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Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2020-2021

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services

Ref: Infrastructure Planning, Transport and City Services Annual Report 2020-2021 p38

In relation to: Molonglo River Bridge

- 1. Is the tender for detailed design and construction for the Molonglo River Bridge still on track to be released in March 2022?
 - a. If not, what is the cause of the delay?
- 2. How many expressions of interest did the government receive for this tender?
- 3. The project description on the City Services website states that "the bridge will also provide an opportunity to provide habitat for native fauna. This could include platypus nesting sites habitat for striped legless lizard, water birds and bats". How exactly could this bridge provide a habitat for platypus nesting sites and bats?

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

- 1. Yes. The tender was released on 11 March 2022.
 - a. N/A
- 2. Three 'Expressions of Interest' were received.
- 3. The works include remediation and enhancement of the Molonglo River Reserve within the limit of works area. The arrangement and details of platypus nesting sites and bat habitat will be determined as part of the overall design.

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Signature:

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By the Minister for Transport and City Services, Mr Chris Steel MLA