



# Benefits of the Scheme

Hells Gates Dam Irrigation Scheme is a transformational agricultural opportunity, that will double the value of crop production regionally, resulting in the Burdekin Basin becoming the largest regional contributor to Queensland irrigated crop output, and will account for an additional 3% of the total national annual crop production, making the Burdekin Basin a major food bowl of Australia

**2,100 GL**

Water Storage Capacity



Enabling

**60,000 ha**

Irrigated Agriculture



Increase annual agriculture output by

**\$0.8 B**



The development of new open spaces and recreational opportunities



**10,600**

Construction Jobs

**3,300**

Operational Jobs



**NEW**

diverse and viable markets



Cropping Scenarios Demonstrates

BCR **1.05**

NVP **\$236.1 million**

IRR **7.30%**

Construction | Agriculture

Delivering Growth to the Economy

\$1.3B contribution to GRP

vs

\$6B contribution to GRP

Delivering North Queensland Jobs

10,600 FTE job years generated through the construction phase

3,300 FTE permanent job years generated through the operational phase

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enterprise**



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Gates**