

Question on Notice

No. 211

Asked on 17 March 2022

MR R STEVENS ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide a list of all Network Safety Plans developed in 2020 and 2021 and for each provide the cost of implementing any recommended actions?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Mermaid Beach for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering on its sixth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row.

Network Safety Plans are a road safety infrastructure planning methodology developed by AUSTROADS in response to the National Road Safety Action Plan to prioritise investment to reduce Fatal and Serious Injury risk. They are a broad planning tool used to identify the typical crash reductions resulting from improving the standard of a road. From the method, projects are subsequently identified for funding.

The Network Safety Planning process applied in 2020 and 2021 is being used to identify projects for future funding. Eleven projects totalling \$230.74 million have been submitted to the Australian Government for consideration as part of the Road Safety Program Tranche four funding submission. Costs for implementing projects arising from Network Safety planning are dependent on specific site characteristics, geometry, roadside hazards, public utilities and so on. Therefore, costs will vary and are projected to range from approximately \$2 million to \$7.5 million per kilometre.

Publishing the details of the eleven projects prior to the Australian Government's consideration is not appropriate. I will respond to the Member with the project level details once the Australian Government has considered and approved the Road Safety Program Tranche four funding submission.