



# Defence investment in Central and North Queensland

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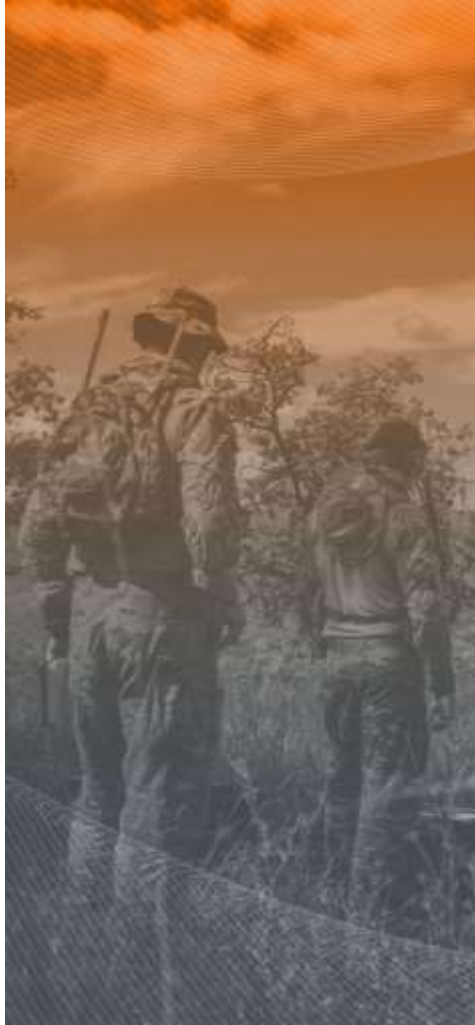
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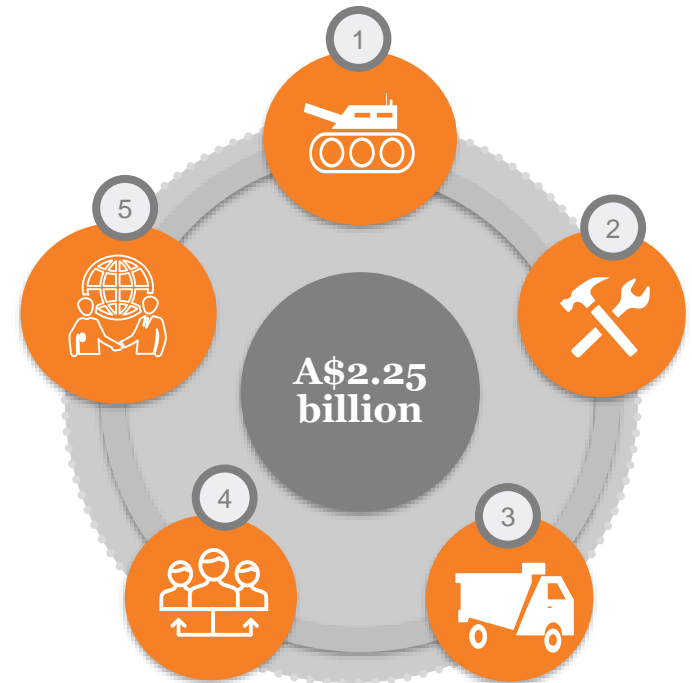
- Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative overview and progress update
- Overview of Defence projects in the region
- Defence's Local Industry Capability Plans
- Engagement with local industry and local communities

# Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative

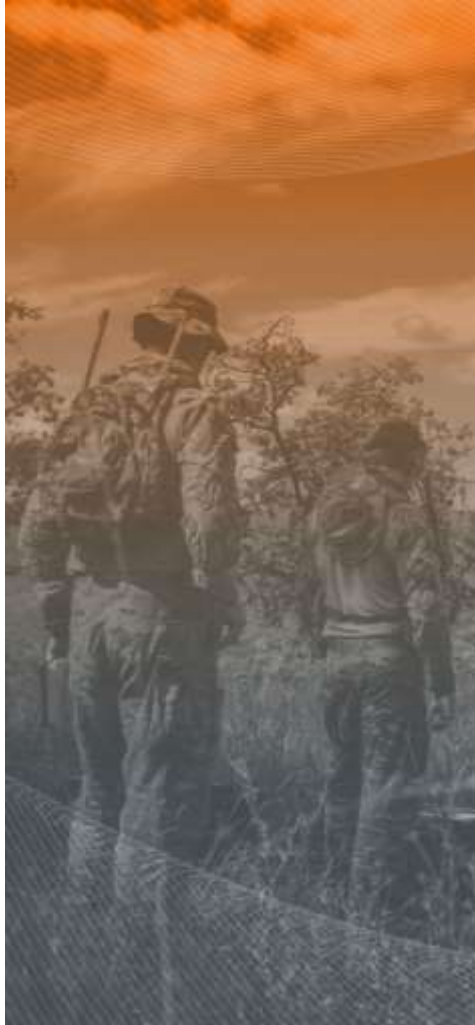


## Key principles:

- 1 Delivering ADF requirements
- 2 Training area development and enhancement
- 3 Developing local industry
- 4 Engaging local communities
- 5 Strengthening Singapore partnerships



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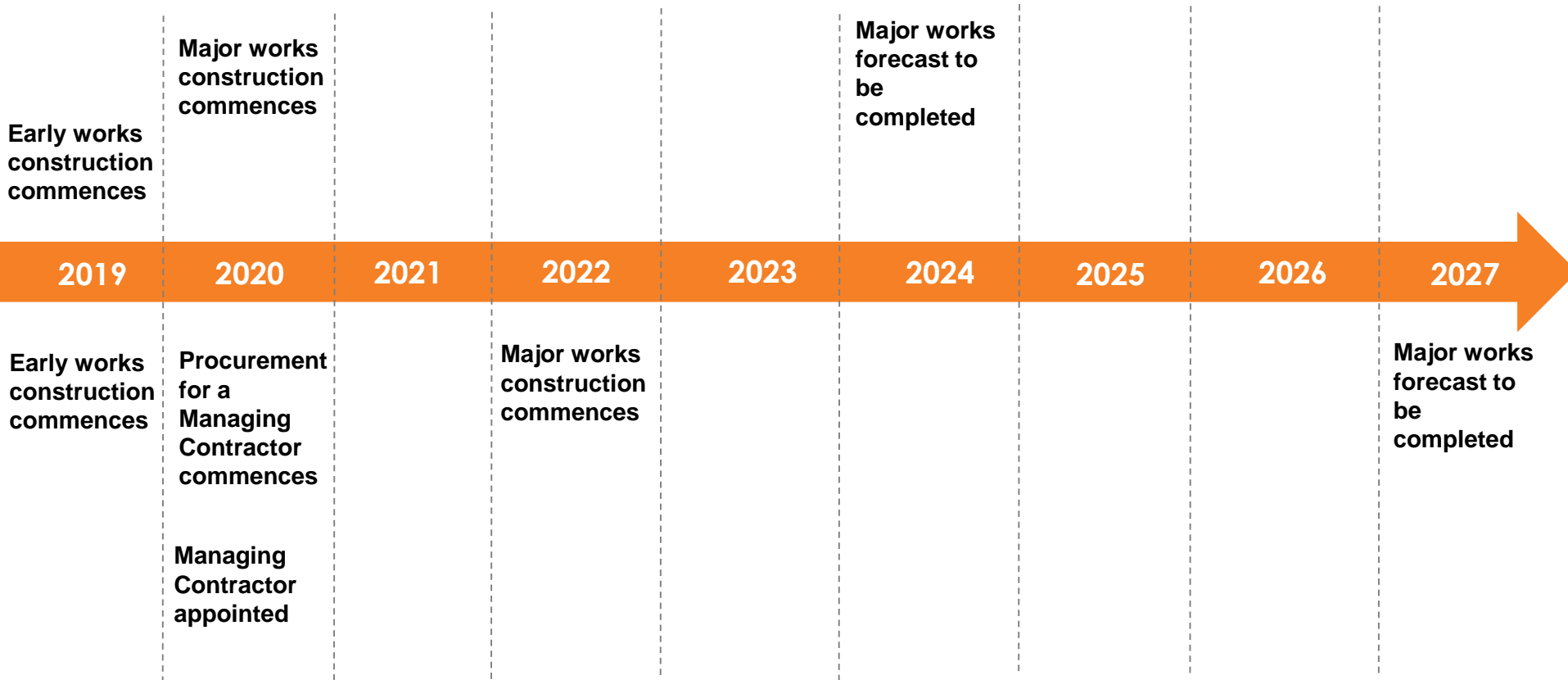


**North Queensland training area:**  
4 times the size of Singapore

**Shoalwater Bay Training Area:**  
5½ times the size of Singapore

# Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative

## Central Queensland



## North Queensland

# Shoalwater Bay Training Area Remediation Project



**\$135 million investment**  
to support critical infrastructure  
upgrades at the Shoalwater Bay  
Training Area in Central  
Queensland.



## Other Defence projects in the region



### Mid-Term Refresh Projects

#### Townsville Field Training Area

\$24 million

#### HMAS Cairns

\$22 million

#### RAAF Base Townsville

\$67 million

### Additional Chinook Capability Project

#### RAAF Base Townsville

\$49 million

# Maximising opportunities for local industry

## Local Industry Capability Plans

- Companies tendering for work with Defence are required to outline how they will maximise the opportunity for local industry participation.
- This helps ensure local businesses can take full advantage of the opportunities arising from Defence projects.





## Local industry involvement

### Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative

#### Central Queensland

- 26 companies participating in design and early construction works valued at \$27 million.

#### North Queensland:

- A Charters Towers company won a \$750,000 contract to deliver initial fencing and signage work.
- 90 per cent of contractors who worked on the \$5.4 million explosive ordnance facility at Mt Stuart were from the Townsville region.



# Local industry involvement

## Australia-Singapore Military Training Initiative

### Market Sounding process for potential early works contractors



#### 1. Visit

Visit AusTender to access the Marketing Sounding on early works contractors page ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)).



#### 2. Download

Download the Market Sounding Information Response Form from AusTender.



#### 3. Complete

Complete all requested sections in the Market Sounding Information Response Form, including preparing a separate document detailing relevant experience.



#### 4. Submit

Submit your completed Market Sounding Information Response Form, including an attachment detailing relevant experience, to

[Market.Sounding.GVTA@aurecongroup.com](mailto:Market.Sounding.GVTA@aurecongroup.com) any time prior to 12.00pm AEST, 31 December 2022.

# Engaging with communities



[www.defence.gov.au/Initiatives/ASMTI](http://www.defence.gov.au/Initiatives/ASMTI)



# Questions and comments

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