

Environment and Sustainability Policy



Inland Rail commit to the following throughout design, construction and operation:

No harm:

- ▶ our goal is that no-one is harmed at work or on our network

Engage early and meaningfully with stakeholders, including indigenous organisations, communities, industry and government:

- ▶ build effective working relationships and a shared understanding of the Programme and solutions

Promote long-term economic benefits within communities:

- ▶ create lasting opportunities for development of skilled local and Indigenous workers
- ▶ support local and Indigenous businesses to ensure they are prepared for and provided with opportunities to participate, and
- ▶ enable Inland Rail to be a catalyst for complementary private sector investment

Protect the environment by minimising the environmental footprint:

- ▶ apply the principles of avoid, minimise, offset to manage impacts to receiving environments and ecological values
- ▶ reduce greenhouse gas emissions and minimise waste
- ▶ minimise water use
- ▶ continually investigate opportunities to improve environmental values and prevent pollution, and
- ▶ obtain and comply with all environmental approvals and compliance obligations

Future-proof inland rail so it is efficient and effective in the long term:

- ▶ design for climate change resilience, and
- ▶ incorporate the future demand requirements and corridor uses in current design

Base decisions on a balanced consideration of technical, economic, environmental and social elements:

- ▶ adopt a consistent approach across the Programme

Regularly review and audit processes and performance:

- ▶ challenge the way we have always done things—ensure we are doing what we said we would do

Drive a culture of continuous improvement:

- ▶ seek to improve, collaborate and value add throughout delivery, and
- ▶ continually improve our Environmental Management System to enhance environmental performance

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Richard Wankmuller

Chief Executive Officer - Inland Rail
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