

Our ref: WR25/28747; OUT25/5003

14 January 2026

Gold Coast City Council  
c/- Moffat & Nichol  
pprenzler@moffatnichol.com

Dear Mr Prenzler

**Request for an exemption certificate**

The State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) received your request for an exemption certificate to be given for the development described below on 15 September 2025 and as amended on 19 December 2025.

Under section 46(2) of the *Planning Act 2016*, SARA advises that an exemption certificate is given for the development described below.

**Applicant details**

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Applicant name:	Gold Coast City Council
Applicant contact details:	Moffat & Nichol pprenzler@moffatnichol.com

**Premises details**

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Location:	Canals maintained by Gold Coast City Council as identified within Attachment 1
Local government area:	Gold Coast City Council
Relevant land owners:	Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development

**Development details**

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Development permit for a material change of use for environmentally relevant activity 16(1)(c) – dredging in a year more than 100,000t but no more than 1,000,000t.

As described above in accordance with the following plan:

Plan title	Prepared by	Drawing number	Date	Issue
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Key Map	UAPM	-	18 December 2025	-
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Central Operational Area A	UAPM	-	18 December 2025	-
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Central Operational Area B	UAPM	-	18 December 2025	-
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Central Operational Area C	UAPM	-	18 December 2025	-
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Northern Operational Area	UAPM	-	18 December 2025	-
Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast Southern Operational Area	UAPM	-	26 November 2025	-

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**Referral agencies**

Not applicable.

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**Assessable development**

This exemption certificate relates to the following provision of the Planning Regulation 2017:

- Schedule 10, Part 5, Division 2, Section 8 - Environmentally relevant activities.

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**Human rights consideration**

A consideration of the 23 fundamental human rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019* has been undertaken as part of this decision. It has been determined that the proposed works are reasonable and justifiable based on the circumstances of the works. Any limitation of human rights is temporary and there are no less restrictive ways to achieve the purpose of the works.

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**Reasons for giving the exemption certificate**

This exemption certificate is given as the effects of the development would be minor or inconsequential, considering the circumstances under which the development was categorised as assessable development.

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**When exemption certificate ceases to have effect**

Pursuant to section 46(8) of the *Planning Act 2016*, this exemption certificate has effect for two years.

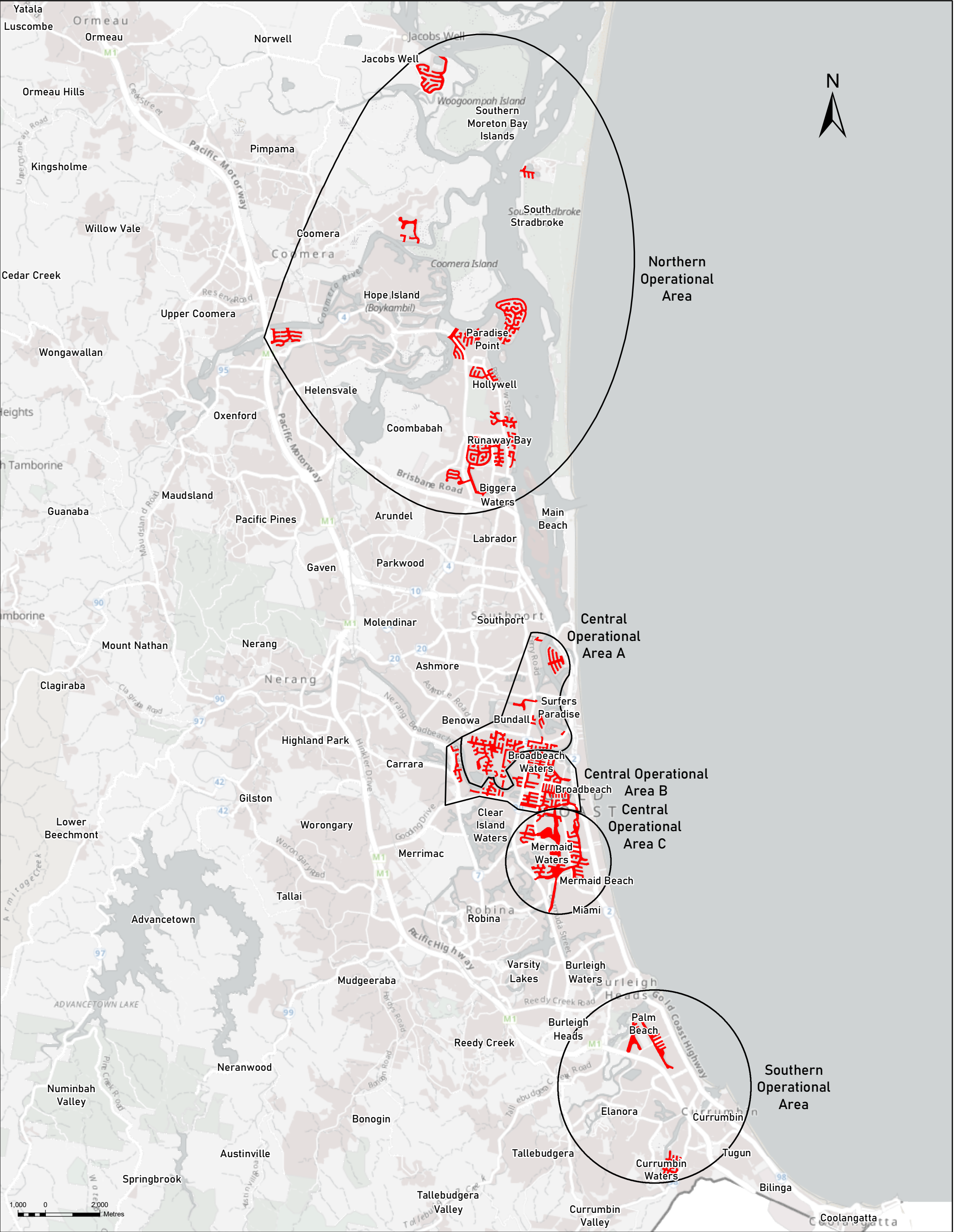
For further information please contact Brianna Gosper, Senior Planning Officer, on (07) 5644 3272, or via email [SEQSouthPlanning@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au](mailto:SEQSouthPlanning@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au) who will be pleased to assist.


Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Hanna', written in a cursive style.

Kieran Hanna  
**A/Director**  
**Planning Services**  
**Planning Group**  
**Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning**

Enc Attachment 1 – Material referred to in the exemption certificate



 Canals

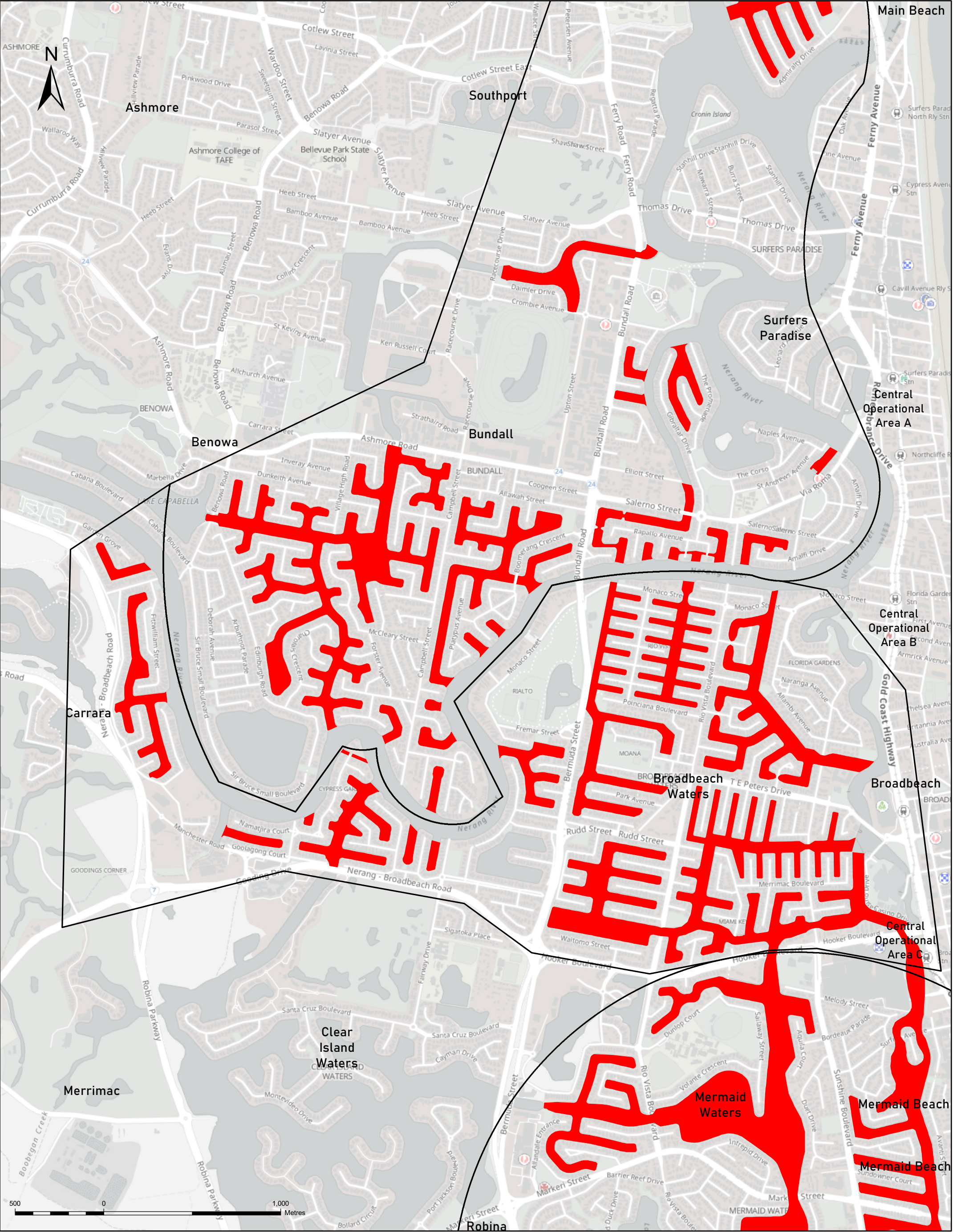
# Canals Maintained by City of Gold Coast

## Key Map

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Canal Dredging 3 year Program

Central Operational Area B

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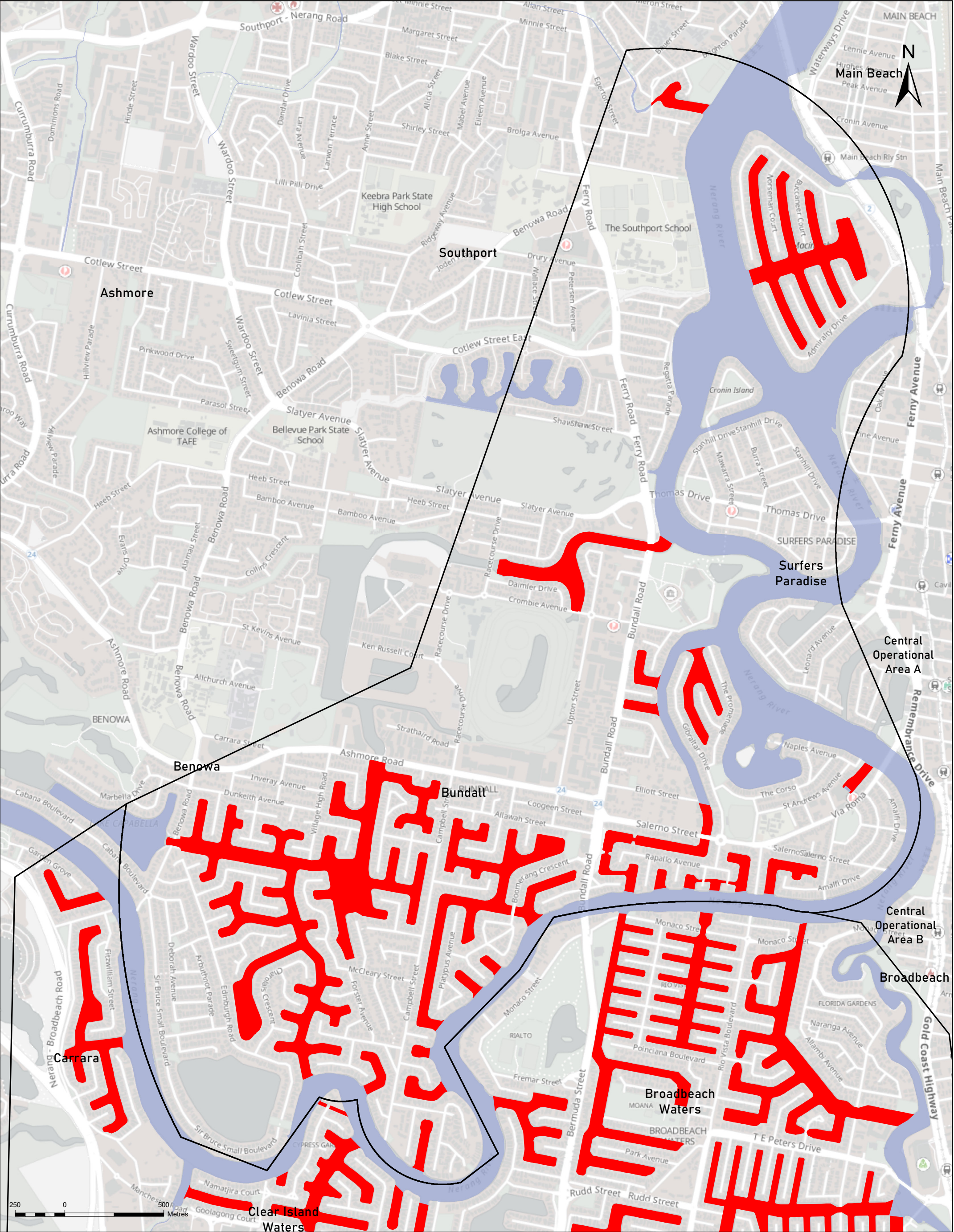
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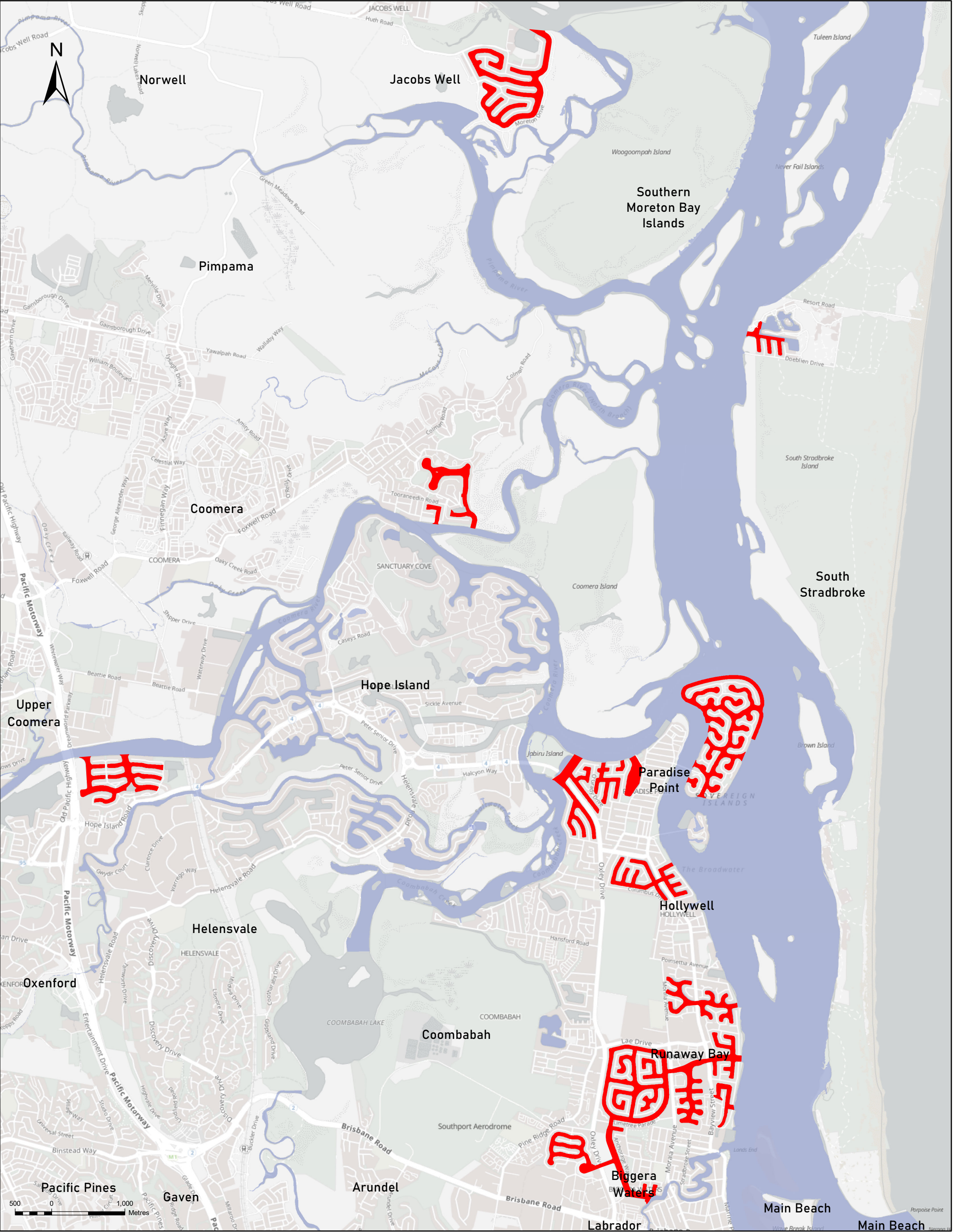
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## Central Operational Area C

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## Northern Operational Area

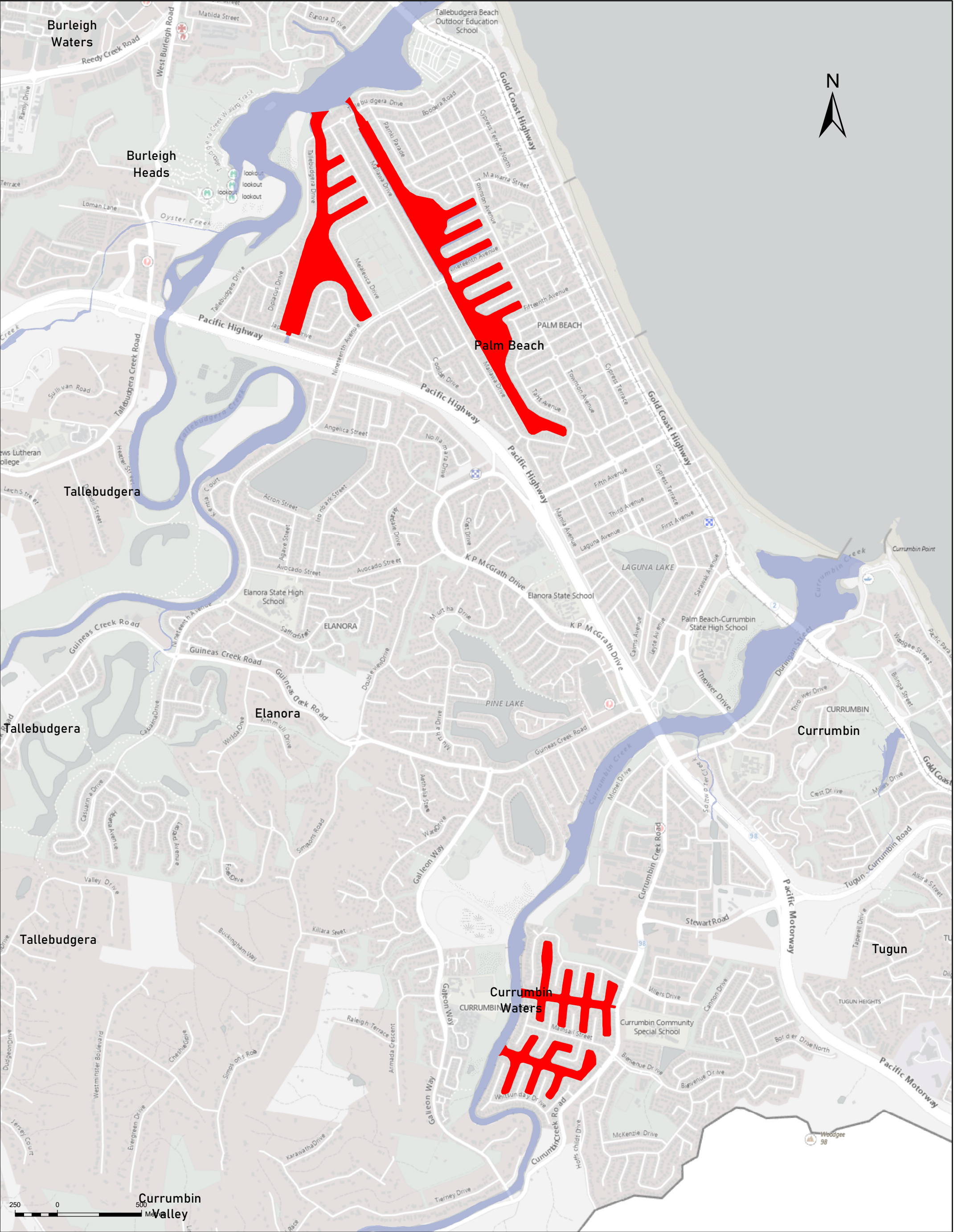
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## Southern Operational Area

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