



Community and Social Performance outcomes

Sturt Plateau Pipeline Project

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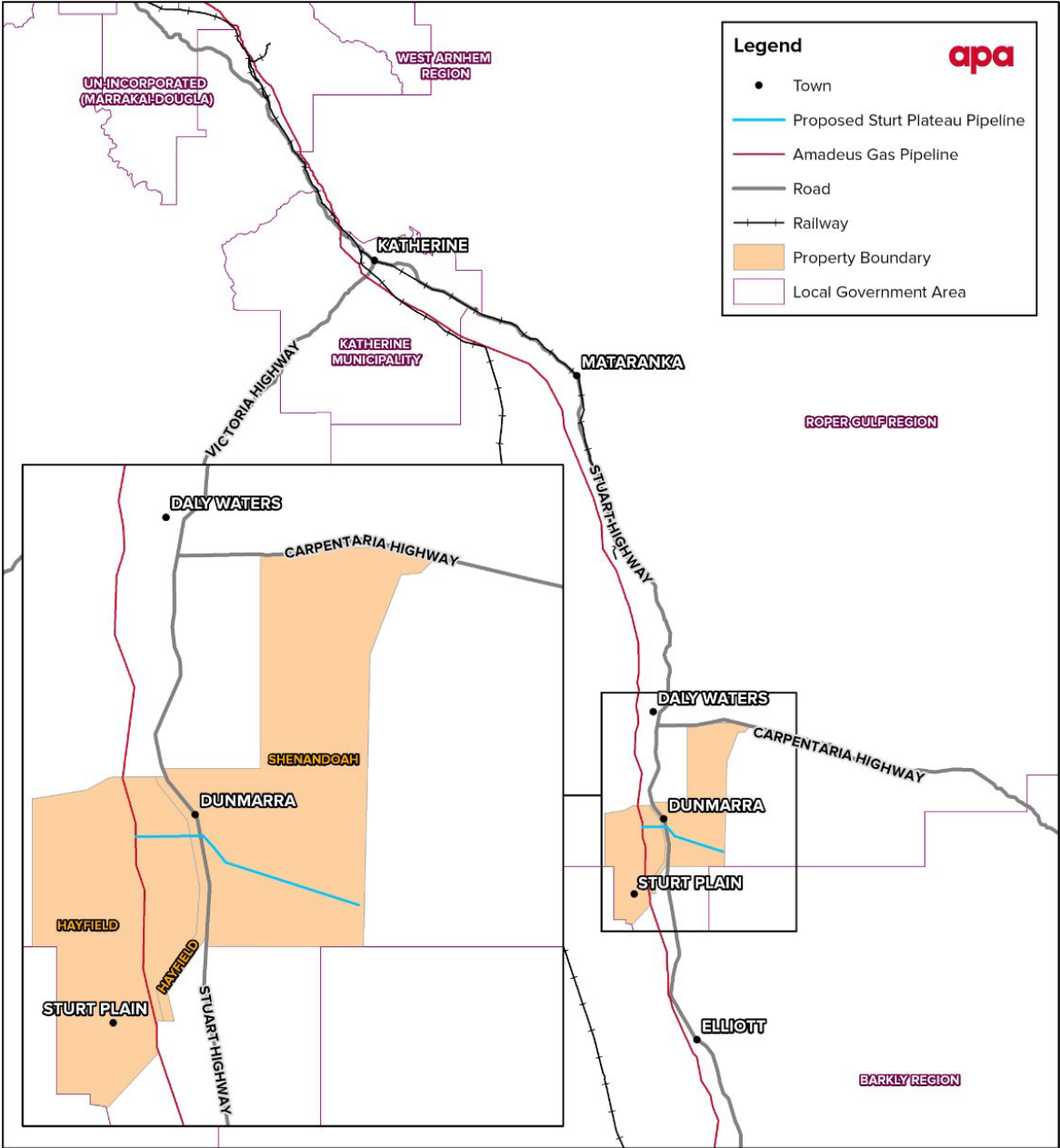
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securing Australia's
energy future

Sturt Plateau Pipeline Project

Project snapshot

- The Sturt Plateau Pipeline (SPP), the crucial first-stage link to enable Beetaloo gas to reach power generation assets across the Northern Territory
- The SPP will play an important role in transporting Beetaloo gas to APA’s existing Amadeus Gas Pipeline, to power generation assets in Darwin

Key details	
Location	Roper Gulf Local Government Area, Northern Territory
Length	37km gas pipeline
Diameter	300mm (12 inches)
Capacity	40TJ/d



The Challenge

Balancing project delivery timeframes and size with meaningful local participation

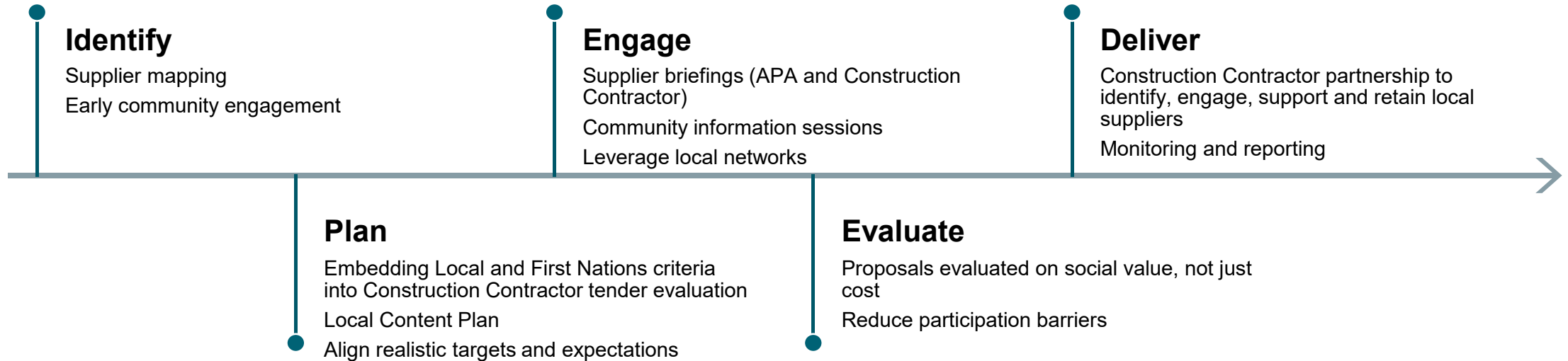
Delivering Meaningful Community Benefits

- Remote project location:
 - Elliott (approx. 90km south, 244 people, 85% First Nations)
 - Daly Waters (approx. 55 km north, 55 people)
- Compressed project and construction schedule (~3 months)
- Limited supplier market
- Relatively unskilled workforce
- Limited time to create supply and employment pathways



Our Community and Social Performance Approach

Embedding Social Performance into Project Delivery



Key Success Factors

- Early planning
- Cross-functional collaboration
- Contractor partnership
- Local Content and First Nations Participation Plan
- Community and supplier engagement
- Inclusive procurement

Delivery Local Content

Creating pathways for local and First Nations business participation

Key Engagement Statistics



Engagement outcomes

- Improved local understanding of project requirements and procurement pathways
- Increased visibility and awareness of upcoming opportunities and timeframes
- Stronger relationships between the project, local businesses and community
- Increased participation outcomes for local and First Nations businesses in project delivery

Success Stories

Mick's Cranes and Butterworth Industries



The Result

- Delivered high-quality work
- Secured additional work beyond the original contract
- Demonstrated capability of local businesses



Why it Matters

- Inclusive procurement isn't just about meeting targets.
- It's about creating long-term business capability, trusted partnerships and sustainable economic participation.



*"Intentional engagement
creates opportunity"*



Delivery Social Investment

Community Grants Program

Supporting Communities:

- Elliott
- Daly Waters
- Newcastle Waters
- Larrimah
- Roper Gulf LGA



Regional and Remote Communities

Building the strength and resilience of regional economies and communities located near APA assets/projects



Climate Transition

Supporting communities in climate transition outcomes and adaptation activities



First Nations Peoples

Working in partnership with First Nations People to support better outcomes for First Nations communities and heritage



Natural Environment

Protecting and enhancing the natural environments and biodiversity located near APA assets/projects

17 Community Projects, and over \$80,000 invested:

- Elliott School
- Elliott Health Centre
- Marlinja Health Centre
- Govies Gala

- Territory Cup Campdraft
- Katherine School of the Air
- Elliott and NCW Sport and Recreation Association
- Marntula Aboriginal Corporation

- Roper River Land Care
- Barkly Regional Arts
- Ringers Rugby 7s Tournament
- Mataranka Fishing Sporting and Recreation Club



Delivery Social Investment

Elliott School – Grassed Playground

“This area has become a symbol of growth and improvement, and it will continue to benefit our students for years to come”



“The space encourages social interaction by offering an open, accessible area that supports both planned and spontaneous meet ups. It helps strengthen community connections by giving families a central spot to come together.”



Elliott Health Centre – Health Promotion

“Engaged local community people to come to the clinic to receive health checks and then to return to follow up with the GP for results. It also showed up lots of medical issues that people didn't realise they had after speaking with the Doctor in the clinic”



Outcomes

Infrastructure projects can deliver measurable social value regardless of project size

What We Achieved

- Opened doors for First Nations businesses
- Built local supplier capability
- Strengthened relationships across APA communities
- Invested where it mattered most
- Showcased local and regional business excellence
- Created economic benefits



Community and Social Performance delivers the greatest value when embedded into project delivery – not added as an afterthought.

Key Takeaways

- Engage intentionally
- Understand communities early
- Set clear project and contractor expectations
- Work as one team
- Focus on the practical
- Build capability for the future



