

Question on Notice

No. 1235

Asked on 12 October 2023

MRS L GERBER ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Palaszczuk Government's election commitment in 2020 to upgrade the Bienvenue Drive and Currumbin Creek Road intersection—

Will the Minister advise (a) why construction on this promised upgrade has not started and (b) if the Minister will guarantee the Currumbin Waters community will get the \$4m upgrade even if Federal Labor cut the Federal Government's portion of the funding?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Currumbin for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2023–24 to 2026–27* (QTRIP), which outlines \$32.1 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, \$5.504 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' South Coast Region, estimated to support an average of 4130 direct jobs over the life of the program.

As outlined in QTRIP, the Palaszczuk Government has contributed \$2 million for the Currumbin Creek Road and Bienvenue Drive upgrade intersection project.

The project is subject to the outcomes of the Australian Government's Independent Strategic Review of its Infrastructure Investment Program (the Review). Therefore, no decisions about this project will be made until the recommendations from the Review are known. The Palaszczuk Labor Government will fight for jobs and infrastructure in Queensland and will continue to work with the Australian Government to reach an outcome that benefits Queenslanders.