State-wide Highlights

A stronger economy and stronger finances
- Economic growth to strengthen to 3.75% as the recovery builds
- Lower deficit, lower debt and a return to surplus sooner
- New $18 million exploration program to support resource industry

More jobs
- Jobs growth to strengthen, unemployment to fall
- $17.1 billion capital works program – supporting 106,000 jobs
- 125% payroll tax rebate for apprentices and trainees extended
- New Skills Commission to tackle skills shortages

Helping Queenslanders
- $24 cut to CTP insurance on car registration
- $12.6 million increase for electricity rebates for seniors
- Land tax exemption for supported accommodation providers

Providing for a growing population
- An additional 720 nurses, 180 doctors and 300 allied health professionals
- 203 new police, 316 new teachers and teacher aides, 75 ambulance officers
- Five new schools and bring forward of 40 new kindergarten services
- 6 new ambulance stations and 3 new fire stations
- $4,000 Regional First Home Owner Boost to support house construction outside South East Queensland
- Springfield rail line to be fast-tracked and delivered two years earlier

Health
- Record $1.6 billion building program for new hospitals and redevelopments
- Boost for cochlear hearing implants funding for children
- $31 million boost to medical research
- $194 million for new regional cancer treatment services

Environment
- $56 million over five years for national parks
- New waste programs to reduce waste and promote recycling
- $115 million for solar power projects, including $5.8 million for solar power in kindergartens

The 2010-11 State Budget demonstrates our plan to build a recovery is working.

The tough decisions we have taken are strengthening our State’s economy and our finances.

While the recovery is now underway, we are not out of the woods yet. Our massive building program will continue to deliver jobs today and the infrastructure of the future.

Our growing population means we need to invest in more teachers, more police, more health workers and this Budget delivers on our priorities.

A new Regional First Home Owner Boost of $4,000 for new homes will help guide growth to the regions. Our commitment to building the regions once again sees over 57% of the building program being undertaken outside the Brisbane area.

This State Budget shows we are on track to build a better future.

In a world that is dominated by an uncertain recovery, this State Budget delivers a growing economy and more jobs.

Through strong discipline we are seeing the deficit and debt lowered and we are on track to return to surplus.

The economic reform agenda we put in place is working – and we need to stick to our plan in the face of global uncertainty.

Our strategy means we can continue to deliver more hospitals and schools and other vital infrastructure our growing population needs.

Through our determination we are building a stronger economic recovery, delivering jobs and preparing our State for a prosperous future.

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- **$15.5 million** ($45.5 million over five years) to implement the Koala Response Strategy, including funding for land acquisitions in the Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast and Greater Brisbane regions.

- **$2.8 million** to continue the $3.5 million refurbishment of Beenleigh Police Station.

- **$11.5 million** to complete the $13.7 million second stage of Ormeau Woods State High School.

- **$2.1 million** for a new ambulance station at Coomera.

- **$13.1 million** to complete the $26.1 million Coomera Education Precinct at the Gold Coast Institute of TAFE.

- **$850,000** of $1.9 million to replace the ambulance station at Runaway Bay.

- **$14 million** of $107 million to continue duplication from two to four lanes on the Gold Coast Highway between Broad Street and Government Road.

- **$105 million** towards the $348 million Wyaralong Dam.

- **$850,000** to complete the $1.4 million kindergarten at Gaven State School.

- **$6 million** to support families in need in Beenleigh/Eagleby and the Gold Coast, including a new health home visiting program for families with children aged three years and under.

- **$56 million** this year to widen the Pacific Motorway between Nerang and Worongary, in partnership with the Australian Government.

- **$134.1 million** for vocational education and training, including apprenticeships and traineeships.

- **$90 million** to complete the raising of the Hinze Dam.

- **$117.8 million** of $274.3 million to complete the raising of the Hinze Dam.

- **$219 million** of $948.7 million to deliver the Gold Coast Rapid Transit System from Parkwood to Broadbeach.

- **$1.7 million** of $2 million to upgrade the Burleigh Heads Police Station.

- **$11.5 million** to complete the $11.6 million on Sunshine Coast health services.

- **$2.6 million** of $4 million to build a court extension and new courtrooms at Southport Courthouse.

- **$516 million** towards the new $1.76 billion Gold Coast University Hospital, due to open in 2012.

**The Great South East**

Effectively managing growth and protecting South East Queensland's lifestyle and environment are critical to our future:

- We are delivering better hospitals, including the new Queensland Children’s Hospital in Brisbane, continuing to fund a new tertiary hospital on the Gold Coast, and $11.6 million on Sunshine Coast health services.

- We are improving public transport in South East Queensland through an investment in 220 new and replacement buses and more than $850 million on public transport projects, including the Gold Coast Rapid Transit System, the Eastern Busway, the Station Renovation program and bringing forward the new Springfield Rail Line to 2013.

- We are working to halt the decline of SEQ’s koala population, with $45.5 million over five years to deliver the Koala Response Strategy, with the goal of increasing mature koala habitat by 2020.

- We are planning for three new satellite communities at Ripley Valley, Yarrabilba and Flagstone, providing a place to live, work and play for around 250,000 new residents, helping take the pressure off existing residential areas. This Budget delivers new kindergartens at Flagstone and the Greater Springfield area.