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BILLBOARD UP: WE'RE BUILDING THAT TOO

First shots have been fired in the State election campaign due this year with Member for Ipswich Rachel Nolan having a billboard erected at Bundamba.

The billboard reveals the campaign slogan "Here and Now. Building Ipswich."

"This election will be about the economy," Ms Nolan said.

With the global recession worsening and its effects being felt by Ipswich businesses and families, now more than ever Queensland needs stability and certainty.

The Bligh Labor Government is 100% committed to jobs and is doing everything in its power to help Queensland business and families through this troubled time.

In contrast, the Nationals leader Mr Springborg has said he wants to make Queensland jobs "de-necessary".

While the National Party plans to cut jobs and services, the Bligh Government is building tomorrow's Queensland.

The Bligh Government has a \$17 billion infrastructure plan that is directly providing jobs for 112,000 people.

In Ipswich those jobs are in construction of the Centenary Highway extension to Yamanto, the courthouse, the new nurses' education centre at the Hospital and on the major refurbishments of Bundamba and Silkstone State Schools.

Work will soon start on the new Bremer State High School – a project the Nationals have said they will scrap.

There is no doubt that international circumstances are making our economic climate is becoming more difficult but at this election Ipswich people will face a clear choice; between a Labor Government which is building for the future and keeping people in work and a confused Opposition who want to slam on the brakes sacking public servants and canning local projects when we need them most.

Project	Details	Investment	Status
Centenary Highway Springfield – Yamanto		\$366 million	Bitumen laid Set to open mid 2009
Ipswich Railway Station Refurbishment		\$1.2 million	Opened 2008
3 rd rail track : Darra to Corinda	Third track will increase line capacity, paving the way for more express trains	\$190 million	Under construction Due for completion 2010
Springfield – Ripley – Ipswich Rail loop	A corridor has been preserved for a future rail loop		Corridor preserved 2008
New Ipswich Hospital Nurses Education Centre		\$6 million	Opening June 2009
Ipswich Hospital 84 bed expansion	Detailed planning underway	\$120 million	Roll out from 2011
New Ipswich Courthouse and Police Station	Will house 70 staff	\$110 million	Under construction Set to open October 2009
New Environmental Protection Authority Office	10 staff		Opened Feb 2008
New Department of Main Roads office	10 staff		Opened Dec 2008
New Department of Local Government office	8 staff		Opened September 2008
New Bremer State High School	A brand new Bremer State High School will be built adjoining UQ- Ipswich		Land being purchased To be completed 2010
New primary school for Yamanto	A brand new primary school will be built at Yamanto		Land being purchased.
Rebuilding of Bundamba State School	Major new classroom block plus new junior school		Construction underway
Rebuilding of	2 new classroom		Construction