New Imintji Waste Management Site – April 2003

Funded by the ‘Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Commission’ in the 2002 – 2003 budget, the establishment of a new Waste Management Disposal Site was put out to tender on 19/02/2003 with tenders closing on 14/03/2003 at 1600hrs. Tender documents used the modified “McKenzie Model” Waste Management Site plans with some additional tip development criteria established by CAT. (See Page 4).

Three tenders were received with quotations ranging from the low $30k’s to the high $50k’s. Minor changes were made to the plans and the three contractors were asked to give a revised estimate with allowances for the changes. The lowest priced, complying tender from ‘Smart Contracting’ was accepted on 01/04/03 and a contract was signed.

Due to CAT’s future planning and its attempt to make it standard practice to recycle existing Waste Management Site Fencing (instead of purchasing $10,000.00 fencing materials every few years) all future Tip compounds will use bolted fencing joints instead of welded ones.

CAT staff travelled to Imintji Community on 10/04/03 and met with the Chairperson, Elders and other interested community members to ensure that the chosen location was still appropriate. Chairperson Sandy Wungundin and Past Chair Ted Bolton travelled to the proposed site 700 metres South West of the community and to the redundant rubbish sites that required reclaiming (See Photo Page 2).
DIA returns showing areas of significance were taken onsite to establish clearance (DIA Report - Register page 3).
Smart Contracting began work on 11/04/03 and completed all works including the clean-up or reclaiming of old tips and a road into the new tip on 17/04/03. (See Photos Page 5).

Chairperson Sandy Wungundin showing new Waste Management Site (S17.15015 E125.45140) which is located 700 metres SW of Community Store (S17.14901 E125.45878). The Community Water Tank can be seen in circle to the left of the picture.
The Registered site of significance (Imintji Children) effects the community site and a half moon area on the NW side of the GR road with its Northerly boundary across the GR Road opposite the store (marked with single rock) and SW boundary is 500 metres down the GR Road and marked with a selection of rocks. (See photos above).
Location:
- Imintji Community – 240 km from Derby on the Gibb River Road
- Located 700m from community on the downwind side

Scope of Works:
- 70metre x 80 metre Waste Management Site Construction
- Total area to be enclosed with a 1.8 metre high chain wire security fence, with a single lockable gate. Bottom of wire to be set as close as possible to the ground to contain litter and to keep domestic and feral animals out
- Site Development as per plan (appendix a)
- Three metre wide firebreaks inside and outside of the security fence,
- A gravel hardstand 4m x 4m to allow for the storage of green waste materials and if necessary, for the controlled burning of the green waste
- Internal litter collection Fence constructed at the top of the pit surround bunds.
- A 4m x 4m gravel hardstand area set aside for the Community to develop a selective recycling programme.
- Buffer of 20 metres between the fence and the active landfill area
- Modify site to divert surface waters away from the active landfill (e.g. by cutting shallow open unlined drains or by installing soil bunds on the high side)
- Fill - Reclaim existing Rubbish Tip Sites.
First Old Tip Site and the area after a clean-up!

Second Old Tip Site and the area after a clean-up!

Looking at the new Waste Management Site from the Gibb River Road & Looking at the Gibb River Road from the new site.
Hard Waste Stands and Fenced Waste Management Site Compound.

Internal Litter Fence being installed around the apex of the Pit Edge Bunds (Banks)
Waste management Site showing internal litter fence around Pit Bunds.

New Rubbish Pit with fences completed.