Question on Notice

No. 43

Asked on 16 February 2011

MS DAVIS asked the Minister for Transport (MS NOLAN) —

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MS DAVIS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT (MS NOLAN)—

With reference to the flooding in January 2011 in South East Queensland—Will the Minister list all public transport infrastructure impacted by flood inundation (such as any damage and service interruption) with each incident/disruption reported separately so as to include the following information the (a) type of infrastructure (including, but not limited to rail line, rail station, signalling, bus station, busway and ferry infrastructure), (b) dates service was interrupted (actual or if not yet restored, estimated restoration of service date) and (c) estimated cost of restoration and funding source if known?

ANSWER: MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS (MS PALASCZUK)

I thank the Member for Aspley for the question. While this question was asked of Minister Nolan, due to recent changes in Ministerial responsibility, I am now the Minister responsible for this matter and therefore provide this response.

All of the TransLink Transit Authority's services were affected by the January floods except for Gold Coast bus services. Damaged infrastructure included:

- Roma Street to Rosewood
- Roma Street to Varsity Lakes
- Roma Street to Gympie North
- Eagle Junction to Doomben
- Dutton Park to Cleveland
- Rollingstock
- Busways
- Ticketing equipment
- Bus stops

I would like to commend staff from the Department of Transport and Main Roads, Queensland Rail, Translink and the operators for their hard work in getting the network back as soon as possible. Service disruptions began to occur on 11 January 2011 and were mostly restored by 18 January 2011. Free travel was provided from 14 January 2011 to 21 January 2011.

In regard to the estimated cost of restoration, I refer the Member to the mid-year review and statements by the Treasurer in the House.