



Australian Government
**Department of Industry,
Innovation and Science**

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**National Radioactive Waste Management Facility:
Extension of submissions deadline**

The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science has confirmed that it is extending the deadline for submissions on the proposed National Radioactive Waste Management Facility. The previous closing date was today, September 24.

At this stage, the submission period remains open as other parts of the consultation process, including the two proposed Council ballots, are on hold during current legal proceedings, so that people have more opportunities to make their views known.

The department will monitor the situation and provide further advice on the closing date for submissions.

“The Government continues to work to hear the views of all community members, including local residents, neighbours, business owners and Traditional Owners,” said a department spokesperson.

“As other parts of the consultation process are ongoing, the submissions period will also be extended so that people have more opportunities to make their views known.

“Public and private submissions will be considered, alongside direct feedback from a range of key stakeholders, including neighbouring landowners and Traditional Owners.

“These inputs are one set of factors the Minister will take into account in understanding community sentiment for the Facility, ahead of a decision this year.

“The Minister has also said he is committed to hearing the views of locals living around the three sites, and the department will undertake a process to do so as soon as the current matters are resolved.”

For more information on the project and submissions, go to: www.radioactivewaste.gov.au

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