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A

word
from our
Chairman,
Neil Findlay



Freight Smart Grant Scheme

The Queensland Transport and Logistics Council together with Main Roads has offered to 2 grants of \$50,000 with the aim of encouraging and supporting Queensland based industries in identifying, trialling and evaluating innovative freight practices that will reduce urban congestion, minimise greenhouse gas emissions and deliver a more efficient and effective freight network.

Neil Findlay, QTLC Chairman said "The QTLC is excited with the opportunity to be involved in the FreightSmart Scheme and at the prospect of unearthing proposals that have the potential to make a real contribution to freight and energy efficiencies state-wide".

The Freight Smart program offers matching dollar-for-dollar grants and invites applicants to present innovative proposals with potential to positively impact on Queensland's freight industry's energy and economic efficiency.

An extensive advertising campaign is being undertaken to elicit interest for the FreightSmart Grants program across industry groups. Response to the campaign has been positive with enquiries received from a broad range of industry participants.

The deadline for submissions of applications is the 24 September. All FreightSmart Grant submissions will be evaluated by a panel with a broad range of experience within the freight and logistics industry. It is anticipated that the successful applicant will be notified by 19 October, with a view to starting the trialling and evaluation process shortly after. Details of the Freight Smart Grant Scheme are available on the QTLC website www.qtlc.com.au.

Integrated Freight Strategy for Queensland update

QTLC has undertaken an extensive state-wide program of industry consultation on the development of the Integrated Freight Strategy for Queensland. This Strategy has the key principle of driving freight outcomes that are environmentally responsive, and promote safe, productive and sustainable freight movement.

The robust consultation conducted with QTLC and TMR staff proved to be successful, providing the wider industry with the opportunity to have their voices heard in the initial development stages of the Strategy. The following issues emerged as a part of that consultation process.

- Integrated Planning
- Freight Corridors
- Freight Hubs
- Regulation
- Congestion
- National Strategies

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A report “Queensland Transport and Logistics Council (QTLC) Strategy Consultation Integrated Freight Strategy” was provided to TMR. The response to the report was very positive and reflected QTLC’s influence on the development of the Strategy.

When the actions from the IFSQ are identified, it will significantly influence future QTLC initiatives and will also guide the formation of QTLC working groups. These working groups will focus on areas such as the development of Freight Corridors, Local Government and Freight, Improved Access and Innovative Vehicles. The QTLC hopes to engage more vigorously with Local Government in the future to ensure more effective and responsive freight outcomes. The role of industry will also become more important as these QTLC working groups are formed, as their involvement is integral to the on-going life of the Strategy.

It’s understood that the IFSQ will be available within the next month for a period of wider public consultation prior to final approval.

Strategic Planning Session

The QTLC will be conducting a ½ day Strategic Planning Session on the 29th of September 2010.

The purpose of the session is to guide QTLC in setting their direction and achieving its focus for the future. It will also identify key measurable targets that ensure that all QTLC members have a clear understanding of their roles and how the organisation performs.

Outcomes from the Strategic Planning session will be provided in the next Newsletter.

Other Activities

Queensland Transport & Logistics Council has been represented by chair Neil Findlay at the following forums:

- Surat Basin Skills Forum Dalby 16th June as delegate
- QLD Transport Infrastructure Summit Brisbane 21st June as delegate, speaker, and chair for one of the days of the event.
- Surat Basin Transport Forum, Toowoomba 25th August as delegate.
- Qld Supply Chain & Logistics Conference Brisbane 26th August as delegate and participant in debate at directors lounge event.

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Diary Dates

29 September

QTLC Strategic Planning Session

24 September

Due date for Freight Smart Grant submissions

2 November & 15 December

QTLC Members Meetings 2010