Local developers in bid to develop Berrimah Farm

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Berrimah Farm, arguably Darwin’s most exciting new development opportunity, is one step closer with the three shortlisted proponents being selected from a quality field who expressed their interest.

Three local developers were selected by an assessment panel from a pool of eight, which included international contenders, and will now be asked to submit a comprehensive proposal before one is awarded the development.

The shortlisted proponents competing for development rights are listed below in alphabetical order:

- Gwelo Developments – previous work: SOHO apartments and Mantra Pandanas
- Halikos Group – previous work: One30 Esplanade and the H hotel
- Urbex – previous work: Johnston Ridge and Zuccoli Stage 1 residential subdivisions.

Minister for Lands and Planning Peter Chandler said these developers now have the chance to make their mark on Darwin’s future by creating an urban centre that will be the envy of the nation.

“Berrimah Farm is a premium location and it deserves a developer with a vision to match,” Mr Chandler said.

“This will be a community that not only supports its planned 6750 residents but also attracts visitors from surrounding suburbs by creating spaces and places people want to be in.

“Restaurants, bars, supermarkets, schools and speciality shops are all possibilities.

“These developers have quite the task ahead of them, but I believe they have the experience and knowledge to deliver quality proposals that will make for a tough decision.”

The Expressions of Interest process opened in October and closed on 5 December 2014.

A Request for Detailed Proposal process will commence in February 2015 with a preferred proponent expected to be identified by mid-2015. Work could begin on site before the end of the year.
A bio of the three shortlisted proponents is attached.

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