

Gladstone's coal bonanza

■ QUEENSLAND is set to become home to the world's largest coal export facility with the advancement of two major projects yesterday.

Acting Premier Anna Bligh visited the central Queensland city of Gladstone to release the environmental impact study for the proposed \$1 billion Wiggins Island coal terminal.

Ms Bligh was also present for the first coal train to use a \$92 million unloading station at Gladstone port's main coal-handling facility, RG Tanna Coal Terminal, which is also set for expansion.

When work on the two coal terminals is completed, it will take Gladstone's coal-exporting capacity to 140 million tonnes a year – the busiest in the world.