Open Data Strategy

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Our open data in action



Queensland Globe flies high for agriculture

"Queensland Globe has certainly made our job easier. It's enabled us to understand the Regulated Vegetation Management Mapping much better and ensures we can get the information we need into our equipment to accurately locate areas for treatment."

Graham Fosset FMC Australia

Satellite imagery available for free

The Department has made available high resolution satellite imagery for free under a Creative Commons license. This imagery will aid disaster and environmental management, fire and emergency response as well as infrastructure planning and development.





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Our Principles

Principles

Queensland Government and Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy's commitment to open data.

Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy shares the Queensland Government's commitment to open data as outlined in the Queensland Government Open Data Policy Statement¹.

The Policy Statement commits to the six principles from the International Open Data Charter. These principles are:

- 1. Open by default
- 2. Timely and comprehensive
- 3. Accessible and usable
- 4. Comparable and interoperable
- 5. For improved governance and citizen engagement
- 6. For inclusive development and innovation

In continually improving the way we publish open data, Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy follows these principles.



Why Open Data is important

Benefits of Open Data

We recognise our important obligation to publish data about Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy's spending, operations and performance to...

• Foster transparent, accountable, efficient responsive and effective government

We also recognise how open data can be used to benefit Queensland...

- Support the design, delivery and assessment of better services for citizens and businesses
- Improve the evidence-base for policy and programs
- Provide major opportunities for innovation and underpin growth of the digital economy



Alignment to our vision

Open Data supports our Department's strategic vision when we make our open data accessible to the community.

Our Vision	"Together, our land, water, mineral and energy resources deliver sustainable benefits for current and future generations of Queenslanders"
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In working towards our vision, we create important data assets...

Our Open Data	Land and property	V Natural resource management		Mapping
	Mining and	exploration	Energy	

...By publishing as open data, these data assets can be used by community, industry and other government agencies

Natu Our User Community	Natural resource community groups	esource community groups Local Government Authorities		Property owners
	Mining and energy comp	anies	Land, property and le	gal professionals

...To develop and deliver innovative products and services that benefit the wider community ...And to aide in quality policy, program and infrastructure delivery by government and industry.



Case Study

TomTom Maps uses Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy open data in their web, mobile and in-car location and navigation services.

"At present TomTom is making use of the following data type/s from the QLD Department of Natural Resources, Mines and

Energy:

- **Roads & Attributes** help us deliver an accurate, up-to-date global map, enabling safe and fuel efficient transport.
- **Digital Cadastre** allows TomTom to quickly identify areas of growth, containing new roads and addresses to facilitate construction trades and building material deliveries in areas such as new subdivisions.
- *Hydrographic Features* allow us to reflect your regions natural resources in a digital environment.

Access to open data from your organisation is allowing TomTom to build and improve products which make small differences in everyday lives. Through fresh accurate maps, we can reduce road congestion and our impact on the environment. As more automotive safety features rely on mapping data (predictive cruise-control, hazard warnings & autonomous driving), our use of open data can have a positive impact on the road toll."

Johnathan Ball **TomTom Maps**



Image from TomTom maps application showing the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy datasets

Obligations

We also have specific obligations to publish open data.

Document	Summary of Relevance to Open Data	Citation
Queensland Government Open Data Policy Statement (2017)		
QAO Strategic Audit Plan	A QAO audit in 2019-20 will assess whether open data strategies have reached their full potential to add value to the Queensland public sector.	Queensland Audit Office, Strategic Audit Plan, available at https://www.qao.qld.gov.au/audits/program accessed 21 March 2018
Right to Information Act 2009	Queensland Government's obligation to give access to information in the government's possession or control unless it is in the public interest not to.	Queensland Government, Right to Information Act 2009, available at https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/view/pdf/2015-06-11/act-2009- 009, accessed 21 March 2018
Information Privacy Act 2009	Various responsibilities to protect personal information, including not disclosing personal or identifying information as open data.	Queensland Government, Information Privacy Act 2009, available at https://www.legislation.qld.gov.au/view/pdf/inforce/current/act- 2009-014, accessed 22 March 2018
Queensland Procurement Policy 2017	Requirements for the disclosure of procurement contracts over \$10,000	Department of Housing and Public Works, Queensland Procurement Policy, available at http://www.hpw.qld.gov.au/SiteCollectionDocuments/QLDProcureme ntPolicy.pdf accessed 21 March 2018
Annual Reporting Requirements	Various open data requirements to support annual reporting activities	Queensland Government, Annual Reporting Requirements, available at https://www.forgov.qld.gov.au/sites/default/files/annual-report- requirements.pdf accessed 21 March 2018

Our Open Data Strategic Plan

Maturity

To improve and sustain our cost-effectiveness we plan to improve our maturity in targeted areas over the next two years.

The Open Data Institute Maturity Assessment² was used to assess our current state and target state maturity in open data.

Activity	Maturity Score		
Data release process	•		
Standards development and adoption	•		
Data governance		Target Maturity	
Managing sensitive data			
Open data expertise	•		
Knowledge management			
Engagement process			
Open data documentation			
Re-user support processes	• •		
Community norms			
Financial oversight			
Dataset valuation process	• •		
Open data in procurement			
Open data strategy			
Asset catalogue	•		
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Objectives

To realise value, our specific focus will be to...

Proactively opening more data

We have a number of datasets we have not yet opened to the public, which we think could provide value to Queensland. We will proactively identify and publish these datasets.

Success Metric:

• Number of datasets previously closed published as open data

Improve access and discoverability of spatial web services

To improve access to and discoverability of the department's spatial datasets as web services, and we will make these discoverable through the open data portal

Success Metrics:

• 100% of spatial web services are discoverable via the Open Data Portal

Transforming systems to incorporate and deliver new data formats

We will modernise cadastral data systems to support their dynamic nature and the demand for 3D representation.

Success Metrics:

- Data from cadastral survey plans captured in LandXML format
- Prototype numeric cadastre built over Cross River Rail corridor

Enhancing business process to make more information available as data

We will make geoscientific and other information supply mechanisms deliver inaccessible tabular information as structured and open data.

Success Metrics:

• Business processes modernised to deliver tabular information as open data.

Responsibilities

We also have a number of day-to-day responsibilities

- Publish open data as committed in our open data publication schedule
- Update/refresh our open data as specified for each dataset
- Monitor our open data email inbox
- Respond to data.qld.gov.au data requests
- Respond to data.qld.gov.au data and general enquiries
- Participate in Government open data forums Senior Officers Working Group and Open Data Practitioners Community
- Contribute to and adopt Queensland Government Enterprise Architecture policies and other documentation
- Engage with industry and the open data community
- Review and re-publish open data strategy annually
- Conduct open data maturity assessment annually
- Provide support and mentoring at GovHack events



Action Plan

Our action plan includes the initiatives we have planned to improve our open data maturity and meet our objectives

Category	Initiative Title	2018	2019
Maturity Improvement	1.1 Further develop open data expertise across the Department		
	1.2 Develop and implement clearly defined and documented dataset support standards		
	1.3 Endorse and adopt a dataset valuation policy		
Objectives	2.1 Proactively opening more data		
	2.2 Transforming systems to incorporate and deliver new data formats		
	2.3 Improve access and discoverability of spatial web services		
	2.4 Enhancing business process to make more information available as data		
Data Publication and other day-to-day responsibilities	N/A	As specified in Appendix 1 – Data Publication Schedule	



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Appendix 1 – Published Data



At 01/02/2019 we have 294 datasets published to data.qld.gov.au. For an updated list of all our datasets click <u>here</u>.

Appendix 2 – Data Publishing Schedule

We plan to publish the following data to data.qld.gov.au over the next 12 months. We will update this list as we identify more datasets to publish and when this strategy is next refreshed.

Dataset name	Description	Target Publishing Date	Frequency of Update	Licence
Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy annual report data 2018-19	Additional information reported in lieu of inclusion in the annual report.	September 2019	Not Planned	Creative Commons Attribution 4.0



The department has reviewed our data holdings and identified a number of datasets that are not able to be released as open data for one or more reasons. For an updated list of our closed datasets and the reason for the decision click <u>here</u>.

We will update this list as closed datasets are identified or reviewed for publication.