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Eimeo's newest estate will cost \$1.5 billion, create 13,000 jobs and house 5000 people



STRETCHING over 248 hectares, housing more than 5000 people, with extensive sporting facilities, two schools and a police station the proposed Plantation Palms is not just a housing estate it is a super suburb. The master plan for the new community is being reviewed by Mackay City Council. If they tick off on the development application Plantation Palms will change the face of the Northern Beaches. The \$1.5 billion development, a joint venture of Xcel Properties and Paul Ramsey Group, will take 10 years to develop and is expected to create 13,000 jobs. But it won't be all houses, 53% of the land will be used for parks, public spaces, lakes, wetlands and natural bush.

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BIG PLANS: Developer Kim Clarke looks over the paddocks, off Eimeo Road, that will become Plantation Palms. Picture: AMANDA BALMER. 020807/048

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