Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements

Cardno has delivered services for DRFA funded local government infrastructure restoration works throughout Australia to a value well in excess of $1 billion.

Cardno has been responsible for all phases of DRFA reconstruction works delivery including Restoration of Essential Public Assets (REPA), damage assessments and funding approvals, surveying, geotechnical investigations, design documentation, programme management, contract procurement, construction phase and closeout services.

PROVEN IN THE DELIVERY OF DRFA FUNDED RESTORATION WORKS

Cardno has delivered services for DRFA funded road, bridge and general infrastructure restoration works throughout Australia via our locally based network of regional offices.

In addition to our significant involvement with Councils such as North Burnett and Lockyer Valley and more recently Gladstone, Isaac and Rockhampton Councils, Cardno has been involved with DRFA projects on behalf of a wide range of additional local and state authorities including:

- Regional Councils of Burdekin, Isaac, Toowoomba, Sunshine Coast, Bundaberg, South Burnett, Palm Island, Western Downs, Mackay, Whitsunday, Townsville, Cairns and Capricorn.
- Department of Transport and Main Roads where we developed systems and processes that add value to our clients via fast-tracked approvals and strict project governance of construction works.

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COMMITMENT TO QUALITY SERVICE DELIVERED LOCALLY

Cardno is recognised by project managers, contractors, authorities and consultants throughout the construction industry in Australia for completing projects to a high level of quality on time and within budget.

At Cardno, our senior management staff are locally based and are involved with the projects. We have a thorough knowledge of the projects run through, the DRFA process and understand the associated funding guidelines and approval and acquittal process requirements. We also have staff that have been involved in the preparation of DRFA funding submissions. The processes and systems Cardno has developed for NDRRA have been refined to suit the DRFA. This enables the efficient delivery of projects and most importantly the greatest likelihood of funding being realised.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

We have extensive experience managing projects across all sectors to ensure they are delivered on time and on budget to reflect the client’s needs. Our approach to managing individual projects mirrors the service we provide at the program level but with a meticulous focus on the task at hand. This means adhering to the ‘Cardno Way’, being in line with the global PMBOK standard for quality control, minimising risk by engaging mitigation strategies, coordinating with multiple stakeholders and communicating regularly with our clients.
Cardno believes that creating a safe environment for our people, clients and the communities we impact should always come first. That’s why safety is one of our core company values. We are committed to achieving “Zero Harm” by continually improving our health, safety and environmental performance. Through strong leadership and employee participation, we seek to implement and reinforce “Zero Harm” on every job, every day.

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICES**

We have the understanding and operational experience to deliver quality project outcomes working collaboratively with all stakeholders out of project management offices (PMO). Our multidisciplinary teams are able to provide a consistent and repeatable process for project management, data management, reporting, approvals and acquittal process, management and approval variations, management of contractors and reporting to both local and state government authorities and relevant stakeholders. Cardno has set up and operated out of PMO’s in Gatton, Rockhampton, Mackay and Gladstone.

**USE OF CLEVER TECHNOLOGY**

Cardno has a purpose-built hand-held tablet-based system for managing the large volumes of project data. We developed and implemented the tablet-based system allowing the Cardno team to store, interrogate, amend and add construction data in the field to help in the delivery of crucial projects. The multipurpose system also uses GPS locating and navigating systems to aid the physical locating of defects in the field.

The success of the system, processes, software and hardware have resulted in broader use on the North Burnett Regional Council project by local and state government authorities and civil contractors. Importantly, our assessment system can be linked to any data format including those used by local and state government authorities.

**MULTI-DISCIPLINARY EXPERTISE**

As a multi-disciplinary consultancy firm, Cardno has the resources and technical expertise across a diverse range of engineering and environmental disciplines, market sectors and geographies. It enables us to package work and collaboratively work together to efficiently generate innovative and pragmatic solutions to help in the delivery of crucial projects. We provide services in:

- Asset Management
- Building Services
- Energy
- Civil Engineering
- Construction Management
- Planning
- Landscape Architecture
- Surveying and Spatial
- Utility Engineering
- Structural Engineering
- Geotechnical Engineering and Science
- Ecology and Environmental Science.

Cardno operates offices in Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Wollongong, with a strong team of experts in a variety of disciplines. Their expertise allows them to deliver innovative and pragmatic solutions to help in the delivery of crucial projects.