

**Question on Notice**

**No. 104**

**Asked on Thursday 14 February 2019**

**MR R MOLHOEK ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—**

**QUESTION:**

With reference to the Logan Enhancement Project, Caloundra Road to Sunshine Motorway and Rocklea to Darra projects and reports that construction, manufacturing and heavy transport contractors have experienced significant loss, delays and costs due to union entries and/or blockades—

Will the Minister confirm the approximate cost and the total non-rain related delays (in days or hours) these projects have incurred due to union entries and/or blockades?

**ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Southport for the question, although I do not accept its premise.

There is simply no price that can be put on keeping workers safe, and the Palaszczuk Government has a proud record of supporting the safety of workers in Queensland.

Costs associated with union entries are not based on any specific methodology and are estimates only. Without an established methodology which accounts for union entry under applicable 'right of entry' provisions and delays caused by health and safety concerns, it would not be appropriate to provide estimates under the general category of 'costs due to union entries and/or blockades'.

In relation to the specific projects mentioned by the Member, I am advised that:

*Rocklea to Darra*

The project had one day of non-rain related delays.

*Logan Enhancement Project*

The project had no quantifiable, non-rain related program delays.

*Caloundra Road to Sunshine Motorway*

The project has not incurred any non-rain related delays.