



KANGAROO
ISLAND



Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island

PROJECT BRIEF

KANGAROO ISLAND PROJECTS ECONOMIC IMPACTS STUDY

Introduction

The Island is facing some tremendous change with over \$171m of developments planned or approved with a projected 300 associated jobs over the next 3 – 5 years. These projects comprise State Government, Local Government and private sector developments. In addition to these developments there will be “knock on” benefits emerging for local businesses on the Island such as business expansion or new infrastructure.

The Commissioner is working with the Kangaroo Island Industry & Brand Alliance, the Department of State Development and the Australian Government to offer information, mentoring and training support to the businesses on the Island who will be impacted by these developments. The Commissioner is also working with Island recruitment agencies, training providers and through them job seekers, to ensure that Islanders gain the most from this economic growth.

The Office of the Commissioner for Kangaroo Island is keen to have a common picture among Kangaroo Island’s industry sectors about the potential implications of these developments on industry and businesses so there is baseline information upon which to assess opportunities and monitor progress into the future.

THE PROJECT

Prepare an ‘Economic Impacts Report’ for public distribution that examines the “known” developments and outlines the direct and indirect economic impacts of these developments for Kangaroo Island’s industry groups and workforce. Note: Not all projects are approved or have been fully funded, particularly private sector developments, which may still be seeking investment.

The project document to address:

- Direct Impacts of Developments
 - Number of direct jobs associated to developments;
 - Nature of direct jobs emerging – industry and tenure (casual, part time etc);
- Indirect Impacts of Developments
 - Knock on industries that will be impacted by developments and the nature of the likely impact;
 - Business growth opportunities that are likely to emerge within industry groups;
 - Issues that industries and the community are likely to face as the growth emerges and rolls out;
- Other relevant factors.

PRESENTATION OF THE PROJECT OUTCOMES

It is envisaged that the project outcomes will be presented:

- A draft of the 'Economic Impacts Report', which includes an initial assessment of the aforementioned impacts of developments. It is anticipated that this is distributed at a launch of the *Kangaroo Island Economic Development Outlook* in mid-June. Opportunities exist to seek feedback from industry groups on the Draft Report, which might highlight additional impacts that hadn't been considered.
- Presentation of the final Report at an Information Session for the Transformation Project's Business Support Program.

The final document will be able to be adjusted/updated as issues progress – perhaps on an annual basis. Links to the content of the Outlook document would be valuable.

PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

The Commissioner's office will provide documents and introductions to key contacts for the development of the document.