1. The Premier’s Council on Climate Change provides strategic advice to the Queensland Government and is comprised of 12 members external to Government with expertise across key sectors.
2. The Council developed its fourth Working Paper, entitled *Capturing Carbon in the Rural Landscape: Opportunities for Queensland.* The Council Paper includes 15 recommendations to the Queensland Government on policy and investment adjustments to prepare Queensland to make optimal use of emerging market incentives for increased carbon capture in the rural landscape.
3. The Council recommendations were based on an expert scientific report commissioned for the Council from CSIRO titled, *An Analysis of Greenhouse Gas Mitigation and Carbon Biosequestration Opportunities from Rural Land Use.* The report assessed the greenhouse gas savings attainable from 11 rural land uses centred on vegetation, agriculture, and bioenergy.
4. Of the 15 Council recommendations the Queensland Government response accepted 12 recommendations either wholly or in-principle, with one recommendation to be accepted in part.
5. Cabinet endorsed the Queensland Government response to the 15 Council recommendations contained in the Working Paper 4: *Capturing Carbon in the Rural Landscape: Opportunities for Queensland*.
6. Cabinet noted that the Queensland Government response also includes a commitment to investigate opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Queenslanders to benefit from a future carbon market through the use of Indigenous lands for carbon offsets, which is in addition to the Council’s recommendations.
7. *Attachments*
* [Queensland Government response to the Premier’s Council on Climate Change Working Paper 4: *Capturing Carbon in the Rural Landscape: Opportunities for Queensland*](Attachments/workingpaper4-response%5B1%5D.pdf)