SUBJECT: Endorsement of 2016–17 Works for Queensland (W4Q) projects

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That you:

- **endorse and initial each page** of the schedule of 2016–17 W4Q projects for 62 councils for a total allocation of $181,220,000 (Attachment 1), noting that the Rockhampton and Livingstone projects have already been approved, and that it is proposed to provide a preliminary approval to Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council (WWASC), Cassowary Coast Regional Council (CCRC) and Gympie Regional Council (GRC) projects (total $200 million).

- **approve the use of your electronic signature for endorsement letters to the mayors of each council** (Attachment 3).

- **note** the Director-General will write to the Chief Executive Officer of each local government advising of your endorsement and providing a list of projects (Attachment 4 and 5).

- **note** that public announcements and notification of successful projects will be scheduled in consultation with your office.

BACKGROUND:

On 19 January 2017, you approved the release of the 2016–17 W4Q funding program and advised eligible local governments of their allocated funds. Eligible applicants are the 65 local governments outside of South East Queensland. Attachment 7 details council’s approved allocations under the program.

The objective of 2016–17 W4Q is to support job-creating maintenance and minor infrastructure projects relating to assets owned or controlled by rural and regional local governments. Councils were requested to submit, by 10 February 2017, a list of eligible projects to the department that amounts to their allocated funding. No co-contribution to the projects is required, though councils may also fund the identified projects.
KEY ISSUES:

Evaluation Process
As an allocation-based program, funding under 2016–17 W4Q is provided to rural and regional local governments outside of south-east Queensland as a fixed amount to be expended on eligible projects. These projects have been evaluated by the department to ensure compliance with the 2016–17 W4Q program guidelines (Attachment 8) and there is no double-up of funding with other programs.

As this is not a competitive application-based process, the department has not undertaken a detailed assessment of the projects submitted, rather, it has worked closely with local governments (and regional state agency representatives) to ensure all submitted projects meet program eligibility requirements.

This evaluation was then reviewed by an interdepartmental panel with representation from the department, the Department of the Premier and Cabinet and Queensland Treasury, with other state agencies included on an 'as required' basis (including the Department of Transport and Main Roads for road projects). This process is consistent with previous practice on similar funding programs. Issues/concerns identified throughout the evaluation process were addressed with councils and relevant state agencies.

Identified Projects
The projects submitted by the councils for endorsement cover a wide range of categories, including crime prevention and community safety, cultural and recreational, disaster mitigation, economic development, roads and bridges, sewerage, waste and recycling and water supply. Attachment 9 provides this breakdown. It is significant to note the high number of projects for cultural and recreational and economic development being 441 which highlights the council's focus on much needed outcomes for their community. A total of 5,333 jobs have been identified by councils as supported (2,870) or created (2,463).

703 projects in Attachment 1 have been evaluated as compliant with a total value of $181,220,000. Three projects identified in Attachment 2 have been evaluated and are recommended for preliminary approval with a total value of $8,597,548.

Delivery of Projects
It is important the benefits of the endorsed project/s are realised as soon as possible, and it is a requirement for all works be completed by 30 November 2017. The Funding Deed of Agreement already executed between councils and the department in conjunction with the guidelines will govern the delivery of the projects.

To assist with delivery council allocations will be disbursed on the following basis:
- 60 percent upon endorsement of the projects by the department
- a further 30 percent upon council expending 50 percent of allocation
- a final 10 percent upon finalisation/acquittal, as per the Funding Deed of Agreement, of all projects.

Immediate steps have been taken to ensure the initial 60 percent payment to councils is being processed, meaning council will receive it shortly after project endorsement.

Local governments are required to submit monthly reporting on all endorsed projects, including delivery risks and information on project completion as well as forecasted expenditure.
ELECTION COMMITMENT:
This matter does not relate to an election commitment.

RESULTS OF CONSULTATION:
Consultation was undertaken between the department's Regional Advisors and councils in developing the list of projects for endorsement. Officers from DPC and QT were involved in the evaluation process.

The Queensland Reconstruction Authority was consulted to obtain advice/feedback on each project and the preparation of GIS mapping. Attachment 10 maps the recommended.

The Acting Auditor-General has provided feedback on the 2016-17 W4Q Guidelines and the acquittal process.

RIGHT TO INFORMATION: Contents/attachments suitable for publication? ☒ Yes ☐ No

MEDIA OPPORTUNITY: Is there a media opportunity for the DP's Office? ☒ Yes ☐ No
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Kalynda Chase Dog Park</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Development of a dog park within the suburbs of Bohle Plains - including the establishment of fencing, softscapes, irrigation, shade and park furniture</td>
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<td>Edithton Park Recreation Park Upgrade</td>
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<td>Comprehensive upgrades of Edithton Park to a District Park Standard - including the establishment of new pathways, shelters, dog off-leash area, bridges, irrigation, softscapes</td>
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<td>Alligator Creek Multi-Purpose Sporting Hub</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Construction of a multi-functional multi-purpose sporting facility over the existing basketball court at Alligator Creek. Will include 5.8m high enclosure, line marking for multi-sports, texture re-surfacing and lighting</td>
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<td>Castle Hill - Culterringa Track Upgrade</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>This project is for the improvement of track walkability, legibility, safety and erosion control. Works will include structural engineer and geotechnical engineer assessments of the current walkways and structures; track widening and hardening works; the repair of existing and the installation of new steps, rock pave landings, drains, handrails, seats and lookout areas</td>
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<td>Castle Hill - Goat Track Upgrade</td>
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<td>This project is for the improvement of track walkability, legibility, safety and erosion control. Works will include structural engineer and geotechnical engineer assessments of the existing structures; track widening and hardening works; the repair of existing and the installation of new steps, rock pave landings, drains and seats</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Street Trees Project</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>The City Street Trees project will add efficiencies and benefits to our existing CBD Utilisation Project and Footpath Treatment Upgrade projects, whilst increasing the street appeal of our CBD. This project would be eligible under the guidelines as it improves the conditions and usability of the City footpaths. It will also promote a healthy lifestyle by providing a more comfortable experience through the streets, encouraging pedestrian movement, passive surveillance and driving active streets to benefit our CBD traders and creating economic opportunities</td>
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<td>Construct carpark</td>
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<td>Construct on-road car parking adjacent to Wulguru soccer Club ground along Mercuri St, Wulguru. The works includes kerb and channel, dish drain, new pavement, asphalt surface, line marking and parking signage</td>
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<td>Walkway / footpath 1</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>The construction of footpath from the end of the existing footpath at Kepler St to Stuart Dr. This would be on the North side of the road and include upgrades to several bus shelters</td>
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<td>Bike pathway</td>
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<td>Shared path 2.6km wide through park reserve from Ring Road back to St Anthony's School approximately 500-700m long</td>
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<td>3m Shared path from X Base to Tylers St.</td>
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<td>Install banner trans on existing light poles</td>
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<td>Installation of brackets on light poles to support advertising banners along Riverway Park area. Scope of works unknown as investigations required into the suitability of foundations to withstand wind loads and impacts on lighting and CCTV.</td>
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<td>Seal carpark</td>
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<td>Surfacing of an existing gravel car park. The works may also include new pavement material and concrete launch surrounding the car park area.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Construct street art wall (similar to one recently built at Townsville Stadium)</td>
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<td>Construct a Street Art Wall at Riverway. Street Art can significantly enhance the region's social, cultural, recreational and economic vitality; whilst mitigating acts of graffiti</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Complete enhancement of Nathan St wall</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Improve the scenic vista of Nathan St with street layering. The proposal provides for upgrade to landscape works along the section of Nathan St between Charles St and Darley Rd.</td>
<td>15</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Streets on the dam wall</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Redefinition of access roads to crest of Ross River Dam to provide alternative public access.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Smart water meters</td>
<td>Economic development</td>
<td>Trial of Smart Water Meters – 5 Suburbs (500 devices available for each trial suburb) • Purchase of Devices • Establishment of data management system and customisability portals</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Strand Water Park Stage 2</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Stage 2 of the water park; includes infrastructure and associated landscaping elements for enhancement of the community use.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Pathway lighting</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>The provision of pathway lighting along the river pathway which flows from riverbank to visitor bridge path. Lighting and security features have been added to the cost of the project.</td>
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<td>Walkway / footpath 3</td>
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<td>1.5m wide concrete path from Killara St to Hugh St including 2 pedestrian crossings and 3 bus stops.</td>
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<td>Walkway / footpath 4</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Connecting footpaths to extend the connectivity through Armstrong St and surrounds focusing on Ahearn St to the intersection at Marks St. Approximately 70m of 1.5m wide footpath.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Footpaths - Construction of concrete footpaths on the pathway networks</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Improve condition quality of asset to footpath/ pathways infrastructure, new minor Infrastructure works. Construction of new concrete footpaths, kerb ramps, signage, bike/ pedestrian islands also a number of sites</td>
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<td>Walkway / footpath 5</td>
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<td>Construct a foot path for 450m on Mary St in West End.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Sun shelters over play equipment</td>
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<td>Install &quot;Welcome to Avoca Sporting Complex&quot; sign</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Install &quot;Welcome to Avoca Sporting Complex&quot; sign</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Install a metal shelter over the new playground at Rosewood Park. The playground area is 16m x 27 m</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Upgrade park - Beautification</td>
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<td>Enhance fencing to improve park safety and upgrade to the existing toilet block.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Park upgrade</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Provide a meeting area and footpath to the playing fields at MA Olympic Centre on Warri Rd.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Top Dress Oval at Park</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Top-dress sporting oval at Place Park, Rollstoneham Community Centre. The facility aims to cater for sporting groups and recreational activities; providing for all community members</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Shade Structures over Riverview Lagoons</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>The construction of shade structures to sit above the Riverview Lagoons is an eligible project under the guidelines as it improves the facilities and usability of the recreational facility. It would also have the added bonus of minimising the evaporation of water in the lagoons to help us with our water shortage issues.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Fixed Light Fishermen landing area playground</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Allows for the installation for 2 flood lights at the playground area including electrical service connection to the switchboard and underground power cabling to the playground area.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Dog off-leash park 1</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Install dog off-lease area within Mount View Park</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Dog off-leash park 2</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Installation of signage and supporting infrastructure to develop an additional leash free area within the park.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Hervey Range Transfer Station Upgrade</td>
<td>Waste &amp; recycling</td>
<td>The application is for the entire installation of a mechanical compaction system for the transfer station. This infrastructure enhances the community asset and future proofing the facility against the expected population growth. This infrastructure will create jobs during the construction phase as well as during operation and ongoing maintenance.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Stuart Waste Facility Entry Upgrade</td>
<td>Waste &amp; recycling</td>
<td>This application has two parts. Firstly it will provide for the installation of an additional weighbridge including a service point. Secondly, it will facilitate the upgrade of existing transaction control mechanisms (e.g. traffic lights, boom gates, etc.) as well as renewing the civil infrastructure associated with the weighbridge. The upgrades enhance community assets, whilst reducing queues considering the projected growth.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Construct fences and railings for over white pipe</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Construct a footpath from Leman St to Nethan St 1.5m wide concrete footpath of approximately 325m in length.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Reseal (completion of unfinished section)</td>
<td>Roads &amp; bridges</td>
<td>Reseal existing road along Plunkets Street. Total area of overlay 11203m2</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Rubbish bins</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Install 3 rubbish bins including bin stands at the Lakeside</td>
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<td>Reseal &amp; lights</td>
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<td>Reseal</td>
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<td>Asphal overlay of existing road along Queens Rd. Road may also require some reconstruction. Approx total area is 4500m2</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Road construction</td>
<td>Roads &amp; bridges</td>
<td>Construct road pavement of gravel section of Dommett Street and conduct drainage invert at bend</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Construct and Install Bulkwater Signs</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Install two bulkwater suburb threshold signs (including landscaping) along the Bruce Highway nature strip. The signs will highlight the bulkwater area to motorists and be consistent with existing northern suburb threshold signs</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Visual screening of pump station</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>The installation of further landscaping and screening at the recently constructed pump station at the intersection of Yorkeys and University Drive. Works would include additional garden beds, planning, mulching and irrigation.</td>
<td>2</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>LED Lighting in Palmer Street and CBD</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>This LED lighting project will have create a legacy of lower power costs along Townsville's busiest restaurant street. It will also support the city's image during the Commonwealth Games.</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Shade Structures over 'Townsville Parks'</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>This will provide shade over a number of Townsville Parks to increase the recreational appeal and enhance the outdoor lifestyle of the city.</td>
<td>1</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Riverway Precinct - Renewal of irrigation control system with digital decoder/encoder technology</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Renewal of the aged &amp; unreliable Riverway Precinct irrigation control system. Includes the replacement of 6 existing &amp; separately located irrigation controller &amp; UHF radio assemblies with 1 single master controller. Replacement of old multicores field control cabling with new twin core cable using digital decoder/encoder equipment &amp; control valves.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Irrigation stand-alone controller site renewals - new digital SCADA Controller system</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Renewal of aging stand-alone irrigation controller sites with new digital irrigation Network SCADA (supervisory control &amp; data acquisition); controllers &amp; equipment; enabling remote control &amp; irrigation water management.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Water Saving initiatives - Irrigation Water supply</td>
<td>Water</td>
<td>Installation of Water Saving technology equipment into councils existing Irrigation Network sites. Installation of soil moisture sensors &amp; digital rain sensor</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Cranbrook Park Sports Field - non-potable irrigation water supply</td>
<td>Water</td>
<td>Installation of infrastructure to enable the Irrigation of Cranbrook Park Sports Field using supplementary non-potable ground water for irrigation. Funding would be spent installing ground water extraction bores, pumping, filtration, tank storage &amp; SCADA control equipment located adjacent to the sports fields.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Deflection Rails - Installation and maintenance along footpaths on pathway network</td>
<td>Roads &amp; bridges</td>
<td>Meets program guidelines and objectives - Improves condition quality of asset to footpath/pathway infrastructure, new minor infrastructure works and maintenance. Installation of new and maintenance of deflection rails, kerb ramps, pedestrian barriers, signage and pavement marking at a number of sites along the footpath/pathway network on local roads for pedestrian and cyclist safety.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Refurbishment of Lake Paluma Recreation Facilities</td>
<td>Cultural &amp; recreational</td>
<td>Refurbishment of recreation facilities at Lake Paluma including camp grounds and day use area facilities, interpretive signage, renewable power supply upgrade.</td>
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<td>Townsville City Council</td>
<td>Mt Stuart Road Bridge, deck replacement</td>
<td>Roads &amp; Bridges</td>
<td>Replacement of bridge superstructure/bridges deck. The project is an essential element of council's infrastructure which allows access to the telecommunications facility, abseiling and viewing platforms located at the summit of Mount Stuart.</td>
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1. s.73(2) - Not relevant/ Out of scope
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Hi Clare.

As discussed yesterday, here are two example draft releases on the Works for Queensland announcements. One is the overarching and the other is an example of a publication release, in this instance it's Townsville Bulletin.

Could you take a look and let me know if there are any changes you would like? I'll be away next week so it would be good to get the template bedded down this week, particularly for the publication releases.

Cheers,
Rob

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XX January 2017 (Townsville Bulletin – Townsville, Palm Island)

Councils benefit from $200 million Works for Queensland Program to create jobs now

Townsville City Council and Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council are urged to submit their job-creating projects after being collectively allocated more than $22.2 million from the new $200 million Works for Queensland program to deliver jobs quickly through priority maintenance and minor infrastructure works.

In announcing grants for 65 regional councils, Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Jackie Trad, said the grants target regional areas suffering from high unemployment.

"A key objective of this $200 million program is to support councils outside of South East Queensland to undertake job-creating projects," Ms Trad said.

"This will provide a boost to every regional community, town and city and I urge councils to identify projects which will rapidly create jobs.

"The full $200 million has been allocated across the 65 councils on the basis of population and regional unemployment. This means grants are available to urgently go where it is needed most."

Depending on the assessment of eligible projects, Townsville City Council has been granted a preliminary allocation of more than $19.6 million, while Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council has been allocated more than $2.65 million.

The funds are designed for maintenance and minor works to improve the condition, quality or lifespan of council or community assets such as footpaths, roads, sports facilities and swimming pools.

Projects already proposed under council’s 2016-17 Budget won’t be eligible, however the funds may be used to expand the scope or range of existing maintenance projects which are already underway.

Ms Trad said this program will generate benefits for families right across the regions.

"Job creation in regional areas is a priority for the Queensland Government, particularly in those places facing high unemployment," she said.

"The added bonus of this program is that the works will improve the assets and stimulate local economies."

Councils are to nominate projects by 3 February with approvals to follow soon after. All projects are then expected to be completed by the end of November this year.

The Works for Queensland Program is part of the State Infrastructure Fund.

For more information visit: www.dilgp.qld.gov.au.

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XX January 2017 (overarching)

Councils share $200 million Works for Queensland Program to create jobs now

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In announcing grants for 65 regional councils, Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, Jackie Trad, said the grants are prioritised to regional areas suffering high unemployment.

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“This will provide a boost to every regional community, town and city and I urge councils to identify projects which will rapidly create jobs.

“The full $200 million has been allocated across the 65 councils on the basis of population and regional unemployment. This means grants are available to urgently go where it is needed most.

“For example, a council area with a high population and high unemployment, such as Townsville has a preliminary allocation of $19.6 million, while sparsely populated areas with low unemployment, have been allocated less.”

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Hi Clare,

Could you take a look at these few example releases for W4Q, please. I'd just like to know you're happy with the format and wording before the projects come rolling in.

Cheers,

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Works for Queensland projects to deliver up to ??? jobs for North Queensland region

The North Queensland region will benefit from ??? (number) projects approved under the Palaszczuk Government’s $200 million Works for Queensland Program which will support up to ??? jobs in the Townsville, Palm Island, Burdekin, Hinchinbrook and Charters Towers local government areas.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning applauded the councils’ response to the program putting forward projects including (projects).

“|I’ve been impressed with the way the councils have embraced Works for Queensland after we recently announced they would receive $??? to go towards maintenance and minor infrastructure,” Ms Trad said.

“These projects will make a real difference to their communities and most importantly, support ??? much needed jobs.

“This program has cut red tape which means we are able to get these projects moving right now, delivering benefits for the region faster.”

XXX echoed the Deputy Premier’s sentiments, saying Works for Queensland will have an immediate impact for locals.

“This program will enable us to bring jobs to areas really doing it tough and will produce a long lasting effect on the local economy,” XXX said.

“These projects will deliver great new infrastructure for the region and demonstrates what can be achieved when different levels of government work together.”

North Queensland Councils’ projects for their $??? million allocation include:

•$??? million for Townsville City Council - projects
•$??? million for Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council - projects
•$??? million for Burdekin Shire Council - projects
•$??? million for Hinchinbrook Shire Council - projects
•$??? million for Charters Towers Regional Council - projects

The $200 million Works for Queensland program serves double duty – supporting jobs and upgrading important regional infrastructure across the state.

Councils have until 10 February to submit their projects which are to be delivered by 30 November 2017.

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For more information visit: www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/works-for-queensland
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Here is North Qld—let me know if you'd like more on Townsville—they received $20M plus. Only Far North to come.

Talking Points and Q&As early Monday.

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Xx February 2017 North Queensland (Townsville Bulletin, Burdekin Advocate, Herbert River Express, Northern Miner)

Jobs bonanza for North Queensland

Planting trees to shade and improve Townsville's city streets, upgrading a children’s wading pool for Hinchinbrook and the beautification of Palm Island’s Coolgaree Bay foreshore are just some of the projects that have been approved for North Queensland through the Palaszczuk Government's $200 million Works for Queensland program.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Infrastructure and Planning Jackie Trad said that the response from councils to the program had been overwhelmingly positive.

“This program has been wholeheartedly embraced by councils across Queensland because they know it will deliver jobs and infrastructure for their communities,” Ms Trad said.

“This funding will be used on important local projects like the city trees project in Townsville, an adventure playground at Plantation Park in Ayr and a safe walkway at Towers Hill in Charters Towers.

“Most importantly, these projects will deliver 842 jobs across the region and create great places for people to raise their families.

“The Works for Queensland program has cut red tape meaning we are able to get these projects moving right now and deliver benefits for the region faster.”

Charters Towers Mayor Liz Schmidt echoed the Deputy Premier’s sentiments, saying Works for Queensland will have an immediate impact for locals.

“These funds will give Council the ability to bring forward important infrastructure works in relation to ageing assets that were scheduled for upgrades at a later time,” Cr Schmidt said.

“These works will provide timely infrastructure improvements and additional jobs for the Charters Towers region.”

Townsville City Council’s projects for its $21.86 million allocation include:

- $1.1 million to provide shade structures in nine Townsville parks
- $1.93 million to upgrade Edison Park with new pathways, shelters, dog off-leash area, footbridges and irrigation
- $2.5 million for Street Trees Project
- $1.25 million for street scape Nathan Street between Charles Street and Dalrymple Road

Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council’s projects for its $2.6 million allocation include:

- $953,000 for Coolgaree Bay foreshore beautification
- $1.64 million for construction of a footpath and lighting from the helipad to Manbarra Road

Burdekin Shire Council’s projects for its $2.93 million allocation include:

- $160,000 for a shade cover for the Burdekin Theatre forecourt
• $250,000 for solar panels on council building

Hinchinbrook Shire Council’s projects for its $2.22 million allocation include:

• $500,000 upgrade to the children’s wading pool with new water features at the Hinchinbrook Aquatic Centre Water Park
• $300,000 to install a footpath from Forrest Glen retirement village to Leichhardt Street in Forrest Beach

Charters Towers Regional Council’s projects for its $2.74 million allocation include:

• $540,000 for the construction of a dedicated safe walkway at Towers Hill
• $885,000 towards replacing ageing water mains in Plant Street, Gregory Development Road, Hewett Street and Stubley Street

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Townsville City Council

- $21.86 million in W4Q funding
- 51 W4Q projects approved
- 376 jobs created or supported
- Projects for economic development, cultural and recreational, water, waste and recycling and roads and bridges
- Approved projects include: provide shade structures in nine Townsville parks; upgrades to Edison Park with new pathways, shelters, dog off-leash area, footbridges and irrigation; street scaping for Nathan Street between Charles Street and Dalrymple Road