

**Question on Notice**

**No. 978**

**Asked on 24 August 2023**

**MR A PERRETT ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS AND MINISTER FOR DIGITAL SERVICES (HON M BAILEY)—**

**QUESTION:**

With reference to proposed rehabilitation works to fix the ‘underlying geotechnical issues that have resulted in frequent potholing, rutting and other problems’ on a 5km stretch of Bruce Highway at Chatsworth in Gympie—

Will the Minister advise the cost of the project and timeline?

**ANSWER:**

I thank the Member for Gympie for the question.

In August 2023, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) commenced rehabilitation works to repair approximately two kilometres of the greater 4.7-kilometre site. The work will take approximately three months to complete, weather and conditions permitting. Rehabilitation works will occur at night between 6 pm and 6 am Sunday to Thursday to minimise disruptions to motorists. The budget for these rehabilitation works in the 2023–24 financial year is \$4.5 million.

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 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, \$1.231 billion is committed across TMR’s Wide Bay Burnett District, estimated to support an average of 1070 direct jobs over the life of the program.