



# The Chandler Proposal - Approvals pathway

## Who is responsible for approving the Proposal?

The Proposal will require planning approval, licenses and permits from both the Australian Government and the Northern Territory (NT) Government. The key approvals and licenses will be sort from:

- The Australian Minister for the Environment under the provisions of the Commonwealth *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2000* (EPBC Regulations). The EPBC Act and EPBC Regulations are administered by the Commonwealth Department of the Environment and Energy (DoEE).
- The NT Minister for the Environment under the following legislation:
  - NT *Environmental Assessment Act* (EA Act) and the *Environmental Assessment Regulations* (EA Regulations) and *Environmental Assessment Administrative Procedures* (EA Procedures) administered by the NT Environmental Protection Authority (NT EPA).
  - NT *Waste Management Pollution Control Act* (WMPC Act) and *Waste Management Pollution Control Regulations* (WMPC Regulations) also administered by the NT EPA.

- The NT Minister for Mines and Energy under the provisions of the NT *Mining Management Act* (MM Act) and the *Mining Management Regulations* (MM Regulations). The MM Act and the MM Regulations are administered by the NT Department of Primary Industry and Resources (DPIR).

## Who regulates mining activities and equipment/archive storage and storage, recovery and permanent isolation of waste?

If approved, the salt mining operations would be regulated under the MM Act and MM Regulations administered by the DPIR.

The storage, recovery and permanent isolation of waste within the salt mining voids would be regulated under the WMPC Act and the WMPC Regulations administered by the NT EPA.

## Are there any other approvals required?

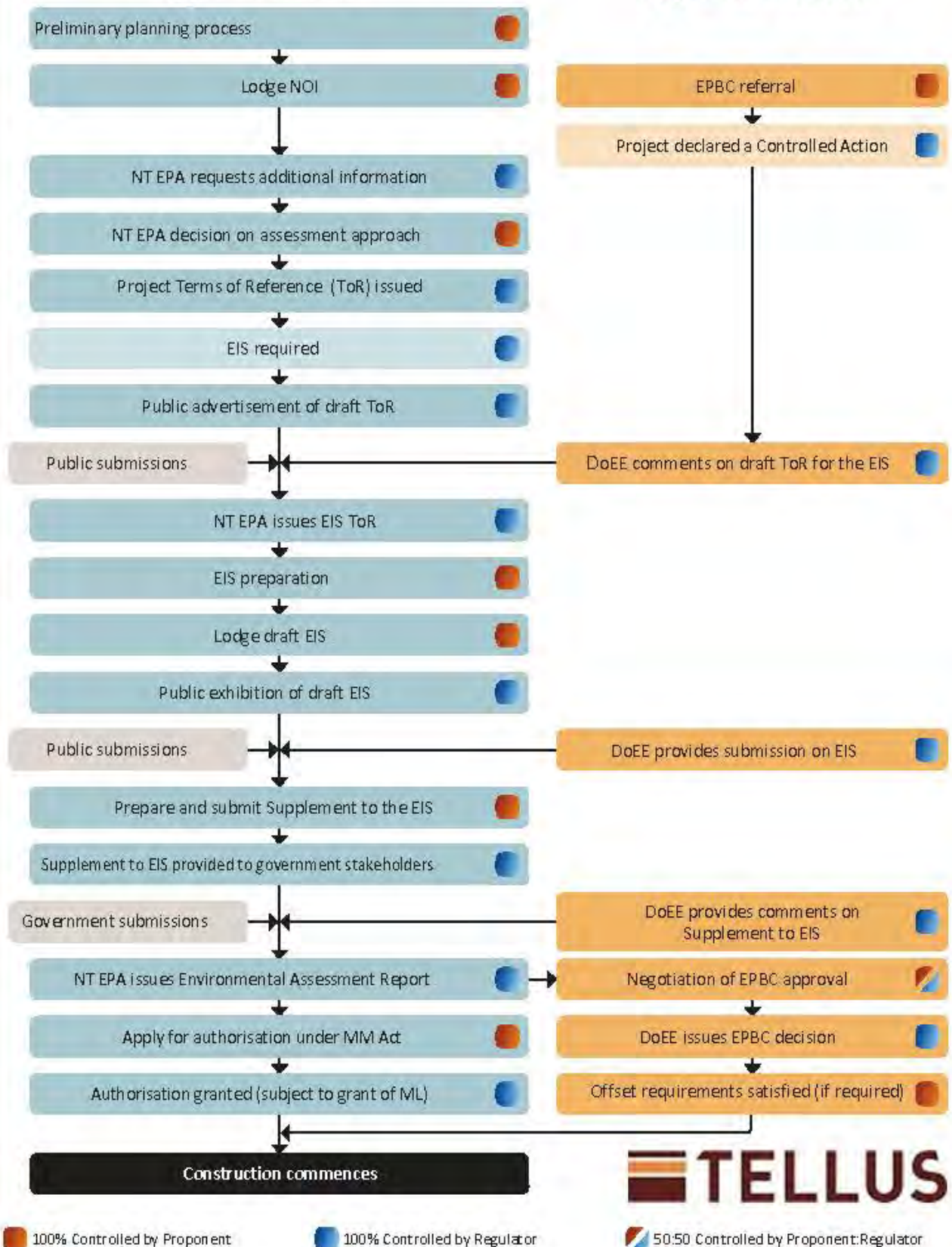
Yes. The Proposal will require approval and agreements with Traditional Owners under the *Native Title Act*. In addition, a range of miscellaneous licenses, permits and certificates will be required from a range of agencies within the NT Government.

The overall approvals process is shown over-leaf.



## Northern Territory Environmental Approval Process

## Commonwealth EPBC Act Approval Process



Approvals process for the Chandler Proposal

