

Far North

Key facts



272,216 km² Area covered by location ¹



5.47 % Population of Queensland ¹



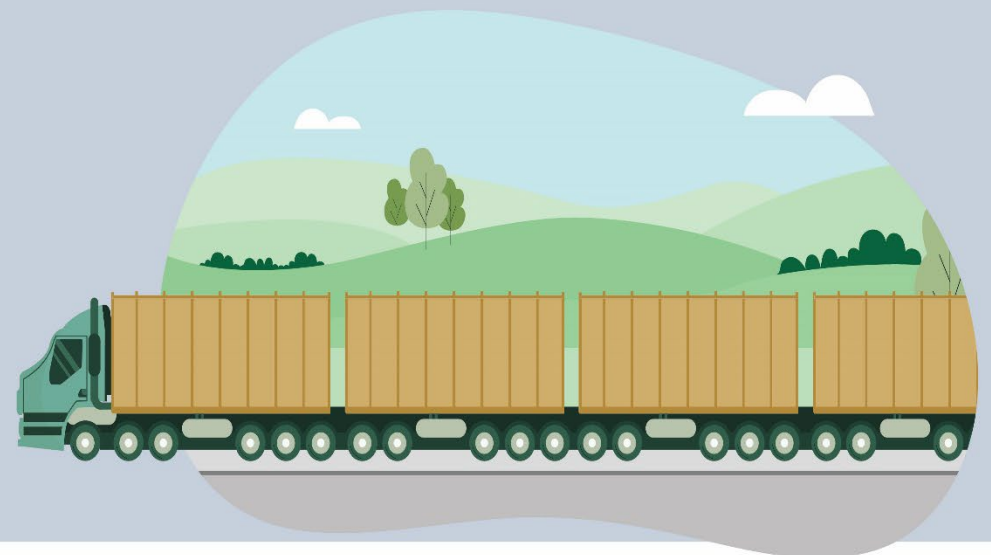
2,925 km Other state-controlled road network



232 km National Land Transport Network ²



211km National rail network ²



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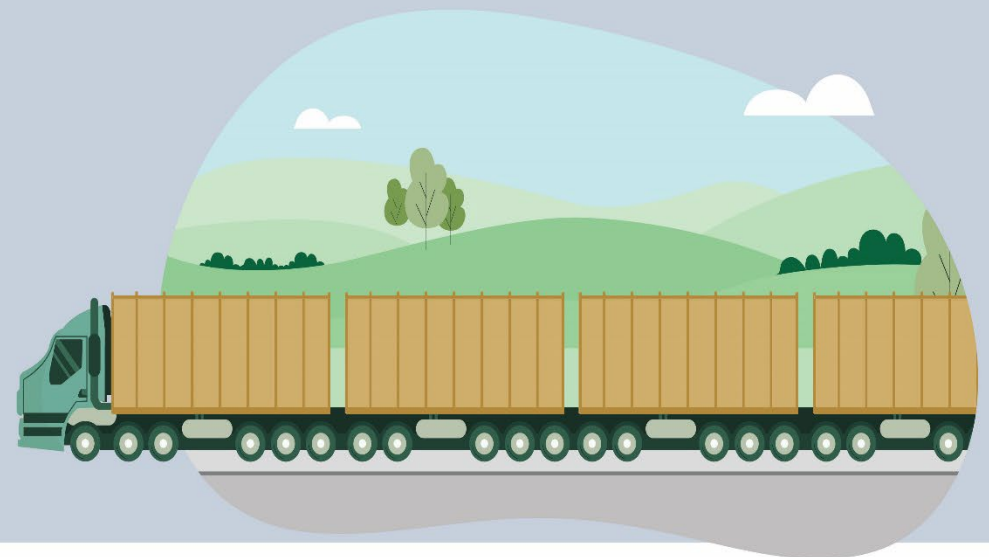
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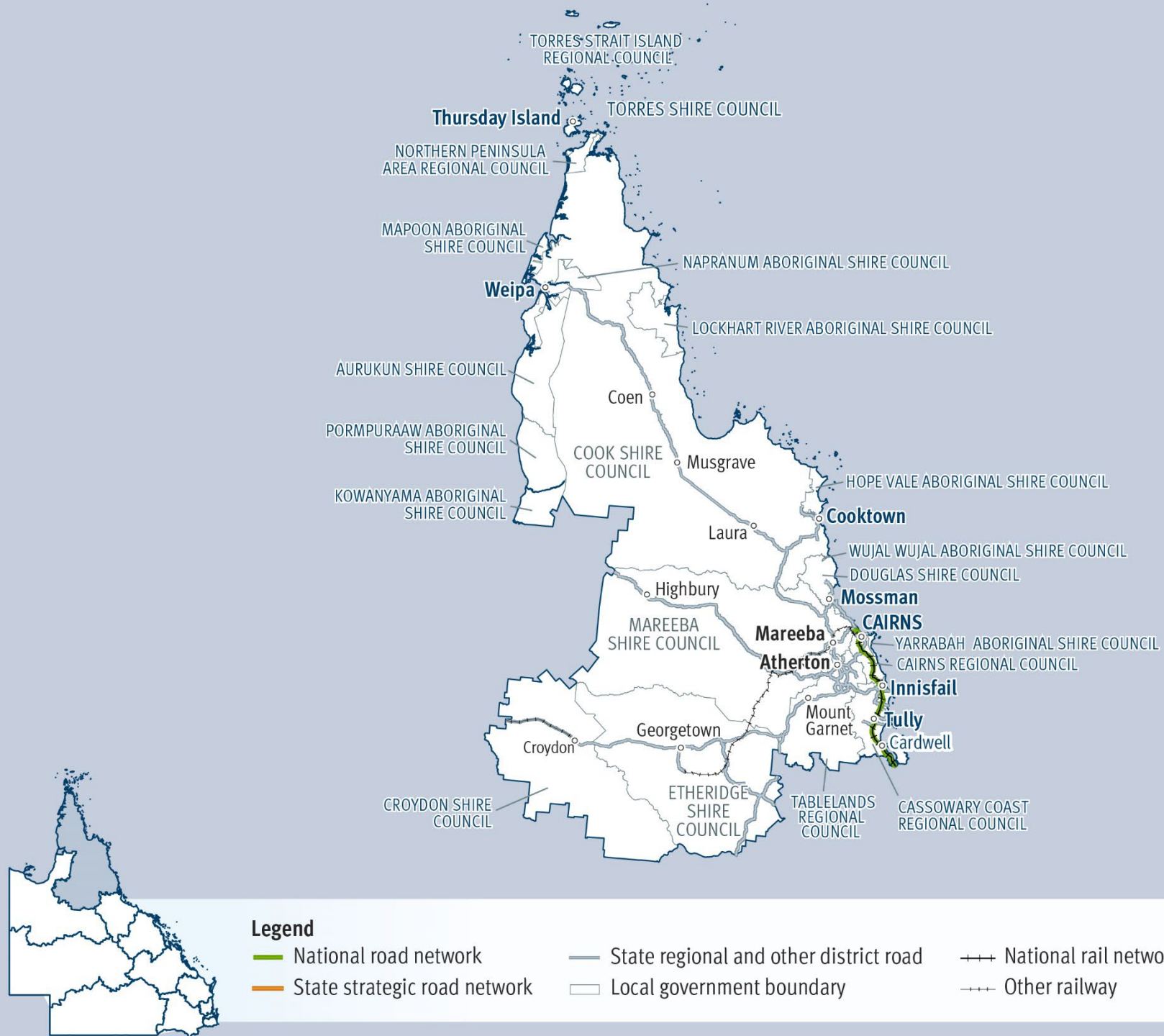
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Planned investments

Projects: \$250 million – \$1 billion

AG = Australian Government funding, QG = Queensland Government funding, Local/Other = Local Government or other funding partners.

Investment ID	Project title	AG	QG	Local/ Other	Planning	Procurement	Construction Start	Notes
1810618	Cairns Western Arterial Road, Redlynch Connector Road to Captain Cook Highway, funding allocation	●	●		Underway	-	-	
1351442	Captain Cook Highway, Cairns CBD to Smithfield, funding allocation	●	●		Underway	-	-	
3095406	Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba), Barron River bridge (Kuranda) replacement	●	●		✓	2026-27	2027-28	Project scope, cost and timing subject to further planning.
2713515	Kuranda Range Road, safety and resilience upgrades, funding allocation	●	●		Underway	2026-27	2027-28	Delivery of Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement works on Kuranda Range Road remains the priority. Project details and timing subject to further planning and negotiation with the Australian Government.

Projects: Up to \$250 million

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3559424	Atherton - Herberton Road (Wongabel), undertake safety improvements		●		Early 2026	2026-27	2027-28	
2817993	Bramble Street (Kurrimine Beach), upgrade boat ramp and construct walkway		●		✓	Late 2025	Early 2026	
386517	Bruce Highway (Ingham - Innisfail), Dallachy Road, install floodway	●	●		✓	Underway	Mid 2025	

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3558085	Bruce Highway (Ingham - Innisfail), Kurrimine Beach Road and Silkwood - Japoon Road, improve intersections		●		Early 2026	2026-27	2027-28	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3431974	Bruce Highway (Innisfail - Cairns), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	●	●		✓	Underway	Late 2025	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
1176520	Bruce Highway, Cairns Southern Access Corridor (Stage 5), Foster Road, funding allocation	●	●		-	-	2032-33	The project is in the pre-business case stage, with project scope, cost and timing subject to further planning, business case development and consideration.
3615581	Cape Tribulation Road (Lower Daintree), widen boat ramp and floating walkway and improve flood resilience		●		Mid 2025	Late 2025	Early 2026	
3444503	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), Mowbray River Bridge, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	●	●		✓	Mid 2025	Early 2026	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3042943	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), Sheridan Street and Mulgrave Road intersection, improve intersection		●		✓	Early 2026	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3243211	Cooktown to Weipa Corridor upgrade, Future Stages of the Cape York Region Package (Stage 3), funding allocation		●		Underway	-	-	Queensland Government's 20 per cent contribution to the next stage of the Cape York Region Package, subject to negotiation with the Australian Government. Funding will focus on continued progressive sealing of the Peninsula Developmental Road, with initial priorities being sections just north of Yarraden.
3042944	Gillies Range Road (Little Mulgrave), undertake safety improvements		●		✓	Early 2026	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3558749	Gillies Range Road and Malanda - Lake Barrine Road (Lake Eacham), improve intersection		●		Early 2026	2026-27	2027-28	Safer Roads Sooner Program

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3556459	Gillies Range Road, various locations, undertake safety improvements		●		Underway	Mid 2026	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3432376	Gulf Developmental Road (Georgetown - Mount Garnet), Routh Creek, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	●	●		✓	Mid 2025	Late 2025	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3583128	Kennedy Developmental Road (The Lynd - Hughenden), funding allocation	●			Early 2026	2026-27	2026-27	Project details and timing subject to further planning and negotiation with the Australian Government.
3505774	Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba) (Koah), construct heavy vehicle rest area	●	●		Underway	2026-27	2026-27	Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
3549236	Leadingham Creek Road, widen and seal	●	●	●	✓	✓	Mid 2025	Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program
3149913	Mareeba - Charters Towers, route upgrade strategy, planning		●		Underway	-	-	
3557144	Mossman - Mount Molloy Road, various locations, undertake safety improvements		●		Underway	Mid 2026	2026-27	Safer Roads Sooner Program
2745763	Mulgrave Road, Gordon Creek, construct active transport bridge and approaches		●		Underway	-	-	
3058262	Mulligan Highway (Mount Molloy - Lakeland), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	●	●		✓	Underway	Late 2025	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3495681	Mulligan Highway (Mount Molloy - Lakeland), Rifle Creek, Spear Creek and McLeod River bridges, pre-construction		●		Underway	-	-	
2729045	Mundoo Road, Bamboo Creek, upgrade bridge		●	●	-	Early 2026	Mid 2026	
3369917	Port Douglas Boat Harbour, maintenance dredging		●		✓	Underway	Mid 2026	
3561162	Port Douglas Road, Grant Street and Macrossan Street (Port Douglas), improve intersections		●		Early 2026	2026-27	2027-28	
3245397	Rocky Point (Weipa), upgrade boating facility		●		Underway	Early 2026	2026-27	Project scope, cost and timing subject to further planning.

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3553118	Seisia Road, Langie Draha Street to Tumema Street, construct shared path		●	●	-	-	2026-27	
3353453	Tinaroo Creek Road, Ada Creek causeway (Mareeba), replace causeway	●		●	-	-	2026-27	Australian Government Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program

Contractually committed investments

AG = Australian Government funding, QG = Queensland Government funding, Local/Other = Local Government or other funding partners.

Investment ID	Project title	AG (\$'000's)	QG (\$'000's)	Local/ Other (\$'000's)	Committed total budget (\$'000's)	Estimated expenditure to 30 June 2025 (\$'000's)	2025-26 (\$'000's)	Post 2025-26 (\$'000's)	Notes
3053252	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	92,614	30,871		123,485	16,375	33,367	73,742	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3059169	Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	71,581	23,860		95,441	10,311	23,787	61,344	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3057461	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	48,839	16,280		65,118	10,311	20,507	34,300	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3280227	Palmerston Highway (Innisfail - Millaa Millaa), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	43,314	14,438		57,752	11,911	11,964	33,877	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
1249733	Cairns Southern Access Cycleway, construct cycleway	33,223	8,306		41,529	30,611	240	10,678	Forms part of the Bruce Highway, Cairns Southern Access Stage 2 (Robert Road to Foster Road) project. Project scope, cost and timing subject to further project development and site investigations, and consideration.

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3058164	Mossman - Daintree Road, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	30,419	10,140		40,558	3,471	10,934	26,154	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
2902598	Torres Strait Islands Marine Infrastructure Program, funding allocation		38,120		38,120	2,266	6,800	29,054	Project scope, cost and timing subject to further planning.
3059282	Kennedy Highway (Mareeba), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	26,964	8,988		35,951	5,212	7,579	23,160	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3057647	Mossman - Mount Molloy Road, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	21,060	7,020		28,080	3,508	7,428	17,145	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3059363	Gillies Range Road (Tablelands Regional), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	19,970	6,657		26,627	200	13,437	12,990	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3059345	Gillies Range Road, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	18,032	6,011		24,043	1,200	7,144	15,700	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3050268	Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangement reconstruction works	14,078	4,693		18,770	4,419	5,388	8,964	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3441773	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	13,425	4,475		17,900	12,872	1,523	3,504	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3059427	Shiptons Flat Road, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	12,133	4,044		16,177	950	3,344	11,883	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
2383189	Kennedy Highway (Mareeba - Ravenshoe), design and construct overtaking lanes		12,354		12,354	2,721	3,700	5,932	
2361416	Gulf Developmental Road (Georgetown - Mount Garnet) (Package 4), strengthen and widen pavement	9,648	2,412		12,060	1,408	5,361	5,291	

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1474076	Malanda - Lake Barrine Road, improve safety		9,930		9,930	1,848	5,920	2,162	Safer Roads Sooner Program
3446737	Captain Cook Highway (Cairns - Mossman), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	7,367	2,456		9,823		1,183	8,640	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
1810917	Jardine Ferry Road (Section 2), bitumen seal and drainage	7,331	1,833		9,164	1,564	613	6,987	Part of the Cape York Region Package Stage 2, jointly funded by the Queensland Government and Australian Government.
3446071	Cook Shire, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	3,606	1,202		4,808		1,037	3,771	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3434091	Peninsula Developmental Road (Coen - Weipa), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	2,976	992		3,968		2,885	1,083	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3081481	Priors Creek, Vernon Street to Jack Street, construct active transport facilities		1,576	2,198	3,774	946	630		
3436886	Peninsula Developmental Road (Laura - Coen), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	2,555	852		3,407		2,421	986	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
2361982	Ootann Road, Almaden to Kennedy Highway (Gunnawarra), Mareeba Section, widen and seal pavement	2,658		665	3,323	1,246	1,412		
3599237	Port Douglas Road, Lakeland Avenue to Old Port Road (Port Douglas), construct shared path	1,288		1,288	2,575			1,288	Australian Government Active Transport Fund
3445329	Gregory Developmental Road (The Lynd - Quartz Blow Creek), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	1,693	564		2,257		1,194	1,063	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3599661	Dauan Island, barge ramp, improve ramp		2,210		2,210		2,048	162	

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1496643	Cairns Western Arterial Road, upgrade strategy, planning		2,000		2,000	750	1,239	11	
3446772	Burke Developmental Road (Normanton - Dimbulah), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	1,415	472		1,887		673	1,214	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3354756	Portland Roads Road, upgrade causeway		1,750		1,750	518	1,232		
3278367	Various roads, upgrade pavement and drainage		1,722		1,722	268	364	1,091	
3436865	Cassowary Coast Region, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	1,183	394		1,577			1,577	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
3369493	Injinoo Back Road and Ferry Road, upgrade to sealed standard		1,500		1,500		1,500		
3207063	Northern Peninsula Airport, upgrade runway		1,499		1,499		1,499		
1902301	Palmerston Highway (Innisfail - Ravenshoe), strategy upgrade, planning		1,250		1,250	1,085	165		
3595503	Aubrey Parade and Douglas Street (Thursday Island), design and upgrade footpath	1,200			1,200			1,200	Australian Government Active Transport Fund
3598422	Bloomfield Road, Davies Hill, upgrade pavement and drainage		1,200		1,200		1,200		
3360291	Gulf Developmental Road (Croydon - Georgetown), 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	863	288		1,151		714	437	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
1903969	Far North District, various roads, network analysis to vision standards, planning		1,100		1,100	659	441		

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3320486	Tully - Mission Beach Road, 2024 Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements reconstruction works	761	254		1,015	146	200	669	Funding administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority.
1672443	Half Moon Creek, construct groyne		1,000		1,000	500		500	
3444841	Portland Road, pave and seal		1,000		1,000	381	619		

Far North

2025–26 FY total investment: \$380 million

2026–27 FY total investment: \$472 million

2027–28 to 2028–29 FY total investment: \$1 billion

Far North total investment over four years (2025–26 to 2028–29): \$1.9 billion ⁵