



PRIME MINISTER

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The Federal Government has honoured its election commitment to support the construction of the Burdekin Dam.

Cabinet has decided to match the previous Government's undertaking to meet the cost of stage one of the dam.

During the election campaign the ALP stated its support for the project and its belief that the dam could be economically justified.

We are pleased that the Government can now give North Queenslanders an assurance that this important project will proceed.

As a matter of courtesy I have **today** informed the Premier and Deputy Premier of Queensland of the Government's decision.