Delivering for MACKAY–WHITSUNDAV

Delivered in Mackay–Whitsunday

Skilling Queenslanders for Work
$5 million allocated to provide training to 657 people, including 377 people who have now been employed.
(July 2015 to April 2018)

Back to Work
$12.9 million of payments have been paid to 723 employers to employ 1,566 eligible unemployed jobseekers.
(July 2016 to May 2018)

Building our Regions
$23.9 million allocated to nine projects to provide funding for critical infrastructure in regional areas of the State to support economic development, including generating jobs.
(March 2015 to March 2018)

Recovery and resilience against natural disasters
$67.4 million for the provision of financial assistance for capital works to disaster affected communities in 2018-19.

The Queensland Budget will directly support Mackay–Whitsunday with significant expenditure in 2018-19 including:

**Infrastructure**

$606.1M

for productivity enhancing infrastructure and capital works, estimated to support around 2,100 jobs in Mackay–Whitsunday.

**Health**

$441.7M

for the Mackay Hospital and Health Service.

**Education**

$22.4M

for maintenance and capital work projects for schools in Mackay-Whitsunday.

Mackay–Whitsunday will also benefit from:

Skilling Queenslanders for Work

$420M

Including an additional $180 million over three years from 2018-19 to fund more training opportunities and increase workforce participation.

North Coast Line Capacity Improvement

$82.7M

to upgrade sections of the North Coast rail line, allowing increased efficiency and volumes of freight transport.

Support for the Great Barrier Reef

$330M

over five years, including funding for the Joint Field Management Program and Reef Water Quality Programs.

Restoring frontline services in Mackay–Whitsunday

Growth from March 2015 to March 2018

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The Queensland Government is investing in Mackay—Whitsunday by delivering a diverse range of projects and initiatives, including:

1. Salisbury Plains Industrial Precinct
   - $3.5 million in 2018-19 out of a $6.6 million total spend to help establish significant industrial developments and provide for the establishment of essential services and infrastructure corridors.

2. Bowen police station
   - $391,000 in 2018-19 out of an $8.3 million total spend to replace the Bowen police station.

3. Whitsunday Islands National Park
   - $7.5 million in 2018-19 out of a $12.1 million total spend to develop new park infrastructure and enhance ecotourism opportunities and tourism recovery in the Whitsunday Islands. The total spend includes delivery of the $2.78 million commitment for construction of a 20 kilometre walking track connecting Whitehaven Beach to Tongue Point; the $5 million commitment for eco-lodge accommodations; the $1.2 million commitment for the expansion of the Whitehaven Beach day use areas and camping grounds; and the $2 million commitment to upgrade and expand the Hill Inlet Lookout.

4. Whitsunday Sports Park upgrade
   - $1 million in 2018-19 out of a $1.5 million total spend to realign the existing sports field and develop an additional rectangular field and associated infrastructure at Airlie Beach. Part of the Get Playing Plus Program.

5. Whitsunday Coast Airport
   - $10.5 million in 2018-19 out of a $15 million total spend to expand and upgrade the existing Whitsunday Coast Airport Terminal.

6. Proserpine State High School - additional classrooms
   - $1.1 million in 2018-19 out of a $5.8 million total spend to construct a new building - five learning areas and two specialist areas.

7. Bowen Broken water supply refurbishment and enhancement
   - $428,000 in 2018-19 to repair, maintain, renew and enhance existing water infrastructure assets for Bowen Broken water supply.

8. Mackay Skate Park
   - $1 million in 2018-19 for skating facilities in the Camilien Street park, as well as a family recreational hub with shade structures and barbecue areas.

9. Mackay Northern Beaches State High School - performing arts centre
   - $7.4 million in 2018-19 out of a $8.8 million total spend to construct a new performing arts centre - seven learning areas.

10. Bluewater Trail and Queens Park Revitalisation
     - $8.9 million in 2018-19 to undertake significant structural and environmental enhancements to the trail and park following damage from Severe Tropical Cyclone Debbie.

11. Mackay Ring Road
     - $115 million in 2018-19 out of a $497.6 million total spend to construct the new two-lane Mackay Ring Road, due for completion in March 2020. Delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

12. Mackay Netball Association Inc.
     - $500,000 in 2018-19 to extend and upgrade existing amenities including change rooms, first aid room, amenities for people with a disability, toilets and parents' rooms to support female participation in netball at South Mackay. Part of the Female Facilities Program.

13. Peak Downs Highway realignment - Eton Range

14. Burdekin Moranbah Pipeline refurbishment and enhancement
     - $497,000 in 2018-19 to repair, maintain, renew and enhance existing water infrastructure assets and water supply schemes for Burdekin Moranbah Pipeline.

15. Bowen Developmental Road pave and seal (Rockingham Creek and Mount Coolon)
     - $4 million in 2018-19 out of a $28.8 million total spend, due for completion in September 2020. Part of the Northern Australia Roads Program, delivered in partnership with the Australian Government.

16. Sarina Hospital redevelopment
     - $5.5 million in 2018-19 out of a $16.5 million total spend to demolish and rebuild a purpose-built hospital, staff accommodation and carpark to improve services and meet current and future healthcare needs. Part of the Rural and Regional Infrastructure Package.

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.
Supporting tourism and the environment in Mackay–Whitsunday

In the 12 months since Severe Tropical Cyclone Debbie crossed into Queensland, the Palaszczuk Government has supported the reconstruction of infrastructure and recovery in the local economy. Some key initiatives in 2018-19 include:

**Whitsunday Coast Airport**

The Government has committed $10.5 million in 2018-19 to expand and upgrade the existing Whitsunday Coast Airport Terminal to meet domestic demand.

**Protecting the Great Barrier Reef**

- The Queensland Reef Water Quality Program provides over $261 million over five years to address water quality impacts affecting the Great Barrier Reef.
- An additional $260,000 in 2018-19 is provided for the Mackay Whitsunday Healthy Rivers to Reef Partnership, to bring community, industry, research bodies and government together to collaborate on waterway and Great Barrier Reef health. Total funding for this project is $850,000 since 2014.
- $3 million for restoration and conservation actions across a network of Great Barrier Reef islands to ensure resilience in the face of climate change, with funding to be matched by the Great Barrier Reef Foundation.

**Key**

- Community wellbeing
- Utilities
- Health
- Education
- Transport and roads
- Justice and safety
- Government services
- Recreation and culture
- Election commitment
The 2018-19 Budget supports the delivery of the Palaszczuk Government’s election commitments and includes measures focused on building the infrastructure our community needs and expects, supporting the delivery of services for all Queenslanders and developing the skills needed in a changing economy.

Since January 2015 approximately 150,000 jobs have been created in Queensland. This Budget will continue to support job creation and deliver for Queenslanders, with key initiatives including:

$808 million over seven years for the Building Future Schools Fund to deliver world-class learning environments and address enrolment growth

$109.6 million over two years to increase nurse navigators to 400 and $57 million over four years to recruit an additional 100 midwives

$171.9 million over four years for 400 police officers in high priority areas across the state

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$2.6 million to extend the increased the Apprentice and Trainee Payroll Tax Rebate initiative (up from 25 per cent to 50 per cent) until June 2019

$200 million over three years to extend Works for Queensland for regional maintenance and minor infrastructure works

$40 million over two years for the Growth Area and Regional Infrastructure Investment Fund

additional funding to bring Advance Queensland support to $650 million

a further $155 million to extend the Back to Work regional program to continue to provide support payments to employers, with applications open until 30 June 2020

$180 million over three years to boost Skilling Queenslanders for Work to fund more training opportunities and increase workforce participation

the Government’s commitment to employ 3,700 teachers over the next four years at an estimated cost of $1 billion

up to $34.6 million in 2018-19 for the continuation of the Drought Assistance Package, including the Drought Relief Assistance Scheme.