

**Question on Notice**

**No. 1193**

**Asked on 27 October 2022**

**MR S MINNIKIN ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—**

**QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise when the Barron River Bridge upgrade planning project (Investment ID 1913999) will be completed?

**ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Chatsworth for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is currently undertaking an options analysis study to investigate long-term options for either replacing or rehabilitating the Barron River bridge. This planning phase is expected to be complete in the first half of 2023 and will inform further stages including construction timing.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$1.599 billion is committed across TMR's Far North District, estimated to support an average of 1440 direct jobs over the life of the program.