

Question on Notice

No. 1473

Asked on 1 December 2022

MR J LISTER asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympics Infrastructure (HON S MILES) –

QUESTION:

With reference to flooding impacts associated with the proposal of the Australian Rail Track Corporation to locate the Inland Rail route for New South Wales Border to Gowrie section on the Condamine Floodplain—

Will the Deputy Premier advise (a) what submissions or representations the Minister, the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and the Office of the Coordinator-General have made to the Federal Government's Independent Review of Inland Rail being conducted by Dr Kerry Schott AO and (b) when will these submissions be publicly released?

ANSWER:

- a) The Deputy Premier and Coordinator-General did not make a formal written submission to the Australian Government's Independent review of Inland Rail. Dr Kerry Schott met with the Coordinator-General to discuss the status of the four coordinated projects undergoing the environmental impact statement process in Queensland, including the Border to Gowrie section. Following the meeting, additional information regarding the environmental impact statement process in Queensland, and the Coordinator-General's requests to the Australian Rail Track Corporation for further information on the four coordinated projects was provided to Dr Schott.
- b) As the Australian Government has commissioned the review, questions around the release of submissions are best directed to the Australian Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts.