

Question on Notice

No. 307

Asked on 30 March 2022

MR A PERRETT ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Transport and Main Roads advice that interim asphalt repairs will be undertaken on sections of the Bruce Highway at Chatsworth Gympie—

Will the Minister advise how much has been budgeted for the repairs?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Gympie for the question.

I can advise that interim asphalt repairs being completed on sections of the Bruce Highway at Chatsworth have an estimated cost of \$730,000, excluding GST. The pavement repairs will address road damage resulting from the recent severe rain events in January and February 2022.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its sixth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, outlining \$27.5 billion in investment over the next four years and estimated to support an average of 24,000 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$1.495 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Wide Bay Burnett District, which is estimated to support an average of 1380 direct jobs over the life of the program.

Queensland's world-leading pandemic response has made it the place to be and, to support the State's population boom, significant road upgrades are being delivered as part of *Queensland's COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan*. These upgrades provide immediate economic benefits, support more jobs, and deliver ongoing benefits of vital infrastructure for years to come.