



Open and regular community engagement has been a significant and ongoing focus for our McArthur River Mine (MRM) operation. We seek to build relationships on the basis of respect, open communication and trust.

Our Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) guides the future development of MRM and particularly how waste rock is stored. In addition to the technical work and scientific studies, one of the important aspects in shaping the EIS has been to involve local Traditional Owners and the community in the process.

EXTENSIVE CONSULTATION

Over more than 18 months we have consulted with more than 400 stakeholders to discuss how they would like to see the mine develop and what happens at the site once mining has finished.

A range of consultation opportunities have taken place in the preparation of the EIS, including:

- Public meetings in Borroloola
- Stands at the Borroloola Show and Rodeo
- Presentation to the Roper Gulf Local Authority
- One-on-one and group meetings with individuals who have expressed an interest in the project
- · A public meeting at King Ash Bay
- Meetings with Traditional Owners and their families
- Workshops with a range of Government agencies
- Community site visits
- Meetings with a number of non-Government organisations

WHAT MATTERS TO THE COMMUNITY

Throughout this comprehensive consultation process, Traditional Owners and members of the community discussed a range of areas of interest and concern, including:

- The mine staying in business while making sure the environment is protected
- · Current and future employment opportunities
- MRM's continued support for local economic and social development
- Some concerns about fauna in McArthur River and islands in the Gulf

The community has provided valuable input to inform the EIS and we've heard that people want to be involved in the long-term rehabilitation of the site and are interested in how they can prepare for the future.

The public release of the EIS marks the next step of community and public consultation for the project. Between 22 March and 3 May 2017, people will have the opportunity to have their say on MRM's Overburden Management Project EIS.

Further information can be found at: www.mcarthurrivermine.com.au.





MRM COMMUNITY BENEFITS TRUST

Our MRM Community Benefits Trust was established in 2007 for the life of the mine as the main vehicle for us to contribute to the social and economic development of our region.

The Trust operates as a partnership between MRM, the Northern Territory Government and the local community. It funds initiatives in the areas of enterprise and job creation, environment, arts, culture, health, education, social and community development.

Since its establishment in 2007, the Community Benefits Trust has invested almost \$12.3 million into more than 76 projects to support social-economic development in the Gulf region. In addition to funds invested through the Trust, MRM has committed a further \$6 million to the community over that time for infrastructure, sponsorships, donations and fundraising activities.

Community involvement is important to the success of the Trust and engagement with community on the structure, focus and priorities is regularly conducted.

