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Our teams are busy finalising work programs across our four Burdekin mills in the lead-up to the 2022 season.

Wilmar is investing more than \$100M in capital and maintenance at its Burdekin operations this year, demonstrating the company's long-term commitment to the region.

We've worked to address a number of reliability issues from the 2021 crush season, as well as implement major capital replacement projects.

Our capital works program is currently on track, however we have faced additional challenges with supply chain and labour force issues this year due to the ongoing impacts of COVID-19.

We will commence our pre-season commissioning programs in the first week of May and are planning to start the season at all four mills on 7 June.

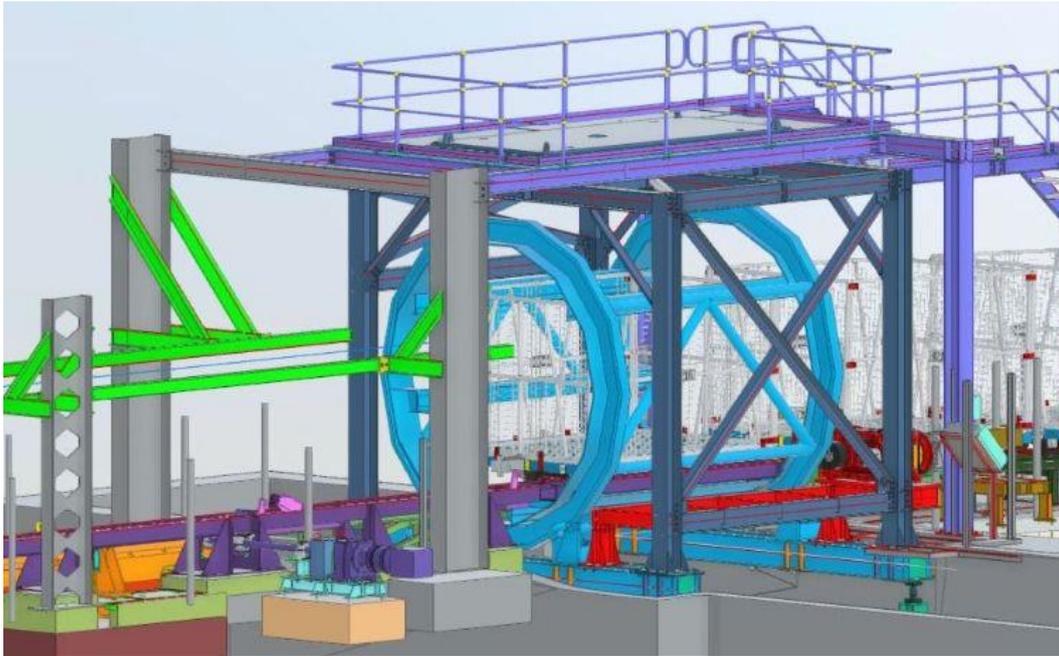
Here's an update on our major projects.



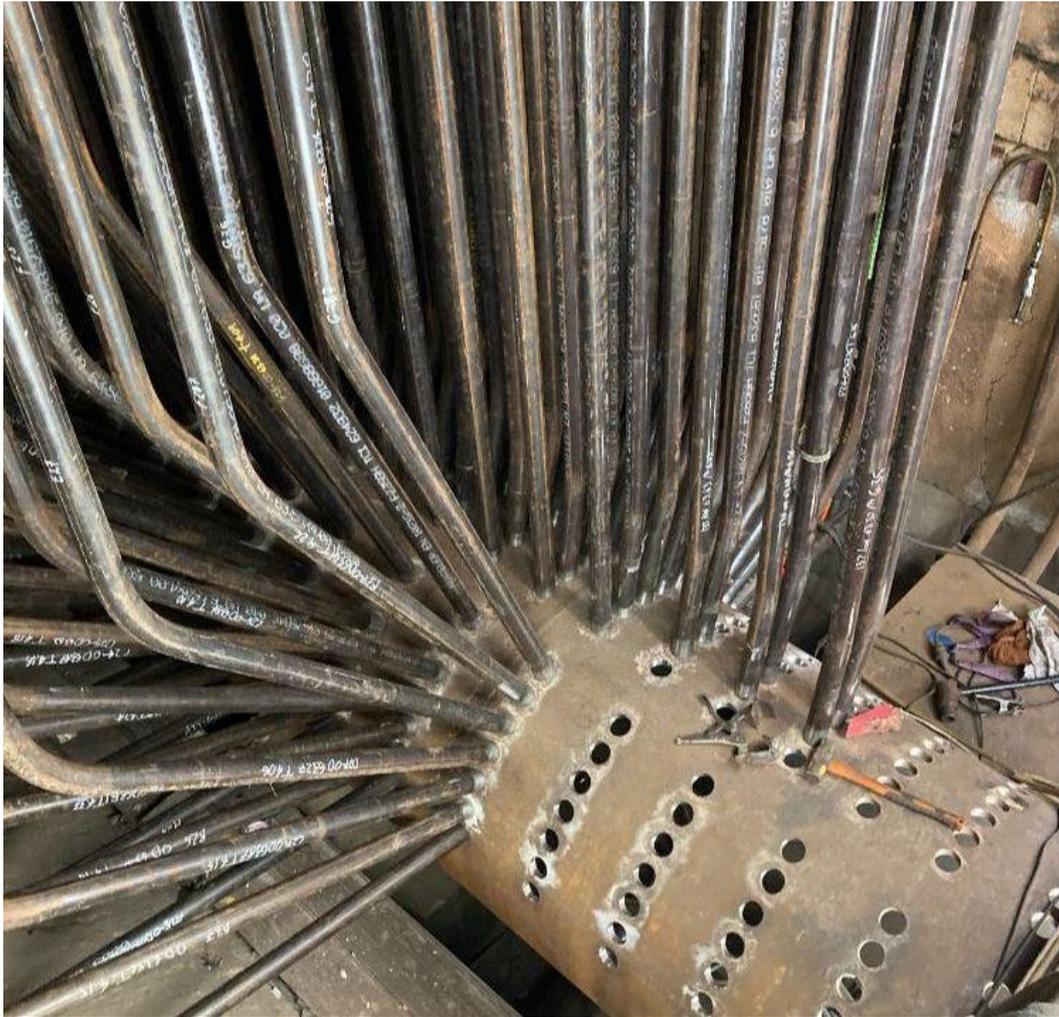
The major components for a new evaporator at Kalamia Mill have been installed and crews are now expanding the tubes in the calandria vessel. The \$6M evaporator is the first of four similar sized vessels planned for Kalamia over the next three years. They're being engineered, fabricated and installed in-house.



We've undertaken a \$3M major works program to ensure boiler station reliability at Inkerman Mill for the 2022 crush. All 71 superheater loops in Boiler 1 have been replaced and welded in. Crews are now replacing the shields on the convention bank tubes. Going into the 2023 season, we will complete a \$10.5M rebuild of Boiler 1.



We have undertaken a full redesign and rebuild of Inkerman's B-side feeding station to improve tipping station reliability. This \$1.25M project includes the installation of new track, bin pushers, weighbridge tippler, carrier pit and empty bin handling equipment. We have also reconfigured the track in the empty yard to improve safety and operational efficiency. The A-side feeding station will be rebuilt next year.



The convection bank tubes in Boiler 1 at Invicta Mill have been replaced in a major project worth \$2.1M. This will lift the steaming rate of that boiler back to its full capacity while ensuring good reliability. Boiler 1 is the smallest of three boilers at Invicta but plays a key role in maintaining steaming rate and throughput in the factory.



We're delivering a new switch room for the process house at Pioneer Mill at a cost of \$1.2M. This work will improve safety and reliability of power supply to the fugal station and some other process plant. We're currently working with suppliers to accelerate delivery of key components, which have been impacted by COVID and shipping delays.



Boiler 3's economiser tube elements and the alternator condenser tubes are being replaced to improve cogeneration capacity and reliability at the site. This \$4.4M job is being carried out by both Wilmar employees and external contractors.

Best regards

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