



Speech By Hon. David Crisafulli

MEMBER FOR BROADWATER

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Hon. DF CRISAFULLI (Broadwater—LNP) (Premier and Minister for Veterans) (2.08 pm): Our government promised to be a government for all of Queensland. We are delivering a fresh start for Queenslanders in every part of this great state. We are delivering key infrastructure for regional areas. CopperString—the biggest energy project in North Queensland's history—has been saved by this government. Billions worth of cost blowouts under Labor would have resulted in the project never being delivered.

Our Energy Roadmap outlines a credible plan to deliver the project as well as the jobs and opportunities that come with it. Securing the future of those workers in the coal industry, a credible plan to use our natural gas and a clear plan with a community-backed planning framework to bring on and firm up renewables—that is an energy plan.

Our Country Roads Connect program is improving transport connections. The \$100 million fund will support local governments in paving unsealed regional roads to improve safety and connectivity. We are investing a record spend on the Bruce Highway after being told that an 80-20 funding deal would never be secured.

The Residential Activation Fund will fast-track housing projects, with at least half of the \$2 billion fund spent in regional Queensland. To support that growth we are also developing 13 new regional plans and working with local governments to deliver more homes. We are also focused on ensuring regional areas are supported with the services they need.

Our Hospital Rescue Plan is delivering more than 2,600 new beds right across Queensland. That includes: new hospitals in Toowoomba and Bundaberg; expansions in Cairns, Townsville and Mackay; maternity services in Biloela and Cooktown; mental health services in Rockhampton; and new CT scanners in Ingham and Charleville. These are just some of the other health services we are delivering for regional Queensland.

Our government is also supporting regional businesses. A new manufacturing hub in Toowoomba will create jobs for future generations and strengthen our regional industries. We established the Resources Cabinet Committee, a key election commitment, to improve consultation across government and boost investment in the resources sector. Resources are critical to Queensland's future and to those families who demand and depend on them.

Primary Industries Prosper 2050 was launched in August. It sets out a long-term vision for the prosperity of our primary industries right across this state, including in places like Gympie. Work is now underway to develop action plans to boost Queensland's primary production output to \$30 billion by 2030. We have also made the Works for Queensland program permanent: \$100 million in funding each year will support regional Queensland councils to deliver job-creating projects.

Representing regional Queensland means showing up. It means visiting communities right across the state to hear from Queenslanders. It means running candidates and not farming them off elsewhere. I digress. That is exactly what the government is delivering for regional Queensland. We have held—

Honourable members interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Order!
Mr Power interjected.

Mr SPEAKER: Member for Logan, I just called for order. The Premier has the call.

Mr CRISAFULLI: Thank you, Mr Speaker. We have held community cabinets in regional areas such as Cairns, Townsville and Emerald. Next week we will be in Mackay. We cannot wait to discuss with locals, leaders and community members how we can better serve them. We are just getting started on delivering the fresh start we promised. We will continue to listen to regional Queensland and deliver for them.