

ROCKHAMPTON REGION

RESOURCES PROSPECTUS

WHETHER IT'S COAL, CRITICAL
MINERALS OR BASE METALS,
ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROCKY



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ADVANCE ROCKHAMPTON

ROCKHAMPTON IS THE SERVICE HUB FOR MINES IN THE BOWEN AND GALILEE BASINS AND BROADER CENTRAL QUEENSLAND REGION

ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROCKY

For almost 170 years, the Rockhampton Region has been inseparable from Australia's resources industry. Over that time, our community has been recognised as a dependable support hub for Queensland's coal and gold sectors, thanks to the expertise, resilience and capability of our local businesses.

Today, global demand for critical minerals and base metals is accelerating and the Rockhampton Region is uniquely positioned to lead the charge. With deposits of some of the most in-demand resources right on our doorstep, the development of new skills in the recommercialisation of mines, and export opportunities by road, rail, air and sea, the Rockhampton Region provides an ideal platform for resources companies looking to grow, innovate and diversify.

Beyond exploration and extraction, our goal is to one day see critical minerals processed and exported right here, building a strong future, more diverse workforce and an

economy focused on the future.

Our position as a support hub for the Bowen and Galilee basins will remain a cornerstone of our regional identity and economic strength. Through our economic development arm, Advance Rockhampton, we will continue to develop the skills, services and capabilities which make our Region an agile and reliable partner for the resources industry.

We invite businesses and investors from right across the resources industry to join us as we shape the next chapter of Rockhampton's growth. Now is the time to work with us, explore new opportunities and develop a stronger, resilient future which benefits your business interests.



MAYOR TONY WILLIAMS
Rockhampton Regional Council

As the lead economic development agency of Central Queensland, Advance Rockhampton is proud to be part of Rockhampton Regional Council's commitment to drive economic growth. Advance Rockhampton's vision is to spread the word nationally and globally that our region is the best place to live, visit and invest with a team of talented professionals dedicated to the economic heart of Central Queensland.

Our economic mission is to support growing Rockhampton as the capital of Central Queensland and the region to become a more vibrant, diverse, and progressive place to live, visit and invest.

OUR FIVE ECONOMIC PILLARS

**FUTURE JOBS
AND INVESTMENT
ATTRACTION**

**INFRASTRUCTURE
FOR FUTURE
GROWTH**

**REGIONAL
PROMOTION AND
MAJOR EVENTS**

**REGIONAL
COLLABORATION
AND PARTNERSHIP**

**TALENT
RETENTION AND
ATTRACTION**

OUR RESOURCES SECTOR

ROCKHAMPTON IS A SERVICE HUB FOR QUEENSLAND'S COAL MINES, A DESTINATION FOR CRITICAL MINERALS AND BASE METALS, AND ENABLING PROCESSING OPERATIONS



**KEY
CONTRIBUTOR**

\$2.3B

27% of Rockhampton's
total GRP



**LOCAL JOBS
SUPPORTED**

12,903

29% of Rockhampton's
total employment



**BIG
SPENDER**

\$683M

spent across 659 local
businesses & 84 charities



**GLOBAL
DEMAND**

104%

increase in mining
exports since 2020/21

Sources: Queensland Resources Council (2024-25), Economy id (2023-24)

REGIONAL INDUSTRY STATISTICS



RELIABLE POWER

11+

energy projects operating or underway, including Stanwell's 1,460MW coal-fired power station (Advance Rockhampton)



INDUSTRIAL LAND

TWO HEAVY

industrial zones with close proximity to national highways (Rockhampton Regional Council)



SECURE WATER

5,900GL

12 Sydney Harbours flow through the Fitzroy annually (Advance Rockhampton)



AFFORDABLE LAND

\$125/M²

Industrial allotments from \$125/sq m for serviced hectare blocks at Gracemere Industrial Park.



OUR ECONOMY

ROCKHAMPTON IS ONE OF AUSTRALIA'S MOST DIVERSE AND RESILIENT ECONOMIES:

- + **257,000 PEOPLE** located in Central Queensland.
- + **\$7.6 BILLION GRP**
- + **906HA THAT CAN YIELD 5,435 DWELLINGS** across the Rockhampton region local government area.
- + **86,000 PEOPLE** in the Rockhampton Region Local Government Area.
- + **25% TRADE QUALIFIED** workers in CQ.
- + **45,000 LOCAL JOBS** in Rockhampton.
- + **5,647 BUSINESSES** in Rockhampton.

Sources: Economy id, NIEIR (2024), Central to Defence (2025)

INVESTMENT DRIVERS

- + **A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR** major project pipeline.
- + **Port of Rockhampton** (formerly Port Alma) shipping terminal **CAPABLE OF SPECIALISED CARGO**.
- + **The Fitzroy River** is the **LARGEST AND MOST SECURE RIVER CATCHMENT** system on the eastern seaboard of Australia.
- + Approximately **1,700HA OF INDUSTRIAL ZONED LAND** across the region.
- + **ENRICHED WITH CRITICAL MINERALS AND RESOURCES**, the region can support the transition to the clean economy.
- + **AFFORDABLE HOUSING** from \$300,000
- + **ONE-HOUR** direct flight from Rockhampton to Brisbane.
- + Well established **CONNECTED FREIGHT ROUTES** via the Capricorn, Bruce, Leichardt, and Burnett Highways.
- + Heavy lift capability and **INTERNATIONAL STANDARD RUNWAY** at the Rockhampton airport.

INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES



MINERALS PROCESSING



MINERALS EXTRACTION



MINERALS EXPLORATION



PLANT AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLY



EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND SERVICING



CONSTRUCTION SERVICES



REMOTE OPERATION CENTRES



STEELMAKING SUPPLY & FABRICATION



TRAINING AND WORKFORCE RECRUITMENT



MODULAR AND MOBILE EQUIPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE FABRICATION



PROFESSIONAL SERVICES & LAND REMEDIATION CONSULTANTS



QUANTITY SURVEYORS AND ENGINEERING COMPANIES



OUR REGION

Positioned as the gateway to Northern Australia and international markets, Rockhampton is the economic heart of Central Queensland.

Well-connected and supported by major air, road, rail and sea infrastructure, the Region offers easy connectivity to:



MINING INDUSTRIES



TRANSPORT & LOGISTICS



MANUFACTURING

THE GATEWAY TO NORTHERN AUSTRALIA

HOW WE CAN SUPPORT YOUR BUSINESS

ADVANCE ROCKHAMPTON CAN SUPPORT YOUR JOURNEY TO BECOME PART OF THE GROWING ROCKHAMPTON ECONOMY THROUGH THE FOLLOWING SUPPORT:

BUSINESS TO BUSINESS CONNECTIONS

Industry support and alignment with commercial opportunities.

DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING ASSISTANCE

Services to assist with the development process which includes pre-lodgement planning meetings.

ECONOMIC IMPACT MODELLING

Economic impact analysis that explores how new projects can generate direct and indirect employment and broader economic outcomes for the Rockhampton Region.

INVESTMENT AND SITE TOURS

Local insight through site tours to understand the Rockhampton business and investment landscape.

TAILORED DATA

Site selection assessment, target market data and statistics relevant to the region.

SOLUTION BROKERING

Government introductions, business introductions, industry introductions, local content engagements and navigation.

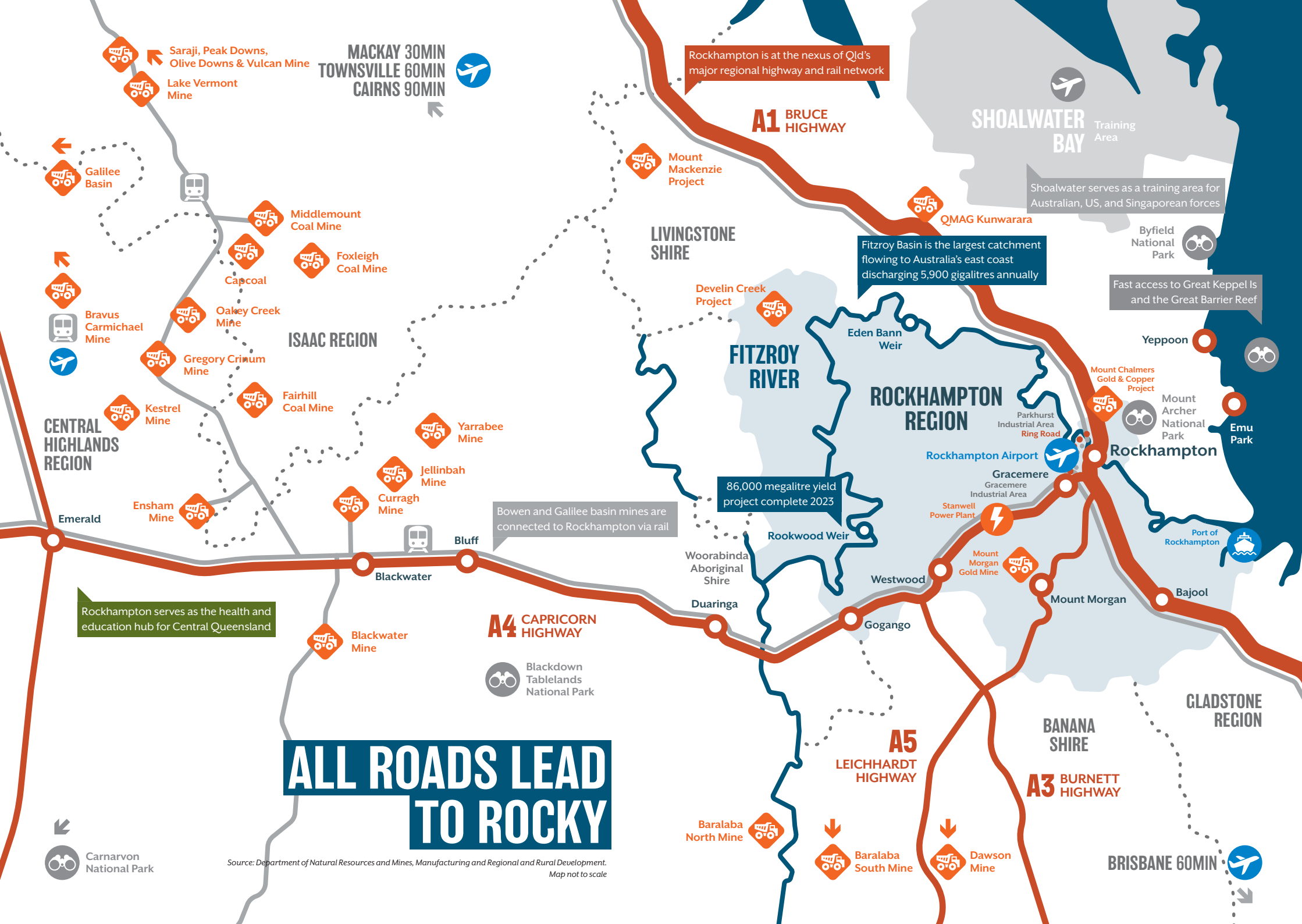


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Rockhampton is at the nexus of Qld's major regional highway and rail network

SHOALWATER BAY Training Area

Shoalwater serves as a training area for Australian, US, and Singaporean forces

Fast access to Great Keppel Is and the Great Barrier Reef

Fitzroy Basin is the largest catchment flowing to Australia's east coast discharging 5,900 gigalitres annually

86,000 megalitre yield project complete 2023

Bowen and Galilee basin mines are connected to Rockhampton via rail

Rockhampton serves as the health and education hub for Central Queensland

ALL ROADS LEAD TO ROCKY

Source: Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development.
Map not to scale



SERVICE HUB

ROCKHAMPTON'S CENTRAL LOCATION MAKES IT THE IDEAL SERVICE HUB

The Rockhampton Region has an almost 170-year connection with the resources and mining sector. This link started in 1858 with the Canoona Gold Rush and has continued to the present day through the region's role as a major service centre for the Bowen, Galilee and Surat Basins.

There are over 40 coal mine sites within a 4-hour drive radius from the Rockhampton Region, between Moura and Moranbah. Projects such as the Baralaba South Mine, Lake Vermont Meadowbrook project, Centurion Mine expansion and Saraji East Mining Lease project are expected to create hundreds of additional jobs and demonstrate ongoing investment in Central Queensland's mining industry.

The Rockhampton Region also has a number of significant non-coal mineral deposits with high demand minerals such as gold, copper, magnetite, magnesium, nickel and cobalt. There are also other deposits in neighbouring areas throughout Central Queensland. Former mines in the Region such as Mount Morgan are returning to production through mining of previously uneconomical resources and the processing of tailings, to become global leaders in the recommercialisation of retired mine sites.

Stanwell Power Station, located 22km west of Rockhampton, is a highly automated power station recognised as one of the most efficient and economic coal-fired power stations in Australia. With the capacity to generate more than 1460 megawatts, it is one of the largest power generators in Queensland.

WHY ROCKHAMPTON?

- + Strategic central location to major mines
- + Established and respected mining services industry
- + Strong workforce availability and specialist training through CQUniversity's School of Mining and the Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub
- + Unmatched multi-modal transport connectivity via road, rail, air and sea
- + Availability of affordable industrial land
- + Diverse and resilient economy, creating a reliable and stable business environment
- + Ongoing investment into new infrastructure
- + Proactive local government continually advocating for investment into the local economy

INDUSTRIAL PRECINCTS

1700 HA OF INDUSTRIAL LAND IS AVAILABLE ACROSS ROCKHAMPTON FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION



GRACEMERE INDUSTRIAL AREA

- + Situated 10km west of Rockhampton
- + Capable of handling 23 and 25 metre B doubles and Type 1 road trains directly off the Capricorn highway
- + Low, medium, and high impact zoned industrial land available
- + Easy accessibility to mining projects, agricultural food bowl and gas and energy developments
- + Opportunities for mining equipment, technology and manufacturing sectors



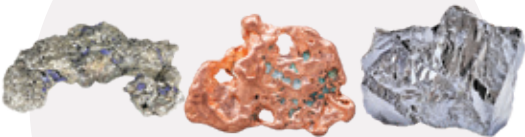
PARKHURST INDUSTRIAL AREA

- + Situated 5km north of Rockhampton CBD
- + Good connectivity with North Coast Railway line
- + Closest industrial land to Shoalwater Bay Military Training Area
- + Future connectivity with Gracemere Industrial Area through construction of \$1.9 billion Rockhampton Ring Road
- + Low, medium, and high impact zoned industry land available
- + Opportunities for mining equipment, technology and manufacturing sectors



A REGION CRITICAL TO AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE

BATTERY & ENERGY STORAGE



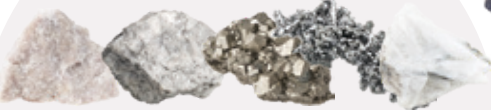
COBALT	CRITICAL
COPPER	STRATEGIC
NICKEL	CRITICAL

PRECIOUS METALS



GOLD	PRECIOUS
PALLADIUM	CRITICAL

INDUSTRIAL METALS

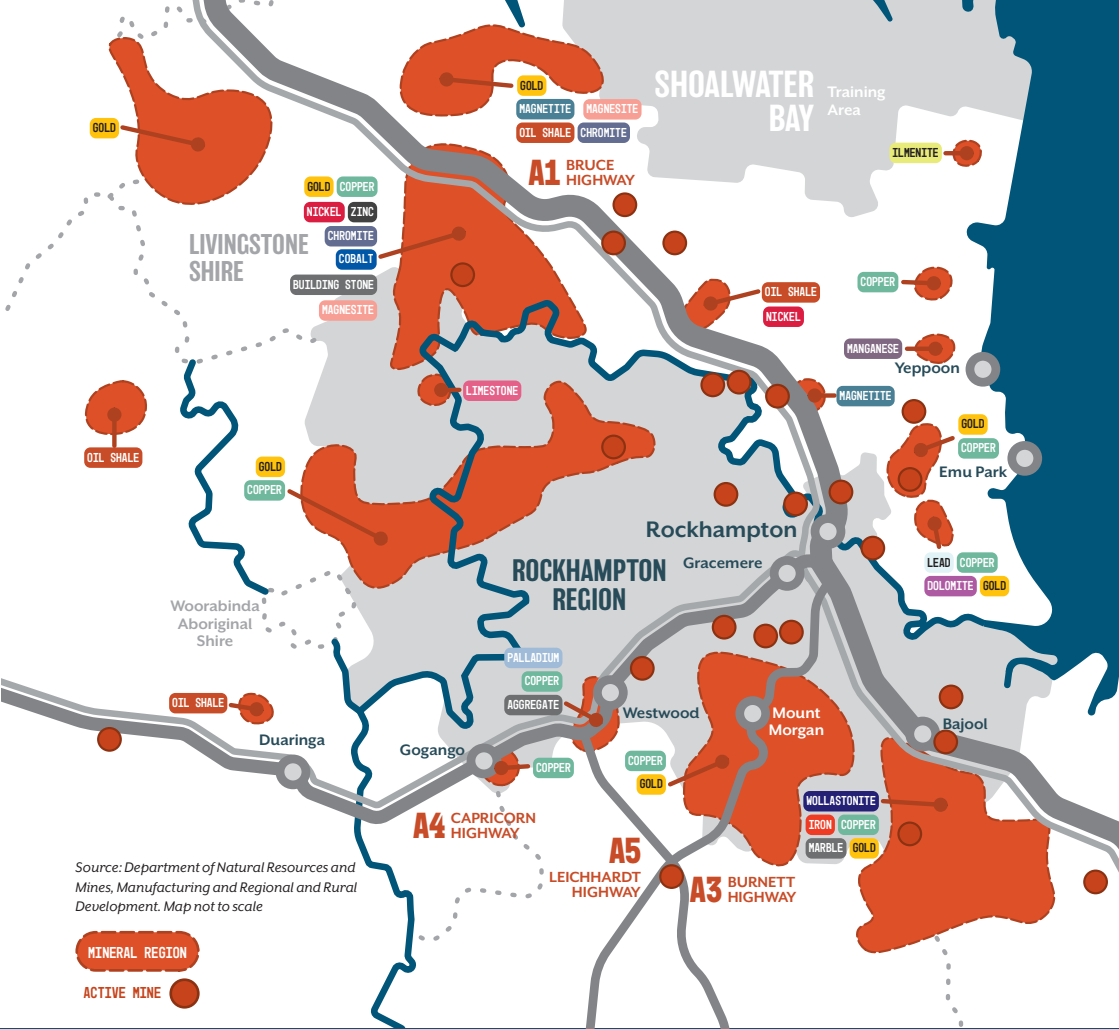


DOLOMITE	INDUSTRIAL
MAGNESITE	CRITICAL
PYRITE	INDUSTRIAL
VANDAIUM	CRITICAL
WOLLASTONITE	INDUSTRIAL

STEELMAKING & ALLOY PRODUCTION



CHROMIUM	CRITICAL
IRON	STEEL
MANGANESE	CRITICAL
MAGNETITE	STEEL
NICKEL	CRITICAL
TITANIUM	CRITICAL
ZINC	STRATEGIC



A LEADING REGION IN THE RE-COMMERCIALISATION OF MINES, AND FUTURE HUB FOR MINERALS PROCESSING

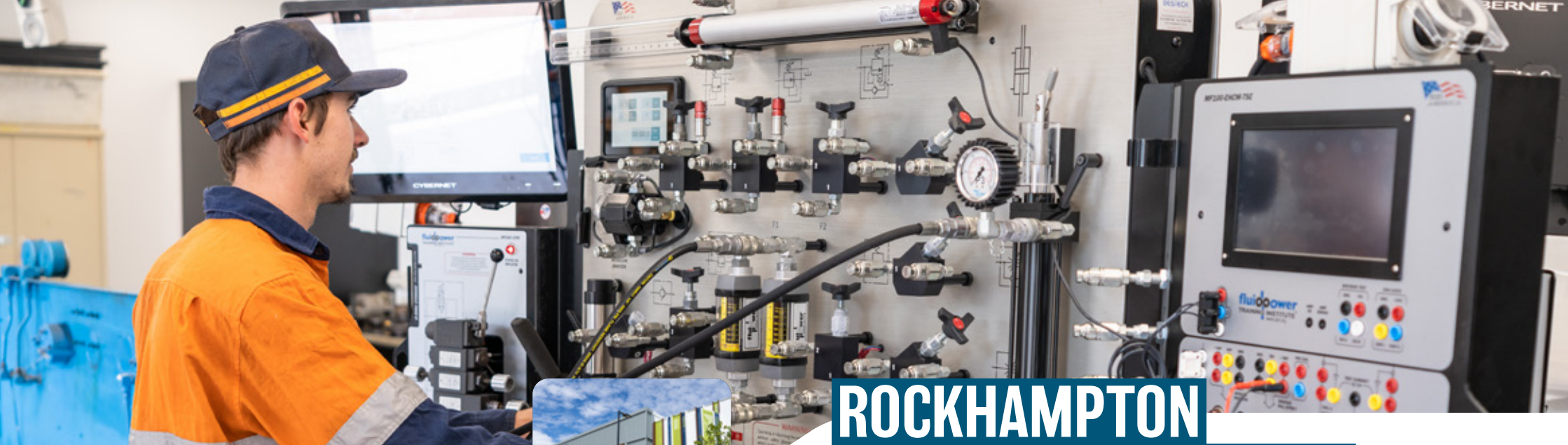
More than a dozen critical and strategic minerals can be found across the Rockhampton Region, putting us at the forefront of opportunities relating to critical minerals exploration, extraction and processing.

The Region is gaining increasing interest from exploration companies seeking to re-commercialise old mine sites and deposits.

2026 sees Heritage Minerals's Mount Morgan Tailings Processing & Rehabilitation project begin operations, extracting gold and copper from

previously discarded tailings, with an additional focus on de-risking one of Queensland's most significant historic mine sites and future opportunities for pyrite extraction.

Together with existing businesses such as QMAG, supported by extensive road, rail, air and sea connections, and with a stable and affordable water supply, the Rockhampton Region is perfectly poised to support future processing and exporting of critical minerals and base metals.



CQUNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MINING

THE MULTI-MILLION-DOLLAR, PURPOSE-BUILT, SCHOOL OF MINING SUPPORTS THE FUTURE TRAINING, WORKFORCE AND RESEARCH NEEDS OF THE MINING AND RESOURCES SECTORS IN ROCKHAMPTON.

FUTURE FOCUSED

The School of Mining at the CQUniversity Rockhampton North campus provides the Central Queensland region with a world-class facility to support the skills needs of future workforces that are directly and indirectly involved within the resources sector.

The facility helps attract students to study in Central Queensland, but also provides the opportunity for students to train locally and gain specialist skills in cutting edge technologies and equipment. These include the likes of virtual reality, drone operations and 3D printing.

The School of Mining delivers vocational education and training, higher education, and professional short courses. Students also learn about sustainable mining, renewable energy and energy recovery.

Central Queensland mining and resources industry partners will be enabled to access a highly skilled workforce within the region which will support regional Queenslanders to undertake the training they need for the jobs of the future within the resources sector, and to help drive future economic growth.



ROCKHAMPTON MANUFACTURING HUB

THE ROCKHAMPTON MANUFACTURING HUB WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2019 TO DELIVER EXPERT ADVICE AND SUPPORT FOR REGIONAL MANUFACTURERS TO TRANSITION TO ADVANCED MANUFACTURING.

Through the Manufacturing Hub, industry can access training and professional development, business development and advanced manufacturing support in consultation with a network of industry experts.

The Hub offers Central Queensland manufacturing businesses involved in the resources and METS supply chain access to industry experts to support adoption of advanced manufacturing, business development and workforce development.

The local presence and ability to deliver place-based services and support has seen the Manufacturing Hub become a trusted partner for the region's manufacturing sector.

Key initiatives of the Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub include LEAN manufacturing, artificial intelligence and technology adoption, pre-qualification and accreditation of manufacturing businesses and

industry transition programs for decarbonisation and sustainability.

The Manufacturing Hub services also have a focus on workforce skills development and training. Through a focus on vocational education and training, higher education and professional short courses, the Hub coordinates access to existing and emerging trade and professional skills, facilitates business and research collaboration, and supports industry to obtain recognised certifications.

Central Queensland Resources and METS industry partners can engage with the Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub to improve the supply chain of regional manufacturers.

The Rockhampton Manufacturing Hub is an initiative of the Queensland Governments Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development.

AIR, ROAD, AND SEA CONNECTIONS

ROCKHAMPTON IS STRATEGICALLY PLACED AS THE GATEWAY TO NORTHERN AUSTRALIA AND INTERNATIONAL MARKETS. THE REGION OFFERS THE FOLLOWING:

- + 23 and 25 metre B double and Type 1 road train access directly off the Capricorn Highway to Gracemere.
- + 23 and 25 metre B double access directly off the Bruce Highway to Parkhurst industrial estate.
- + Dedicated heavy rail and road routes.
- + Construction of Rockhampton Ring Road bypassing 19 traffic lights and improving access to key industrial areas
- + Easy accessibility and connectivity to the Capricorn, Leichardt, and Bruce Highways.



PORT OF ROCKHAMPTON

(formerly Port Alma)

- + Largest hazardous goods hub in Australia.
- + Strategic advantage of a road transport corridor for specialised cargo.
- + 140ha of available storage on site.
- + B Double approved road network.
- + High berth availability and capability.
- + 3 berths operating services for defence vessel quarantine services with continuous 24/7 operations.



Image: QGlobe

ROCKHAMPTON AIRPORT

- + Direct 1 hour flight from Rockhampton to Brisbane.
- + 3rd longest main runway in Queensland and the 5th longest in regional Australia.
- + The largest Local Government owned and operated airport in the nation by way of passenger numbers and aircraft movements and 9th busiest regional airport (BITRE)



PROJECT PIPELINE

DRIVING INVESTMENT TO THE REGION IS A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR PROJECT PIPELINE.

RECENTLY COMPLETED & NEARING COMPLETION



Browne Park Redevelopment



Mount Morgan Pipeline



RFM Macadamia Orchard



Rockhampton Hospital Cardiac Hybrid Theatre



Rockhampton-Yeppoon Road Upgrade



Boulder Creek Wind Farm



Mount Morgan Tailings Processing & Rehabilitation Project (Construction)



Rockhampton Hospital Mental Health Unit



Rockhampton Ring Road (Stage 1)



Stanwell BESS

STARTING 2026



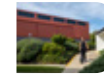
CQU TAFE Centre of Excellence (Stage 2)



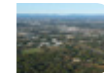
Mount Morgan Tailings Processing & Rehabilitation Project (Operations)



Rockhampton Ring Road (Stage 2)



Gracemere High School (Stage 1)



Rockhampton Sports Precinct (Stage 1)

2026 AND BEYOND



Academy for Health Sciences



Olympic Rowing Infrastructure



Rockhampton Sports Precinct (Stage 2)



Gracemere High School (Stage 2)



Olympic Village

Information obtained from publicly available sources and is subject to change.

live, work and play the rockhampton way

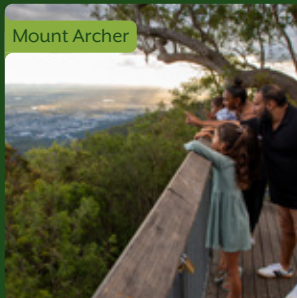
OUR REGION IS A PLACE WHERE YOU CAN ENJOY THE BEST QUEENSLAND HAS TO OFFER, WITH A LAID-BACK LIFESTYLE, PLENTY TO SEE AND DO, AND THE WORK-LIFE BALANCE YOU'VE BEEN SEARCHING FOR.

Rockhampton has a diverse economy worth \$7.6 billion dollars. Traditionally known as the Beef Capital of Australia and a hub for Queensland's mining regions, today Rockhampton is a service hub for health and education and gaining a reputation for major projects across energy, defence, tourism and more.

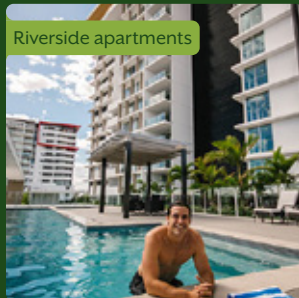
With national parks on our doorstep, beaches and island escapes await you an easy 30-40 minute drive away and the opportunity to catch a metre plus barramundi in the heart of the CBD, Rockhampton provides an attractive and affordable location for workers looking to escape the hustle and bustle of city life and more leisure time with family and friends.



Historic and vibrant CBD



Mount Archer



Riverside apartments



New housing in Parkhurst



Rockhampton Zoo



Australia's barra capital

live Rockhampton



Scan now to discover
the lifestyle and
services that make us
love Rocky!



We have 4 hospitals, more than a dozen GP clinics, around 20 dental clinics, and access to specialist services



We have 22 public primary schools, 4 public high schools and 18 private schools



Rockhampton is home to CQUniversity which has campuses and locations across Australia and around the globe



Our airport is serviced by multiple carriers, with direct flights to Brisbane, Mackay, Townsville and Cairns



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