



Far North Queensland Regional Plan 2009–2031

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The regional plan applies to the Far North Queensland (FNQ) regional local government areas as defined under IPA, section 2.5A.2. It replaces the Draft Far North Queensland Regional Plan 2025 (the draft plan) released by the regional planning Minister on 9 May 2008. The draft plan was subject to community consultation and comment up to 8 August 2008. A consultation report, which summarised the issues raised during the consultation period was released on 28 October 2008. Another round of limited consultation on four strategic issues identified in the consultation report concluded on 28 November 2008.

The regional plan has been prepared in good faith, taking into account all public submissions, to provide a framework for the management and development of FNQ for more than 20 years.

The regional plan represents an agreed Queensland Government position on the future of FNQ. Any plans, policies and codes being prepared or amended by state agencies or local governments must reflect and align with the regional plan.

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Copies of the regional plan and regulatory provisions (including the regulatory maps) are available:

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