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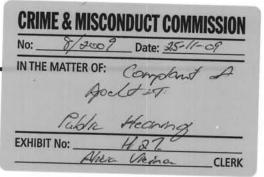
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Revised announcements document

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Simon

Please find attached the updated potential announcements document. The 2 changes are:

- inclusion of further information on the Ballymore proposal; and 1.
- 2. includion of the new announcement we discussed for Queensland Rugby League.

Regards

Craig Matheson

POSSIBLE FUTURE COMMITMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Queensland Rugby Union

\$4 million over three years to progress the first phase of the redevelopment of Ballymore. This would involve a contribution over three years towards the development of a new rugby field, an indoor heated swimming pool and corporate facilities in the western stand.

There are also potential linkages between this development and the needs of Queensland cricket in developing the next stage of the Cricket Australia Centre of Excellence.

Queensland Cricket Association

\$4 million over three years to develop an indoor facility at Allan Border Field at Albion. This facility should be developed as an indoor training centre for the Centre of Excellence but also be usable by sports such as basketball and netball. The indoor facility should also incorporate office space to accommodate the headquarters of Basketball Queensland and (if required) Netball Queensland.

This funding should be matched by the Commonwealth through the \$17.5 million commitment it has already made to the Centre of Excellence Stage II.

This project provides the opportunity to progress the Cricket Centre of Excellence but also provide new premises for Basketball Queensland (which it has been seeking for many years) and potentially, Netball Queensland.

Queensland Rugby League

The Queensland Rugby League has struggled in the last 5-8 years to compete with AFL in its penetration of the junior school environment. The highly successful AusKick program delivered by AFL is financially supported by AFL and has enabled the employment of development officers across the State to work directly with schools and clubs.

\$900,000 could be made available over three years (\$300,000 per annum), subject to matching funding from the QRL (and possibly the ARL or NRL) to support the employment of further development officers throughout Queensland with a specific focus on junior school participation and development programs (comparable to the AFL AusKick program). This could be announced as a partnership initiative to mark the Centenary of Rugby League and could be timed to coincide with the Cowboys vs Broncos match at Dairy Farmers Stadium on 18 July 2008.

AFL Queensland

\$2.5 million over two years to establish the new headquarters and centre of excellence at Leyshon Park, Yeronga. This commitment should be subject to matching funding from the AFL. AFL Queensland will also need to secure other corporate support. AFL Queensland have been seeking to establish a new headquarters for some time as the Brisbane Lions may be seeking to move their Football Department to the present AFL Queensland premises at Coorparoo.

Queensland Firebirds

\$1 million over three years sponsorship of the Queensland Firebirds as the leading female national league team, in return for a range of community based activities targeted at promoting self esteem, active lifestyles and well being for girls in targeted communities experiencing socio-economic disadvantage. This could be closely linked with the Find Your 30 campaign given the available evidence relating to high obesity rates in girls and women in these communities, providing a further basis for supporting a sponsorship arrangement of this nature.

This program would also be consistent with the direction of the Senate Committee report in 2007 on Women in Sport and might also draw potential Federal Government support (given the priority indicated by the Federal Minister for sport around women and girls initiatives).

Get South East Queensland Moving!

Two related initiatives that could be considered to promote the active lifestyle message in south east Queensland (SEQ) and be seen to be combating traffic congestion:

- \$2 million over two years (subject to matching funding from the south east Queensland councils) to expand walking and cycling trails/paths in south east Queensland, with a particular emphasis on improving connectivity of existing walkways/cycleways (ie. filling in missing links) and establishing environmentally sensitive walkways in natural settings (eg. improve walking paths at Mt Cootha).
- \$250,000 commitment to Bicycle Queensland to develop and implement a SEQ based communication strategy to promote the use of walkways and cycleways for exercise and as a more time effective means of travel to get to and from work.

Find Your 30 through safe swimming

\$1 million recurrent program that provides grants of up to \$40,000 to assist with the establishment of new *Learn to Swim* programs at council owned aquatic facilities. This funding would not be available to subsidise or support existing Learn to Swim programs.

Reinvigorating community pools

\$2 million as a one off program to provide grants of up to \$50,000 to assist councils to repair community swimming pools where this will extend the useful life and availability of the pool to the community. Consideration could be given to targeting this program at socio-economically disadvantaged communities as opposed to being available state wide.

A new trail bike park for South East Queensland

A contribution of \$2 million could be offered (subject to matching funds from a council or the south east Queensland councils) to purchase land for the establishment of a safe an accessible trail bike riding park for south east Queensland – to be managed and operated by Motorcycling Queensland.

There are two key risks that could arise with this proposal:

- Development approval may not be able to be obtained for a trail bike facility on the site after it is purchased; and
- The Government could be criticised for purchasing land for one recreational activity, when land access and availability is an issue for many sport and recreational activities.

To reduce some of these risks, an alternative to this proposal could be to offer an interest free bridging loan of \$2 million to Motorcycling Queensland to purchase a new site. It is understood Motorcycling Queensland is looking to sell its existing facility at Tivoli (due to pressure from Ipswich City Council to relocate), but would find it difficult to secure a new site until the Tivoli site is sold.

Special assistance to smaller State Sport and Recreation organisations

There are 40 State sport and recreation organisations (see attached list) which receive less than \$50,000 each per annum from the Department under the Sport and Recreation Development Program. A \$10,000 equipment grant could be offered to each of these organisations to improve their operations (eg. computers etc) or to supply equipment and/or services to their members.

Amalgamation incentives for State Sporting Organisations

There are three clusters of State level organisations that could be provided with incentive funding to progress amalgamation within the next two years. The three clusters are:

- Queensland Athletics and Queensland Little Athletics Association;
- 2. Queensland Swimming Association and Aussie Masters Swimming; and
- 3. Football Queensland and the Queensland Futsal Association.

A transition funding package of \$500,000 could be made available across the three clusters to assist with the costs associated with amalgamation (ie. purchase of new business systems, accommodation consolidation etc) so that amalgamation is achieved in a timely manner and the organisations are not disadvantaged through the amalgamation process.

National Heart Foundation partnership - Active Workplaces

The workplace is an area that has not to date been a focus of the Eat Well Be Active and Find Your 30 initiatives. The National Heart Foundation could be provided with funding of up to \$150,000 to develop a campaign and resources to encourage greater participation in physical activity in office based working environments. The funding would support the development of a website and workplace resources. This initiative would also complement the Government's Healthy Public Sector project, reaffirming its commitment - as the largest single employer in the State – to encouraging a more active, healthy workforce.

National Heart Foundation - Jump Rope for Heart

The National Heart Foundation could be sponsored for up to \$200,000 (which is equivalent to the annual sponsorship of the *Just Walk It* program) to deliver its Jump Rope for Heart program through schools and councils is socio-economically disadvantaged communities throughout Queensland.

True Sport Lives Here - Football Codes Alliance

There is a strong interest between the four football codes (rugby union, rugby league, football and AFL) in adopting a collaborative approach to implementing True Sport Lives Here in junior sport through better information sharing on offenders and synchronised penalty regimes.

A sponsorship package of up to \$150,000 could be provided to assist the four codes deliver a coordinated True Sport Lives Here campaign, establish systems to better enable information sharing across the codes and promote a consistent, positive message to children and parents involved in these sports.

FUNDING SOURCES FOR POTENTIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OVER FORWARD ESTIMATES

Initiative	2008-09 (\$M)	2009-10 (\$M)	2010-11 (\$M)	2011-2012 (\$M)	Source of funds
Queensland Rugby Union	1.33	1.33	1.33	9	Major Facilities Program¹
Queensland Cricket Association		1.33	1.33	1.33	
Queensland Rugby League	0.3	0.3	0.3		Underspend in YAAP
AFL Queensland	1.0	1.5	1	1	Major Facilities Program1
Queensland Firebirds	0.33	0.33	0.33	Ţ	DSR Supplies and Services Budget
Get South East Queensland Moving					
 Walkways/cycleways grants 	1.0	1.0	1	1	Local Sport and Recreation program ²
Bicycle Queensland campaign	0.25	1	1	'	DSR Supplies and Services Budget
Find Your 30 through safe swimming	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	DSR grants and subsidies budget
Reinvigorating community pools	2.0	ű.	1	1	Cash flowed through DSR grants and
Trail bike park for SEQ	2.0	1	1	•	DSR Capital Budget
Special assistance to smaller State Sport	0.4	1	3	1	Cash flowed through DSR grants and
and Recreation organisations					subsidies budget
Amalgamation incentives for State Sporting Organisations	0.25	0.25	1	,	DSR grants and subsidies budget
National Heart Foundation partnership – Active Workplaces	0.15	ŗ	1	'	DSR grants and subsidies budget
National Heart Foundation - Jump Rope for Heart	0.2	T	3		DSR Sponsorship budget
True Sport Lives Here – Football Codes Alliance	0.15	3		1	DSR Sponsorship budget
TOTAL	10.36	7.04	4.29	2.33	24.02

- These three initiatives would represent a pre-commitment of \$10.5 million against the next three rounds of the Major Facilities Program. Each of the next rounds of the Major Facilities Program would have an original budget of \$30 million, which would be reduced by the value of the pre-commitments.
- This would represent a pre-commitment of \$1 million against each of the next two rounds of the Local Sport and Recreation Program, which presently has an annual budget of \$5 million (which would be reduced by the value of the pre-commitment).