East Arm Wharf Facilities Masterplan 2030

Transport Minister Gerry McCarthy today launched the East Arm Wharf Facilities Masterplan 2030 Land Use Strategy.

“East Arm Wharf is a major strategic asset for the Territory and plays a vital role in our economic development and ability to attract new industries,” Mr McCarthy said.

“More than $3 billion worth of cargo is moved through East Arm Wharf annually, which supports 500 industries and thousands of jobs.

“We want East Arm Wharf to enhance the Territory’s reputation as a place to do business effectively and efficiently and help grow the Territory.

“The Masterplan 2030, developed by the Darwin Port Corporation, will provide a blueprint for the overall future directions and staged development plans for land and sea based activities at East Arm Wharf.

“This Masterplan outlines a long term vision for East Arm Wharf which will provide direction and certainty for industry, government and stakeholders.

“Stakeholders who use the port such as oil and gas companies, livestock exporters and mining companies need a clear understanding of what facilities are being planned in the longer term so they have more certainty going forward.

“This Masterplan is part of the current $150 million infrastructure program to upgrade East Arm Wharf’s existing facilities and this investment will facilitate trade growth and enhance local and regional economic development over the next 20 years.”

Darwin Port Corporation Chief Executive Robert Ritchie said the Masterplan provides a clear long term land use strategy for the Port of Darwin with a staged Port Development Plan for East Arm Wharf over the next 20 years.

“We continue to record strong growth in key cargo segments which is reflected in the economic growth and strength of the Northern Territory economy,” Mr Richie said.

“This Masterplan clearly demonstrates our commitment to being competitive and to meeting the growing needs of our stakeholders.”

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