

## Former Casuarina Fire Station Demolition works commencing

Dear Stakeholder,

The Department of Logistics and Infrastructure is demolishing the former Casuarina Fire Station site on Dripstone Road, Casuarina.

A public tender has been awarded to undertake demolition of the existing building and associated infrastructure and remediation of the site.

Demolition will commence October 2024 and is expected to be completed late November 2024.

For more information and to keep up to date visit [dipl.nt.gov.au/projects](http://dipl.nt.gov.au/projects), email [Louis.Cristiani@nt.gov.au](mailto:Louis.Cristiani@nt.gov.au) or phone 8946 5232.

### Demolition

Demolition works will take place Monday to Friday between the hours of 8:00am and 4:30pm.

Some weekend work may be required throughout the demolition process and this will be communicated in advance where possible.

The contractor will take all practicable measures to reduce impacts to nearby residents such as noise and dust.

There will be no changes to traffic or detours in place.

### Site contamination management

As the former Casuarina Fire Station was built in 1972, quantities of asbestos have been found within the building materials on site during the project. It is relatively common to find asbestos or asbestos containing material (ACM) on developments around Darwin due to the common use of asbestos cement sheeting pre Cyclone Tracy, and the clean-up and illegal dumping that occurred after the natural disaster.

An environmental independent hygienist will be present on site to monitor the removal process as all ACM will be securely packaged and transported off site in accordance with *the Environmental Protection Act 1993*. An asbestos register and management plan has been in place to inform previous users of the facility.

A Detailed Site Investigation (DSI) into identified levels of per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) occurred in November 2024. The final report indicated sufficient data has been collected to understand the contamination of soil on site, however further investigation of the groundwater is required.

Findings have determined the site is considered suitable for community purpose development and for commercial and open space land uses.

# Stakeholder Notice

An environmental consultant and independent environmental auditor have been engaged throughout the project to plan and oversee the treatment contaminated material in a safe and efficient manner in consultation with the NT EPA.

Please be assured there is no immediate public health risk or cause for concern from nearby residents or organisations.

