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A Landgate Property Interest Report benefits everyone transacting in real property in Western Australia. Providing a single point of access to Government held interests over land, it provides a simpler and more effective way to access information about interests that can impact land use.

Contributing your interest information via the Property Interest Report delivers many benefits for Government and the broader community of Western Australia.

Examples of benefits of contributing to the Property Interest Report

Governance and Risk Mitigation | Dampier to Bunbury Pipeline (DBP)

The Dampier to Bunbury Pipeline has a buffer area which is based upon the Environmental Protection Authority's (EPA) Guidance Statement 2 in which criteria for individual fatality risk from hazardous industrial plants are set out. This buffer distance is dependent upon the type of land use or development and is in place to minimise the risks associated with this development within the buffer zone from hazardous industrial plant. DBP are in the process of utilising Property Interest Report as a control measure for risk mitigation for their DMP pipeline licence. Once in place they will point developers and property owners to the Property Interest Report for their initial background check on setback areas and potential implications regarding this.

Directive for use of the Property Interest Report | Department of Commerce

The Department of Commerce and Landgate have been working closely with representatives from the property industry to further develop the Property Interest Report to suit industry needs. The Department of Commerce is currently contemplating the issue of a directive for the disclosure of property interests at the listing stage of selling a property. This will not mandate the use of the Property Interest Report but requires selling agents to disclose interests impacting on property in Western Australia. Utilising the Property Interest Report would be seen as a best practice and the easiest way to comply with this directive.

Shared Responsibility (Keelty Report, Bush Fire Prone Areas) | Department of Commerce

Recommendation 40 of the Keelty Report has determined that the declared bushfire prone areas will become a registered interest on the Property Interest Report. Once a bushfire prone area database is developed, the information will be made available via the Property Interest Report. Landgate is engaged in ongoing discussions with Department of Commerce regarding the issuing of a directive, recommending interest disclosure for all property sales, and the Property Interest Report service as a suggested means to obtain interest information.

Freedom of Information Requests | Department of Water

The *Freedom of Information Act 1992* imposes rights regarding the disclosure of information; as such the Department of Water are required to reply to many requests for information regarding their varied water interests. These requests range from development implications for land developers and property owners to garden bore suitability. The Department now has many of their water interests in the Property Interest Report. This has enabled the Department of Water to redirect enquiries to the Property Interest Report, so reducing the amount of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests they now have to field.

Department of Water Interests:

- 100 Year ARI Floodplain Development Control Area
- Clearing Control Catchments
- Garden Bore Suitability
- Groundwater Salinity
- Iron Staining Risk
- Proclaimed Groundwater Areas
- Proclaimed Surfacewater Areas
- Public Drinking Water Source Area

Access and Sharing of Data Sets | Department of Agriculture and Food WA (DAFWA)

The Department has over the years had many requests from the public, private sectors and university students for access to their data sets; this was initially managed internally however changes in technology and increased costs of production meant they had to find better ways to disseminate these data sets. DAFWA now uses the Shared Location Information Platform (SLIP) and Interest Enquiry to host their data sets providing a stable, reliable and holistic way to disseminate data across government and for public and private access. SLIP allows custodians to decide on how their data is displayed, it provides the ability to make their data publically available, or by subscription or restricted use. SLIP has transformed the way government spatial information is used and shared. Cutting edge technology provides users with the ability to discover, view and access over 350 datasets - anywhere, anytime - through a single online environment. SLIP provides the infrastructure and services required to access Western Australia's considerable land and geographic information resources. It is the operational component of the Enabling Framework focus area of SLIP. There are over 2400 data sets in total on the platform including those from industry, many of these are restricted with access via a request to the custodian.

Public Disclosure (Bush Forever Areas) | Department of Planning

Bush Forever designated areas are defined as: 'land on which there is vegetation which is either the remainder of natural vegetation of the land, or, if altered, is still representative of the structure and floristics of the natural vegetation, and provides the necessary habitat for native fauna'. Bush Forever is a 10 year whole-of-government endorsed policy to protect 51,200 hectares of regional significant bushland, within the Perth Metropolitan area of the Swan Coastal Plain. This means that if you are looking to buy a property and it is designated bush forever planning restrictions and clearing restriction will apply. The Department of Planning use Interest Enquiry and SLIP as an important mechanism for disclosure of bush forever information. Planning approval may not be available in bush forever areas.

Open and Accountable Access to Data | All Agencies

Organisations can leverage SLIP by placing their location based data sets on the platform and then granting access to others, such as when this data is required for tenders, quotes or in contract negotiations, thus enabling governance which is open and accountable to organisations by exposing data to public scrutiny. Interest Enquiry will utilise data sets placed on SLIP if they have associated legislation, policy or regulation that impose on a property owners rights, responsibilities and restrictions on the use and enjoyment of their land.

Economic Driver - Government Location Based Data Set Repository | All Agencies

SLIP is used by the whole of Government as a central repository for location information in Western Australia. The core technological infrastructure allows users to access Western Australia's significant land and geographic information resources over the web and has been in operation since 2007. Administrated by Landgate, on behalf of the State of Western Australia, SLIP has been at the forefront of opening access to government information and has fostered a culture of sharing location information through common infrastructure benefiting many agencies and organisations. Providing a virtual single point of access to authoritative location information from a range of government sources, improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the way location information is used and viewed. Utilising this platform delivers efficiencies to agencies and reduces costs. Now incorporated within the Location Information Strategy (LIS), SLIP is positioned as a pivotal system that will deliver the information requirements of LIS while continuing to service other initiatives such as cross-government Focus Areas and Business Applications. This provides a best practice solution for organisations and leverages existing functionality already in operation and facilitates improved and enhanced business process for agencies. Agencies only have to complete documentation and provide their data sets in a compatible format to enable inclusion on to the platform.

Collaborative Data Usage | All Agencies

SLIP provides a central repository which you can leverage for collaborative business use within your department across many differing geographical locations. This allows users to download and manipulate the data as required and negates the development of costly infrastructure as users can access data from a government hosted site and updates can be undertaken at defined times. All users are then working off the same data which minimises the use of out-dated data increasing productivity and reducing costs. This also promotes data quality as it is hosted on a public platform and can increase the public exposure of data.



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