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With the Terms of Reference for the Port of Brisbane's proposed Channel Enhancement Project now finalised, the project team is preparing the required public notifications and developing scopes for the key studies required to prepare the draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Studies to be undertaken will include, but not be limited to, coastal process and modelling, air quality, visual amenity, water quality, cultural heritage, economics and social impact assessment.

In recent months early work has commenced on dredge vessel design options as well as initial baseline studies on water quality, fisheries and ecology, coastal process modelling and channel operability. Consultation workshops have also been held regarding the proposed dredge material placement areas.

Monitoring beacons are now in place in Moreton Bay for water quality data collection, measuring turbidity and temperature. There will also be monitoring equipment placed on the Future Port Expansion rock wall to look at the number and frequency of recreational vessels that travel through the area being investigated for future port expansion.

Cultural heritage recognition and engagement with Traditional Owners remains integral to the project. A Cultural Heritage Assessment and Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) will be developed as part of the EIS. Public notification occurred on 22 October 2025 under the Queensland *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, with interested Aboriginal Parties encouraged to participate.

Project studies will continue throughout 2026, with findings and reports to inform the draft EIS which is expected to be lodged in mid-2027.

Engagement, consultation and feedback from stakeholders in relation to this work will continue throughout this period.

To register your interest in keeping up to date with the preparation of the project's draft EIS, please complete the [stakeholder engagement questionnaire](#) on the project website.

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