



Project News

Fluor awarded Contract by BHP for largest Iron Ore Processing Facility ever built in Western Australia

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Fluor booked the undisclosed project and construction management contract value in the second quarter of 2018.



BHP's Western Australia Iron Ore operations involve a complex integrated system of seven mines, more than 1000 km of rail and two separate port facilities. (Picture: BHP Billiton)

"With more than 50 years of iron ore experience, Fluor has worked extensively with BHP on numerous successful iron ore projects in the Pilbara region," said

Tony Morgan, president of Fluor's Mining & Metals business. "We worked closely with BHP to optimize the South Flank project feasibility study and improve the project's capital efficiency. As part of an integrated project team with BHP, we have developed an approach that optimizes the cost and schedule for the project."The project will replace production from the Yandi mine in the Pilbara region, which is nearing the end of its life. Fluor will provide construction and project management services, which includes an 80-million-ton-per-year crushing and screening plant, an overland conveyor system and rail-loading facilities. The contract continues Fluor's work from the feasibility study phase.The first production of the iron ore, a key component in steelmaking, is targeted for 2021.