
Occupational health & safety

- Key stock handling areas designed to minimise human contact with stock.
- Full roofing eliminates exposure to the elements.
- Walkways throughout the facility, including a separate public walkway .
- Traffic management plan developed.
- Induction programs for the centres operation have been developed and will be in place.
- Provision of staff & user facilities.
- Lighting to industry standards.



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Selling or Buying Stock

From 2010

The Livestock Centre



Muchea East Road, Muchea

The Livestock Centre

Location

The Centre is located on Muecha East Road Muecha approximately 1.5 km from the Junction of the Brand and Great Northern Highway and 35km from the current Midland Site.

Access to the centre will be via a signalised intersection at the junction of the Brand & Great Northern Highways along an upgraded Muecha Road East.

The site is part of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure Muecha Employment Node

Consultation in design

Intensive consultation has been undertaken with all industry sectors to settle on a design that gave the best practice environmental OH & S and animal welfare outcomes.

Alms

The aims of the Centre are:

- Provide full time employment for staff;
- Employ animal welfare best practice;
- Run efficiently and safely;
- Maximise vendor returns; and
- Attract the maximum number of buyers and sellers.

Vital statistics

- Property Size - 302.6 ha.
- Main Pad size - 16ha.
- Internal Parking areas & road ways - 8.63 ha.
- Sale building 5.2 ha fully under saw tooth roof.
- Water self sufficient all water collected and recycled.
 - Clean water dam 35,239 KL
 - Grey Water dam 64,794 KL
 - Effluent ponds 150,000KL
- Disabled access.
- Truckwash - 8 bay key & coin operated.

Cattle

- Capacity for sales of up to 3,200 head.
- Pneumatics for cattle handling.
- 13 ramps, 6 receival, 5 load out and 2 side loaders.

Sheep

- Capacity for sales of up to 30,000 head.
- 19 ramps, 11 receival, 6 load out and 2 multi purpose ramps.

Veal

- Capacity for sales of up to 1,000 head.

The centre will be the largest modern dual species facility in Australia when completed.

- Stage 1 Earth works completed in May 2007.
- Stage 2 Earth works completed in June 2008.
- Works approval from the Department of Environment granted in March 2008.
- Building tender awarded to Cooper and Oxley Builders in November 2008.
- Construction commenced in December 2008.

It is planned that the Centre will be operational from January 2010

Animal Welfare

- Water to all Pens (excluding sheep sale).
- Feeding pens available for both cattle and sheep.
- Soft flooring (sawdust or woodchips) throughout the Centre excl drafts and sheep selling pens.
- Main Centre under roof.
- All drafts designed to maximise stock flow and eliminate bruising.
- Hospital pens provided.
- New Animal Welfare Standards have been developed by WAMIA and will be in place.

Environment

- The Facility has fully complied with rigorous DEC Works approval conditions.
- Extensive modelling & testing undertaken to ensure that the facilities operation has minimum impact on the surrounding environment.
- Effluent disposal system - best practice.
- Recycling of waste products.
- Ongoing monitoring of the environment will continue.
- Large areas of bushland fenced off and protected from stock.
- Extensive tree planting planned.
- Community Consultation Group formed.

