# **VISION**

A Queensland where our sustainable water resources and innovative manufacturing drives economic growth and job opportunities for our regional communities

# **PURPOSE**

Generate economic growth and jobs through competitive regional economies, enable an innovative manufacturing sector and make best use of our water resources by delivering sustainable, safe, secure and affordable water State-wide

# **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- · Safety and wellbeing
- Respect
- We deliver
- · Unleash potential
- Collaboration

### FOR THE COMMUNITY

We contribute to the Queensland government's objectives for the community by:

- » Supporting jobs
- » Making it for Queensland
- » Building Queensland
- » Growing our regions
- » Investing in skills
- » Protecting the environment

# **OBJECTIVES & STRATEGIES**



Improve sustainable longterm water security to build community confidence and economic development

- Continue to ensure that Queensland's catchment plans consider the impacts of climate change and provide sustainable water allocation for the environment, agriculture, industries and population centres
- Foster strong communities and industries by improving water security including partnering with Federal government initiatives where possible
- Support Councils to maintain essential urban water supplies
- Improve fairness, transparency and accountability of water management through the Rural Water Futures program
- Effectively manage water resources across Queensland including the Murray-Darling Basin



Drive water infrastructure investment to maximise community benefit

- Strengthen the economy and create jobs through investment in new and existing water infrastructure ensuring responsible and equitable use of our water assets
- Make water available for economic growth
- Facilitate major water infrastructure projects to progress to investment and construction, supporting jobs and ensuring sustained access to water
- Support the agriculture sector through reducing irrigation prices



Develop economic opportunities in regiona communities

- Enhance engagement with key stakeholders including industry, peak bodies and local government to create jobs and grow regional communities
- Work collaboratively across government to:
  - realise regional benefit from funding programs
- identify and deliver regional economic opportunities
- improve the competitiveness of regional business
- support creation of jobs in the regions
- Coordinate Queensland's response to Federal government policy for the development of Northern Australia



Build and create jobs in local manufacturing

- Support business to transition to advanced manufacturing processes
- Work with manufacturers to achieve improved productivity, increased national and international competitiveness and generation of new jobs
- Support local manufacturers in priority industries to onshore and reshore value-adding manufacturing activities
- Strengthen the State's supply chain infrastructure to improve Queensland's attractiveness to the private sector

## PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

- Deliver the government's portfolio commitments
- Maintain integrity of water supplies
- Increased engagement with communities
- Sustainable economic growth in our regions
- Expansion of manufacturing

#### **We leverage OPPORTUNITIES to:**

- Seize economic opportunities for regional Queensland arising from our recovery from COVID 19
- Draw on our expertise and strong partnerships with communities, stakeholders and other government agencies
- Create and support jobs for Queenslanders by supporting the manufacturing sector
- Utilise our datasets to enable improved decision making for community and investors
- Leverage opportunities to have sustainable use of water while protecting the environment
- Provide strong leadership and drive regional representation in Queensland Government policy and economic agenda
- Draw on the combined wisdom of traditional owners and our scientific community to manage our resources

### We will manage our RISKS to:

- Ensure our work health and safety systems protect our people from harm
- Ensure Queenslanders have access to essential water supply for healthy communities and a strong economy
- Deliver mission critical systems to meet business and community needs
- Optimise the design and implementation of our regulatory framework and program delivery
- Overcome challenges including diversity of infrastructure, investment, skill sets, and Queensland's vast land mass, to roll-out development opportunities in regional communities
- · Build resilience in regional communities and the manufacturing sector to plan and respond to natural disaster events



We will respect, protect and promote human rights in our decision-making and actions. The 2021–25 Strategic Plan is unchanged from the 2020–24 Strategic Plan.