

QUESTION ON NOTICE

NO. 888

Asked on: 19 August 2004

MR HAYWARD asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (Mr Lucas) –

QUESTION:

Will he provide details of progress on the replacement of the bridge and approaches over Burpengary Creek on the Burpengary Service Road, west of the Bruce Highway?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Kallangur for the question.

Replacement of this 62 year old bridge has been brought forward by the state government to ensure the bridge is re-opened before commencement of the next stage of six laning of the Bruce Highway in 2005.

The existing six metre wide timber bridge will be replaced with a two-span, 40 metre long and 13 metre wide concrete bridge which also includes a separate footpath. This will mean greater safety for cyclists, pedestrians and the 9,000 motorists who use the busy Burpengary Service Road every day.

Tenders have already closed for the replacement of Burpengary Creek Bridge and approaches. The contract is expected to be awarded in late September 2004.

The new bridge is expected to be completed in February 2005 depending on weather conditions at a total project cost of \$2.5m.

Other projects in the Kallangur electorate that will be funded by the state government in 2004-05 include:

- \$345,000 to commence delineation and signage works on Redcliffe Road between Petrie Roundabout and Saltwater Creek.
- Fourteen Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) projects which include a variety of works such as intersection improvements, bikeway and footpath construction, car parking at schools and bus shelters.
- The government will contribute \$444,000 in subsidy payments towards these projects with similar amounts also contributed by the local governments of Caboolture and Pine Rivers.