

Cairns Marine Precinct Common User Facility

STRATEGICALLY PLACED. MARKET ALIGNED. INVESTMENT READY.



A major milestone infrastructure initiative designed to expand marine vessel maintenance capability and capacity in Far North Queensland. Supported by a joint investment from the Australian and Queensland Governments, the project will strengthen Cairns' position as a strategic, world-class service hub for Northern Australia and the broader Asia-Pacific region.

Led by Ports North, the project is now seeking a private sector partner to co-fund, develop, operate and maintain the facility under a long-term commercial arrangement.



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A Strategic Response to Growing Demand

The Cairns Marine Precinct – Common User Facility (CMP-CUF) addresses increasing national and regional demand for maritime maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) services. Located within the established Cairns Marine Precinct, the facility will deliver critical infrastructure to support these expanding markets.

What Is Being Developed

The proposed scope of the Common User Facility will deliver:



5,000 tonne ship lift capable of lifting vessels up to 120m



All weather blast and paint facilities



Hardstand and vessel maintenance areas



100m wet berth for in water maintenance



Future ready industrial and maritime support facilities



Wash Down Bay and SPMT

These investments will significantly expand the operational capability and long-term capacity of the Cairns marine sector.

Commercial Opportunity

A unique opportunity to co-fund, design, build, operate and maintain the Cairns Marine Precinct – Common User Facility (CMP-CUF), securing a long-term position in a strategically located and growing maritime market.

The CMP-CUF offers investors the ability to establish a scaled, revenue-generating maritime MRO platform in Northern Australia positioned to capture increasing demand across Defence, commercial and marine sectors.

Investment Characteristics



Significant public funding



Long-term lease and operating agreements



Prime developable 67,000m² site within the Cairns Marine Precinct



Flexible phased delivery aligned to market demand

The potential to develop and operate the CMP-CUF provides a rare opportunity to develop a strategic foothold in Northern Australia's expanding marine maintenance sector.

Next Steps

Ports North invites industry participants, investors, and strategic partners to register their interest in the opportunity and help shape the future of marine industry capability in Northern Australia.

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