

Question on Notice

No. 121

Asked on Wednesday, 5 March 2014

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

QUESTION:

Will the Minister update the House on the progress of the proposed overtaking lane on the Brisbane Valley Highway?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Nanango for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is pleased to advise that detailed design for a southbound overtaking lane on the Brisbane Valley Highway is due for completion in April 2014.

Once the detailed design stage is complete, TMR will progress procurement for construction of the overtaking lane. Construction is expected to commence in mid-August 2014, weather permitting.

The project will focus on overtaking improvements to the Brisbane Valley Highway, including widening and sealing the existing road formation and upgrading Scrub Creek Road intersection with the highway. Once complete, the new overtaking lane will improve traffic efficiency on the Brisbane Valley Highway by providing motorists' with an additional opportunity to safely overtake slow moving vehicles.