

Question on Notice

No. 1366

Asked on 1 November 2006

MISS SIMPSON asked the Deputy Premier, Treasurer and Minister for Infrastructure (Ms **BLIGH**) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the Government's document "Water for South East Queensland: a long term solution" and State Government cost estimates of \$1.7 billion for the Traveston Dam (p 64)—

Will she provide a detailed breakdown of (a) these cost estimates (eg land resumption costs, road relocation costs, construction costs etc), with a breakdown for each part of the project including ancillary works, (b) how much the State Government will contribute towards the total cost of the project and its ancillary works (reported separately) and (c) where the remainder of the funding for the projects and its ancillary works will be sourced from?

ANSWER:

(a) The Department of Natural Resources and Water's report "Water for South East Queensland: A long term solution" identifies that the estimated total capital cost of \$1.4 billion to \$1.7 billion for the Traveston Crossing Dam project, inclusive of the cost of land acquisition, relocation of roads and other shire facilities, is of a preliminary nature only.

Queensland Water Infrastructure Pty Ltd is carrying out a detailed impact assessment of the Traveston Crossing and Wyaralong Dam projects and developing each project element (eg detailed geotechnical investigation, flooding and hydraulic modelling, preliminary design refinement and road network impact analysis). The cost of each element of the project will be determined during that development work and will be publicly released.

(b)&(c) The Queensland Water Commission is currently researching potential institutional arrangements for water management and cost recovery principles for infrastructure across South East Queensland. This work will inform funding options and any potential State Government contribution.