

NORTH STAR TO BORDER (NS2B) PROJECT



COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – PROPONENT'S UPDATE

12 June 2020

AGENDA

1. PROJECT STATUS

2. PROJECT UPDATE

- ❖ Macintyre flood model consultation
- ❖ EIS update and consultation
- ❖ Current project schedule

3. NEXT STEPS

4. CONTACT DETAILS

PROJECT STATUS

Recent project activities

Macintyre River Flood model

- BMT's independent review found the extended and updated model to be 'Fit for Purpose'
- Responded to stakeholder questions received in March '20

NS2B EIS

- Adequacy review of the NS2B EIS – May '20



PROJECT UPDATE

Macintyre flood model consultation

Work completed

- Implemented technical hydrology working groups – 5 meetings
- Engaged local flood specialists
- Extended the model to incorporate Goondiwindi – approx. 5km
- Updated the LiDAR data to 2019
- Completed 1976 flood scenario and Whalan Creek investigations
- Completed a cost comparison – option A v D1
- Delayed the lodgement and public exhibition of the NS2B EIS
- Shared independent Macintyre River model review – BMT report
- Responded to additional 52 stakeholder questions
- Shared NS2B reference design with the GRC, MPSC ,GSC and TfNSW

Work planned

- Support GRC facilitate an independent hydrology review
- Independent Panel of Experts – includes review of the Macintyre flood model
- NSW and QLD regulatory review of Macintyre flood plain



PROJECT UPDATE

NS2B EIS update and consultation

EIS submission for adequacy review

- Submitted to DPIE on the 12 May 2020
- Expect adequacy stage will take up to 3 months to complete

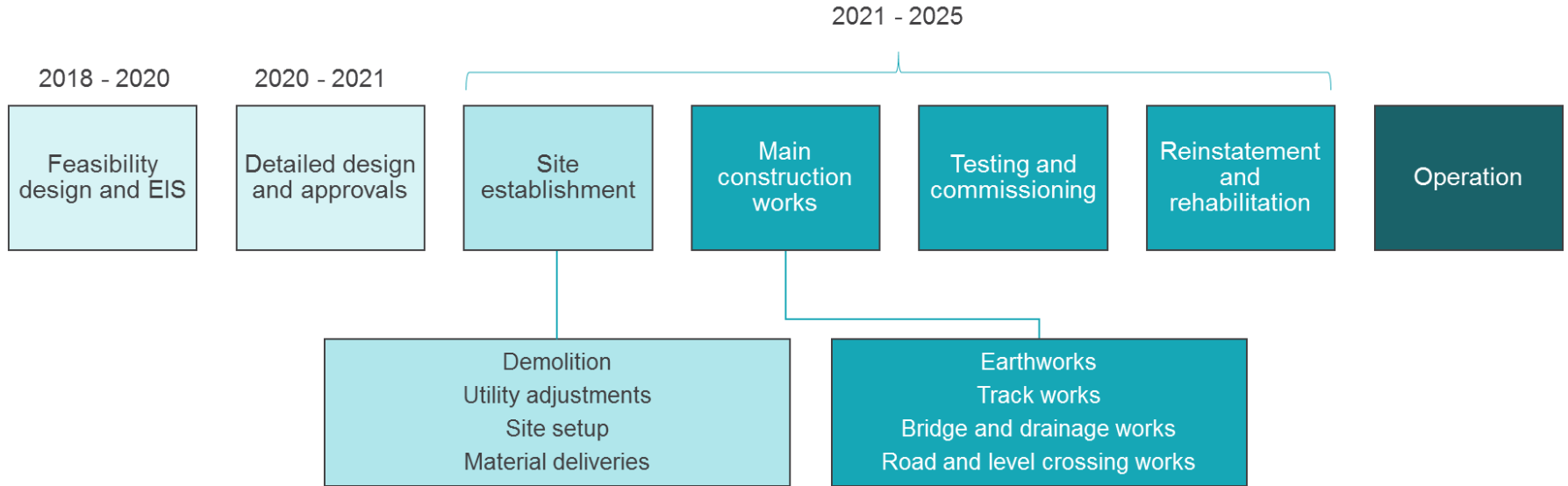
Consultation (intent to submit the EIS for adequacy review)

- Directly affected landowners informed
- Local flood specialists informed
- Government agencies informed – DITRCD and TfNSW
- Elected representatives informed



PROJECT UPDATE

Current project schedule



** Indicative timelines

NEXT STEPS

Community consultation

- Public Exhibition of EIS Q3 2020
- Ministerial Order – Public Exhibition - No hard copy EIS documents or drop ins – COVID 19 requirement
- Develop a fly through for the NS2B alignment – June/July '20
- Continue to engage leading up to public exhibition period
 - E-newsletters
 - Meetings and briefings as required
- Geotechnical reconnaissance – end of June '20, Campaign – August '20
- Goondiwindi Office – opened for business
- Goondiwindi stakeholder engagement recruitment – permanent position based in Goondiwindi
- Skills development programs – some projects require approval from QLD State Government:
 1. Goondiwindi Show grounds – campground upgrade
 2. Land Conservation project – along the Macintyre River
 3. Fencing project with Toomelah LALC



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