

Question on Notice

No. 1925

Asked on Wednesday 25 November 2009

Mr DOWLING ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS (MR WALLACE)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the delay with the signalising of Beveridge, Ziegenfusz and Dinwoodie Road intersections—

What has caused the delay, when will tenders be let and when can residents expect the works to be finalised?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Redlands for the question.

As you may be aware the Redlands area is one with unique environmental considerations, in particular the declining koala population.

I am sure the Member for Redlands can appreciate the importance of balancing any infrastructure work with the needs of the environment, especially one as fragile as this one in the Redlands area and the time it takes to ensure we get it right.

The department is working with the Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM) to work out the best solutions for mitigating any land clearing we need to do and other environmental implications this upgrade may have.

We all understand the need to improve this intersection, which is why the department is ready to call tenders as soon as possible. The good news for residents is that once we start work, construction should be finished in 12 months.