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Historic agreement between the Queensland Department of Main Roads and ARRB Group reports highly successful first year

The 2008 ARF Summit brought together some of Australia's most influential leaders in the roads industry this week. A significant event held at the Summit was a meeting convened between the Chief Executives of the Queensland Department of Main Roads (QDMR) and ARRB Group (ARRB) to recognise the success of both organisations working together for the past 12 months under a historic agreement to provide research expertise and knowledge sharing. The agreement was officially signed one year ago at the 2007 ARF Summit.



ARRB Managing Director Gerard Waldron (left) and QDMR Director General, Alan Tesch

The purpose of the Agreement between QDMR and ARRB is to improve the specialist capability and capacity of the Queensland Department of Main Roads, Australia's busiest road authority, and ARRB Group, Australia's leading national transport research, consulting and technology provider, through a sustained, collaborative program of challenging projects which deliver superior technology and road and transport solutions for the people of Queensland.

ARRB Managing Director Gerard Waldron said 'the agreement was the first of its kind in Australia and is providing QDMR access to the wealth of experience ARRB experts have to offer.'

QDMR Director-General Alan Tesch said 'I am delighted with the results achieved so far in providing appropriate road and transport solutions for the people of Queensland. Many of our projects have benefited from the expertise ARRB has provided in areas such as road safety, concrete, pavement and road surfacing technology, traffic engineering, asset management, and transport economics.'

The assistance of ARRB is continuing to ensure that QDMR have access to the latest technology and information to deliver its significant road investment program successfully.

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