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Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline shortlisted for Australia and New Zealand national sustainability awards

The Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP) has been shortlisted in two categories at the 2026 Infrastructure Sustainability Council (ISC) Awards - Excellence in Economic Outcomes and Excellence in Social Outcomes.

The shortlisting recognises the project's strong performance in delivering economic and social benefits for Central Queensland while progressing a critical water security initiative for the Gladstone region.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said the recognition reflects the collective effort of the project team and our Principal Contractor, McConnell Dowell BMD Joint Venture.

"This is a great achievement for everyone involved in delivering the Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline," Mr Barlow said.

"The shortlisting recognises the work undertaken to support local businesses, create employment opportunities and engage meaningfully with communities and Traditional Owners.

"It also highlights the importance of delivering infrastructure in a way which provides lasting benefits for the region."

The Excellence in Economic Outcomes category recognises the project's contribution to regional supply chains, workforce participation and protection of economic activity in one of Australia's most significant industrial regions.

The Excellence in Social Outcomes category recognises the project's approach to community engagement, partnerships with Traditional Owners and a strong focus on workforce wellbeing and inclusion.

Mr Barlow said the recognition is a positive reflection of the way the project has been delivered.

"This outcome is a credit to GAWB, McConnell Dowell BMD Joint Venture, project partners, suppliers and sub-contractors, and the many people who have contributed to achieving these results," he said.

Winners of the ISC Awards 2026 will be announced later this year.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB), as a Queensland Government Bulk Water Supply Authority, delivers safe and reliable water services which promote economic development and enhance the lifestyle of regional Queensland. GAWB owns and operates Awoonga Dam, along with a network of pipelines, water treatment plants and other distribution infrastructure. GAWB also owns and operates Aquaculture Gladstone, a fish hatchery and interpretive display at Lookout One at Lake Awoonga.

To ensure long-term water security for customers, the 117-kilometre Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP) is under development. The project is funded by the Queensland Government. When delivered, the FGP will become part of the GAWB network and provide enhanced water security and reliability for the region. For more information about GAWB and the FGP, please visit www.gawb.qld.gov.au

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