

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Petitions
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Petitions Committee Public Hearing 25 February 2009
Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Question No.: DITRLG-pc 03

Division/Agency: Nation Building Infrastructure Investment

Topic: \$24 million towards Road Improvements along Bucketts Way

Hansard Page: PET 16 (25/02/09)

Mr CHESTER asked:

On the same theme: was that intended as part of a staged process where the \$20 million would get a certain amount of projects done as part of a five- or 10-year plan to upgrade the road? Is there an ongoing process planned for the improvements of this road, or was this only ever intended as a \$22-million-dollar project?

Answer:

\$20 million was paid in as part of the former Roads of National Importance Program. The project was staged over 4 years (completed in 2007) to complete approximately 32 sub projects to assist with the upgrading of the road. There are no plans in place from the Australian Government for the continuous improvement of the road.

A further \$2 million, which brings the total allocation on Bucketts Way to \$22 million, has been allocated to 3 projects along Bucketts Way under the Strategic Regional Program. Two projects are complete with the last one due for completion in June 2009.

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CHAIR asked:

Can you advise us of some of the improvements that have been made to Bucketts Way?

Answer:

The \$20 million in funding was for widening and road rehabilitation totalling approximately 41.5 km well as three bridge replacements.

The 3 projects totalling \$2 million under the Strategic Regional Program are:

- Replacing Broad Gully Bridge – due for completion in June 2009;
- Road Rehabilitation Deep Creek – complete; and
- Widening and Road Rehabilitation Krumbach – complete.