

What is an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)?



An EIS explains how a proposed project could affect the environment, people and nearby communities.

The EIS brings together technical studies completed by qualified specialists. These studies look at how the project could affect the local area and the people who live there. It also explains how any impacts will be managed.

Government agencies use the EIS to help decide whether the Project should go ahead and any conditions that will apply. The EIS is also shared publicly so the community can review it and have a say before decisions are made.

Why the EIS matters to you



The EIS helps you understand:

- how the Project could affect your local area and daily life
- potential effects on the environment, heritage and community values in the Project area
- what steps are proposed to manage impacts
- how you can make a submission and share your views.



What the EIS studied



The EIS looks at how the Project could affect the environment and the local community. It brings together technical studies and issues raised during community consultation to date.

Studies include:

- water in rivers, lakes and streams (surface water)
- groundwater
- plants and animals on land
- plants and animals in rivers and water bodies
- air quality
- noise and vibration
- landscape context and visual appearance
- social and economic impacts
- Aboriginal heritage and cultural values
- other matters such as traffic, bushfire risk, emissions, hazardous materials and construction waste management.

Where to find the EIS and more information

Online



- Visit our website to view the full EIS and supporting documents and find out details about our community drop-ins.



- Visit the EPA Tasmania consultation page:
<https://epa.tas.gov.au/working-together/public-consultations>



In person

- Come and say hi! We're hosting community drop-in events where you can chat with our team and find out more about the EIS.
- The EIS is available to view at Central Highlands Council offices in Hamilton and Bothwell

How to make a submission

Submissions help decision makers understand community views

To be valid, your submission must:

- be in writing
- be received by the closing date
- clearly refer to the Tarraleah Redevelopment project
- include your name and contact details
- be sent to Central Highlands Council.
 - Email: development@centralhighlands.tas.gov.au
 - Mail: PO Box 20, Hamilton 7140 (addressed to the General Manager)

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