PROJECT MANAGERS UPDATE - JANUARY 2012

Six options are short-listed to go forward for further investigation in the work to identify a preferred option for an additional crossing of the Clarence River at Grafton.

Community comment, a community and stakeholder workshop (November 2011), and technical investigations helped to identify the short-list of options.

The short-listed options are as follows:

- **E -** Cowan Street, South Grafton to Villiers Street, Grafton.
- **A -** New bridge parallel to and immediately upstream of the existing bridge connecting Bent Street, South Grafton and Fitzroy Street, Grafton.
- **C** Junction of Pacific Highway and Gwydir Highway, South Grafton to Pound Street, Grafton.
- **11 -** Existing Pacific Highway north of South Grafton to Fry Street, Grafton.
- **14 -** Existing Pacific Highway north of South Grafton to North Street, Grafton via Kirchner Street.
- **15 -** Existing Pacific Highway north of South Grafton to Summerland Way north of Grafton, via Kirchner Street.

The short-list of options is shown in the <u>January 2012 community update</u>.

Those property owners potentially directly affected by the six short-listed options are being contacted directly. If you have any questions or concerns please get in touch with the project team on 1800 633 332 or email graftonbridge@rta.nsw.gov.au.

Preliminary Route Options Report

The *Preliminary Route Options Report - Final* (January 2012) is available on the <u>project documents</u> page of this website. The report is in three parts:

Part 1 (August 2011) describes the existing environment in the Grafton area and potential issues and constraints relevant to an additional crossing.

Part 2 (October 2011) assesses the 25 preliminary route options, identified from the June 2011 Feasibility Assessment on the 41 community suggestions, against the project objectives.

Part 3 (January 2012) provides a summary of community feedback received and the community and stakeholder evaluation workshop. The process to identify the short-list of options to go forward and the short-listed options are described.

Interactive maps

The interactive maps are available. The maps the show the six options and the potential issues and constraints relevant to planning an additional crossing of the Clarence River. The information is from the *Preliminary Route Options Report*. Please click on this <u>web</u> link to view the maps.

If you require any further information or have any questions or comments on the additional crossing of the Clarence River, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone, email or letter.

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