Decommissioning in Australia

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CODA acknowledges the traditional custodians of the country throughout Australia and recognises their continuing connection to land, waters and community.

We pay our respects to them and their cultures; and to elders past, present and emerging.
Who is CODA

Australian independent not for profit decommissioning peak body established in 2020 to support the development and growth of Australia’s decommissioning industry through cross industry collaboration.

Support the safe and efficient execution of decommissioning work, and maximise the reuse or recycling of removed materials, and facilitate the growth of Australia’s decommissioning industry to become recognised as a global centre of excellence.
Offshore decommissioning workload
Growing local capacity

• There will be several major decommissioning scopes awarded during 2024 for execution in the coming years

• These will largely involve large quantities of SURF, some moderate size structures and large numbers of wells

• These projects need an entire ecosystem of companies for them to be executed safely, efficiently and where possible, locally

CODA has been working to prepare for this workload…
Problems and solutions

- Low level of local experience
- Understanding of available technology
- Pathways to recycling
- Networks and knowledge
- Shortage of skills
- Ports & dismantling facilities
- Clarity of future workload
- Access to vessels and tooling in region
• Assessed all potential locations in WA to land and dismantle decommissioned equipment,
• Developed scenarios of volumes and timing, drawing on CODA’s existing work,
• Considers adjacent industries such as offshore wind
• Undertook a deep dive on the short-listed locations before delivering a report which can then be used to determine next steps

Will be discussed in detail at 2:45 tomorrow in the decommissioning theatre
Skills strategy

• Through extensive consultation this work identifies the skills needs and critical gaps that must be addressed to grow a strong and capable local decommissioning workforce

• Highlights and prioritises next steps to ensure this workforce is ready as the demand grows

This report will be released at 10am on Friday morning in the Decommissioning Theatre
An updated outlook tool
https://www.decommissioning.org.au/capability-index/