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Steven Marshall MP Premier of South Australia GPO Box 2343, ADELAIDE SA 5001

## **AILA response to South Australian Stimulus Package**

Dear Premier,

I wrote to you recently outlining a rapid response to greening Adelaide through more effective local government spending with State Government support. (Refer attached letter dated 1 February 2020).

This is now an even more important time to keep the economy going as well as ensure South Australian stay healthy and safe in these uncertain times.

I applaud your announcement this morning on a \$650m stimulus package (<a href="https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-03-26/south-australian-government-releases-second-stimulus-package/12091678">https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-03-26/south-australian-government-releases-second-stimulus-package/12091678</a>) and offer our complete support and advocacy.

I reiterate AILA's support in any form we can assist to ensure work keeps going for the State's 300+ landscape architects, who, like everyone else, are suffering a downturn in work or facing redundancy or loss of work entirely.

South Australia's landscape architects are ready to assist with rapid design work to ensure the small projects are not only ready to keep the construction industry going, as Minister Knoll said on ABC radio this morning (with Ail Clark), but to ensure that the works constructed learn from the previous Australian Government stimulus in 2008/2009 where in many instances qualitative outcomes were not high on the agenda.

We <u>can incorporate quality greening</u> outcomes as well as rapidly developing construction projects, regardless of size

As President I am more than ready to meet with the relevant DPTI representatives to work through a program to assist.

Please contact Sally Bolton, State Manager, to organise a time.

Thank you for your leadership through this unprecedented crisis and we stand ready to assist.

Regards,

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