

Question on Notice

No. 59

Asked on 23 February 2022

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

QUESTION:

With reference to Moore Park Beach with a population of 2,600 people who rely on Moore Park Road for access to services, regular flooding of Moore Park Road and poor drainage along sections of the road causing surface damage and subsidence—

Will the Minister commit sufficient funding to upgrade the flood immunity and condition of Moore Park Road in the coming year?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Burnett for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has commenced planning, including the development of a hydraulic flood model, to understand and mitigate flooding impacts on Moore Park Road. This planning will assist TMR in identifying a preferred option and costs for a future flood immunity upgrade of Moore Park Road.

This planning is a necessary precursor to prioritising and budgeting future funding allocations to the project. In the interim, I can advise that a new road condition sign has been installed on Bundaberg–Gin Gin Road, east of Moore Park Road, to provide advanced warning to motorists of road and flood conditions. Flood monitoring equipment has also been installed on Moore Park Road to monitor known flood areas.

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, \$2.441 billion is committed across TMR's Southern Queensland Region, which is estimated to support an average of 2515 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.