1. The Commonwealth Government announced the National Water Infrastructure Development Fund in the Developing Northern Australia and Agriculture Competiveness white papers in mid-2015. The fund provides for feasibility studies to advance the information available to support planning and investment decisions for water supply infrastructure.
2. A Queensland Government interagency process assessed the applications made by state entities and the following four feasibility studies and associated infrastructure projects were identified as being meritorious due to having the potential to contribute to economic development. The four projects, which were identified in no priority order, are:
* Fitzroy Dawson Agricultural Demand study;
* Rookwood Weir feasibility study;
* Raising Burdekin Falls Dam (and associated dam safety upgrades) feasibility study; and
* Burdekin Haughton Channel Capacity Upgrade feasibility study.
1. A total of 26 applications for studies in Queensland have been forwarded to the Australian Government for consideration.
2. Cabinet approved the following feasibility studies to be identified to the Commonwealth as Queensland Government priorities and that they be recommended for consideration under Part 1 of the National Water Infrastructure Development Fund feasibility component:
* Fitzroy Dawson Agricultural Demand study;
* Rookwood Weir feasibility study;
* Raising Burdekin Falls Dam (and associated dam safety upgrades) feasibility study; and
* Burdekin Haughton Channel Capacity Upgrade feasibility study.
1. *Attachments*:
* Nil.