

Quarterly Stakeholder Report

Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project

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Acknowledgement: The Project acknowledges the land of the Kungarakan and Warai Traditional Owners on which the Rum Jungle Project is located. The Project team pays respects to elder’s past, present and emerging and acknowledges the ongoing Warai and Kungarakan connection to Country. The Project thanks Kungarakan and Warai peoples for their ongoing cooperation and participation.

Executive Project Director's Overview

Welcome to the Quarterly Stakeholder Report for the period July to September 2025. It has been a productive period during which the construction of the Surface Water Treatment Plant was completed and treatment and release of water from the Main Pit commenced. Another important milestone was the completion of the installation of several groundwater extraction bores. The Department of Logistics and Infrastructure have completed the Poett Road/Litchfield Park Road intersection and the Batchelor Road/Litchfield Park Road intersection upgrades.

Our Community Engagement team has been busy this quarter facilitating meetings of the Rum Jungle Cultural Oversight Group and the Rum Jungle Technical Working Group. Several archaeological surveys have been completed across the site to ensure the protection of archaeological places and objects. The team also facilitated three Project information sessions which focussed on future employment and training opportunities associated with the Project. These are crucially important activities, and I wish to thank all participants for their time and their valuable contributions.

We will continue to update the community via this Report and the bi-monthly newsletter. As always, if you have any feedback on this report or would like further information, please address all correspondence to the team at rumjungleproject@nt.gov.au or call us on (08) 8999 6528.

Kind regards



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Project Milestones

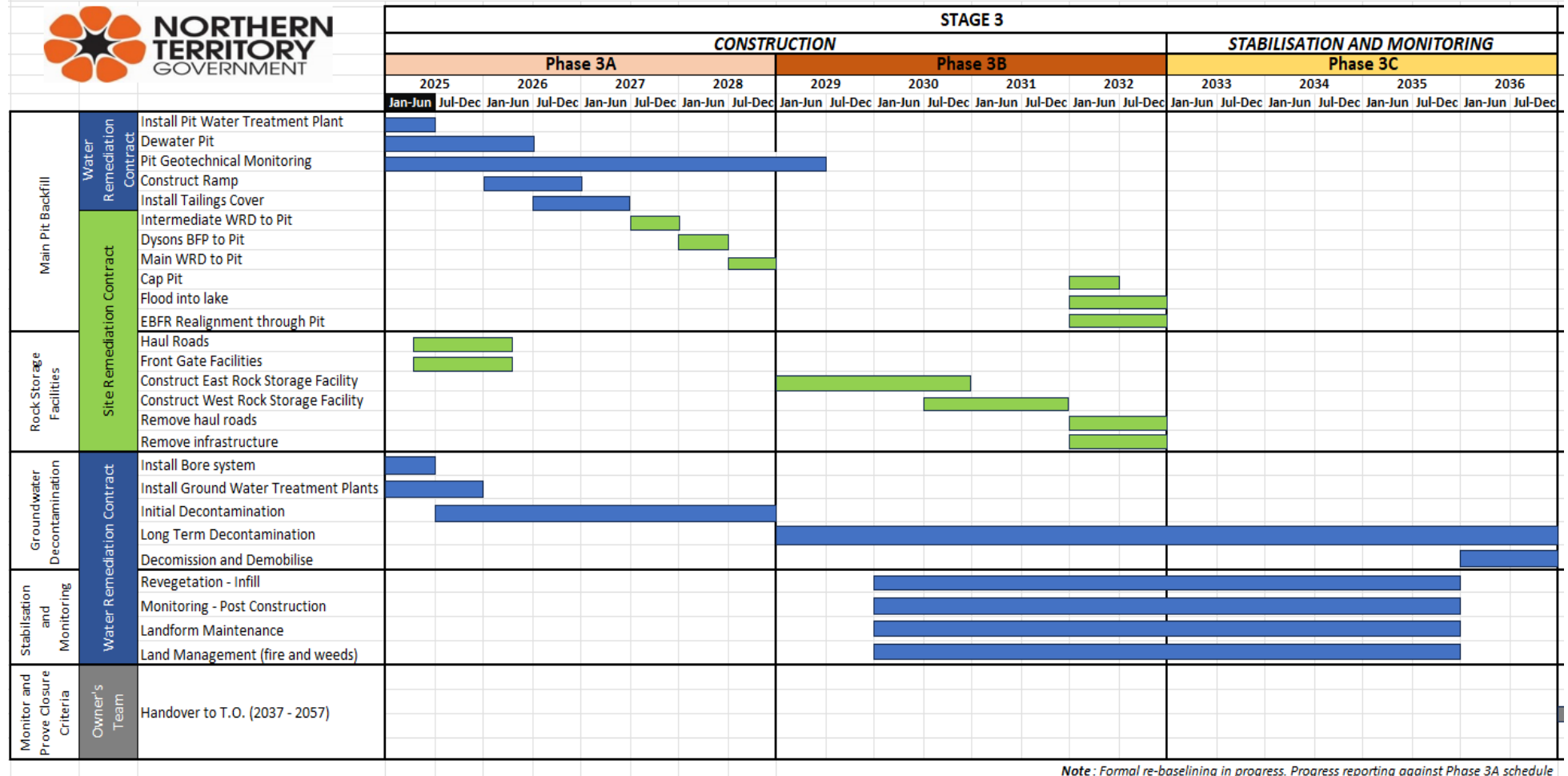
A Federation Funding Agreement (FFA) for the rehabilitation of the former Rum Jungle Mine site was executed on 31 January 2022. The FFA underpins the funding arrangements and schedule for delivery for Stage 3 of the Project, specifying 34 performance milestones. The first ten milestones have been completed and the Project team is now focused on activities relating to the milestones in the table below:

Milestone		Due Date	Status
#11	<p>Commonwealth acceptance of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Quarterly Milestone Report (as detailed at Attachment 2) for the period 1 May 2025 to 14 September 2025; and Monthly Project Status Reports to the Commonwealth (detailed at Attachment 3). <p>Completion – to an acceptable standard in accordance with the Project Management Plan – of activities being claimed in the Quarterly Milestone Report</p> <p><i>Note: milestone 11 relates to the successful execution of major works contracts.</i></p>	15 Sep 25	Completed
#12	<p>Commonwealth acceptance of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ground Water Treatment Plant (GWTP) Construction Milestone (Contract Award) Major Earthworks Contractor Mobilised 	30 Sep 25	In Progress

Stage 3 Indicative Timeline and Schedule

The delivery of the Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project has been scheduled in stages. The timeline below provides an indication of the high-level schedule of the Stage 3 activities. The schedule is indicative only and as the project progresses, there may be changes to schedule.

Rum Jungle Project High Level Overall Program



Key Stage 3 Activities

Intersection Upgrades

Intersection upgrades at Batchelor and Litchfield Park Roads, as well as Litchfield and Poet Road, have now been completed. These improvements will provide safer road conditions, enhance traffic flow, and reduce congestion in preparation for the transport of borrow material required for upcoming major works.

Water Treatment

During August and September, Water Remediation work progressed significantly with the installation of the Surface Water Treatment Plant, associated equipment, and supporting facilities. The plant is now fully operational and will treat water that is removed from the Main Pit in preparation for the placement and permanent storage of contaminated waste rock.



Surface Water Treatment Plant.



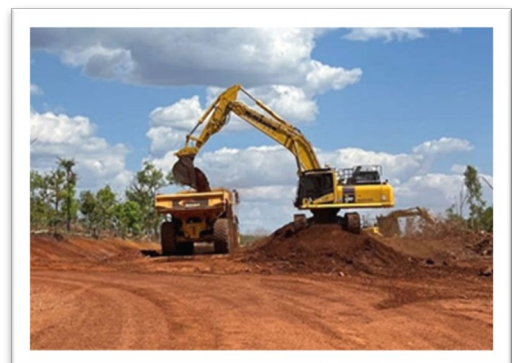
Clean water being released into the East Branch of the Finniss River.

The treated water cannot be released into the environment unless it meets water quality requirements specified in the environmental approvals and Waste Discharge Licence. Ultimately, the treated water will improve the overall quality of the water in the East Branch of the Finniss River, providing more protection for local aquatic organisms. The water treatment plant has a range of internal monitoring and control mechanisms that will detect poor treatment performance and prevent the release of poor-quality water into the environment. The Rum Jungle team is also undertaking a comprehensive monitoring program in the waterways downstream of the former mine site to ensure that any changes in water quality and quantity are captured and quantified.

As the water is being removed from the Main Pit it is important to monitor the stability of the Pit walls on a continuous basis. Two geotechnical monitoring stations have been installed to ensure that any instability is detected and managed appropriately. A second water treatment plant will be constructed specifically to treat contaminated groundwater. The contract for its construction was awarded to McMahon Services Australia (NT) Pty Ltd. This plant will treat water from a series of bores that have been established around the site to intercept and extract contaminated groundwater.

Bulk Earthworks

Following the award of the contract to McMahon Services Australia (NT) Pty Ltd, works have commenced on the construction of the haul roads and water management structures.



Haul road construction.

Site Maintenance Activities

Revegetation Works

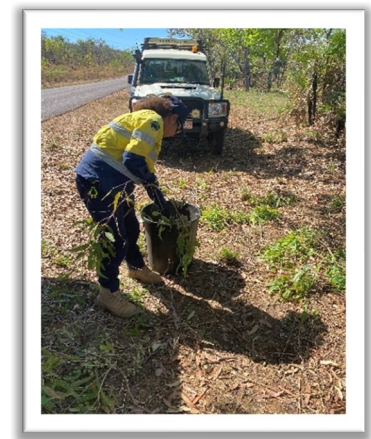
The Land Management Team progressed the Revegetation Program by collecting a range of native seeds from various sites across the Coomalie area. In addition, the team undertook weekly hand watering of plants within the direct seeding area and revegetation plots to support root establishment and promote healthy growth.

Weed Management

During this quarter, the Rum Jungle Land Management Team, in collaboration with weed management contractors, continued light vehicle weed control activities across both the Rum Jungle and Coomalie Council Borrow sites.

General Site Maintenance

This quarter, the Land Management Team continued to deliver routine activities, including site and equipment maintenance, environmental monitoring and sampling, prescribed burns, cycad relocation, weed management, native seed collection, and general site support.



Collecting native seeds.



Maintaining and resetting trail cameras.



Daily site inspections and maintenance work.



Undertaking a prescribed burn.

Engagement

In September, archaeological surveys were undertaken across key areas within the Rum Jungle site and the on the portion of the Finnis River Land Trust land that will be used as a borrow area. Although both areas have experienced past disturbance, several intact archaeological sites and objects were identified and must be preserved and protected throughout the course of the project.

Engagement with the Cultural Oversight Group (COG) continued during July, August and September, with regular meetings held to ensure cultural matters remain central to project delivery. In addition to these sessions, a dedicated face-to-face meeting between COG members and the Project's Senior Responsible Officers (SROs) took place in Batchelor on 13 August 2025.

Rum Jungle Technical Working Group meetings was also convened in July and August, providing a platform for technical updates and collaborative discussion on key aspects of the project.

Several Cultural inductions were facilitated throughout July, August and September to project staff and contractors. These inductions ensure that workers are inducted in accordance with the advice of COG members.

In partnership with McMahon Services Australia (NT) Pty Ltd, the Rum Jungle Project team hosted a series of general public project update information sessions in September 2025. These sessions provided high-level updates on completed, current, and planned works, and outlined upcoming training, employment, and business development opportunities associated with the project for 2025, 2026, and beyond.

Workforce and Business Development Activities

Performance against Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) relating to Aboriginal employment and business development is shown in the table below, which includes figures for the Project Team and contractors.

The Project continues to perform well against the Aboriginal employment KPI, with results exceeding the established target this quarter. This reflects the effectiveness of ongoing recruitment strategies, existing workforce retention, and established partnerships. Targeted training and capacity-building initiatives are being pursued to continue alignment with workforce requirements. Aboriginal Business Expenditure for the quarter was below target but there remains room for increased expenditure over the life of the project as civil construction and other operational activities commence.

	KPI Description	Quarterly Target	Quarterly Result (Average)
1	Employment Full Time Equivalent Aboriginal Employees	25%	26%
2	Aboriginal Business Expenditure (% of operating costs)	5%	4%

Project Ready Training Program (PRTTP) - 2025 Training Opportunities

The Project Team, in partnership with Batchelor Institute, has finalised the 2025 training schedule for the Project Ready Training Program (PRTTP). Training opportunities available for the remainder of 2025 include:

- Certificate I in Engineering (Welding)
- Medium Rigid (MR) Vehicle Licence

All courses are offered free of charge, with the Rum Jungle Project Team providing wraparound support for participants throughout the duration of each course. Places are limited, so if you would like further information, are interested in enrolling, or know of a family member who may wish to participate, please contact Gowan using the details below.

In September, nine Aboriginal students, including five Kungarakana and Warai Traditional Owners enrolled in the 2025 PRTTP. From this cohort, five students successfully completed a Certificate III in Civil Plant Operations, while the remaining four are in the final week of a four-week Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) program.

2026 Traineeships

The next round of traineeships is scheduled to commence in early 2026. Further information will be provided in the coming months as program details are confirmed. If you would like to register your interest, or know of a family member who may wish to be considered, please contact:

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Business Support Activities

Our Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project Business Development Officer continues to provide a range of support services to Aboriginal Business Enterprises, including business owned and operated by Warai and Kungarakana Traditional Owners. Support includes mentoring and tailored assistance. To date, this support has resulted in grant applications being submitted to the value of \$4.2 million, and over \$1.8 million of grant funding being awarded directly to Aboriginal Business Enterprises. Our aim is to prepare businesses for participation in the Rum Jungle project, as well as other available opportunities across the Territory.

What's Happening Next Quarter

The October to December quarter of 2025 will continue to be busy, with the following key activities coming up:

PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACTS

Procurement Underway

- RJP-0058 – Cleaning services for Batchelor Office and Kirra Crescent House
- RJP-0062 – Operation and Maintenance (of the Groundwater Treatment Plant)

Active Contracts

- T23-1908 – Litchfield Park Road/Rum Jungle Road and Litchfield Park Road/Poett Road
- RJP-0051 – Supply, delivery and construction of Bores on the former Rum Jungle Mine site
- RJP-0038 – Provision of Mined Land Revegetation Planning, Technical Advice, Training and Field Program Supervision for the Rum Jungle Rehabilitation Project
- RJP-0057 – Provision of Weed Management Services at the former Rum Jungle Mine site for a period of 36 months
- RJP-0059 – Provision of Services to Facilitate Working Group Meetings for a period of 12 months
- RJP-0060 – Provision of Archaeological Surveys and Report Writing for a period of 12 months
- 25-0496 – Supply and Delivery of Weed Spray Unit
- 25-0485 – Supply, Delivery and Installation of Water Quality Monitoring Instruments
- RJP-S02 – Rum Jungle Rehabilitation – Provision of Civil Works and Site Remediation Services
- RJP-0056 – Provision of Water Remediation and Pit Backfill Services

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Main Pit Bund Construction
- Ground Water Treatment Plant Construction
- Haul Road Construction

OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Main pit dewatering via Surface Water Treatment Plant
- Weed management will continue with visual inspections of all areas and periodical execution of spraying.
- Maintain and repair existing fences
- Targeted burn off (dependant on weather)
- Collection of targeted seeds, training on processing, storage and management of collected seeds
- Revegetation of selected areas and fencing, weed management and watering recently planted tube stock and seedlings