

Darwin Mayor calls for better harbour planning

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Darwin's Lord Mayor says the Northern Territory Government must develop a contingency plan for future development in Darwin Harbour.

The NT Government wants Japanese company Inpex to build a \$12 billion gas plant at the harbour's Middle Arm.

Lord Mayor Graeme Sawyer told ABC TV's Stateline program that better planning needs to be put in place to avoid potential environmental problems in the harbour.

"But what is really dangerous is ... [the Government] still don't have a plan in place so that if someone like Dow chemicals wants to come in behind that or somebody else wants to come in a build another plant then we are at real risk of a major nightmare," he said.