

## Hay Point Community Reference Group Meeting Minutes

5.30pm Wednesday 5 August 2020 – Meeting held via Zoom

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**Chair:**

NQBP CEO, Nicolas Fertin

**Attendees:**

<p><b>Community Representatives</b> Marilyn Maher Tom Andrews Peta Drummond</p> <p><b>Business Representative</b> Judy Langdon</p> <p><b>Mackay Regional Council Representative</b> N/A</p> <p><b>Aboriginal Party Representative</b> N/A</p>	<p><b>Port Industry Representatives</b> DBCTM – Peter Wotherspoon Aurizon - Katie Evetts BMA – Daniel Grech</p> <p><b>NQBP Representatives</b> Nicolas Fertin Tim Lewis Kevin Kane Julie Keane Amanda Blines Lorelei van Dalen</p> <p><b>Invited Guests</b> MSQ – Craig Longmuir</p>
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**Apologies:** Cr Karen May, Deb Netuschil, Darryl Sweet, Steve Rae, Catherine Fredericks, Tom Liddell, Stan McDonnell, George Stace, Kerry Flynn, Jason Britton, Brendan Webb

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Meeting open and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Reference Group members were welcomed by Chair - NQBP CEO, Nicolas Fertin.</li> <li>• An Acknowledgement of Country was delivered by Chair in absence of Aboriginal Party representative, Deb Netuschil.</li> <li>• Apologies.</li> </ul> <p>No conflicts of interest raised.</p>	NA
2. CRG Correspondence, Questions and Actions Register	<p>CRG correspondence and questions received:</p> <p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No correspondence received.</li> </ul> <p><b>Actions register update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Refer to Action Items Register for further details.</li> </ul>	
3. NQBP Overview	<p><b>Presented by CEO (Chair), Nicolas Fertin</b></p> <p><b>Community Reference Groups – Finalisation of Terms of Reference</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Terms of Reference were circulated ahead of this CRG meeting.</li> <li>• One CRG member responded with feedback.</li> <li>• Lorelei to resend email to CRG members requesting final feedback as a majority response is preferred.</li> </ul>	ACTION – NQBP to resend CRG Terms of Reference to CRG members for final comment.
4. NQBP Trade and Marine Operations	<p><b>Presented by CEO, Nicolas Fertin</b></p> <p><b>Trade figures and end of financial year results</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Port of Hay Point recorded 110.8 Mt in throughput for the 2019-20 financial year.</li> <li>• Port of Mackay recorded 3.1 Mt in throughput for 2019-20 - the Port's second-best result (2012-13: 3.29 Mt).</li> <li>• In 2019-20 there were 11 RORO vessels at Port of Mackay, demonstrating monthly trade route.</li> </ul> <p><b>Washdown facility test run</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New, larger washdown facility has been completed at the Port of Mackay, expanding NQBP's capabilities.</li> <li>• Modernises the washing down and storing of imported goods subject to biosecurity controls.</li> <li>• Supports future growth in the mining and agricultural machinery market.</li> </ul>	

	<p><b>Container cargo through Port of Mackay</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A final batch of container cargo in support of a BMA project to decommission a trestle and conveyor from the Hay Point Coal Terminal will be transported to the Port of Mackay between 5-7 August. A total of 30 containers will be transported by truck to the port of Mackay. Over 300 containers in total will be transported to Indonesia this month.</li> </ul>	
5. NQBP Infrastructure and Land Operations	<p><b>Presented by General Manager Infrastructure and Land Operations, Tim Lewis</b></p> <p><b>Upcoming projects</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NQBP will soon call for tenders for the demolition of three of its aged / vacant properties on Edmunds Avenue.</li> <li>• Residents will be notified ahead of the call for tenders and again prior to the commencement of works.</li> </ul> <p>Question – I thought the property (referring to one of properties presented on map) had already been removed? Response – <i>No, the properties are yet to be removed</i></p>	
6. Environmental Update	<p><b>Presented by Director Environment, Kevin Kane</b></p> <p><b>Conservation areas</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are conservation areas on NQBP landholdings at a number of our ports.</li> <li>• These areas are protected through statutory land use plans, developed under <i>Transport Infrastructure Act 1994</i>.</li> <li>• NQBP is responsible for ongoing weed management, with all activity conducted in accordance with a Weed Management Plan.</li> </ul> <p><b>Healthy Rivers to Reef Partnership</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mackay Whitsunday Isaac Healthy Rivers to Reef Partnership has released its 2019 report card.</li> <li>• NQBP's longstanding and extensive marine monitoring program with the JCU: James Cook University, Australia (JCU) Centre for Tropical Water and Aquatic Research (TropWATER) contributes valuable data to the report card. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NQBP is among 31 members sharing an interest in the health of region's rivers and the reef.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
7. Community update	<p><b>Presented by Senior Advisor Community Relations, Amanda Blines</b></p> <p><b>Media report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trade – Port of Mackay end of financial year results.</li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CRG project – Half Tide Radio Base memorial wall.</li> <li>• Sponsorship – Dymock’s Children’s Charities Library Regeneration Partnership.</li> <li>• Media benchmark score.</li> </ul> <p><b>Sponsorships and donations</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New partnership with Alligator Creek State School to assist in the delivery of the school’s annual Learn-to-Swim program. The program aims to improve water safety skills across the school’s 320 students. A sponsorship of \$6,800 was provided to the school under NQBP’s Port Communities Program.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>8. General Business</b></p>	<p><b>MSQ update provided by Craig Longmuir</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MSQ have been busy with COVID-19 restrictions and have facilitated over 30 crew changes between the Port of Mackay and Hay Point.</li> <li>• Priority is ensuring quarantine corridors around crew. There are 250,000 displaced seafarers who can’t get home, in some cases spending more than 14 months at sea – suffering fatigue and mental health issues. MSQ is providing support where possible.</li> </ul> <p>Question - local people are all about fishing, the jetty from BMA has been completely demolished which was a prime fishing spot – is it out of bounds?  Response – (provided by BMA representative Dan Grech) <i>Jetty has been fully deconstructed. The area is still classed as a construction zone. Passage yet to be finalised. Will be reopened to public in 3-6 months.</i></p> <p><b>DBCT update provided by Peter Wotherspoon</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prefeasibility study for 8x expansion underway.</li> </ul> <p><b>BMA update provided by Dan Grech</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boom replacement on Shiploader 1 to commence over coming months. Duration of project expected to be ~12 weeks.</li> <li>• Carpark behind Hay Point bakery (HPX) to be utilised during works.</li> </ul> <p>Community representative advised that petition for turning lane for Hay Point Road, near Timberlands, has been started. The representative will discuss petition with CRG members outside of meeting. Petitioner to discuss further with Main Roads and NQBP.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 6.27pm.</p>	
<p><b>9. Proposed next meeting dates</b></p>	<p><b>Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 11 November 2020</b></p>	