

Western Brisbane Transport Network Investigation

Fact sheet

The Western Brisbane Transport Network Investigation is a strategic study focussed on the investigation of regionally significant transport links and travel patterns across western Brisbane.

Assessment framework

Assessing our strategies

The investigation team is working towards the development of a preferred transport network strategy for western Brisbane. To achieve this, a number of draft network strategies will be produced to show what our future might look like if different combinations of transport improvement options and assumptions about the future are made.

“ *Each strategy will be assessed against five key objectives.* ”

So how is the final preferred strategy selected? How do we determine which strategy is the best fit for south east Queensland?



The assessment framework

The assessment framework provides a way for the investigation team to measure different strategies against each other. It uses the same criteria for each so that they are judged in the same way.

Each strategy will be assessed against five key objectives – social, environmental, economic, government policy and strategic fit. Each of these includes performance measures. Some examples of these include:

Objectives	Examples of Performance Measures
Social	Safety - how many accidents occur on the network? Is this safe? Severance of communities - if construction occurs, will communities be divided?
Environmental	Flora and fauna - what will the effect be on wildlife and eco-systems? Air Quality - will air quality be better or worse?
Economic	Economic development - what are the benefits of this solution to the economy? Travel times - will these be reduced or increased?
Government Policy	Land use - does it agree with urban footprint objectives in the South East Queensland Regional Plan? Public transport - is it consistent with policy to deliver improvements to the public transport network?
Strategic Fit	Network Integration - has this been achieved? Links to other regions - is this in line with regional plans?

A broad assessment table has been produced that allows for strategies to be assessed against both the key objectives and each other. A clear comparison of strategies will then emerge by filling in the assessment table with data from the assessment of each strategy.



The assessment table (example only)

Objectives	Strategies				
	1	2	3	4	5
Social - performance measures					
Environmental - performance measures					
Economic - performance measures					
Government Policy - performance measures					
Strategic Fit - performance measures					

Definitions

Scenario: A scenario provides a picture of a possible transport future. It is not a prediction or a forecast. Scenarios are used to guide the selection of transport network strategies.

Strategies: A transport network strategy is a package of proposals designed to meet the project objectives and address future transport demand. It details key future transport network improvement options and why they were selected.

Assessment Framework: The assessment framework provides a way for the investigation team to measure different strategies against each other – using the same criteria for each so that they are treated the same.

Objectives: Objectives are the outcomes (social, environmental, economic, etc) which the strategies need to satisfy.

Performance Measures: Performance measures relate to the objectives. They provide measurable effects to compare the performance of strategies against objective outcomes.

Transport Improvement Options: Individual potential projects.

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