



# Premier and Minister for Veterans

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Minister for Regional and Rural Development  
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Dear Minister *Dale.*

Queenslanders have put their faith in us to deliver a fresh start for our great state. As the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, you have a critical role to play and that will come with significant responsibility.

The Right Plan for Queensland’s Future is a comprehensive plan that will require discipline, focus and unity to deliver.

Together we will ensure safety where people live, provide health services when Queenslanders need them, respect taxpayers’ money, deliver a place to call home for Queenslanders, and drive government to work for the people.

It is my expectation that you will work every day of this term of Government to deliver these priorities for Queensland. As Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Minister for Manufacturing and Minister for Regional and Rural Development, you are ultimately responsible for the following Government agencies:

<b>Your portfolio responsibilities</b>
Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development
Resources Safety and Health Queensland

I want you to closely align your work every day with the following commitments we have made to Queenslanders.

<b>Our fundamental commitment to Queenslanders</b>
to restore <b>safety where you live</b>
to reinstate <b>health services when you need them</b>
to return <b>respect for your money</b>
to reimagine a <b>place to call home</b>
to redesign a <b>government that works for you</b>

I have outlined for each minister the values I want to drive our Government's agenda across the Queensland Government agencies which you have carriage for, these are:

<b>Core portfolio values</b>	
Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development	<p><u>Natural Resources and Mines</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create an environment for growth in the resources sector that will continue to underpin Queensland's long-term prosperity.</li> <li>• Lay out an ambitious long-term agenda which will see new and expanded mining opportunities across the State.</li> <li>• Improve turn-around times for approvals while maintaining strong planning and environmental conditions.</li> <li>• Provide residents, industry and local government unequivocal certainty on decisions, regardless of the planning decision being a 'yes' or 'no'.</li> </ul> <p><u>Manufacturing</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identify long-term manufacturing opportunities across Queensland which contribute to economic prosperity for our state.</li> <li>• Work with the relevant ministers to lower manufacturing input costs like electricity and water, ensuring Queensland is the most attractive state for manufacturers to invest in.</li> </ul> <p><u>Regional and Rural Development</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work with the relevant ministers to ensure better access to government services in regional and rural Queensland, like health, education and transport infrastructure.</li> <li>• Guaranteeing value for money in Queensland's regions through better consultation and representation.</li> </ul>

In addition to the values outlined above, the key portfolio deliverables that should be your priority include the following:

<b>Key portfolio deliverables</b>	
Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deliver government accountability for the resources sector with the establishment of a Resources Cabinet Committee within the first 100 days of Government to improve consultation with the sector and encourage investment in our resources.</li> <li>• Establish a Manufacturing Hub in Toowoomba, with consideration given to other regions, as well as attention to ensure the program remains fit for purpose and addresses emerging threats manufacturers are facing.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seek opportunities to grow manufacturing in Queensland by providing a \$5 million per year boost to the Made in Queensland Grants Program from 2025–2026.</li> <li>• Deliver \$117.84 million funding, in consultation with relevant ministerial colleagues, for on-ground land, soil, water and biodiversity programs, ensuring Natural Resource Management groups across Queensland have access.</li> <li>• Work with the Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training to deliver a dedicated advanced manufacturing TAFE Centre of Excellence in Moreton Bay.</li> <li>• Work with the Minister for Transport and Main Roads on delivering the Country Roads Connect program to deliver sealed roads to increase resilience, maintain productivity and boost the safety of our regional roads.</li> <li>• Expand Queensland Minerals and Energy Academy to 50 additional Queensland schools to build a pipeline of resource workers for Queensland’s future.</li> </ul>
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I will meet with you regularly to discuss progress in implementing these actions.

We all know that many Queenslanders are struggling under significant cost-of-living pressures. In addition to the deliverables listed above, I urge you to identify opportunities to provide long-term cost-of-living relief through structural improvements and prudent oversight for those portfolio areas for which you have carriage for.

It is critical to remember that every decision a minister makes, and all actions taken, must be in the interest of the Queensland public. It is imperative that those decisions and actions should be made without regard to personal, political or other immaterial considerations.

A strong and stable public service creates a strong and stable Queensland. The Queensland Public Service are integral to being able to implement our ambitious and important agenda for the state.

I expect ministers and their staff will engage with chief executive officers and departmental staff with the highest levels of courtesy and respect. I expect you will be an engaged and visible leader for the public servants in your department, both in the central office and the regions, and that you will strongly support your frontline staff in the important work they do.

Your engagement with the Queensland Public Service should always be in accordance with *The Queensland Ministerial Handbook, Ministerial Code of Conduct, Code of Conduct Ministerial Staff Members*, along with ensuring your staff always adhere to the *Protocols for communication between ministerial staff members and department employees*.

It is also important you familiarise yourself with ‘Governing Queensland’ for the suite of policy and administrative handbooks. These documents are available on the Department of the Premier and Cabinet’s website at [www.premiers.qld.gov.au](http://www.premiers.qld.gov.au). These documents provide an explanation for the processes of Government in Queensland.

We have been given the incredible privilege of serving the people of Queensland as their Government. I look forward to working with you to deliver for every Queenslanders.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Crisafulli". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" written in a larger, more legible script than the last name "Crisafulli".

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**PREMIER AND MINISTER FOR VETERANS**