A TERRITORIAN may be among the first new settlers on Mars after she was shortlisted to join a one-way expedition to the Red Planet.

Angela Chin, 32, who lives and works as a cook at RAAP Base Tindal, near Katherine, was shocked to be one of 1058 people who made it to the next stage out of 200,000 hopefuls applying for Mars One.

The group will be whittled down to 24 ambassadors of the human race who will start shooting off into space in groups of four from 2024.

“I really like travelling anyway so it’s an extreme version of that,” she said.

The private spaceflight project, led by Dutch entrepreneur Bas Lansdorp, is a non-profit organisation which plans to establish a human colony on Mars by 2025.

“I don’t know how it’s going to work. I’ll have to read more about it,” Ms Chin said.

“I’m still trying to register what to do because I didn’t think I’d make it this far.”

The settlement would be funded by selling rights to a reality TV show about the new arrivals.

Being a Territorian would have been a distinct advantage in the selection process. The NT News reported in 2012 that moon lander Buzz Aldrin said the NT was an ideal place for astronauts to practice Mars landings because of the landscape.

“Maybe I got through because of the military aspect and used to living in the middle of nowhere,” Ms Chin said.

“I don’t have any other scientific background. If you’re sane enough to consider this, you’re insane enough to do it. I don’t have a really strong relationship to Earth that I’d mind severing.”

Ms Chin answered three questions to be shortlisted about her sense of humour, her scientific background, and her reasons for visiting the planet, which would take six months to reach.

“If you don’t have the right personalty, you’re not going to cut it,” she said.

“Does Mars really need a cook? Because you’ll be eating space cubes.”

She has been philosophical about the possible journey.

“What if I meet the man or woman of my dreams before I go?,” she said.

“What if I got involved with one of the other three people?”

Would it be awkward being stuck on Mars with an ex?”

She said she was unsure about the existence of aliens.

“I’d like to think there’s not just humans in the place.”

She said missing friends and family wouldn’t be too much of an issue.

“This is what the original pioneers did — they turned their backs on their country and went into the unknown,” Ms Chin said.

Ms Chin will submit a medical examination at the start of March.

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