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A strong pipeline of future projects for the region

Greater Whitsunday Alliance (GW3) and Regional Development Australia Mackay, Isaac, Whitsunday (RDA) together with support from the Hail Creek Mine Community Development fund are today launching the inaugural Regional Projects Development Register.

Chief Executive Officer of Greater Whitsunday Alliance Mr Garry Scanlan said the Regional Projects Development Register clearly demonstrates the depth of our region's economy.

"The Regional Projects Development Register focuses on infrastructure, mining, construction and utilities projects with a value of more than \$1 million and presents them in one easy-to-read document," said Mr Scanlan.

"This is an important project for both GW3 and RDA to collaborate on together, as it showcases the future pipeline of projects and clearly demonstrates to all levels of government and private industry proponents that the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday region is open for business and poised for continued growth."

Mr Scanlan said the data in the Regional Projects Development Register was primarily sourced from Australia's largest provider of property related information and analytics CoreLogic with additional information supplied by the region's three regional councils.

"CoreLogic combines their own proprietary data with diverse public information to provide accurate and up-to-date data and analytics, so we have been able to produce a robust document which has been verified by an independent source.

"Some projects listed are already underway whilst other have an 'early' status definition which indicates the future pipeline for the region is very strong," said Mr Scanlan.

Chief Executive Officer of Regional Development Australia Mackay, Isaac, Whitsunday Mr Ben Wearmouth said the Regional Projects Development Register was an important attraction tool for the region.

"The register clearly demonstrates that there is a diversity of projects and future opportunities for the region which gives potential investors some insight and confidence in the direction of the region," said Mr Wearmouth.

"This is an important ongoing economic development marketing tool and we look forward to using it in our discussions with Ministers and private project proponents."

Mr Scanlan said the Regional Projects Development Register would be updated and released quarterly.

A full copy of the Regional Projects Development Register is available to download by visiting:

<http://www.greaterwhitsundayalliance.com.au/publications>

Greater Whitsunday Alliance is the region's peak, independent economic development body committed to making the Mackay, Isaac, Whitsunday region strong for generations.

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