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Dear Councillor

I am writing in relation to the nine regional mayors' request received on 2 November 2017, Mackay Regional Council's request received on 2 February 2018 and Burdekin Shire Council's request received on 8 February 2018 to include towns as nearby regional communities for large resource projects under the *Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017* (SSRC Act).

The SSRC Act commenced on 30 March 2018. I have now decided the first list of 61 large resource projects to be captured by the SSRC Act and published it on the website [www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC](http://www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC).

The list identifies large resource projects and their nearby regional communities that are subject to the 100 per cent fly-in, fly-out prohibition and the anti-discrimination provisions of the SSRC Act. These provisions apply to operational workforces unless I decide to include the construction workforce during an environmental impact statement (EIS) evaluation. I published the evaluation report on the EIS for the Carmichael Coal Mine on 7 May 2014 prior to the commencement of the SSRC Act.

The first list of large resource projects was not based on any discretionary decisions I could make in the definitions of a large resource project and nearby regional community. It has been based solely on mapping towns within the 125 kilometre radius in the definition of nearby regional community.

As part of consultation on the first draft list I received several requests to exercise discretion. I am now considering these requests and seeking the views of impacted stakeholders.

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The enclosed attachment sets out the requests relevant to Burdekin Shire Council.

Matters I may consider when making discretionary decisions are provided in the enclosed attachment. Should you wish to provide any further supporting material, please provide the information by 7 June 2018 to [SSRCenquiries@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au](mailto:SSRCenquiries@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au).

Information about the SSRC Act is available at: [www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC](http://www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC).

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Kate Weir, Director, Coordinated Project Delivery, Office of the Coordinator-General, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning on 3452 7561 or email [SSRCenquiries@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au](mailto:SSRCenquiries@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

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Barry Broe  
**Coordinator-General**

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## Requests relevant to Burdekin Shire Council

### Nine regional mayors' requests

On 2 November 2017, you and the Mayors from Barcaldine Regional Council, Charters Towers Regional Council, Gladstone Regional Council, Hinchinbrook Shire Council, Isaac Regional Council, Livingstone Shire Council, Mackay Regional Council and Whitsunday Regional Council requested that I exercise my discretion for Adani's proposed Carmichael Coal Mine. The request was that I include Clermont, Emerald and Charters Towers and the many other towns within a similar driving distance, as nearby regional communities for the project. The attached map (**Carmichael Coal Mine and surrounding towns**) shows the towns relevant to the requests.

Further to the request from the nine Mayors, Isaac Regional Council provided an additional request on 8 February 2018 on the draft list, supported by more detail on the 26 March 2018, regarding the request that I exercise my discretion to include Clermont as a nearby regional community for the Carmichael Coal Mine.

The reasons provided for requesting towns to become nearby regional communities for the mine cited the potential impacts on these communities that were identified in the EIS for the Carmichael Coal Mine and the Coordinator-General's evaluation of the EIS.

Please note the views of Adani, unions and other local governments that may be impacted including Rockhampton Regional Council and Townsville City Council will be sought to inform consideration of these requests.

### Mackay Regional Council's requests

Mackay Regional Council requested that I exercise my discretion to include towns in the Mackay Regional Council local government area (LGA) as nearby regional communities for the following large resource projects:

- Collinsville Mine
- Sonoma Mine.

The attached maps (**Collinsville Mine and surrounding towns** and **Sonoma Mine and surrounding towns**) show the towns relevant to the requests. There are two separate maps in relation to the Sonoma Mine. One map includes information in relation to Mackay Regional Council's request to include all towns in the Mackay Regional Council LGA as nearby regional communities; and the other map includes information in relation to Burdekin Shire Council's request to include Ayr as a nearby regional community for the Sonoma Mine.

The reasons provided in the Mackay Regional Council request for requesting towns to become nearby regional communities cited that Mackay is a key mining support services hub; and the majority of the population within the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday regions are concentrated in coastal communities within an average of 150 kilometres from the large resource projects.

Please note the views of unions, owners of relevant large resource projects and other local governments that may be impacted including Whitsunday Regional Council, Isaac Regional

Council and Mackay Regional Council will be sought to inform consideration of these requests.

**Burdekin Shire Council's request**

Burdekin Shire Council requested that I exercise my discretion to include Ayr as a nearby regional community for Sonoma Mine. The attached map (**Sonoma Mine and surrounding towns**) shows the town relevant to the request.

The reasons provided in the Burdekin Shire Council request for requesting Ayr to become a nearby regional community cited that the 125 kilometre radius falls between two principal towns in the Burdekin Shire which are 10 kilometres apart, and the exclusion of locals from Ayr would be inconsistent with the SSRC Act.

Please note the views of unions, owner of the Sonoma Mine and other local governments that may be impacted including Whitsunday Regional Council, Mackay Regional Council and Isaac Regional Council will be sought to inform consideration of this request.



## Matters the Coordinator-General may consider when making discretionary decisions under the *Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017*

### Background

The object of the *Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017* (the Act) is to ensure that residents of communities in the vicinity of large resource projects benefit from the construction and operation of the projects.

The Act defines a large resource project and a nearby regional community – see definitions under the Act.

The Coordinator-General has discretionary powers to make decisions in individual situations that are not strictly based on the thresholds in the Act for large resource projects and nearby regional communities.

The application of the Coordinator-General's discretionary powers would be made on a case-by-case basis. A list of large resource projects and nearby regional communities is available on [www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC](http://www.dsdmip.qld.gov.au/SSRC). The Coordinator-General will periodically update and review the list.

Large resource projects and their nearby regional communities are subject to the 100 per cent fly-in, fly-out prohibition and anti-discrimination provisions of the Act. These provisions apply to operational workforces, unless the Coordinator-General decides to include the construction workforce during an environmental impact statement (EIS) evaluation for the large resource project.

### Matters the Coordinator-General may take into consideration

The following section identifies some matters that the Coordinator-General may consider when making discretionary decisions for a **large resource project** and/or a **nearby regional community** under the Act. The Coordinator-General may also take into account any other matter the Coordinator-General considers to be relevant.

#### Large resource project

The Coordinator-General may consider the following matters when deciding if a resource project with a workforce of less than 100 workers is a large resource project under the Act:

- the specific requirements of the project and the likelihood that workers are available locally
- consideration of the project stages and the ultimate size of the project workforce
- the need, capacity or ability of the project to have more than 100 workers



- the historical workforce fluctuations of the project (or similar projects) such as those subject to peaks and troughs of the mining cycle or technological advancements
- any other matter the Coordinator-General considers relevant.

### **Nearby regional community**

The Coordinator-General may consider the following matters when deciding if a town with less than 200 people and/or greater or lesser radius than 125 kilometres from the main access to the project is a nearby regional community under the Act:

- proximity of the town to the large resource project and nearby regional communities
- the role and contribution that the town (and its future) could play during the project's lifecycle and the possible inter-relationship between the town and the large resource project
- the likely proportional benefit to the town, taking into account factors such as the existing employment prospects for residents, the diversity of economic opportunities available, and the ability of residents to access these opportunities
- the current and future ability of towns situated within the 125 kilometre radius to supply suitably skilled workers to the project
- the impact that the inclusion of towns outside the 125 kilometre radius may have on nearby regional communities situated within the 125 kilometre radius
- remoteness and rural context of the large resource project and town (for example there may be larger distances between more remote large resource projects and the communities they have links with than projects that are closer to many communities or within proximity of an urban centre)
- worker safety and travel conditions (this may not necessarily exclude resource communities from being nearby regional communities, workers may reside in nearby regional communities and stay in camps whilst on roster to manage safety and driver fatigue)
- existing and historical practices for the provision of similar workers from the town to the large resource project or similar projects
- the information in the EIS for the project
- any other matter the Coordinator-General considers relevant.

## **Definitions under the *Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017***

**Large resource project** means a resource project:

- (a) for which an EIS is required; or
- (b) that holds a site-specific environmental authority under the [Environmental Protection Act 1994](#) and—
  - (i) has, or is projected to have, a workforce of 100 or more workers; or
  - (ii) has a smaller workforce decided by the Coordinator-General and notified in writing by the Coordinator-General to the owner of the project.

**Nearby regional community** for a large resource project, means a town, the name of which is published on the department's website:

- (a) any part of which is within—
  - (i) a 125km radius of the main access to the project; or



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(ii) a greater or lesser radius decided by the Coordinator-General and notified in writing by the Coordinator-General to the owner of the project; and

(b) that has a population of more than—

(i) 200 people; or

(ii) a smaller population decided by the Coordinator-General and notified in writing by the Coordinator-General to the owner of the project.

**Operational** phase of a large resource project, means the period from the start to the end of production of coal, a mineral or petroleum for the project.

**Resource project** has the meaning given in the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*, section 112.

Section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* defines a resource project as activities carried out, or proposed to be carried out, under 1 or more resource tenures, in any combination, as a single integrated operation.

**Town**, in relation to a large resource project, means an area listed as a locality or urban centre by the Australian Bureau of Statistics and published on its website.



# Carmichael Coal Mine and surrounding towns (within 125 KM)

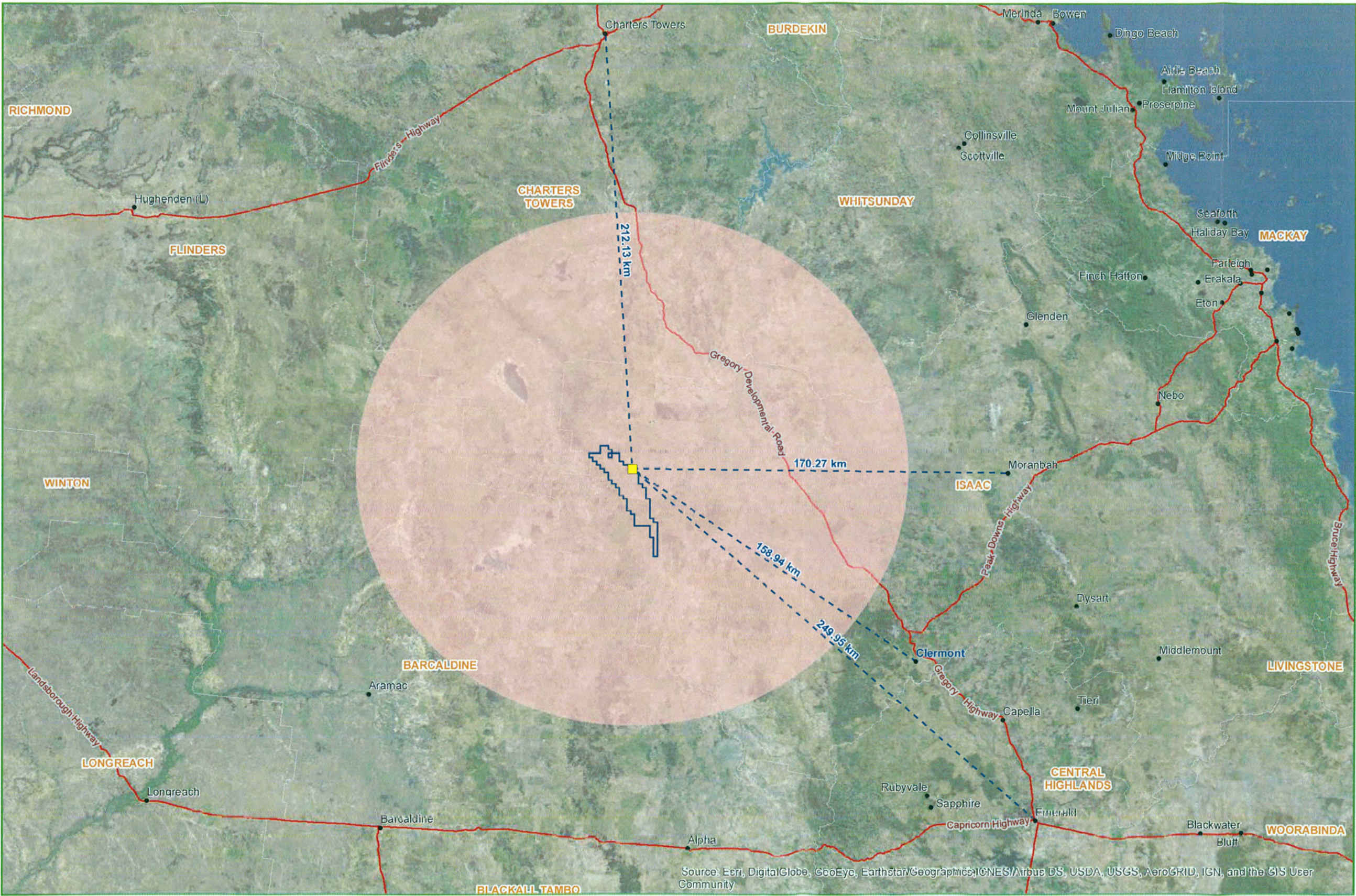
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- Towns
  - Main access
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  - Carmichael Coal Mine and Rail Project
  - 125 km distance area
  - LGA Boundary

**Disclaimer:**  
This map is preliminary and has been created for the purpose of informing an analysis of potential nearby regional community/s of this large resource project under the Strong and Sustainable Resource Communities Act 2017.



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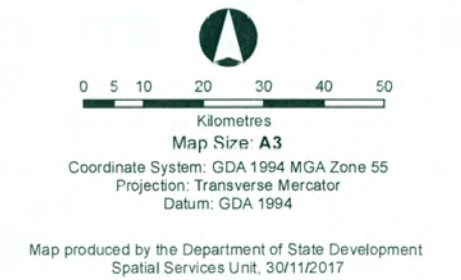
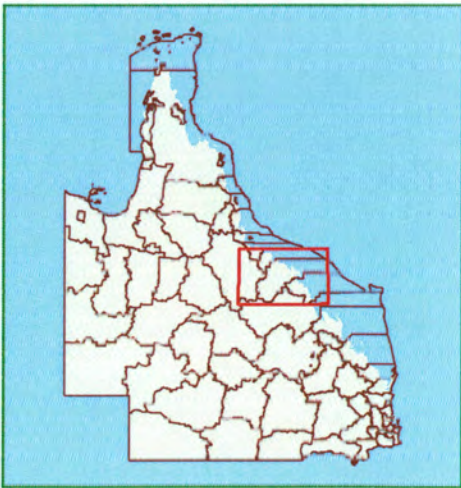
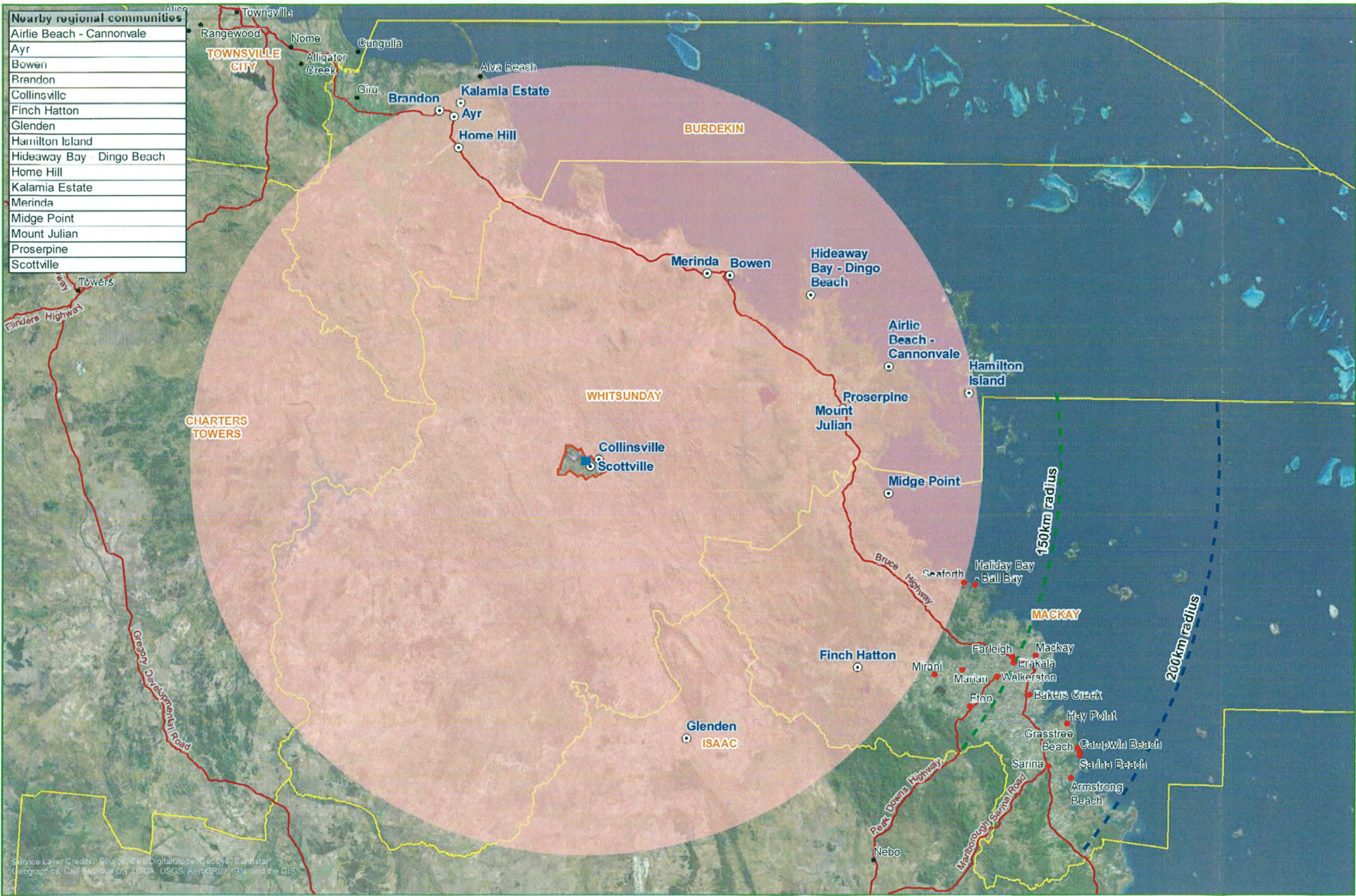


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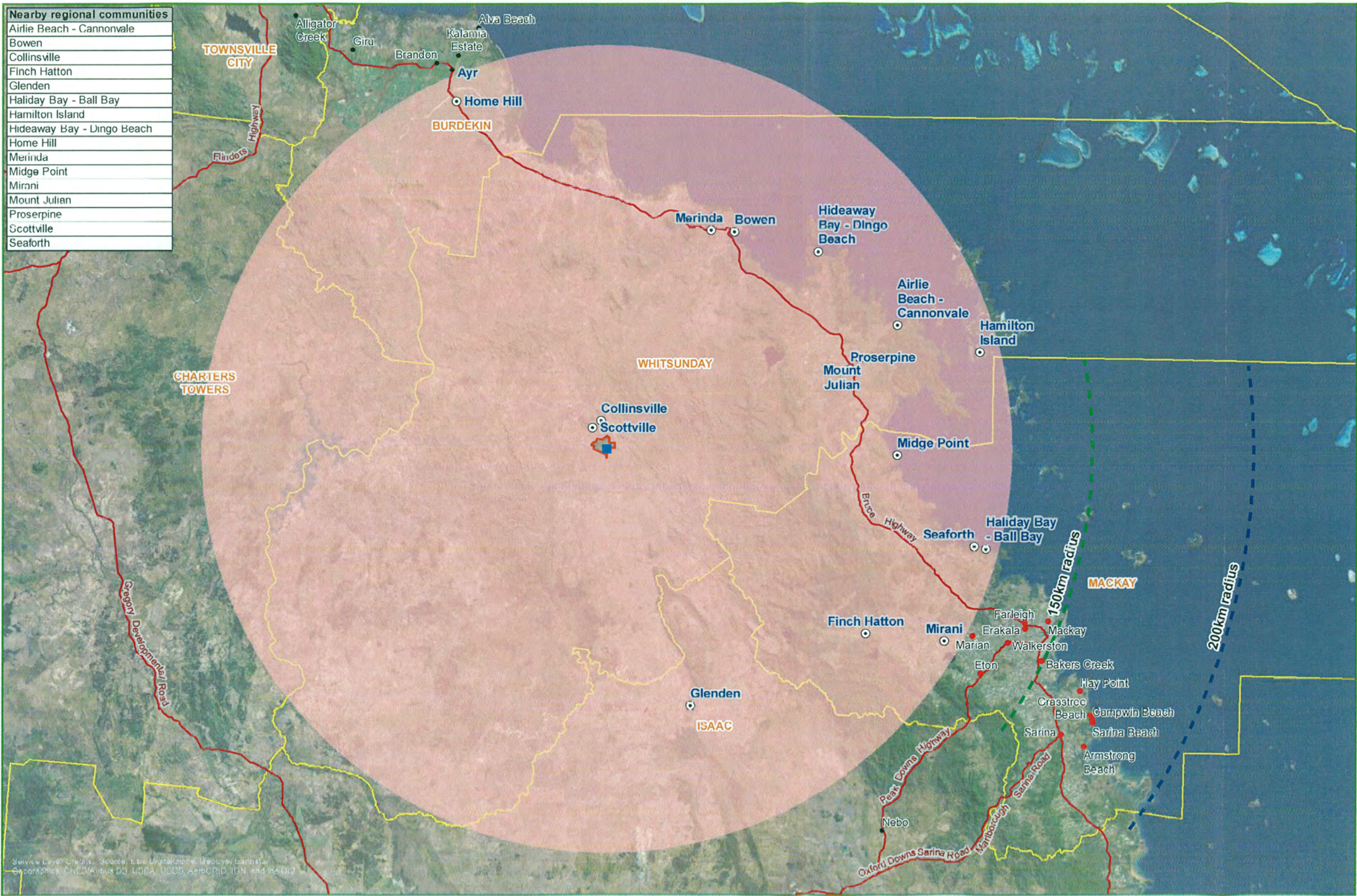
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Nearby regional communities	
Airlie Beach - Cannonvale	
Bowen	
Collinsville	
Finch Hatton	
Glenden	
Haliday Bay - Ball Bay	
Hamilton Island	
Hideaway Bay - Dingo Beach	
Home Hill	
Merinda	
Midge Point	
Mirani	
Mount Julian	
Proserpine	
Scottville	
Seaforth	



## Sonoma Mine and surrounding towns (within 125 km)

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### Legend

- Main access
- Consolidated Mining lease area
- Area within 125 km radius of main access
- Nearby regional communities
- Towns outside 125 km radius of main access
- Roads
- Local government area boundary

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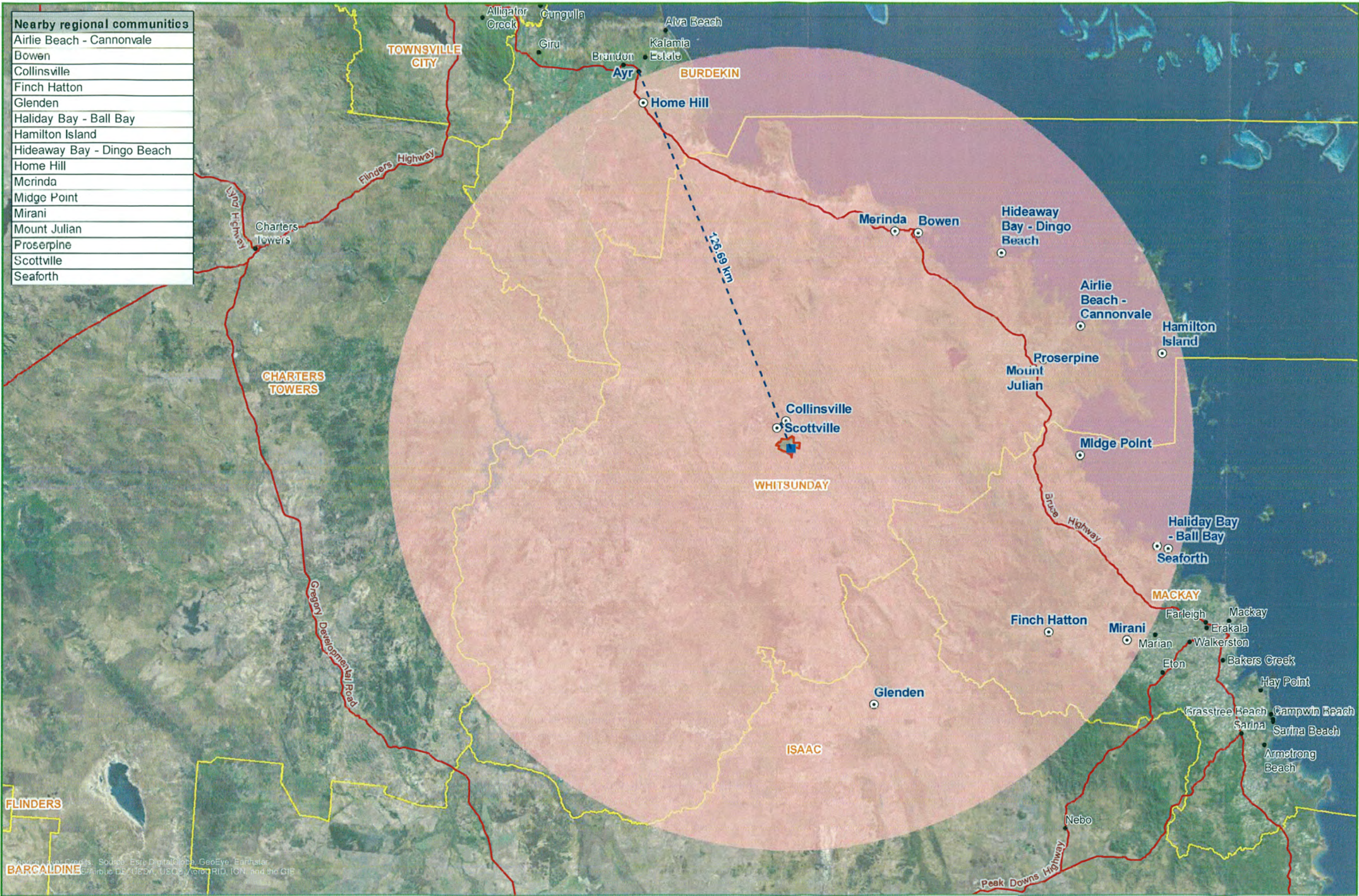


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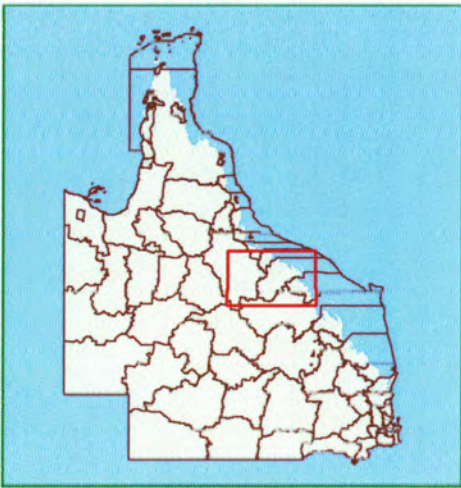
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1 June 2018

Mr Terry Brennan  
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Dear Mr Brennan

Thank you for your application on behalf of Burdekin Shire Council, for the fifth and final round of the Queensland Anzac Centenary Spirit of Service grants program.

It is with great pleasure I write to congratulate you on the successful application for the project entitled Stage two cenotaph upgrade works - Home Hill Memorial Park. The Queensland Government would like to offer \$13 180 (excluding GST), to assist with your project.

Your funding is subject to the execution of a Queensland Government letter of agreement, which will be sent to you separately. This agreement contains funding conditions relevant to your project and lists approved expenditure items, for the grant funds to be spent on.

The Queensland Government is proud to have supported community projects that honour the sacrifice of servicemen and women involved in conflicts from the past 100 years. Since the inception of the grants program in 2014, more than 330 projects across Queensland have been supported through grant funding. The dedication and enthusiasm of organisations such as yours, has assisted in engaging and educating Queenslanders about the significance of the Anzac Centenary.

The Anzac Centenary Coordination Unit, Department of the Premier and Cabinet, will be in contact with you shortly to progress your funding agreement. The grants team can be contacted by email at [anzac100grants@premiers.qld.gov.au](mailto:anzac100grants@premiers.qld.gov.au) or on telephone (07) 3003 9173.

Congratulations once again on your successful application. I wish you all the best for your project and thank you for your commitment towards preserving the Anzac legacy for future generations.

Yours sincerely

**ANNASTACIA PALASZCZUK MP  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND  
MINISTER FOR TRADE**



7 June 2018



Department of  
**Natural Resources,  
Mines and Energy**

Mr Terry Brennan  
Chief Executive Officer  
Burdekin Shire Council  
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Dear Mr Brennan

**Consultation – annual valuation effective 30 June 2019**

The *Land Valuation Act 2010* (the Act) requires the Valuer-General to undertake an annual statutory valuation of all rateable land in Queensland except in unusual circumstances or after consideration of:

- a market survey report of the Local Government Area which reviews sales of land since the last valuation and the probable impact of the sales on the value of land since the last annual valuation; and
- the results of consultation with the local government for the area, and appropriate local and industry groups.

Under the Act, annual valuations are required to be issued prior to 31 March in the year the valuation is to take effect.

In line with the requirements of the Act, I seek your local government's opinion on whether a valuation of your local government should be undertaken to be effective on 30 June 2019.

Please provide your response in writing by Friday, 6 July 2018 to the Office of the Valuer-General via the email or postal address details below.

When deciding if an annual valuation will be undertaken in your Local Government Area, I will consider the opinion of your local government, together with the other criteria as specified in this letter, and will advise you in due course.

Should you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Brett Bowen, Area Manager of the department on telephone 4222 5500.

Yours sincerely

Neil Bray  
**Valuer-General**

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The Hon Mark Furner MP  
Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries

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Dear Mayor

I am writing to you regarding the recent drought revocation that occurred in your local government area on 17 May 2018, and the consequent changes to assistance provided for primary producers in the area.

This revocation was made on the recommendation of the Local Drought Committee for your region. Local Drought Committees are composed of primary producers and the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) representatives with expert knowledge on local conditions. This revocation means a range of assistance measures that were available for primary producers in those former drought declared areas will no longer be available. This includes:

- the freight subsidy for the movement of fodder and water under the Drought Relief Assistance Scheme (DRAS)
- the Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate under the DRAS program
- land rent rebates and water licence waivers administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy
- the Drought Relief from Electricity Charges program providing fee relief for irrigators impacted by low water availability administered by Energy Queensland (formally Ergon Energy).

The changes to DRAS apply from the date of revocation, 17 May 2018.

Land rent rebates apply for the full year in which they were provided, but will not apply to the next year, which commences in July 2018. Water licence fees will recommence from the next monthly bill.

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The electricity subsidy will continue to apply until the next meter reading. This will provide time for the customer, if they wish, to arrange with Energy Queensland a new tariff to apply from the next meter read. Otherwise the customer will simply return to the tariff that applied prior to moving to the drought tariff arrangements.

To support drought recovery in drought revoked areas, DRAS provides freight subsidies for the movement of livestock returning from agistment and freight subsidies for stock purchased for restocking. Eligible applicants may receive up to 100 per cent of the freight costs for breeding stock returning from agistment and up to 75 per cent of freight costs for animals purchased for restocking, for up to two years after the date of revocation.

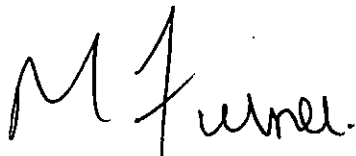
The subsidy for returning from agistment and restocking is limited to \$20 000 per financial year, or if the producer has an approved drought management plan, up to \$30 000. However, if the producer with an approved drought management plan was drought declared for more than three years, either through an area declaration or an Individually Droughted Property (IDP) declaration, they can receive up to \$40 000 per financial year in these subsidies.

Further information on drought assistance can be found on the DAF website at [www.daf.qld.gov.au](http://www.daf.qld.gov.au).

Individual producers who consider that they are still in drought can contact the Customer Service Centre of DAF on 13 25 23 and apply for an IDP declaration, which if approved will allow that producer to obtain the same assistance as if the area was still drought declared.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, I encourage you to contact Mr Vern Rudwick Director, Land Management in the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries on telephone 07 3096 6200 or by email at [vern.rudwick@daf.qld.gov.au](mailto:vern.rudwick@daf.qld.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Furner'.

**MARK FURNER MP**

**Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries**

To Burdekin Shire Council

Thank you so much for being a sponsor of the Burdekin Junior Eisteddfod.

I was very pleased to come 1<sup>st</sup> in the Novice 11 yrs & Over Seann Truibhas, which you sponsored.

I have been dancing Highland for two years and love to compete. I know it takes a lot of effort and money to organise a competition so as a dancer, I really appreciate your sponsorship.

Madison Turner

Townsville Academy of Performing Arts

Age 13



The Hon. Cameron Dick MP  
Minister for State Development, Manufacturing,  
Infrastructure and Planning

Our ref: MC18/2915

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Dear Councillor ~~McLaughlin~~ *Lyn,*

Thank you for the Burdekin Shire Council's (the council) letter of 18 May 2018, providing the proposed Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP) and seeking approval to adopt the LGIP.

The LGIP has been assessed in terms of changes made since public consultation, the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*, Statutory guideline — 03/14 Local government infrastructure plans and whether or not the state interests would be adversely affected.

I am pleased to advise that in accordance with Statutory Guideline 01/16: Making and amending local planning instruments, I am satisfied the relevant state interests have been integrated and the council may now proceed to adopt the LGIP.

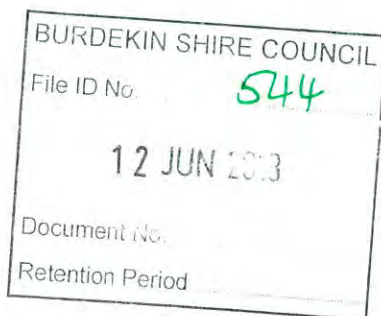
The council is strongly encouraged to undertake regular reviews of its LGIP, Asset Management Plans and Long Term Financial Forecasts to ensure ongoing alignment.

I note the council was previously granted an extension to 30 June 2018 to have a LGIP in place, otherwise it will not be able to continue to levy infrastructure charges or impose infrastructure conditions under section 111 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

If you require any further information, please contact Mr Graeme Kenna, Manager, Planning and Development Services – North, in the Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning on (07) 4758 3417 or [graeme.kenna@dsdmip.qld.gov.au](mailto:graeme.kenna@dsdmip.qld.gov.au), who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely

**CAMERON DICK MP**  
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**From:** Zoe Adams-Jones [REDACTED] **On Behalf Of** Zoe Adams-Jones  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 13 June 2018 2:50 PM  
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13 June 2018

Burdekin Shire Council  
Chief Executive Officer and Mayor  
CC: All Councilors

Dear Mr Brennan and Cr McLaughlin

## **Save Jobs & The Environment**

### **Call for effective legislation to ban balloon releases, not balloons**

We are writing to you as representatives and members of the Pro Environment Balloon Alliance (PEBA). Many of our members are local business owners in your council area. These small businesses include Balloon Artists, Twisters, Entertainers, Balloon Decorators and Retailers who are valued members of Australia's Arts & Entertainment Community and care about the environment. Our members also include Suppliers and Manufacturers. They are all very concerned about their jobs and livelihoods.

PEBA is now the largest balloon industry association in Australia, formed in 2017 to be an advocacy body to promote positive changes to balloon industry practices, community education, corporate governance and be a consultative body for legislative changes relating to balloons.

PEBA understands that local councils are coming under pressure to reduce the excessive amounts of plastic and litter in the environment. The majority of Balloon Professionals use air-filled latex balloons which are not plastic and are made from a renewable resource.

We have a solution that offers a balanced approach between smart environmental management and saving our jobs. The solution is to ban deliberate balloon releases, not balloons.

We wish to bring to your attention our commitment to changing industry practices and educating the public. As a whole, PEBA supports the stance by local and state Government to educate the public on the importance of not releasing balloons into the environment and being responsible with the uses and disposal of all balloons. **What we do not support is the call to ban balloons totally.**

Members of PEBA have an obvious vested interest, however we are committed to educating our clients, venue managers and the public, by all possible means in the correct disposal of balloons through our "Don't Let it Go, Pin it & Bin it!" campaigns. Our members are industry professionals who do not support, or condone, nor will they facilitate the deliberate release of balloons.

The livelihoods of these people are being lost and thousands of jobs are on the line. We are urging council to consider the industry perspective.

We are very concerned with current campaigns by some local and state Governments to ban helium balloons from council events and venues. Even more concerning is the ban that several local councils are placing on using **any** balloons in public spaces. It seems that these policies are being made without consultation with the industry and we are writing to you to provide industry perspective and ask for your help.

We have successfully worked with the City of Kwinana in Western Australia and Brisbane City Council in Queensland to include a ban on organised balloon releases in their litter policies.

Does council have a current policy on the use of balloons in your local area and do you have any plans to change the policy? If so, can you please advise how PEBA can participate in the discussions to ensure we can find a balanced approach that we can all work with?

We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards

Zoe Adams-Jones

PEBA Representative & Small Business Owner



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# *Burdekin Show 2018*

## *"Opening Ceremony"*

*Mayor Lyn McLaughlin,*



*The President and Members of our Association invites you to be our guest at the Opening Ceremony of the 2018 Burdekin Show.*

*The ceremony will commence at 3.30pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018.*

*On your arrival, please make your way to the show office and you will be accompanied to the official area.*

*R.S.V.P. 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018*

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*Michelle Kelly*

**Michelle Kelly - President**

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