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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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How many rebuilding contracts has the Inspectorate assessed to date?

What were those contracts?

Answer:

As part of its review of Queensland's Value for Money strategy, the Reconstruction Inspectorate assessed the standard reconstruction contracts used by the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR), including the road construction, minor works and minor works performance contracts. Local government and state owned roads are a major focus accounting for approximately 80 per cent of the reconstruction effort in Queensland.

The Inspectorate is currently reviewing eight projects, submissions for which were made prior to the start of construction. Once contracts have been signed, the Inspectorate may request copies of these documents as part of its assessment of value for money.