

The QLD State Government has commissioned the **development of a regional statutory plan** for Far North Queensland. This plan will guide future urban development and infrastructure investment in our community and will be **backed by legislation** to ensure that local councils follow the intent of the regional plan.

The Cairns and Far North Environment Centre believes this regional plan has the **potential to make a positive difference** to our region in the coming decades. CAFNEC intends to strongly advocate for a plan that is visionary, innovative and underpinned at all times by sustainability.

We have already responded to the draft Terms of Reference for the 2025 Regional Planning process and presented our policy position. In both exercises, we have challenged the government to think beyond the status quo. In the next few months we will be refining our **proposal to present an alternative vision** for the future of Far North Queensland which will aim to address critical environmental, economic and social challenges of our time and provide a **blueprint for a viable and environmentally sustainable future**.

Have your say

In order to develop a truly comprehensive, evidence-based and progressive proposal **we need the expertise, knowledge and passion of our members and friends**. We invite you to participate in this survey/ questionnaire that will be put together in position papers on specific regional planning issues.

We would love to hear from you as soon as possible.

For more information contact CAFNEC at project@cafneec.org.au or call (07) 4032 1746.

FNQ 2025 Regional Plan Questionnaire

Name:

Phone number:

Email:

Suburb/town which you live:

Allocated working group area:

Part A: Your Background

1. What is your particular interest and history in this field? Do you have any formal qualifications or work history in this area? Are you or have you been active in community groups in this area?

PART B: Problems with the status quo?

2. What are the most pressing areas which you have identified where management is currently lacking?

3. In previous planning exercises which are relevant to your topic (e.g. IPA planning schemes, FNQ 2010), what were the most critical failings?
4. In your view, what are currently the major obstacles and impediments to achieving good results in this area?

Part C: Opportunities for better outcomes

5. Do you know of better policy models in other parts of the world or Australia, than those currently practiced in FNQ? Please list them.
6. Have you read any good literature on this topic, which has influenced your thinking? Please list.
7. What would you reasonably expect as your best case scenario, under this topic, through this Regional Plan?
8. If you had a blank cheque and no limitations, what would you implement in FNQ towards improvements in this area?

Part D: Evidence and Contacts

9. Which locations in FNQ is this issue particularly critical?
10. Do you *know of* any cases/incidences which illustrate this?
11. Have you directly experienced any cases/incidences in FNQ which illustrate this?
12. Do you know of any documents or articles which would inform our policy position in this area?
13. Do you know of any other people who are also interested and knowledgeable in this area (particularly residents to FNQ?) who it would be good for us to contact? Please list them.