

## Question on Notice

No. 48

Asked on 14 February 2024

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

### QUESTION:

With reference to the Tiaro flood immunity upgrade of the Bruce Highway (Tiaro bypass)— Will the Minister advise when detail design will be finalised and the proposed timelines for land resumption and commencement of construction?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Gympie for the question.

While the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is currently reviewing the effect of the Australian Government's Independent Infrastructure Review on projects, including the Tiaro Bypass, I can confirm the Tiaro Bypass remains funded for \$336 million following the review.

Detailed design and a current project estimate are progressing to ensure the project scope matches the available funding. Land and public utility relocation requirements will be finalised as part of the detailed design phase. Resumption processes typically take four to six months once the land requirements are confirmed. TMR will be able to confirm timelines for finalising the design and resumptions for individual Tiaro Bypass landowners later in the year. Construction timeframes will be confirmed upon completion of detailed design.

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 the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Wide Bay Burnett district, estimated to support an average of 1070 direct jobs over the life of the program.