

Dear Samuel,

Could you please add this to Burnett Water For All's Submission to the 2003 National Competition Policy assessment framework for water reform.

This below media statement by Queensland State Government Minister for State Development - Tom Barton, is the latest release publicising that the starting date for Paradise Dam will be late this year (in between NCC assessments).

Sincerely,
Les Darrow
Burnett Water For All.

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State Development, Tom Barton

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Dam Contract Attracts World-Class Interest

The Minister for State Development, Tom Barton today announced that three world-class consortia have been selected to progress to the next stage of assessment to deliver the Burnett River Dam project.

Mr Barton said the Government was extremely pleased with the progress being made by its company - Burnett Water - on the Burnett River Dam and the world-class calibre of the companies now being considered.

He said the selected consortia included:

* Leighton Group: Leighton Contractors - Constructor; Gutteridge Haskins & Davey Pty Ltd - Dam Designer; Coffey Geosciences Pty Ltd - Geotechnical Advisors and MWH Australia Pty Ltd - Stakeholder Management.

* Thiess Group: Thiess Pty Ltd - Constructor; URS Australia Pty Ltd - Dam Designer; Maunsell Australia - other Infrastructure designer

* Walters Group: Walters Construction Group - Constructor; Macmahon Holdings Limited - Earthworks; SMEC Australia Pty Ltd - Dam Designer; Hydro Tasmania Consulting - Dam Designer.

"Between them, the selected companies involved in the consortia have designed and/or built some 500 dams in Australia and overseas using leading edge design and construction techniques," Mr Barton said.

"It is expected that the successful consortium will be selected early in the last quarter of 2003, with construction due to commence shortly afterwards.

"The world-class quality of the selected consortia brings greater certainty that the project will be delivered as planned."

Mr Barton said today's announcement comes hot on the heels of the start of the Registration of Interest process for the design and construction of the \$20 million Eidsvold Weir in the Burnett region.

He said there would be in the order of \$25 million of works being undertaken in the region in 2003, as works were kicked off for the commencement of construction of the Dam and the Eidsvold Weir.

"The progress made with the registration of interest processes for the Burnett River Dam and Eidsvold Weir highlights the government's commitment to delivering the water infrastructure projects, which are expected to create more than 7000 jobs and generate more than \$800 million in economic growth," he said.

Peace,
Kerryn O'Conor

*put your ear to the river you hear trees
put your ear to the trees you hear the widening
numerical workings of the river
'River', Alice Oswald*

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