

## Burnett Heads marina project to include cafes and restaurants

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A planned marina and resort project in the coastal town of Burnett Heads in Queensland will feature accommodation, boutique retail stores, cafes and restaurants.

Sydney based BH Developments QLD has officially lodged a development application with Bundaberg Regional Council for an integrated 318-birth marina village located on the south western shore of the Burnett Heads Boat Harbour.

An adjacent residential precinct with low-rise apartments, waterfront villas and a hotel resort and convention centre with eco-villas all linked via a public waterfront boardwalk are also part of the plans.

BHD managing director Simon Harvey said it was not hard "to get excited at the opportunity."

"With marina projects, creating a safe, sheltered harbour usually becomes the responsibility of the developer," he said. "In this case, the harbour already existed, and the fact that it is in an idyllic setting surrounded by so many amazing and accessible attractions makes it the perfect location.

"The strong support we have received from the Bundaberg Regional Council and Gladstone Ports Corporation has also been very refreshing."

Bundaberg Region Mayor Jack Dempsey said if it's approved the proposed major development would draw more tourists to the area.

"The proposed Burnett Heads Boat Harbour Marina has potential to create hundreds of jobs for the local community, initially through construction, and ongoing across the retail, food and beverage and service sectors," Dempsey said.