

# Northern Pipeline Interconnector Stage 2

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## *Your community newsletter*

**The Northern Pipeline Interconnector (NPI) Stage 2 is an important part of the South East Queensland (SEQ) Water Grid. This newsletter provides you with an overview of the project, an update on the pipeline corridor and how you can find out more information about this vital piece of infrastructure.**

SEQ is one of the fastest growing regions in Australia, with the population set to increase significantly in the next 20 years. A secure water supply is essential.

The NPI Stage 2 is a vital infrastructure initiative to help secure the water supply for SEQ. It involves construction of about 48 km of underground pipeline from the Noosa Water Treatment Plant (WTP) to the NPI Stage 1 pipeline near the Landers Shute WTP at Eudlo.

## Pipeline corridor

The pipeline corridor for the NPI Stage 2 (right) was selected following careful consideration of land use, location of existing homes and other buildings, and environmental sensitivity. Where possible, the corridor follows existing road, electricity and other service easements to help minimise impacts on local communities.

The corridor is wider than the final easement required to protect the pipeline. This allows flexibility in identifying the final alignment

with the least overall impact. A number of advance works were completed before the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was released, including:

- ground surveys, such as test-pits, to identify areas of rock and expected locations for drilling and blasting;
- identification of existing services such as water, wastewater, gas and telecommunications;

- environmental inspection – ‘Green Tagging the route’ to identify environmentally sensitive areas; and
- marking the pipeline corridor and existing easements.

We will continue to meet with potentially affected landowners, elected representatives and the community to discuss the project.

## Environmental Impact Statement

The Northern Pipeline Interconnector (NPI) Stage 2 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is now available for public comment.

The EIS investigates the potential benefits and impacts of the NPI Stage 2 during construction and operation. It assesses:

- economic impacts;
- the environment;
- social impacts; and
- Indigenous and non-Indigenous cultural heritage.

The EIS will be displayed at the following locations until Monday 9 March 2009:

Location	Address
Department of Tourism, Regional Development and Industry - Sunshine Coast	Lvl 2, 12 Innovation Parkway, Birtinya
Office of the Member for Nicklin, Peter Wellington MP	Shop 3, 51 Currie Street, Nambour
Queensland Parliament Library	Parliament House, Alice Street, Brisbane
State Library of Queensland	Cultural Centre, Stanley Place, South Bank, Brisbane
Sunshine Coast Regional Council Libraries:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Beerwah</li><li>• Caloundra</li><li>• Coolum Beach</li><li>• Kawana</li><li>• Kenilworth</li><li>• Maleny</li><li>• Maroochydore</li><li>• Nambour</li><li>• Noosa</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Peachester Road, Beerwah</li><li>• Omrah Avenue, Caloundra</li><li>• Park Street, Coolum</li><li>• Nanyima Street, Buddina</li><li>• Elizabeth Street, Kenilworth</li><li>• 5 Coral Street, Maleny</li><li>• 44 Sixth Avenue, Cotton Tree</li><li>• Cnr Currie and Bury Streets, Nambour</li><li>• Wallace Park, Wallace Drive, Noosaville</li></ul>

You can also download a copy of the EIS from the LinkWater Projects website at [www.linkwater.com.au](http://www.linkwater.com.au)

### Community information days

EIS community information days will be held at the following locations:

Date	Time	Location
Thursday 29 January 2009	3.00pm - 7.00pm	Big Pineapple, Nambour
Saturday 31 January 2009	9.00am - 12.00pm	Yandina School of Arts
Thursday 12 February 2009	3.00pm - 7.00pm	Yandina School of Arts
Saturday 14 February 2009	9.00am - 2.00pm	Big Pineapple, Nambour

All properly made written submissions for the EIS must be lodged with the Queensland Government Coordinator General by Monday 9 March 2009.

For more information on how to make a submission, please visit the Department of Infrastructure and Planning website [www.dip.qld.gov.au](http://www.dip.qld.gov.au).

# Pipeline corridor



## Legend

— Pipeline Corridor  
— Major Roads



—+—+— Railway Line  
— Water Storage and Rivers

0 2.5 5 km  
Scale: 1:125,000 @ A3

## Partners in design and delivery

The Queensland Bulk Water Transport Authority (BWTA), trading as LinkWater, is responsible for the management, maintenance and operation of most potable bulk water pipelines in South East Queensland (SEQ).

LinkWater was established under the *South East Queensland Water (Restructuring) Act 2007* to:

- improve the regional water supply distribution network;
- improve regional coordination and management of water;
- provide more efficient delivery of water services;

- enhance customer service for water consumers; and
- give a clear accountability framework for water supply security.

The Northern Network Alliance (NNA) has been engaged to plan, design and construct the NPI Stage 2. The NNA consists of LinkWater Projects, McConnell Dowell, Abigroup and KBR.

**LinkWater Projects** is the Queensland Government's Special Purpose Vehicle for the design and construction of bulk water pipelines in SEQ.

**McConnell Dowell** is an Australian based multi-discipline engineering, construction and services company operating throughout

Australia, Asia, New Zealand, the Pacific Islands and the Middle East. The Group delivers civil, marine, electrical, mechanical, pipelines and tunnel construction solutions.

**Abigroup Limited** is one of Australia's largest engineering, building and asset development companies. Abigroup invests in infrastructure projects, undertakes works in all areas of engineering and has extensive building experience.

**KBR** is a leading global engineering, construction and services company. KBR successfully engineer, construct, operate and manage civil infrastructure projects ranging from airport, rail, highway, water and wastewater facilities, to mining and mineral processing.

## Working with the community

A crucial part of the assessment of the pipeline corridor is understanding the impacts the project may have on the community.

Affected landowners and members of the community can find out more about the project and provide input.

Our Community and Stakeholder team will be in the community letting you know about the project and giving you the opportunity to have your say.

We will keep you informed about the project through:

- newsletters;
- e-updates;
- newspaper advertisements;
- landowner meetings;
- community information sessions; and
- letters.



### To find out more:

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