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## Finalists for the 2019 Australian Construction Achievement Award announced

The Australian Constructors Association (ACA) together with Engineers Australia has announced that four projects have been selected as finalists to compete for the *2019 Australian Construction Achievement Award (ACAA).* The combined value of the projects is over \$4 billion.

"These projects exemplify the world class construction outcomes and solutions that Australia's construction industry and its supply chain can deliver for clients. The range of skills, technology and innovation involved in these projects showcases the capacity of the industry and its ability to identify and overcome complex project requirements", said Lindsay Le Compte, ACA's Executive Director.

The Award has again been sponsored by some of the major businesses connected with the industry including Caterpillar, Cbus, Holcim, Liberty, Oracle and Virgin Australia.

#### The ACAA Finalists for 2019 are: -

#### Barangaroo South in Sydney NSW by Lendlease

Barangaroo is Sydney's largest urban regeneration project in a generation. The new waterfront city precinct, will eventually accommodate 23,000 office workers, 2,000 residents, an international six-star hotel and more than 80 cafes, bars, restaurants and retail outlets and aims to be Australia's first large scale Carbon Neutral Precinct.

With first stage residential, commercial and retail completed, Barangaroo South is a thriving and sustainable destination where Sydney-siders work, live and play in a place offering the highest quality public and private spaces.

This is a city-defining development that continues to transform a former heavily contaminated container wharf into a dynamic new part of Sydney.

#### Bridge over the Clarence River at Harwood - Northern Rivers District of NSW by (AFHJV)

AFHJV, a joint venture between ACCIONA Infrastructure and Ferrovial Agroman, is working with NSW Roads and Maritime Services and Pacific Complete to deliver the new bridge over Clarence River at Harwood.

The bridge is a 1.5-kilometre, four lane divided bridge about 20 metres east of the existing Harwood Bridge and rises to a height of 30m above the Clarence River at its apex.

It will form part of the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade (W2B). The 155 kilometre upgrade between Woolgoolga and Ballina is the last Pacific Highway link between Hexham and the Queensland border to be upgraded to four lanes.

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## Chith Export Facility at Weipa in Far North Queensland by McConnell Dowell

This new marine export facility comprises a 650-metre-long access jetty, a 350-metre-long wharf and an onshore conveyor system that will service Rio Tinto's expanded bauxite mine.

The facility has revolutionised the design and construction of large-scale wharf infrastructure, setting new benchmarks for safe, smart and efficient marine construction.

Designed by Jacobs, constructed in 10 months by McConnell Dowell, and with constructability input and oversight by Bechtel; a "best for project" philosophy was fostered across every aspect of the development.

The 650m long access jetty was constructed using Mc Connell Dowell's cantilevering traveler frame. Developed for efficiency, repeatability and safety, modularisation was at the heart of the solution, and the Project Team took it to new levels in scale and breadth, saving 300,000 job-hours and reducing overall build time by 12 months and \$40m.

## Toowoomba Second Range Crossing (TSRC) at Toowoomba in Queensland by Nexus Delivery

The TSRC is the largest Australian Government funding commitment to a single road project in Queensland's history. The \$1.6bn project (with Australian Government contribution of \$1.137 bn) is a 43-kilometre (km) road bypass route to the north of Toowoomba.

The Queensland Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has overall project management responsibility for the TSRC project.

When finished, the project will connect the Warrego Highway at Helidon Spa in the east to the Gore Highway at Athol in the west via Charlton.

The route is designed to increase freight efficiency and significantly improve driver safety and community amenity by removing heavy vehicles from Toowoomba's Central Business District (CBD).

Further details about the finalists and the ACAA are available at www.acaa.net.au

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