Dear Fellow Queenslanders,

This State Budget demonstrates the Government’s commitment to growing our economy, rebuilding Queensland, and making communities more resilient for the future.

The Newman Government is unashamedly pro-growth. We are continuing the task to repair the State’s finances – a task made even more difficult after the January 2013 natural disasters and the loss of revenue.

The Budget strikes the right balance between stabilising debt and investing in better quality services. We are investing heavily in giving children a better education through our Great Teachers = Great Results plan, injecting record funding into healthcare, law and order, and increasing funding for people with disabilities and their carers.

With floods and cyclones battering communities year after year, we are determined not just to rebuild Queensland, but to increase our resilience to the natural disasters we know are inevitable.

This Budget is our commitment to fix the State’s finances and grow a stronger economy, so that we remain a great State with great opportunities for all.

Hon Tim Nicholls MP
Treasurer and Minister for Trade

STATEWIDE HIGHLIGHTS

$868 million
DisabilityCare Australia, formerly the National Disability Insurance Scheme

$82.8 million
Regional and remote healthcare

$1.7 billion
Health infrastructure

$327 million
Health backlog maintenance program

$31 million
Other relief measures

$173 million
Year 7 into high school

$80 million
Reef protection and natural resource management

$23.1 million
Get in the Game to help sport and recreation bodies at the grassroots level

$15 million
Tourism and event marketing and development

$28.3 million
Hospital in the Home

$6.7 million in 2012-13

$80 million
Mining exploration

$2 million
Attract aviation business

$63 million
Towards 1100 new police officers

$30 million
Mining exploration

$100 million
Fixing Our Schools Fund

$173 million
Year 7 into high school

$5 million
Fight cattle disease

$11.2 million
Drought relief package

For more detail: www.budget.qld.gov.au

WIDE BAY

Great state. Great opportunity.
$2.8 million to continue new oral health facilities at Bundaberg and Hervey Bay.

$17.5 million in joint Queensland and Australian Government funding to construct the $50 million deviation on Back Creek Range near Gin Gin, due for completion in mid-2014.

$20.3 million in joint Queensland and Australian Government funding to construct the $50 million deviation at Cabbage Tree Creek, Carman Road, on the Bruce Highway, near Gin Gin, due for completion in late 2014.

$913,000 over two years to the South Burnett Regional Council for community infrastructure projects including the Gordonbrook Water Treatment Plant and upgrading the Yallakool Tourist Park on Bjelke-Petersen Dam.

$203.7 million for local government recovery and reconstruction projects in partnership with the Australian Government.

$1.5 million to implement the Mary Valley Economic Development Strategy.

$37.9 million for sustaining operations at Tarong and Tarong North power stations including $11.3 million for overhauls.

$55.6 million for sustaining mining operations at Meandu Mine including $29.6 million to replace mine fleet equipment and $8.1 million for exploration and development projects.

$100,000 over two years to the Gympie Regional Council for a floods management study of Gympie and surrounding towns.

$12.8 million to expand and improve social housing.

$4,000 for small libraries to purchase local content collection items.