



Aboriginal Participation in Construction (APiC) – Final Report

April 2021

Contract No: 17.0000303659.0319

1. Original Targets

Refer table excerpts below from the MB2B Newell Hwy Upgrade original APiC Plan targets and requirements.

| (Aboriginal owned businesses are not required to complete Q 9) | | | | |
|---|--|---|---|---|
| 9. Estimated project value (\$) 90.9M | Exclusions (\$) 0.0 | Project spend \$90.9M (estimated project value minus exclusions) | Percentage of of project spend (%) for Aboriginal Participation: 1.5% | Aboriginal participation (\$) 1,364,160.60 |
| Eligible Spend for Aboriginal Participation | | | | |
| (Aboriginal owned businesses are not required to complete this eligible spend section) | | | | |
| Activity | Description of proposed opportunities and recipients (if known) | | \$ of proposed opportunities (if known) | |
| Employment | Direct and indirect wage, salaried and labour hire employees | | \$1,064,160.60 | |
| Engagement of Aboriginal owned businesses | To provide goods and services to the project | | \$200,000 | |
| Education and training | Includes mentoring program, cultural heritage training and industry training programs as completed. | | \$100,000 | |

2. Reporting on Targets

As of April 2021 and completion of works, the FHC spend broken into the original contract stage 1 and stage 2 components as shown below. We note the MB2B Newell Hwy Upgrade project well exceeded the 1.5% expenditure target with the final expenditure figure of 2.34%.

| | Stage 1 | Stage 2 | Total |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Awarded Contract Value | \$90,944,039.74 | \$60,792,398.26 | \$151,736,438.00 |
| Target Spend - 1.5% | \$1,364,160.60 | \$911,885.40 | \$2,276,046.00 |
| Total Number Hours Worked by All Employees on this Project | 351054 | 167895 | 518949 |
| Total Number of Hours Worked by the Aboriginal People Employed on this Project | 49673 | 23756 | 73429 |
| Direct Employment - APiC | \$264,500.00 | \$126,500.00 | \$391,000.00 |
| Other Employment - APiC | \$1,977,064.00 | \$945,552.00 | \$2,922,616.00 |
| Goods / Services Aboriginal Buisnesses | \$141,640.00 | \$67,741.00 | \$209,381.00 |
| Education - APiC | \$12,944.00 | \$6,191.00 | \$19,135.00 |
| Community Organisations - APiC | \$1,421.00 | \$679.00 | \$2,100.00 |
| Total Spend | \$2,397,569.00 | \$1,146,663.00 | \$3,544,232.00 |
| | | | |
| State Requirement 1.5% | | | |
| Total Spend as % of Contract Value | 2.64% | 1.89% | 2.34% |
| | | | |
| FTE % | 14.15% | 14.15% | 14.15% |
| Business Spend % | 0.16% | 0.11% | 0.14% |

3. Final Comment

The MB2B Newell Hwy Upgrade Project has been referred to by the local Indigenous community as a success for local indigenous engagement and a 'blueprint' for future project teams. Final project expenditure of \$3.544m or 2.34% achieved \$1.268m or 0.84% more expenditure than the minimum project targets stated in part 1 of this report. Many local indigenous people have gained training and skills leading to future construction jobs. The project has left a positive legacy on the local community.

