



REGION TO REAP HUGE REWARDS

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Hinchinbrook is set to reap the economic benefits that the proposed \$450 million redevelopment of Port Hinchinbrook in Cardwell is expected to bring.

Hinchinbrook Chamber of Commerce president Mary Brown said it was an incredibly encouraging and exciting development. “I see that they’ve already spent \$4 million,” Ms Brown said. “That can only be of benefit to the economy of the re-gion, but it can also inject a significant amount of positivity and optimism into the region.

“As far as what it can mean for our region directly, it’s about individual businesses looking to see where they can provide services and how they can be part of any development that’s going ahead.”

Ms Brown said she was encouraging all businesses to look for opportunities. “Businesses should be looking to where they can contribute to any developing that’s happening there,” she said. “It’s something that we can definitely tap into the Hinchinbrook’s marketing as well. “I know that when the previous regime was up and running it definitely had positive effects on the Ingham community.

“Those kinds of things had economic benefits. There were great opportunities when it was up and running, during both construction and when it was operational.”

Bruce Goddard of Place Projects said the development team was already talking to people in Ingham.

“We’re already using businesses from Townsville, and we’re talking to people in Ingham. We have several people in Cardwell and also the Mission Beach, Tully area,” Mr Goddard said.

“Obviously there will be a number of business opportunities available.”