# Strategic Plan 2020–24

# DEPARTMENT OF STATE DEVELOPMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PLANNING



**VISION** Shaping Queensland's future by driving economic growth and enabling well-planned, inclusive and resilient local communities.

**PURPOSE** Our unique role is to connect industry, businesses, community and government at all levels to create place-based solutions that leverage regional strengths and unlock sustainable growth.

# **OUR OBJECTIVES ARE CLEAR.** SUCCESS IS:

#### **FUTURE-FOCUSED**

A future-focused, innovative, well-planned and diverse economy

Develop tailored place-based outcomes through strategic alignment of regional and local land use plans, economic and infrastructure strategies and plans

- > Coordinate and leverage alignment of strategic regional initiatives including Infrastructure Coordination Plans and Regional Economic Recovery Plans
- > Provide clarity of future direction through a new State Infrastructure Strategy with Regional Infrastructure
- > Lead coherent and future-focused City Deals Oueensland-wide
- > Integrate Local Government plan making, infrastructure plans and infrastructure designations

Implement the Queensland Government's economic response to COVID-19 through the *Unite and Recover:* Queensland's Economic Recovery Plan

Lead the economic line of recovery under the Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements to contribute to a more

Facilitate the successful delivery of, and investment in, major Unlock opportunities for private sector investment and public and private projects in cities and regions

- Provide funding support for infrastructure in regional
- > Implement and evaluate the Community Infrastructure Investment Partnerships grant program

Increase housing supply

> Administer the Building Acceleration Fund

#### **GROWTH-ORIENTED**

**Growth** in investment and priority industry sectors

Work with local governments, industry and communities to deliver property development and provide specialist land use planning, including the development of government land for investment opportunities

Develop growth strategies and provide support for emerging industries with high growth potential including through industry supported dedicated precincts

- > Identify growth precincts that open up regional opportunities and support regional job creation
- > Identify priority and growth precincts e.g. Gladstone Hydrogen Ecosystem; Cairns Aerospace Precinct; Cairns Marine Precinct; Mackay Future Foods BioHub
- > Support councils to ensure planning schemes are optimised to support growth

Ensure that Queensland's planning system promotes investor confidence and supports investment attraction

Deliver regional plans to set the planning direction for economic growth and guide future infrastructure planning and investment

development

- > Undertake statutory planning and development assessment in Priority Development Areas (PDAs)
- > Accelerate upfront capital works in PDAs
- > Ensure planning schemes provide for new industry opportunities

Lead consultation with industry to progress priority industry sector growth, job creation initiatives and transition to ensure future employment

- > Lead the delivery of 10-year priority industry development roadmaps and 5-year strategies for: Defence, Aerospace, Biomedical, Biofutures, Mining Equipment and Technology Services (METS), Resource Recovery, Hydrogen, Space, SuperYachts and Beef
- > Lead the North West Queensland Economic **Diversification Strategy**

Harness resource opportunities across government

- > Lead the delivery of the whole-of-government Strategic Blueprint for Queensland's North West Minerals
- > Undertake statutory assessment of resources industry

# COORDINATED, INTEGRATED, INTERCONNECTED

Coordinated, integrated, interconnected opportunities for regions, industry sectors and the private sector

Facilitate timely, coordinated and environmentally responsible infrastructure planning and development that supports the economic development approach

- Work with private and public sector proponents to develop, assess and manage major project development to create jobs and investment
- > Coordinate across government to facilitate the approval and delivery of private sector projects
- > Enable strategic industrial land supply to attract and develop industry
- > Drive a whole-of-government infrastructure agenda through the Infrastructure Cabinet Committee, and inform the Capital Program
- > Deliver local government funding programs and capital projects

Set a clear vision for infrastructure investment and provide a framework for planning and prioritising infrastructure investment and delivery in regions to catalyse job creation

- > Identify catalytic infrastructure opportunities that leverage jobs and investment
- > Promote industry confidence by coordinating and communicating a pipeline of government capital works across the state
- Advance Queensland's infrastructure interests at a national level through active engagement and a wholeof-government perspective in federal infrastructure architecture

Work across state and local government to ensure appropriate plans, strategies and initiatives are in place for supporting the infrastructure needs of identified growth areas, including local government infrastructure plans

Set industry and business for success

- > Provide flexible industry development and investment pathways that leverage private sector investments and align skills and training
- > Develop our regions, grow industries and expand businesses through our State Development Regional Office Program
- Deliver efficient development assessments through the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA)

#### **LEVERAGED**

**Leveraged** opportunities to maximise jobs for Queenslanders in developments, priority industries and associated supply chains, and circular, localised economies

Partner with others and leverage innovative funding models

- > Leverage Federal Government funding support
- > Assure delivery of the public benefits of Queen's Wharf Brisbane
- > Leverage council relationships and knowledge
- > Build strategic industry alliances

Respond to trends and opportunities

- > Take advantage of increased net migration to regional areas and Queensland's interstate migration
- > Engage strategically with thought leaders and priority industry sectors such as the Deputy Premier's Advisory Council on Defence Industry and Jobs
- Maximise the breadth and depth of opportunities e.g. Biomedical supply chain development

Integrate land use, transport and infrastructure planning to improve connectivity and to optimise economic growth and iob access

Strengthen Queensland supply chain infrastructure to improve Queensland's attractiveness to the private sector

Maximise procurement opportunities for local, Indigenous and priority industry outcomes

> Implement the Queensland Charter for Local Content to provide all businesses with full, fair and reasonable opportunities to tender for Queensland Government

Work with state agencies, local government and industry to implement the Growth Areas Program

#### CAPABLE AND ACCOUNTABLE

Sustainable, capable and accountable local governments enabling thriving local communities

Support local government sustainability, enabling local job creation and liveable communities

- > Apply a fit for purpose financial sustainability framework within the local government sustainability monitoring
- > Build capacity and capability in local government capital program delivery
- > Build the economic capacity and capability of regional and disadvantaged communities
- > Ensure planning schemes are calibrated to support economic development balanced against social and environmental needs

Administer local government funding programs to support economic growth, stronger infrastructure, jobs creation and recovery from COVID-19

Leverage connections across councils and implement placebased approaches to support stronger governance and financial management within councils

Develop and administer sustainable state and regional planning policies and frameworks

Ensure adequate land supply through the planning framework and use surplus state land to contribute to housing and land affordability

Develop the state's surplus property portfolio to drive local economic growth and inclusive and sustainable communities

Champion place-specific infrastructure planning, investment and capability to deliver better community outcomes

- > Work with the South Bank Corporation
- > Deliver the Community Hubs and Partnerships Program

#### **HOW WE WILL MEASURE OUR PERFORMANCE:**

## FUTURE-FOCUSED

Positive results in Oueensland's economic indicators of:

- > Employment
- Industry
- Investment

Value of capital investment enabled through project facilitation

Estimated number of jobs enabled through project facilitation

Capital investment enabled per dollar spent on project facilitation

#### **GROWTH-ORIENTED**

Strong stakeholder satisfaction with infrastructure policy and planning

Positive results in economic indicators of:

- > Infrastructure
- > Engineering construction
- > Building approvals

Level of satisfaction of key stakeholders with timeliness and effectiveness of consultation undertaken relating to infrastructure and economic resilience strategy, policy and planning

Administration costs as a percentage of infrastructure investment coordinated through the service area

Annual progress against priority industry roadmaps and strategies

## COORDINATED, INTEGRATED, INTERCONNECTED

Value of private sector investment generated through the facilitation of economic and community development

Administrative costs as a percentage of private sector investment generated through the facilitation of economic and community development projects

#### **LEVERAGED**

Percentage of (relevant) local government infrastructure plans in place

Economic recovery strategies implemented

Land and housing affordability targets achieved

Level of stakeholder satisfaction with accessibility and transparency of the requirements of the planning system

Average administrative costs per decision made by the State Assessment and Referral Agency

## CAPABLE AND ACCOUNTABLE

Percentage of local governments:

- participating in training programs designed to increase capacity and capability at both council elected member and officer levels
- with key governance documents and frameworks

Level of satisfaction of local governments (Mayors and CEOs) with the effectiveness, timeliness and quality of advice services and support and funding administration provided by the department

Cost of capacity building per local government

Administration costs as a percentage of all funding distributed through the Local Government Service Area

We are delivering on the Queensland Government's objectives for the community:

SUPPORTING JOBS through projects and investments the department leads, supports or oversees BACKING SMALL BUSINESS by providing scalable opportunities in priority sectors and catalyst infrastructure

MAKING IT FOR QUEENSLAND by maintaining, enhancing and attracting industry investment

BUILDING QUEENSLAND by driving the largest infrastructure program in over a decade

**GROWING OUR REGIONS** through state and regional planning, supporting local government infrastructure, regional economic diversification, and business and industry investment

INVESTING IN SKILLS by building capability and enhancing supply chain opportunities and connections

PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT through state and regional planning that balances economic, social and environmental outcomes

# Our Workforce

- > Support our workforce by fostering an environment that allows people to thrive and translate opportunities into outcomes, and supports the health and wellbeing of our employees.
- > Foster innovation and diversity to support a creative, diverse and inclusive workplace.
- Increase accountability and agility in work performance and contribution to agency culture through ethical decision making, strong leadership and corporate governance.
- Enable an effective workforce through strong collaboration, knowledge sharing, systems and process reform.















Our organisational management, decision-making and service delivery are governed by our commitment to the Queensland public service values. Customers first, Empower people, Unleash potential, Be courageous, Ideas into action, Collaborate

We will respect, protect and promote human rights in our decision-making and actions. Operating successfully we:

- > Assume a leadership role across government.
- > Act fast, provide clarity, are business-friendly and focused.
- Achieve integrated, innovative solutions by creating strong partnerships, listening and responding to client issues.
- Access and unlock the resources that industry and stakeholders need.
- > Use interventionist methods and bring together the components to create action and outcomes.
- > Leverage partnerships for mutual benefit and build capability where it is needed.
- > Take a holistic approach to economic growth and constantly build upon Queensland's competitive advantage.
- Enable enduring outcomes using the department's and government's levers, regulatory framework, funding programs, purchasing power and capabilities.
- Connect opportunities with place-based mechanisms such as precincts and corridors.
- Constructively challenge the status quo.

# **OUR STRATEGIC OPPORTUNITIES:**

- > Capacity building: Facilitate collaborative relationships with local government sector partners that support and promote integrity, sustainability and vibrant communities.
- > Economic diversity: Further diversify the economy to increase economic inclusion, improve regional economic resilience and reduce volatility.
- Job creation: Create jobs for Queenslanders by providing the environment for private sector investment and encouraging growth in new and existing industries.
- > Policy and program development: Develop sound policies, programs and services in line with current priorities, meeting both government and community expectations.
- > Program delivery: Deliver community-focused funding program outcomes by having sound funding agreements and clear outcome measures in place.

- Quality of life: Leverage Queensland's reputation for liveability and affordability to attract skills and investment to the state.
- > Regional presence: Leverage our regional presence to tailor programs and projects in support of the local economy and to connect people and places to accelerate economic growth.
- Stakeholder engagement: Build and sustain productive and collaborative relationships with stakeholders, including the Australian Government, universities and research organisations, through sound consultation and engagement practices.
- Sustainable communities: Plan communities that are liveable and environmentally and socially sustainable to ensure prosperity and quality of life for current and future generations.

# **OUR STRATEGIC RISKS:**

- > Changing community expectations: Economic development must be balanced with community expectations for environmentally and socially sustainable outcomes.
- Global competition: Global competition for talent and high growth industry may create challenges for Queensland in driving sustainable economic growth.
- Global economic conditions: Changing global economic conditions and geopolitical dynamics, such as trade agreements, commodity prices and international demand, including as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, may impact Queensland's economic performance.
- Major disaster/unplanned events: Major disaster and emergency events may lead to adverse economic outcomes; a downturn in visitation: and/or delay in infrastructure development. Within the department, these disruptive events require appropriately planned business continuity.

- Queensland's workforce profile: Access to skilled labour in regional areas, increasing migration of workers to urban areas, an ageing population and lower youth engagement in the workforce may impact Queensland's productivity and investment attractiveness.
- Regional disparity: Queensland's vast geography and diversity of infrastructure (including digital infrastructure), investment and skills creates challenges in developing the economy across the
- Workforce governance: Delivering on our vision requires a workforce that is engaged, capable and diverse with a strong culture and governance arrangements to enable efficient and effective delivery while maintaining information and asset security and minimising opportunity for fraud and corruption.