Appendix B: Key concepts and coverage

Coverage of the capital statement

Under accrual output budgeting, capital is the stock of assets including property, plant and equipment and intangible assets that any agency owns and/or controls and uses in the delivery of services, as well as capital grants made to other entities. The following definitions are applicable throughout this document:

- **capital purchases** – property, plant and equipment outlays as per the financial statements excluding asset sales, depreciation and revaluations
- **capital grants** – capital grants to other entities and individuals (excluding grants to other government departments and statutory bodies).

Capital contingency

Consistent with the approach adopted in previous years, a capital contingency reserve has been included. This reserve recognises that while agencies budget to fully use their capital works allocation, circumstances such as project lead-in times, project management constraints, unexpected weather conditions and capacity constraints such as the supply of labour and materials may prevent full usage. On a whole-of-government basis, there is likely to be underspending, resulting in a carry-over of capital allocations.

Estimated jobs supported by capital works

The $12,941 billion capital works program in 2019-20 is estimated to directly support 40,500 jobs, equating to around 37,800 full-time equivalent jobs. The estimate of jobs supported by the Government’s capital works program in 2019-20 is based on Queensland Treasury’s Guidelines for estimating the full-time equivalent (FTE) jobs directly supported by the construction component of the capital works program.

The estimate of jobs supported by the capital works program is presented both in terms of FTEs and total jobs. Further, in some cases, jobs estimates quoted for specific projects throughout the Capital Statement and in other Budget papers may reflect other approaches, including proponent’s estimates or project specific information, rather than the methodology in the Queensland Treasury Guidelines for estimating jobs supported by capital works.