

Question on Notice

No. 654

Asked on 22 June 2022

MR D CRISAFULLI ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Centenary Bridge duplication project—

Will the Minister advise (a) the reasons why major construction did not start in 2021 as per the government's commitment prior to the last state election and (b) the current expected major construction start date?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Broadwater for the question.

The \$244 million Centenary Bridge duplication project—which is jointly committed by the Queensland and Australian governments—is undergoing a complex tender assessment process phase. The award of the construction contract required extensive due diligence and detailed assessment, following a number of highly competitive alternative tenders. The project delivery timeframes will be finalised and publicly communicated once the tendering process is complete.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$3.858 million is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Metropolitan Region, estimated to support an average of 3280 direct jobs over the life of the program.