



Bowen and Abbot Point CRG

11 March 2025

Chair: NQBP CEO Brendan Webb



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation acknowledges the Juru People as the Traditional Owners of the Bowen and Abbot Point region. We also acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country throughout Australia. Acknowledging their continuing cultural and spiritual connection to land and water. We pay respects to their Elders, past, and present.

Agenda

1. Meeting Open
 - Acknowledgement of Country
 - Housekeeping
2. Welcome and Introductions
 - Apologies
 - CRG overview
3. Conflict of interest
4. CEO update
5. Infrastructure and Operations update
6. Environment update
7. Community update
8. General business
9. Next meeting
10. Meeting close



Welcome and Introductions

- Introduce yourself
- Who do you represent, and what is your role?
- What do you hope to achieve from being part of the CRG?

“To inform the decision-making of NQBP through providing an advisory and consultative role”

The purpose of NQBP’s CRGs is to:

- Establish good working relationships
- Promote information sharing
- Provide feedback
- Provide a forum for discussion on issues directly relating to NQBP’s operations, development and planning activities.
- You can view the [CRG Code of Conduct and Terms of Reference](#)

CRG Purpose

Conflict of Interest

CRG members should disclose if they:

- Are a member, partner, or an employee of NQBP
- Have some other specified interest relating to NQBP or their operations
- Have a financial or vested interest in a matter being considered by the CRG
- Have had a change in circumstance

Conflict of Interest Register



Name	Position	Form received (Yes/No)	Nature and Extent of Interest	Date
Matt Bowkett (Proxy)	Port Industry representative – Engage Marine	Yes	Employed as NQ Regional Manger for Engage Marine in Bowen. Engage Marine holds the towage license for Abbot Point which is issued by NQBP. Member of Bowen Chamber of Commerce.	05/09/2024
Clint Mason	Port Industry representative – Engage Marine	Yes	Port Manager Engage Marine. Engage Marine hold the towage license for the port of Abbot Point. This towage license is issued by NQBP.	18/01/2025
James Gilmour	Port Advisory Group representative – Gilmour Space	Yes	As owner of a number of Gilmour Space Companies, may have conflicts from time to time between the running of Gilmour businesses and membership in the CRG depending on agenda items.	11/09/2024
Alex Crumb	Maritime Safety Queensland representative	Yes	Represent the Department of Transport and Main Roads – Maritime Safety Queensland with a specific interest on matters impacting Bowen Boat Harbour (state managed boat harbour)	19/09/2024
Max Haste	Maritime Safety Queensland representative	Yes	An employee and representative of Maritime Safety Queensland (Dept Transport and Main Roads).	09/09/2024
Bradley Stout	Juru Enterprise Representative	Yes	Chairperson of Juru Enterprise Limited	09/09/2024
Donna Turner	Environmental representative – Dry Tropics	Yes	No conflict declared.	23/09/2024
Mark Smith	NQXT Industry representative	Yes	General Manager of NQXT: NQXT is the long-term lease holder of the North Queensland Export Terminal at the Port of Abbot Point	19/09/2024

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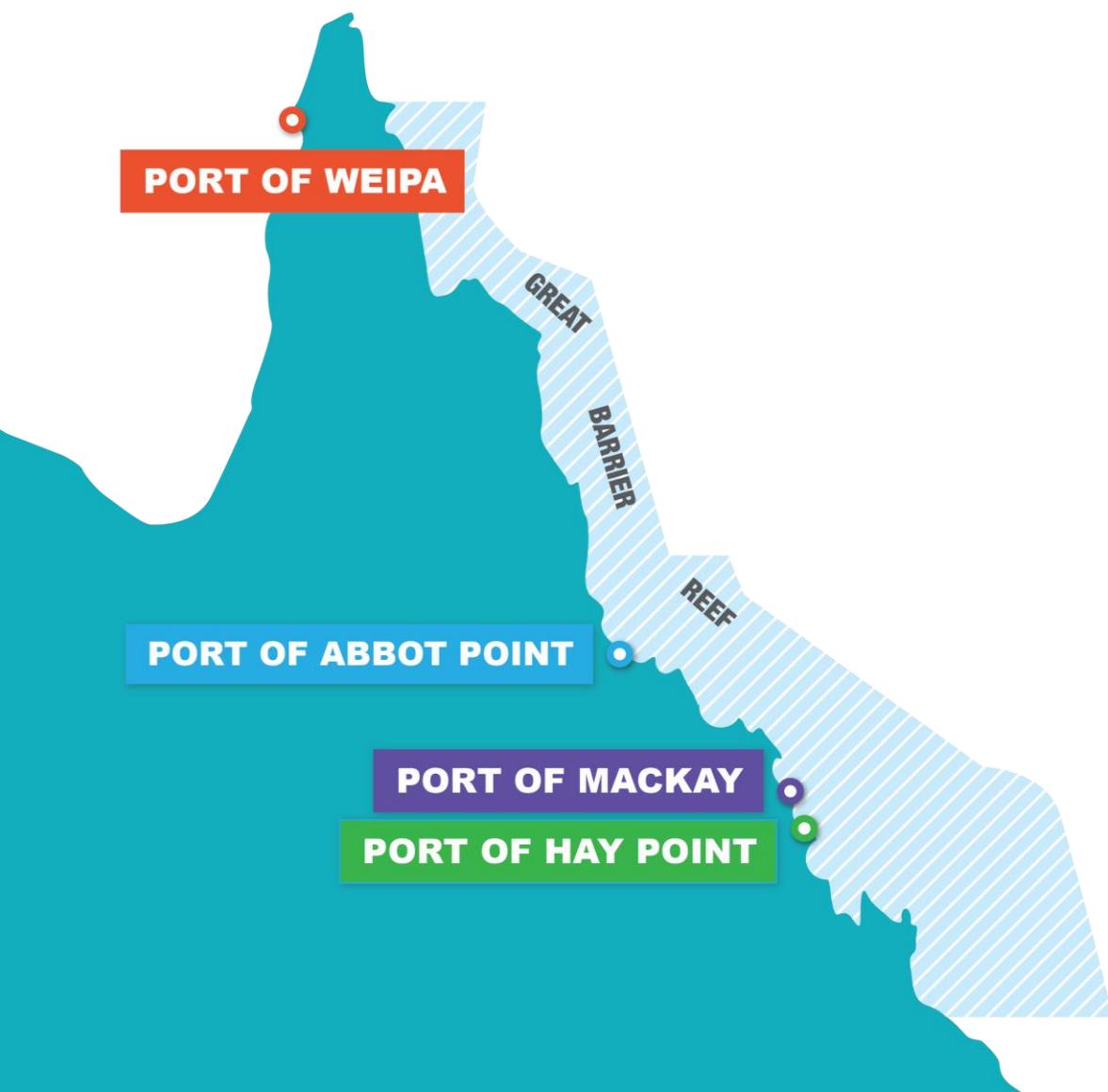
Name	Position	Form received (Yes/No)	Nature and Extent of Interest	Date
David Paddon	Local Business representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	21/09/2024
Emma Stark	Youth Community representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	18/11/2024
Cheryl Bullemor	Recreational representative – NQ Cruising Yacht Club	Yes	No conflict declared.	30/01/2025
Stephanie Cora	Community representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	31/01/2025
Lorraine Maltby	Community representative – Probus Club	Yes	No conflict declared.	11/09/2024
Richard Roberts	Community representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	11/02/2025
Glenda Robertson	Community representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	25/09/2024
Tony Bale	Bowen Chamber of Commerce	Yes	No conflict declared.	26/02/2025
Damien Dederer (Proxy)	APO Industry representative	No	Form not yet received	
Kate Mee	APO Industry representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	03/10/2024
Mayor Ry Collins	Whitsunday Regional Council	No	Form not yet received	
Johnathan Cutting (Proxy)	Whitsunday Regional Council representative	Yes	No conflict declared.	16/09/2024



CEO Update

- About NQBP
- Our Vision, Mission, Values, Themes





ABOUT NQBP

NQBP is a government owned corporation, responsible for the four trading ports of Hay Point, Mackay, Abbot Point and Weipa.

Our shareholding Ministers are:

- Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training
- Minister for Transport and Main Roads

Our ports facilitate:

- **54%** of Queensland's international trade
- **\$53 billion** in annual trade value
- **47,000 local jobs** across the state

PORT OF WEIPA



PORT OF ABBOT POINT



PORT OF MACKAY

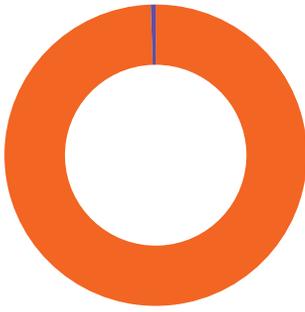
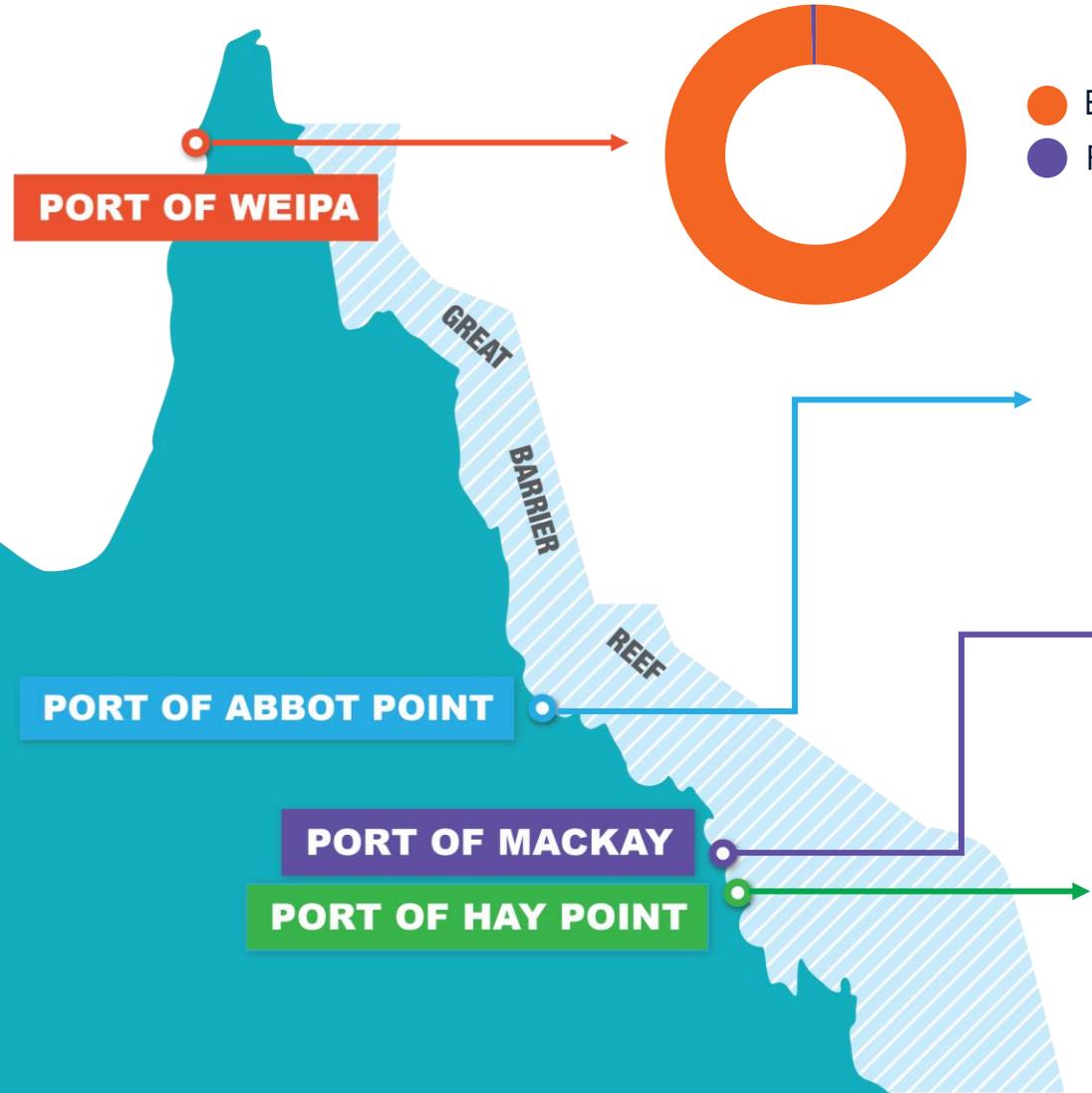


PORT OF HAY POINT

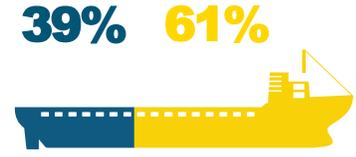
47K⁺ Facilitated local jobs

54%⁺
OF QUEENSLAND'S
INTERNATIONAL TRADE
BY VOLUME

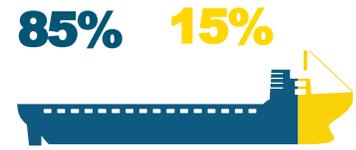
Trade by commodity



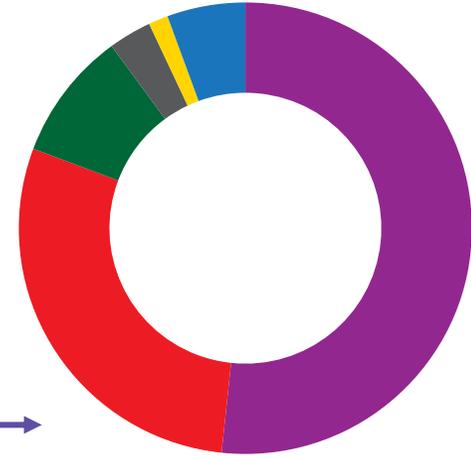
- Bauxite (export) 17.24MT
- Fuel (Import) 0.09MT



- Metal coal 13.38MT
- Energy coal 21.28MT



- Metal coal 81.41MT
- Energy 14.83MT



- Fuel (import) 1.85MT
- Sugar (export) 1.04MT
- Grain (export) 0.33MT
- Magnetite (import) 0.11MT
- Breakbulk (import) 0.05MT
- Other 0.2MT

OUR VISION

We are recognised as a leader in responsible port trade, where Queenslanders thrive for generations.

OUR MISSION

To manage safe, efficient, and fair ports that connect North Queensland to the world by balancing the needs of our iconic surroundings, our communities, and our stakeholders

OUR VALUES



CARE



CONNECTION



COURAGE



CURIOSITY

STRATEGIC THEMES



Expand our current trade and services



Enable future trade and services



Invest in our community and surroundings

Infrastructure and operations

- Bowen Jetty project
- Towage solution for Abbot Point
- Maintenance and operations



Bowen Jetty project consultation



Discover

What's important
Big ideas



Design

Bring the ideas
together



Consult

On the draft
concepts



Refine

Incorporate feedback
Approvals, funding
and delivery

February/ March 2024

April/ May 2024

June 2024

July 2024 - onwards

- BCE Breakfast
- Stakeholder and community meetings
- School engagement
- Community pop up stall
- First Nations engagement
- Two-day Enquiry by Design Workshop with community reference group
- Project webpage to follow the design journey and have your say

- Enquiry by Design workshop feedback with community reference group
- First Nations engagement
- Consultant develops concept design
- Project webpage updates to follow the design journey and have your say

- Share concept designs
- Advertising
- Flyer letterbox drop
- Stakeholder and community meetings
- Community pop up stalls
- First Nations engagement
- Online survey - have your say
- Project website updates to follow the design journey

- Finalise concept design
- Advertising
- Community reference group meetings
- First Nations engagement
- Project website updates on project plan and delivery pathway

ARUP

Bowen Jetty project



Project Timeline

Construction start: 2027

Completion: Late 2028

(subject to environmental approvals)

Current focus

- Procuring contractors and consultants
- Conducting baseline environmental studies

Project updates

- Visit nqbp.com.au
- Sign up for our project e-newsletter
- Visit project page engage.nqbp.com.au
- [Connect on Facebook and LinkedIn](#)

Any questions? Email Bowenwharf@nqbp.com.au



Bowen Jetty final concept

Towage infrastructure solution



- The tugs servicing Abbot Point will move from Bowen Wharf in 2026 until permanent towage infrastructure is in place.
- Two step process
 - an initial multi-year solution and a
 - permanent solution planned to be in place around 2030.
- NQBP and Engage Marine are identifying the best initial towage solution
- Business Case process underway, for a permanent towage facility for Abbot Point
- Goal is to establish a land-based towage facility to support future growth



Maintenance and operations

Bowen Jetty

- Causeway repairs completed following recent weather damage
- Aurecon conducted jetty condition inspections last week
- Proposed temporary public jetty closure in May for:
 - Geotechnical investigations
 - Repairs and upgrades (replacing foot traffic boards)

Abbot Point Reseal and road works

- Tender process nearing completion, works expected in March (weather permitting)
- Collaboration with Gilmour Space upcoming Abbot Point Road closures





Environment

- Marine monitoring programs
- Weed and pest management



Marine monitoring programs



NQBP's long-standing partnership with James Cook University includes an extensive ambient marine monitoring at Abbot Point including:

- Marine water quality
- Coral communities around offshore islands (Camp & Holbourne)
- Seagrass

Information displayed on NQBP's public dashboards available on our website: [Sustainability | North Queensland Bulk Ports Corporation Ltd.](#)

Program recently extended to water quality and seagrass monitoring within McCane's Bay and Bowen Wharf.

NQBP also partners with Juru Enterprise Limited (JEL) to undertake turtle monitoring along Eastern and Dingo Beaches at Port of Abbot Point during the nesting season.



Weed and pest management

- NQBP partners with JEL to deliver ongoing weed management activities across the Port of Abbot Point
- NQBP also partners with regional stakeholders on feral animal control initiatives.



Community

- Investing in our community
- Community Fund Recipients 2024-2025



Investing in our community



Sponsorships, Donations and Support

1. NQBP Community Fund

- Annual funding for local non-profits in our port communities.

2. Corporate Sponsorships & Donations

- Funding for key projects and community needs

3. Annual CRG Sponsorship

- The CRG has an annual **\$5,000** sponsorship budget to support community initiatives.

4. Reconciliation Action Plan sponsorships

- Funding available as part of our Indigenous Program

Guidelines

- NQBP strategic themes and values
- Supporting local events, projects and initiatives
- Encouraging diversity and inclusion
- Addressing emerging community and environmental issues



Community Solutions (Bowen) were awarded funds for training programs.

NQBP Community Fund



Over **50** applications received in 2024.

14 initiatives selected across all Ports.

6 out of the 14 initiatives supported in Bowen

1. Whitsunday Community Services Inc
2. Historical Society and Museum
3. Bowen Old Peoples home Society
4. Bowen Flexi Care Inc
5. Port Denison Sailing Club
6. Bowen Community Centre

Recipient	Port
Crossroad Arts Inc	Mackay
Community Accommodation & Support Agency	Mackay
Stella Maris Mackay	Mackay / Hay Point
Whitsunday Community Services Inc	Abbot Point
Zonta Club of Mackay Inc	Mackay / Hay Point
Bowen Community Centre	Abbot Point
Mackay Surf Lifesaving Club	Mackay
Pacific-Australia Youth Association Inc. (PAYA)	Weipa
Bowen Historical Society and Museum	Abbot Point
Weipa Running Festival	Weipa
Bowen Old People's Home Society	Abbot Point
Bowen Flexi Care Inc.	Abbot Point
Port Denison Sailing Club	Abbot Point
Whitsunday STEM Challenge Inc.	Mackay



General Business

- Gilmour Space
- Whitsunday Regional Council
- Maritime Safety Queensland



Next meeting

- Tuesday 15 July 2025
- Please provide suggested agenda items to Emilie





Thank you