# Beams Road (Carseldine) Rail Level Crossing

## Project update - October 2019

The Queensland Government is undertaking a planning study to investigate options to reduce congestion and address safety concerns at the Carseldine level rail crossing on Beams Road. The planning study will identify possible options to address the congestion and safety issues at the level crossing and inform the preliminary business case. The Department of Transport and Main Roads consulted with the community in early-2019 and will keep the community informed as the project progresses.

### **Funding**

The Queensland Government has committed over \$6 million to progress the planning and design process for the Beams Road (Carseldine) Rail Level Crossing Project. The next stage will be to deliver a preliminary business case which will identify the preferred option. The preliminary business case is expected to be finalised in 2020. Future stages including design and construction are dependent on the outcome of the studies and funding availability that will compete against statewide priorities.

# Consultation outcomes and general feedback

The Queensland Government thanks the community for their input into the Beams Road (Carseldine) Rail Level Crossing planning study. Community feedback was received at a community drop-in session, over email and phone, and an online survey. This included feedback from:

- 211 users who completed an online survey about the project
- Approximately 40 people who attended an information session about the project
- 12 people who emailed about the project
- 4 people who phoned the project information line.

From all available feedback channels, most people want the crossing fixed, with some specifically preferring a road-over-rail overpass. Feedback also included suggestions to four-lane Beams Road, and support for interim solutions. Feedback themes are outlined in Figure 1.

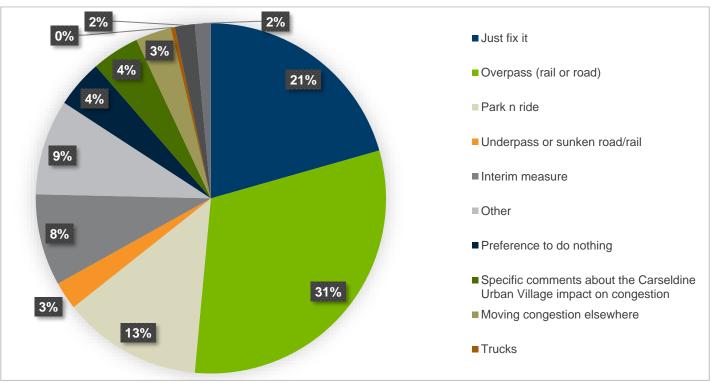


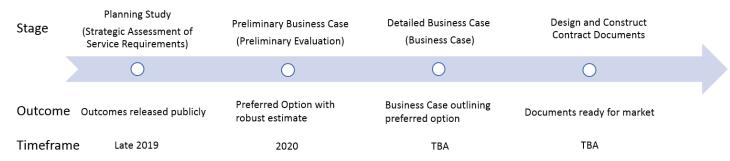
Figure 1: Feedback themes



The Beams Road (Carseldine) Rail Level Crossing planning study is a crucial first step investigating how to decrease congestion and improve safety at the crossing and will identify all feasible options including possible overpass alignments and interim solutions. Community feedback will be reflected in the study outcomes.

### **Process**

The table below outlines the deliverables for each investigation phase which follows the <u>Building Queensland Business Case</u> <u>Development Framework.</u>



### Key outcomes from planning study

The planning study identified key issues, constraints and long-term requirements following the Building Queensland Priority and Response Framework. This included a robust options analysis process to arrive at three feasible options:

- 1. Widening of the existing level crossing to four lanes.
- 2. Overpass (road over rail).
- 3. Overpass (rail over road).

The next step will be to undertake detailed analysis of the three feasible options, to determine the preferred option.



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