

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

Petition

| Registration No: | 5 |
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| Title: | Slip lane entrance to Humpty Doo & Rural Golf Club |
| Presented on: | 11 October 2005 |
| Presented by: | Mr Warren |
| Referred To: | Minister for Local Government (McAdam) |
| Response due: | 29 November 2005 |
| Response received: | 16 November 2005 |
| Response presented: | 29 November 2005 |

Petition

To the Honourable The Speaker and Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory

The humble petition of citizens of the Northern Territory, Electors of the Northern Territory respectfully believe that the entrance is dangerous and ask that the Litchfield Shire Council build a slip lane and erect street lights at the entrance to the Koolinya Volunteer Fire Brigade and the Humpty Doo and Rural Golf Club to be constructed off Pioneer Drive, Humpty Doo.

Your petition therefore humbly pray that a review of these restrictions be given due consideration. And your petition, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

Response

Pioneer Drive, Humpty Doo, is a road that is the responsibility of the Litchfield Shire Council.

The Humpty Doo and Rural Golf approached the Litchfield Shire Council in March 2005 requesting the installation of a street light, for safety reasons, on Pioneer Drive opposite the turn off into the Golf Club.

The Litchfield Shire Council did not support the request for a number of reasons:

- Generally, to conform with Australian Standards, 3 street lights would be required;
- There are other major intersections in the Shire with higher traffic levels and no street lights; if the Council installs street lights at the Golf Club, the community expectation would be that they be installed at all major intersections; Council has a small budget for street lighting and could not possibly meet all requests;
- Council's policy is that it undertakes street lighting projects where there has been a direct request from Northern Territory Police who are of the opinion that lack of lighting has caused, or may cause, accidents.

The request to Litchfield Shire Council did not include a slip lane for Pioneer Drive. The Council has not investigated the possibility of a slip lane on this road; a storm water drain on one side of the road, and the closeness of the boundary fence of the property on the other, may not provide sufficient area.

I have written to the Litchfield Shire Council asking them to reconsider the matter.