

National Infrastructure Reform

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Context – the 'cargo cult'

- co-operative reform model
- productivity challenges

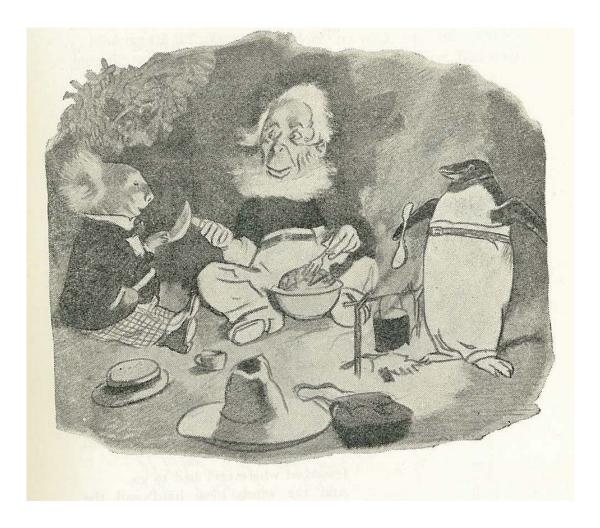








The Magic Pudding





Projects

- 1000 projects
- Total Value:
 - Several hundred billions of dollars



The Infrastructure Australia Process

- National Top Down reform
 - > Ports
 - > Freight
 - Urban Policy
 - ▶ Urban Rail



Cost Benefit Analysis

- Strengthen the approach and apply to more decisions involving taxpayers' money
- Place cost benefit analysis firmly in the decision making process
- But CBA is a guide to improvement
 - not an absolute hurdle where the economist is referee

