

## Cross-agency protocol for government departments and their agents for land and infrastructure related matters

### Program Office Role

The Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program Office has been established to resolve land tenure issues in the discrete Indigenous communities and to coordinate the provision of serviced land, housing and essential infrastructure. These are necessary for the delivery of government services and social economic development.

A Principal Engagement and Planning Officer (PEPO) works with each community as a point of liaison for the council and all government agencies undertaking land and infrastructure related work.

To work effectively and achieve its goals, the Program Office and PEPOs are reliant on information provided by other government agencies.

### Who the protocol applies to:

This protocol applies to Commonwealth and Queensland Government agencies, including their consultants and contractors. The protocol covers current or proposed activity in remote communities that includes or impacts on:

- Land use planning
- Land tenure resolution
- Infrastructure development
- Housing construction and upgrades
- Leasing for social housing
- Leasing for agency specific projects
- Development applications.

### Information to be provided to the Program Office:

To enable effective engagement and coordination, it is essential that agencies contact the Program Office and provide information regarding:

- its current or proposed works
- any planned community visits to discuss or undertake these works.

This will assist in ensuring government activities are coordinated and respect established arrangements and protocols in accessing these communities.

### The Program Office will:

- Coordinate and chair Technical Working Groups to facilitate the government capital program.
- Liaise with council and ensure that government activity, including capital works, is coordinated and sequenced in a timely and efficient manner.
- Inform council of upcoming works planned for their community by providing a comprehensive Land and Infrastructure Plan.

## The Remote Indigenous Land and Infrastructure Program Office