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Media alert

Probuild and Destination Brisbane Consortium Celebrate Sod Turning at Queens Wharf, Brisbane

Probuild and Destination Brisbane Consortium (DBC) celebrated the turning of the sod at Queens Wharf, Brisbane last week.

The sod-turning marked the commencement of excavation and shoring works, for the five-level basement, at the \$3 billion inner-city development.

Probuild's Queensland Managing Director, Jeff Wellburn, said he was proud to be a part of this historic Brisbane moment alongside partners of such high calibre.

"DBC has a fantastic vision for Queens Wharf. It is truly going to be a world-class destination," said Mr Wellburn.

"Our involvement in the early stages of the project has seen us develop a thorough understanding of it – and we couldn't be more honoured and excited to be delivering the next 18 months work."

Probuild was awarded the (state's largest city-based) excavation and shoring works package at the integrated resort development late last year, and has since been busy completing demolition works and authority approvals for the complicated excavation.

"This basement excavation, only meters from the Brisbane River, is for the future superstructure. It requires nearly a metre-thick concrete diaphragm wall to be constructed, which will embed into the rock five basement levels down from Queens Wharf Road, to hold the river back from the excavation," Mr Wellburn explained.

Soldier piles will also be installed on three faces of the excavation, with soil anchors, mesh and concrete shotcrete stabilising the walls as the excavation gets deeper. The estimated soil and rock to be excavated from the basement is just under half a million cubic metres of tight material with an estimated 45,000 truck movements required.

The core of the Queens Wharf Brisbane integrated resort development is due for completion in 2022.

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About Queen's Wharf Brisbane

When complete, the integrated resort development will feature:

- 50 new restaurants and bars.
- More than 1,000 premium additional hotel rooms.
- 2,000 residential apartments.
- Reactivation of some of the city's most significant heritage buildings.
- More than 2,000 jobs during peak construction and 8,000 operational jobs.
- The 100 metre high Sky Deck, free and accessible to everyone
- 12 football fields of public space.
- A new pedestrian bridge from the CBD to South Bank.

Milestones for the Queen's Wharf Brisbane development will be updated online at www.queenswharfbrisbane.com.au and on the Queen's Wharf Brisbane Facebook page www.facebook.com/queenswharfbrisbane/. Updates are managed by Destination Brisbane Consortium.

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About Probuild

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With a national pipeline of projects worth \$5 billion, and an annual turnover of more than \$2 billion, Probuild is currently delivering some of Australia's largest construction projects - including The Towers and Ritz Carlton at Elizabeth Quay in Perth, The Star Gold Coast, Aurora Melbourne Central and The Greenland Centre in Sydney.

About Destination Brisbane Consortium

Queen's Wharf Brisbane is being delivered by Destination Brisbane Consortium, a joint venture between The Star Entertainment Group, Hong Kong-based Chow Tai Fook Enterprises and Far East Consortium.