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Strategic Priorities 2024 – 2029

Zero Damage. Zero Harm. Zero Disruption.



OUR VISION

To achieve zero damage to member/utility infrastructure resulting from construction and ground-breaking activities, preventing community disruption, and protecting people and property from harm.



OUR MISSION

- Develop and promote education and awareness to increase skills within the industry. Develop the standards that create an uplift in industry capability.
- Facilitate industry collaboration to identify improvement opportunities and increase efficient standardisation.
- Report on damage and its impacts, using data as a catalyst for education, awareness and change.
- Advocate with government and regulatory bodies for nationally consistent best practices.
- Develop technologies that increase the ease and efficiency of using utility location information, adapt to suit user groups.
- Focused promotion of BYDA services to maximise impact.



Five Pillars of Activity

1 Asset Information

- Provide useable and relevant plan information to users.
- Support asset owners to improve the quality of plans and supporting safety information.
- Be an industry leader on GIS, asset information – the digital evolution of the referral.

2 Advocacy and Regulation

- Advocate for damage prevention with government, regulators and peer bodies.
- Drive for consistent and effective regulation across the community and all states.
- Seek to balance asset owners and the ground breaker community needs as well as social expectations for long term and sustainable outcomes.

3 Damage Impact and Investigation

- Be the source of damage data reports and cost/disruption impacts (macro/micro model).
- Play a leading role in sharing learnings from damage investigation – seek learnings and be vehicle to share across industry to improve work practices.
- Advance position as industry leader.

4 Establishing Standards

- Set the standards for asset location and protection.
- Provide targeted awareness, engagement and continuing professional development (CPD) to higher risk users.
- Set standards for VET Sector (TAFE and RTO) training with industry supported learning requirements and content.
- Set the learning requirements and content.

5 Industry Leadership

- Engage all industry members to drive outcomes.
- Deliver a bi-annual national damage prevention conference.
- Continue sector specific forums.
- Establish project specific committees as needed to support projects.
- Develop a membership model to engage the construction/trade sector.