

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 985**

**Asked on Wednesday, 14 October 2015**

**MS PEASE** asked the Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy and Water Supply (HON M BAILEY) —

### **QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise how the opening of RoadTek will benefit the state of Queensland and the Lytton Electorate?

### **ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Lytton for the question.

On Tuesday, 29 September 2015, I officially opened the RoadTek Brisbane Operations Unit's depot, at the new facility on Oregon Street in Hemmant.

The new facility is the centre of RoadTek's operations in Brisbane and will be home to approximately 150 full-time employees.

This facility brings together teams from Darra, Deagon and Nathan depots (and Eagle Farm early in 2016) into one central location with greater access to major arterial roads and faster response mobilisations.

Communication and improved connectivity across the teams and speedy access to the infrastructure network is vital for response teams in handling emergency situations and responding to incidents quickly.

The new depot at Hemmant places crews close to the Gateway Motorway, ensuring excellent access for the team to be able to mobilise to most locations quickly. Covering the Brisbane, Ipswich and Redland City Council areas, it is well positioned to respond to crashes, emergencies, infrastructure issues, and natural disasters on state-controlled roads.

During the 2014-2015 financial year, RoadTek Brisbane attended about 3500 call outs, upgraded over 300 intersections, maintained about 450 intersections, over 750 bridges, a number of culverts, large traffic signs and tunnels.

RoadTek operates as a state-wide business, and in times of emergency or major incidents, specialist resources from across the state are brought together to respond and rebuild the network, reconnecting communities.

The amalgamation of the depots improves the overall management of operations and enables RoadTek Brisbane crews to respond to issues and incidents quickly to reconnect local communities and support the wider flow of traffic in and around our busy arterial network here in South East Queensland.