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1. BACKGROUND

This Supplementary Report has been prepared in response to submissions received on the EIS during the notification period extending from 18 October 2007 to 14 January 2008 and is consistent with the approvals process outlined within **Section 1.5.2** of the Traveston Crossing Dam (TCD) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). The purpose of this report is not to duplicate the original EIS, having already prepared an EIS in accordance with terms of reference (ToR), but to provide further clarification of specific issues raised in submissions. 11,261 submissions were received by the Coordinator-General and are summarised in **Appendix A**. Part B of this Supplementary Report responds to the issues raised in each submission.

Like the EIS, this Supplementary Report will form part of the supporting documentation that will be reviewed and considered by the Coordinator-General under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971* (SDPWO Act) and the Federal Minister for the Environment, Heritage and the Arts under the *Environmental Protection, Biodiversity and Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) as part of the environmental assessment of the Traveston Crossing Dam Project.

Following the review and assessment of the Supplementary Report, the Coordinator-General will prepare a report evaluating the EIS. In that evaluation report, the Coordinator-General may:

- evaluate the environmental effects of the project and any other related matters;
- state conditions for later IDAS approvals required for the project;
- make recommendations for other approvals required for the project; and
- impose conditions for the undertaking of the project, where there is no other mechanism for conditions to be imposed (“imposed conditions”).

In setting imposed conditions, the Coordinator-General may:

- state when the imposed conditions take effect; and
- nominate an entity that is to have jurisdiction for the condition (“the nominated entity”).

1.1 Purpose of Supplementary Report

As highlighted above, it is not the purpose of this document to duplicate the original EIS but to provide further clarification of specific issues raised in submissions. The Supplementary Report aims to:

- provide comments and clarification of the project description in the EIS;
- summarise the submissions and provide technical responses to the issues raised in the submissions;
- provide conclusions with regards the key issues raised in the submissions; and
- provide recommendations to the Coordinator-General in relation to the Traveston Crossing Dam Project (the Project).

Chapter 3 of the Supplementary Report provides further details on submissions received by the Coordinator-General’s Office.

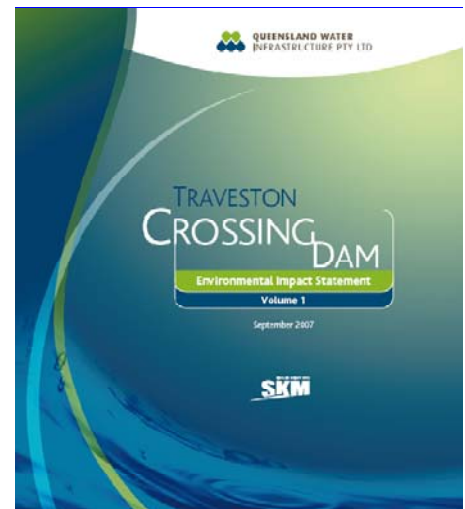
1.2 Consultation on EIS

Community consultation undertaken during the public exhibition period for the EIS aimed to:

- notify the community that the EIS had been lodged for assessment by the Coordinator-General and call for written submissions on the EIS by community members;
- satisfy the statutory requirements of the SDPWO Act in relation to the exhibition of the EIS and invitation for written submissions;
- provide information to stakeholders and community members to enable their review of the EIS and project reference design; and
- obtain input from Local Councils, Queensland Government and Federal agencies on the EIS.

A range of communication and consultation activities were undertaken with community members and stakeholders to assist their review of the EIS. These included:

- Hard copies of seven-volume EIS distributed to 19 community locations for public display and made available at a cost of \$150 for the EIS, and \$400 for the supplementary technical reports. These reports were available for the duration of the public display period;
- Over 1500 free electronic copies of the EIS distributed on CD Rom or DVD format; over 2400 copies of an easy to read summary distributed;
- 2 Information Days with a total of 120 people in attendance;
- 3 project updates distributed to approx 110,000 recipients on each occasion; and
- 26 advertisements stating how to obtain a copy of the EIS, submission contact details and timings for information days.



The EIS was released on 18 October 2007, four days prior to the official public comment period (which commenced on 22 October 2007).