

Draft port overlay for the priority Port of Gladstone is now open for public consultation

The Queensland Government has prepared and released the *Draft port overlay for the priority Port of Gladstone* for public consultation.

Master planning for the designated priority ports of Gladstone, Townsville, Hay Point/Mackay, and Abbot Point is a requirement of the *Sustainable Ports Development Act 2015* (Ports Act) and the *Reef 2050 Long-Term Sustainability Plan*.

Under the Ports Act, master plans and port overlays guide sustainable development of the port, balancing long-term economic growth, job creation, environmental values, and community interests, while providing protection for the Great Barrier Reef.

The Queensland Government released the final *Master plan for the priority Port of Gladstone* on 5 November 2018.

About the draft port overlay

The Ports Act provides for the master plan to be implemented by a port overlay, which operates alongside existing planning instruments to guide future development to achieve the long-term vision of the master plan.

The port overlay will only regulate development in the master planned area if additional requirements are necessary to implement the master plan.

How the draft port overlay will work

The draft port overlay applies to plan-making and development assessment within the master planned area.

For **plan-making**, the draft port overlay prescribes matters that must be considered in either making or amending a planning instrument within the master planned area.

It is relevant to the:

- Gladstone Regional Council Planning Scheme
- Gladstone Ports Corporation Land Use Plan
- Gladstone State Development Area Development Scheme.

For **development assessment**, the draft port overlay provides categories for assessment and assessment benchmarks for development within the master planned area.

The requirements of the draft port overlay for both plan-making and development assessment will apply in addition to all existing requirements when finalised.



Have your say on the draft port overlay for the priority Port of Gladstone

Draft port overlay now open for comment

The release of the *Draft port overlay for the priority Port of Gladstone* for public consultation provides the opportunity for the community to provide feedback to the Queensland Government on the draft port overlay.

View the draft port overlay

The draft port overlay and final master plan are available on the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) website at www.tmr.qld.gov.au/SustainablePorts-Gladstone

Display copies of the draft port overlay can also be viewed at:

- Gladstone City Library, 39 Goondoon Street, Gladstone
- Brisbane Square Library, 266 George Street, Brisbane
- Department of Transport and Main Roads, 61 Mary Street, Brisbane (by appointment via email).

Information sessions

Public information sessions will be held to provide the community with the opportunity to talk to the project team about the draft port overlay. Details of these information sessions are available online at

www.tmr.qld.gov.au/SustainablePorts-Gladstone

What happens next?

When the public consultation concludes on 16 December 2019, all submissions will be considered during the preparation of a final port overlay. The final port overlay will be made available on the TMR website with a summary of submissions, once approved by the Queensland Government.

Have your say on the draft port overlay



The *Draft port overlay for the priority Port of Gladstone* is now open for public consultation and you are encouraged to have your say on shaping the final port overlay.

Making a submission

Submissions on the draft port overlay must:



be made in writing



be made to the Minister for Transport and Main Roads



be received by 5pm on 16 December 2019



state the name and contact details (email and/or postal address) of the person/entity making the submission



be sent via email to GladstonePortMasterPlan@tmr.qld.gov.au

or posted to:

Sustainable Ports Planning
Transport Strategy and Planning
Department of Transport and Main Roads
GPO Box 1549
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