



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ASSOCIATION OF  
QUEENSLAND**

and

**NRM REGIONS  
QUEENSLAND**



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The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) is the peak body for local government (councils) in Queensland. It advises, supports and represents the state's 77 councils and seeks to advocate for councils in funding and policy outcomes to ensure that every Queensland community is a liveable one.

NRM Regions Queensland (NRMQR) represents a member base of the 12 Regional Natural Resource Management Organisations (NRM Organisations) in Queensland. NRMQR (or Regional Groups Collective as it was originally known) was formed in 2002 to improve the state-wide delivery of regional natural resource management outcomes in partnership with industry, community and government, and to act as a representative body for natural resource management in Queensland by providing a single, strong voice for its members.

NRMQR supports the Queensland Regional NRM Organisations to deliver sustainability outcomes

by influencing policy, coordinating Statewide programs, providing mentoring and leadership, advocacy for improved investment in natural resource management, and identifying areas for training and improvement.

The LGAQ and NRMQR have a common interest in improving the coordination of natural resource management activities across Queensland.

Both parties also have a significant role in actively influencing Federal and State government's environmental policies and funding programs.

Under this Memorandum of Understanding, both parties commit to work together to achieve the most beneficial natural resource management outcome for councils, the regional NRM Organisations and the communities they serve. A schedule of joint activities is included under Attachment I.

Signed on: 8 December 2025

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**Cr. Matt Burnett**  
President  
Local Government Association of Queensland

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**Julie Boyd**  
Chairperson  
NRM Regions Queensland

## ATTACHMENT I: SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES (2026–2029)

The following activities are planned to be completed by the end of 2029 through the MoU. These activities are subject to ongoing review and input from both parties and their members.

ACTIVITY	WHO IS INVOLVED	DATE FOR COMPLETION
Launch updated MOU.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CEO, LGAQ</li> <li>• Chair, NRMQR</li> <li>• LGAQ Comms Team</li> </ul>	<i>TBC</i>
Monthly meetings between the LGAQ and NRMQR to discuss priority member priorities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy Leads, LGAQ</li> <li>• CEO, NRMQR</li> </ul>	<i>Monthly</i>
Annual presentation to the NRMQR Board and LGAQ Policy Executive on MoU progress.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Policy Lead, LGAQ</li> <li>• CEO, NRMQR</li> </ul>	<i>Annual</i>
LGAQ to invite respective Regional NRM Organisations to attend and present at LGAQ's annual, state-wide NRM Forums.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LGAQ</li> <li>• Regional NRM Organisations</li> </ul>	<i>Annual</i>
Regular engagement by Regional NRM Organisations with Queensland local governments to identify priority NRM matters for actioning as partners.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional NRM Organisations</li> <li>• Queensland local governments</li> </ul>	<i>Ongoing</i>
Targeted advocacy on agreed priority NRM matters to influence State and Federal governments' policy direction and investment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LGAQ</li> <li>• NRMQR</li> </ul>	<i>Ongoing</i>



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