Question on Notice

No. 530

Asked on Wednesday 3 April 2019

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the second range crossing completion and expectations that the Gore Highway will have a significant increase in the volume of traffic including more heavy transport vehicles—

Will the Minister advise if the department will allocate funding to upgrade the Gore Highway including the construction of overtaking lanes to ensure road safety?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Condamine for the question.

The Gore Highway forms part of the National Land Transport Network. Upgrades to this road are funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments on an 80:20 funding arrangement, meaning an Australian Government commitment is required on that basis.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads is currently undertaking long-term planning to future proof the Gore Highway, including improving flood immunity near Wyaga Creek, identifying other sections for rehabilitation or reconstruction works, and safety treatments including provision of overtaking lanes.