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**Re: Legacy Mines Remediation Draft Bill**

To the Legacy Mine Unit – thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Bill. We welcome the Bill and would like to submit the following very brief comments about mining legacies

1. The inventory of legacy mines and mine features should be made publicly available.
2. Section 27 3 (a) & (b) of the Bill on the authorisation to carry out work; there should also be requirements for due diligence to occur between the Department and /or contractors undertaking remediation works to develop agreements with Aboriginal Landowners and representative organisations relevant to the area, with the aim of having agreed works and remediation and clearance to access the land and carry out an agreed rehabilitation plan. \*We note that there was a process in developing the Rum Jungle mine rehabilitation plan with the Kungarakan and Warai Peoples<sup>1</sup> a review of that process and the value of it being replicated across the development of mine rehabilitation plans for other legacy sites should be considered.
3. Procurement of contractors to undertake the work should involve an open and transparent process which seeks to engage local contractors. Forward planning, training and skills development in land remediation should be developed through TAFE and university institutions to enable local workers to gain the skills needed.

We hope these comments are useful in the development of the Bill and we are happy to make comment or address any questions or provide further feedback.

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<sup>1</sup> Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Plan (pg 16) [https://nt.gov.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0017/1100843/eis-executive-summary.pdf](https://nt.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0017/1100843/eis-executive-summary.pdf)