

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 986**  
**Asked on 24 August 2023**

**MS S BOLTON** ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

**QUESTION:**

Will the Minister advise (a) what resources QPS have committed in 2023-24 and 2024-25 to enforcement activity for Operation Sandstorm on the Cooloola Coast and (b) what targets have been set for the operation.

**ANSWER:**

- (a) I am advised by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) that Operation Sandstorm is resourced through an intelligence-led policing approach where resources committed to the operation match demand.

The QPS will continue to deploy resources to the Cooloola Coast during special events, peak holiday periods and in response to intelligence findings indicative of deployment needs.

These deployments will be done in partnership with Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service and the Noosa Shire Council.

At present, the Sunshine Coast District Highway Patrol Unit has carriage of Operation Sandstorm, however resourcing deployments further consist of officers and support units attached to the Sunshine Coast and Wide Bay Burnett Districts.

The QPS continuously reviews demand for resourcing to the Cooloola Coast in accordance with an intelligence-led policing approach.

- (b) I am advised by the QPS that police will be targeting the Fatal 5 driver behaviours (Distraction, Speeding, Drink/Drug Driving, Driver Fatigue and Unrestrained Driving), in conjunction with vehicle compliance and anti-social behaviours.

An important component of Operation Sandstorm is education through public messaging and media campaigns showing footage of driver behaviours and police activities and enforcement in these areas.