

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms Purick to Minister for Lands and Planning

Fill for Darwin Port Expansion

1. When the port is expanded in accordance with current plans, how much fill will be required and where will it be sourced from.
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ANSWER

The Darwin Port Corporation has two current reclamation projects – the Eastern Reclaim Area, which is being filled and surcharged to provide additional hard stand and cargo lay down area, and the filling of Pond F which is located behind the main wharf and will be used to provide additional covered cargo storage areas.

Reclamation projects are managed on behalf of the Corporation by the Department of Construction and Infrastructure, who have a panel contract for the provision and supply of fill.

The Panel Contractors will be supplying naturally occurring terrestrial fill from their own private borrow pits and quarries located around the Greater Darwin Area. The Eastern Reclamation Area requires about 150,000m³ of earth fill and Pond F requires about 100,000m³ of earth-rock fill and about 200,000m³ of earth fill.