Question on Notice

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 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{MRS}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{J}}$ $\ensuremath{\mathsf{STUCKEY}}$ ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to dredging in Gold Coast Waterways—

Will the Minister advise, for the financial years 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18, what percentage of the budget of each Gold Coast Waterways dredging project goes towards environmental offsets (reported separately by project)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Currumbin for the question.

The Gold Coast Waterways Authority had allocated 9 per cent of the budget for Biggera Creek dredging and 22 per cent of the budget for Tipplers Passage dredging to environmental offsets in 2015–16, consistent with environmental regulatory requirements.

In 2016–17, 36.4 per cent of the budget for dredging Cabbage Tree Point was accrued for environmental offsets. Dredging of Labrador Channel in 2017–18 is expected to result in minimal impacts to environmental values, however, as the project is not yet complete, no final offset liability and associated percentages can be determined for 2017–18.