

2.4.10 Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development

1. The Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development contributes to the wellbeing of all Australians by assisting the Government to promote, evaluate, plan and invest in infrastructure and by fostering an efficient, sustainable, competitive, safe and secure transport system.
2. The purpose of the department is to promote economic, social and regional development by enhancing Australia's infrastructure performance. Generally speaking, international and interstate shipping comes under Commonwealth jurisdiction, while ports and intrastate shipping comes under State jurisdiction. The department has policy responsibility for Commonwealth legislation in the transport sector, conducts research and safety investigations, performs regulatory functions, develops policy, administers programs, and delivers services. This broad portfolio is divided into:

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Location	Position	Chart	VHF Channel	Method
Hydrographers Passage (Blossom Bank)	19°43'S 150°26'E	Aus 821	16, 09	Helo Only
Cairns (Yorkeys Knob)	16°44'S 145°45'E	Aus 830	20	Launch or Helo
Cape Flattery (Two Mile opening)	14°21'S 145°29'E	Aus 831	16, 11	Helo Only
Great North East Channel (Dalrymple Is)	9°34'S 143°24'E	Aus 700	13	Launch
Torres Strait (Booby Island)	10°36'S 141°50'E	Aus 700	20	Launch or Helo
Torres Strait (Goods Island)	10°34'S 142°04'E	Aus 700	20	Launch or Helo

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