

PROPOSAL SUMMARY

PROPOSAL NAME Responsible Agency: BQ Role: Proposal Stage of Development: Current Stage End Date: Date of Publication:	PORT OF TOWNSVILLE—PORT EXPANSION STAGE 1 Port of Townsville Limited Assist with business case Business case To be determined by Port of Townsville Limited July 2016
PROBLEM DESCRIPTION	The Port of Townsville’s longer-term trade forecast predicts capacity constraints impacting trade growth.
PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION	<p>The objective of the Port of Townsville Port Expansion Project (Stage 1) is to optimise the full extent of capacity of existing berths and to generate the capacity required for projected future trade growth.</p> <p>The following options are being considered: do nothing, channel widening only, channel widening with one berth, channel widening with two berths as well as a full port expansion.</p> <p>Stage 1 of the expansion projects involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the widening of the Sea and Platypus channels from 92 to 135 metres along with a widening of the entrance to 180 metres to cater for larger vessels ▪ the creation of rock walls and land reclamation to support the construction of up to two new berths (Berths 12 and/or 14) in the Outer Harbour through the re-use of dredge material.
NEXT STEPS	Complete Business Case.

For the period 3 December 2015–3 June 2016