



Trade & Transport in the Tropics ” Luncheon – 25th June 2008

REDC's second Leadership Forum was attended by 58 representatives of the region's industry and government sectors. The event was held in the foyer of the Mackay Entertainment Centre and provided an opportunity for regional stakeholders to hear from the Minister for Transport, Trade, Employment and Industrial Relations, the Hon John Mickel MP.



Immediately prior to the event, REDC Board Members met with Minister Mickel to discuss key regional issues.

The luncheon started with an opportunity for networking. This was followed by a sit down meal and formal presentations chaired by REDC CEO Narelle Pearse. Mayor of Mackay Regional Council and REDC Board member Cr Col Meng welcomed the Minister and Member for Whitsunday (and Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Tourism, Regional Development and Industry) Jan Jarratt MP provided a vote of thanks at the conclusion of the event.

Attendees also had an opportunity to learn more about the role of REDC Chair Julie Boyd, who is the Special Trade Representative to Japan, South Korea and the Philippines.



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