

# TROPICAL NORTH QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ECONOMIC PLAN 2011 - 2031



Advance Cairns Regional Development  
Officer Margaret Darveniza

The Tropical North Queensland Regional Economic Plan (TNQREP) will be launched in the near future. Involving consultation with all levels of government and 40 regional agencies and organisations, the TNQREP outlines a 20 year vision for the region and contains rolling five year action plans and provisions for annual economic benchmarking.

Advance Cairns Regional Development Officer Margaret Darveniza has led the planning process on behalf of the TNQ community and believes the Plan represents a real step forward for the Tropical North Queensland.

“The launch of the TNQREP marks a new era for the region,” Ms Darveniza said.

“The Plan represents collaboration, cooperation and a shared economic vision: for our region to become the world’s leading sustainable tropical region by 2031.”

“To achieve this vision we need to create a strong and confident tropical economy, lifestyle and

liveability options that are second to none and a natural and built environment that is enjoyed, protected and enhanced. To achieve these goals we need robust and resilient industries, thriving businesses, community confidence, connectedness and capacity and infrastructure that enables economic activity. The TNQREP outlines in great detail the steps we need to take to achieve all these goals.”

With all levels of government and regional economic organisations from across Tropical North Queensland involved in the formulation of the Plan, Advance Cairns Chair Russell Beer said the TNQREP represents a new era of strategic, co-operative economic development for Tropical North Queensland.

“The Tropical North Queensland Regional Economic Plan has been contributed to and endorsed by all major stakeholders in the regional economy and it provides us with a considered, realistic, agreed and appropriately ambitious direction forward. There is every reason to believe that its release marks the beginning of a new era of strategic, co-operative economic development for Tropical North Queensland,” Mr Beer said.

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