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REGIONS RISING BRISBANE

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// REGIONAL POPULATION, JOBS AND MIGRATION IN QUEENSLAND //

Regional Australia is changing, and with this transformation comes boundless opportunities to rethink what regional Australia means. Change is also bringing many challenges for our regions with population growth and jobs high on the agenda in Queensland.

Regions Rising QLD is part of the RAI's national roadshow where we use our evidence-based research to present the facts, we bring key regional stakeholders together, and we work to change the narrative of regional Australia.

Regional Population Growth – Are we ready?

The Regional Australia Institute (RAI) is looking forward to sharing its latest work, *Regional Population Growth – Are we Ready?*, at Regions Rising QLD. This new body of work raises serious questions about the type of future Australia has if predicted population growth continues as projected in the outer suburbs of Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth.

Regions Rising QLD puts our regional towns and cities in the picture. We know regions are ready to grow – let's be ambitious.

Join us in Brisbane to be part of the conversation about the future of regional Queensland, where **Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning, The Hon. Cameron Dick** will be the keynote speaker and share his vision for regional QLD.

With more than 13,300 jobs vacant right now in regional Queensland, we'll provide you with the latest on the RAI' Regional Migration Initiative and our new regional migration toolkit *Steps to Settlement Success*.

You can expect to hear from local regional leaders about how they are addressing their workforce issues and collectively putting into action population solutions for the future.

11:00 am	Registration desk opens
	OPENING REMARKS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
11:20 am	Donna Jeremiah, Director, Strategic Marketing and Engagement, Regional Australia Institute (RAI)
11:30 am	RAI RESEARCH ADDRESS - Digging Deeper : Job Growth Trends in Regional Queensland Dr Kim Houghton, co-CEO, Regional Australia Institute
11:50 am	Q & A
12:00 pm	Lunch
	SUPPORTING REGIONAL JOBS AND POPULATION
12:30 pm	PRESENTERS INTRO: Robert Musgrove, Head of Corporate and Public Affairs, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
	SUPPORTING REGIONAL JOBS AND POPULATION <i>Industry Presentations – 10 mins each</i>
12:35 pm	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ed McKeiver, Group Executive, Coal, Aurizon 2. Chris Mitchell, CEO, Health Workforce Queensland 3. Ian MacFarlane, Chief Executive, Queensland Resources Council
1:05 pm	AUDIENCE Q & A - SUPPORTING REGIONAL JOBS AND POPULATION Chair: Robert Musgrove, Head of Corporate and Public Affairs, Bendigo and Adelaide Bank
1:20 pm	REGIONAL POPULATION, MIGRATION AND ATTRACTION PANEL INTRO: Ryan Williams, Head of NBN local, Qld
1:25 pm	REGIONAL POPULATION, MIGRATION AND ATTRACTION Chair: Ryan Williams, Head of NBN local, Qld Facilitated Panel Discussion Regional Leaders: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cr Belinda Murphy, Mayor, McKinlay Shire 2. Cr Margaret Strelow, Mayor, Rockhampton Regional Council 3. Shane Charles, Chairman, TSBE 4. Shyla Vohra, Migration Director, Regional Australia Institute
2:05 pm	AUDIENCE Q & A - REGIONAL POPULATION, MIGRATION AND ATTRACTION Chair: Ryan Williams, Head of NBN local, Qld
2:20 pm	MINISTER WELCOME AND INTRO Dr Kim Houghton, co-CEO, Regional Australia Institute (RAI)
2:25 pm	MINISTERIAL ADDRESS Closing Keynote Address: The Hon. Cameron Dick, Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning
2:40 pm	CLOSING COMMENTS Dr Kim Houghton, co-CEO, Regional Australia Institute (RAI)
2:45 pm	Event ends