

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Legislation Committee**  
Answers to questions on notice  
**Environment portfolio**

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**Topic:** ABBOT POINT  
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**Senator Waters asked:**

Did the Department meet with any of the possible users of the port including the proponents of the Galilee Basin coal mines? Please detail these meetings including dates, parties present and matters raised.

**Answer:**

The Department of the Environment has held the following face to face meetings with users and potential users of the Port of Abbot Point, where onshore disposal was discussed:

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| 16 June 2014   | departmental officers and Adani Mining Pty Ltd; discussions on possible onshore disposal of dredged material at Abbot Point  |
| 24 June 2014   | departmental officers, Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority officers and Adani Mining Pty Ltd; discussions on possible onshore disposal of dredged material at Abbot Point   |
| 16 July 2014   | Minister Hunt and Adani Mining Pty Ltd (department and Ministerial office staff present); matters discussed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project</li><li>• North Galilee Basin Rail Project</li><li>• Abbot Point projects including possible onshore disposal of dredged material</li></ul> |
| 27 August 2014 | departmental officers and Adani Mining Pty Ltd; matters discussed include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project</li><li>• North Galilee Basin Rail Project</li><li>• Abbot Point projects including possible onshore disposal of dredged material</li></ul>   |

27 August 2014

Minister Hunt and Adani Mining Pty Ltd (department and Ministerial office staff present); matters discussed include:

- Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project
- North Galilee Basin Rail Project
- Abbot Point projects including possible onshore disposal of dredged material

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meeting between Minister Hunt and GVK (department and Ministerial office staff present); discussion centred around recent referral of onshore disposal of dredged material at Abbot Point