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Regional Mayors take Far Northern agenda to Canberra

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Cook Shire Mayor Peter Scott will join a delegation of Far Northern Mayors to advocate on identified priorities in the Federal seat of power this week.

Cr Scott and members of the Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (FNQROC) and Torres and Cape Indigenous Councils Alliance (TCICA) will meet with more than 26 ministers, senators and shadow ministers as part of the delegation. "As a group, we are advocating for key identified priorities which affect the Far North Queensland region," Cr Scott said. "Among those priorities, regional roads investment and road safety, water security, remote Indigenous housing and digital connectivity are particularly important to Cook Shire. We have proven before that delegations to Canberra and Brisbane get more attention and action for our region than individual or remote representations. FNQROC and TCICA Mayors represent all of the Cape and Far North Queensland – we have common issues and strength in numbers."

The delegation will meet with key decision makers in the office of the Prime Minister, plus Queensland Senators, Hon Matthew Canavan MP, Minister for Northern Australia and Resources, Hon Jason Clare MP, Shadow Minister for Resources and Northern Australia, along with other key portfolios aligned with the FNQROC priorities.

FNQROC members have already undertaken a delegation to Canberra in February, and a delegation to the State Government in May.

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