

## Question on Notice

No. 375

Asked on 16 April 2024

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

### QUESTION:

With reference to the overtaking lanes on Tin Can Bay Road and answer to Question on Notice No. 852 of 2023—

Will the Minister advise (a) what options have been identified, (b) if community engagement has been completed and (c) if not, when it will occur?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Gympie for the question.

- (a) The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has completed a preliminary investigation for an overtaking lane on Tin Can Bay Road. The investigation looked at traffic volumes, demand, terrain, conflicts such as services (power and telecommunications), property accesses and their current uses, service road requirements, environmental constraints, existing corridor width and compliance with road design standards. TMR also sought feedback from local landowners about property access and turnout movements from the side roads to inform these investigations and assist with planning.

Investigations focused initially on opportunities for a new outbound overtaking lane between Gympie and east of Kin Kin Road, however investigations to date indicate there may be more cost effective options further east.

- (b) TMR has completed preliminary investigations, including targeted consultation, for an overtaking lane on Tin Can Bay Road.
- (c) TMR plans to undertake broader consultation in the second half of the year to help understand how widespread this issue is and if the community has any further feedback on the location of an overtaking lane.

The Miles 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.