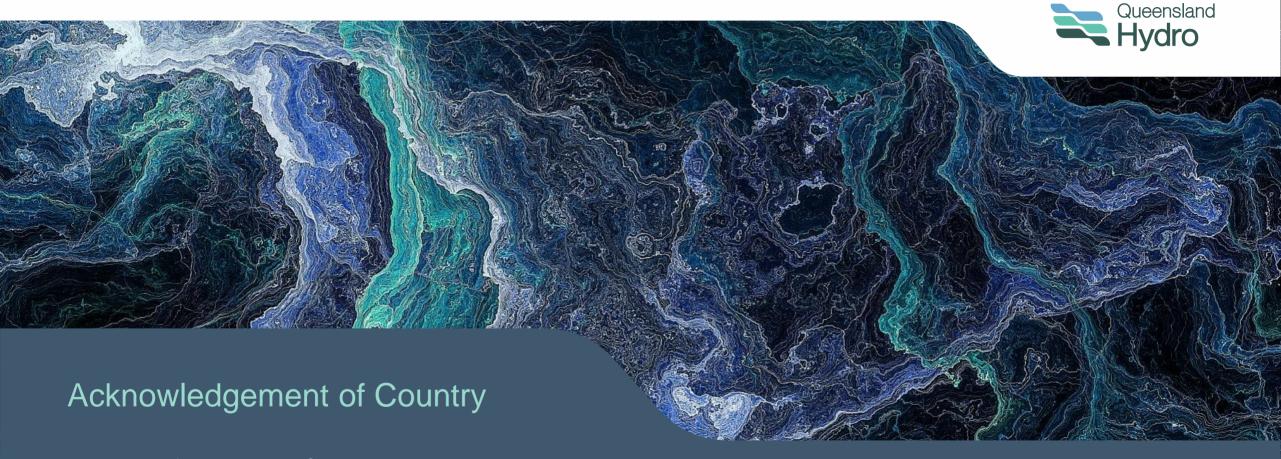


# Borumba Pumped Hydro Project

Stakeholder Reference Group extraordinary meeting Works Regulation for temporary accommodation camps



In the spirit of reconciliation, Queensland Hydro acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of Country throughout Queensland and, in particular the lands, skies and waters on which we operate. We celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal peoples and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands, skies and waters of Queensland.

Queensland Hydro pays respect to Elders past and present honouring their continuing spiritual and cultural connections to Country.





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# Welcome and introductions



# Introductions

At this meeting from Queensland Hydro:

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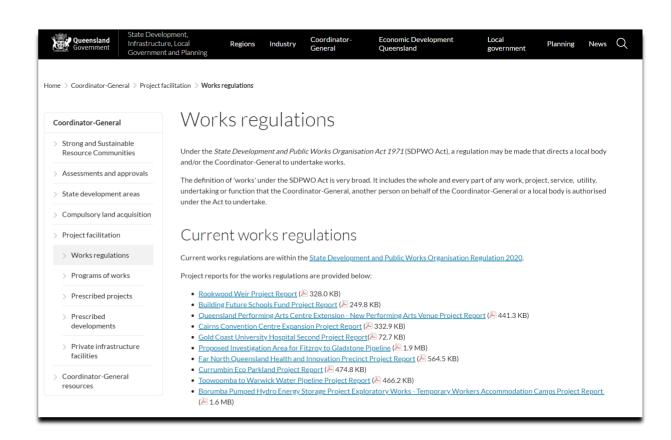
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# What is a works regulation?

# A works regulation is:

- made under the State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971 (SDPWO Act)
- directs a local body and/or the Coordinator-General to undertake works
- prepared by the Office of the Coordinator-General (and is a Coordinator-General process)





# What does the works regulation apply to?

## This works regulation:

- directs Queensland Hydro to construct two temporary workers accommodation camps (TWAC).
- directs the Coordinator-General to exercise powers under the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act* 1971 (SDPWO Act) to support the project works.
- enables the TWAC construction to progress without a requirement for Queensland Hydro to seek development approvals from Somerset and Gympie Regional Councils.
- allows the Coordinator-General to assist facilitation of works to support the TWACs using various functions and powers
  of the Coordinator-General in the SDPWO Act, such as opening, closing and rearranging roads to support road
  upgrades.



# What does the works regulation apply to?

The works regulation would not affect the requirement for Queensland Hydro to seek approvals for all other aspects of the proposed exploratory works and main works for the Borumba PHES Project, including approvals under the Australian *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.* 

If the works regulation was not made:

- the TWACs would be subject to development assessment processes under the local planning schemes.
- assessments could take up to 12 months to complete.



# Project report for the works regulation

- Uploaded to the website of the Office of the Coordinator General today
- We will go through each section today

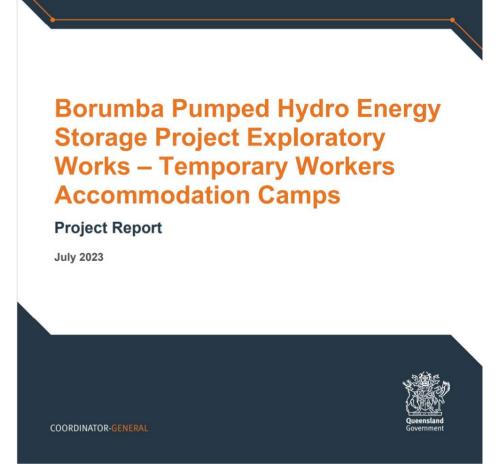
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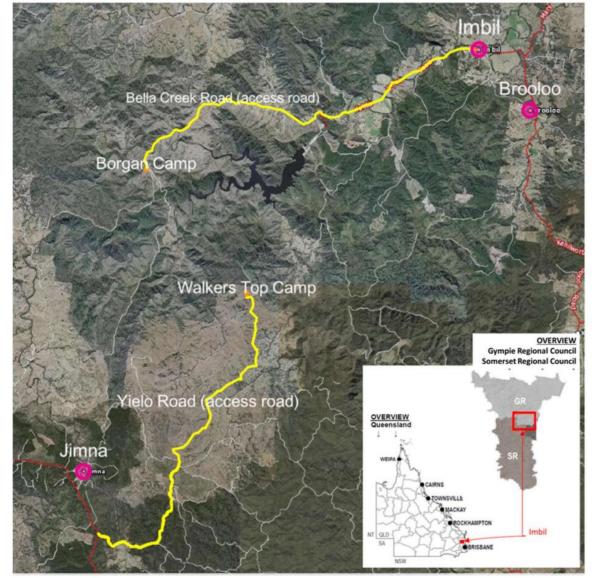
Appendix 2. Location of each proposed TWAC site



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# Appendix 1. Locality of project

Figure A1.1 Locality of project







# Figure A 1.1 Locality of project (enlarged)

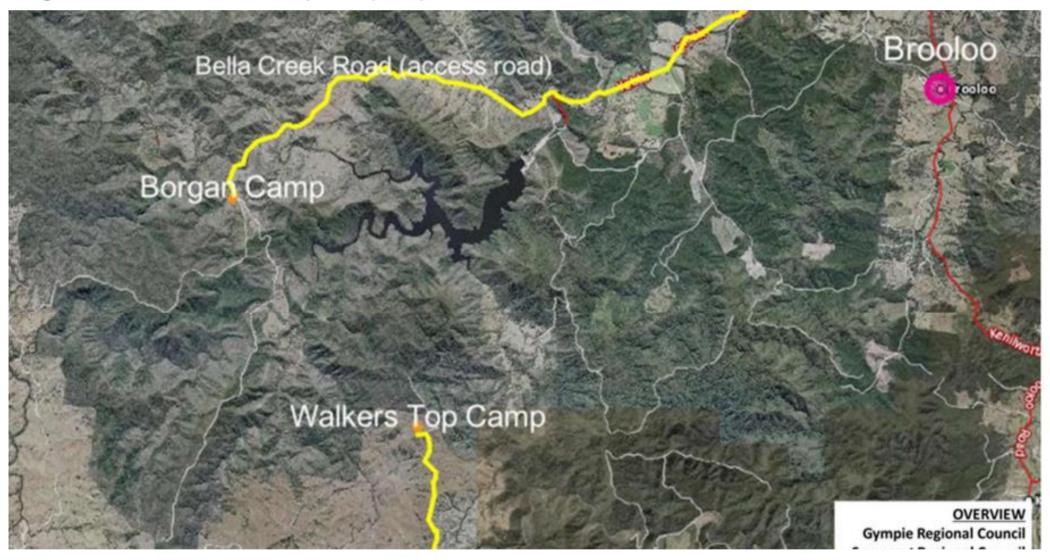




Figure A2.2 Borgan Camp location

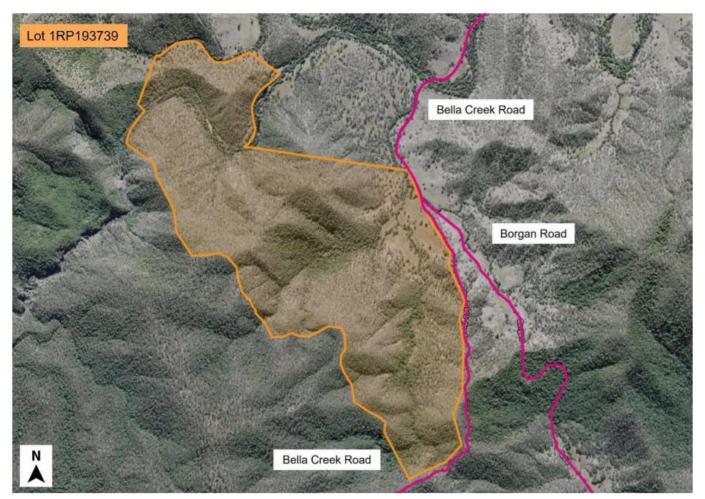






Figure A2.3 Walkers Top Camp location





# Environmental management for TWACs



# **Environmental management**

### Design

- Located in predominantly cleared areas to avoid vegetation clearing as much as possible
- Generally not visible from either public spaces or houses closest residence for Borgan TWAC is ~1.6km northeast; closest residence for Walkers Top TWAC is ~3km southeast
- Fauna friendly fencing, with hoarding for visual amenity
- Minimal lighting around buildings at night (ground level)
- After decommissioning, ground will be rehabilitated back to pre-existing condition

### **Establishment**

- Clearly delineate work area boundaries before works begin
- Pre-clearance surveys by qualified fauna spotter-catcher, if required
- Access tracks will be in accordance with Erosion control on property roads and tracks—managing runoff (Queensland Government 2013)
- Treatment of existing weeds and biosecurity management (e.g. vehicle washdown, weed hygiene declarations)



# Environmental management

### **Operation**

- Worker access to the camps will be by bus
- Power from portable silenced generators
- All work will be limited to the camp compound
- Waste to be sorted onsite and transported for disposal at the closest waste transfer station
- Wastewater will be trucked offsite to appropriate facility
- Dust generating areas to be wetted regularly or covered
- Low speed limits with signage
- Appropriate storage of materials (e.g. fuel) and spill management kits

### **Management plans**

- Bushfire Hazard Assessment and Management Plan
- Erosion and Sediment Control Plan; controls will be in placed before any earthworks



# Temporary workers accommodation camps (TWACs)



# Approximate timeline for TWACs

### Q3 2023

Tenders for the temporary workers accommodation camps packages released via QTenders



End Q4 2023

**Tender Award** 



End of Q1 / Q2 2024

Onsite works scheduled to commence



Temporary workers
accommodation
camps to be in place
until replaced by main
works accommodation
camps

Pending main works approvals



# TWAC tender information

There are 2 temporary workers accommodation camps (TWACs) to be established.

The Camp Contractor shall perform all required work necessary to fully design, fabricate, construct, certify and then operate/manage the camp facility.

Each camp is to constructed initially for 84 persons but be master planned to enable expansion to 168 persons.

### Each camp will include:

- Accommodation units
- Kitchen and food storage (dry and cold storage)
- Dining room / mess
- Personal laundry
- Indoor recreational room
- Gymnasium
- Outdoor undercover area
- Personal luggage & PPE storage area
- Emergency first aid / medical room
- Camp administration office with 'personal essentials' shop
- Queensland Hydro project office
- Security and access control stations will be established nearby to each camp



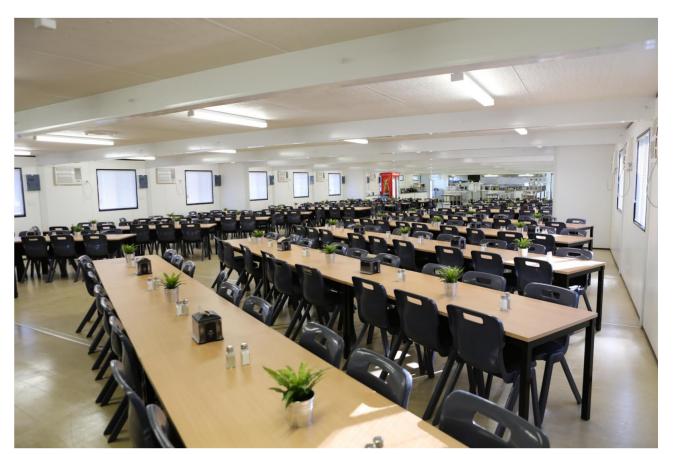
Indicative example of a TWAC



# Tender information

### Camp infrastructure will also include:

- An engineered vehicle turn-out from Bella Creek Road
- Camp Fencing
- Signage
- Covered concrete pathways between facilities
- CCTV Security System
- Lighting
- Power Supply Generators
- Bulk fuel storage and dispensing system
- Potable water system to service the entire site
- Wastewater system to service the entire site
- Satellite Communications
- Fire control
- Stormwater management
- Ice machines (commercial)



Indicative example of a TWAC mess



# Approvals for main works

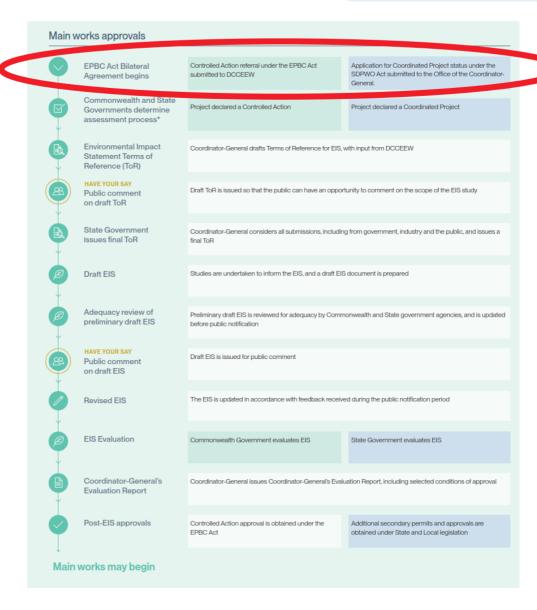


# Approvals for main works

EPBC Act Bilateral Agreement process is likely to begin this month, with the submission of:

- coordinated project application to (including an Initial Advice Statement (IAS)) to the Office of the Coordinator-General, and;
- 2. Environment Protection and Biodiversity
  Conservation Act (EPBC Act) Referral for the Project
  to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the
  Environment and Water (DCCEEW)

Public comment on the Environmental Impact Statement Terms of Reference is expected Q4, 2023.





# Next steps?



# Next steps

- Next stakeholder reference group meeting scheduled for 7 September 2023, to be held in Gympie.
- Progression of Project office in Imbil



# Questions?



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