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The project team is currently awaiting the final Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) of Port of Brisbane's proposed 25-year Channel Enhancement Project. These Terms will be issued by the Queensland Coordinator-General.

The Queensland Coordinator-General has been reviewing submissions received during the public comment period on the draft ToR. Additionally, the Commonwealth Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water has had significant input into drafting the Terms, as the project is being assessed under a joint State and the Commonwealth Government accredited process.

In preparation for the EIS, the Port of Brisbane has been undertaking technical work to optimise the project design and has engaged with the community through events such as Brisbane Open House.

The project team has also been holding workshops and meetings with key stakeholders, including Traditional Owners, environmental organisations and local commercial fishing representatives, to identify potential constraints and opportunities related to the proposed dredge material placement areas shown in the Initial Advice Statement for the Project. These options include:

- Expansion of the Fisherman Islands Reclamation Area
- Juno Point Reclamation
- Central Moreton Bay
- Northern Deepwater

Initial feedback from this early engagement highlights a strong preference for a solution that balances operational efficiency with environmental management and beneficial dredge material re-use.

These findings will inform further technical studies, environmental assessments, and engagement activities to ensure the draft EIS reflects both the operational requirements of the project and the values of the Moreton Bay community and environment.

Cultural heritage recognition and engagement with Traditional Owners will also be integral to the project. A cultural heritage assessment and Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) will be developed as part of the EIS. This will include a formal notification and endorsement process under the Queensland *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, with interested Aboriginal Parties encouraged to participate.

The Channel Enhancement Project [web page](#) provides detailed information on the assessment project to be undertaken with fact sheets, updates and links.

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