



**Bluewater Canal Special Charge
Annual Implementation Plan
2026/27**

1. Overall Plan

Cairns Regional Council adopted an Overall Plan for levying a special charge upon rateable land for the dredging of Bluewater Canal, Half Moon Creek and Offshore Channel on 30 June 2021.

The Overall Plan specifies that:

- a. The rateable land to which the special charge applies is specified in Attachment 1;
- b. The activity for which the Overall Plan is made is the dredging and maintenance of Bluewater Canal, Half Moon Creek and Offshore Channel specified in Attachment 2 and providing for as the major elements:
 - dredging of the Bluewater Canal, Half Moon Creek and Offshore Channel, including spoil disposal;
 - maintenance of channel markers and lights;
 - hydrographic surveys; and
 - management and administration of the dredging and maintenance program, including obtaining required permits and contractor evaluation and selection;
- c. The time for implementing the Overall Plan is ten (10) years, beginning on 1 July 2021 and ending on 30 June 2031; and
- d. The estimated cost of implementing the Overall Plan was \$8.2M across the ten (10) year period after allowing for contributions of \$0.3M from the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

2. Annual Implementation Plan 2026/27

2.1. Action

The Annual Implementation Plan for the 2026/27 financial year is to undertake the following actions and processes as required:

- a. the dredging of Zone A, Zone B and Zone C as shown in Attachment 2, including spoil disposal;
- b. maintenance of channel markers and lights;
- c. obtaining hydrographic surveys; and
- d. management and administration of the dredging and maintenance program.

Attachment 1:

The special charge applies to the following parcels of rateable land:

Lot	Plan
Lots 1 to 37	SP165903
Lots 1 to 2	SP279525
Lots 39 to 41	SP165903
Lots 42	SP241494
Lots 44 to 65	SP165903
Lots 79 to 89	SP165903
Lots 1 to 2	SP352338
Lots 91 to 116	SP165903
Lot 117	SP261231
Lots 119 to 130	SP165903
Lots 22 to 23	SP224676
Lots 1 to 3	SP301538
Lots 26 to 31	RP737271
Lots 32 to 43	RP737260
Lot 1860 (the “Bluewater Marina”)	SP264300
Lot 26 (the “Yorkeys Knob Marina”)	SP122863



