

Question on Notice

No. 2200

Asked on Tuesday, 29 November 2016

MR PEGG asked the Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply (HON M BAILEY) —

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how the Logan Motorway Enhancement Project will benefit residents in the electorate of Stretton?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Stretton for the question.

The Logan Motorway Enhancement Project is a market-led proposal submitted by Transurban Queensland which has recently been given government approval to proceed to final contract for delivery.

Motorists will benefit from a range of improvements, including the construction of south-facing on- and off-ramps along the Gateway Extension Motorway to match the existing north-facing ramps.

This improved connectivity, from the Gateway Extension Motorway to Compton Road, will provide direct access opportunities from the south and will reduce traffic on the local road network, such as Wembley and Beaudesert Roads.

The project also proposes that the Compton Road bridge over the Gateway Extension Motorway will be widened to accommodate the south-facing ramps. The existing signalised intersections will be upgraded to accommodate cyclists and pedestrians through the intersections with the provision of on-road cycle lanes and off-road footpaths on each side of Compton Road.

The right hand turn from Beaudesert Road southbound to the Logan Motorway westbound will be replaced with a free-flowing underpass – removing the traffic signals as proposed in the original Reference Design. Transurban Queensland has worked with the preferred tenderer and the state to deliver this improvement.

The existing Wembley Road interchange will also be upgraded as part of the Logan Motorway Enhancement Project scope and will include:

- improved capacity of the on- and off-ramps to reduce queuing on the Logan Motorway
- a 4-lane overpass over the Logan Motorway
- upgraded intersections with Macquarie Way and Illaweena Street.

These upgrades will significantly improve local access and traffic flow. As well as improving safety and travel times and boosting productivity, the project will support about 1300 jobs during the construction period.