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MINISTER SHOULD LOBBY FOR ENVIRONMENT PLAN DISCLOSURE

Loraine Braham, Independent Member for Braitling, believes it is not an unreasonable request for Traditional Owners and the public to see the environment management sections of the McArthur River Mine Management Plan.

"The Minister for the Environment identified six key areas of concern and the Minister for Mines and Energy has given an assurance these have been addressed".

"To allay some of the opposition to the decision to divert the river, a gesture by the mine owners to release the environment management sections of the plan would be seen as goodwill".

"Surely Traditional Owners and the public have a right to ensure their concerns about this controversial and much publicised project have been addressed? How can they be certain if these pertinent sections remain secret?"

"Releasing just the environment management sections should not affect any other commercial-in-confidence sections of the report".

"The Minister for Mines and Energy should support the Traditional Owners in their request".

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