Chief Minister, Clare Martin, today assured Tennant Creek residents that there are no plans to reduce the size of the public service in their town.

"I want to make it very clear to the residents of Tennant Creek that, despite the constant scaremongering by members of the Opposition, there are absolutely no plans to downsize the public service in Tennant Creek," she said.

"We want to strengthen and develop the public service in regional centres throughout the Territory and Tennant Creek workers can rest assured their future is secure.

"I have been extremely impressed with the quality of advice and professionalism exhibited by the public service since the change of government."

Ms Martin said concerns about public service jobs were raised with her during a recent visit to Tenannt Creek.

"The public sector restructure was undertaken solely to improve efficiencies and was never designed to reduce the size of the work force.

"We value the skills and dedication of the Territory’s public servants and recognise the importance of a strong, robust public service, particularly in remote and regional areas of the Territory.

"The Territory Government, and particularly Elliot McAdam the Member for Barkly, look forward to continuing to work with the public service in Tennant Creek."