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FGP recognised with national sustainability award

The Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline (FGP) was awarded Excellence in Economic Outcomes by the Infrastructure Sustainability Council (ISC) and was Highly Commended for Excellence in Social Outcomes.

The awards recognise infrastructure projects that deliver outstanding economic, environmental and social outcomes through sustainable planning, design and delivery.

Gladstone Area Water Board (GAWB) Chief Executive Officer Darren Barlow said the recognition reflected the collective effort of the project team, delivery partners and stakeholders.

“The Fitzroy to Gladstone Pipeline is a transformational project for Central Queensland, and these awards recognise the commitment and hard work of everyone involved in its delivery,” Mr Barlow said.

“The project was established to strengthen long-term water security for the Gladstone region, but it has also delivered significant benefits for local businesses, workers and communities throughout construction.”

The award for Excellence in Economic Outcomes recognised the project's contribution to regional economic resilience, local procurement, workforce development and protection of one of Australia's most significant industrial regions.

During construction, the project engaged more than 150 local suppliers and spent approximately \$161 million with businesses in the Gladstone and Rockhampton regions, exceeding local procurement targets.

The Highly Commended recognition in the Social Outcomes category acknowledged the project's approach to community engagement, workforce participation, partnerships with Traditional Owners and focus on delivering lasting benefits for the communities in which it operates.

Mr Barlow said the recognition was a credit to the collaborative approach adopted throughout the project.

“These outcomes would not have been possible without the support of our delivery partner McConnell Dowell BMD Joint Venture, suppliers, contractors, Traditional Owners, landholders, community members and the dedicated GAWB project team.

“To be recognised alongside some of Australia's leading infrastructure projects is a significant achievement and we are incredibly proud.”

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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. 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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