



James Drysdale Reserve Baseball Fields and Amenities

We were part of the successful bid to provide advice to Moreton Bay Regional Council on expansion of James Drysdale Reserve sporting facility. We worked with project manager (ADG Engineers) to identify environmental management issues, and coordinate environmental planning approvals.

CLIENT

ADG ENGINEERS (ON BEHALF OF MORETON BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL)

LOCATION

BUNYA QUEENSLAND

Statutory Context

The development footprint was cleared land atop a former landfill, but road upgrades and sewer and water alignments affected areas mapped as regulated vegetation, and koala bushland habitat. These areas created statutory constraint, and Council was committed to ensuring minimal impact on existing vegetation.

Challenges and Solutions

Field surveys were undertaken to ground-truth the boundaries of the regulated vegetation and koala bushland habitat, and map amendment processes were coordinated. The amended mapping reduced the extent of environmental constraint, creating greater flexibility for the infrastructure design. Small areas of constraint remained, and for these areas we worked with the engineer and an arborist to sensitively position infrastructure to minimise vegetation impacts. Vegetation management plans were prepared in collaboration with the engineer to demonstrate how the construction could be practically achieved while retaining vegetation.

Outcome

The construction management plans were approved, and the project has progressed to detailed design.