## 10 SWING BASIN AND SHIPPING CHANNEL OPERATIONS

Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC), under the provisions of the *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994* (Qld) is the statutory operator of the Port of Gladstone, including all shipping channels, navigation aids, and strategic port land.

Following the development of the Curtis Spur Channel, GPC will manage its operation and maintenance, including any maintenance dredging requirements.

All shipping operations within the Port of Gladstone, including any in the proposed Curtis Spur Channel, are managed by the Gladstone Harbourmaster, principally under the provisions of the *Maritime Safety* (Queensland) Act 2002.

The development of the Western Basin Strategic Dredging and Disposal (WBSDD) Project and overview of environmental impacts of both the capital and maintenance dredging operations to be undertaken by the GPC is outlined in *Volume 6*.

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