200 jobs at WesTrac head office

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More than 200 Maitland workers have secured jobs at WesTrac after the company established an Operational Headquarters and Training Institute at Tomago.

The facility, which was opened on Thursday, will cater for the company's NSW and ACT interests and will have employed 1100 people by the time it reaches capacity.

The company has 400 employees and is looking for an additional 150 workers for a range of roles.

Chief operating officer Darren Tasker said the business was focused on growth and once it reached capacity further plans for expansion would be put in place.

"We're looking for people to fill a variety of roles including those with trade-based skills, people to work in the warehouse and people to fill sales and administration positions," he said.

"We're a support service to the

mining, transport and construction industry and government sectors, so we require a diverse range of skills to fulfil our operations."

Mr Tasker said the company chose Tomago because it was close to a hub of skilled workers.

"It's in close proximity to a large community who have a strong trade and industry background and it's in close proximity to the Port of Newcastle and the Upper Hunter mining industry," he said.

It cost \$160 million to build the complex which has 12 major purpose-built facilities, security buildings and extensive hardstand areas on the 23-hectare site.

WesTrac's Newcastle operations including Thornton Parts, Thornton Service and Tomago Truck Centre have moved to the Tomago site.

Visit www.westrac.com.au/careers for details of the 150 positions available.