

Dear Politician

Last month I walked around the back of the earth dump on the Kulaluk lease and was confronted by pours of cement dumped over the seaward side and set hard like lava flows along with other building rubble. There is no way of knowing what has been dumped into the mangroves by Venturin at the back of Minmarama as this dump has been compacted and covered. All these dumps on the lease seem to be in agreements with construction companies to earn extra income for the leaseholders. **In my opinion such uses do not comply with the lease terms. The crab farm has been abandoned and the demountable buildings removed. Under the conditions of the failed prawn farm on the same site, if the project ends, the site must be restored.** Obviously the leaseholders were hoping the Arafura Harbour marina would make restoration unnecessary. What will be the leaseholder's next scheme, in connivance with Federal and Territory governments and greedy businesses like Gwelo? The deeper the hole that the Gwalwa Daraniki Association digs, the more difficult it will be for governments to extricate themselves. Yet Jenny Macklin has written that she fully supports the Gwalwa Daraniki Association (see her letter attached).

Bill Day 11 October 2009



**Above and below: Seaward side of Halikos earth dump on the Kulaluk lease along Dickward Drive
Photos taken in September 2009.**

