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Welcoming Adani with open arms

THE Central Highlands Development Corporation has welcomed the Adani approval and the 10,000 jobs it could bring.

"The Central Highlands has been identified as the service centre hub for Galilee Basin projects, therefore this is welcome news for our region as a whole," said CHDC general manager Sandra Hobbs.

"Businesses who take on work as part of the supply chain will be creating work for accountants, lawyers, professional services, real estate, office equipment suppliers and even our local grocery stores."

Isaac Regional Council Mayor Anne Baker said the council was hopeful of genuine employment opportunities as a result of the project and proposed legislative reform on forced FIFO, though said it was too soon to estimate its economic value to the region.

"We welcome the recent Adani approval and any new economic stimulus into the region," she said.

"We are pleased the government fully considered the detail of this project before granting approval."