1. The Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation is responsible for the management of Queensland’s aquatic habitats and resources that support commercial fishing, aquaculture and recreational fishing.
2. Concern and growing awareness within stakeholder groups about environmental issues has dramatically increased scrutiny and pressure on fisheries management. While Queensland has an impressive track record of sustainably managing fisheries resources, the tools historically used are no longer considered as best practice to respond effectively to emerging fisheries management needs and industry development objectives.
3. In an effort to maintain and grow the economic value of fisheries in a sustainable manner while also ensuring fair and equitable access, the Queensland Fisheries Strategy 2009-14 has been developed.
4. The Strategy provides an overarching framework to support the future management of fisheries, aquaculture and fish habitat. It articulates a vision for the management of Queensland’s fisheries resources over the next five years and proposes strategic objectives and goals for fisheries and the key strategies that would be pursued to achieve these goals.
5. Cabinet approved the Queensland Fisheries Strategy 2009-14 as the basis for the strategic direction of fisheries management in Queensland over the next five years.
6. *Attachments*

* [Queensland Fisheries Strategy 2009-14](Attachments/Queensland%20Fisheries%20Strategy%202009-14.pdf)
* [Summary results of consultation](Attachments/Fisheries%20Strategy_Consultation%20outcomes.pdf)