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EDO Alert! Application for Demolition of former WWII Fuel Tank 1 Public Submissions Due 24 April 2007

An application has been submitted to the Queensland Heritage Council for the proposed demolition of Tank 1, the former caretaker's house and part of the bund wall at the former WWII RAN Fuel Installation, Collins Avenue, Edge Hill, Cairns.

Tank 1 is part of 5 former WWII RAN Fuel Installation ("the tanks") in Collins Ave, Cairns which were listed on the Queensland Heritage Register ("QHR") last month as a result of their "state cultural heritage significance".

The QHR states that:

"The former WWII RAN Fuel Installation is important in demonstrating the impact of WWII on far north Queensland. Its construction was given the highest priority under National Security regulations. Its strategic location in the foothills of the Mt Whitfield Range, 5 kilometres from the port and with dense surrounding vegetation, demonstrates the importance of selecting a secure location for the storage of naval fuel supplies during times of war."

The period for public consultation began on Monday 2 April 2007 and will **close on 24 April 2007**.

A copy of the application can be inspected at the Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service's Information Centre, ground floor, 5b Sheridan Street, Cairns, 8:30am – 5:00pm Monday to Friday for a period of 15 business days commencing 2 April 2007.

Submissions need to be in writing quoting project reference number 303755 and should be forwarded to:

Queensland Heritage Council
c/- Manager of Environmental Planning
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PO Box 2066
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For more details on making a submission contact the QPWS/EPA offices in Cairns on phone number (07) 4046 6602.