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Cutter suction dredging resumes

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Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) has resumed normal dredging operations in the Western Basin after receiving notification from the Queensland Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM).

The temporary suspension of cutter suction dredging was put in place on the 9th January following high recordings of turbidity in the Gladstone harbour.

The suspension was lifted around midday on the 18th January as turbidity levels had continued to decrease in recent days and fallen back within the trigger levels for over 24 hours.

The Western Basin Dredging and Disposal Project conditions require GPC to monitor water quality, including turbidity at 15 minute intervals. The data is routinely provided to DERM and is available to the general public on the www.westernbasinportdevelopment.com.au website

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