

Question on Notice

No. 1215

Asked on 28 October 2022

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the intersection of the Gore Highway and Old Wyreema Road which is located on an incline and a bend making a right hand turn dangerous with the large volume of traffic on the highway—

Will the Minister advise if there will be any future funding allocated to improve the safety of this intersection?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Condamine for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) monitors the operation of the state-controlled road network and prioritises upgrades within the constraints of available funding on a statewide basis.

The Gore Highway (Toowoomba–Athol Road) and Old Wyreema Road intersection was assessed for safety upgrades as part of a planning project completed in 2021. TMR's planning did not recommend treatments to this intersection.

TMR will continue to monitor the operation and safety of the Gore Highway and Old Wyreema Road intersection, however, has no plans to upgrade the intersection at this time.

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, \$785.5 million is committed across TMR's Darling Downs District, estimated to support an average of 870 direct jobs over the life of the program.