

## **Question on Notice**

**No. 147**

**Asked on Tuesday 26 February 2019**

**MR P WEIR** ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

### **QUESTION:**

With reference to the Davidson Street level crossing near the Oakey-Cooyar Road in Oakey, and reported high rates of near misses between trains and drivers in Queensland—

Will the Minister consider moving the crossing to ensure motorist and train driver safety?

### **ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Condamine for the question.

I can advise the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is aware of the issues and community concerns at this location, the intersection of Oakey–Cooyar and Oakey Connection Roads, and the adjacent open level crossing.

As a result, TMR is undertaking a planning project and has recently completed the options analysis phase for a future upgrade of the Oakey–Cooyar Road. An option has been identified which includes relocating the existing open level crossing, subject to consultation with stakeholders. The planning project is expected to be completed in June 2019.

There are currently 1392 open level crossings on the Queensland Rail network. The Oakey–Cooyar open level crossing is one of three crossings along the five-kilometre section of line through the Oakey community. Funding for infrastructure upgrades across this network will be considered in line with State Budget priorities.