

Question on Notice

No. 672

Asked on 24 May 2023

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

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise (a) if the Minister or the department have been consulted as part of the Federal Government's independent infrastructure review and (b) if so, the advice provided for each project being managed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Kawana for the question.

The Honourable Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, wrote to me on 9 May 2023 regarding the 2023–24 Federal Budget process and the Australian Government's Independent Strategic Review of its Infrastructure Investment Program (the Review).

Consultations have commenced and the Review team have met with officers from Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR). TMR has provided project descriptions to the Review and has not provided advice on projects at this time.

The Palaszczuk Government will continue to advocate for the state's share of the national program through this process. This must reflect Queensland's status as the state with the fastest growing and most decentralised population and also that our road, transport and rail investments are carefully planned to respond to that status.