

**Summary Statement of Peer Review Advice  
Waterway Crossings – Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek  
Environmental Management Plan  
Sugarloaf Pipeline Project**

The Waterway Crossings – Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek Environment Management Plan (EMP) covers construction activities associated with the Sugarloaf Pipeline Project (SPP) for the Category A waterway crossings at the Yea River at Yea, and Kalatha Creek. Both of these waterways are proposed to be crossed using the trenching method.

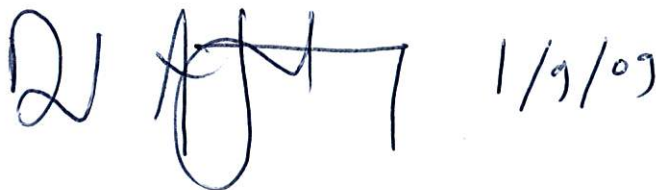
The peer review process involved:

- Review of a draft of the Waterway Crossings – Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek EMP.
- Review of the Management Programs for the EMP.
- Review of the risk registers for the Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek crossings.
- Preparation of a peer review report identifying where the EMP required improvement.
- A check of the revised EMP to assess the adequacy of the responses to the peer review comments.

Arising from the review of the initial draft of the EMP, a number of aspects requiring refinement were identified. Key issues particularly related to insufficient detail of works and procedures, and discrepancies between the procedures at the two river crossings.

The revised Waterway Crossings – Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek EMP and associated Management Programs have been checked and the key issues identified have been addressed to the satisfaction of the peer reviewer. On the basis of the revised documentation it is concluded that the Waterway Crossings – Yea River at Yea and Kalatha Creek EMP is fit for purpose and adequately addresses the requirements of the approved Environmental Management Framework for the project.

The documentation outlines a suite of sound measures to monitor and control identified risks associated with the planned construction activities. Effective implementation of these measures together with a systematic audit program will provide a high level of assurance that the important environmental issues will be well managed.



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