

# Annual Report

27 March – 30 June 2009

Department of Environment and Resource Management

# Communication objective

## Purpose of the report

This annual report details the financial and non-financial performance of the Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) from 27 March to 30 June 2009. It highlights the work, achievements, activities and strategic initiatives of the department, and satisfies the requirements of Queensland's *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1977*.

The report also details progress against the 2008 Strategic Plans of the former Department of Natural Resources and Water (NRW) and the former Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and documents how the department's work contributes to the government's priority of protecting the environment for a sustainable future.

## Our partners

To deliver on the government's agenda, DERM works collaboratively with other organisations that have a role and interest in the environment and natural resource management, including other state government agencies, local and federal governments, regional natural resource management bodies, other environmental authorities, industry, conservation groups and special interest groups, landholders, and the general community.

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Dear Ministers

I am pleased to present the Annual Report for the Department of Environment and Resource Management for the period ending 30 June 2009.

The Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) was established in March 2009, amalgamating the former Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Natural Resources and Water. This report outlines DERM's activities and achievements from 27 March to 30 June 2009.

I certify that this Annual Report complies with:

- the prescribed requirements of the *Financial Administration and Audit Act 1977* and the Financial Management Standard and
- the detailed requirements set out in the Annual Reporting Guidelines for Queensland Government Agencies.

A checklist outlining the annual reporting requirements can be accessed at <[www.derm.qld.gov.au](http://www.derm.qld.gov.au)>.

Yours sincerely

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