

Tourism Recovery Fund Project – July Project Status Report

Project	Proponent/s	Funding (\$)	Description	Status (as at 1 July 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 on 31/1/2018 • Border Island: work commenced on 21 June 2018; weather permitting, the walk is scheduled to be completed by 30 September 2018. • Haslewood Island: conceptual design for the Lookout is progressing. On site works are scheduled to commence in August 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 • improve access to Tongue Point 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract to construct was awarded on 31 May 2018. • On site preparation has commenced.
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 has been completed and is currently being reviewed by Whitsunday Regional Council and relevant stakeholders to inform project timeline.

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Indigenous Bush Tucker Trail and Paddock to Plate venue	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 • business development assistance for Indigenous tourism, local produce displays and sales, pop-up restaurants, cooking classes and farmers markets and festivals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Further conceptual designs for the building venue of Flagstaff Hill were requested by Whitsunday Regional Council and are currently being reviewed by the Council and relevant stakeholders.
Auditorium @Bougainvillea Marquee	Hamilton Island Enterprises Limited	500,000	This project is for the construction of an auditorium to attract large expo and conference events at Bougainvillea Marquee, Hamilton Island	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated project plan has been submitted for sign-off.
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"> • Stakeholder consultations and site assessments continued in June and a ‘call to artists’ went out on 29 June 2018, with applications closing early August 2018. Required permits to be lodged in July 2018.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contract has been awarded for the conduct of the feasibility study and work has commenced.

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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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Filming for the project has been completed and installation of the space is scheduled to be completed by late July 2018. VR app sets will be released in early August 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"> Initial consultancy work has been completed. Meetings with regulatory authorities to occur in early July 2018.
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"> Project plan has been finalised and work is scheduled to commence late July 2018 (weather permitting)
Coral gardening tourism experience	Department of Innovation, Tourism Industry Development and the Commonwealth Games (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"> Proposals to be circulated to the Tourism Recovery Fund Working Group for discussion in July 2018. Final proposal is still subject to Federal and Queensland Government approval.