

Question on Notice

No. 187

Asked on Tuesday 26 February 2019

MRS J STUCKEY ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Question on Notice No. 1846 asked on 13 October 2016 and the \$600,000 multi-modal study between Burleigh and Tugun—

Will the Minister advise (a) whether the study has been completed and if it is publicly available and (b) how many residents in the Currumbin Electorate have been contacted by the Department of Transport and Main Roads in regard to potential property resumptions for light rail and M1 upgrades (reported separately for each project)?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Currumbin for the question.

The multi-modal corridor study for the Gold Coast Highway between Burleigh Heads and Tugun is a Palaszczuk Government initiative which is part of the government's long-term and sustained commitment to the Gold Coast. The corridor study is intended to inform future upgrades along the Gold Coast Highway and will ensure residents and business owners have input into the modal mix servicing their communities.

The study is expected to be completed in the second half of 2019. The duration of the study has increased due to additional investigations being undertaken.

No residential land owners in the Currumbin electorate have been contacted by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) for the light rail upgrade.

Four residential land owners in the Currumbin electorate have been contacted by TMR in regard to property resumptions for the M1 Pacific Motorway upgrade between Varsity Lakes and Tugun. This project is another jointly funded Palaszczuk Government project which will deliver benefits to the southern Gold Coast, including residents of the electorate of Currumbin.

This is part of \$2.3 billion in funding for four upgrades to the M1 secured by the Palaszczuk Government, after not a single new dollar was spent on M1 upgrades by the previous Newman LNP Government in which the Member was a minister.