



Royal Australian Navy Sea King crash site remediation

The Challenge: In April 2005, a Royal Australian Navy (RAN) Sea King helicopter from the HMAS Kanimbla crashed on the Indonesian island of Nias. Under intense media scrutiny, the RAN needed to recover the wreckage and remediate the crash site quickly and sensitively.

The Solution: The RAN turned to PDL Toll to provide logistic support services and movement control in the remediation of the crash site. At short notice, PDL Toll deployed experienced personnel and sourced helicopters to transport personnel and provisions to support operations. The full scope of services included managing the logistics of procurement, local labour, food and provisions as well as providing full movement support.

The Results: PDL Toll conducted full remediation of the site sensitively and thoroughly. The first stage involved carrying out initial radiation hazard testing and a baseline environmental survey. This was followed by the stabilisation of the impacted burn-site, excavation of the burn layer and the appropriate disposal of contaminated soil - all within the framework of an agreed Environmental Control and Occupational Health and Safety Plan. The site remediation was carried out successfully within the short time frame available and with the thoroughness and sensitivity the task required.

The Facts

Who	Australian Defence Force
What	Environmental services and logistics support encompassing air logistics, environmental surveys and general logistics support.
Where	Indonesia, Sumatra and Nias.
When	April – May 2005
How	Using PDL Toll people, equipment and subcontractors.

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