

# About the Roads and Transport Alliance

## Who we are

The Roads and Transport Alliance (the Alliance) is an enduring partnership between the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and Queensland local governments.

Over the past 22 years, this partnership has promoted a unified and cooperative approach to managing Queensland's road and transport network.

The Alliance, operating under the Roads and Transport Coordination Accord, reaffirms the commitment of both parties to enhance transport infrastructure in communities across Queensland to:



### INCREASE

the economic, social, and environmental benefits derived from joint investments in the state's transport network.



### FACILITATE

innovative and collaborative approaches to network planning, program development and resource sharing.



### IMPROVE

road management and delivery capability through training, advanced technology, and knowledge exchange.



### OPTIMISE

safety for all road users.



### MAXIMISE

the collective investment in Queensland's transport network by all parties.

## Roads and Transport Alliance Model

The 17 Regional Roads and Transport Groups (RRTGs) across Queensland are the foundation of the Alliance. Each group consists of representatives from member local governments or a single council, along with the local TMR District Officer.

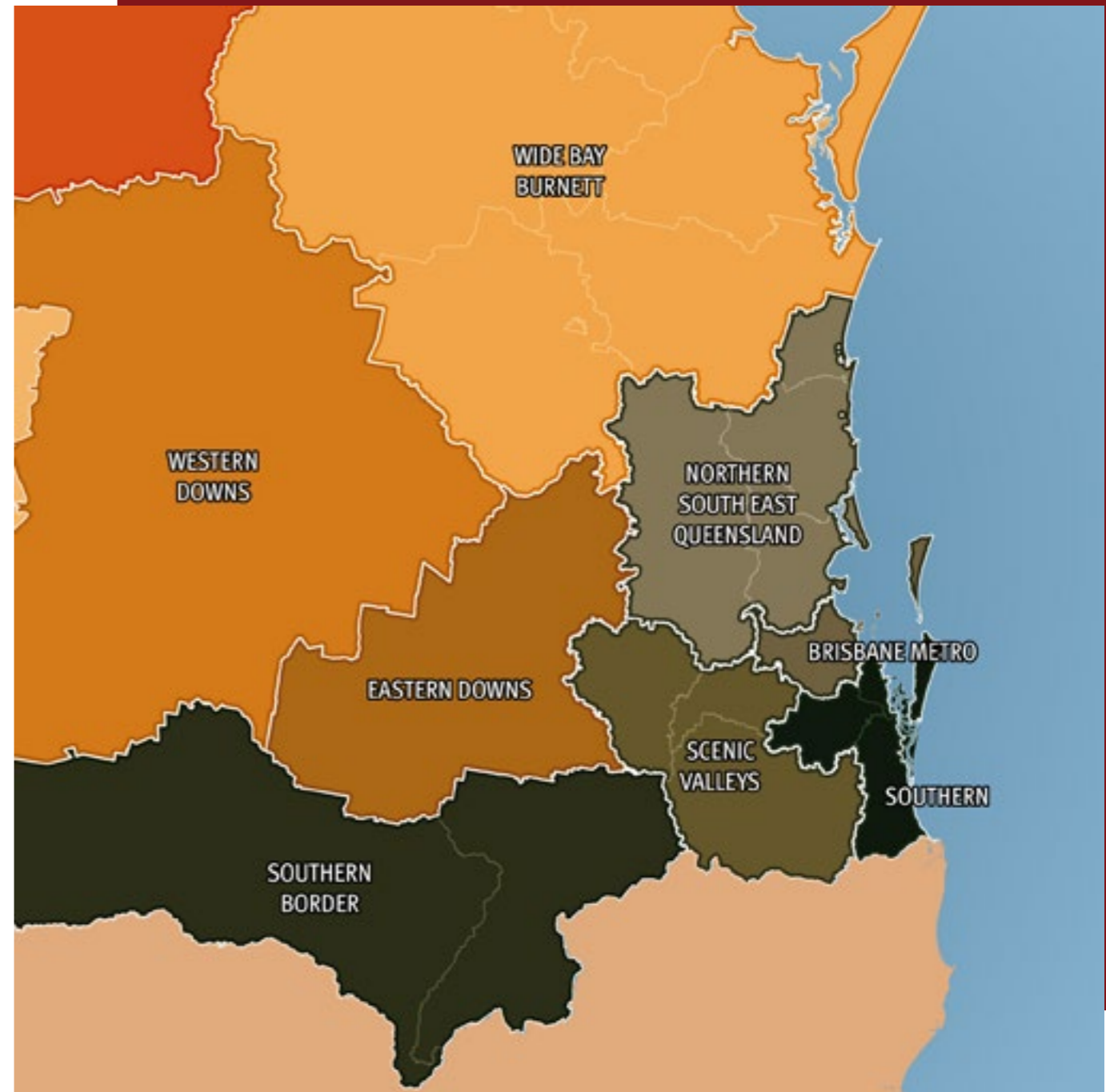
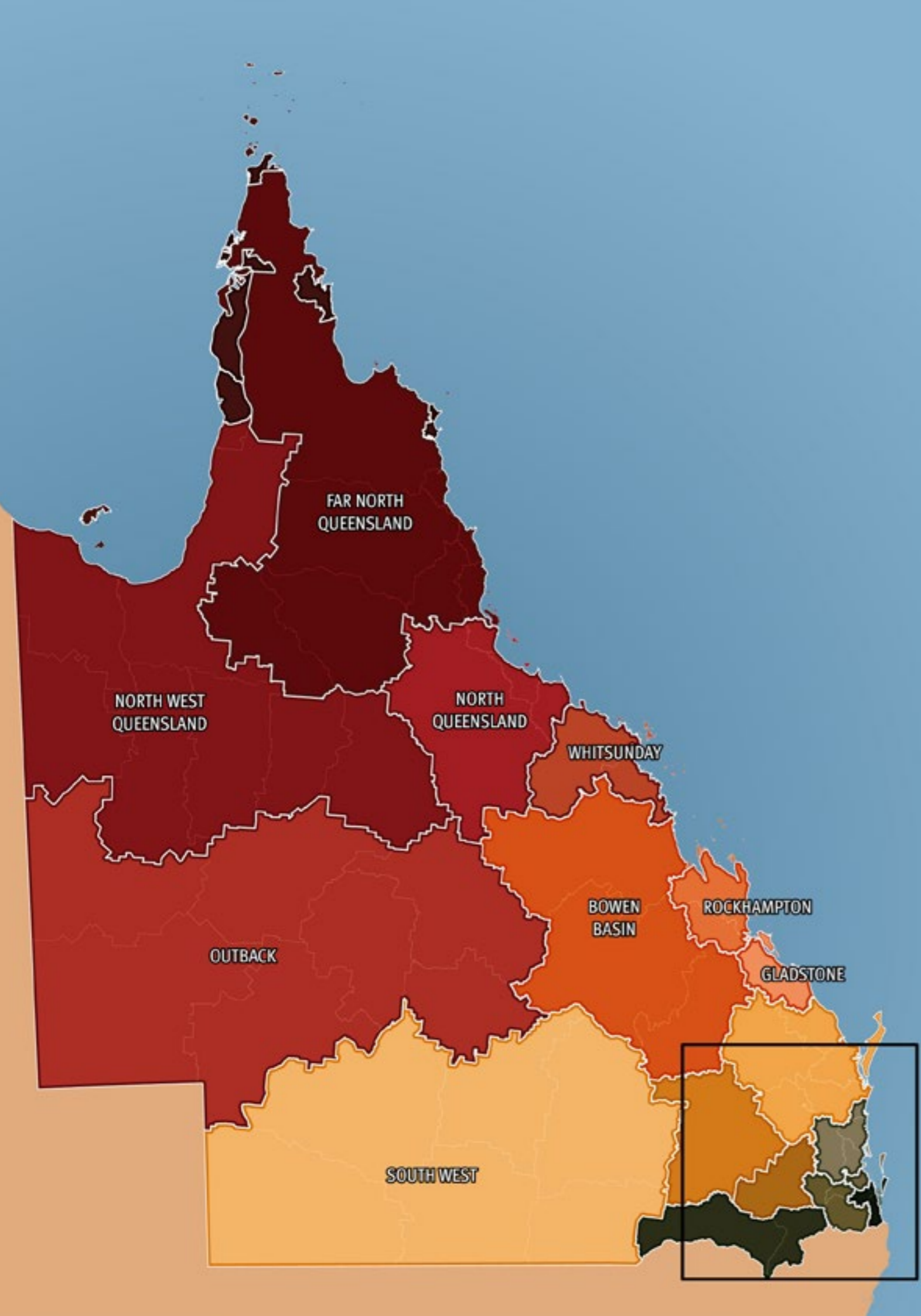
RRTGs work together to prioritise and deliver transport infrastructure enhancements within their respective regions for their member councils.

The Alliance model promotes collaboration and delivers benefits to councils by facilitating joint purchasing, resource sharing, skills development, and training. It also fosters positive organisational and community outcomes through enduring inter-governmental relationships.

The operating structure for the Alliance includes:

- Regional Roads and Transport Groups
  - Local government elected representatives and the local TMR District Director. Primarily a decision-making body that prioritises regional transport infrastructure improvements for their communities.
- Technical Committee
  - Local government senior engineers and other relevant technical staff and TMR. The Committees offer technical expertise, advice and recommendations to the RRTGs.
- TMR's Local Government Partnerships Team
  - TMR officers who lead TMR's engagement with local government through the Roads and Transport Alliance framework.

*Kennedy Highway Mareeba to Atherton*



Queensland RRTG map

South East Queensland RRTG map

## Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme

TMR provides annual funding of \$75.95 million for regionally prioritised, local road and transport-related initiatives through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS). Each RRTG receives an annual TIDS funding allocation, which they generally match 50:50 to develop a program aimed at delivering the highest priority road and transport

projects in their region. In 2023-24, TIDS funding supported 220 projects across Queensland.

Additionally, the TIDS Statewide Capability Development Fund (SCDF) supports RRTGs in improving their capacity and capability in road stewardship. This includes strengthening skills across the core functions of the Alliance.

# Achievements

**22**

years of partnership between Queensland's state and local governments

**17**

Regional Roads and Transport Groups across Queensland

**68**

local governments participating as members of the Roads and Transport Alliance

**115**

Regional Roads and Transport Group executive and technical meetings held

**40,263km**

length of jointly managed Local Roads of Regional Significance in Queensland

**3,055**

total number of Local Roads of Regional Significance in Queensland

**220**

projects supported through Roads and Transport Alliance Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme

**41**

capability initiatives funded through the Statewide Capability Development Fund

**Over 500**

RRTG member staff trained with the support of the Statewide Capability Development Fund

Adavale Red Road, Quilpie

# Regional Roads and Transport Groups

## Delivering in partnership

This section highlights a selection of projects undertaken by Regional Roads and Transport Group (RRTG) member councils in 2023–24.

The project stories and images featured in this report have been provided by the respective local governments responsible for their delivery. These stories are presented in their own words, illustrating the significance each council places on the funding that enables these initiatives.

Each of the 17 RRTGs across Queensland have contributed stories showing the breadth of projects delivered, the diverse challenges faced by councils; and the tangible benefits and positive impacts these projects have had on local communities.

The Roads and Transport Alliance acknowledges and values the enduring partnership and continuous cooperation between state and local governments to ensure the ongoing delivery of the TIDS program.

*During construction on Adavale Red Road, Quilpie Shire Council*