

Flinders Ports Capital Works Programme

Status report as at 11th February 2004

Port Adelaide- New Grain Wharf and associated dredging project

- The contract for dredging work associated with the new grain berth was awarded to Boscalis. The Contractor is currently engaged in pre mobilization activities. The Dredging is scheduled to mobilise to site in May 2004. Completion expected in the fourth quarter of 2004.
- Bardavcol, the contractor carrying out earthworks and road construction on Title C in preparation for the disposal of dredged spoil has completed about 70% of the initial phase of the work. This phase will be completed in early March, well in advance of the scheduled dredge mobilization date.
- Tender documents for the construction of the wharf will be issued in early March.

Port Adelaide- Outer Channel Dredging to 14M

- Geotechnical investigation- the drilling barge has completed the boreholes. Sample gathering for contamination testing is complete. Results from the fieldwork will become progressively available over the next 3 or 4 weeks. This will include an assessment as to whether any dredged material can be used in coastal regeneration or as engineering fill.
- Hydrodynamic modeling, marine biological studies, contamination sampling and testing studies and noise studies are all underway and will be complete by the end of February.
- The public consultation strategic plan has now been completed with consultation activities to commence in late February. Initial consultation will be with government departments and key stakeholders. Public consultation will follow in March or April
- With the expected commencement of the consultation phase in the next month the capital funding issues associated with this vital project are becoming more critical.

Wallaroo grain wharf upgrade- construction of ten new "Panamax capable" Dolphins

- The contractor was granted a practical completion certificate on 12/12/03 with the new berthing and mooring structures ready to take shipping from that date.
- The first vessels have used the new facility. .

Port Giles Upgrade of Fenders, and Dredging of berth box and channel

- The contractor has now completed the upgrading of the all six dolphins. This involved installing new fenders to handle the berthing of Panamax vessels.

- Access platforms to give easier access to the new bollards will be fabricated and installed over the next few weeks. The lack of these platforms will not prevent the port being used by shipping.
- The reclamation pond construction work was completed on 23 January. The pond is now ready to receive dredged material.
- The dredging contractor, Hall Contracting from Queensland, has now mobilized his cutter suction dredge in Port Adelaide where it is carrying out maintenance dredging work prior to it commencing the capital dredging of the channel and berth box at Port Giles in April 2004.



Wallaroo- all ten new berthing and mooring dolphins completed- ready for shipping



Above the first vessel in early December 2003 to use the first three new fenders and associated structures at Port Giles.