



Northern Land Council

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Congratulations Telstra on Major Awards win for High Speed Broadband to Arnhem Land

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The Northern Land Council (NLC) extends congratulations to Telstra on winning two major awards for its Arnhem Land fibre optic cable project which has increased and improved communications networks to Aboriginal people in remote communities in the Top End.

Telstra has worked closely with the NLC and Traditional Owners across Arnhem Land to bring this project to fruition. This productive working relationship also included the Northern Territory Government and Rio Tinto Alcan.

Benefits include high speed broadband access which is essential for remote Aboriginal enterprises such as tourism, land management and arts practise; video conferencing facilities and e-learning.

Telstra's Arnhem Land fibre/Broadbanding the Top End project was judged Category Winner in "Construction/Engineering projects with a total budge of less than \$100M" and was also judged overall "Project of the Year" for the NT.

The Australian Institute of Project Management Awards were held in Darwin at the weekend.

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