## THE ROUNDUP





**Edition 5** 



We would like to welcome Peter Wallace to our Team.

Peter is a Civil Engineer who will be assisting the CAVS Team as Site Engineer on the Cairns Southern Access Corridor Stage 3—Edmonton to Gordonvale Project (E2G).

Peter has previously been working for Cairns Regional Council specialising in Water & Waste Infrastructure and more recently with South32 Pty Ltd on the Gemco Village and Nabunga Street Village Extension Project.

During this project Peter gained experience working in several areas of Water & Waste both within Infrastructure and Operations.

We are excited to have Peter as part of the SGPS team, and look forward to the valuable contributions he will make to the company.

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### BRENDEN'S



### **BROADCAST**

Winter is now upon us apparently. It is great that Queensland is opening back up for business, and those Bush Rangers down in Ned Kelly Country are in an absolute mess, I think they should keep that border closed forever. I hope you have all been well and from the discussions I have been having with team members it appears everyone has been relatively busy. The upcoming State election has put some projects on hold however we can expect some very busy times following that.

There is briefing next week about upcoming state government works which I will be tunning into remotely which will give us some greater clarity on setting our priorities over the next 5 years in terms of what work we will pursue. Most local governments have either announced their budgets or are in the process of doing so therefore we can expect to see some opportunities coming to the fruition from that over the next couple of months.

So, what has been happening of late?

- Mil has been successful with a Pre-construction role at TMR TSV and has commenced in that position.
- SGPS has been extended on the ESC pre-qualification list for a further period.
- We have three proposals into Townsville City Council for Contract Administration and Inspection Services. One is further works associated with the Castle Hill walking tracks and the other two are related to Level 2 Bridge Inspections.
- Bob Hickey will commence with SGPS next week in a relief Infrastructure Management role at Hinchinbrook Shire Council.
- There is some further works that will come from Richmond Shire Council to assist with the delivery of their 2020 DRFA program.
- CTRC have provided me that they will require Mitch at least for another two or so months out at Charters Towers.
- Carpentaria Panel of Providers is currently to market.
- TMR are in the process of accelerating maintenance programs across the state in order to ensure the
  economy continues to function, this will potentially provide an opportunity to provide some inspectors to assist with the program of work.

You will all note that we have a new objectives and targets proforma which is very simple to fill out electronically so please ensure that you fill them out when they are requested. This will assist SGPS maintaining our 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Accreditation and also identify any issues or safety concerns that need addressing.

Luke and I spent Monday this week in Cairns seeking feedback on the E2G project thus far. The feedback we received was very good and the team are working well together and providing some great ideas into the broader context of the project. We were able obtain some thoughts from the TMR PM on his expectations of SGPS and our role on the project. He provided three clear points that will be the focus of what we do on the project and they are as follows;

- Extreme Ownership and Accountability of what we do no matter if we are in the wrong or in the right (No Blame Culture)
- Collaboration with the broader project team (contractor, TMR and other stakeholders) to come up with solutions and ensure issues are resolved and not escalated.
- Continuous Improvement and innovation in our approach to this project.

We will be very focused on meeting these expectations and it is the responsibility of each team member to hold each other to account in achieving these outcomes. The above expectations should be something that we work toward on all projects not just E2G as they align with the SGPS objectives and values. Please enjoy the cooler weather whilst it is here, 'cause within a couple of months the humidity and heat will be back with the build up to the wet season. A date has now been set for the SGPS mid year function on the 25th July from 4:30 pm onwards. Please mark this date in your calendars, its sure to be a great night!

**NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS!** Thank you to everyone sending pictures of their weekend activities, projects, and more! Please keep the content rolling in. We love to keep the team updated on all things SGPS, and extra-curricular! Email your goodies to admin@sgps.com.au







We now have a new look "Objectives and Target Reporting Form".

This has now been modified to be more user friendly and will only take 2 minutes to complete. Please keep an eye out for an email link from Jodie at the end of each month. If you are having trouble accessing the form please call Admin.

passed his TMD
assessment, and
is now a certified
Traffic Manage—
ment Designer!
Well done, Mil!





Congratulations to Clint and Sophie who recently became engaged over the weekend.

Wishing you both all the happiness for your future together!



I am at it again! This July I am going
Dry to raise funds for the Leukaemia
Foundation. You can donate by going
to www.dryjuly.com/teams/brave-forari. Many thanks - Jodie







Congratulations to Matt and Carina on the arrival of their new baby boy Cooper. Hope you are all doing well and enjoy every moment with your precious son.







# Project Spotlight

#### **CAVS Team**

Mike Tait, Etienne Van der Merwe, Josh Flanders, Mil Jayaratne, Peter Wallace, Derryn Boland

## Bruce Highway Stage 3 Edmonton to Gordonvale TMR Cairns

The Edmonton to Gordonvale project is still generally in the design phase, currently between Detailed Design and Permission to Use design packages. IFC packages are due in the coming few months. We have been providing assistance to the design verification team for the review of the design packages from a construction/constructability perspective. Contractor management plans are continually being submitted and we are leading the review of these and providing comments back to the contractor in a timely fashion. We have also been liaising with Cairns Regional Council, MSF Sugar and Queensland Rail in order to finalise some design related aspects of the project specific to these stakeholders.

A start of works media event was held on 25th June with government and political officials. Unfortunately Mike hid from all the cameras and didn't make it to the news.

In terms of construction, four project signs have been installed, and the site compound establishment is progressing. Offices were delivered last week and are currently being set up. New culverts have been installed to access the compound area. Water, sewer and NBN connections have started. We should be moving in to the site office in a few weeks time. Should be noted also that the site compound is about 200 m away from a McDonald's, so breakfasts are sorted.

Upcoming construction works include the demolition (including asbestos removal) of a few properties within the site, a start to the clearing and grubbing in some areas, and bridge preparation works getting ready for the driving of piles at each of the seven bridges in the job. We are progressively mobilizing our construction verification team, with at least one inspector expected to join the team within the next month.

Pics by J. Flanders













