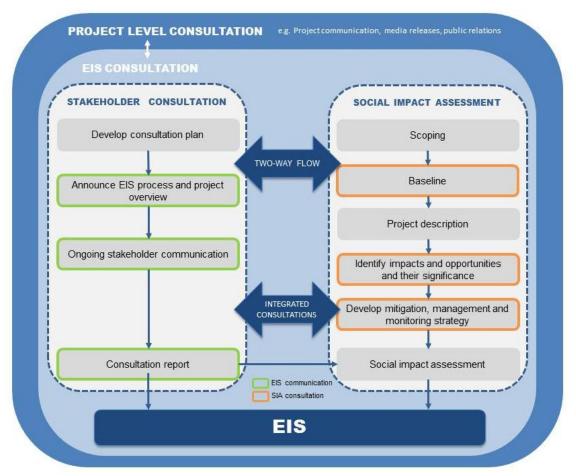




- Avoid potential duplication and consultation fatigue amongst stakeholders involved in both the broader EIS consultation and social research for the SIA
- Enable the EIS consultation and SIA processes to inform each other on the basis of information gathered from stakeholders.

Figure 2-3 depicts the integration of EIS and SIA consultation processes.

Figure 2-3 Links between EIS and SIA consultation



## 2.6 Project stakeholders

A stakeholder is defined as any individual, group of individuals, organisation or political entity with an interest in the outcome of a decision. They may be, or perceive that they may be, affected directly or indirectly by the outcome of a decision (IAP2, 2013). A preliminary stakeholder list was developed through desk-based research and analysis of existing information materials. This list was subject to ongoing refinement throughout the consultation process, with input from Adani and other NGBR Project stakeholders.

Stakeholders identified for the NGBR Project included Commonwealth, state and local government representatives, potentially affected landowners, local businesses, industry representatives, environmental groups, community groups, education and training providers, media and surrounding communities. The stakeholders informed or consulted for the NGBR Project are detailed in Table 2-2.





# **Table 2-2 NGBR Project key stakeholders**

Stakeholder category	Representatives
Commonwealth government	<ul> <li>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water,</li> <li>Population and Communities (SEWPaC)</li> </ul>
	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority
Elected representatives	Kirsten Livermore - Member for Capricornia
	George Christensen - Member for Dawson
Queensland government	
Departmental Ministers	Campbell Newman – Premier
	Annastacia Palaszcuk – Leader of the Opposition
	Tim Mulherin – Deputy Leader of the Opposition
	<ul> <li>Jeff Seeney – Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning</li> </ul>
	Jarrod Bleijie – Attorney General and Minister for Trade
	Tim Nicholls – Treasurer and Minister for Trade
	<ul> <li>Andrew Cripps – Minister for Natural Resources and Mines</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Andrew Powell – Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection</li> </ul>
	Tim Mander – Minister for Housing and Public Works
	<ul> <li>David Crisafulli – Minister for Local Government,</li> <li>Community Recovery and Resilience</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Glen Elmes – Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait</li> <li>Island and Multicultural Affairs</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Jack Dempsey – Minister for Police and Community Safety</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>John McVeigh – Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>John-Paul Langbroek – Minister for Education, Training and Employment</li> </ul>
	Lawrence Springborg – Minister for Health
	Mark McArdle – Minister for Energy and Water Supply
	<ul> <li>Ian Walker – Minister for Science, Information</li> <li>Technology, Innovation and the Arts</li> </ul>
	Scott Emerson – Minster for Transport and Main Roads
	<ul> <li>Steven Dickson – Minister for National Parks, Recreation,</li> <li>Sport and Racing</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Tracy Davis – Minister for Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Jann Stuckey – Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games</li> </ul>



Stakeholder category	Representatives
State Elected Representatives	<ul> <li>Rosemary Menkens – Member for Burdekin</li> <li>Shane Knuth – Member for Dalrymple</li> </ul>
State government departments	<ul> <li>Department of the Premier and Cabinet</li> <li>The Coordinator-General and Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP)</li> <li>Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (DEHP)</li> <li>Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM)</li> <li>Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR)</li> <li>Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services</li> <li>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF)</li> <li>Department of Energy and Water Supply (DEWS)</li> <li>Queensland Health</li> <li>Department of Community Safety (DCS)</li> <li>Department of Housing and Public Works (DHPW)</li> <li>Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing (DNPRSR)</li> <li>Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs (DATSIMA)</li> <li>Department of Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games</li> <li>Queensland Treasury and Trade</li> </ul>
Government owned corporations/organisations	<ul><li>Queensland Rail (QR)</li><li>North Queensland Bulk Ports (NQBP)</li></ul>
Local government	
Isaac Regional Council (IRC)	<ul> <li>Mayor: Anne Baker</li> <li>CEO: Terry Dodds</li> <li>Councillors</li> <li>Key Council Officers</li> </ul>
Whitsunday Regional Council (WRC)	<ul> <li>Mayor: Jennifer Whitney</li> <li>CEO: Scott Waters</li> <li>Councillors</li> <li>Key Council Officers</li> </ul>
Mackay Regional Council (MRC)	<ul> <li>Mayor: Deidre Comerford</li> <li>CEO: Dan McKinlay</li> <li>Key Council Officers</li> </ul>





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Stakeholder category	Representatives
Charters Towers Regional Council	Mayor: Frank Beveridge
Council	CEO: Mark Crawley
Central Highlands	Manager Planning and Development Services
Regional Council	Mining Liaison Officer
Local communities	
Directly affected landholders	<ul> <li>Landholders directly affected by the NGBR Project final rail corridor (nominal 100m wide corridor)</li> </ul>
Local residents and businesses	• Bowen
businesses	Collinsville
	Moranbah
Other key stakeholders	
Regional development	Whitsunday Marketing and Development Ltd
groups	Bowen Collinsville Enterprise Inc
	Bowen Basin Services Pty Ltd
	Tourism Bowen
	<ul> <li>Mackay, Isaac, Whitsunday Regional Economic Development Corporation</li> </ul>
Private infrastructure providers	Aurizon Pty Ltd
Emergency and health	Queensland Police Service (QPS)
services	<ul> <li>Queensland Ambulance Service (QAS)</li> </ul>
	Queensland Fire and Rescue Service (QFRS)
	Queensland Rural Fire Service (QFRS)
	Moranbah Hospital and Health Service
	Bowen Hospital
	Collinsville Hospital
	Bowen Medical Centre
	Moranbah Medical Centre
Utility service providers	Ergon Energy
	• SunWater
	Powerlink Queensland
	Queensland Water Commission
	• Telstra
	• Optus
	Reef Networks
	North Queensland Gas Pipeline
Indigenous groups and Traditional Owners	Birri People
aditional Ownord	Jangga People



Stakeholder category	Representatives
	<ul> <li>Juru People</li> <li>Juru People # 2</li> <li>Central Queensland Land Council</li> </ul>
Community groups	<ul> <li>Corridor to Coast Community Group</li> <li>Moranbah Traders Association</li> <li>Mining Communities United</li> <li>Whitsunday Housing Company Ltd and Community Rent</li> <li>Whitsunday Community Services, Neighbourhood Centre</li> <li>Australian Railway Historical Society</li> <li>Bowen Historical Society and Museum</li> <li>Collinsville Memoirs Online</li> <li>Coalface Experience</li> </ul>
Business and industry groups	<ul> <li>Proserpine Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>Queensland Resources Council</li> <li>AgForce</li> </ul>
Environmental groups	<ul> <li>Greenpeace</li> <li>Mackay Conservation Group</li> <li>Whitsunday Catchment Landcare</li> <li>Australian Conservation Foundation</li> <li>Australian Marine Conservation Society</li> <li>Wilderness Preservation Society</li> </ul>
Education and training providers	<ul> <li>Bowen Employment Services and Training (B.E.S.T)</li> <li>Great Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE</li> <li>Bowen Basin Services</li> </ul>
Tenement holders	<ul> <li>Barlyne Mining Pty Ltd</li> <li>Energy Minerals Pty Ltd</li> <li>Conarco Minerals Pty Ltd</li> <li>Xstrata Coal Queensland Pty Ltd</li> <li>Bowen River Coal Pty Ltd</li> <li>Byerwen Coal Pty Ltd</li> <li>Endocoal Ltd</li> <li>Queensland Coal Investments Pty Ltd</li> <li>Navaho Gold Pty Ltd</li> <li>Drummond West Pty Ltd</li> <li>Natural Resources Exploration Pty Ltd</li> <li>Zamia Resources Pty Ltd</li> <li>Rosella Creek Coal Pty Ltd</li> <li>North Coal Pty Ltd</li> </ul>





Stakeholder category	Representatives		
	Pelican Creek Coal Pty Ltd		
	Argos (QLD) Pty Ltd		
	Conquest Mining Pty Ltd		
	BNG (Surat) Pty Ltd		
	Mt Coolon Gold Mines Pty Itd		
	Hancock Coal		
	QCoal group		
	Basin Gold Pty Ltd		
Media			
Print	Bowen Independent		
	Central Queensland News		

# 2.7 Stakeholder management

The NGBR Project team maintain a secure stakeholder management database (www.consultationmanager.com.au) to record all consultation undertaken as a part of the EIS consultation process. The database was established in April 2013 and will be maintained throughout the EIS process and into NGBR Project construction and operations. This central database is used to record stakeholder consultation and monitor and report on enquiries, issues and team responses across all NGBR Project interfaces.





# 3. Overview of stakeholder consultation

### 3.1 Overview

The consultation process applies to Stage One and Two of the EIS process. This approach aimed to provide multiple opportunities for both targeted stakeholders and the wider community to participate and comment on the NGBR Project. Specific consultation activities and communication tools are depicted in Figure 3-1. The following sections describe these activities and tools, and supporting consultation collateral is contained in Appendices A to E.

Figure 3-1 EIS Consultation activities and communication tools

#### **EIS** consultation activities

# **EIS** communication tools



- Consultation on DTOR
- Community information sessions
- Government agency meetings
- Council briefings and meetings
- · Landholder consultation
- · SIA consultation
- Indigenous cultural heritage consultation
- Non-Indigenous cultural heritage consultation



- Project newsletters
- Freecall telephone information line
- NGBR Project email address
- Project webpage
- Paid advertising
- Stakeholder database
- · Community feedback forms
- PowerPoint presentations

#### 3.2 Consultation activities

## 3.2.1 Commonwealth government

A meeting was held with representatives of SEWPaC to provide an overview of the NGBR Project. Table 3-1 provides details of the meeting and Section 5 includes a summary of the issues raised by SEWPaC during the meeting.

Table 3-1 Summary of meeting with SEWPaC

Location	Venue	Purpose	Date	Attendance
Canberra	SEWPaC Office	NGBR Project overview	29 May 2013	5

## 3.2.2 State government

A State government agency briefing was held in Brisbane to coincide with the release of the DTOR in July 2013 as detailed in Table 3-2 and Table 3-3. In addition to the State government agency briefing, other government consultation included:

- Regular project meetings with the Coordinator-General's Office, with delegates from other departments invited as required
- Several EIS meetings, including SIA consultation and workshops with representatives from State government.





When the draft EIS is released in late 2013 there will be further government agency briefings and meetings.

Table 3-2 summarises state agency consultation for the NGBR Project and Section 5 includes a summary of the issues raised by state agencies during the briefings and meetings.

Table 3-2 Summary of state agency briefings and meetings

Timing	Location	Purpose	Consultation method	Attendance
23 June 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Meeting to discuss the DTOR	Meeting	4
1 July 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Meeting to discuss the DTOR	Meeting	4
11 July 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Meeting to confirm SIA methodology, key stakeholders study area and other considerations	Meeting	4
19 July 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Briefing to state agencies on the DTOR	Meeting	31
8 August 2013	DNRM Office Longreach	Meeting to discuss proposed stock route crossing treatments	Meeting	3
13 August 2013	DTMR office Mackay	Meeting to discuss Proposed road crossing treatments	Meeting	4
20 August 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Meeting to discuss the submissions on DTOR and finalisation of the TOR	Meeting	3
21 August 2013	Coordinator- General's Office Brisbane	Meeting to discuss NGBR Project final rail corridor through the Abbot Point State Development Area (APSDA) State Development Area Division of DSDIP	Meeting	4





**Table 3-3 Attendance at state agency meetings** 

Invited stakeholders	Attended briefing
The Coordinator-General and Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning	✓
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection	✓
Department of Housing and Public Works	✓
Department of Natural Resources and Mine	✓
Department of Transport and Main Roads	✓
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	✓
Department of Energy and Water Supply	✓
Queensland Treasury	✓
Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs	×
Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport, and Racing	✓

# 3.2.3 Council Briefings and Meetings

Separate NGBR Project briefings and meetings were held with IRC and WRC (refer to Figure 3-2) during the Stage One: EIS preparation phase as detailed in Table 3-4. The purpose was to:

- Inform councils of the NGBR Project and the EIS process
- Gain an understanding of the issues and opportunities currently facing the regions
- Identify the potential impacts, benefits and mitigation measures for the NGBR Project.

Further details of the council briefings and meetings are provided in Section 5.

**Table 3-4 Council briefings and meetings** 

Timing	Location	Purpose	Consultation method	Attendance
25 June 2013	IRC office Moranbah	Meeting to inform the SIA (refer to 3.3)	Meeting	7
27 June 2013	WRC office Proserpine	Meeting to inform the SIA (refer to 3.3)	Meeting	6
23 July 2013	IRC office  Moranbah	Briefing IRC on the NGBR Project and DTOR	Meeting	14





Timing	Location	Purpose	Consultation method	Attendance
25 July 2013	WRC office Proserpine	Briefing WRC on the NGBR Project and DTOR	Meeting	9
7 August 2013	IRC office  Moranbah	Proposed road and stock route crossing treatments	Meeting	4
9 August 2013	WRC office Proserpine	Proposed road and stock route crossing treatments	Meeting	4

Figure 3-2 DTOR briefing with WRC, 25 July 2013



# 3.2.4 Community information sessions

One round of community information sessions were held and topics of discussions were in relation to the EIS process, the NGBR Project description and the DTOR (July 2013).

The community information sessions were advertised through public notices in local newspapers and information provided on the Adani website. Relevant stakeholders listed in Table 2-2 and all directly affected landholders received letters informing them of the DTOR and





the community information sessions. All interested individuals and groups were invited and welcomed to attend. Table 3-5 below summarises the events.

**Table 3-5 Summary of community information sessions (DTOR)** 

Timing	Location	Purpose	Consultation method	Attendance
23 July 2013 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm	Moranbah Community Centre Moranbah	To provide the community to an overview on the NGBR Project and the DTOR	Drop-in session	4
24 July 2013 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm	Collinsville Community Centre Collinsville	To provide the community to an overview on the NGBR Project and the DTOR	Drop-in session	17
25 July 2013 4.00 pm – 7.00 pm	Police and Citizens Youth Club (PCYC) Bowen	To provide the community to an overview on the NGBR Project and the DTOR	Drop-in session	34

Figure 3-3 Community information session in Collinsville, 24 July 2013







Community information sessions used a 'walk through' system, where interested members of the public were greeted and directed to a NGBR Project team member who was best suited to respond to their questions or issues. NGBR Project posters and study area maps were also displayed (refer Appendix A).

All community information sessions had an open door policy where interested people could enter and leave at their leisure. Participants were provided with opportunities to give feedback on the NGBR Project either verbally (with notes taken by the NGBR Project team) or in writing (using email and postal submissions or feedback forms).

Section 5 provides a summary of the potential issues and mitigation and management measures raised by stakeholders during the information sessions.

### 3.2.5 Public display of the DTOR

The Coordinator-General conducted a public notification process on the DTOR from 13 July to 12 August 2013. During this time a number of submissions were received and taken into account by the Coordinator-General in finalisation of the TOR.

#### 3.2.6 Landholder consultation

Adani's land access consultant, Ranbury, managed the majority of direct communication and liaison with landholders affected by the NGBR Project.

EIS-related consultation and communications with directly affected landholders included:

- Project introduction
- Written correspondence requesting access to land for NGBR Project investigations.
- Notification of the DTOR public comment period and invitations to attend community information sessions
- Notification of the outcomes of hydraulic investigations and flood mapping.

Landholder consultation focussed on gaining feedback on the NGBR Project alignment and facilitating land access agreements for the coordination of all ongoing landholder contact through to the construction stage.

Communication with landholders has been ongoing since March 2013 and all 29 landholders have been consulted about the NGBR Project. Consultation with landholders will be ongoing throughout the NGBR Project. Section 5 includes a summary of issues raised by landholders to date.

During September 2013, Adani undertook consultation with 26 of the 29 directly affected landholders about technical studies and the rail design development including information where relevant on proposed crossing treatments, construction and operational infrastructure, flood modelling and proposed drainage treatments. Consultation with the remaining landholders regarding these matters is ongoing. Adani will continue to consult with landholders during the various stages of the project to ensure that they are fully informed of the design process and the proposed mitigation measures specific to their property operations.

Tenement holders and infrastructure owners whose areas of tenure/land are intersected by the NGBR Project have also been sent introductory letters notifying them of the NGBR Project, and maps of where the NGBR investigative corridor intersects their tenements. Consultation with these companies is ongoing, including the provision of more detailed information where requested through the project's feedback mechanisms.





## 3.2.7 Indigenous cultural heritage consultation

EIS investigation identified the following Traditional Owners as having an interest in the areas of land affected by the NGBR Project:

- Birri People (QUD6244/1998, QC98/12)
- Jangga People (QUD6230/98, QC98/10)
- Juru People (QUD554/2010, QC10/5)
- Juru People No.2 (QUD07/2012, QC12/1).

Consultation with each of the above groups commenced in the first quarter of 2013 and is ongoing. This consultation has included negotiation regarding Cultural Heritage Management Plans (CHMPs) with the relevant parties. The results of this consultation are summarised in Section 5.5.

# 3.2.8 Non-Indigenous cultural heritage consultation

Non-Indigenous cultural heritage consultation was also undertaken with community groups and historical societies in Bowen and Collinsville, as well as relevant local government authorities. Table 3-6 summarises the extent and nature of these consultations.

Further information of cultural heritage and outcomes of consultation with Traditional Owners are contained in Volume 1 Chapter 15 Cultural heritage and Volume 2 Appendix L Cultural Heritage.

Table 3-6 Non-Indigenous cultural heritage consultation summary

Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose/outcome	Consultation method
7 June 2013 19 June 2013 20 June 2013 24 June 2013 26 June 2013 27 June 2013	Proserpine	WRC	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.	Letter Email Phone Meeting
7 June 2013 19 June 2013	N/A	IRC	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.	Letter Phone
7 June 2013 19 June 2013 27 June 2013	Collinsville	Collinsville Memoirs Online	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information. Identify places of 'social	Letter Phone Meeting





Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose/outcome	Consultation method
			significance' to supplement desktop research. Gaining an understanding of potential cultural heritage impacts.	
7 June 2013 19 June 2013	N/A	Coalface Experience (Collinsville)	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.	Letter Phone
7 June 2013 19 June 2013 27 June 2013	Collinsville	Mining Communities United (Collinsville)	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.  Gaining an understanding of potential cultural heritage impacts.	Letter Phone Meeting
7 June 2013 19 June 2013 27 June 2013	Bowen	Bowen Historical Society and Museum	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.  Gaining an understanding of potential cultural heritage impacts	Letter Phone Meeting
7 June 2013 19 June 2013 24 June 2013	N/A	Queensland Chapter of the Australian Railway Historical Society	Supplement known heritage values obtained from national and state level heritage registers with local knowledge and information.  Identify places of 'social significance' to supplement desktop research.  Gain an understanding of potential cultural heritage impacts	Letter Phone





### 3.3 SIA Consultation

The following consultation activities explicitly informed the SIA:

### 3.3.1 Coordinator-General Office meeting

The SIA team met with DSDIP Coordinator-General's Office at key milestones throughout the SIA process to report on the progress of SIA investigations and obtain the Coordinator-General's Office's input to the SIA methodology, key stakeholders, the social baseline and initial scoping of issues. Refer to Section 3.2.2 for details of this meeting.

#### **Interviews**

Representatives from the WRC and IRC, and key service providers across the region were interviewed to collect and validate data required to:

- Develop social baseline studies for the local and regional study areas
- Inform impact identification
- Develop management strategies and monitoring programs.

Table 3-7 summarises the key SIA consultation activities. Volume 1 Chapter 15 Social and economic impacts contains a summary of key issues and potential impacts and mitigation and management strategies identified by stakeholders during consultation.

Section 5.5 contains a summary of the SIA-related consultation and findings.

**Table 3-7 Summary of SIA consultations** 

Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose	Consultation method
19 June 2013	N/A	Bowen Collinsville Enterprise	Confirm current situation, identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms.	Phone
	N/A	Rural Fire Brigade and QFRS – Mackay	Confirm current situation in regard to emergency services in the Mackay region.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for emergency services in relation to the NGBR Project.	Phone
21 June 2013	N/A	Tourism Bowen	Confirm current situation,	Phone
	N/A	Barrier Reef Institute of TAFE	identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms.	Phone
25 June 2013	Moranbah	QPS -	Confirm current situation	Meeting





Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose	Consultation method
	Moranbah	Moranbah  Queensland Health - Moranbah Hospital	in regard to health and emergency services in Moranbah.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for health and emergency services.	Meeting
	Moranbah	IRC	Confirm current situation in Moranbah from IRC's perspective.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Collinsville	Councillor and Deputy Mayor Peter Ramage – WRC	Confirm current situation in Collinsville from Council's and resident perspective. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
26 June 2013	Collinsville	Corridor to Coast	Confirm current situation/position of the Corridor to Coast group. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms, particularly for landholders affected by the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Collinsville	QPS – Collinsville	Confirm current situation in regard to emergency services in Collinsville. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for emergency services in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Collinsville	Mining	Confirm current situation for the residents and local	Meeting





Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose	Consultation method
		Communities United	businesses in Collinsville, particularly with the downturn in the mining industry.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for emergency services in relation to the NGBR Project.	
	Bowen	QPS – Bowen	Confirm current situation in regard to emergency services in Bowen. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for emergency services in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
27 June 2013	Bowen	Queensland Health - Bowen Hospital	Confirm current situation in regard to health services in Bowen. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for health services in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Bowen	Whitsunday Marketing and Development	Confirm current economic situation in Bowen. Identify potential social impacts and opportunities for local employment and economic development initiatives in Bowen in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Proserpine	Queensland Health – Proserpine	Confirm current situation in regard to health services in the Mackay region.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for health services in relation to the NGBR	Meeting





Timing	Location	Stakeholder	Purpose	Consultation method
			Project.	
	Cannonvale	Whitsunday Housing Company	Confirm current situation in relation to housing and social services in the Whitsunday region. I	Meeting
	Airlie Beach	Whitsunday Neighbourhood Centre	Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for the NGBR Project.	Meeting
	Proserpine	WRC	Confirm current situation in Collinsville from Council's and resident perspective. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms in relation to the NGBR Project.	Meeting
8 July 2013	N/A	Bowen Employment Services and Training	Confirm current situation in regard to training and employment in Bowen. Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for the NGBR Project.	Phone
9 July 2013	N/A	QAS	Confirm current situation in regard to emergency services in the Mackay region.  Identify potential social impacts and impact management strategies/initiatives and monitoring mechanisms for emergency services in relation to the NGBR Project.	Phone

## 3.4 Broader EIS consultation activities

To assist in gaining an understanding the existing environment, potential impacts and potential mitigation and management measures for the NGBR Project, the NGBR Project Team have engaged with relevant government agencies and key stakeholders to inform aspects of the EIS.

A summary of technical consultation undertaken for the EIS is provided in Table 3-8.





**Table 3-8 Summary of other EIS consultation** 

Timing	Stakeholder	Purpose	Consultation method
May 2013	Mackay Whitsunday Regional Economic Development Corporation	To obtain chain volume measures for the contribution of key sectors to Gross Regional Product in the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday region over time	Email
July 2013	IRC	To confirm waste management facilities	Phone
July 2013	WRC	To source traffic data. To confirm council opinions/requirements and discuss road impacts	Email
		To confirm waste management facilities	Phone
June / July 2013	DEHP	Discuss noise criteria for construction and operation of the NGBR Project	Email
		Confirm the approach and quantum of offset requirements	Phone
June / July 2013	DNRM	Discuss extent of soil survey methodology	Email
		Confirm the approach and quantum of offset requirements	Email
June / July 2013	DTMR	To source traffic data. To confirm DTMR opinions/requirements (e.g. traffic performance thresholds) and seek input/approval of any proposed mitigation measures	Email
June / July 2013	DCS	To inform hazard and risk assessment and emergency management plan for the NGBR Project	Email Phone
June / July 2013	QAS	To inform hazard and risk assessment and emergency management plan for the NGBR Project	Email Phone
June / July 2013	QFRS	To inform hazard and risk assessment and emergency management plan for the NGBR Project	Email Phone





## 3.5 Communication tools

#### 3.5.1 NGBR Project DTOR presentation

A PowerPoint presentation was prepared for the state and local government briefings on the DTOR. The presentation included the following information:

- Introduction to the NGBR Project
- NGBR Project benefits
- Overview of the NGBR Project approvals process and timing
- Overview of the NGBR Project EIS technical studies and chapters
- Detail of stakeholder feedback channels.

A copy the PowerPoint presentation is provided is Appendix A.

### 3.5.2 NGBR Project display posters

The NGBR Project display posters were developed for display at the community information sessions. The posters were A1 in size and included the following project information:

- Introduction to the NGBR Project, fast facts and a location map
- Overview of the approvals process and timing
- NGBR Project benefits, information about Adani Mining Pty Ltd and details of stakeholder feedback channels
- NGBR Project overview map.

A copy of the display posters is provided in Appendix B.

### 3.5.3 NGBR Project factsheet

The NGBR Project factsheet was developed to inform stakeholders about the NGBR Project, including the DTOR and EIS process.

In July 2013 the factsheet was distributed to stakeholders via direct mail-out. It was also widely distributed via Adani's website, community information sessions and agency briefings.

Table 3-9 details distribution of the factsheet and content. A copy of which is provided in Appendix C.

**Table 3-9 Summary of NGBR Project factsheet** 

Timing	EIS Milestone	Factsheet Focus	Distribution
Factsheet 1 (July 2013)	NGBR Project commencement NGBR Project description Release of DTOR	Introduction to the NGBR Project and Adani Mining Pty Ltd Introduction to EIS process NGBR Project timeframe Promotion of community information sessions NGBR Project contact channels	Direct mail-out to affected landholders and key stakeholders (approximately 200) NGBR Project website Community information sessions and agency briefings





#### 3.5.4 EIS freecall number and email

A NGBR Project email address and free call telephone information line was established and will be maintained for the duration of the EIS consultation process to provide stakeholders an easily accessible means of sourcing NGBR Project information. It further provided them with the opportunities to raise issues and discuss any concerns about the NGBR Project.

Email: ngbr-eis@ghd.com

• Telephone: 1800 086 640

Post: North Galilee Basin Rail Project

GPO Box 668 Brisbane Qld 4001

All questions, concerns and issues received through the contact channels were captured reviewed and responded to within appropriate timeframes.

All NGBR Project information materials, the Adani website and public advertisements included the contact channel details.

The total number of enquires received via these channels for the period from March 2013 to August 2013 is presented in Table 3-10. The enquiries were in relation to the DTOR, planned consultation activities, general information about the NGBR Project and to provide support for the NGBR Project.

**Table 3-10 Utilisation of NGBR Project contact channels** 

Contact Channel	Number Received	
Email address (incoming)	1	
Telephone enquiries (incoming)	2	
Post	1 (feedback form)	

## 3.5.5 Paid advertising

To inform the community about the NGBR Project and DTOR consultation activities, paid advertising was placed in local newspapers, the Bowen Independent and Central Queensland (CQ) News. Table 3-11 includes details of paid advertising and copies of paid advertising are provided in Appendix D.

**Table 3-11 Summary of paid advertising** 

Publication	Dates	Coverage
CQ News (advertisement placed in the classifieds section of the publication)	17 July 2013 19 July 2013	Alpha, Barcaldine, Blackwater, Bluff, Capella, Clermont, Comet, Dingo, Dysart, Emerald, Middlemount, Moranbah, Rubyvale, Sapphire, Springsure, Tieri





Publication	Dates	Coverage
Bowen Independent (advertisement placed in both the Bowen and Collinsville sections of the publication)	17 July 2013 19 July 2013	Bowen, Merinda, Gumla, Guthalungra, Scottville, Collinsville

#### 3.5.6 Website

Adani's website provided a readily accessible portal for stakeholders to access information about the proponent, the NGBR Project, EIS process and consultation opportunities. The website is <a href="http://adanimining.com/Australia Rail Pri">http://adanimining.com/Australia Rail Pri</a>

The website was periodically updated as the EIS progressed. Key details on the website included:

- EIS consultation activities
- NGBR Project team contact details for registration of interest and enquiries
- Links to key documentation including:
  - NGBR Project factsheet
  - NGBR Project locality map
  - NGBR Project DTOR
  - NGBR Project EIS guidelines.

A website snapshot is provided in Appendix E.

#### 3.5.7 Feedback Form

A feedback form was developed for distribution at the community information session to capture feedback from stakeholders on the NGBR Project and the DTOR.

The feedback form is contained in Appendix F. One completed feedback form for the NGBR Project was received prior to draft EIS submission. The feedback provided was in support of the NGBR Project and community information session held in Collinsville.





# 4. Major themes of the consultation process

#### 4.1 Introduction

During the consultation program, participants identified a range of potential social, environmental and economic impacts and benefits of the NGBR Project. Although feedback has differed between localities and stakeholder groups, a number of consistent themes emerged, as follows:

- Local business and employment opportunities
- Housing and accommodation
- Workforce supply
- Environment
- Multi-user rail corridor
- Community health, safety and wellbeing
- Roads and traffic.

Each theme is summarised below as expressed by stakeholders at government meetings and consultation sessions. This summary provides a high-level snapshot of community/stakeholder perceptions in response to the NGBR Project, rather than a technical assessment of impact or benefit. Furthermore, the themes are presented without any particular priority order or ranking.

# 4.2 Local business and employment opportunities

Stakeholders strongly support NGBR Project-related economic benefits for the WRC and IRC local government areas (LGA). New opportunities for local business and employment were frequently raised as positive outcomes, including:

- Support and development for local business and industry, through securing local contracts for the supply of goods and services for the NGBR Project
- Increased spending in local economies for the purchase and use of various services and materials
- Government revenue through taxes and royalties
- Population growth to support extra government funding for essential community services and infrastructure
- New employment opportunities, apprenticeships and training resulting in long term career pathways for residents of the study area
- Flow on benefits in terms of multiplier effect generating employment and business activity at a regional level from increased economic activity.

During the consultation activities a number of people sought to register their interest in the NGBR Project for employment, to provide contractor services or act as suppliers of goods and services.





## 4.3 Housing and accommodation

Historically, the regional communities in the WRC and IRC have been concerned that the direct effects from projects with large workforces and/or cumulative impacts have exacerbated shortages in housing supply and decreased housing affordability. This has led to higher living costs for everyone, particularly those not employed in the mining sector.

Stakeholders revealed that the recent downturn in the mining sector had led to a number of people moving out of the region over the past 12 months. This has subsequently increased housing availability and improved housing affordability.

Whilst housing availability and affordability in the region has improved, stakeholders raised concerns in relation to:

- The poor quality of the housing stock old, degraded and in need of renewal
- The potential for the NGBR Project to contribute to cumulative impacts on housing availability and affordability should a number projects come online at the same time (e.g. Port of Abbot Point expansion)
- Existing infrastructure such as water supply and sewerage facilities constraining future growth of local towns.

# 4.4 Workforce supply

Stakeholders sought additional information about Adani's workforce strategy, with a particular focus on:

- The need for workforce training and procurement programs to provide opportunities for local people to work and/or supply goods and services for the NGBR Project
- A sustainable mix of fly-in/fly-out (FIFO) workforce and local workforce
- Issues related to staff attraction and retention in local businesses due to higher wages in the resource sector and higher cost of living in the region.

Stakeholders highlighted an immediate need for workforce training programs and local procurement programs in readiness for the NGBR Project.

In respect to a FIFO workforce, two distinct points of view emerged amongst stakeholders:

- Opposition to a FIFO workforce due to the:
  - Limited benefits it affords the local economy and social fabric
  - Workforce burnout and retention problems observed elsewhere in the mining sector across the Bowen Basin and broader region
- Acceptance of a FIFO/DIDO workforce for the construction phase of the NGBR Project given the remote location and length of the final rail corridor.

#### 4.5 Environment

Stakeholders raised a number of concerns in regard to environmental impacts. Issues of particular concern were:

 Coal dust from the high volume of train movements proposed by the NGBR Project and potential air quality impacts on livestock, land and communities. Suggested mitigation measures included covered train wagons and coal veneering.





- Potential for the NGBR Project to cause flooding and surface water impacts
- Impacts on local waterways and indirect flow-on impacts to the Great Barrier Reef and related values including recreational pursuits by the local community.

#### 4.6 Multiuser rail corridor

There was strong support for Adani to provide a rail line with potential for third-parties to utilise the infrastructure to transport coal product to the Port of Abbot Point.

Stakeholders also raised the potential opportunity for the rail line to freight fuel, agricultural goods and other products to the port in the longer term to reduce the number of freight trucks on the local roads in the region.

# 4.7 Community, health, safety and wellbeing

Consultations with the stakeholders, particularly health service providers suggested that generally health services within the region are well within capacity to meet the demands of an additional project of this scale. However, they identified some shortfalls and challenges including:

- Inadequate capacity or resources to cater for emergencies in Bowen, Collinsville and Moranbah, and in most cases emergency cases that require air lifting to Mackay or Townsville
- Shortages in nursing staff, particularly when a nurse is required to escort a patient while transferring them to Townsville or Mackay
- Bowen and Moranbah hospitals have experienced an increase in emergency cases which
  are often general practice type cases. This hinders the hospitals' ability to cater to real
  emergencies. It was noted that certain hospital emergencies result from the
  predominantly single male workers residing at camps often neglect their health by
  ignoring early signs of illness and have to be brought into the hospital once the illness
  has advanced
- Shortages in local general practitioner (GP) services, particularly in Bowen where currently there are eight GPs not accepting new patients as they are at capacity
- Shortage of mental health services in Bowen
- Challenges in attracting skilled health staff such as doctors and nurses to regional areas
- Introduction of new health conditions for which existing services do not cater, or increase in health conditions beyond the capacity of available services

# 4.8 Land use and lifestyle

Stakeholders raised concerns in relation to land use and lifestyle impacts, particularly for landholders directly affected by the NGBR Project final rail corridor. Issues of particular concern were:

- Impacts on landholders, specifically land fragmentation potentially impacting agricultural land, infrastructure and property values
- Impacts on specific sites or locations important to landholders and their families





- Spread of weeds and weed seeds (by vehicles and workers) into landholder properties during construction and operation (maintenance) which may affect grazing pastures and stock
- Exacerbation of flooding and drainage issues
- Erosion/scour problems caused by the construction of bridges
- Changes to quiet rural lifestyle affecting residents and businesses, including changes to scenic amenity, noise levels and air quality.

#### 4.9 Roads and traffic

Stakeholders expressed a range of concerns about the cumulative impacts of resource projects on the region's roads, including the NGBR Project. The main concerns were:

- Increase in construction related road traffic and public safety risks for residents
- New rail crossings creating increased wait times and inconvenience to the public
- Driver fatigue risks associated with a DIDO workforce
- Increased heavy vehicle traffic increasing travel time and potential damage to local road infrastructure during construction
- Safety and access issues related to stock route, road and rail crossings
- Limited capacity of local government to keep pace with road maintenance
- Implications of remote rail location for emergency services response.

## 4.10 Summary of key themes, issues and opportunities

Table 4-1 presents the major themes and issues as identified by different stakeholder groups during consultation. This information is based on feedback received from selected stakeholders (who participated in consultation activities), and is not intended to be representative of all stakeholders listed in Table 2-2.

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Table 4-1 Summary of key issues and opportunities raised during EIS Consultation

Issue / opportunity	Commonwealth govt	State govt depts / agencies &State elected reps	WRC	IRC	Directly affected landholders	Regional development groups	Traditional Owners	Industry/peak bodies	Businesses	Community groups	Local residents	Emergency services	Health providers	Utility service providers	Private infrastructure providers	Education and training providers	Environmental groups
Local business and employment opportunities																	
Support and development for local business and industry		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Increased spending in local economies		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	
Government revenue through taxes and royalties		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓							
Temporary or permanent increase in non-resident workforce			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
New employment opportunities, apprenticeships and training resulting in long term career pathways for residents of the region			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	
Flow on benefits generating employment and business activity at a regional level		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓		✓						
Housing and accommodation																	
Poor quality of the existing housing stock		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The potential for the NGBR Project to contribute to cumulative impacts on housing availability and affordability should a number project come online at the same time (e.g. Port of Abbot Point expansion)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓
Increased housing availability and improved housing affordability (current situation)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Existing infrastructure such as water supply and sewerage facilities constraining future growth of local towns		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓





Issue / opportunity	Commonwealth govt	State govt depts / agencies &State elected reps	WRC	RC	Directly affected landholders	Regional development groups	Traditional Owners	Industry/peak bodies	Businesses	Community groups	Local residents	Emergency services	Health providers	Utility service providers	Private infrastructure providers	Education and training providers	Environmental groups
Workforce supply																	
The need for workforce training and procurement programs to provide opportunities for local people to work and/or supply goods and services			✓	✓		✓			✓								✓
A sustainable mix of FIFO workforce and local workforce			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓						
Staff attraction and retention in local businesses			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓				✓				
Acceptance of a FIFO/DIDO workforce given the remote location of the NGBR Project (construction phase only)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓				
Environment																	
Coal dust from the high volume of train movements		✓	✓	✓	✓					✓	✓						✓
Flooding and surface water impacts		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓			✓						✓
Impacts on local waterways and indirect flow-on impacts to the Great Barrier Reef and related values including recreational pursuits by the local community		✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓				
Multi-user rail corridor																	
Strong support for multi user corridor		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Potential opportunities for the NGBR Project to freight other goods/products			✓	✓	✓						✓						
Community, health, safety and wellbeing																	
Community, health, safety and wellbeing  Inadequate capacity or resources to cater for emergencies in Bowen, Collinsville and Moranbah												✓	✓				





Issue / opportunity	Commonwealth govt	State govt depts / agencies &State elected reps	WRC	IRC	Directly affected landholders	Regional development groups	Traditional Owners	Industry/peak bodies	Businesses	Community groups	Local residents	Emergency services	Health providers	Utility service providers	Private infrastructure providers	Education and training providers	Environmental groups
Community, health, safety and wellbeing																	
Shortage in local GP services													✓				
Shortage of mental health services													✓				
Attraction of skilled health staff such as doctors and nurses to regional areas												✓	✓				
Increased risk of accidents at road/rail interfaces and rail level crossings			✓		✓						✓		✓	✓			
Impacts on health, liveability and amenity of sensitive receptors caused by air quality, noise and vibration		✓	✓		✓			✓					✓				
Impacts on mental and emotional well-being due to increase in temporary population in the area during construction												✓	✓				
Introduction of new health conditions for which existing services do not cater, or increase in health conditions beyond the capacity of available services													<b>✓</b>				
Land use and lifestyle																	
Land fragmentation which may impact on agricultural land, cattle grazing, agricultural infrastructure, other related activities and property values		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓						
Spread of weeds and weed seeds (by vehicles and workers) into landholder properties					✓												
Exacerbation of flooding and drainage issues		✓	✓	✓	✓						✓						✓
Erosion problems caused by the construction of bridges		✓	✓	✓	✓												✓
Changes to scenic amenity, noise levels and air quality affecting residents and businesses					✓						✓						





Issue / opportunity	Commonwealth govt	State govt depts / agencies &State elected reps	WRC	IRC	Directly affected landholders	Regional development groups	Traditional Owners	Industry/peak bodies	Businesses	Community groups	Local residents	Emergency services	Health providers	Utility service providers	Private infrastructure providers	Education and training providers	Environmental groups
Roads and traffic																	
Increase in construction related road traffic and public safety risks for residents			✓	✓	✓						✓	✓					
New rail crossings creating increased wait times and inconvenience for the public			✓	✓	✓						✓	✓					
Driver fatigue risks associated with a DIDO workforce			✓	✓							✓	✓					
Increased heavy vehicle traffic resulting in increased travel time and potential damage to local road infrastructure during construction		✓	✓	✓							✓						
Safety and access issues related to stock route, road and rail crossings		✓	✓	✓	✓						✓	✓					
Limited capacity of local government to keep pace with road maintenance			✓	✓													
Implications of remote rail location for emergency services response			✓	✓								✓					





# 5. Consultation outcomes

#### 5.1 Introduction

This section presents findings of specific public consultation activities conducted from March 2013 to draft EIS submission in August 2013. This process is ongoing with further consultation scheduled for late 2013, including public exhibition of the draft EIS.

The issues raised and stakeholder suggested mitigation and management measures detailed below are as stakeholders expressed them at consultation sessions. They are intended solely as suggestions for Adani's consideration in preparation of the EIS.

The results of the feedback received during the EIS public consultation phase informed the following:

- NGBR Project design
- EIS technical studies
- Environmental management plan (EMP).

## 5.2 Government briefings and meetings

#### 5.2.1 Commonwealth government

As stated in Section 3.2.1, one meeting has been held with SEWPaC in regard to the NGBR Project.

The discussion of this meeting focused on the description of the NGBR Project and the connectivity of the NGBR Project to other projects in the region. Further consultation is planned to be undertaken with SEWPaC in relation to the NGBR Project.

## 5.2.2 State government

As noted in Section 3.2.1, a number of face-to-face meetings have been held with state agencies and the Coordinator-General's Office in relation to the NGBR Project.

As the meetings occurred during the initial phase of the EIS, discussions focussed on the project description and the scope of the EIS, rather than impact identification or mitigation.

Key issues raised in these meetings are summarised in Table 5-1.





Table 5-1 Key issues raised at meetings with state agencies

Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Discussion	EIS Response
State government	· DTOR briefing		
N/A	Agencies raised some concerns about the revised generic TOR. It was noted that the less prescriptive approach may speed up the process in the beginning; however, it has the potential to slow the process down toward the end if matters have not been adequately addressed early in the EIS process.	Adani noted that scoping for the NGBR Project EIS was based on the previous generic TOR.  The EIS will be outcome focused rather than method focused.	The EIS has been developed based on the previous generic TOR and will satisfy the requirements of the TOR issued for the NGBR Project.
	How will agency comments influence the DTOR?	In terms of technical requirements, Adani will see all submissions so the key issues/comments can be addressed in the EIS.  Some aspects of the wording of the TOR may be revised based on agency comments.  Adani is also incorporating lessons learnt from the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project.	
Workforce supply	Workforce accommodation for 3,800 workers during construction?	It was noted that workforce numbers are likely to reduce from numbers put forward as part of the IAS. Temporary construction camps within the final rail corridor align with different construction fronts.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Environment	Did Adani investigate alternative routes for the corridor?	An options study for preferred alignment was conducted based on a multi-criteria analysis methodology. Details of the outcomes of this study will be included at a high level in the EIS.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 1 Introduction Volume 1 Chapter 2 Description of Project description
Environment	How will the NGBR Project deal with offsets?	An offsets strategy has been prepared for the NGBR Project	Refer to: Volume 1 chapter 7 MNES





Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Discussion	EIS Response
	Discussion around the NGBR Project construction methodology.	Adani proposes three simultaneous construction fronts. A separate analysis for workload manning is currently being undertaken, with updated workforce numbers and construction methodology to be included in the EIS.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 2 Project description Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Will there be sufficient information included in the EIS based on detailed vegetation survey for Property Maps of Assessable Vegetation (PMAVs) and offset equivalence assessments?	Vegetation surveys have been undertaken for the NGBR Project. Field work will continue to be ongoing during the public exhibition of the draft EIS.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 6 Nature conservation Volume 1 chapter 7 Matters of National Environmental Significance (MNES)
	How will the NGBR Project impact on future activity in the Galilee Basin e.g. cumulative impacts on water quality?	All cumulative impacts will be addressed in the EIS.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative impacts
	Will the NGBR Project impact the GVK alignment?	The NGBR Project is located west of Rosella Creek and the Suttor River near Collinsville. It does not hug the Newlands rail line like the GVK alignment.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative impacts
Multiuser rail corridor	Could the corridor cater for more than 100 mtpa?	The scope of the EIS is for the NGBR Project only and considers capacity up to 100 mtpa.	N/A
Meeting with DSDIP	– SIA approach		
N/A	SIA guidelines	A Social Impact Management Plan (SIMP) is no longer required; however management strategies are to be included as a part of the social assessment.  There is no prescribed method to undertake SIA or develop reports. Proponents can write SIA to best suit their needs.  There is now an expectation of developing adaptive impact management strategies which will form part of the EMP.	Refer to:  Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts  Volume 2 Appendix P Environmental management plan framework





Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Discussion	EIS Response
	Confirmation of NGBR Project SIA study areas.	The NGBR Project SIA will consider the following study areas: Local study area - immediate properties / landholders affected / intersected by the NGBR Project.  Regional study area – Local government area (LGA) boundaries within which the NGBR Project will be located and key urban localities (Moranbah, Collinsville and Bowen) in close proximity of the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts Volume 2 Appendix M Social baseline
		The NGBR Project will focus on assessing direct impacts, developing corresponding management strategies. Management strategies to focus on construction and early years of operation.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts Volume 2 Appendix P Environmental management plan framework
Meeting with DNRM			
Roads and traffic	Preference for stock route crossings to be grade-separated. Grade-separation is near impossible utilising a box culvert due to the low formation heights.	DNRM would be satisfied for the stock route crossings to be level crossings. However, DNRM require a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Adani for future development.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure
Meeting with DTMR			
Roads and traffic	Preference for all road / rail crossings to be grade-separated.	DTMR may be agreeable to an MOU with Adani for future developments in relation to the Suttor Developmental Road.  DTMR also stipulated design considerations.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport





Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Discussion	EIS Response
Meeting with DSDIP	- State Development Area (SDA) division		
Land use and lifestyle	The location of the NGBR Project final rail corridor and ancillary infrastructure in the APSDA.	Adani to continue discussion with other proponents regarding the final rail corridor through APSDA.  The SDA division request that Adani maintain as much useable area between the Bruce Hwy and Mount Roundback as possible by locating NGBR Project as close as possible to the base of Mount Roundback whilst avoiding the potential cultural heritage site of significance (rock art site in foothills to northwest of Mount Roundback, identified by Juru People and listed on DATSIMA cultural heritage register).	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 2 Project description
	Approval requirements for the NGBR Project ancillary infrastructure and temporary construction camp one (1) under the APSDA.	The SDA division advised that one development application should be included within the EIS so that conditional approval can occur in the shortest possible time. The application should include both rail and ancillary infrastructure.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 20 Legislation and approvals





# 5.3 Council briefings and meetings

#### 5.3.1 Isaac Regional Council

NGBR Project representatives have met with IRC on three separate occasions to discuss:

- The existing social environment in the NGBR Project study area, potential social issues and opportunities and mitigation and management measures for the NGBR Project (25 June 2013)
- The NGBR Project description and DTOR (23 July 2013)
- Proposed road and stock route crossing treatments for the NGBR Project (7 August 2013).

IRC has received updates at EIS milestones since commencement of the NGBR Project.

Table 5-2 contains a list of key issues and potential management/mitigation measures suggested by the IRC during the three meetings in relation to the NGBR Project.

Table 5-2 Key issues/opportunities raised at meetings with IRC

Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS response
Housing and accommodation	Request for temporary camps to remain 'temporary' – avoid the transition of temporary constructions camps into permanent long term camps.	If the NGBR Project requires permanent camps along the final rail corridor, this needs to be considered early in the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Workforce supply	FIFO may be acceptable for the construction workforce due to remote location of the final corridor	Workforce strategy to accommodate both local residents and FIFO.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Environment	It was noted that flooding is a major concern. There was a sentiment that it would occur during the life of the NGBR Project	Potential opportunity for the rail line to freight fuel, agricultural goods and other products to the port in the longer term to reduce the number of freight trucks on the local roads in the region.	Refer to Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water resources Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	IRC noted that Adani need to find a solution to the	Suggested that Adani appropriately measure dust	Refer to: Volume 1



Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS response
	impacts of coal dust on the environment and the wider community.	levels and implement procedures should the threshold ever be reached. The state government should also assist in mitigating cumulative dust impacts.  Covered train wagons and coal veneering.	Chapter 10 Air quality
Multiuser rail corridor	Potential opportunities for the rail line to freight fuel and reduce number of heavy vehicles on the local road network.	Adani to investigate.	N/A
Community, health, safety and wellbeing	IRC advised that Adani consider disaster management procedures including the location of camps, evacuation points, helipads etc.	Establish relationships with emergency services to assist in developing and implementing emergency management procedures.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 18 Hazard, risk, health and safety Volume 2 Appendix P Environmental management plan framework
	It is important for resource companies to contribute to the local community. IRC will be reviewing the potential opportunities and benefits the NGBR Project will provide to the region when the draft EIS is released for public comment.	N/A	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Land use and lifestyle	Adani to consider the potential impacts of the NGBR Project on landholders.	Develop a clear understanding of how landholders operate their properties to assist in developing appropriate mitigation and management measures.  Minimise wait times at rail crossings – grade-separated crossings preferred.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	New rail line must have minimal flooding impacts.	Rail design to mitigate flooding impacts. Commented that landholders need to be consulted.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water resources



Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS response
	IRC are concerned about water supply and quarry material.	IRC advised that they will not be in a position to supply water/quarry material to Adani for the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 2 Project description
Roads and traffic	Increased heavy vehicle traffic increasing travel time and potential damage to local road infrastructure during construction.	Implement a Traffic management plan and EMP Undertake consultation with IRC.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	Limited capacity of local government to keep pace with road maintenance.	Adani to work closely with IRC to plan for future infrastructure upgrades.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	IRC need to be consulted in relation to rail/road crossings. IRC would like to see road crossings grade-separated.	Consult with IRC in relation to road and rail crossings.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	Treatment for roads, stock routes and other crossings.	IRC require an MOU with Adani for future upgrades of crossings when triggered by an increase in traffic levels on local roads.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport

### 5.3.2 Whitsunday Regional Council

NGBR Project representatives have met with WRC on three separate occasions to discuss:

- The existing social environment in the NGBR Project study area, potential social issues and opportunities and mitigation and management measures for the NGBR Project (27 June 2013)
- The NGBR Project description and DTOR (25 July 2013)
- Proposed road and stock route crossing treatments for the NGBR Project (9 August 2013).

WRC has received updates at EIS milestones since commencement of the NGBR Project.

Table 5-3 provides an overview of the key issues and potential mitigation and management measures suggested by the WRC in the above meetings in relation to the NGBR Project.





Table 5-3 Key issues/opportunities raised at meetings with WRC

Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for management/mitigation measures	EIS response
Local business and employment opportunities	WRC are very supportive of the NGBR Project. WRC outlined their regional approach to economic development in conjunction with IRC and MRC, including a commitment to develop the region as a FIFO hub.	Consider Whitsunday region as a FIFO/DIDO hub. Consider basing operational workforce in Bowen. Work with WRC to support economic development of the region.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Housing and accommodation	WRC advised that housing supply is not currently an issue in the region. However, the quality of the existing housing stock is old and degraded.	Support provision of new housing stock.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	WRC noted that the region has suffered from a false economy of housing. It was commented that many houses are sitting empty and they are waiting for the next big project to commence.	Consider basing operational workforce in Bowen.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Workforce supply	Proserpine, Cannonvale, and Airlie Beach are very popular as a base for workers in terms of affordability and liveability. WRC would like people to live in the region.	Consider Whitsunday region as a FIFO/DIDO hub. Consider basing operational workforce in Bowen.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Council would like Bowen to be the base for operational workforce.		
	WRC's preference is to have resident population. However, WRC are aware that there will be degree of FIFO during the construction phase due to the remote location of the NGBR Project. WRC would not entertain the potential for additional airport facilities in the region to cater for the NGBR Project. There are currently four airports in the region that are well positioned to support the NGBR Project.	WRC would work with Adani to potentially upgrade airports to service the NGBR Project if required.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts



Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for management/mitigation measures	EIS response
	Opportunity to build the capacity of local contractors to service the NGBR Project. However, Adani need to allow adequate lead time for the procurement process.	Promote local procurement opportunities. Adani to consider establishing training facilities and programs in Whitsunday Region to support the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Community, health, safety and wellbeing	WRC noted that there has been a reduction in medical facilities in the area, particularly in Bowen and Collinsville.	Suggested Adani work with the WRC and service providers to address any emerging health and social issues. Workforce health and wellbeing will be managed under the Workforce Management Plan (WMP), including provisions of counselling and support services will be available at the accommodation facilities during construction.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	WRC suggested consideration of emergency management procedures-location of camp, evacuation, non-natural emergencies etc.	Establish relationships with emergency services. Work with emergency services when undertaking emergency planning.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	The provision of hard infrastructure is a priority for WRC.	Potential for Adani to assist in upgrading hard infrastructure, particularly in Bowen and at the Port of Abbot Point.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Land use and lifestyle	WRC raised concerns in relation to potential noise impacts from the NGBR Project especially at elevated sections of the rail corridor near towns e.g. Merinda.	N/A	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 12 Noise and vibration
	WRC do not want the NGBR Project to constrain the potential water and electricity infrastructure in the future.	Consult with WRC on this matter as more detail becomes available.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure



Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Council's suggestions for management/mitigation measures	EIS response
Roads and traffic	Bowen Developmental Road is a heavy vehicle route but is currently only maintained to a rural gravel road standard.	A maintenance agreement will be required if the Bowen Developmental Road will be used for the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport

# **5.4** Community information sessions

#### 5.4.1 Moranbah

As stated in Section 3.2.4, one community information session was held in Moranbah at the Moranbah Community Centre on 24 July 2013 from 4 pm to 7 pm. Four people, including interested operators attended the session.

Overall, attendees were generally positive in their response to the NGBR Project. Their questions and comments focused on specific details of the NGBR Project, the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project, local economic benefits, workforce strategy and project timing.

Table 5-4 provides an overview of the key issues and suggested management/mitigation measures expressed by the stakeholders during the Moranbah DTOR community information session.

Table 5-4 Key issues/opportunities raised at Moranbah community information session

Theme	Potential issues/opportunities	Community suggestions for management and mitigation measures	EIS Response
Local business and employment opportunities	in regard to the supply of goods and services.	Refer to Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts	
	Timing of the NGBR Project.	None	Refer to Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Employment opportunities for the NGBR Project.	None	Refer to Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts





#### 5.4.2 Collinsville

A community information session was held at the Collinsville Community Centre from 4 pm to 7 pm on 25 July 2013. Seventeen people attended and the feedback received was generally in favour of the NGBR Project.

Participants included interested residents, business operators, community interest groups, IRC representatives, some potentially affected landholders and the QAS.

Community interest focussed on Adani's intentions to establish a genuine presence in the district, local economic benefits, environmental impacts, FIFO and DIDO, road safety, and encouraging the workforce to reside in Collinsville.

Some attendees demonstrated a high level of sensitivity in response to existing rail and mining operations near Collinsville.

Table 5-5 provides an overview of the key issues and potential management and mitigation measures suggested by the stakeholders during the Collinsville DTOR community information session.

Table 5-5 Key issues/opportunities raised at Collinsville community information session

Theme	Potential issues/opportunities	Community suggestions for management / mitigation measures	EIS Response
Local business and employment opportunities	Local employment is needed.	Provide employment opportunities to local residents.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Housing and accommodation	Locals would prefer workers to live locally than in camps. Approximately 30 % of existing housing stock is currently available.	Opportunity for senior staff on the NGBR Project to live in Collinsville.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Environment	The mines which the NGBR project will service will lead to increased production of greenhouse gas.	The mines should not be allowed to proceed negating the need for the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 11 Greenhouse gas Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative impacts

#### **5.4.3** Bowen

One community information session was held in Bowen on 25 July 2013 at the Bowen PCYC from 4 pm to 7 pm. Thirty-four people attended this session, including local residents, business operators, representatives from environmental groups and the local state Member for Burdekin, Rosemary Menkens.





Community interest focussed on Adani's intentions to establish a genuine presence in the district, details of the NGBR Project in relation to the Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project, local economic benefits, workers' camps, FIFO and DIDO, environmental impacts, and encouraging the workforce to reside in Bowen.

Table 5-6 provides an overview of the key issues and potential mitigation and management measures suggested by the stakeholders during the Bowen DTOR community information session.

Table 5-6 Key issues/opportunities raised at Bowen community information session

Theme	Potential issues/opportunities	Community suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS Response
Local business and employment opportunities	Local employment is needed.	Provide employment opportunities to local residents.	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Environment	The mines which the NGBR Project will service will lead to increased production of greenhouse gas.	The mines should not be allowed to proceed negating the need for the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 11 Greenhouse gas Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative impacts
	Concern over potential direct impacts of the NGBR Project on the Caley Valley Wetland.	Ensure NGBR Project does not directly impact the wetland.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 6 Nature conservation Volume 1 Chapter 7 MNES
Land use and lifestyle	Treatments for stock crossings.	Landholders would prefer grade separated crossings for stock crossings.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure

# 5.5 Cultural heritage consultation

Consultation with relevant Traditional Owners is being undertaken by Adani. This consultation has included negotiation regarding CHMPs with the Traditional Owners and resulted in identifying the following:

A process for undertaking cultural heritage surveys for the NGBR Project





- A process for including Indigenous people associated with the area that the NGBR Project traverses in assessment of the Indigenous cultural heritage values and the protection and management of Indigenous cultural heritage
- Processes for mitigating, managing and protecting identified cultural heritage sites and objects in the NGBR Project final rail corridor, including associated infrastructure developments, during both the construction and operational phases of the NGBR Project
- Provisions for managing the accidental discovery of cultural material, including burials
- A clear recording process to assist initial management and recording of accidental discoveries
- A cultural heritage induction for NGBR Project workforce
- Developing a cultural heritage awareness program to be incorporated into the contractor/employee manual and induction manual. This is likely to be in the form of a plain language, short document that is easy for contractors and staff to understand
- A conflict resolution process.

In order to produce a list of potential non-Indigenous cultural heritage places, and potential adverse impacts, searches of relevant non-Indigenous cultural heritage databases were supplemented by strategic consultation with a small number of community groups and local government authorities.

The results of this non-Indigenous consultation identified the following:

- Draft local heritage register for WRC indicates no historical sites within NGBR Project study area. Nor will historical areas within existing planning scheme be affected by works within the study area.
- No local heritage register in IRC
- No known cultural heritage impacts in Collinsville
- No known heritage impacts based on discussions with the Bowen Historical Society.

Further information on cultural heritage and outcomes of consultation with Traditional Owners are contained in Volume 1 Chapter 15 Cultural heritage and Volume 2 Appendix L Cultural heritage.

#### 5.6 Landholder consultation

As stated in Section 3.2.6, all 29 affected landholders have been consulted throughout the course of the NGBR Project to gain feedback on the alignment and negotiate access to their properties for field investigations required for the EIS and ongoing engineering design.

Key issues arising from land access negotiations and feedback from landholders are summarised in Table 5-7.





Table 5-7 Key issues/opportunities raised by landholders

Theme	Potential issues/opportunities	Landholders suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS response
Environment	Exacerbation of flooding and drainage issues.	None	Refer to: Volume 1
	Erosion problems caused by bridge, culvert and drainage structures and ancillary activities.	None	Chapter 9 Water resources
Land use and lifestyle	Loss of ancestral property, reduction in emotional connection to land.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Changes to scenic amenity, noise levels and air quality affecting residents and businesses.	Ensure the train has covered wagons or veneering to minimise coal dust.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 4 Scenic amenity and lighting Volume 1 Chapter 10 Air quality Volume 1 Chapter 12 Noise and vibration
	Land fragmentation due to the rail corridor traversing and creating severance on properties which may impact on agricultural land, cattle grazing, agricultural infrastructure, other related activities and property values.	Consult with landholders to develop appropriate mitigation and management measures.  Construct grade-separated crossings to allow landholders to transfer stock safely across the NGBR Project final rail corridor.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Demand on time of the stakeholders and landholders to participate in NGBR Project consultation activities (land access and acquisition activities, as well as environmental approvals	Ensure all contractors adhere to the NGBR Project land access protocols.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16



Theme	Potential issues/opportunities	Landholders suggestions for mitigation and management measures	EIS response
	process).		Social and economic impacts
	Spread of weeds and weed seeds (by vehicles and workers) into landholder properties during construction and operation (maintenance) which may affect grazing pastures and stock.	Ensure there are adequate wash down protocols in place during construction to prevent the spread of weeds and weed seeds.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Loss of access, or diminished access to some parts of the property.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Impacts on specific sites or locations important to landholders and their families.	Consult with landholders to develop appropriate mitigation and management measures.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Community, health, safety and wellbeing	Psychological, including emotional stress caused by the number of proposed projects in the area and the uncertainties regarding these.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Roads and traffic	Interruption to lifestyle due to road detours and delays during construction and increased travel time or waiting periods at existing road intersections or new level-crossings due to increased number of trains.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts

# 5.7 SIA consultation

The NGBR Project team conducted a number of interviews to gain an understanding of the key social impacts and potential mitigation and management measures for the NGBR Project.





Table 5-8 provides an overview of the key issues and benefits raised during the SIA interviews. Details of potential impacts and mitigation and management measures are addressed in Volume 1 Chapter 15 Social and economic impacts.

Table 5-8 Key issues/opportunities raised during SIA consultation

Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Stakeholder suggested mitigation and management measures	EIS response
Local businesses and employment opportunities	Increase in local employment and business opportunities.	Promote local procurement opportunities.  Adani to consider establishing training facilities and programs in Whitsunday Region to support the NGBR Project.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Housing and accommodation	Increase in demand for short term accommodation, competing with demand from other local industries such as tourism (this issue was not identified during consultation for the NGBR Project due to a downturn in tourism and housing markets, but has historically been problematic).	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Subsequent impacts on housing availability and affordability, with increased demand leading to decreased housing availability and increased housing rents and prices further leading to housing stress.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Impacts such as increased traffic and anti-social behaviour associated with worker's accommodation camps.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Workforce	Temporary or permanent increase in non-resident workforce (FIFO and DIDO workers).	Workforce strategy to accommodate both local residents and FIFO.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Temporary or permanent increase in population due to in-migration of operational workforce (seen by stakeholders as a benefit).	Workforce strategy to accommodate both local residents and FIFO.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts





Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Stakeholder suggested mitigation and management measures	EIS response
	Issues related to staff attraction and retention in local businesses due to higher wages in the resource sector and higher cost of living in the region.	Work with local industry and regional development groups to develop workforce development and staff retention programs.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Community, health, safety and wellbeing	Impacts on mental and emotional well-being of the locals due to project and increase in temporary population in the area during construction.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Increased demand on existing social infrastructure services and facilities such as health, fire and rescue due to increase in workforce related population.	Consult with local service providers throughout the course of the NGBR Project and provide regular updates on the progress of the NGBR Project to assist local service providers to plan for additional resources if required.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 18 Hazard, risk, health and safety
	Increased risk of accidents, including road accidents due to increase in traffic on the local road network during construction.	Implement a traffic management plan and emergency management plan.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	Increased risk of accidents at road/rail interfaces.	Implement a traffic management plan and emergency management plan.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
	Introduction of new health conditions for which existing services do not cater, or increase in health conditions beyond the capacity of available services.		Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
	Impacts on health, liveability and amenity of sensitive receptors caused by air quality, noise and vibration (coal dust emission, noise and dust from construction activities and blasting if required to remove rock along the final rail corridor).	Suggested that Adani appropriately measure dust levels and implement procedures should the threshold ever be reached. Covered train wagons and coal veneering.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 4 Scenic amenity and lighting Volume 1 Chapter 10 Air quality Volume 1 Chapter 12 Noise and



Theme	Potential issues and opportunities	Stakeholder suggested mitigation and management measures	EIS response
			Vibration
Roads and traffic	Increased heavy vehicle traffic increasing travel time and potential damage to local road infrastructure during construction.  Safety, access and stock route issues related to rail road crossings.  Implement a traffic management plan and EMP Undertake consultation with regional councils.  Consult with state and local government in relation to stock route and road crossings.	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport	
	route issues related to rail	government in relation to stock route and road	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport Volume 1 Chapter 18 Hazard, risk, health and safety
	Cumulative effects of multiple rail, mine and port projects in the region, particularly transport infrastructure.	None	Refer to: Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative impacts

# 5.8 Summary of consultation results

The following Table 5-9 provides a summary of the consultation results and details of where the issues opportunities and suggested mitigation and management measures have been addressed in the EIS.





# **Table 5-9 Summary of consultation results**

Potential issues and opportunities	EIS response	
Local business and employment opportunities		
Support and development for local businesses and industry		
New employment opportunities, apprenticeships and training resulting in long term career pathways for residents of the study area		
Increases spending in local economies	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social	
Flow on benefits generating employment and business activity at a regional level	and economic impacts	
The need for workforce training and procurement programs to provide opportunities for local people to work and/or supply goods and services		
Build capacity of local contractors and allow adequate lead time for the procurement process		
Housing and accommodation		
Poor quality of the existing housing stock		
The region has suffered from a false economy of housing. Houses are sitting empty and they are waiting for the next big project to commence		
Cumulative impacts on housing availability and affordability should a number project come online at the same time (e.g. Port of Abbot Point expansion)	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts	
Locals would prefer workers to live locally than in camps. Approximately 30 % of existing housing stock is currently available	and economic impacts	
Existing infrastructure such as water supply and sewerage facilities constraining future growth of local towns		
Increased housing availability and improved housing affordability (current situation)		
Workforce supply		
The need for workforce training and procurement programs to provide opportunities for local people to work and/or supply goods and services		
Temporary camps to remain 'temporary' – avoid the transition of temporary constructions camps into permanent long term camps	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts	
A sustainable mix of FIFO workforce and local workforce		



Potential issues and opportunities	EIS response
Staff attraction and retention in local businesses	
Acceptance of a FIFO/DIDO workforce given the remote location of the NGBR Project (construction phase only)	
Opportunity to utilise existing airports in the region to support the NGBR Project	
Environment	
Potential for NGBR Project to cause flooding and surface water impacts	Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water resources
Impacts on local waterways and indirect flow-on impacts to the Great Barrier Reef and related values including recreational pursuits by the local community	Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water resources
Cumulative impacts on the environment e.g. water quality	Volume 1 Chapter 19 Cumulative Impacts
Coal dust from the high volume of train movements	Volume 1 Chapter 10 Air quality
Concern over potential impacts of the NGBR Project on the Caley Valley Wetland	Volume 1 Chapter 6 Nature conservation
	Volume 1 Chapter 7 MNES
Impacts on local waterways and indirect flow-on impacts to the Great Barrier Reef and related values including recreational pursuits by the local community	Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water resources
Multiuser rail corridor	
Strong support for multi user corridor.	Volume 1 Chapter 16 – Social and economic impacts
Potential opportunities for the rail line to freight other goods/products.	To be investigated.
Community, health, safety and wellbeing	
Consideration of broader disaster management procedures- location of camp, evacuation, non-natural emergencies etc. need to set up relationships with emergency services- need a helipad for construction camps.	Volume 1 Chapter 18 Hazard, risk, health and safety





Potential issues and opportunities	EIS response
Inadequate capacity or resources to cater for emergencies in Bowen, Collinsville and Moranbah	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts Volume 1 Chapter 18 Hazard, risk, health and safety
Shortage in nursing staff	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Attraction of skilled health staff such as doctors and nurses to regional areas	
Impacts on health, liveability and amenity of sensitive receptors caused by air quality, noise and vibration	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts Volume 1 Chapter 4 Scenic amenity and lighting Volume 1 Chapter 10 Air quality Volume 1 Chapter 12 Noise and Vibration
Impacts on mental and emotional well-being due to increase in temporary population in the area during construction	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Introduction of new health conditions for which existing services do not cater, or increase in health conditions beyond the capacity of available services.	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Land use and lifestyle	
Loss of ancestral property, reduction in emotional connection to land	Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Land fragmentation which may impact on agricultural land, cattle grazing, agricultural infrastructure, other related activities and property values	Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts





Potential issues and opportunities	EIS response
Spread of weeds and weed seeds (by vehicles and workers) into landholder properties	Volume 1 Chapter 16 – Social and economic impacts
Erosion problems caused by the construction of bridges	Volume 1 Chapter 9 Water
Changes to scenic amenity, noise levels and air quality affecting residents and businesses	resources
The location of the NGBR Project final rail corridor alignment and ancillary infrastructure in the APSDA.	Volume 1 Chapter 2 Project description
Concerns around noise impacts on rail lines – especially any elevated sections near towns – e.g. Merinda.	Volume 1 Chapter 12 Noise and Vibration
Roads and traffic	
Preference for stock route crossings to be grade separated	Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
New rail crossings creating increased wait times and inconvenience for the public	Volume 1 Chapter 3 Land use and tenure Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
Driver fatigue risks associated with a DIDO workforce.	Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts
Increased heavy vehicle traffic resulting in increased travel time and potential damage to local road infrastructure during construction	Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
Safety and access issues related to stock route, road and rail crossings	Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport
Limited capacity of local government to keep pace with road maintenance.	Volume 1 Chapter 14 Transport





# 6. Future consultation with stakeholders

#### 6.1 Consultation on the EIS

Following acceptance of the draft EIS by the Queensland Coordinator-General, the document will be placed on public display for a period of six weeks (or as determined by the Coordinator-General).

As part of the public display period in late 2013, the following consultation activities are planned to be undertaken:

- Public notices in local newspapers to provide details about:
  - Timing of the public display period
  - Locations where people can view the document, including static and staffed display points, together with web-based information
  - How to make public submissions in response to the draft EIS
- Provide information about the public display period and submission requirements on Adani's website
- Provide a copy of the draft EIS document on Adani's website
- Produce and distribute a NGBR Project factsheet to publicise release of the draft EIS, provide information on the public display process and call for submissions
- Notify key stakeholders who are recorded on the NGBR Project's database about the draft EIS and review period
- Conduct agency briefings and community information sessions to present findings of the draft EIS.

# 6.2 Consultation following completion of draft EIS

Following completion of the public display period, all stakeholder and community feedback will be reviewed and addressed in the final EIS document (or supplementary report if required).

A decision by the Coordinator-General about whether to approve the NGBR Project will be made public via DSDIP's and Adani's websites. Adani will provide future updates about the progress and status of the NGBR Project through its website.

Consultation will continue throughout the life of the NGBR Project to ensure due consideration of all project-related opportunities and concerns.

Ongoing consultation will involve:

- Maintaining the current good relationships and productive communications between Adani, landholders, Traditional Owners and government (at all levels)
- Establishing contact with other key stakeholders as new issues arise
- Disseminating information to, and having discussions with, stakeholders on key issues raised during the draft EIS assessment
- Identifying and responding to key issues and concerns of all stakeholders
- Preparing relevant documents for review by government agencies and other stakeholders
- Addressing specific concerns of various stakeholders on an ongoing basis





- Routine reporting
- EMP related consultation and monitoring activities.

Adani is committed to communicating with stakeholders throughout the life of the NGBR Project and a range of communication tools and techniques will be considered to establish and maintain stakeholder relationships and continue meaningful engagement. These tools and techniques will be used appropriately where and when necessary and may include (but is not limited to):

- Stakeholder meetings and briefings
- Notification letters
- Email updates
- NGBR Project free call telephone line
- Factsheets
- Website and SMS updates
- Public notices.

Further details on Adani's plans for longer term consultation as part of the NGBR Project's construction and operational phases are included in Volume 1 Chapter 16 Social and economic impacts and Volume 2 Appendix P Environmental management plan framework.





# 7. References

International Association of Public Participation (IAP2) 2013, *IAP2 Public Participation Spectrum* Ranbury 2013, *Landholder Access Report NGBR Corridor*, prepared for Adani Mining Pty Ltd July 2013





**Appendices** 





# **Appendix A** DTOR PowerPoint presentation







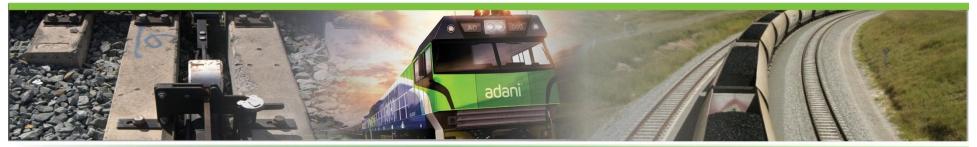




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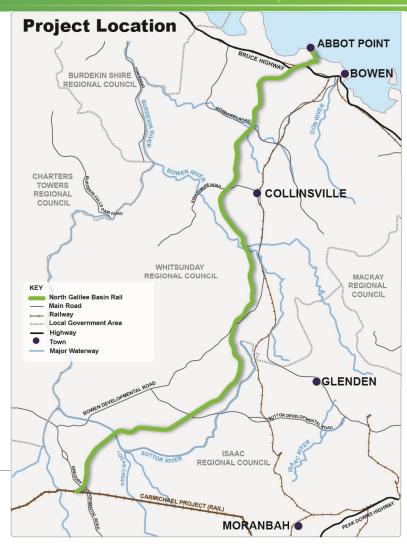
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- NGBR Project approvals process
- NGBR Project Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
- Questions and answers



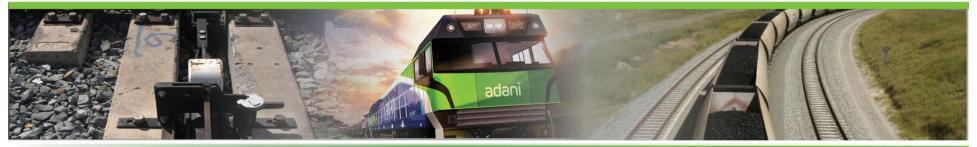


# **NGBR** Project

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- Approximately 300 km multi-user, standard gauge, greenfield rail line with an operational capacity of up to 100 Mtpa.
- Situated within the Whitsunday and Isaac Regional Council Local Government Areas.





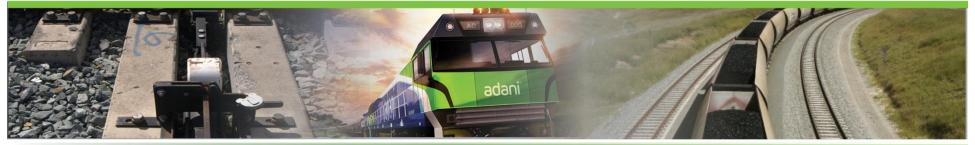


# NGBR Project Benefits

- Requires capital investment of approximately \$2.2 billion.
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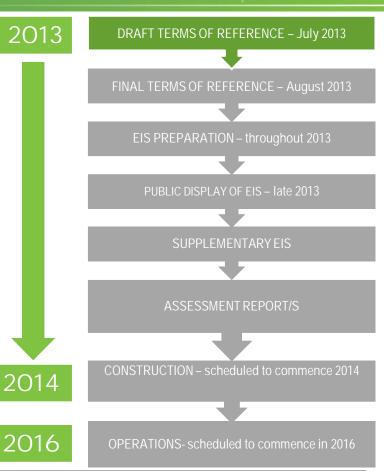




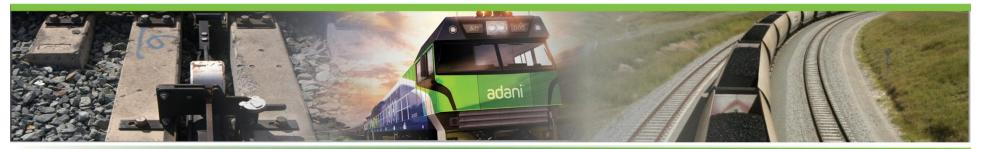


# **NGBR** Approvals Process

- Declared a coordinated project on 14 June 2013 under the Queensland Government's State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971. This means that Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be required.
- On 27 June 2013, the Commonwealth Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPaC) determined the NGBR Project to be a controlled action requiring assessment by EIS under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
- The NGBR Project will seek other State and local approvals and permits during and following the EIS process.
- Adani Mining Pty Ltd (Adani) will investigate the environmental, socio-economic and cultural implications of the NGBR Project, and will consult with stakeholders throughout the EIS process.







# **GHD**

- GHD is the consulting firm undertaking the EIS on behalf of Adani.
- Completed numerous EIS's for major projects across Queensland, including Adani's Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project.
- Key personnel are working across both projects and bring strong EIS experience to the NGBR Project.
- One of the world's leading engineering, architecture and environmental consulting companies.
- Established in Australia in 1928 and employs more than 6,000 people across five continents and serves clients in the global markets of water, energy and resources, environment, property and buildings, and transportation.





# **NGBR EIS**

## Nature conservation

- Sensitive environmental areas
- Terrestrial flora
- Terrestrial fauna
- Aquatic biology and ecology

## Land

- Land use and tenure
- Scenic amenity and lighting
- Topography, geology and soil
- Land contamination

## Water resources

- hydrology
- hydrogeology
- water quality

# Air quality

- Emissions, including soil and coal dust
- Noise and vibration
- · Greenhouse gas emissions

## Waste

Waste generation and management

## Transport

- Existing infrastructure and alterations
- Transport activities and routes
- Transport impact management

## • Cultural heritage (Indigenous and non-Indigenous)

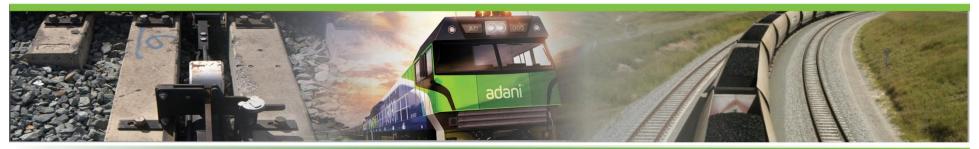
## Social and economic

- community and stakeholder engagement
- workforce management
- housing and accommodation
- local business and industry content
- health and community wellbeing

## Hazard and risk

- Coastal environment
- Climate and natural hazards





# Technical studies

# Ecology

- Post wet season surveys undertaken to identify plant and animal species of conservation significance.
- Desktop assessment to determine likelihood of occurrence of species not encountered during fieldwork.
- Water quality assessment
- Hydrological modelling
  - To determine the appropriate crossing structures
- Consultation
  - Social impact assessment interviews and public consultation on draft TOR









# Technical studies

# Cultural Heritage

# Noise and air quality

 Quantifying and assessing the impacts of dust in the construction and operation of the NGBR Project.

# Transport and land access

 Considering ways to minimising disruption to existing road or rail network, land access and road use management during construction activities.

# Scenic amenity

 Field work to characterise existing scenic value of the region to inform the assessment of the impacts on the NGBR Project.







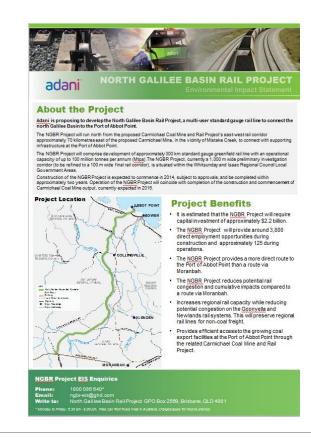
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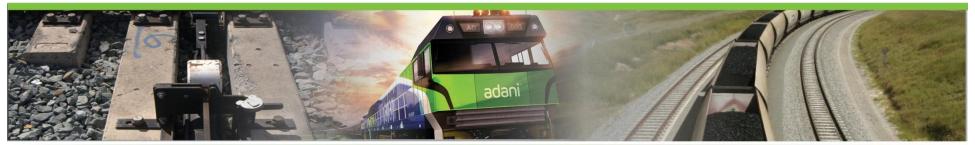
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- Email: ngbr-eis@ghd.com
- Post : North Galilee Basin Rail Project
   GPO Box 668, Brisbane, QLD 4001
- Attending a community information session during the draft TOR and draft EIS public consultation periods.

Further information is available at the NGBR Project website:

http://adanimining.com/Australia\_Rail\_Prj







# Questions and answers







# **Appendix B** Display posters







# NORTH GALILEE BASIN RAIL PROJECT

Environmental Impact Statement

# About the Project

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# NGBR Project Fast Facts

Local Government Area

- Whitsunday Regional Council
- Isaac Regional Council

Investment

• \$2.2 billion

Associated Infrastructure

- Loops, maintenance road and facilities, water supply, rail bridges, stock and waterway crossings, workforce accommodation, fencing, maintenance yards, lay downs
- Multi-user, standard gauge, greenfield rail line approximately 300 km in length

Track Gauge and capacity

- Operational capacity up to 100 Million tonnes per annum
- Will assist in meeting the demands of future mines proposed in the Galilee Basin.
- Will preserve existing rail for noncoal freight

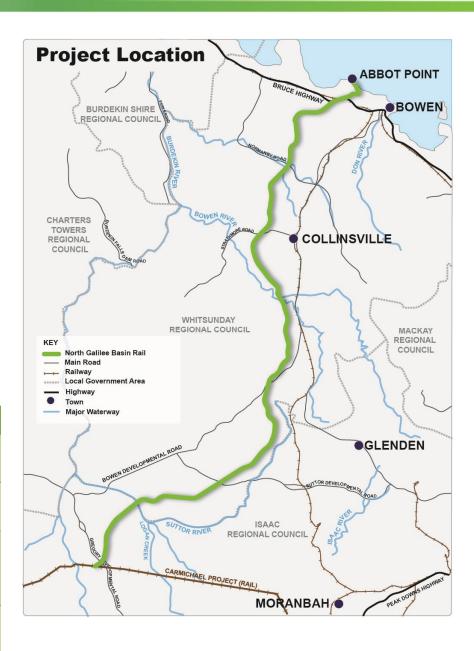
Train operations and frequency

- 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year
- Diesel-electric trains
- 240 wagons and four locomotives
- Train lengths approximately 4,500 m carrying approximately 25,000 tonnes.

Job creation

Construction: 3,800 persons

Operations: 125 persons







# NORTH GALILEE BASIN RAIL PROJECT

Environmental Impact Statement

# **Approvals**

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  Department of Sustainability, Environment,
  Water, Population and Communities (SEWPaC)
  determined the NGBR Project to be a controlled
  action requiring assessment by EIS under the
  Environment Protection and Biodiversity
  Conservation Act 1999.
- The draft Terms of Reference (TOR) were released on 13 July 2013 for a public comment period of 21 business days.
- The draft TOR set out the general and specific matters the project proponent must address when preparing the EIS.
- The EIS will identify any potential impacts associated with the construction and operation of the NGBR Project and will identify where impacts can be avoided and where avoidance is not practicable how impacts can be managed.
- Investigations will include an assessment of the potential environmental, social and cultural impacts of the NGBR Project. These investigations will occur in a variety of ways, including consultation and onsite data collection.



# **EIS Process & Timing**

DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE
Draft TOR released in July 2013 for public comment

# FINAL TERMS OF REFERENCE

Final TOR released in August 2013 following review and incorporation of public submissions made in response to the Draft TOR

# **EIS PREPARATION**

EIS technical studies and stakeholder consultation ongoing throughout 2013.

## PUBLIC DISPLAY OF EIS

FIS released for public comment in late 2013

## **SUPPLEMENTARY EIS**

A supplementary EIS may be required to address stakeholder concerns raised during the public consultation period of the draft EIS

## **ASSESSMENT REPORT**

State and Commonwealth governments will issue a report/s evaluating the EIS and related material, providing an assessment of the NGBR Project and outlining any environmental protection conditions that will apply to the development.

## CONSTRUCTION

Scheduled to commence in 2014, subject to approvals

## **OPERATION**

Scheduled to commence 2016, subject to approvals and in line with the commencement of the Carmichael Coal Mine output



# NORTH GALILEE BASIN RAIL PROJECT

Environmental Impact Statement

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# About Adani

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Adani's diverse interests in global trading, development and operation of ports, inland container terminals, establishment of special economic zones, oil refining, logistics, gas distribution, power generation, transmission and trading means that Adani is well placed to undertake and fund a rail project of this scale and nature.

# Stakeholder Feedback

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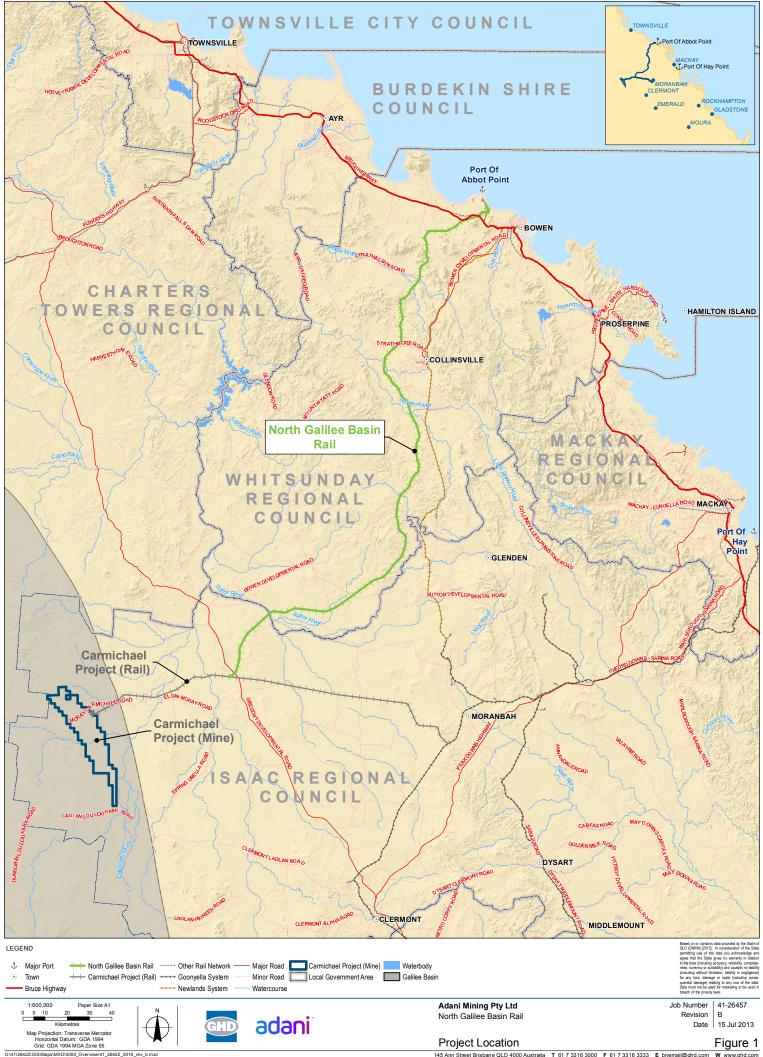
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# **Appendix C** Project factsheet







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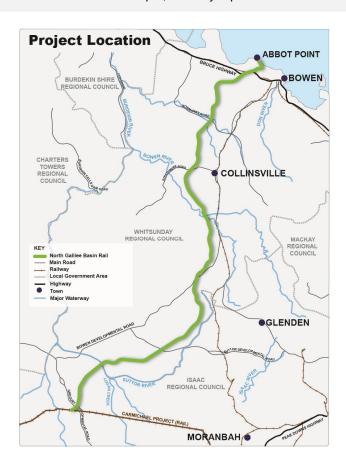
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The NGBR Project will involve the development of an approximately 300 km multi-user, standard gauge, greenfield rail line with an operational capacity of up to 100 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa). The NGBR Project, currently a 1,000 m wide preliminary investigation corridor (to be refined to a 100 m wide final rail corridor), is situated within the Whitsunday and Isaac Regional Council Local Government Areas.

Construction of the NGBR Project is expected to commence in 2014, subject to approvals, and be completed within approximately two years. Operation of the NGBR Project will coincide with completion of the construction and commencement of Carmichael Coal Mine output, currently expected in 2016.



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## Stakeholder Feedback

Stakeholder feedback is important to help us understand what the social, economic or environmental impacts of the NGBR Project may be. It further assists us to identify appropriate mitigation, management or enhancement strategies. Adani welcomes stakeholder questions and feedback. As part of the EIS process, stakeholders can provide feedback through:

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# Appendix D Paid advertising





# North Galilee Basin Rail Project Environmental Impact Statement Community Information Sessions

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To coincide with the public comment period, Adani is hosting three community information sessions and extends an open invitation to interested parties. The sessions will be held at the following times and locations.

Moranbah Moranbah Community Centre, Town Square

Tuesday 23 July, 4pm-7pm

Collinsville Community Centre, Conway Street

Wednesday 24 July, 4pm-7pm

Bowen PCYC, Corner of Hay Street and Queens Road

Thursday 25 July, 4pm-7pm

Details about the NGBR Project and draft TOR will be on display and the EIS study team will be available to answer any questions

For more information, please contact the EIS study team on 1800 086 640\* (Monday to Friday, 8.30am - 5.00pm), email ngbr-eis@ghd.com, write to North Galilee Basin Rail Project GPO Box 668, Brisbane, QLD 4001 or visit www.adanimining.com/Australia\_Rail\_Prj.aspx \* Free call from fixed lines in Australia, charges apply for mobile phones.





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# North Galilee Basin Rail Project

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The EIS will be developed with the objective of avoiding or mitigating all potentially adverse impacts to environmental, social and economic values and enhancing positive impacts. Where unavoidable residual impacts exist, these will be offset in accordance with State and Commonwealth Government policies.

The draft Terms of Reference (TOR), which outline the matters the EIS must address, were released by the Office of the Coordinator- General on July 13, 2013 for a public comment period of 21 business days.

To download a copy of the TOR and for more information on the submission process, please visit the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning

Once the public comment period closes, on the 12 August 2013, any submissions will be assessed by the Office of the Coordinator-General and a final TOR will be published.

On 27 June 2013, the Commonwealth Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPaC) determined the NGBR Project to be a controlled action requiring assessment by EIS under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (referral number: EPBC 2013/6885). Details of the referral and assessment decision can be viewed at the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities

Environmental and social impact assessments for the NGBR Project are currently underway and the draft EIS is expected to be released for public comment in late 2013.

For key details about the NGBR Project, please download the NGBR Project newsletter here.

## Public Consultation

Adani Mining Pty Ltd (Adani) is committed to engaging openly and transparently with communities, government agencies, interest groups, local businesses and landholders throughout the EIS process.

To coincide with the draft TOR public comment period, Adani is hosting three community information sessions in Moranbah, Collinsville and Bowen and extends an open invitation to interested parties. Details about the NGBR Project will be on display during the sessions and the EIS study team will be available to answer any questions.

The community information sessions will be held at the following times and locations.

Location	Venue	Date and Time	
Moranbah	Moranbah Community Centre, Town Square	Tuesday 23 July, 4pm-7pm	
Collinsville	Collinsville Community Centre, Conway Street	Wednesday 24 July, 4pm-7pm	
Bowen	Bowen PCYC, Corner of Hay Street and Queens Road	Thursday 25 July, 4pm-7pm	

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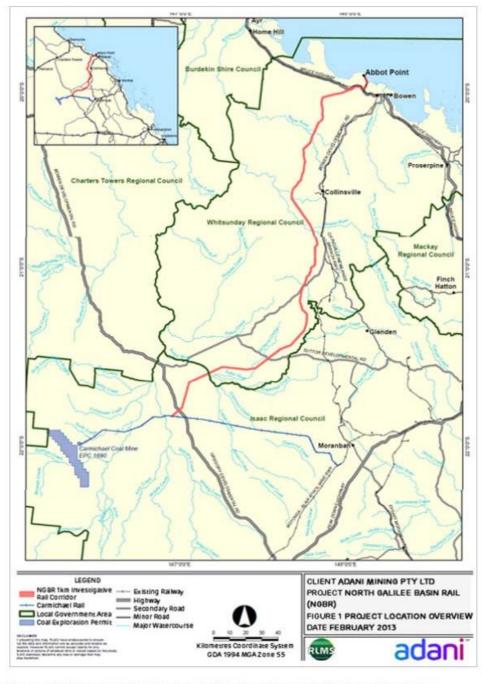
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The project will comprise the development of an approximately 300 km long standard gauge, greenfield rail line with an operational capacity of up to 100 million tonnes per annum (Mtpa). The alignment will run from the proposed Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project dual gauge line in the vicinity of Mistake Creek and head northward to connect with supporting infrastructure at the Port of Abbot Point, near Bowen, Queensland.

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Adani will be hosting further community information sessions for the NGBR Project to coincide with the public release of the EIS.

For further information on the NGBR EIS, please contact the EIS study team by:

Phoning: 1800 086 640 (Monday to Friday, 8.30 am to 5.00 pm)\*

Emailing: ngbr-eis@ghd.com

For non-EIS related queries you can contact Adam directly on:

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# Appendix F Feedback form







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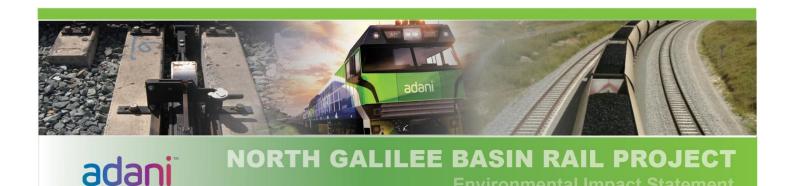
Environmental Impact Statement

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is underway to assess the potential impacts and benefits of the proposed North Galilee Basin Rail Project.

Adani Mining Pty Ltd (Adani) proposes to develop the North Galilee Basin Rail Project (NGBR Project), a multi-user, standard gauge, greenfield rail line to connect the Galilee Basin to the Port of Abbot Point. A stakeholder consultation process is being conducted to seek community input on the draft Terms of Reference, and to inform preparation of the EIS. Please provide your feedback in the space provided below, then fold, seal and return the form to the address provided overleaf. Alternatively, email your response to ngbr-eis@ghd.com. Please attach a separate sheet if this space is not sufficient.

## Thank you for your feedback.

What particular issue(s) does your feedback relate to? (please ☑ one or more boxes)								
☐ Environment ☐ Safety	☐ Social / Community ☐ Construction	☐ Economic ☐ Cumulative Impacts						
☐ Rail alignment/design	☐ Another issue (please specify)							



# Thank you for your feedback

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# Please provide your contact details if you would like to be kept informed about the NGBR Project EIS

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