M1 PACIFIC MOTORWAY—VARSITY LAKES TO TUGUN

RESPONSIBLE AGENCY

Department of Transport and Main Roads

PROPOSAL STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT

Preliminary business case underway

PLANNED STAGE END DATE

Q4 2017 To be determined*

BUILDING QUEENSLAND'S ROLE

Assisting with preliminary business case



NEED

Traffic volumes on the 10-kilometre section of the M1 Motorway between Varsity Lakes and Tugun are exceeding capacity during the morning, afternoon, weekend and holiday periods causing high levels of congestion on a daily basis. Forecast increases in travel demand (including freight, tourism and airport related traffic) will further extend traffic delays, increasing travel times, decreasing reliability and risking road safety.

ESTIMATED COST

OF DELIVERY

PROPOSAL

The proposal is investigating the following options:

- » partial six-lane option on M1 Motorway
- » six-lane option on M1 Motorway.

BENEFITS

The project is expected to:

- improve capacity, travel times, reliability and safety
- optimise efficiency for freight, commercial and tourism transport
- » allow for future provision and integration of a heavy rail extension south from Varsity Lakes Station.



Complete preliminary business case.

*An estimate will be provided once the proposal has been developed further.

