Pipeline - Australia

1,645
Number of Projects

$10.13 billion
Estimated Value

Civil Engineering
Commercial
Community
Apartments & Units
Industrial
Mining

Median Project Value

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Moving into construction - Australia

768 Number of Projects

$3.62 billion Estimated Value

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Commercial

Community

Industrial

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New South Wales

David Elliot, Minister for Corrective Services has announced that the proposed expansion of the Emu Plains Correctional Centre will no longer proceed, due to community concerns and flooding risk. The Minister will continue to explore alternative sites to increase the capacity in the NSW correctional system.

The announcement comes alongside the suecease of plans for a ‘mega’ prison in Wollondilly which would hold up to 5,000 inmates. The Productivity Commission released a report detailing the increase in the Australian prison population by 7% in the year to March 2015, with the prison population reaching a record high of approximately 32,500 people. This signals the need for greater capacity prisons, particularly in NSW and the ACT, which has 58% of the prison population. The report also indicates that NSW and the ACT have capacity utilisation rates of over 100%.

High-end residential developer, Aqualand, has diversified into suburban house and land development following the acquisition of a 12.5 hectare parcel of land with development approval in place in Baulkham Hills from the Sisters of St Joseph Convent. This may be setting a trend towards medium density development in anticipation of the waning apartment boom, while capitalising on the establishment of the north-west rail link. The site of the Norwest train station is just a 10 minute walk from the land acquired by Aqualand.

A subsidiary of the China Poly Group Corporation, Poly Australia, has acquired a residential development site in Lindfield, in the North Shore of Sydney. The developer plans to build a 68 apartment and townhouse project. A development application is yet to be submitted and the company plans to start marketing late this year. The developer also owns a site in St Leonards with potential for up to 340 apartments.

Tenders have been called for principal architect for a multi-purpose cruise terminal facility at the Port of Newcastle. To be built at the Channel Berth, the $12.7 million terminal will be similar in scale to Sydney’s White Bay Terminal, and will be a global cruise ship destination.

Australian Capital Territory

A significant development site in Forrest, on the corner of Canberra Avenue and State Circle, is to be auctioned in March. The site has potential for a quality precinct incorporating a hotel, residential accommodation and/or diplomatic mission, together with a nationally significant structure in accordance with the National Capital Authority’s Land Use guidelines.

The Owen, Lyneham and De Burgh public housing site in Lyneham’s Northbourne Avenue is set to tender for future development. The site, which holds up to 22 apartments in 4, 8 storey buildings, the development will be targeted at young urban professionals seeking homes close to their workplace. The development is estimated to be worth up to $50 million.

Victoria

As a part of the $600 million Mernda Rail extension project, the Victorian Government has announced a third station on the new rail line to Mernda, in addition to Mernda station and another near Marymede College in South Morang. The station will be established near Hawkstowe Parade, also in South Morang. John Holland is contracted to build the development. The stations will connect to walking and cycling paths, and have additional landscaping. Construction is expected to create over 1,000 jobs. Commencement on the project is expected this year, and completion anticipated for 2019.

In other rail network news, Franklin and A’Beckett Streets in the Melbourne CBD were closed to the public in January. The closure is to make way for the construction of the $10.9 billion Melbourne Metro Rail Tunnel. Chief executive of the Melbourne Metro Rail Authority, Evan Tattersall, claimed the exact timing for re-opening is being determined through the tender for a builder. The new CBD North station will require excavation down 11 storeys, as it is linked to Melbourne Central Station. On St Kilda Road, work is also underway this month at the site of the future Domain Station.

The ancient indigenous site Budj Bim, located in south-west Victoria, has been nominated for the World Heritage Tentative List. The State Government has provided $8 million worth of funding to ensure two stages of development to support tourism to the area while maintaining protection of the site. The stages will include improved protection of the land, improving public access via roads and paths, and the construction of visitor and accommodation centres. The site has been referred to as the world’s first engineering project with the permanent settlement of the land dating back as far as 6,600 years.

Seymour Whyte Constructions were awarded the contract for the Swan Street Bridge project by the state government in January, with construction to begin after the Moomba Festival in March. The bridge upgrade is worth $30 million, and will allow commuters to reduce their travel time by establishing additional lanes, new pedestrian and cycling paths, and a new pedestrian crossing. Completion of the upgrade is expected at the end of 2017.

Queensland

Expressions of interest have been invited for a managing contractor for Townsville’s North Queensland Stadium. The $250 million, cyclone-resistant, regional stadium would comprise 25,000 seats with the capacity for future expansion to 30,000 seats.

Other proposed Stadium facilities include open air corporate boxes and enclosed corporate suites, permanent food and beverage outlets, radio broadcast booths, television commentary booths, a media lounge and more. Cox Architecture is heading up a team including Townsville’s 9Point9Architects to work on the designs. The managing contractor is expected to be appointed by April, with early works scheduled to start mid-year for completion in time for the start of the 2020 NRL season. At the 21st of January, the Townsville Bulletin reported that 40% of signed contractors on the projects were based in North Queensland. This signals growth in the building sector in Queensland, in line with state initiatives to promote local jobs in the region.

Fraser Coast Regional Council has been the first Queensland council to adopt a wood encouragement policy to boost the development of the local timber industry. The policy encourages the use of responsibly sourced wood as the first-choice construction material in all new and refurbished projects when deemed equally-fitting for the purpose.

Early works have commenced on the Queens Wharf Redevelopment project, worth over $3 billion. To be developed by Destination Brisbane Consortium, the project will eventually transform part of the CBD into a landmark development featuring 2,000 apartments, gaming facilities, 1,000 hotel rooms, bars and restaurants, retail space, a glass Skydeck, a ballroom, a moonlight theatre and new pedestrian bridge to south bank. As of early 2017, early works are expected to commence including consultancy work, demolition, and construction of a boardwalk.

Tasmania

A development application has been submitted this month to increase tourism in the Stanley area in Tasmania. Australian Travel & Culture Group proposed construction of 45 time share tourist accommodation units in the area. Designed by Abel Drafting Services the $6.5 million development should go into construction later this year pending approval.

Ridley Corporation Ltd have announced plans to build a new state of the art feedmill facility in Tasmania this
month. The feedmill will be located in Westbury, and will supply feed to the Tasmanian Salmon industry, as well as other aquaculture species. The development will be assisted by $2 million worth of funding from the Tasmanian Government to secure jobs and attract business to the area.

South Australia

At 6.8% of the labour force, South Australia has the highest official rate of unemployment across the country. In order to try and boost employment opportunities, a large school funding initiative was outlined by the South Australian government when 2016-17 budget was handed down. This included a $500 million commitment to public schools, and $250 million in loans to private schools. Upgrades would be particularly focused on Science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM) facilities.

A number of metropolitan schools are currently in the process of planning future development or are already undergoing construction. Lend Lease has been awarded the $100 million contract to build the Adelaide New CBD School, a high school which will feature state of the art STEM labs and host up to 1,250 students. Preliminary works are underway with construction expected in March 2017 and completion by late 2018.

Other school development projects coming into the pipeline include:

- Seymour College, constructing new entrance/ driveway and planning future development towards facilities for STEM;
- St Peter’s College commenced a classroom block and site works to two existing buildings;
- St Peter’s College acquired the site of the former Sanatorium factory, previously planned for residential development and proposed to develop the site for future playing fields;
- Prince Alfred College has development approval for the construction of a 5 storey Boarding House;
- Pembroke School has submitted a development application for a multi-storey building as part of its expansion for a STEM programme;
- Pulteney Grammar will construct a 3 storey building for further classrooms, a library and a Performing Arts Centre, as well as early plans for a Community space and Sports Hub;
- Among other refurbishments, Walford Anglican School for Girls is planning to provide STEM facilities and a multi-purpose studio for drama, music and public speaking; a new pavilion at their playing fields is also planned;
- Westminster School is currently refurbishing classrooms and will commence a further multi-storey complex for early learning, a years 11 and 12 centre and primary school classrooms;
- Scotch College has recently received planning approval for an upgrade to Gratton House in the Middle School.

The Primary Pit Building and Hotel, located at The Bend Motorsport Park in Tailem Bend has commenced construction. The $20 million development, being built by Romaldi Constructions Pty Ltd, is expected to be completed by early 2018. It is part of the overall development of an $80 million motorsports park. Early civil works are nearing completion and future stages will include a motor racing circuit, drag strip, karting, a range of on-road and off-road events and training. Ancillary service and retail activities including a petrol filling station, cafes, restaurants and tourist and visitor accommodation facilities will also be available.

Sarah Constructions has been awarded a contract for the Minda Redevelopment, valued at $25 million, to provide 68 retirement units, 51 accommodation apartments and 18 houses facing Retpon Road. The project has an estimated value of $25 million, and construction is to proceed progressively from March 2017.
Northern Territory

Project development and concept design services are needed to identify future infrastructure requirements. The infrastructure is intended to provide improved road access to Alice Springs through Heavitree Gap for commuters, travellers, and freight providers.

The section of the Stuart Highway which passes through the area known as The Gap in the MacDonnell Ranges is the only sealed road link connecting the Northern Territory to South Australia. The project currently out to public tender will aim to identify solutions for the future duplication of the Stuart Highway through The Gap including investigation and recommendation of possible design options, and concept design development for the most suitable design option.

Western Australia

Major works in Western Australia reflect an increase in state and federal initiatives, making up for a shortfall of investment in the public sector.

Such public works include the future Forrestfield Station, located in the eastern suburbs of Perth. The station forms part of the $1.86 billion Forrestfield-Airport Link project. It will include a major car park and bus interchange, and is expected to open in 2020. The project is jointly funded by both state and federal Governments.

Georgiou Group has been awarded a $51 million contract this month to transform the Scarborough foreshore. The redevelopment includes a new surf club, improved beach access, promenades and a children’s playground. It is expected that up to 100 construction jobs will be created during development.

A new Open Range Zoo worth $5 million has been proposed for Lower Chittering. A site has been determined and after initial assessments on environmental conditions the land is deemed to be ideal for the zoo and is located around 60 km from Perth. Plans will continue to progress for the future development which was first announced in November 2016.

The contract for Stage 2 of the Northlink WA project has been announced this month. Stage 2 is worth an estimated $417 million. The Great Northern Connect Team, which is a joint venture between BGC Contracting and Laing O’Rouke Construction Pty Ltd, have been named the main contractors on the project. The joint venture partners will construct the central section of the Swan Valley Bypass between the Reid Highway and Ellenbrook. Construction is expected to be completed in 2019.

The Gruyere Joint Venture Gold Project, located in Laverton, WA, has received environmental approval this month. The project is based on a mineral resource of 6.16 million ounces of gold and an ore reserve of 3.2 million ounces. The project will now move in the final approvals process phase. Construction will include a processing plant and a tailings storage facility.

The installation of the subsea infrastructure on the Ichthys LNG Project has been completed this month. The project involved subsea work across a 400sq metre area in the Browse Basin. The project is now in a position for final installation of the central processing facility.

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