

# Company releases project pictures

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THE company behind the design of a project that could generate more than 250 new jobs in Toowoomba has released pictures of the armoured vehicle it hopes to build.

Family-owned Toowoomba company Great Western Manufacturing is part of a proposal by Protected Transport Systems (PTS) to build new, light-armoured vehicles for the Australian Defence Force.

The picture below is the design for the Protector 2, an updated and improved model of the Protector 1 (right).

PTS executive chairman Derek Andrews said Protector 1 had been thoroughly tested in the United States and an updated, stronger hull had already been designed and built for the Protector 2.

Great Western Manufacturing has been working on design elements of the Protector 2 and, if PTS wins the billion dollar contract, it would also build the vehicle. The ADF will select two companies to build prototypes within the next couple of months.



**ABOVE:** The Protector 1 undergoes testing in the United States.

**LEFT:** The completed design for Protector 2, which would be built in Toowoomba.

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