

Question on Notice

No. 1421

Asked on 14 November 2023

MR D PURDIE ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how much funding has been allocated to develop the business case for the widening of Eumundi Noosa Road and associated safety upgrades, including when (in terms of financial years) the funding has been allocated?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Ninderry for the question.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program (QTRIP) 2023–24 to 2026–27*, 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, \$3.147 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) North Coast Region, estimated to support an average of 2460 direct jobs over the life of the program.

Early planning completed by TMR in 2019 identified active transport, public transport and safety improvements as areas requiring more detailed consideration. Funding to develop business cases will be considered during future reviews of QTRIP, and against other competing priorities across the state.

The Palaszczuk Government has, however, committed a further \$300,000 to investigate staged improvements from Fellowship Drive to just west of Seib Road at Eumundi. The investigations will identify priority upgrades that can be considered in future business cases.