

Question on Notice
No. 936
Asked on 21 August 2018

Mr S Andrew asked Premier and Minister for Trade (Hon. A Palaszczuk)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the 2018-19 Queensland Budget and the Regional Action Plans titled ‘Delivering for Mackay-Whitsunday’ and ‘Delivering for Central Queensland’ and recent announcements by the Member for Mackay about the funding of projects in the Mirani Electorate—

Will the Premier (a) provide a breakdown of the funding and projects to be delivered in the Mirani Electorate as part of the Regional Action Plans and (b) advise of any rules governing announcements and promoting funding, projects and programs?

ANSWER:

The Mirani Electorate falls within two Regional Action Plans, relating to Central Queensland and Mackay-Whitsunday.

Queensland Treasury develops Regional Action Plans with assistance from the agencies responsible for projects. This regional level enables comparison over time as regions are considered suitably large and stable from budget to budget. The Regional Action Plans including related funding and projects are available to the member on the website budget.qld.gov.au by clicking on ‘Budget Papers’ and then ‘Regional Action Plans’.

Public announcements by the Government regarding funding, projects, programs or the like either made by the Government in the Parliament, through the media or with Queenslanders in other ways are matters for Ministers and Government members to determine.

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