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The Hon Dr John McVeigh, MP
Chair
Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Dr McVeigh,

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT
FACILITIES FOR THE LAND 200 TRANCHE 2 BATTLEFIELD
COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS FACILITIES PROJECT**

1. This letter is to inform the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works of the nature and extent of community consultation undertaken by the Department of Defence as part of the proposed LAND 200 Tranche 2 Battlefield Communications Systems Facilities Project (the Project).
2. The aim of this consultation was to ensure the community, base residents and other stakeholders were:
 - a. well informed about the project's details through the use of effective and proven communication channels, and
 - b. provided the opportunity to raise any concerns or to seek further information so that, wherever feasible, Defence could address these in its program of works.
3. The stakeholder and community consultation activities listed below were delivered in accordance with the project's comprehensive community engagement strategy, namely:
 - a. Advertisements for these activities appeared in relevant local and national newspapers between 8 and 19 September 2018. A synopsis of Defence's advertising activities and copies of the newspaper advertisements are at Annex A.
 - b. Formal letters offering individual briefings were emailed to key stakeholders. This included Local, State and Federal elected representatives, State Departments and Authorities, and Community Groups. An example of the correspondence to key stakeholders is at Annex B. A list of stakeholders that received an invitation, and the status of each invitation, is at Annex C.
 - c. Two Community Information Sessions were undertaken, one at the Townsville Returned Services League (Hyde Park, Townsville, QLD), and one at Quest Apartments (Singleton, NSW). Details regarding community session attendance, information, and a record of any issues raised are at Annexes D to F respectively.

4. Overall, information about the Project has been well received. The feedback from those consulted to date has been supportive, with interest around local industry and Indigenous Community engagement opportunities for local residents.

5. No issues that would impact the proposed works were identified during Defence's community consultations. Defence is satisfied that it has taken all reasonable steps to inform the community about the Project, and has provided opportunities for the community to raise any concerns and questions.

Yours sincerely,



M. J. GALTON, DSC
Brigadier

24 October 2018

Annexes:

- A. Synopsis of Advertising Activities, and Newspaper Advertisements
- B. Example Correspondence to Key Stakeholders (Invitation Example)
- C. Stakeholder Project Briefings and Follow-up Action
- D. Community Information Session Attendance
- E. Community Session Information
- F. Summary of Issues Raised During Consultation

SYNOPSIS OF ADVERTISING ACTIVITIES AND NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS

The works associated with the proposed LAND 200 Tranche 2 Battlefield Communications Systems Facilities Project appeared in local newspapers between 8 and 19 September 2018. In total seven (7) advertisements appeared in the following publications:

Defence Establishment	Location	Publication	Publication Date
Lavarack Barracks	Townsville, QLD	Townsville Bulletin	8 September 2018
Singleton Military Area	Singleton, NSW	The Singleton Argus	12 September 2018
RAAF Base Edinburgh	Adelaide, SA	The Advertiser	15 September 2018
Robertson Barracks	Darwin, NT	NT News	17 September 2018
Albury-Wodonga Military Area	Albury - Wodonga, VIC	Border Mail	17 September 2018
Simpson Barracks	Melbourne, VIC	Heidelberg Leader	18 September 2018
Puckapunyal Military Area	Puckapunyal, VIC	Seymour Telegraph	19 September 2018

Tear sheets for each advertisement are shown below:

NT News



Townsville Bulletin



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**LAND 200 Tranche 2
Community
Consultation**

The Department of Defence will be holding a community consultation session regarding the proposed LAND 200 Tranche 2 Battlefield Communications Systems Facilities Project.


The consultation session will be held on 13 September 2018 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm in the Flight Room at the Townsville RSL Club, located at 139 Charters Towners Rd, Hyde Park.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

For further details please contact:

Christian Walsh on
0438 183 135

Border Mail



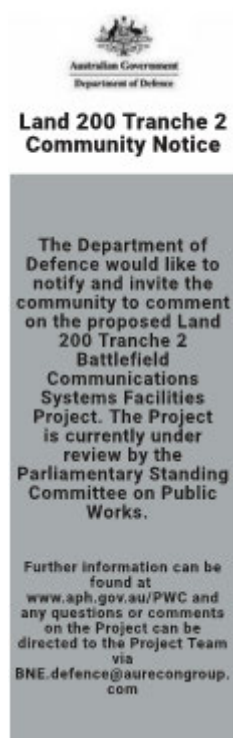
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**Land 200 Tranche 2
Community Notice**

The Department of Defence would like to notify and invite the community to comment on the proposed Land 200 Tranche 2 Battlefield Communications Systems Facilities Project. The Project is currently under review by the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works.

Further information can be found at www.aph.gov.au/PWC and any questions or comments on the Project can be directed to the Project team via BNE.Defence@airecongroup.com

Heidelberg Leader



Seymour Telegraph



The Singleton Argus



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LAND 200 Tranche 2 Community Consultation

The Department of Defence will be holding a community consultation session regarding the proposed LAND 200 Tranche 2 Battlefield Communications Systems Facilities Project.

The consultation session will be held on 18 September 2018 from 10:30am to 12:30pm in the Boardroom at Quest Singleton, 5-7 Civic Ave, Singleton.

All members of the community are welcome to attend.

For further details please contact:
Christian Walsh on 0438 183 135

The Advertiser



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**EXAMPLE CORRESPONDENCE TO KEY STAKEHOLDERS
(INVITATION EXAMPLE)**



LTCOL Simon Everett
Project Director – National Projects (Land)
Capital Facilities and Infrastructure Branch

Ms Cathy O'Toole (MP)
Member for Herbert
Via email: cathy.otoole.mp@aph.gov.au

Dear Ms O'Toole,

**A9022 LAND 200 TRANCHE 2 BATTLEFIELD COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS
FACILITIES PROJECT**

On behalf of the Department of Defence, I am writing to inform you of proposed works in your electorate at Lavarack Barracks as part of the LAND 200 Tranche 2 Facilities Project (the Project). The Project was referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works on 16 August 2018 with further details available at https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Public_Works/Land200.

The proposed works aim to provide classrooms and associated facilities to support the training requirements for the new Battlefield Management System being introduced under the LAND 200 capability Project. Facilities work to support this capability is proposed at seven Defence establishments across Australia.

The estimated cost of the Project is \$24.4 million with approximately \$4.5 million identified for works in your electorate. With Parliamentary Approval expected in December 2018, construction work is proposed to occur through 2019.

For your information, Department of Defence will be holding a community consultation on the proposed works in Townsville on 13 September 2018 from 1:30pm to 3:30pm at the local RSL.

If you or your staff would like to accept or decline the offer for a personal briefing on the proposed works, please contact me via email at BNE.Defence@aurecongroup.com.

Yours sincerely,



LTCOL Simon Everett
Project Director
Capital Facilities and Infrastructure Branch

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STAKEHOLDER PROJECT BRIEFINGS AND FOLLOW-UP ACTION

STAKEHOLDER	ORGANISATION AND MEMBER	DATE AND NATURE OF CONSULTATION
FEDERAL PARLIAMENT	Hon Warren Snowdon MP Member for Lingiari, Northern Territory	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to the Hon Snowdon MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>5 September 2018 - Defence received advice the email had been received.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Snowdon’s office to confirm the email was received and gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	Ms Cathy O’Toole MP Federal Member for Herbert, Queensland	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Ms Cathy O’Toole MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>13 September 2018 – Ms O’Toole’s advisor (Jessica Naunton) attended the 13 September Community Consultation, and confirmed that at this stage a briefing was not required. Ms Naunton asked how the Project will engage local businesses and the Indigenous community for the works. Defence advised that the tender process will be conducted in line with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules and that Project Tenderers will be required to submit plans detailing how local industry will be engaged.</p>
	Hon Joel Fitzgibbon MP Member for Hunter, New South Wales	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to the Hon Fitzgibbon MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>6 September 2018 - Mr Fitzgibbon’s office declined the offer of a personal briefing but requested to be kept updated on the progress of the proposed project.</p>
	Ms Cathy McGowan AO, MP Member for Indi, Victoria	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Ms Cathy McGowan AO, MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>13 September 2018 – Ms McGowan’s office advised Defence that at the current time, a briefing is not required but further contact may be made in the future.</p>

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	<p>Hon Jenny Macklin MP Member for Jagajaga, Victoria</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to the Hon Macklin MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Miss Macklin’s office to confirm the email was received and gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that Miss Macklin is currently overseas on secondment to the United Nations. A senior staffer has requested a briefing in Miss Macklin’s place which is currently being scheduled.</p>
	<p>Hon Damian Drum MP Member for Murray, Victoria</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to the Hon Drum MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>19 September 2018 – A personal briefing with Mr Drum took place, and the following items were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local Industry content for work for the project. - The ability for the Member to visit the Project during construction to engage with local contractors and base personnel. - Other Defence projects likely to delivered on base.
	<p>Mr Nick Champion MP Member for Wakefield, South Australia</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Nick Champion MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Champion’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	<p>Mr Luke Gosling OAM, MP Member for Solomon, Northern Territory</p>	<p>21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Gosling OAM, MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Gosling’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>

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	Senator Nigel Scullion, Minister for Indigenous Affairs, NT	<p>21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Senator Scullion, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Senator Scullion’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. A briefing was requested and is currently being organised.</p>
STATE PARLIAMENT	Mr Gerry Wood MP Member for Nelson	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Wood MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Wood’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. There has been no further response to date.</p>
	Mr Scott Stewart MP State Member for Townsville	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Stewart MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>12 and 13 September 2018 - Defence received a call from Scott Stewart’s office requesting to be contacted regarding the Project. Defence returned calls on 12 and 13 September.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Stewart’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	Mr Michael Johnsen MP Member for Upper Hunter	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Johnsen MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Johnsen’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	Mr Clayton Barr, BEd MP Member for Cessnock	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Barr, BEd MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Barr’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>

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	<p>Mr Bill Tilley MP Member for Benambra</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Tilley MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Tilley’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. It was advised that an election is currently in progress and that someone would be in contact.</p>
	<p>Mr Anthony Carbines MP Member for Ivanhoe</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Carbines MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>There has been no further response as at the date of this letter.</p>
	<p>Ms Steph Ryan MP Member for Euroa</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Ms Steph Ryan MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Ms Ryan’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	<p>Mr Jon Gee MP Member for Taylor</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Gee MP, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Gee’s office to confirm the email was received and gauge interest in a personal briefing and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
<p>STATE AUTHORITIES AND DEPARTMENTS</p>	<p>Mayor Maree Bredhauer Litchfield City Council Mayor</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mayor Bredhauer, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mayor Bredhauer’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.</p>
	<p>Councillor Jenny Hill</p>	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Councillor Hill, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p>

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	Townsville City Council Mayor	18 October 2018 – Defence called Councillor Hill’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised that someone would be in contact.
	Councillor Sue Moore Singleton Council Mayor	5 September 2018 – Defence emailed a letter to Councillor Moore, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Councillor Moore’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.
	Councillor Anna Speedie Wodonga Mayor	5 September 2018 – Defence emailed a letter to Councillor Speedie, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Councillor Speedie’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.
	Councillor Mark Di Pasquale Banyule City Council Mayor	5 September 2018 – Defence emailed a letter to Councillor Di Pasquale, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Councillor Di Pasquale’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.

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	Councillor Rhonda Sanderson Mitchell Shire Council Mayor	<p>5 September 2018 -Defence emailed a letter to Councillor Sanderson, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>2 October 2018 – Defence conducted a personal briefing via teleconference with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cr Sanderson – Mayor. - Mr Chris Cheal - Coordinator Economic Development. - Ms Clare Hahnel - Coordinator Economic Development. <p>The following items were discussed:</p> <p>Local Industry content for work for the project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How local industry content is assessed in the tender process, and - The timeline for the works and way that local contractors can find out about the tender.
	Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM City of Salisbury Mayor	<p>5 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mayor Aldridge OAM, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mayor Aldridge’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised someone would be in contact.</p>
	Greg Bicknell CEO Chamber of Commerce	<p>21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Bicknell, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p> <p>18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Bicknell’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.</p>
	Jason Schoolmeester, Executive Director Northern Australia Development Officer	<p>21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Schoolmeester, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing.</p>

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		18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Schoolmeester’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised someone would be in contact.
	Kon Vatskalis, JP Lord Mayor of Darwin	21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Lord Mayor Vatskalis, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called the Lord Mayor’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised someone would be in contact.
	Hon Michael Gunner MLA Chief Minister, NT	21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to the Hon Gunner MLA, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Gunner’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing, and was advised someone would be in contact.
COMMUNITY GROUPS	Kerryn Smith CEO Australian Industry and Defence Network, NT	21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Ms Smith, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 21 September 2018 - Ms Smith requested a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Ms Smith’s office to follow up Ms Smith’s request for personal briefing, which is scheduled to occur on 25 October 2018.
	Ruth Palmer Executive Director, Property Council of Australia	21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Ms Palmer, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called the Ms Palmer’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.
	David Malone Executive Director, Master Builders Association of Northern Territory	21 September 2018 - Defence emailed a letter to Mr Malone, providing project information, contact details, a site link and an invitation to contact Defence for a personal briefing. 18 October 2018 – Defence called Mr Malone’s office to confirm the email was received and to gauge interest in a personal briefing. No response received to date.

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COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSION ATTENDANCE

One (1) community member attended the community information sessions that were held at the Townsville RSL (Hyde Park, Townsville, Queensland) and The Quest (Singleton, NSW) on the following dates:

- a. Townsville RSL, Thursday, 13 September 2018 between 1:30pm and 3:30pm (01 attendee).
- b. The Quest Singleton, Tuesday, 18 September 2018 between 10:30am and 12:30pm (no attendees).

The attendee was Jessica Naunton, Advisor to Cathy O'Toole MP, Federal Member for Herbert, Queensland.

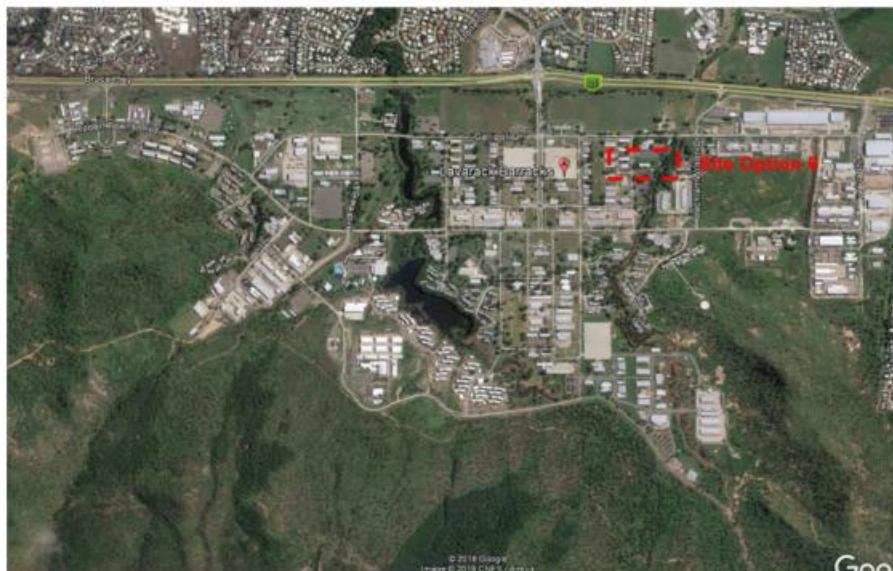
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COMMUNITY SESSION INFORMATION

Lavarack Barracks, Townsville



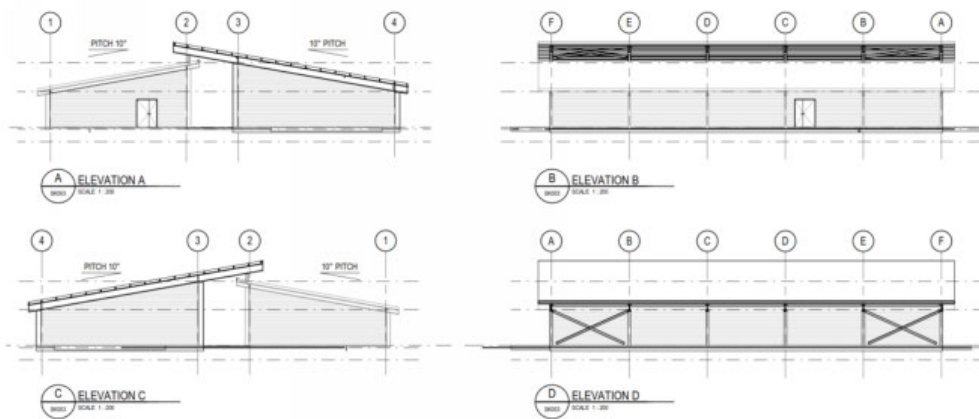
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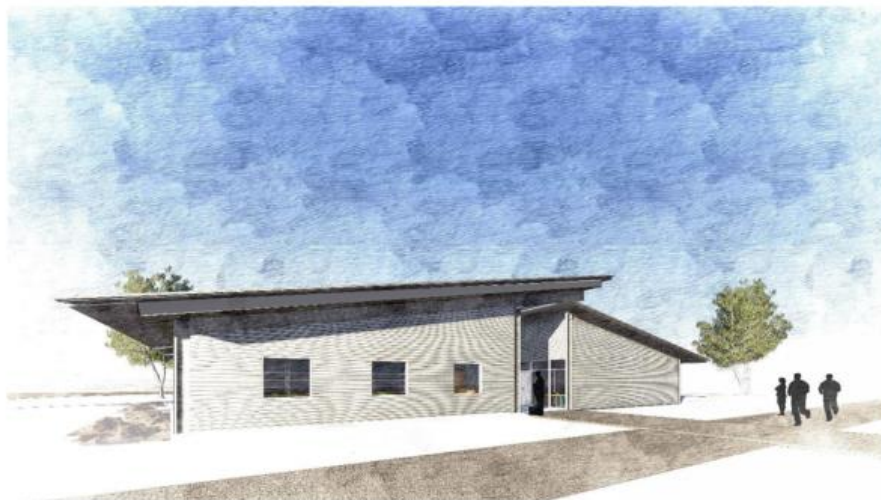
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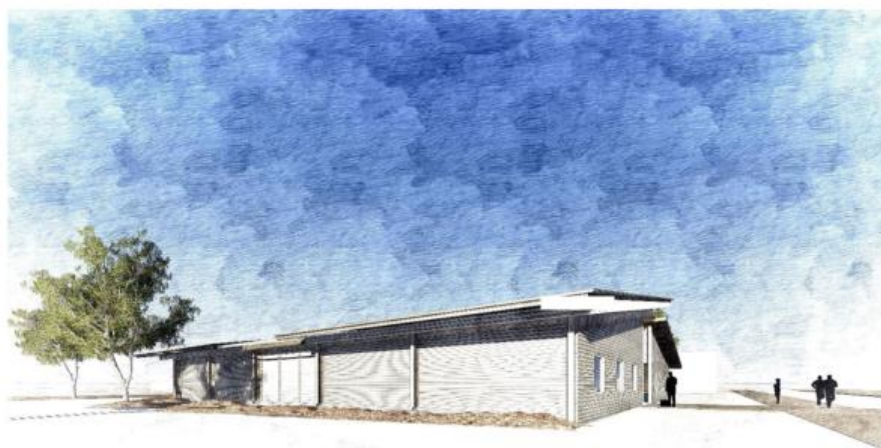
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Render of Building G2725



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South Eastern Face render of Building G2725



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Eastern Face render of Building G2725



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Singleton Military Area, Singleton



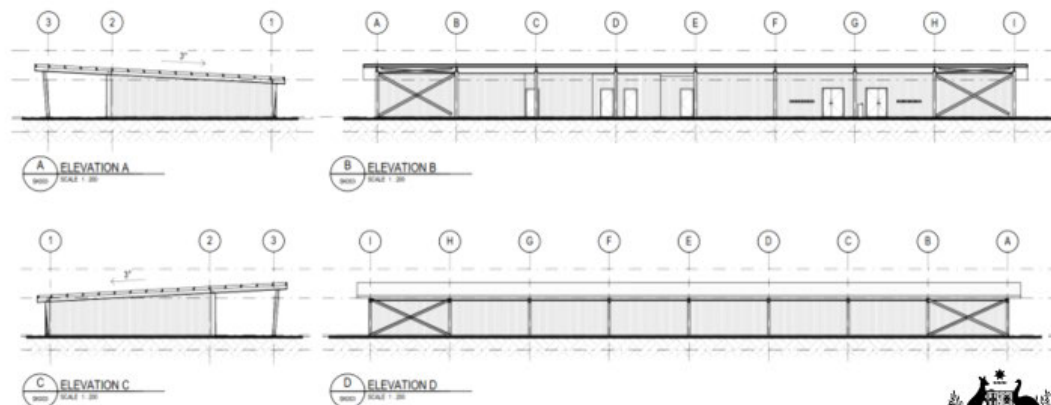
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South East Render of the New BMS Training Facility



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South West Render of the New BMS Training Facility



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Southern Face Render of the New BMS Training Facility



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Plan view Render of the New BMS Training Facility



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SUMMARY OF ISSUES RAISED DURING CONSULTATION

ISSUE/QUESTION	RAISED BY	DEFENCE'S RESPONSE
How will local industry and the Indigenous Community be engaged during the works?	Jessica Naunton, Advisor to Cathy O'Toole MP (Federal Member for Herbert, Queensland)	The tender process will be undertaken in accordance with the Commonwealth Procurement Rules which highlights requirements for the engagement of Indigenous Business Enterprises. Tenderers for the project will be required to submit plans detailing how local industry will be engaged/utilised for the works and their Indigenous Procurement Policy.