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Project	Proponent/s	Funding (\$)	Description	Status (as at 1 April 2020)
Peter Faust Dam Tourism Infrastructure Development	Whitsunday Regional Council	1,000,000	This project will deliver new tourism infrastructure at Peter Faust Dam (Lake Proserpine) to support new tourism experiences in the region. Works include: • construction of facilities to support day fishing experiences and tours; and • design, manufacture and installation of interpretive panels.	 Electrical installation complete Plumbing awaiting final inspection from council Signage RFQ to close w/e 10/04/2020 Jetty / Pontoon No. 3 location decided, design being updated and bathometric survey underway. Survey expected to be completed by w/e 10/04/2020 Telstra mobile coverage booster for increased safety and better tourism experience - works underway (separate to TRF funding).
Indigenous Bush Tucker Trail and Paddock to Plate venue – Flagstaff Hill	Whitsunday Regional Council	1,000,000	This project will redevelop an existing restaurant on Flagstaff Hill, delivering a new tourism venue which will support the delivery of Indigenous tourism activities, festivals, cooking classes, and farmers markets. Works include: • engineering assessment of the building for extension or replacement; • construction of new building structure; and • business development assistance for Indigenous tourism, local produce displays and sales, pop-up restaurants, cooking classes and farmers markets and festivals.	 Stakeholder engagement with potential indigenous tourism operator held providing details of Café design including kitchen, storage areas, serving area, indoor and outdoor seating, shop and amenities Ergon transformer installation pending Development Approval and Building Approval received Land title for additional land transferred
Feasibility study into the restoration and relocation of a Catalina	Catalina Flying Memorial Ltd	48,390	Feasibility study into the restoration and relocation of a Catalina flying aircraft to Bowen for static and flying display as a tourist and educational attraction.	Completed and report submitted 2018.
Interpretive space at the Bowen Visitor Information Centre	Bowen Tourism and Enterprise	90,000	Creation and installation of a digital interpretive space, featuring CGI virtual reality, at the Bowen Visitor Information Centre. The content developed will focus on key experiences across the Whitsundays.	Completed and officially launched 25 October 2018.
Inclusive family friendly water play attraction	Queens Beach Tourist Village Pty Ltd	130,000	Construction of an inclusive family water play attraction at Queens Beach Tourist Village, Queens Beach.	Completed April 2019 and opened to visitors.



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Whitsunday Skyway Feasibility Study	Jimmy Crow Limited	260,000	Feasibility study for a proposed all-weather cable car, interpretative centre and café, hiking and cycling tracks and adrenaline activities located both near and within Conway National Park, overlooking Airlie Beach.	Completed and report submitted.
Hill Inlet Lookout upgrade and expansion	Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Department of Environment and Science	2,000,000	New and upgraded infrastructure to support land and water-based tourism activities at Hill Inlet. Work includes: • extension of existing and construction of new viewing platforms; • construction of all-weather hardened circuit track; • construction of shaded rest areas; • design, manufacture and installation of interpretation panels; and • improve access to Tongue Point	Practical completion 1 November 2019.
Auditorium @Bougainvillea Marquee	Hamilton Island Enterprises Limited	500,000	Construction of an auditorium to attract large expo and conference events at Bougainvillea Marquee, Hamilton Island.	Completed and officially opened 19 December 2019.
Island Short Walks	Queensland Parks and Wildlife, Department of Environment and Science	500,000	All-weather walking trails with interpretive panels on Border, Langford and Haslewood Islands	 Langford Island: completed 2018. Border Island: completed 2018. Haslewood Island: Lookout, trail and interpretive sign completed 23 December 2019.
Coral gardening edu- tourism	CCIG Investments (Daydream Island Living Reef)	500,000	Development of conservation programs aimed at engaging tourists in coral propagation and recovery. Located on Daydream Island, the coral propagation facility provides visitors with the opportunity to learn about coral propagation, with coral restoration at Lovers Cove, Manta Ray Bay and Blue Pearl Bay providing visitors the ability to view coral growth. Visitors are able to watch coral growth via Daydream Island's Whitsunday Coral Restoration Smartphone app.	Practical completion January 2020.
Underwater tourism infrastructure in the Whitsundays	Reef Ecologic	971,610	Design, creation and installation of underwater and intertidal interpretive art pieces across the Whitsunday region	 Practical completion 28 February 2020 6 underwater sculptures installed across 4 locations.

