

Southern Adelaide

Workforce Communique

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The following information is provided as an overview and update of workforce development activities currently occurring across Southern Adelaide. The information is sent to you from the Southern Adelaide Workforce Development Taskforce which includes members from the City of Onkaparinga, SA Works/DFEEST, Flinders University and the City of Marion (Chair)

South Australia Works Update

South Australia Works conducted a local forum in Morphett Vale on Friday, October 22nd, which consisted of a range of local training providers, members of the Employment and Skills Formation Network, and various interested stakeholders. The purpose of the forum was to review regional priorities and feed these priorities into the future planning and development of employment and workforce activities related to South Australia Works funding. From this forum an action plan of key priorities will be produced and will guide project planning in 2011 and beyond. For further information contact: Glenn Hickling (glehic@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au) OR Dianne Richter (dianne.richter@sa.gov.au) OR Janis Turner (jantur@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au).

Skills Portal

A skills portal has been established on the Southern Adelaide Economic Development Board's website located at <http://www.southernadelaide.com.au> Information on the portal is arranged into key categories which include: Career Development Services, Business Resources, South Australia Works, Indigenous Resources, Social Enterprise, Employment and Training, Education and Skills. For further information contact: Bridget Ransome (bridget.ransome@marion.sa.gov.au).

Major Projects Update

Desalination

SA Water is now running welding training with five RTOs in the Southern Region which also includes TAFE, ATEC and Marcellin Technical College. For further information contact: Glenn Hickling (glehic@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

Seaford Rail Extension

Workforce opportunities for this project will incorporate a local employment and industry participation plan, which will also include engagement of trainees, apprentices and indigenous targets, along with the up-skilling of local people with barriers to employment. For further information contact: Glenn Hickling (glehic@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au) or phone the Seaford Rail Extension project team on: 1800 791 883.

Southern Expressway

With the assistance of DTEI and Fulton Hogan, a complete list of all workforce positions required for the construction of the expressway has been compiled and made available to the Southern Expressway Steering Group. For further information contact: Glenn Hickling (glehic@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au) OR Bridget Ransome (bridget.ransome@marion.sa.gov.au) OR Dianne Richter (dianne.richter@sa.gov.au).

State Aquatic Centre

South Australia Works has funded the preparation of a workforce plan associated with the State Aquatic Centre which is due to open in March 2011. The initial stages of the plan include the profiling of all positions and the skill requirements needed to operate the centre. From the profiling exercise, core qualifications will be identified and a training course put in place for early next year to investigate the potential of increasing local employment outcomes at the centre. For further information contact: Bridget Ransome (bridget.ransome@marion.sa.gov.au).

Wetland Opportunities

At the request of DEEWR, Marion has now submitted an Innovation Fund application for \$235,000 for the Oaklands Wetlands (and associated projects). If successful the funds will be used to map out and engage all local stakeholders in workforce opportunities associated with the construction and operation of the wetland system. For further information contact: Bridget Ransome (bridget.ransome@marion.sa.gov.au).

Flinders University/NILS Briefing

The National Institute of Labour Studies at Flinders University in partnership with the Southern Knowledge Transfer Partnerships Office also at Flinders have prepared an educational aspirations outlook for the region. A final report is due by the end of November 2010. For further information contact: Kathryn Anderson (kathryn.anderson@flinders.edu.au).

Darlington Transport Study

The Darlington Transport Study is a major multidisciplinary investigation into future transport options and land use arrangements around what is generally termed as the 'Darlington Triangle.' In establishing a long-term vision for the study area, it addresses future requirements through to 2031 for all modes of transport – road, rail, bus, cycling and walking – and their potential to activate urban regeneration. The Environmental Report has been released and is available for comment up to November 29th, 2010. For further information: <http://www.infrastructure.sa.gov.au>.

Useful Website Links

Industry Capability Network: <http://www.icnsa.org.au>

National Broadband Network Co: <http://www.nbnco.com.au/>

Seaford Rail Extension: <http://www.seafordrailextension.icn.org.au>

Skills Connect Register:

<http://www.saworks.sa.gov.au/Informationfor/SkillConnectRegister/tabid/255/Default.aspx>

South Australia Works: <http://www.saworks.sa.gov.au>

Southern Adelaide: <http://www.southernadelaide.com.au>