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**Rock crushing permits issued**

The Minister for the Environment, the Hon Stephanie Jack MLA, issued permits for the crushing of rock to two Norfolk Island companies on 27<sup>th</sup> April. Mrs Jack said that each permit allowed for seven days of crushing at approved sites, and was issued within the terms of the *Emergency Provision of Crushed Rock and Aggregates Act 2005*. This is the second occasion on which approvals have been given under this Act.

Mrs Jack said that she had been advised by one operator that crushing of rock had commenced this week. The other company planned to start crushing early next week. “There are a number of important public projects which depend on a reliable supply of high-grade crushed rock”, Mrs Jack said. “In issuing these approvals, I have included a condition that the Administration of Norfolk Island must be given first refusal on the crushed rock products produced”.

The Administration will be seeking to purchase up to 1,300 tonnes of crushed rock products from each operator, consisting of road base and 7mm, 10mm and 14mm chip. Mrs Jack said that the first priority for use of the rock supplied to the Administration would be to complete the JE Road project.

Stephanie V Jack  
**Minister for the Environment**

29<sup>th</sup> April 2005