

Question on Notice

No. 619

Asked on Tuesday 10 May 2011

DR ROBINSON asked the Minister for Main Roads, Fisheries and Marine Infrastructure (MR WALLACE) –

QUESTION:

With reference to the delays already experienced in the project to widen Mt Cotton Road between Mt Gravatt-Capalaba Road and Tingalpa Creek Bridge (originally promised to start in 2009, but not yet underway) – will the Minister advise the House of the revised completion date of the project?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Cleveland for his question.

Roadwork is set to begin on the next stage of the \$83 million Redlands Corridor Upgrade with tenders about to be called for upgrading two major intersections.

Two intersections will be upgraded to improve safety and decrease congestion. They are Alpertown and Mt Cotton Roads and Mt Gravatt-Capalaba and Mt Cotton Roads.

Beginning this week, tenders will be called for the intersection upgrades, which are worth an estimated \$36 million.

Works will include installing traffic lights and u-turn facilities and widening Mt Cotton Road through the intersection from two to four lanes.

Construction on the intersection will start in late 2011 and will be completed in late 2012, weather permitting.

In July, the state government also expects to call for tenders for works at the intersection of Mt Gravatt-Capalaba and Mt Cotton Roads.

At this intersection, the roundabout will be replaced with traffic signals and some sections of the road will be widened from two to four lanes.

Just as importantly, the upgrade will include the introduction of two fauna crossings to ensure the local wildlife can safely cross these busy roads.

Construction of the Mt Gravatt-Capalaba and Mt Cotton Roads intersection is expected to start in early 2012.

Section A is one of the three sections in the Redlands Corridor project, which will improve this vital link for the growing Redland community but also provide for the future needs of the area.

For locals this is a win, win scenario making their roads safer, more efficient and free flowing for commuters.

Construction is already underway for Section C at Thornlands, with intersection improvement works at Cleveland-Redland Bay and Ziegenfusz Road, Cleveland-Redland Bay and Dinwoodie Road and Cleveland-Redland Bay and Beveridge Road.

In Section B, tenders for construction were called last week for improvements to the intersection of Mt Cotton Road, Ney Road and Avalon Road.

Water, electricity and telephone services are currently being relocated near the intersection, with construction expected to start next year.