

Question on Notice

No. QON 1337

Asked on 1 November 2006

MR MOORHEAD asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (MR LUCAS) -

QUESTION:

What is the progress of the Brisbane-Beenleigh Road upgrade project?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Waterford for the question.

This project involves four laning of Brisbane-Beenleigh Road, between Fletcher Street (Bethania) and Boundary Street (Beenleigh).

The contractor for the works is FRH Group Pty Ltd., with a contract awarded on 3 February 2006.

This project forms a part of more than \$1.25 billion (comprising \$963m of State funding and \$287m of Federal funding) in roadworks funding for South East Queensland for 2006-07.

Date for practical completion of this project is early 2008.

The works include: deep lift asphalt pavement; earthworks; noise barriers; street lighting; drainage; retaining walls; and new traffic signals.

Early works completed included: property accommodation works; major services relocations; some noise barriers; some landscaping and extension of a cattle underpass.

The existing road carries a high volume of traffic (>32000 vehicles per day) passing through a commercial environment, which complicates traffic management as the project progresses.

To date, traffic has been switched onto new pavement to the west of Teys Road.

Works are completed on retaining walls near Hillside Crescent and near Castile Crescent.

Works on the retaining wall opposite Alexandra Street are well advanced.

Some guardrail, footpath, fencing, electrical and landscaping works have commenced.

The pavement between Sunrise and Hammel Streets has been asphalted.

Major earthworks have been completed near the new Teys Road intersection.

Environmental management works include erosion and sedimentation control works. The contractor also has a program of regularly watering the works to suppress dust, and thus maintaining air quality. Monitoring of water quality, air quality and vibrations has been carried out on a regular basis to check that specified guidelines have been met.

The community is being kept aware of the progress of the works through regular newsletters, as well as face-to-face discussions with affected property owners/tenants.

Minimal complaints are being received because of the works. Those are received are addressed as soon as possible.

Main Roads has been proactive in facilitating relationship management principles on this project. Excellent working relationships have been maintained to date between all parties.