

AFANT claims Inpex plant will cut access to Catalina Creeks

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NT Government document showing the indicative Inpex Jetty to the north of the Catalina Creeks. (NT Government)

The Northern Territory Amateur Fishermen's Association says it will not agree with the current plan proposed for the Inpex gas pipeline at Middle Arm.

Darwin is one of two options the company is considering for a \$12 billion LNG plant and have submitted a draft proposal plan.

The association's president Warren de With says the company wants to build a jetty across the headland which would cut boat access to the Catalina Creeks.

"They know that we are not going to agree with the idea of us being restricted or losing more access which we always are fighting over."

The independent member for Nelson Gerry Wood says the announcement of Bladyin Point as the site of the proposed plant is not good news for Palmerston residents who overlook that section of the harbour.

"Bladyin Point is one of the few places left on Middle Arm Peninsula that was still pretty well in its natural state."

And a Darwin author who has written about the Catalina flying boats used in World War Two says a proposed multi-billion dollar gas plant could have an impact on the site of two aircraft wrecks.