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\$2m for port expansion bid

A LIBERAL government would commit \$2 million towards an economic study for an expansion of Port Bonython and underwrite the port's short-term future.

The mining sector has pushed for the State Government to underwrite exports through a bulk commodities facility at Port Bonython, arguing it is needed to open up minerals exports.

Opposition Leader Isobel Redmond said her party would also commit \$2 million to a pre-feasibility study for the expansion by a Flinders Ports-led consortium, named in 2008 as preferred tenderer to build the port. The project has stalled.