Project overview

The Department of Transport and Main Roads is reconnecting communities and supporting recovery of regional economies after Severe Tropical Cyclone Marcia in 2015.

The Burnett River Bridge was washed away by floodwaters associated with this severe weather event and is to be reconstructed in 2016. Doval Constructions has been awarded the contract to construct the replacement bridge and work is expected to commence in July 2016.

Project scope

Eligible reconstruction works include the replacement of the bridge which will be partly funded under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements. To provide value for money for the community and minimise disruption, additional improvement works will be conducted at the same time using complementary State Government funding.

- Flood immunity will be improved with the bridge constructed from reinforced concrete.
- The curvature of the bridge approaches will be reduced and the bridge built two metres higher for improved alignment with Monto-Mount Perry Road.
- The new bridge will be wider to accommodate two lanes of traffic each with a one-metre shoulder allowance for improved driver safety.

Flood monitoring

Flood monitoring systems have been installed on the temporary river crossing to warn motorists when Monto-Mount Perry Road is not safe to cross.

The system triggers advance warning signs at the Kerwee Road and Burnett Highway intersections, diverting motorists from the river crossing once water reaches a predetermined level.

Construction impacts

The temporary river crossing on Monto-Mount Perry Road will help alleviate the impact on the community. During construction of the new bridge, motorists should be aware of changed traffic conditions, obey all traffic controller directions and signage and allow additional travel time during construction work. The department thanks the local community for their patience and cooperation during construction.

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