

# Communication objectives



Welcome to the Department of Infrastructure and Planning's Annual Report 2007–08, the first for this department.

Established on 13 September 2007, the Department of Infrastructure and Planning is a result of machinery-of-government changes that saw the Sustainable Planning Division and Planning Information and Forecasting Unit of the previous Department of Local Government, Planning, Sport and Recreation amalgamated with the Department of Infrastructure. The department is responsible for creating well-planned and managed communities with a focus on sustainability, and addressing the state's current and future planning and infrastructure needs. It is also responsible for guiding to fruition major resource and infrastructure projects—both economic and social—in a timely way that is not only sustainable but which delivers benefits to all Queenslanders.

In providing an overview of our performance and key outcomes for the year, the report responds particularly to the vision, mission, values and strategic priorities presented in the *Department of Infrastructure's Strategic Plan 2007–11*. It reports on our performance and on outcomes linked to Queensland Government priorities.

This report has been produced in accordance with the requirements detailed in the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1977* and the Financial Management Standard 1997. This report is prepared on the basis of the current administrative arrangements for this department applying for the whole 2007–08 financial year. That is, it reflects the structure, operations and performance of the department as it now exists.

As well as fulfilling our statutory obligations, this Annual Report describes how the department has invested public and industry funds to benefit Queensland's communities and industries.

Apart from being a primary accountability document for reporting to the Queensland Parliament, this report is a valuable resource for our stakeholders and clients who may use it to benchmark us against other organisations, and for organisations and community groups who share an interest in our performance, initiatives and future directions.