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Backing jobs for Far North Queensland



Works for Queensland

\$102.7 million provided to regional councils to undertake 327 maintenance and minor infrastructure projects in Far North Queensland.

(February 2017 to April 2019)



Recovery and Resilience Against Natural Disasters

An estimated \$54.4 million for the provision of financial assistance for capital works to disaster affected communities in 2018-19.



Building our Regions

\$49.6 million allocated to 54 projects to provide funding for critical infrastructure in Far North Queensland to support economic development, including generating jobs.

(March 2015 to March 2019)



Back to Work

\$34.0 million of payments have been paid to 1,621 employers to employ 3,558 eligible unemployed jobseekers.

(July 2016 to May 2019)

Restoring frontline services in Far North Queensland

Growth from March 2015 to March 2019



417 extra nurses up 19%



196 extra doctors up 41.1%



239 extra teachers up 7.9%



77 extra teacher aides up 10.4%

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The Queensland Budget will directly support Far North Queensland with significant expenditure in 2019-20 including:

Infrastructure

\$967M

for productivity enhancing infrastructure and capital works, estimated to support around

3,300

jobs in this region in 2019-20.

Health

\$1.2B

for Torres and Cape, and Cairns and Hinterland Hospital and Health Services.

Education

\$59.5M

to maintain, improve and upgrade schools in Far North Queensland.

600 estimated businesses in Far North Queensland will benefit from an increase to the payroll tax free threshold and the regional discount as part of the **\$885 million Payroll Tax Package**

Far North Queensland will also benefit from:

Remote Indigenous Housing

\$228.3M

to support better housing outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in remote and discrete communities state-wide, including construction of new dwellings.

Reef Water Quality Program

\$24.4M

over three years 2019-20 to 2021-22 across the Great Barrier Reef region, to achieve the Government's targets for uptake of best management practices by farmers in pursuit of Great Barrier Reef water quality targets.

Bruce Highway Upgrade Program

\$6.5B

for upgrades to the Bruce highway, including lane duplication between Edmonton and Gordonvale, in partnership with the Australian Government.



**Queensland
Government**

Far North Queensland

1 Saibai Island new community safety and security facility

\$12.1 million in 2019-20 out of a \$13.1 million total spend for the new community safety and security facility.

2 Mer (Murray) Island Primary Health Care Centre

\$274,000 in 2019-20 out of a \$7 million total spend to replace the centre to support the provision of quality and safe services. Part of the Rural and Regional Infrastructure Package.

3 Torres Strait Islands seawalls and coastal inundation mitigation upgrades

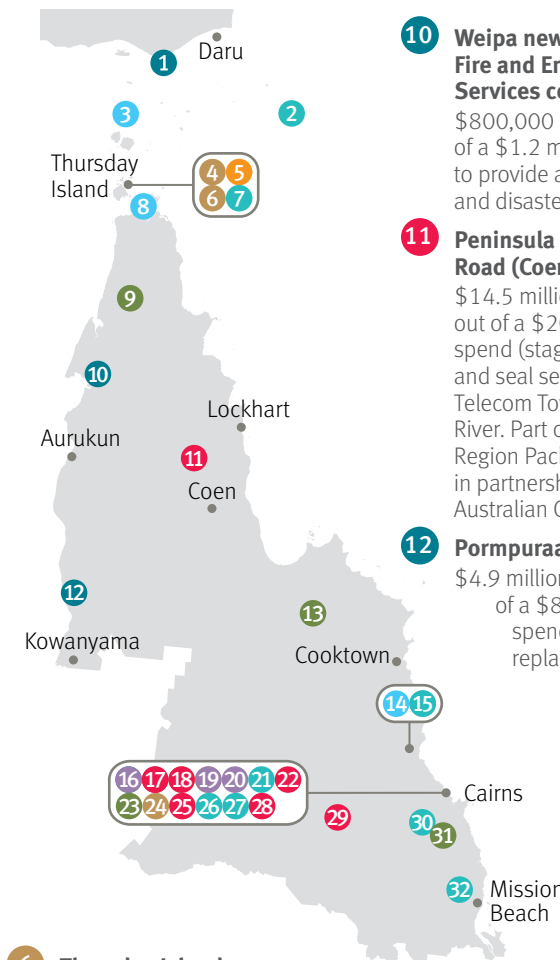
\$15 million in 2019-20 out of a \$20 million total spend to continue inundation mitigation works on five outer Torres Strait Islands.

4 Thursday Island Splash Park

\$2.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$4.1 million total spend to build a splash park on Thursday Island, contributing to positive recreation activities and community connections for families and young people.

5 Torres Shire water treatment infrastructure upgrade

\$4.8 million in 2019-20 out of a \$12 million total spend to upgrade drinking water treatment infrastructure including construction of a water filtration plant on Horn Island and improvements to the drinking water network on Thursday Island.



6 Thursday Island community centre

\$2.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$4.9 million total spend to construct the centre.

7 Thursday Island Health Facility Upgrade Project

\$1.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$36 million total spend to upgrade current health facilities to align with contemporary models of care and the unique cultural consideration of the Torres Strait Islander community. Part of the Advancing Queensland's Health Infrastructure Program.

8 Northern Peninsula Area water supply system

\$2.7 million in 2019-20 to undertake important repairs to the systems reservoirs.

9 Indigenous Land and Sea Ranger Program

\$360,000 in 2019-20 to protect environmental and Indigenous cultural heritage values in Mapoon, as part of the \$12 million 2019-20 Queensland Indigenous Land and Sea Ranger Program.

10 Weipa new Queensland Fire and Emergency Services centre

\$800,000 in 2019-20 out of a \$1.2 million total spend to provide an emergency and disaster centre.

11 Peninsula Developmental Road (Coen to Weipa)

\$14.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$20.5 million total spend (stage 2) to pave and seal sections between Telecom Tower and Archer River. Part of the Cape York Region Package, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

12 Pormpuraaw police facility

\$4.9 million in 2019-20 out of a \$8.2 million total spend to deliver a replacement facility.

13 Rinyirru (Lakefield) National Park (Cape York Peninsula Aboriginal Land) - Catfish Waterhole day use area

\$150,000 in 2019-20 out of a \$160,000 total spend for construction of day use area and carpark.

14 Mossman Mill bio-refinery

up to \$25 million total spend to Far Northern Milling Pty Ltd to assist in the establishment of a bio-refinery to underpin the future of the Mossman sugar mill.

15 Mossman Hospital

\$9.6 million in 2019-20 out of a \$10.1 million total spend to redesign, refurbish and remodel the emergency department and other upgrades.

16 Tropical North Learning Academy - Trinity Beach State School

\$10.5 million in 2019-20 for refurbishment and upgrade works.

17 Smithfield Bypass

\$46.3 million in 2019-20 out of a \$152 million total spend to construct bypass route continuity on the Captain Cook Highway between McGregor Road roundabout and Caravonica roundabout. Part of the State Infrastructure Fund.

18 Cairns Western Arterial Road

\$100,000 in 2019-20 out of a \$12.5 million total spend to undertake planning to upgrade the road to four lanes between Redlynch Connection Road to Captain Cook Highway.

19 Redlynch State College

\$2.1 million in 2019-20 out of an \$8.4 million total spend to construct a new building with two general learning spaces and five specialist spaces.

20 Whitfield State School

\$500,000 in 2019-20 to construct a new playground.

21 Cairns Hospital

\$10.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$86.4 million total spend to construct a new mental health facility, a state-of-the-art hybrid operating theatre, and various upgrades.

22 Cairns shipping development project

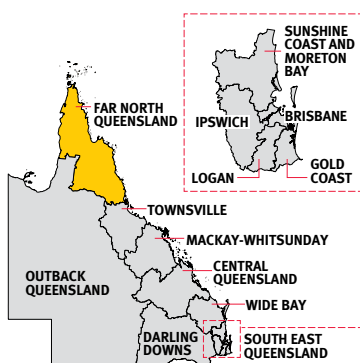
\$70.1 million in 2019-20 out of a \$127.6 million total spend for dredging of Trinity Inlet shipping channel to facilitate cruise ship growth.

23 Cairns Convention Centre

The Queensland Government has committed \$176 million towards refurbishing and expanding the Cairns Convention Centre, subject to a business case. Major works are planned to coincide with the planned closure of the centre in 2020 and ensure the expanded Centre provides capacity and facilities to remain a world class facility.

24 Good Money Store - Cairns

\$525,000 in 2019-20 out of a \$2.8 million total spend to support the store's operation. To be delivered in partnership with Good Shepherd and National Australia Bank. Part of the Better Budgeting initiative.



Please note: Not all Government expenditure for the region is shown. Dollar amounts may include capital and operating expenditure, though may not represent the entire funding allocated.

25 Bruce Highway, Cairns Southern Access Corridor
\$30.3 million in 2019-20 out of a \$104.1 million total spend (stage 4) to widen the highway from four to six lanes from Kate Street to Aumuller Street. Part of the Bruce Highway Upgrade Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

26 Mareeba Hospital new CT scanner
\$3.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$5 million total spend for a CT scanner.

27 Cairns Southern Corridor Health Precinct
\$9.1 million in 2019-20 out of a \$12.9 million total spend for a facility for critical care in the event of a natural disaster and general community health services. Part of the Advancing Queensland Health Infrastructure Program.

28 Bruce Highway, Cairns Southern Access Corridor
\$37.9 million in 2019-20 out of a \$481 million total spend (stage 3) to duplicate the highway from two to four lanes between Edmonton and Gordonvale. Part of the Bruce Highway Upgrade Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

29 Burke Developmental Road (Normanton to Dimbulah)
\$5.1 million in 2019-20 out of a \$7.5 million total spend to widen and seal the pavement between Chillagoe and Almaden. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

30 Atherton Hospital redevelopment
\$13.6 million in 2019-20 out of a \$70 million total spend to redevelop Atherton Hospital, including the emergency department, operating theatres, Community Allied and Mental Health Building, and a new Clinical Services Building. Part of the Advancing Queensland's Health Infrastructure Program.

31 Malanda Swimming Club Inc.
\$153,801 in 2019-20 out of a \$289,100 total spend to upgrade amenities. Part of the Female Facilities Program.

32 Tully Hospital
\$3.1 million in 2019-20 out of a \$4.2 million total spend to redesign the current emergency department area to enable safer treatment spaces. Part of the Priority Capital Program.

KEY

-  Community wellbeing
-  Utilities
-  Health
-  Education
-  Transport and roads
-  Justice and safety
-  Government services
-  Recreation and culture
-  S/R Statewide/region-wide
-  ✓ Election commitment

33 Cape York Peninsula Joint Management Program
\$7.5 million in 2019-20 out of a \$15.6 million total spend for the continuation of the Cape York Tenure Resolution program.

34 Great Barrier Reef Resorts Rejuvenation Program
\$24.9 million in 2019-20 out of a \$25 million total spend to help industry rejuvenate the Great Barrier Reef Island resorts and offer world-class experiences to visitors.

35 Panama Disease Tropical Race 4 Program
\$12.1 million over five years to control and contain the Panama Tropical Race 4 (TR4) disease which aims to incorporate a strong, robust industry model that shares the responsibility of managing this disease.

36 Remote Indigenous Housing
\$228.3 million in 2019-20 to support better housing outcomes for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in remote and discrete communities statewide, including construction of new dwellings. Includes the Indigenous Home Ownership Program and Indigenous Community Housing Organisation Transition Project. Includes funding under the National Partnership on Remote Housing.

To see more Palaszczuk Government initiatives for Far North Queensland visit budget.qld.gov.au

Ecotourism boost for Far North

The Palaszczuk Government has committed \$2.9 million in 2019-20 out of a \$5.7 million total spend to complete the seven-kilometre Mowbray North component of the Wangetti Trail, stretching from the Mowbray River to Port Douglas.

The 94-kilometre Wangetti Trail will be a leading adventure based ecotourism experience through the stunning coastal and hinterland scenery of the Wet Tropics and the Great Barrier Reef World Heritage Areas.

Local and international visitors will be able to enjoy a five-night walking or a two-night mountain bike adventure, public campsites and privately-operated luxury eco-accommodation. Adventure and nature based tourism is the fastest growing tourism sector in Queensland and the Wangetti Trail is set become the centrepiece of ecotourism for our State.

Construction and operation of the \$41.4 million Wangetti Trail will create approximately 75 jobs during construction and 150 jobs once operational with a focus on employment for Traditional Owners. It is expected to generate \$10.5 million per year for the Far North Queensland economy.

The trail has strong support from the local Yirrganydji and the Eastern Kuku Yalanji People. The Government is working with Traditional Owners to create multi-generational business opportunities on the trail.



Far North Queensland location of Wangetti Trail

Cairns Performing Arts Centre

The new Cairns Performing Arts Centre has brought world-class performances from leading national and international companies to Far North Queensland since its opening in late 2018.

The Palaszczuk Government provided \$15 million to the \$71.1 million Cairns Regional Council development as part of its commitment to improving regional arts infrastructure and access.

Cairns Performing Arts Centre provides a 940-seat theatre as well as 400-seat black box theatre – more than double the capacity of the Cairns Civic Centre it replaced.

Construction of the new centre created local jobs, with 90 per cent of total works and materials supplied by local businesses and 95 per cent of trade contracts going to local companies.

Jobs supported by infrastructure

40,500

Total infrastructure program over four years

\$49.5B

Total spend on road and transport in 2019-20

\$5.6B

Youth Justice Investment over five years

\$332.5M

Education and training in 2019-20

\$14.9B

Health in 2019-20

\$18.5B

Additional justice system investment over five years

\$847.9M

Lowering cost of living

\$5.7B

Payroll Tax Package

\$885 million of targeted payroll tax initiatives to support business and create employment, including:

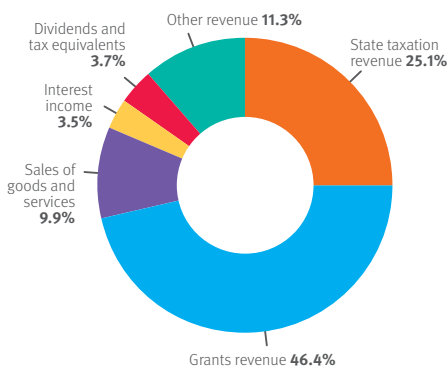
- + an increase to the payroll tax free threshold for small business from \$1.1 million to \$1.3 million
- + a discount of 1 percentage point on the relevant payroll tax rate for employers with more than 85% of their employees residing outside SEQ
- + a rebate for taking on additional full-time employees of up to \$20,000
- + an extension of the 50% payroll tax rebate for businesses that employ apprentices and trainees.

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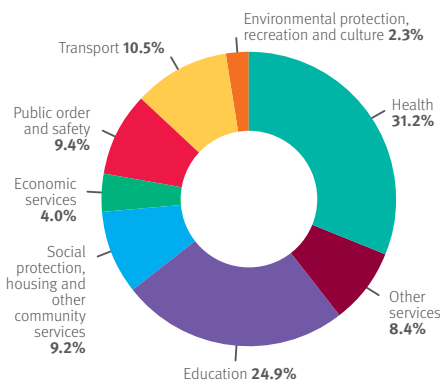
Queensland's diversified economy provides a unique business environment that places the State ahead of the pack. The Palaszczuk Government continues to work with and support businesses to create employment opportunities and community prosperity.

- + \$12.9 billion capital works program to directly support 40,500 jobs across Queensland in 2019-20.
- + \$250 million to CleanCo for new renewable energy generation, creating more jobs on top of the 4000 Queensland jobs in the solar, wind and hydro sectors.
- + \$2.7 billion to support safe, secure, reliable and cost-effective energy and water, and to enhance the productive capacity of businesses, industries and communities.
- + \$420 million towards Skilling Queenslanders for Work, to help eligible Queenslanders get the skills, qualifications and direct assistance they need to enter and stay in the workforce.
- + \$2.4 billion police operating budget as well as \$69.8 million capital for new, upgraded and replacement police facilities, including \$28 million to continue work on the \$52.2 million Counter-Terrorism and Community Safety Training Centre at Wacol.
- + \$22 million towards Beef Recovery Package, to tackle devastation from the North and Far North Queensland monsoon trough. The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority will administer Australian Government funding of \$300 million over three years to assist primary producers and their stock get back on their feet.
- + \$1.2 billion education portfolio capital program, including new schools, education facilities, and refurbishments.
- + \$777.7 million for health infrastructure to support service delivery.
- + \$479.3 million for new social housing and upgrades.
- + From joint commitments totalling \$39 million for business and industry, the Queensland and Australian governments will provide a \$22 million Beef Recovery Package, to tackle devastation from the North and Far North Queensland monsoon trough. The Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority will administer Australian Government funding of \$300 million over three years to assist primary producers and their stock get back on their feet.
- + \$254 million in joint funding with the Australian Government for additional natural disaster recovery packages.

2019-20 Revenue



2019-20 Expenses



Economic Growth

