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COMMITMENT TO INFRASTRUCTURE SUSTAINABILITY RECOGNISED

Winning the 2018 Organisational Leadership in Infrastructure Sustainability Award once again shows our contribution and commitment to sustainability.

The award, from the Infrastructure Sustainability Council of Australia (ISCA), recognises the organisation exhibiting the most outstanding performance, leadership and greatest contribution to advancing infrastructure sustainability in Australasia.

This is the second time we have won this award, having previously received it in 2014, illustrating our continuing dedication to sustainability. We define sustainability as a commitment to 'creating lasting benefits through an integrated consideration of social, environmental and economic aspects in all that we do'. In other words, we meet the needs of today without compromising those of future generations.

The judges acknowledged Main Roads' leadership and significant contribution to advancing sustainability, highlighting examples such as:

- being actively involved in building staff capability, sustainable practices and sharing knowledge and experience across the industry
- setting an internal standard to utilise the Infrastructure Sustainability (IS) Rating tool across all infrastructure projects

- aligning with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals
- being an award winner in category three, Earth Award for the Third Avenue Bridge Replacement by contractor BMD Constructions
- being an award winner in category one, Earth Award for the Enviro Infrastructure for Refurbishment of Bridge 0930, Haydn Bunton Drive
- winning the IS Impact Award and the IS Outstanding Achievement Award for the NorthLink Southern Section.

ISCA developed and administers the infrastructure sustainability (IS) rating scheme which evaluates the performance of infrastructure assets during planning, design, construction and operations.

By using the rating tool to independently assess and verify our claims for sustainability, the IS scheme is effectively an independent auditing process looking at both 'process' and 'outcome' to determine the extent to which an infrastructure project embeds sustainability. The ISCA is a not-for-profit peak industry body operating in Australia and New Zealand with the purpose of advancing sustainability outcomes in infrastructure.