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UrbanGrowth NSW supports milestone forum

UrbanGrowth NSW will be the Principal Sponsor of Built Environment Meets Parliament (BEMP) NSW, a milestone forum between industry and government to be held on Thursday 11 August 2016.

The forum is sponsored by Minister for Planning the Hon. Rob Stokes MP, and coordinated by industry association Consult Australia in consultation with BEMP NSW Partners the Green Building Council of Australia, Australian Institute of Architects, and the Planning Institute of Australia, with the support of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects.

The focus of BEMP NSW will be on presenting new information and insights into how we consider our urban environments, and deliver better design, planning, policy, funding and infrastructure.

The overall theme for the forum is *The New Great Australian Dream: How can we deliver quality urban living?*

"As the NSW Government's urban transformation agency, our vision is to create a globally competitive Sydney and NSW. To do this, it's critical that we collaborate with industry and our government partners to achieve world class public outcomes," said UrbanGrowth NSW Acting Chief Executive Julian Frecklington.

Effective engagement between the public and private sector is critical to ensure our cities and regional towns meet the needs of their communities according to Matthew Trigg, State Manager for New South Wales with industry association Consult Australia.

"The need for and importance of this forum can be seen in the dozens of parliamentarians who have already confirmed their attendance, the advisors that will be attending and the numbers of industry stakeholders already registered."

"The BEMP Partner associations have been able to secure a great line up of speakers. This will definitely move the debate forward."

For more information and to register visit www.bempnsw.com or follow the #BEMPNSW hashtag on Twitter

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For further information or to arrange an interview, please contact Consult Australia's NSW State Manager, Matthew Trigg on 02 8252 6708 or nsw@consultaustralia.com.au

About UrbanGrowth NSW

UrbanGrowth NSW is the NSW Government's urban transformation agency. They use their unique City Transformation Life Cycle™ approach to transform surplus or underutilised government-owned land into vibrant urban places with much needed new housing choices, community facilities, jobs, and transport connectivity.

As a state-owned corporation, they lead the collaboration on a portfolio of complex projects between government agencies, local councils and residents, industry, and the private sector, to ensure that their work reflects the needs and interests of the people of NSW.

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Their ambition is to 'transform city living', enabling world class urban transformation that enables a more vibrant, connected, and globally competitive NSW for the benefit of all those who live, work, visit and invest in it. For more information visit urbangrowth.nsw.gov.au

About Consult Australia

Consult Australia is the association that represents the business interests of consulting firms that design, engineer, assess and plan our built and natural environments.

We represent an industry comprising some 48,000 firms across Australia, ranging from sole practitioners through to some of Australia's top 500 firms. Collectively, our industry is estimated to employ over 240,000 people, and generate combined revenue exceeding \$40 billion a year.

Consult Australia has undertakes significant work to further the discussion, including on how major works are financed and procured. For more visit http://consultaustralia.com.au/Home/Advocacy/Infrastructure