

PARLIAMENT OF AUSTRALIA

Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works

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Chair: Senator Dean Smith

Public hearing into proposed Multi-User Barge Ramp Facility -East Arm, Darwin, Northern Territory

The Public Works Committee is conducting a public hearing into a proposed multi-user barge ramp facility at East Arm in Darwin.

The Department of Defence seeks approval to build a barge facility which will provide roundthe-clock capability to load and unload helicopter docks, amphibious ships and explosive ordnance irrespective of tidal conditions in Darwin.

The project is a collaboration between the Department of Defence and the Land Development Corporation in the Northern Territory. The estimated cost of the barge facility is \$18.0 million, with Defence contributing \$16.1 million to the project.

Public Hearing Venue:	Rydges Darwin Airport Resort
Date:	Thursday, 23 April 2015
Time:	10.30am – 11.30am

Full details on the project are available on the Committee's website: www.aph.gov.au/pwc

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

NB the Public Works Committee is neither involved in the tendering process nor the awarding of contracts. Enquiries on those matters should be addressed to the Department of Defence.

For interview: Contact the Chair's office on (08) 9481 0349.

For further information, including how to make a submission, the public hearing times, and copies of submissions when they become available, please visit the Committee website <u>http://www.aph.gov.au/pwc</u> or contact the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4636.