Question on Notice

No. 103

Asked on Wednesday, 6 March 2013

MR HOBBS asked the Minister for Transport and Main Roads (MR EMERSON) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise what the total damage bill is from the 2013 flood event for State controlled roads in the Warrego Electorate (listed separately)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Warrego for the question.

I can tell you that 5845 kilometres of the state-controlled road network were affected by Tropical Cyclone Oswald in addition to many local government controlled roads.

While the extent of damage from recent flooding is still being determined across the state, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is reopening roads to restore key access routes and supply chains.

At an industry briefing on 12 February 2013, TMR advised the initial estimate of damage to the road and transport network was \$1.5 billion.

TMR continues to assess the damage to the network and I expect to provide a final budget estimate for the works by early June 2013. At that time I will be able to provide details for the Warrego electorate.