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Construction EOI for the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline project released to market

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) has released the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline construction Expression of Interest via QTenders.

The release of the EOI is the next step in pre-construction activities for the project, which are being delivered by GAWB as the pre-construction Delivery Management Proponent appointed by the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water in August 2021.

Minister for Regional Development and Manufacturing, Minister for Water and Member for Gladstone, Glenn Butcher, said local businesses will be given every opportunity to be awarded work, during the project.

“This pipeline is about securing Gladstone’s future and that encapsulates boosting business and getting people into work, during the construction phase.”

GAWB Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said the project is vital to secure Gladstone’s long-term water security and will require an experienced construction delivery team to ensure the project’s success.

“The Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline project is an important piece of the puzzle in securing Gladstone’s economic and industrial future and has the potential to provide water for the emerging hydrogen industry in the region,” Mr Barlow said.

“Should the Queensland Government decide to proceed to construction, a decision that is during early 2022, the project will need the right people on the job, working collaboratively to deliver the project to schedule, to budget and in a way that benefits the local community.

“We’re committed to engaging with the market to source the best parties through a competitive EOI process and early contractor involvement, so we’re ready to hit the ground running once approval is given by the government.”

GAWB’s pre-construction contracting strategy includes partnering with local suppliers and obtaining local services where practicable to deliver tangible benefits to the Gladstone region such as jobs, supply contracts and local capability raising.

Local suppliers were invited to an information forum, about the project, on Wednesday 19 January. Anyone who missed out and is interested in finding out more about the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline project is encouraged to submit enquiries to the project team via fgpenquiries@gawb.qld.gov.au

A decision will be made by the Queensland Government on whether to proceed to construction of the pipeline during 2022.

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