

SUSTAINABLE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT OVERVIEW

COMMUNITY FACTSHEET



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REEF 2050 LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

To address Water Quality Action No.17 (WQA17) of the Commonwealth and Queensland Government's Reef 2050 Long Term Sustainability Plan (Reef 2050), Queensland Ports led with the objective to: "Understand the port sediment characteristics and risks at the major ports and how they interact and contribute to broader catchment contributions within the World Heritage Area."

This knowledge helps to manage port operations in a sustainable way that does not adversely affect the Great Barrier Reef. At the same time, it helps keep our ports open and trading effectively to support our economy, communities and way of life.

WHAT IS GPC'S SUSTAINABLE SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT PROJECT?

The Sustainable Sediment Management Project used the outcomes of WQA17 as a foundation for this project, which aims to better understand the sediment that exists and moves within the Port of Gladstone, Port of Bundaberg and Port of Rockhampton.

GPC is engaging with a diverse group of stakeholders and specialists to identify possible management options for the removal or relocation of sediment within the harbour and determine the feasibility of these options.

The project is a vital to ensure we understand what our stakeholders value and the impacts of each potential sediment management option, from which we can identify options that may be viable for more detailed feasibility studies.

Aligning with Reef 2050, this project will guide us towards long-term solutions for managing sediment through maintenance dredging that are sustainable for the Port of Gladstone and the World Heritage environment that surrounds us.



ABOUT GLADSTONE PORTS CORPORATION

Gladstone Ports Corporation is a Government Owned Corporation responsible for supporting and facilitating the trade of Central Queensland's major resource and primary industries.

As custodians of the waterways, we are committed to sustaining our environment as well as ensuring efficient and effective port services.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information on the Sustainable Sediment Management Project, visit www.gpcl.com.au/ssm-project.