## **Appendix D: Definitions**

| Term   | Definition  |
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| beneficial reuse   | means dredged material that has been used for a purpose that provides<br>social, economic or environmental benefits (or a combination of these). That<br>is, the dredged material is managed as a valuable resource rather than a<br>product destined for disposal. Beneficial reuse can involve the placement of<br>dredged material on-land and in the aquatic zone (i.e. underwater or in<br>intertidal areas). Consideration of beneficial reuse in the Queensland context<br>to date has been focused on applications that provide economic benefits such<br>as on-land processing and industry reuse or land reclamation (Royal<br>Haskoning DHV and AMA 2016). |
| capital dredging   | see Sustainable Ports Development Act 2015 (Ports Act), schedule 1  |
| coastal zone   | see the Coastal Protection and Management Act 1995, section 15  |
| dredged material   | means capital and maintenance dredged material required for the ongoing operation and future expansion of the port  |
| ecologically<br>sustainable<br>development   | see Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, section 3A   |
| environmental value  | see the Environmental Protection Act 1994, section 9  |
| fringing reef  | means intertidal to subtidal reefs that grow along the mainland or around the margins of continental high islands (Smithers 2011)   |
| Great Barrier Reef coastal zone  | means the areas adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef and includes Queensland waters, islands and adjacent inland areas, five kilometres (inland and 10 metres Australian Height Datum, whichever is further)  |
| highest astronomical tide (HAT)  | means the highest level which can be predicted to occur under average meteorological conditions and any combination of astronomical conditions  |
| inshore turbid reef  | are generally located in turbid water which is shallower than 10 metres, and<br>are usually located within 10 kilometres of the coast. Inshore turbid reefs<br>include both shore attached (fringing reefs in locations close to the mainland)<br>and non-shore attached shoals (Whiteway et al. 2014).   |
| land management<br>plan area   | means an area within the environmental management precinct of the master<br>planned area shown on a land management plan area that is required to be<br>managed in accordance with a land management plan prepared for the area<br>under the provisions of the port overlay   |
| local expression of<br>the Outstanding<br>Universal Value of<br>the Great Barrier<br>Reef World Heritage<br>Area | means environmental values present within and surrounding the priority Port<br>of Gladstone master planned area that contribute to the OUV of the<br>GBRWHA.<br>The local expression of the OUV of the GBRWHA within and surrounding the  |
|  | priority Port of Gladstone master planned area has been identified as part of<br>the evidence base and is specifically referred to in the master plan's EMF.  |
| maintenance<br>dredging  | means dredging carried out for the purposes of removing sediments that have<br>accumulated in existing channels, berths, approaches and swing basins of a<br>port to maintain an approved capital dredging profile  |
| marine megafauna   | means large marine species which may include cetaceans (whales and<br>dolphins), reptiles (marine turtles), Dugongs, Chondrichthyes (sharks, rays,<br>skates and chimaeras) and pinnipeds (seals or sea lions)  |
| marine parks   | see Ports Act, section 4  |
| marine plants  | see the Fisheries Act 1994, section 8   |
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| Term                                    | Definition   |
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| master planned area                     | see Ports Act, section 6 (1), however for this master plan means all of the area shown on Figure 2   |
| material placement<br>area or areas     | means one (or more) existing and future potential material placement areas to<br>be defined in the port overlay for the beneficial reuse and placement of<br>dredged material, until such time as the material placement has been<br>completed and the area is suitable for ground improvement works, or the area<br>is no longer determined to be suitable for material placement   |
| minimise                                | means the process and actions implemented to avoid, mitigate and/or offset environmental impacts   |
| offsets<br>(environmental offset)       | see <i>Environmental Offsets Act 2014</i> , section 7(2), and the relevant Commonwealth and state policies   |
| Outstanding<br>Universal Value<br>(OUV) | as defined in the UNESCO Operational Guidelines for the Implementation of<br>the World Heritage Convention means cultural and/or natural significance<br>which is so exceptional as to transcend national boundaries and to be of<br>common importance for present and future generations of all humanity. As<br>such, the permanent protection of this heritage is of the highest importance to<br>the international community as a whole.  |
| planning instrument                     | see <i>Planning Act 2016</i> , section 8 (1), and land use plan under the <i>Transport</i><br><i>Infrastructure Act 1994</i> , development scheme under the <i>State Development</i><br><i>and Public Works Organisation Act 1971</i> and development scheme under the<br><i>Economic Development Act 2012</i>   |
| port industry activities                | means activities carried out for or in association with core port, industrial or<br>commercial activities necessary for the efficient functioning of the priority Port<br>of Gladstone supply chain and future priority Port of Gladstone trade and<br>economic growth for the region  |
| port limits                             | see <i>Transport Infrastructure (Ports) Regulation 2016</i> , schedule 2, part 2, section 7  |
| port optimisation                       | means the act of making a port system, design or decision as effective or<br>functional as possible. This may include for example, making efficient use of<br>strategic port land, berths and/or land-based facilities, ability to control<br>berthing allocations and scheduling, minimising capital intensive marine-<br>based infrastructure, minimising the distance between land-based facilities<br>and berths and/or minimising capital or maintenance dredging. Port<br>optimisation requires a balance to be achieved across a number of these<br>issues. |
|   | For port infrastructure, optimisation usually centres on the resources that are scarcest. However, different development may require different aspects of the infrastructure to be optimised, having regard to the economic, environmental and social context of the project.  |
| port overlay                            | see Ports Act, section 20  |
| precincts                               | zones of development intent for specific areas within the master planned area  |
| priority management<br>measures         | see Ports Act, section 8 (1)(c)(iii)   |
| priority ports                          | see Ports Act, section 5   |
| responsible entity                      | means the entity or entities responsible for implementation of a priority management measure   |
| sensitive land use or uses              | see the State Planning Policy 2016   |
| Strategic Port Land (SPL)               | see the Transport Infrastructure Act 1994, section 267   |

| Term                           | Definition   |
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| subterranean infrastructure    | means infrastructure constructed and operated below the seafloor   |
| supply chain<br>infrastructure | means infrastructure, services and utilities identified as critical to supporting<br>the future functioning of priority Port of Gladstone, and its associated trade<br>and economic growth for the region. This includes, for example road and rail<br>infrastructure and links, above and below ground linear infrastructure (e.g.<br>water, oil, or gas pipelines, conveyors), infrastructure nodes (e.g. power<br>station, treatment plant, extractive resources), transmission lines that service<br>and link the priority Port of Gladstone and industry development. |

## Appendix E: Abbreviations and acronyms

| Acronym/<br>abbreviation         | Definition  |
|----------------------------------|---|
| EMF                              | environmental management framework  |
| EP Act                           | Environmental Protection Act 1994   |
| EPBC Act                         | Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999                     |
| ESD                              | ecologically sustainable development  |
| GBRWHA                           | Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area  |
| GPC                              | Gladstone Ports Corporation   |
| GPC LUP                          | Gladstone Ports Corporation Land Use Plan   |
| GRC                              | Gladstone Regional Council  |
| GRC Planning Scheme              | Gladstone Regional Council Planning Scheme  |
| HAT                              | highest astronomical tide   |
| LMDMP                            | Long-term Maintenance Dredging Management Plan                                    |
| Maintenance Dredging<br>Strategy | Maintenance Dredging Strategy for Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Area<br>Ports |
| MNES                             | matters of national environmental significance                                    |
| MSES                             | matters of state environmental significance                                       |
| NC Act                           | Nature Conservation Act 1992  |
| OUV                              | Outstanding Universal Value   |
| PMMs                             | priority management measures  |
| Ports Act                        | Sustainable Ports Development Act 2015  |
| Reef 2050                        | Reef 2050 Long-Term Sustainability Plan   |
| SDA                              | State Development Area  |
| SPL                              | Strategic Port Land   |
| TMR                              | Department of Transport and Main Roads  |
| UNESCO                           | United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization                  |
| VM Act                           | Vegetation Management Act 1999  |

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