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# Major Project Business Case Fund

## Second M1 (Coomera Connector)

**State/Territory:** Queensland

**Proposed AG funding:** \$10 million

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The business case for the Second M1 (Coomera Connector) will consider an alternative route for motorists travelling between Brisbane and the Gold Coast. The gazetted corridor extends for 45 kilometres between the Logan Motorway and Pacific Motorway interchange at Loganholme and Nerang–Broadbeach Road in Nerang.

This project is expected to be funded on a 50:50 basis with the Queensland Government.

### PROBLEM DESCRIPTION

With more than 180,000 vehicles travelling on the M1 Pacific Motorway each day and strong population growth in south-east Queensland, the development of an alternative route for motorists travelling between the Gold Coast and Brisbane is imperative. Planning for a Second M1 is becoming increasingly important to improve the reliability and resilience of the entire network.

### PROJECT BENEFITS

A second M1 corridor is expected to:

- **Relieve pressure on the M1 by providing more route choices for local traffic and additional crossings of the Logan, Coomera and Nerang Rivers.**
- **Provide improved connections and accessibility to more transport options on the northern Gold Coast.**
- **Reduce travel time between Brisbane and the Gold Coast by reducing the number of local trips on the M1.**
- **Increase safety on the M1 by reducing congestion and potential queuing on the M1.**
- **Provide more reliable travel times between Brisbane and the Gold Coast.**