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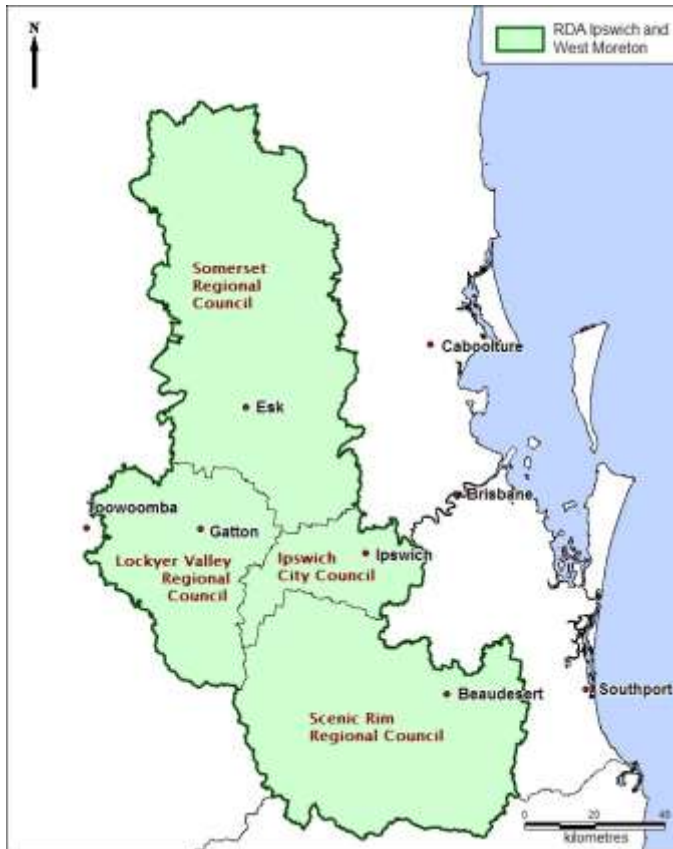
- 55 Committees Australia wide
- 12 Committees in Queensland - 6 Committees in SEQ
- Partnership between the Australian, State, territory and local governments to develop and strengthen the regional communities of Australia
- Pivotal role in ensuring the long-term sustainability of Australia's regions
- Key focus is economic, social and environmental issues affecting communities
- Important contributor to and driver of:
 - regional business growth plans and strategies which will help support economic development, the creation of new jobs, skills development and business investment;
 - environmental solutions, which will support ongoing sustainability and the management of climate change (including the impact of drought, flood or bushfires); and
 - social inclusion strategies, which will bring together and support all members of the community.





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Our RDA Region



- Ipswich City
- Lockyer Valley
- Scenic Rim
- Somerset



Committee Members



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Current RDA-I&WM Regional Priorities:

1. Encourage a shift in the region's employment profile towards more professional and technical jobs employing people with a higher level of qualifications and skills.
2. Support industries and services for growth in the Defence and Aeronautical industry.
3. Enhance food and agriculture productivity in the regions.
4. Value the regions ecosystems
5. Enhance the regional community's social development opportunities.



Current Projects 2013/14

Ipswich & West Moreton Regional Digital Economy Strategy

- Whole of region Independent Mobile Network Testing completed in December 2013 to support telco provider discussions and independent evidence for the Federal Government's \$100M Mobile Blackspot program.

SEQ Sustainable Food Bowl Strategy

- Strategy finalised December 2013 and endorsed January 2014. Meetings being arranged with key stakeholders and relevant State Government agencies to progress the Strategy.

State of the Children & Young Persons Report

- The production of this report is being undertaken in conjunction with Worklinks and the Youth Alliance.



Current Projects 2013/14

Workforce Planning

- RDA-I&WM is working on bringing together various stakeholders relevant to workforce planning to broker stronger partnerships between local businesses, education providers, and employment programs around the region.

Aerospace Defence Support Centre – Amberley

- This project intends to provide for the clustering of aerospace and defence industry companies.

Ripley Valley Community Integration Taskforce

- RDA-I&WM is instrumental in the preparation and implementation of a strategy to guide and facilitate the integration of multi-government effort, and the management of government and private developer stakeholder relationships.



Current Projects 2013/14

SEO Plan Review

- Currently working with DSDIP to include comments on the plan gathered from the Ipswich and West Moreton area.

Regional Social Plan

- The I&WM region is undergoing large residential growth and RDA-I&WM is producing a Regional Social Plan covering all 4 LG areas to ensure that this growth is suitably supported by adequate infrastructure and services.



Future of RDA

- Review of RDA
- Business as usual

Thank You





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