

Northern Pipeline Interconnector

The Northern Pipeline Interconnector is an integral part of the South East Queensland Water Grid, which is designed to move surplus water to areas that need it. Stage 1 of the pipeline project had to be delivered within extremely tight time frames due to severe drought conditions. The department completed a comprehensive environmental impact statement (EIS) process to meet

this time frame. At the same time, through the EIS process, the community raised significant concerns about a key component of the project. These concerns were satisfactorily resolved when an alternative, less environmentally-sensitive site was identified, and the Coordinator-General determined that the site met acceptable environmental standards.