

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 101**

**Asked on 6 March 2013**

**DR DOUGLAS** asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (MR SEENEY) –

### **QUESTION:**

Will the Minister detail what regard the Minister and his department have taken from the three major hydraulic studies completed and tabled on the Gold Coast Broadwater and all surrounding transport corridor land, prior to approving the four named tenders from the government approved expressions of interest program?

### **ANSWER:**

I thank the Honourable Member for Gaven for his question and I am pleased to inform the Honourable Member that no *hydraulic* studies have been undertaken on the state's land identified for the Gold Coast Broadwater proposal. The Expression of Interest assessment made no reference to hydrological studies, which is presumably what the member for Gaven was referring to, as it was not required at that particular stage.

The scale and scope of the developments will emerge in this current Request for Proposal stage of the procurement process. As part of this stage, proponents will be asked to supply the state with hydrological information specific to their proposal. Subsequent project stages for the preferred proponent will require the preferred proponent to lodge a development application and gain a development permit. Hydrological matters will be rigorously assessed to ensure any environmental impacts are appropriately managed.

Any hydrological studies that have been undertaken previously were undertaken assessing a different set of development principles. This will, however, be a clear focus in the upcoming phases of the approach to market.