Queensland Schools Planning Reference Committee – Cross-Sectoral New Schools Demand Mapping 2021 to 2041

Mackay Regional Council – 4 June 2020

New school recommendations reflect the potential need of new state and non-state primary and secondary schools based on an assessment of the 2018 edition Queensland Government population projections, local advice on population growth and available capacity within the existing school network. The growth SA2s, shown below, were selected for detailed assessment during the Demand Mapping Meeting. Areas for assessment are comprised of one or more Statistical Areas Level 2 (SA2s) which are established by the Australian Bureau of Statistics and are the smallest statistical area commonly used for a range of statistical information including population projections. Population projections used to inform this assessment are prepared by the Queensland Government Statistician's Office and can be accessed here.

SA2 or Cluster	New government and non-government schools that may be required:				Estimated and Projected Primary (ages 5-11) and Secondary (ages 12-17) School-Age Population					
	2021 to 2031		2031 to 2041		Population 2016		Growth 2021 to 2031		Growth 2031 to 2041	
	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary
Eimeo – Rural View and Shoal Point – Bucasia	1	0	1	0-1	2,265	1,670	570	590	769	572
Sarina	0	0	0	0	1,201	962	75	10	238	181
Pioneer Valley	0	0	0	0	998	772	71	81	151	102
Mount Pleasant – Glenella	0	0	0	0	1,117	1,007	61	-35	91	72
Ooralea – Bakers Creek	0	0	0-1	0	479	350	107	115	100	76
TOTAL	**1**	**0**	**1-2**	**0-1**						

Note: Recommendations do not include new schools opening in 2020.

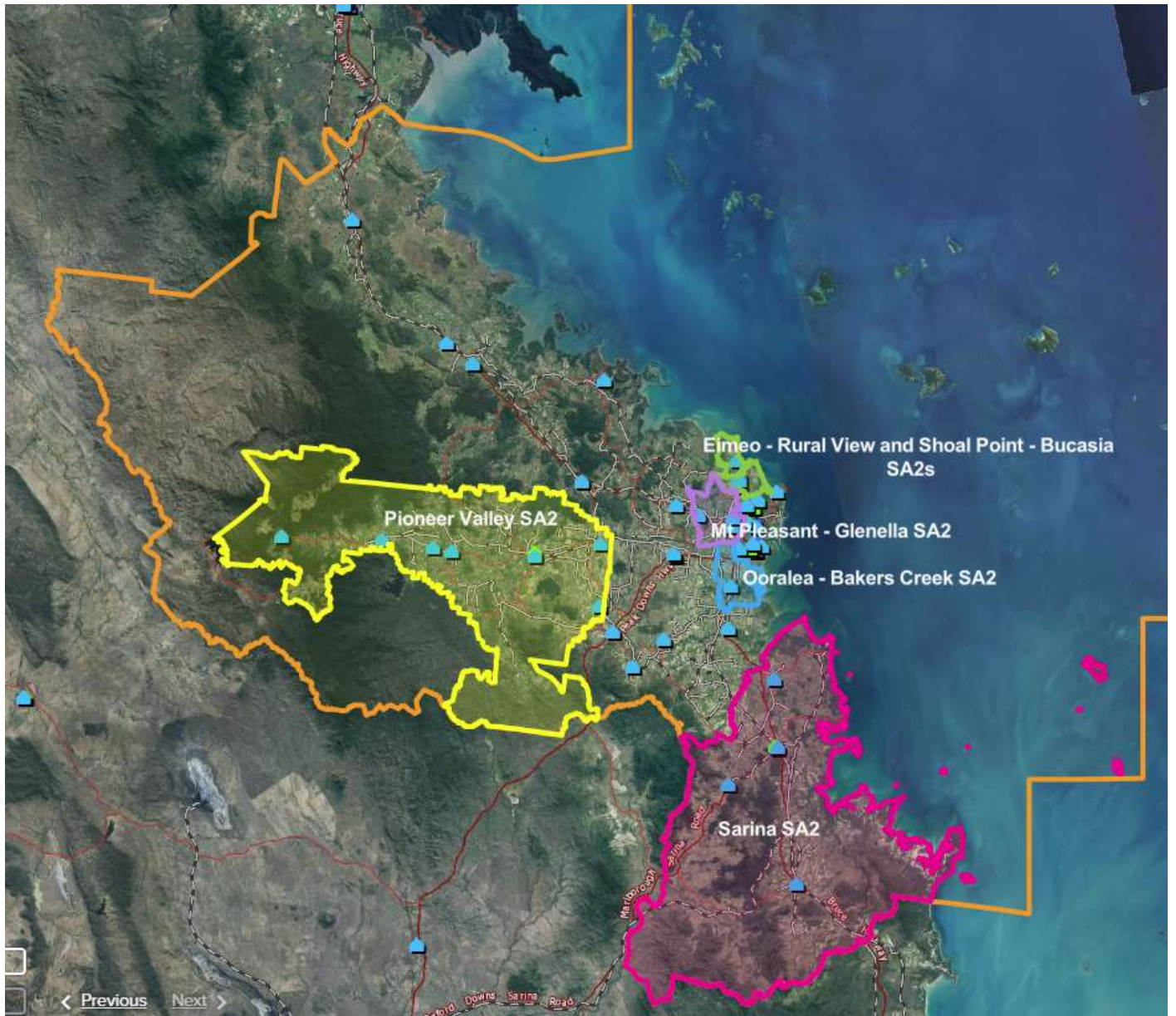Queensland Government

Map of Mackay Regional Council showing the Statistical Areas Level 2 Assessed

Image from Queensland Globe.