

The Benefits

The Indian Ocean Gateway represents Western Australia's premier industrial region on the shores of the Indian Ocean with access to international trading partners throughout Asia and across the globe.

With approx 6,115 hectares of land available, and of this only 2,250 currently utilised, the industrial area provides for growth catering to national and international trade and is a place where industry will be protected from urban encroachment and has certainty to make investment decisions for the long term. The sheer size of the industrial area, the potential for modern infrastructure to exist and the maturity of resources already established in the area makes for the ideal location for business collaboration focusing on the Indian Ocean and throughout Asia.



Revenue

It is estimated that at full build out the annual revenue generated in the IOG would be in the order of \$42.4 billion with projected flow on effects in Australia of indirect sales/output of \$28 billion.



Freight transport links

There is an increasing demand for international container trade. The IOG already has in place the freight rail lines and road networks (already built or reserved) to accommodate the volume of trade projected.



Employment

Current direct employment of 13,757 people is expected to triple to 37,383 employees and generate indirect employment for a further 49,657 employees.



Protected from inappropriate land use

The IOG industry protection zone will be legislated. Residential, sensitive and incompatible land uses will be prevented from being approved within the zone.



Overall prosperity for WA

The IOG proposal will facilitate the diversification of the Western Australian economy, helping to move it away from being reliant on the mining and gas sectors, to a broader trade base including agribusiness, marine servicing, communications and technology.



Improved competitiveness

Once the Outer Harbour and associated infrastructure is built, business confidence will increase and industry will further invest in initiatives that will enable them to be more competitive in the international marketplace.



New industries

There are significant opportunities for new support industries. These include industries associated with science, innovation and technology.



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BILLION



Increased return on Government land holdings

Once key infrastructure is built and a commitment to protecting the land for industry is formalised, sales and land valuation increases will be realised.



Business development

In the IOG, and unlike the Inner Harbour, there is significant space to expand. Support industries will be attracted to the Outer Harbour activities, and will act as a catalyst for future growth.



Increased profit and lower unit costs

This IOG proposal will improve road and rail transport links and as a result for industry there will be greater efficiencies, lower unit costs and improved profit margins.



Benefits to congestion

Construction of the Outer Harbour is the best solution for addressing Perth's freight congestion issues.



Improved efficiency of port operations

A new modern, technologically competitive port is required to ensure the growth of the State into the future. This will be located at the Outer Harbour and will be built utilising modern technology to improve efficiencies and operating costs.



Improved efficiency and safety around heavy truck movements

Moving oversized plant and/or hazardous materials from the Inner Harbour to final destinations is problematic due to road size, dangerous goods loads and residential constraints. All of the heavy freight transport movements to and from the Outer Harbour would be via purpose built freight routes.



New development opportunities in Fremantle

Ultimately, if the IOG strategic vision is supported, the land around the Fremantle Inner Harbour will become available for residential and commercial development.