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Watercourse Crossing Information for Arrow Bowen Pipeline

AECOM Australia Pty Ltd (AECOM) was engaged by Arrow Energy Pty Ltd (Arrow) to conduct a flora and watercourse assessment for the proposed Arrow Bowen Pipeline (ABP), running from gas fields in the Moranbah region to the coast at Gladstone. The ABP is approximately 600 km in length, and includes several lateral and header sections. This letter report provides ecological information for water crossings along the proposed Revision D pipeline route.

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1.0 Watercourse Information

This letter report describes major water crossings for the proposed ABP Revision D route that were inspected by AECOM during two surveys conducted 15 June to 4 July and 30 August to 10 September 2011. Water crossings for the main line are presented in **Table 1** and lateral and header crossings are presented in **Table 2**. The location of each watercourse is provided as a Kilometre Point (KP), which is the distance in kilometres from the upstream (northern / western) end of the pipeline. The following abbreviations are used for KPs to differentiate the mainline and laterals: Arrow Bowen Pipeline mainline (AB), Elphinstone Lateral (EL), Saraji Lateral (SL) and Dysart Lateral (DL).

Provided mitigation measures are put in place, most watercourses assessed in this report can be crossed using conventional open cut techniques without significant impacts on ecological values. At some crossings, an alternative nearby crossing point could be identified that reduced potential impacts (e.g. existing clearing, less steep banks, smaller channel, less permanent water, fewer large trees). In these instances, the crossing table provides details of the original crossing point and a proposed alternative crossing point. There are also some sites that are presented with more than one alternative crossing point.

Fitzroy River (AB 319.5) is a large watercourse which had a 50 m wide flowing channel in June 2011. While it is feasible to use open cut methods at the proposed crossing, Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) is recommended to minimise ecological impacts during construction and reduce rehabilitation requirements. Other significant crossings for which alternative techniques may be considered include crossings of the Isaac River (AB 234.4) and Raglan Creek (AB 446.6).

Several watercourse crossing sites contained black ironbox (*Eucalyptus raveretiana*), which is listed as vulnerable under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) and the *Queensland Nature Conservation Act 1992* (NC Act). At the majority of these watercourses, including Two Mile Creek (AB 349.3), Louisa Creek (AB 358.3), Deep Creek (AB 373.4) and Lion Creek (AB 382.7), black ironbox can be avoided by utilising existing gaps at an alternative nearby crossing point. At Limestone Creek (AB 371.3), three alternative crossings (with gaps of 20 m or more) were identified at various distances to the south east of the original crossing point. The closest alternate (about 20 m south east) contained large blue gums, while the other alternates (about 450 and 550 m south east) had less mature vegetation with lower habitat values.

Marine vegetation was recorded at Inkerman Creek (AB 430.1) and Raglan Creek (AB 446.6). Further investigations may be considered to locate alternative upstream crossings without marine vegetation.

Waterholes were present at numerous watercourse crossings. Waterholes at Endrick Creek (AB 285.4), Black Gin Creek (AB 377.6), Larcom Creek (AB 476.2) and the Isaac River (SL 19.0), and wetlands on the Saraji lateral (SL 7.8, SL 11.1) are likely to be permanent or semi-permanent, based on the presence of aquatic flora and fauna and / or landholder knowledge. Alternative crossing points have been nominated for these watercourses.

Weeds are prevalent on many watercourse crossings. A weed management plan should be developed to address hygiene, control and monitoring of weed infestations along the pipeline route.

Evidence of erosion was observed at numerous watercourse crossings. A sediment and erosion control plan should be developed to minimise erosion and sediment loss during construction and promote rapid effective rehabilitation of watercourse crossings. Whenever possible, construction should be undertaken during the dry season. Streambank and gully erosion were particularly severe at the crossings of Eaglefield Creek (AB 28.3) and Carborough Creek (EL 28.3). Investigations into alternative crossing locations may be considered for these watercourses.

Table 1 Descriptions of water crossings along the proposed main alignment (Note: Upstream/ downstream refers to direction of gas flow)

Water course	Stream Order	KP (Rev D)	Crossing Method	Salinity	Seasonality	Stream Flow	Water Condition	In-stream Habitat	Bed Width (m)	EVNT*	Aquatic Vegetation	Aquatic Fauna / Habitat	Bank Type	Bank Slope	Bank Height (m)	Riparian Vegetation	Constraints / Why Alternate Preferred				
Suttor Creek	5	12.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point												Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Avoid large trees bearing hollows and stags where possible.	
				Fresh	Perennial / Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Deep open water, Snags, Standing dead timber	25	Wetland Management Area				Earth	Gentle	2	11.3.25				
				Downstream bank												Earth	Gentle	2	11.3.25		
				Alternate Crossing Point																	
Eaglefield Creek	2	28.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point												Upstream bank				Not a suitable crossing point due to steep eroding stream banks.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry				30			Emergent Woody, Fringing Woody			Sandy/ Rocky	Steep	12	11.9.9		
				Downstream bank												Sandy/ Rocky	Steep	12	11.9.9		
				Alternate Crossing Point																	
				Alternate Crossing Point												Upstream bank					Move line approximately 400 m west to a more suitable crossing point. Geotechnical investigations recommended.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry				50					Sandy/ Rocky	Moderate/ Gentle	12	11.9.9			
Downstream bank												Sandy/ Rocky	Moderate/ Gentle	12	11.9.9						
Alternate Crossing Point																					
Isaac River	5	50.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point												Upstream bank				Large remnant <i>E. tereticornis</i> located to north-west.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	25	Wetland Management Area				Earth, Sandy	Gentle	3	11.3.25				
				Downstream bank												Earth, Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25		
				Alternate Crossing Point																	
				Alternate Crossing Point												Upstream bank					Move approximately 50 m east to avoid large remnant trees.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	25	Wetland Management Area					Earth, Sandy	Gentle	3	11.3.25			
Downstream bank												Earth, Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25						
Alternate Crossing Point																					
Twelve Mile Gully	3	59.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point												Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry				5	Wetland				Sandy	Steep	1.5	11.3.25			

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										Management Area			Downstream bank								
													Earth, Sandy	Steep	1.5	11.3.25					
Hat Creek	4	68.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Steep eroded cliff on southern bank.				
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	10				Earth/Sandy	Gentle	3	11.3.25					
				Downstream bank									Earth	Cliff	8	11.5.3					
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Upstream bank					Move to old road crossing, 50 m west of alignment. 20 m gap in vegetation.			
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	10				Earth/Sandy	Gentle	4	11.3.25					
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	4	11.5.3					
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Alternate crossing 50 m to east of alignment. Possibly too close to haul road.				
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	10				Sandy	Steep	4	Non-remnant					
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	4	Non-remnant					
				North Creek	4	105.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Large habitat trees.
								Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Turbid	Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags	7				Earth	Moderate	10	11.3.25	
								Downstream bank									Earth	Moderate	10	11.3.25	
Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Move line 25 m east into existing gap.								
Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Turbid					Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags	7					Earth	Moderate	10	11.3.25				
Downstream bank									Earth	Moderate	10	11.3.25									
North Creek (south crossing)	4	109.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.				
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run, Riffle	Clear	Shallows	12				Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25					
				Downstream bank									Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25					

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North Creek Tributary	2	110.0	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Two channels approximately 15-20 m apart. Suitable crossing point. Avoid large trees where possible and utilise existing clearing / thin vegetation.			
				Fresh	Intermittent		Dry				5			Earth	Steep	4		11.3.3		
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	4	11.3.3				
Isaac River Tributary	2	160.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Riparian vegetation. Large blue gums.			
				Fresh	Intermittent		Dry				5		Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle		0.5	11.3.25/ 11.3.4	
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	0.5	11.3.25/ 11.3.4				
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank					Move line approximately 200 m west to avoid remnant vegetation.		
				Fresh	Intermittent		Dry				5		Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle			0.5	Non-remnant
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	0.5	Non-remnant				
Isaac River	6	164.7	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Large remnant trees.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Clear	Shallows			30				Earth	Moderate		8	11.3.25	
				Downstream bank									Earth	Moderate	8	11.3.25				
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Upstream bank				Move line 40m east into existing clearing to avoid remnant trees.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Clear	Shallows			30				Earth	Moderate		8	11.3.25	
				Downstream bank									Earth	Moderate	8	11.3.25				
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point approximately 2.8 km north-east.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Turbid	Shallows, Snags			50			Fringing Woody		Earth		Steep	6	11.3.25
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	6	11.3.25				
				Alternate Crossing Point (3a)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point at Fitzroy Development Road. Involves moving alignment 5.5 km to the north-east. Avoid large trees where possible.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Turbid	Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags			20					Earth		Steep	8	11.3.25
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	8	11.3.25				

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				Alternate Crossing Point (3b - braid)								Upstream bank				Potential crossing point (Isaac River Braid) at Fitzroy Development Road. Involves moving alignment 5.5 km to the north-east. Avoid large trees where possible.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Turbid	Snags	10		Emergent Woody		Sandy	Moderate	4		11.3.25d
												Downstream bank					
													Sandy	Moderate	4		11.3.25d
				Alternate Crossing Point (4a)								Upstream bank				Potential crossing point, east of the Fitzroy Development Road. Involves moving alignment 6.5 km to the north-east. Avoid large trees where possible.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Turbid	Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags	20				Earth	Steep	8		11.3.25
				Alternate Crossing Point (4b - braid)								Upstream bank				Potential crossing point (Isaac River Braid). Involves moving alignment 6.5 km to the north-east. Avoid large trees where possible.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Turbid	Island, Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags, Standing Dead Timber	15		Emergent Woody		Sandy	Moderate	4		11.3.25d
				Alternate Crossing Point (4b - braid)								Downstream bank					
													Sandy	Steep	4	11.3.25d	
Blackburn Creek	6	171.7	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point, within existing clearing. Ensure line is well north of EVNT.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear, Algae	Snags, Shallows	20	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i> to south-east; Wetland Management Area			Earth	Steep	10		11.3.2
												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Gentle	10	11.3.2	
Sandy Gully	2	197.8	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Dry			12				Sandy	Gentle	0.2		HVR
												Downstream bank					
													Sandy	Gentle	0.2	HVR	
Isaac River	8	North of 234 (on Rev C line)	Open cut or HDD	REV C Original Crossing Point (REV D Crossing Point Not Surveyed)								Upstream bank				Large remnant trees. Gully heading north-west.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool, Run	Clear	Islands, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	50	Wetland Management Area			Earth	Moderate	6.5		11.3.25
												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Moderate	6.5	11.3.25	

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				REV C Alternate Crossing Point (REV D Crossing Point Not Surveyed)													
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool, Run	Clear	Islands, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	50	Wetland Management Area			Earth	Moderate	6.5	11.3.25	Move 50 m south-east to avoid gully and large trees.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth	Moderate	6.5	11.3.25	
Clarke Creek	7	238.5	Open cut	Original Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry, Pool	Clear	Island, Shallows, Snags	8		Fringing Woody		Earth	Gentle	6	11.3.3	Suitable crossing point.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth	Gentle	6	11.3.3	
Bora Creek	4	245.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool, Dry	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	8	Wetland Management Area		Freshwater mussels	Earth	Steep	8	11.3.25	Suitable crossing point. Avoid large remnant trees and stags.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth	Moderate	8	11.3.25	
Clive Creek	4	249	Open cut	Original Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	8	Wetland Management Area			Earth, Sandy	Cliff	9	11.3.25	Good crossing point as few large trees. Degraded creek, very weedy, dieback.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth, Sandy	Steep	9	11.3.25	
Mackenzie River Tributary	2	261.5	Open cut	Original Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry, Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	5		Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	2	11.3.25	Riparian vegetation, including vine thicket species.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth	Steep	3	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry, Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	5		Emergent Woody		Earth	Moderate	2	11.3.25	Move line approximately 150 km north-east to a thinner band of vegetation.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth	Moderate	2	11.3.25	
Pluto Creek	3	275.6	Open cut	Original Crossing Point													
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Algae	Shallows	8			Fish	Earth			11.3.25	Suitable crossing point.
				Downstream bank													
													Earth			11.3.25	

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Apis Creek	5	284.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Good crossing point. Degraded creek, abundant weeds, evidence of flooding and erosion.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags	10				Fish	Earth	Steep	5		11.3.3		
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	6	Non-remnant				
Endrick Creek	4	285.4	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Natural waterhole.			
				Fresh	Perennial	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Snags	8			Submerged	Spangled perch	Earth	Moderate	3		11.3.25		
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	3	11.3.25				
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Move 90 m north to avoid natural waterhole.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows	6							Earth		Steep	4	11.3.25
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	3	11.3.25				
Endrick Creek Tributary (west)	3	286.4	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.			
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Clear, Algae	Shallows, Rocks	3			Emergent Woody	Earth, Rocky	Gentle	2	11.3.25				
				Downstream bank									Earth, Rocky	Gentle	2	11.3.25				
Endrick Creek Tributary (east)	3	289.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Remnant vegetation.			
				Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	6					Earth	Steep	3		11.3.25		
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	4	11.3.25				
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Move 200 m west into clearing to avoid remnant vegetation.			
				Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	6							Earth		Gentle	3	Non-remnant
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	3	Non-remnant				
Develin Creek	4	303.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Avoid vine thicket to south and pool to north.			
				Fresh	Intermittent	Riffle	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	10					Earth	Steep	6		11.3.25		
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	9	11.3.25				

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Fitzroy River	9	319.5	HDD	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Evidence of major flooding.	
				Fresh	Perennial	Run	Turbid	Deep open water, Snags, Standing dead timber	100				Wood ducks	Sandy	Moderate	10		11.3.25
				Downstream bank									Sandy	Moderate	20	HVR		
Ten Mile Creek	3	332.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				High value regrowth (HVR) of endangered vegetation community.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Snags	10					Earth	Moderate	4		HVR 11.3.1
				Downstream bank									Earth	Moderate	4	HVR 11.3.1		
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Move 200 m south-east to existing clearing to avoid HVR.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Snags	10			Floating		Earth	Steep	4		Non-remnant (cleared)
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	4	Non-remnant (cleared)		
Eight Mile Creek Tributary	2	336.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Riparian vegetation, cell grazing paddock.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Turbid	Shallows, Snags	4			Emergent Woody		Earth	Steep	1		HVR
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	1	HVR		
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Move line approximately 300 m north where there is less vegetation and to avoid cell grazing paddock.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Turbid	Shallows, Snags	4			Emergent Woody		Earth	Steep	1		Non-remnant
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	1	Non-remnant		
Two Mile Creek	4	349.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point, but use existing 40 m gap to avoid EVNT.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Islands, Deep open water, Snags, Standing dead timber	4	Eucalyptus raveretiana; Wetland Management Area				Earth	Gentle	3		11.3.25
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	5	11.3.25		
Louisa Creek	4	358.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point 20 m to east which avoids large <i>E. tereticornis</i> with hollows. Creek degraded, weedy and evidence of erosion and flooding. Avoid large trees.	
				Fresh	Permanent	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Standing dead timber	30	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Non-woody			Earth	Steep	5		Non-remnant (cleared)
				Downstream bank									Earth	Steep	5	Non-remnant		

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																(cleared)					
Limestone Creek (Original crossing not described as on Rev C line)	5	371.3	Open cut	Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 20 m to south-west. 20 m gap between <i>Euc. raveretiana</i> trees. Large blue gums present.				
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run, Rifle	Turbid	Island, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	15	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i>			Earth	Moderate	6	11.3.25					
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Downstream bank								
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run, Rifle	Turbid	Island, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	15	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i>			Earth	Moderate	6	11.3.25	Potential crossing point 450 m south-west into a 25 m gap.				
				Alternate Crossing Point (3)									Upstream bank								
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run, Rifle	Turbid	Island, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	15	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i>			Earth	Steep	6	11.3.25					
				Deep Creek	3	373.4	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				EVNT.
								Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Islands, Shallows, Snags, Rocks, Standing dead timber	5	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i>			Earth	Steep	3.5	11.3.25	
								Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear					Shallows, Snags	5	<i>Eucalyptus raveretiana</i>			Earth	Moderate	2.5	11.3.25	Move 50 m east into 18 m existing clearing to avoid EVNT.				
Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank												
Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Algae					Deep open water, Snags	10				Earth	Steep	6	11.3.25					
Black Gin Creek	3	377.6	Open cut	Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				Natural waterhole.				
				Fresh	Seasonal	Riffle	Clear	Islands, Shallows, Snags, Rocks	10				Earth	Moderate	6	11.3.25					
				Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank								
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Algae	Deep open water, Snags	10				Earth	Steep	6	HVR (11.3.25)	Move 150 m east (downstream) to avoid natural waterhole.				
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank								

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Lion Creek	4	382.7	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				EVNT.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Algae	Islands, Shallows, Standing dead timber	8	Eucalyptus raveretiana; Wetland Management Area			Earth	Steep	8	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry			8	Eucalyptus raveretiana; Wetland Management Area			Earth	Moderate	6	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry			8	Eucalyptus raveretiana; Wetland Management Area			Earth	Steep	4	11.3.25	
Scrubby Creek	5	391.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.
				Fresh	Perennial	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Snags	20				Earth	Steep	6	Non-remnant	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
Teatree Creek Tributary	1	399.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Standing dead timber	4				Earth	Gentle	0.5	11.3.25d	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
Four Mile Creek	4	402.7	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Pool	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	2-6				Earth, Rocky	Moderate	0.5	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
Gavial Creek	3	406.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Avoid large remnant trees where possible.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool, Run, Riffle, Cascade	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	5				Earth	Moderate	4	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
Midgee Creek	2	410.4	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Large habitat trees and native vegetation.
				Fresh	Perennial	Pool	Turbid, Clear	Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags, Rocks	7		Submerged, Emergent Woody, Emergent		Earth	Gentle	0.5	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Downstream bank				
													Earth	Gentle	0.5	HVR	

Water course	Stream Order	KP (Rev D)	Crossing Method	Salinity	Seasonality	Stream Flow	Water Condition	In-stream Habitat	Bed Width (m)	EVNT*	Aquatic Vegetation	Aquatic Fauna / Habitat	Bank Type	Bank Slope	Bank Height (m)	Riparian Vegetation	Constraints / Why Alternate Preferred
											Non-woody						
Alternate Crossing Point (limited survey due to access restrictions)												Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 800 m south-west adjacent to existing cleared gas pipeline alignment. Suggested by landholder. Further survey required.	
																	HVR
												Downstream bank					
																	HVR
Bob's Creek	4	413.6	Open cut	Fresh	Intermittent	Pool, Run, Cascade	Clear	Shallows, Rocks, Standing dead timber	7		Submerged		Earth	Steep	8	11.3.25	Suitable crossing point. Avoid large remnant trees where possible.
Original Crossing Point												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Moderate	8	11.3.25	
Oakey Creek	4	419.7	Open cut	Fresh	Intermittent	Run, Riffle	Clear, Algae	Shallows	3		Submerged	Rainbow Fish and Spangled Perch	Earth	Moderate	4	11.3.25	Suitable crossing point.
Original Crossing Point												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Moderate	3	11.3.25	
Inkerman Creek	5	430.1	Open cut	Saline	Perennial	Run	Turbid	Mud flats, Shallows, Snags, Rocks, Standing dead timber	20	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody, Emergent Non-woody	Some fish (mullet?), waterbirds, oysters, crab holes, mudskippers	Earth	Gentle	3	11.1.4	Tidal, mangroves. Possibly avoid marine vegetation by moving alignment 2.5 km to west, but requires further survey.
Original Crossing Point												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Steep	3	11.1.4	
Twelve Mile Creek	4	438.8	Open cut	Fresh	Perennial / Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Shallows	15		Floating, Submerged, Emergent Non-woody	Fish	Earth	Gentle	1.5	HVR-OC	Suitable crossing point, but deep open water present.
Original Crossing Point												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Gentle	0.5	HVR-OC	
Horrigan Creek	4	445.5	Open cut	Fresh	Perennial / Seasonal	Pool	Clear, Algae	Shallows	20-25		Floating, Emergent Woody, Emergent Non-woody	Fish	Earth	Gentle	0.5	HVR	Suitable crossing point, although ensure line crosses at right angle. Evidence of erosion and flooding.
Original Crossing Point												Downstream bank					
													Earth	Gentle	0.5	HVR	

Water course	Stream Order	KP (Rev D)	Crossing Method	Salinity	Seasonality	Stream Flow	Water Condition	In-stream Habitat	Bed Width (m)	EVNT*	Aquatic Vegetation	Aquatic Fauna / Habitat	Bank Type	Bank Slope	Bank Height (m)	Riparian Vegetation	Constraints / Why Alternate Preferred
Raglan Creek	6	446.6	Open cut or HDD	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Mangroves east of creek. Saltwater couch / saltmarsh to west of creek.
				Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	1.5	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank				
				Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	0.5	11.1.4	
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 40 m north into existing clearing. Further studies are required to minimise impacts to WMA.
				Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	1.5	Non-remnant (cleared)	
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank				
				Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	0.5	11.1.4	
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 250 m south to reduce area of marine vegetation along line. Further studies are required to minimise impacts to WMA.
Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	1.5	Non-remnant (cleared)					
Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank								
Brackish	Perennial	Run	Turbid		35-75	Wetland Management Area	Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	0.5	11.1.4					
Larcom Creek	3	476.2	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Large permanent waterhole.
				Fresh	Perennial	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Deep Open Water, Snags	30		Floating, Emergent Woody, Emergent Non-woody		Earth	Moderate	5	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank				
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags	4		Fringing Woody, Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	4	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 100 m to north (just upstream of permanent waterhole).
				Fresh	Seasonal	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags	4		Fringing Woody, Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	4	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank				
				Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags	4		Fringing Woody, Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	4	HVR	
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Potential crossing point 300 m to north (well upstream of permanent waterhole).
Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags	4		Fringing Woody, Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	4	HVR					
Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Downstream bank								
Fresh	Intermittent	Run	Clear	Shallows, Snags	4		Fringing Woody, Emergent Woody		Earth	Gentle	4	HVR					

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Table 2 Descriptions of water crossings along the proposed lateral and header lines (Note: Upstream / downstream refers to direction of gas flow)

Water course	Stream order	KP (Rev D)	Crossing method	Salinity	Seasonality	Stream Flow	Water Condition	Instream Habitat	Bed width (m)	EVNT*	Aquatic vegetation	Aquatic fauna/habitat	Bank type	Bank slope	Bank height (m)	Riparian vegetation	Constraints / why alternate preferred
Elphinstone Lateral																	
Walker Creek	3	EL 8.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Stay south of large <i>E. tereticornis</i> habitat trees, as well as gully of tributary stream to the north-east.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Dry			8	Wetland Management Area			Sandy	Moderate	4		11.3.25
				Downstream bank								Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25		
Walker Creek	3	EL 11.8	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Severe bank erosion.	
				Fresh	Seasonal	Dry, Pool	Clear	Snags	10	Wetland Management Area			Sandy	Moderate	4		11.3.25
				Downstream bank								Sandy	Moderate	4	11.3.25		
Carborough Creek	4	EL 28.3	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Crossing near sharp bend and small sandstone cliff. Extensive gully erosion around creek. Further geotechnical and ecological investigation recommended.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags, Rocks	20		Fringing	Earth, Sandy, Rocky	Steep, Cliff	8	11.3.25		
				Downstream bank								Earth, Sandy	Gentle	5	11.3.25		
Spring Creek	2	EL 34.7	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Use existing cleared area and avoid large trees.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry			10			Sandy	Gentle	0.015	11.3.25		
				Downstream bank								Sandy	Gentle	0.5	11.3.25		
Thirty Mile Creek	2	EL 37.1	Open cut	Original Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Large remnant trees.	
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry			15			Sandy	Gentle	0.3	11.3.25b		
				Downstream bank								Sandy	Gentle	0.3	11.3.25b		
				Alternate Crossing Point								Upstream bank				Move 70 m west to avoid remnant vegetation.	
												Sandy	Gentle	0.3	Non-remnant (cleared)		
				Fresh	Intermittent	Dry			15			Downstream bank					
										Sandy	Gentle	0.3	Non-remnant (cleared)				

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Saraji Lateral																	
Ripstone Creek	3	SL 6.5	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Avoid large trees with hollows.
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags	7				Earth, Sandy	Steep	5	11.3.25	
				Downstream bank									Earth, Sandy	Steep	5	11.3.25	
Unnamed Wetland, near Ripstone Creek	N/A	SL 7.8	N/A	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Natural deep waterhole.
				Fresh	Perennial	Pool	Clear	Deep open water, Snags, Standing dead timber	100	Cotton pygmy goose (<i>Nettapus coromandelianus</i>); Wetland Management Area	Submerged, Floating, Emergent Woody, Emergent Non-woody	Flock of cotton pygmy geese, abundant other birdlife, freshwater turtles	Earth	Gentle	1	11.3.27b / 11.3.25	
				Downstream bank									Earth	Gentle	1	11.3.27b	
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				
Woodland									Non-remnant (cleared)								
Unnamed Wetland, near Ripstone Creek	N/A	SL 11.1	N/A	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Wooded Swamp.
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags		Wetland Protection Area	Emergent Woody, Emergent Non-Woody	Abundant birdlife	N/A		11.3.27b		
				Downstream bank									N/A		11.3.27b		
				Alternate Crossing Point									Upstream bank				
Woodland									11.5.3								
Isaac River	6	SL 19.0	Open cut	Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Natural waterhole. Large trees and stags
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags	70	Wetland Management Area			Earth, Sandy	Moderate	6	11.3.25	
				Downstream bank									Earth, Sandy	Moderate	8	11.3.25	

Water course	Stream order	KP (Rev D)	Crossing method	Salinity	Seasonality	Stream Flow	Water Condition	Instream Habitat	Bed width (m)	EVNT*	Aquatic vegetation	Aquatic fauna/habitat	Bank type	Bank slope	Bank height (m)	Riparian vegetation	Constraints / why alternate preferred
				Alternate Crossing Point (1)									Upstream bank				Move 130 m south-east (downstream) to avoid natural waterhole. Fewer large trees. Avoid large trees and stags
				Fresh	Intermittent	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags	5	Wetland Management Area			Earth	Moderate	6	11.3.25	
													Downstream bank				
													Earth, Sandy	Moderate	8	11.3.25	
				Alternate Crossing Point (2)									Upstream bank				Move crossing approximately 5.5 km north-west to allow Suraji lateral to be shifted north and avoid impacts on remnant vegetation and wetlands from SL 0 to SL 19. Avoid large trees and stags, including very large <i>E. tereticornis</i> on southwest bank.
				Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Turbid	Snags	60	Wetland Protection Area			Earth	Moderate	10	11.3.25/ 11.3.4	
													Downstream bank				
													Earth	Steep	10	11.3.25/ 11.3.1	
Dysart Lateral																	
				Original Crossing Point									Upstream bank				Suitable crossing point. Disturbed creek, weedy, evidence of flooding. Road parallel and to the north. Avoid large trees if possible.
Blackburn Creek	6	DL 18.3	Open cut	Fresh	Seasonal	Pool	Clear	Shallows, Snags		Wetland Management Area			Earth	Steep	10	11.3.25	
													Downstream bank				
													Earth	Steep	10	11.3.25	

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2.0 Watercourse Photographs

Photographs of crossing points on the main alignment are presented in Plates 1 to 66, while Plates 67 to 81 illustrate lateral and header crossings.



Plate 1: Suttor Creek – Original Crossing (AB 12.3)



Plate 2: Eaglefield Creek – Original Crossing (AB 28.3)



Plate 3: Eaglefield Creek – Alternate Crossing (west of AB 28.3)



Plate 4: Isaac River – Original Crossing (AB 50.2)



Plate 5: Twelve Mile Gully – Original Crossing (AB 59.1)



Plate 6: Hat Creek – Original Crossing (AB 68.2)



Plate 7: Hat Creek – Alternate Crossing (1) (west of AB 68.2)



Plate 8: Hat Creek – Alternate Crossing (2) (east of AB 68.2)



Plate 9: North Creek – Original Crossing (AB 105.2)



Plate 10: North Creek – Alternate Crossing (east of AB 105.2)



Plate 11 – North Creek (south crossing) – Original Crossing (AB 109.3)



Plate 12: North Creek Tributary – Original Crossing (AB 110)



Plate 13: Isaac River Tributary – Original Crossing (AB 160.1)



Plate 14 – Isaac River – Original Crossing (AB 164.7)



Plate 15 – Isaac River – Alternate Crossing (2) (north-east of AB 164.7)



Plate 16 – Isaac River – Alternate Crossing (3a) (north-east of AB 164.7)



Plate 17 – Isaac River – Alternate Crossing (3b) (north-east of AB 164.7)



Plate 18 – Isaac River – Alternate Crossing (4a) (north-east of AB 164.7)



Plate 19 – Isaac River – Alternate Crossing (4b) (north-east of AB 164.7)



Plate 20: Blackburn Creek – Original Crossing (AB 171.7)



Plate 21: Sandy Gully – Original Crossing (AB 197.8)



Plate 22: Isaac River – Original Rev C Crossing (Rev D crossing not surveyed)



Plate 23: Clarke Creek – Original Crossing (AB 238.5)



Plate 24: Bora Creek – Original Crossing (AB 245.1)



Plate 25: Clive Creek – Original Crossing (AB 249.0)



Plate 26: Mackenzie River Tributary – Original Crossing (AB 261.5)



Plate 27: Mackenzie River Tributary – Alternate Crossing (north-east of AB 261.5)



Plate 28: Pluto Creek – Original Crossing (AB 275.6)



Plate 29: Apis Creek – Original Crossing (AB 284.2)



Plate 30: Endrick Creek – Original Crossing (AB 285.4)



Plate 31: Endrick Creek – Alternate Crossing (north of AB 285.4)



Plate 32: Endrick Creek tributary (west) – Original Crossing (AB 286.4)



Plate 33: Endrick Creek tributary(east) – Original Crossing (AB 289.1)



Plate 34: Endrick Creek tributary (east) – Alternate Crossing (AB 289.1)



Plate 35: Develin Creek – Original Crossing (AB 303.1)



Plate 36: Fitzroy River – Original Crossing (AB 319.5)



Plate 37: Ten Mile Creek – Original Crossing (AB 332.2)



Plate 38: Ten Mile Creek – Alternate Crossing (AB 332.2)



Plate 39: Eight Mile Creek Tributary – Original Crossing (AB 336.2)



Plate 40: Eight Mile Creek Tributary – Alternate Crossing (north of AB 336.2)



Plate 41: Two Mile Creek – Original Crossing (AB 349.3)



Plate 42: Louisa Creek – Original Crossing (AB 358.3)



Plate 43: Limestone Creek – Alternate Crossing (1) (AB 371.3)



Plate 44: Limestone Creek – Alternate Crossing (2) (AB 371.3)



Plate 45: Limestone Creek – Alternate Crossing (3) (AB 371.3)



Plate 46: Deep Creek – Original Crossing (AB 373.4)



Plate 47: Deep Creek – Alternate Crossing (AB 373.4)



Plate 48: Black Gin Creek – Original Crossing (AB 377.6)



Plate 49: Black Gin Creek – Alternate Crossing (AB 377.6)



Plate 50: Lion Creek – Original Crossing (AB 382.7)



Plate 51: Lion Creek – Alternate Crossing (AB 382.7)



Plate 52: Scrubby Creek – Original Crossing (AB 391.3)



Plate 53: Teatree Creek Tributary – Original Crossing (AB 399.1)



Plate 54: Four Mile Creek – Original Crossing (AB 402.7)



Plate 55: Gavial Creek – Original Crossing (AB 406.3)



Plate 56: Midgee Creek – Original Crossing (AB 410.4)



Plate 57: Bob's Creek – Original Crossing (AB 413.6)



Plate 58: Oakey Creek – Original Crossing (AB 419.7)



Plate 59: Inkerman Creek – Original Crossing (AB 430.1)



Plate 60: Twelve Mile Creek – Original Crossing (AB 438.8)



Plate 61: Horrigan Creek – Original Crossing (AB 445.5)



Plate 62: Raglan Creek – Original Crossing (AB 446.6)



Plate 63: Raglan Creek – Alternate Crossing (1) (north of AB 446.6)



Plate 64: Raglan Creek – Alternate Crossing (2) (south of AB 446.6)



Plate 65: Larcom Creek – Original Crossing (AB 476.2)



Plate 66: Larcom Creek – Alternate Crossing (2) (north of AB 476.2)



Plate 67: Walker Creek – Original Crossing (EL 8.3)



Plate 68: Walker Creek – Original Crossing (EL 11.8)



Plate 69: Carborough Creek – Original Crossing (EL 28.3)



Plate 70: Spring Creek – Original Crossing (EL 34.7)



Plate 71: Thirty Mile Creek – Original Crossing (EL 37.1)



Plate 72: Thirty Mile Creek – Alternate Crossing (west of EL 37.1)



Plate 73: Ripstone Creek – Original Crossing (SL 6.5)



Plate 74: Unnamed wetland, near Ripstone Creek (Vermont Park) – Original Crossing (SL 7.8)



Plate 75: Unnamed wetland, near Ripstone Creek (Vermont Park) – Alternate Crossing (north of SL 7.8)



Plate 76: Unnamed wetland, near Ripstone Creek (Vermont Park) – Original Crossing (SL 11.1)



Plate 77: Woodland near Ripstone Creek(Vermont Park) – Alternate Crossing (north of SL 11.1)



Plate 78: Isaac River – Original Crossing (SL19.0)



Plate 79: Isaac River – Alternate Crossing 1 (south-east of SL19.0)



Plate 80: Isaac River – Alternate Crossing 2 (north-east of SL 19)



Plate 81: Blackburn Creek – Original Crossing (DL18.3)