

Question on Notice

No. 762

Asked on 16 August 2022

DR M ROBINSON ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Cross River Rail—

Will the Minister advise (a) the savings in travel time for trips into the City for commuters on the Cleveland line and (b) what additional benefits the project will provide for Redland residents?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Oodgeroo for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government is investing at record levels to deliver better rail services in South East Queensland (SEQ), including investment in new trains, tracks, signalling and stabling.

Cross River Rail will unlock benefits for customers across SEQ, including enabling direct access to new destinations on the rail network and capacity for more frequent services in the future.

After Cross River Rail opens, Cleveland line customers will have a new option to change trains at Park Road and use the new Boggo Road underground station for direct access to new stations at Woolloongabba, Albert Street, Roma Street and a new full-time Exhibition Station.

Customers travelling to CBD locations, when factoring in reduced walk times and connection timeframes, can save more than ten minutes on some journeys depending on their specific destination.

Many customers currently alight at Southbank and South Brisbane stations and walk across the Goodwill or Victoria bridges across the Brisbane River to access CBD workplaces and QUT and with Cross River Rail will no longer have to do so.

Final journey times will be known once the timetable is established and closer to commencement of Cross River Rail services.

The Cross River Rail project will also remove the interactions between Cleveland line trains, Gold Coast and Beenleigh services at critical junctions like Park Road and Roma Street, improving reliability in this section of the network.