1. Tranche 1 of reforms completed
   Establishment of the Southern Ports Authority on 1 October 2014 was a significant milestone, marking practical completion of Tranche 1 of the reforms.
   Project management focus has now shifted exclusively to Tranche 2 of the reforms.

2. Progress of the legislation
   **Tranche 2**
   Drafting of the second Bill is well advanced. Several policy issues will require resolution, including some related to State Agreements and State-owned facilities in Wyndham and Derby, and the transfer or preservation of various leases and licences before the Bill can be finalised.

3. Report from the Steering Committee
   **Updated timeline**
   The Steering Committee endorsed an updated project schedule for Tranche 2. The earliest date for transition of *Shipping and Pilotage Act 1967* facilities from the oversight of the Department of Transport to the respective port authorities will be 1 July 2016.

   **Updated governance**
   The Steering Committee endorsed an updated working group structure. In Tranche 2, many of the key policy issues are site-specific. Therefore there will be an increased focus on Kimberley, Pilbara and Mid-West working groups as the primary forum to consider and resolve these issues. The technical working group will continue to enable consideration of overarching issues, and to incorporate key non-port authority stakeholders (Department of State Development and State Solicitor’s Office). These changes are reflected in a revised issues resolution process.
   With the conclusion of Tranche 1, the Southern Ports Authority has formally withdrawn from the Steering Committee, as there are no *Shipping and Pilotage Act 1967* ports to transfer in the southern region under Tranche 2.

   **Progress**
   The Steering Committee noted the various ongoing due diligence activities being undertaken by the three port authorities impacted by Tranche 2. Amongst other things, this includes formalised engagement with port facility operators.

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