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BIOGRAPHY

Dr. McLeod is an Associate Professor of Economics at the University of Western Australia and an Adjunct Professor at the Australian and New Zealand School of Government.

Dr. McLeod has been a Director of Economic Research Associates since 1988, and has been a Director of the Planning and Transport Research Centre (PATREC) and Allied Capital Group.

Dr McLeod's expertise is in business economics, resource economics and public policy.

Dr McLeod has directed many economic impact assessments and cost-benefit analyses of projects. These include economic impact studies of the Americas Cup, gold mining, recreational and commercial fishing activity in Western Australia, coal versus gas fired electricity generation, the proposed Hill River private power station for Western Australia; the operations of Perth International Airport; the operation of the Simcoa silicon smelter, shipbuilding in Western Australia and the economic impact and appropriate development strategies for the chemicals industry in Western Australia. He has undertaken economic impact studies of the Mt Gibson iron ore mine, Perth International Airport, the Lend Lease Perth Convention Centre proposal. He has completed cost benefit and financial evaluations of the Jervoise Bay heavy industry facility, the Derby Tidal Power Station, the Fremantle Rockingham Industrial Areas Region Scheme (FRIARS), extensions to the NW Corridor rail and of the water supply options for the Goldfields Esperance Region.

Dr McLeod has extensive experience with land development issues, in particular social cost benefit analysis. He has also been involved in the economic analysis of optimal methods of providing and financing social and environmental infrastructure costs in proposed new major residential land developments working with Syme Marmion, the Shire of Wanneroo and the Department of Local Government and Satterley Property Group.

Dr McLeod has undertaken economic impact assessments of the Burswood Lakes projects for Mirvac Fini and in 2003 He developed an economic impact assessment of the land development industry for the UDIA. In conjunction with Murdoch University he has worked on the economic application of sustainability to industrial land planning for DOIR.

Dr McLeod has also undertaken a number of consultancies involving water management.