

CAPABILITY STATEMENT

James Golsworthy



**Partner/Regional
Manager – VIC/NSW
Planning & Environment**

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QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Arts (Urban Studies)

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Victorian Planning and Environmental Law Association member

COMMITTEES OR BOARDS

- Former Sessional Panel Member – Planning Panels Victoria
- Former Deputy Chair – Mildura Development Corporation

James brings more than 25 years of experience across public and private sectors, with a professional background spanning strategic project advice, coordination of large-scale infrastructure projects, and both statutory and strategic land-use planning. His work is grounded in integrity and innovation, supported by strong interpersonal skills and a commitment to high-quality outcomes for clients and communities.

Throughout his career, James has led diverse, multi-disciplinary teams to deliver complex planning and environmental projects. He is recognised for his adaptable leadership style, fostering collaboration and positive organisational culture to drive project success. His strengths in systems thinking and strategic delegation enable effective mentoring of team members while ensuring long-term value is for projects.

James' professional contributions extend beyond project delivery. His prior roles include serving as a Sessional Panel Member with Planning Panels Victoria and as Deputy Chair of the Mildura Development Corporation. With a strong commitment to sustainable, community-focused outcomes.

Areas of expertise

- Strategic project advice
- Environmental impact assessment
- Development approvals
- Land rezoning
- Irrigation water licensing and compliance
- Utility infrastructure approvals
- Project development/coordination
- Tribunal representation and management
- Subdivision of land

Professional experience

- Pinion Advisory – Partner/Regional Manager VIC/NSW -Planning and Environment, 2025-current
- James Golsworthy Consulting – Director, 2007-2025

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Relevant projects

PROJECT	ROLE	CLIENT	YEAR/S DELIVERED
Agricultural processing statutory approvals (wine grape, almond, pistachio, olive, dried fruit, table grape etc)	Strategic advice and project management for statutory approvals (Council, EPA etc), management of consultants, community engagement, tribunal attendance	Various (family and corporate)	Ongoing
Abattoir	Various ongoing matters including an increase in production to 10,000 head processing capacity, tribunal coordination and attendance	Private business	2013-ongoing
New irrigation development management (Vic/NSW)	Strategic advice and project management (water authority, cultural heritage, council, land tenure etc), management of sub consultants	Private and corporate clients	Ongoing
Renewable energy projects (solar/wind)	Planning advice, preparation and lodgment of approvals to the relevant agency, consideration of supporting expert reports, developer contribution assessment and objector responses	Project developers	Ongoing
Mixed use multi-level development	Planning advice and coordination for a commercial and residential four storey development	Private landowner	2025
Service station developments	Planning advice and relevant approvals from various government agencies for development and redevelopment of service stations	Service station owners	Ongoing
Government utilities	Strategic advice, approvals coordination for water authorities and Councils, including water treatment, pump stations, pipelines, sporting precincts, landfills etc	Government	Ongoing
Water licensing and compliance	Preparation and lodgment of application for water licensing and management of water licensing non-compliance matters and enforcement	Private and corporate clients	Ongoing

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Industrial land development	Multi-stage review of industrial land redevelopment opportunity, including title/easement, development, subdivision, traffic implications and utility provision	Private landowner	2025
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