

Queensland shark management implementation plan

2025 to 2029



Introduction

The Shark Control Program started in 1962, following several fatal shark attacks across the state. For over 60 years, the program has evolved, continuing to protect Queenslanders and visitors using our coastal waters.

The Queensland Government developed the *Queensland shark management plan: 2025 to 2029*, to deliver a clear and strong direction for the future management of the Shark Control Program – with the protection of human life central to its implementation.

This document outlines schedules for the delivery of key initiatives under the management plan, covering 4 focus areas:



Operations



Research



Trials

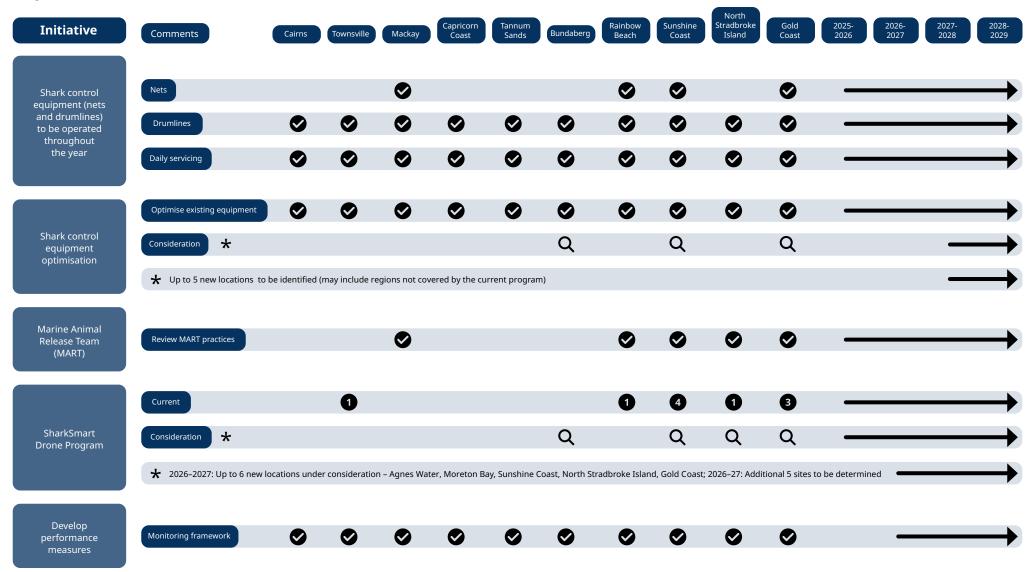


Education & engagement





Focus area 1: Operations



- igspace Initiative confirmed for the location. $igspace {\bf Q}$ Initiative being considered for the location.
- 1 Number of beaches confirmed for the location.

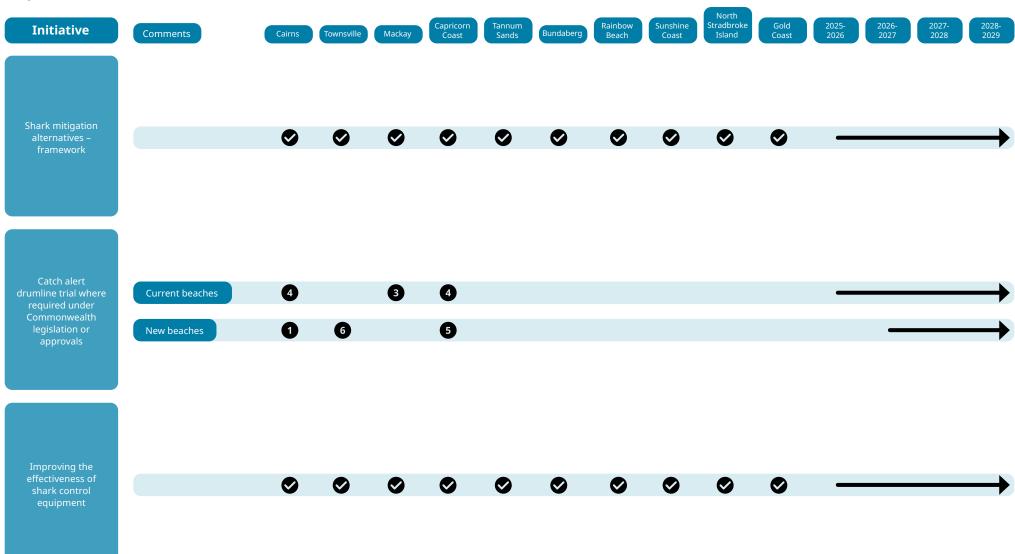


Focus area 2: Research

Initiative	Comments	Cairns	Townsville	Mackay	Capricorn Coast	Tannum Sands	Bundaberg	Rainbow Beach	Sunshine Coast	North Stradbroke Island	Gold Coast	2025- 2026 20	2027- 27 2028	2028- 2029
Shark control program research strategy	Research strategy refresh	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•			—
Shark population studies	Deliver biomass estimates for key species	•	•	•	•	Ø	Ø	•	•	•	•		_	
Whale deterrent technology	Implement latest technology in whale deterrents			•				•	•	•	•	_		
Forensic shark attack tools	Deliver research into forensic shark attack techniques	•	•	•	Ø	•	•	•	•	•	•			
Shark tagging and tracking	Tag sharks and maintain receiver network	•	•	Ø	•	•	•	•	Ø	•	•			—



Focus area 3: Trials



- Initiative confirmed for the location.
- 1 Number of beaches confirmed for the location.



Focus area 4: Education & engagement

