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What sort of benchmarks has the taskforce set for the Inspectorate's role of:

scrutinising rebuilding contracts

inspecting projects to ensure they are meeting progress milestones

• investigating complaints or issues raised by the public

examining high-value projects prior to completion.

Answer:

The Australian Government Reconstruction Inspectorate proposes to identify projects for scrutiny and review using a risk-base sampling methodology that considers value and complexity of projects. Progress of projects may be assessed at key construction milestones. All complaints made to the Inspectorate by members of the public will be examined.