

## **PROJECT MANAGERS UPDATE - SEPTEMBER 2012**

Message from Chris Clark

I am pleased to say that the Route Options Development Report on the six short-listed options announced in January this year is now available for community comment.

The report describes the preliminary concept designs for each of the six options and provides an assessment of each of the six options against a range of considerations.

A copy of the September 2012 community update and the *Route Options Development Report* is available on the project documents page of this website, by visiting a display location or contacting the project team.

The report includes technical papers for the six route options on traffic, flooding, geotechnical, landscape and urban design, social and economic, Aboriginal and non Aboriginal heritage, flora and fauna, noise, cost and value for money.

Your feedback will provide valuable input into the decision on a preferred route option and is invited by 10 October 2012.

Over the next month there will be a number of opportunities to get involved in the project, learn about the six options and share your feedback, including staffed displays, information sessions, a public forum, a radio forum and an online forum. Please see the September 2012 community update for details.

I acknowledge that the release of this report is later than what was anticipated. Since January 2012 a lot of work has gone into detailed investigations and refining the designs for the six route options to ensure that the information is thorough and robust. RMS is working towards the display of a recommended preferred option by the end of the year.

This is an important phase in the process and I encourage you to stay involved while the project moves forward. Community comment, the technical investigations and the outcomes of a value management workshop will help a decision on the preferred route option.

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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