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**Sentinel Property Group has strengthened its solar energy footprint in Queensland with a new \$4.7 million solar roof installation commencing construction at Caneland Central shopping centre in Mackay.**

Caneland Central is the third Sentinel property in Queensland to have a solar system installed, with the Group also completing a \$2 million solar power upgrade at the DFO Cairns retail centre, while the River Quays office building in the Townsville CBD also has a substantial solar system.

Sentinel CEO Warren Ebert said the Group invested heavily in renewable energy, and the Caneland Central installation was its largest solar project.

***“We’ll be installing more than 8,000 solar panels on the roof at Caneland Central, with the project expected to be completed by the end of this year,”***

*Ebert said.*



Caneland Central

“This installation is expected to produce about 15,000 kilowatts of power each day and result in substantial electricity cost savings and generate an annual income of approximately \$1.5 million for the centre.

“Furthermore, the installation is projected to enhance the asset value of Caneland Central by circa \$20 million.

*“Solar is one of the cleanest sources of energy, and we have been able to run our DFO retail complex and the River Quays office asset in a more efficient and sustainable manner while providing clean energy. We look forward to similar achievements at Caneland.”*

Caneland Central Centre Manager Mark Farquhar said the complex has also achieved its first-ever 5-star NABERS water rating while maintaining its 5-star energy rating.

“This achievement highlights Sentinel’s commitment to sustainability and resource conservation,” he said.

Sentinel completed the **purchase of Caneland Central** from the Lendlease-managed Australian Prime Property Fund Retail late last year for \$280 million.



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