

- ♦ The installation of steel sheet piling around the perimeter of the Port Of Airlie development site separates the civil works from the sea water in Boat Haven (Muddy Bay). The sheet piling (along with bund walls and rock armour), enables civil works to be undertaken in a dry working environment.
- ♦ The first stage of civil works saw the installation of more than a kilometre of sheet piling along the perimeter of the development site. Most of the sheet piling was driven into position by a barge-mounted, vibrating driver. The vibration method of driving piles was chosen because it creates less noise disturbance than a hammer driver.
- ♦ Vibration monitors were installed in key locations in and around the development site during this part of the civil works so vibration levels could be accurately recorded. (Noise monitors also were installed and remain in place).
- ♦ The sheet piling is removable. Once bund walls and rock armour have been created on the land side of the sheet piling, it can be removed and used elsewhere on the development site.
- ♦ The sheet piling located at the southern end of the development site, (in the commercial and charter vessel facilities area), has now served its purpose. It therefore is about to be removed and re-installed elsewhere on the development site.
- ♦ These sheet piling relocation works are scheduled to commence around May 15, 2008.
- ♦ Noise and vibration levels will continue to be monitored, however, they may exceed baseline background levels. The higher noise levels are approved under permit IPDC00251205D32.
- ♦ All practical measures again will be taken to minimise noise disturbances during these works.
- ♦ The sheet piling works are expected to be completed by mid-August.
- ♦ Further queries or comments can be directed in writing to the Secretary, Community Reference Group for the Port Of Airlie at the addresses given below.



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SHEET PILING TO RE-COMMENCE IN MAY 2008