

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1490

asked on 16 November 2023

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**MR J LISTER** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING AND MINISTER FOR WATER (HON G BUTCHER)

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the total capital allocation for the Toowoomba to Warwick pipeline from 2023-24 to 2027-28 (reported separately by financial year)?

ANSWER:

I refer the Member to the 2023-24 Budget's Capital Statement on page 83. The Capital Statement is available at: [https://budget.qld.gov.au/files/Budget\\_2023-24\\_Capital\\_Statement.pdf](https://budget.qld.gov.au/files/Budget_2023-24_Capital_Statement.pdf)

Seqwater is developing its 2024-25 Capital Program which will be used to inform the 2024-25 State Budget process. This will include an updated cashflow for the Toowoomba to Warwick Pipeline for the financial years 2024-25 to 2027-28.

The Toowoomba to Warwick Pipeline is part of the Queensland Government's \$5.2 billion invested in water infrastructure since 2015, which is creating 3,400 jobs across the state.

The Queensland Government continues to deliver water infrastructure for the Southern Downs. As part of the Toowoomba to Warwick package of works, the Queensland Government is investing \$8.5 million to the Southern Downs Regional Council for water network monitoring to reduce water losses, as well as \$15 million to the Toowoomba Regional Council to supply water to Cambooya, Greenmount, Nobby, and Clifton.

In addition, the Queensland Government provided \$19 million as part of the Southern Downs Drought Resilience Program, which included work to increase Leslie Dam's usable capacity and upgrading its water treatment systems and pumps, increasing capacity by 1,700ML.

Construction of the Toowoomba to Warwick Pipeline will deliver approximately 420 jobs to the region, as well as long-term water security, which is critical to economic growth and liveability in these Southern Downs and Toowoomba communities.