



Speech By Hon. Ros Bates

MEMBER FOR MUDGEERABA

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Hon. RM BATES (Mudgeeraba—LNP) (Minister for Finance, Trade, Employment and Training) (11.40 pm): After 10 years of dragging their feet and delays from the former Labor government, it has been 10 months of constant delivery under this Crisafulli LNP government. I am proud to be part of a Crisafulli LNP government that is doing what we said we would do and getting on with the job of delivering for Queensland, particularly in my community, the electorate of Mudgeeraba.

Earlier this month we saw the much anticipated installation of new school zone flashing lights at Gold Coast Springbrook Road for Mudgeeraba Creek State School, Gooding Drive for Merrimac State School and Eden View Drive for King's Christian College. I am pleased to note that, weather permitting, even more school zone flashing lights are on their way for the Mudgeeraba electorate at Star of the Sea on Ghilgai Road in Merrimac.

In similar news, I was excited to see the installation of a pedestrian crossing on Railway Street, in addition to a new footpath that has been built on the eastern side of Railway Street to provide access to the bus stop beside the Ampol service station. My community and I have spent the past decade calling for a pedestrian crossing to be installed on Railway Street and, within just six months of the LNP forming government, it was sorted. A decade of Labor inaction was sorted in just six months under an LNP government. The delivery of those sorts of local projects is just another example of the stark contrast between the decade of Labor decline and the past 10 months of proactive LNP delivery.

Just this month, I joined rural fire brigade crews from across South-East Queensland and Northern New South Wales as part of their annual training exercise in anticipation of the bushfire season. More than 150 dedicated Rural Fire Service volunteers ran through five different response scenarios, practising important procedures for responding to emergency situations in our local area. As part of the day, I was proud to officially hand over the keys to the new dual-cab Mudgeeraba 52 fire truck, which will support our local crew for many years to come. As always, I would like to take the opportunity to thank and acknowledge the tireless volunteers in my local rural fire brigades at Mudgeeraba, Bonogin, Gilston-Advancetown, Lower Beechmont, Beechmont, Clagiraba, Numinbah Valley, Springbrook and Tallebudgera Valley who serve our community diligently and generously.

Speaking of the Mudgeeraba Rural Fire Brigade, I was pleased to see the long-awaited new fire-risk sign at the bottom of Monaro Road in Mudgeeraba. After Labor removed our old sign and left our community waiting for more than 12 months, the Crisafulli LNP government has delivered with a state-of-the-art electronic fire-risk sign now displayed. It is clear that, after a decade of decline across Queensland under the former Labor government, we have spent the past 10 months delivering for Queenslanders and the Mudgeeraba electorate has benefited.