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June 9, 2013: **Hong Kong** billionaire Tony Fung reveals the \$4.2 billion Aquis mega-resort at Yorkeys Knob.

August 2, 2013: The State Government grants Aquis co-ordinated project status. October 5, 2013: Queensland Coordinator-General Barry Broe fast-tracks the final terms of reference for the environmental impact statement.

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November 13, 2013: Fung family launches \$269m bid to **buy** Reef **Hotel** Casino in Cairns.

January 10, 2014: Planned start date of Aquis pushed back 12 months to July 2015.

March 3, 2014: Foreign Investment Review **Board** gives Fungs approval to **buy** the 342ha **site** at Yorkeys Knob.

March 8, 2014: Aquis announces naming rights sponsorship of FNQ Heat football club.

March 31, 2014: Aquis faces competition from five rivals bidding for two regional integrated resort licences in regional Queensland.

April 15, 2014: The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission examines the pending \$269m takeover of the Reef **Hotel** Casino.

April 3, 2014: Aquis reveals the project is two-phased and totals \$8.15bn with two casinos.

May 15, 2014: Fungs plan to take over Reef **Hotel** Casino by end of year. May 26, 2014: State Government announces Aquis as one of two short-listed integrated resort developments in regional Queensland.

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