1. Under the Food and Fibre Plan for agriculture the Government committed to develop a 10-year research and development (R&D) blueprint for agriculture and food to enhance scientific collaboration within the State, ensure R&D is aligned with emerging opportunities and seek new and imaginative ways to attract new funds.
2. A Discussion Paper released in June 2017 was the subject of extensive consultation with stakeholders, including farm businesses, industry bodies, researchers and other stakeholders.
3. The Roadmap and Action Plan is aligned with the Advance Queensland industry roadmaps and with the broader Advance Queensland agenda to promote the knowledge-based jobs and economy of the future.
4. The Roadmap and Action Plan presents a vision for food and agriculture research, development and extension (RD&E) in 2028. It discusses the strengths of agriculture and food RD&E in Queensland, and the challenges facing the sector. It lists actions organised around the themes of: Increase innovation and commercialisation; Identify and promote agriculture and food RD&E opportunities; and Support existing sector to grow and develop new business.
5. The release of the Queensland Agriculture 2018 Snapshot report, online and in hardcopy for domestic and international agriculture and trade stakeholders during the Commonwealth Games, highlights the diversity and innovativeness of the sector as providing attractive opportunities for investment and careers.
6. Cabinet approved the release of the Agriculture and Food Research, Development and Extension 10-Year Roadmap and Action Plan.
7. Cabinet noted the release of the Queensland Agriculture - 2018 Snapshot.
8. *Attachments*
* [Agriculture and Food Research, Development and Extension 10-Year Roadmap and Action Plan](Attachments/Roadmap.PDF)
* [Queensland Agriculture - 2018 Snapshot](Attachments/Snapshot.PDF)