

AAM and EGS Australia to Deliver Hydrographic Services for HIPP



Two surveying industry leaders have partnered to deliver high-quality hydrographic services in support of the Australian government. AAM, a Woolpert Company, has signed a teaming agreement with EGS Australia to collect bathymetric Lidar surveys for the HydroScheme Industry Partnership Program (HIPP).

Managed by the Department of Defence's

Australian Hydrographic Office, [HIPP](#) is a commercial acquisition programme focused on hydrographic survey activities that contribute to national charting priorities. The vision for HIPP is to undertake an efficient, effective and sustainable hydrographic survey, oceanographic and marine geophysical data collection programme for the nation by partnering with private industry.

Bathymetric Lidar Technology to Support HIPP's Objectives

EGS Australia General Manager Anthony Pyne said this partnership further strengthens the services EGS provides: "Since our initial partnership in 2005, [EGS](#) and [AAM](#) have worked together on numerous hydrographic and geophysical surveys. We have worked hard since the very beginning of the HIPP tendering process to present our best solution, strategically aligned with HIPP technical and logistical interests, as well as the Commonwealth's Australian Industry Capability (AIC) criteria. We look forward to building on this solid foundation to deliver world-class hydrographic services in Australia."

[Woolpert](#)'s Asia-Pacific vice president and AAM managing director Brian Nicholls said partnering with EGS Australia will help build capacity and capability in the region. "The combination of AAM, a Woolpert Company, and EGS Australia ensures world-leading bathymetric Lidar technology is available in support of HIPP's objectives for efficient, effective and sustainable hydrographic survey," Nicholls said. "One of those objectives is to obtain full, high-quality bathymetric coverage of Australia's Exclusive Economic Zone by 2050, and this partnership directly supports that effort."

EGS is one of the founding panel members of HIPP and has completed surveys in Broome, Torres and Bass Straits, as well as a multiyear tidal infrastructure project in the Torres Strait. International architecture, engineering and geospatial (AEG) firm Woolpert [acquired](#) AAM in 2021 and has significant experience and resources to support bathymetric Lidar and hydrographic surveying worldwide. Woolpert's recent work in the region includes supplying topographic and bathymetric Lidar and imagery to the Pacific Island nations of Vanuatu, Tonga and the Cook Islands.



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