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 outlay 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)
- **right of use assets** property, plant and equipment to which government agencies have a right to use through lease or similar arrangements.

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 \$20.321 billion capital works program in 2023–24 is estimated to directly support around 58,000 jobs, equating to around 53,200 full-time equivalent jobs. The estimate of jobs supported by the Government's capital works program in 2023–24 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 proponents' estimates or project specific information, rather than the methodology in the Queensland Treasury Guidelines for estimating jobs supported by capital works.