

Tourism Recovery Fund Project – November Project Status Report

Project	Proponent/s	Funding (\$)	Description	Status (as at 1 November 2018)
Island Short Walks	Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Department of Environment and Science	500,000	This project will deliver all-weather walking trails with interpretive panels on Border, Langford and Haslewood Islands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Langford Island: short walk opened 31/01/2018. • Border Island: short walk opened 20/08/2018. • Haslewood Island: draft two of detailed design received. Procurement process finalised 4/10/2018. Completion due early 2019. Draft interpretative signage received with design finalisation 9/10/2018. Installation of signage during November 2018.
Hill Inlet Lookout upgrade and expansion	Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Department of Environment and Science	2,000,000	<p>The project will deliver new and upgraded infrastructure to support land and water-based tourism activities at Hill Inlet. Work includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • extension of existing and construction of new viewing platforms; • construction of all-weather hardened circuit track; • construction of shaded rest areas; • design, manufacture and installation of interpretation panels; and <p>improve access to Tongue Point</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of lookout extension commenced 11 July 2018. • Lookout 3 completed 23 October 2018. • Extension of lookout 1 commenced construction. Due for completion mid November 2018. • Construction of track alignments 3, 4 & 5 completed 23 October 2018. • Detailed design for the rest areas and track alignments 1, 2 & 6 underway. • GBRMPA approvals for improved access received 31 August 2018. Works to be undertaken during suitable tides in February or March 2019.

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Peter Faust Dam Tourism Infrastructure Development	Whitsunday Regional Council and Tourism Whitsundays	1,000,000	<p>This project will deliver new tourism infrastructure at Peter Faust Dam (Lake Proserpine) to support new tourism experiences in the region. Works include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • construction of facilities to support day fishing experiences and tours; and design, manufacture and installation of interpretive panels. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lake Proserpine Master Plan and baseline analysis report completed and being reviewed by Whitsunday Regional Council. Council to endorse. • Relevant stakeholders to inform project timeline. <p>Lease to be signed off by the Sunwater Board.</p>
Indigenous Bush Tucker Trail and Paddock to Plate venue – Flagstaff Hill	Whitsunday Regional Council and Tourism Whitsundays	1,000,000	<p>This project will redevelop an existing restaurant on Flagstaff Hill, delivering a new tourism venue which will support the delivery of Indigenous tourism activities, festivals, cooking classes, and farmers markets. Works include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • engineering assessment of the building for extension or replacement; • construction of new building structure; and <p>business development assistance for Indigenous tourism, local produce displays and sales, pop-up restaurants, cooking classes and farmers markets and festivals.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Architect being sought for concept completion and final design. Quotations have been received and are being reviewed and finalised by procurement. • Business Plan drafted and under review. <p>Council waiting for formal notification of additional land valuation.</p>
Auditorium @Bougainvillea Marquee	Hamilton Island Enterprises Limited	500,000	<p>This project is for the construction of an auditorium to attract large expo and conference events at Bougainvillea Marquee, Hamilton Island</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Architect engaged to complete Approval and Construction issue drawings. • Consultant engaged to co-ordinate MCU / Development approval. • Private Certifier engaged to work on the Building design. • Energy Efficiency Consultant engaged to complete report on building design criteria.

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Underwater tourism infrastructure in the Whitsundays	Reef Ecologic	971,610	This project is for the design, creation and installation of underwater and inter-tidal interpretive art pieces across the Whitsunday region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GBRMPA Research Permit received 31 July 2018 for 4 pieces of art to be temporarily (3 months) placed at several sites at Langford Bird Reef (moved from high water area in August to the intertidal area in September, and expected to be moved to a subtidal area in October and removed in November). • Over 250 social surveys of peoples' attitudes to art, tourism, education and the reef received by end of October. • The 'call to artists' applications closed August 2018 with 73 applications received and shortlisted to the next stage. An independent panel selected 3 individual artists and 1 team of 3 artists to design 6 artworks for the Whitsundays-Bowen region. Contracts signed. • The subjects of the public art include Manta rays, Turtle, Maori wrasse, Coral polyp (Anthozoa) and an indigenous themed 'Bwya'. The largest sculpture is 6m. • A permit application for the 6 artworks submitted in September to GBRMPA. The preferred sites

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Feasibility study into the restoration and relocation of a Catalina	Catalina Flying Memorial Ltd	48,390	This project is for a feasibility study into the restoration and relocation of a Catalina flying aircraft to Bowen for static and flying display as a tourist and educational attraction	Study completed and report submitted.
Interpretative space at the Bowen Visitor Information Centre	Bowen Tourism and Enterprise	90,000	This project is for the creation and installation of a digital interpretive space, featuring CGI virtual reality, at the Bowen Visitor Information Centre. The content developed will focus on key experiences across the Whitsundays.	Completed and officially launched 25 October 2018.
Whitsunday Skyway Feasibility Study	Jimmy Crow Limited	260,000	This project is for a feasibility study for a proposed all-weather cable car, interpretative centre and café, hiking and cycling tracks and adrenaline activities located both near and within Conway National Park, overlooking Airlie Beach.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed aerial lidar survey work and alignments for the ropeway from the base station to the summit completed. • Concept plans for the base and summit buildings completed. • Concept roads, walking and bike trails; including proposed location of the luge ride and canopy ropes activities completed. • Initial budget construction estimates for the core buildings completed • On site meetings to understand scope and scale of the eco adventure precinct completed.

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Inclusive family friendly water play attraction	Queens Beach Tourist Village Pty Ltd	130,000	This project is for the construction of an inclusive family water play attraction at Queens Beach Tourist Village, Queens Beach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concrete pool shell curing. • Shade Sail Poles Installed.
Coral gardening tourism experience	DITID	500,000	This project will include a co-design led process to develop the coral gardening concept into a viable project to be taken to market (with \$500,000 seed funding).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proponents presented to Working Group in August 2018. • Final proposal subject to Federal and Queensland Government approval.