

Question on Notice

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Asked on Tuesday 4 February 2020

MR D LAST ASKED MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Minister's advice last June that the Department of Transport and Main Roads was developing a strategy for the upgrading of May Downs Road—

Will the Minister provide an update on this strategy and when we can expect it to be finalised?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for Burdekin for the question.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads started a planning project for May Downs Road in July 2019, and is expected to complete this planning work late in the 2020–21 financial year.

The scope of the planning project includes investigation into upgrading unsealed sections of May Downs Road between Marlborough–Sarina Road and the Fitzroy Developmental Road. The planning will investigate paving, sealing and drainage works, as well as options for upgrading or rehabilitating the Isaac River Bridge.

As part of the planning process, the department will develop a business case detailing costs and benefits of upgrade options, and identify candidate investments for consideration in future programs.