Gascoyne Food Bowl
Land Release

Project at a glance
• Established in 2012 through State funding
• Locate and identify suitable and sustainable water to support the expansion
• Identify suitable soil and land for horticultural development

Key achievements
• Water, land and soil investigations completed, with 4 Gigalitres of new water sourced and 400 hectares of suitable land for irrigated agriculture identified
• Land use structure plan developed and incorporated into the Shire of Carnarvon’s town planning scheme
• Electrification of Northern Borefield Stages 1 and 2 (0-24km) has been completed
• Gascoyne catchment management study completed and sustainable catchment management practices demonstrated

Benefits to the Gascoyne Region
• Infrastructure development
• Increased employment opportunities
• Export market expansion

Next phase
• Release of 300ha of land for intensive horticulture
• The land will be offered as undeveloped and unserviced lots, via an Expression of Interest over two stages:
  Release of Stage 1 land: Areas 4 and 5 including prolongations A - G
  Release of Stage 2 land: Areas: 2 - 3 and 6 - 10 including prolongations J - T

What is expected of proponents
Applications received will be assessed by a Selection Panel consisting of a representative from the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) and an independent representative.
• Submissions will be assessed against weighted criteria demonstrating horticultural experience, a development proposal and evidence of financial capability.
• Applicant(s) will be responsible for acquiring services and infrastructure to the land including such items as; water, power and road access.
• Applicant(s) will initially be granted a Development Lease requiring land to be developed for horticulture prior to obtaining Freehold Title and a permanent water share allocation.
• Applicant(s) are given a set time to complete development.
• Applicant(s) can acquire freehold title once Development Lease Conditions are met.

Find out more

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) website for more information on the Gascoyne Food Bowl Initiative

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The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) website for more information on land

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