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Project Managers for social housing program announced

Housing Minister, David Borger, has announced the nine firms appointed as Development and Project Managers to assist the Government in delivering more than 6,000 additional social housing homes in NSW as part of the Nation Building Economic Stimulus Plan.

Additionally, the NSW Government is investing \$1 billion to deliver an extra 3,000 homes on top of the Federal Government's commitment. This equates to an extra 9,000 homes for around 17,000 disadvantaged Australians to be built in under three years.

The first stage of the project under the Stimulus Plan - over 850 homes - is being managed directly by Housing NSW working with private sector designers and builders. The sheer scale of the second stage - over 5,200 homes - requires the support of a large number of private sector project managers and Landcom are working with Housing NSW to ensure the tight deadlines are met.

The Housing NSW team has appointed nine project management companies to assist with meeting the tight deadlines and large scale of the construction program. They are:

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| - Arup | - Australia Pacific Project | - Bovis Lend Lease |
| - Capital Insight | - Coffey Projects | - Crown |
| - McLachlan Lister | - Thinc | - TSA |

The firms will be working with small to medium sized contractors and consultants across the state and will encourage local participation including from the Aboriginal community as well as generate growth in apprenticeship opportunities. They will manage the delivery of projects from start to finish as part of Housing's overall planning and delivery organisation.

NSW Nation Building and Jobs Plan Act User Guide updated

The User Guide, Application Form and Checklists for applications to access the planning approval powers in the NSW Nation Building and Jobs Plan (State Infrastructure Delivery) Act (NBJP Act) have been updated to clarify the procedural and information requirements for lodgement of an application with the NSW Taskforce.

The revised Guidelines will be available early next week on the NSW Nation Building and Jobs Plan Taskforce website at www.nsw.gov.au/nationbuildingtaskforce. A special planning edition of the NSW Taskforce Update will also be available on the website at that time.

Managing Contractors busy around the State Building the Education Revolution

Work in all nine regions is well underway. A program of industry forums around the State will commence next week. Watch for advertisements in your local papers.

Managing Contractor, Richard Crookes reports that, in the Illawarra, 46 schools have been visited with second round visits to begin when the next list is released next week. They expect to appoint up to 11 local subcontractor builders in the next few weeks and their local office will be established in the next month in the greater Wollongong area. A variety of subcontractors will be included in this office in addition to existing employees.

Hansen Yuncken, working in South West Sydney has issued 18 tender packages with 146 individual invitations to tender. Three subcontracts are about to be let. 25 schools, equating to 31 projects, have been visited. They will be establishing three local offices in the region in July and have already engaged an additional 38 employees plus another 37 as part and full time employees outside their BER hub.

Brookfield Multiplex has already established their Western Sydney regional office in Parramatta with about 30 staff. They have had more than 700 expressions of interest and note that all applicants will be advised of their status when the trade packages are awarded.

Laing O'Rourke is covering a massive area of Southern and Western NSW. Its dedicated teams covered 10,000 kilometres in eight days, to conduct site inspections and design work at 65 Round One schools.

Bovis Lend Lease has visited 20 schools in the Hunter and Central Coast region and 15 in the Northern Sydney region. Their regional project teams are in place, with local offices likely to open in 3 to 4 weeks. No subcontracts have been let as yet but design consultants have been commissioned - 43 in total (17 in the Hunter and the Central Coast and the rest in Sydney) with approximately 200 consultant personnel working on design.

The contact list for all Managing Contractors is available at www.nsw.gov.au/nationbuildingtaskforce