1. On 7 April 2009 the Australian Government announced its intention to undertake Australia’s largest ever infrastructure project by spending $43 billion over eight years to construct a National Broadband Network (NBN).
2. A state-wide Master Plan is being developed to ensure the optimal implementation and utilisation of the NBN in Queensland.
3. This Master Plan will focus on the achievement of the Queensland Government’s key NBN objectives. These objectives are to:
* ensure as many properties across the State are connected to the NBN by optical fibre and where this is not viable, a wireless connection is preferred, minimising the number of properties served through satellite technology
* expedite the roll out of the NBN across Queensland with a focus on early deployment to key priority locations
* encourage broad utilisation of the NBN across communities and industry through the availability of innovative applications and services that generate digital demand.
1. A Discussion Paper has been developed to seek public input into the development of the state-wide Master Plan and achievement of the Government’s NBN objectives.
2. Cabinet endorsed that the Discussion Paper *Queensland’s approach to the National Broadband Network* be released for public consultation.
3. *Attachments*:
* [*Discussion Paper: Queensland’s approach to the National Broadband Network*](Attachments/nbnqlddiscussionpaper%5B1%5D.pdf)