Overview

• DSDIP’s role in delivering economic prosperity
• The G20 opportunity for Queensland regions
• Economic outlook
• Achievements and current priorities
• Queensland’s competitiveness
To drive the economic development of Queensland

1. Champion the interests of business and industry and remove regulatory bottlenecks and impediments to investment

2. Fast track the delivery of major resource and industrial development projects

3. Diversify the economies of the state and the regions and enhance access to global supply chains

4. Streamline planning and approval processes to allow the property and construction industries to grow and flourish

5. Re-empower local governments and their communities to plan for the future
G20 Events in Queensland – an opportunity to showcase our regions to the world

• Hosting G20 events is a golden opportunity to highlight Queensland’s regions

• G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors this week in Cairns (20-21 Sep), the G20 Leaders Summit in Brisbane (15-16 Nov. with 4,000 delegates, 3,000 media)

• Prosperity of our regions drives Queensland’s growth and is the backbone of Australia’s G20 growth target

• TNQ and SEQ economies are in the spotlight, with a whole of Qld focus in our publicity efforts in top tier markets
Economic outlook

• All indicators point to solid economic growth in 2014
• In 2014–15, Queensland’s economic growth is forecast to be the strongest in Australia
• Confidence is a key ingredient
Sustained property industry confidence
Queensland Government performance
Qld economy on cusp of strong growth

Economic growth\(^1\) by State

1. CVM, 2011-12 reference year. 2012-13 are actuals.
Sources: ABS 5220.0 and various State Budgets and Mid-year reviews
Forward work schedule expectations

Over the NEXT 12 MONTHS in the state you primarily operate, will your forward work schedule:

- Dec-13
- Mar-14
- Jun-14
- Sep-14

12-month forward work schedule expectations index (net balance)

NSW  VIC  QLD  WA  SA  TAS  NT  ACT  AUS
Qld exporting record volume of coal

Million tonnes per annum

Metallurgical
Thermal

Great state. Great opportunity.
Major project activity
A bright future for regional Queensland

- Regional Queensland has a strong economic base that has performed well over the last decade.
- Four pillar industries directly contribute at least ¼ of Queensland’s economic output.
- Higher in some regional economies and accounts for up to ¾ of total industry output.

[Graphs and charts illustrating regional agriculture production and construction output.]
A bright future (cont)

- Queensland is on track to produce over 200 million tonnes of coal in 2013–2014. Coal is Queensland’s largest export commodity and bulk of this is exported from regional ports.
- Around 76% and 59% of total domestic and international overnight visitor expenditure, respectively, occurred outside of the Brisbane tourism region in the year to December 2013.
State Government achievements

• Governing for Growth details some of the actions taken by the Government to drive economic growth across the state
  – Released the Single State Planning Policy
  – Halved the timeframe for major project approvals
  – Released unallocated water to support major developments
  – Established Trade and Investment Queensland
  – Implementing Bruce Highway Action Plan
  – Delivering ICT strategies to boost innovation
  – Established the GasFields Commission to promote industry and community co-existence
Priorities for 2014

**Economy**
- **Policy Settings and Programs:**
  - Set the foundations for growth in the four pillars and across the economy.
  - The most competitive business environment in Australia.
  - Policy settings and programs that actively drive growth and investment.

**Infrastructure**
- **Catalytic Infrastructure:**
  - Better planning, prioritisation, delivery, and operation of infrastructure to unlock economic potential.
  - Making smarter use of existing infrastructure.
  - Better allocation of new investment.
  - Greater opportunities for private sector involvement in infrastructure.

**Regions**
- **Grow and Strengthen Regions:**
  - Capitalise on economic drivers and unique assets.
  - Enabling major project investment and exports.
  - Building productive and resilient supply chains.
  - Capitalising on projects that boost regional economies.

**Implement key economy-wide initiatives including:**
- Planning, development, property and land systems reforms.
- Science and Innovation and small business action plans.
- Education and training e.g., Great Skills, Real Opportunities.
- Continue to grow the four pillar economy by implementing key sectoral strategies e.g., Agriculture Strategy, Destination Q, Resources Q and Property and Construction Strategy.

**Develop the State Infrastructure Plan**
- Develop total asset management plans.
- Planning for strategic infrastructure corridors.
- Reviewing infrastructure and supply chain needs.
- Delivery of key strategic infrastructure projects (e.g., Toowoomba Second Range Crossing and the Underground Bus and Train projects).

**Implement key programs including Royalties for the Regions**
- Unlock new growth opportunities including Flinders Gilbert Agriculture Zone, Galilee Basin Development Strategy and Western Cape Resources Cluster etc.
- Facilitate major resorts and other development projects.
- Capitalise on key regional assets e.g., priority port development areas and state development areas.
Key initiatives

• The Queensland Plan
• State Planning Policy
• Planning and Development Bill (consultation closes 26 September 2014)
• Governing for Growth: Economic Strategy and Action Plan
• Queensland Ports Strategy
• Commonwealth Games - $270 million in New / Upgraded Venues
• DestinationQ
• 1 William Street (1WS)
• The BaT (Bus and Train) project
Key initiatives (cont)

- RegionsQ Framework
- Royalties for the Regions
- InfrastructureQ Directions Statement
- ResourcesQ
- Major Projects Conference (18 September 2014)
- State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA)
- SEQ Regional Plan
Government’s role in economic development

- How do you diversify economies?
- What practical role can governments play?
Creating an environment conducive to investment and innovation

- All levels of government have a role to play
- Infrastructure is essential, but not the only factor
- It’s not about building ‘a field of dreams’
- It’s not about grants and subsidies
- It’s about focussing on issues within our control
- It’s about building on our strengths
Projects of Regional Significance

• Flagship initiative of RegionsQ Framework
• Projects of Regional Significance are important catalysts to drive economic growth and:
  – benefit from whole-of-government coordination/collaboration
  – create a notable economic benefit for a region/sub-region with more strategic use of the whole-of-government toolkit
  – support growth, diversity and resilience in regional economies
  – generate a high level of capital expenditure
  – create employment opportunities by supporting, creating and
  – unlocking economic potential.
Projects to date

- Springfield Health Precinct
- Sunshine Coast University Hospital / Kawana Health Precinct
- Charlton-Wellcamp Precinct
- Cooper Basin Development
- Galilee Basin Development Strategy
- North West Minerals Province
- Burdekin Catchment Development
- Cairns Airport Aviation Precinct and Commercial Precinct
- Gulf Rivers Agricultural Zone
Driving competitiveness

Focusing on the four ‘Cs’ of competitiveness:
• Reducing the cost of doing business in Queensland
• Providing certainty of policy, processes and decision making
• Sorting out relations with the Commonwealth
• Better engaging the community on the benefits of economic development

Competitiveness and confidence drive investment and innovation
Queensland – a stable political environment

EU pain persists
- Eurozone economy stalls again
- Mining resettlements disrupt food, water supply
- Trading on the slide as caution rules in Asia
- Average earnings in Scotland ‘lagging economic progress’
- Russia’s Growing Regional Debts Threaten Stability
- Africa’s Economic Prosperity at Risk from Instability
- PNG seabed drilling an environmental danger

Too much uncertainty
- Fearing the worst
- Inflation and doom-mongering

European recovery takes a backward step
- UK oil forecasts ‘too pessimistic’

PNG a mining danger zone
More information

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