

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Asked on 31 August 2004

MS STONE asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (Mr Lucas) -

QUESTION:

**With reference to the Winnetts Road, Daisy Hill trial traffic management system –
What is the progress of the monitoring of the system?**

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Springwood for the question.

Officers of the Department of Main Roads have been monitoring traffic at Winnetts Road since the traffic signals began operation on 15 July 2004.

Traffic signals were installed to improve safety on the Winnetts Road off-ramp southbound, because the vehicle queues on the ramp were extending onto the Pacific Motorway.

Monitoring and adjustments are continuing to ensure that traffic delays at this interchange are minimised and that the vehicle queues are safe and equitable for all approaches.

Main Roads' officers have been on site on a number of occasions during the morning and afternoon peak periods, to monitor the operation of the traffic signals and make any necessary changes to the timing of the signals. Video surveillance cameras at the Paradise Road on-ramp and Loganlea Road on-ramp are also used to monitor and record traffic conditions at both roundabouts.

To address the extended vehicle queues on the Western Service Road, the red traffic signal on the western roundabout that faces the service road is no longer actuated automatically, and vehicle queuing on this approach has returned to its previous levels.

Timing adjustments are being made to the Winnetts Road traffic signals to better coordinate with the adjacent Nujooloo Road signals 300m to the west.

These are small changes, but effective changes, and every effort is being made to ensure the existing intersections run safely and efficiently.