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East Lake planning project underway

ACT Planning and Land Authority (ACTPLA) Chief Planning Executive Neil Savery today announced the appointment of consultants to complete the planning for East Lake.

Mr Savery said the team of consultants would be led by SGS Economics and Planning (SGS), which includes planners who received a Planning Institute of Australia award for the Sustainable Sydney 2030 project.

“East Lake was identified in the 2004 Canberra Spatial Plan as a potential area for urban renewal, and further studies since that time have confirmed its suitability for innovative sustainable development.

“SGS will be responsible for developing a plan that delivers on the vision of East Lake, which seeks to showcase leading practice in sustainable development, including designing for climate change mitigation and adaptation, reducing the use of energy and water, minimising waste, providing for a mix of housing and responding sensitively to the adjoining Jerrabomberra Wetlands.”

East Lake is expected to have a population of about 9000 people and will provide an employment base for some 3000 jobs.

Mr Savery said SGS had been extensively briefed on a range of studies of the area undertaken over the last two years and would also draw on the work of the CSIRO in establishing benchmarks for sustainable development and the relationship between development and the adjoining wetlands.

“While the consultants will be drawing on consultation undertaken to date they will be conducting further engagement with the community as part of this project.

“Following consultation with an invited reference group and a public forum (scheduled for late March), the plan for East Lake will be presented to government for consideration later this year.”

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