

Committees/advisory groups associated with the department

In accordance with section 18(f) of the *Freedom of Information Act 1992*, we are required to publish a list of all boards, councils, committees and other bodies constituted by two or more persons that (i) are a part of, or that have been established for the purpose of advising, the agency; and (ii) whose meetings are open to the public or the minutes of whose meetings are available for public inspection. This list is provided in Table 27 below:

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Committees/advisory groups	Responsibilities	Functions	Achievements during 2008–09	Meeting open to the public	Public minutes available
Motorbike Safety Working Group	Provide advice to the Land Transport and Safety Division aimed at increasing the safety of motorbike riders on Queensland roads	Provides a forum through which members can contribute to the understanding of crashes involving motorbikes, and comment on research, policy development and motorbike safety campaigns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the development of the Queensland Motorcycle Safety Strategy 2009–2012, participated in a workshop and provided feedback and comment Provided comment and feedback during the development of media and education campaigns conducted by Queensland Transport and aimed specifically at motorcyclists 	No	Yes
Q-RIDE Registered Service Provider Meetings (included as per recommendation 6 of TravelSafe recommendations enquiry no. 47)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide a forum for discussions between Queensland Transport and service providers Raise and resolve state-wide issues affecting the service providers Engage service providers about policy issues Enable information exchange and distribution Encourage consistent training and assessment 	To improve and develop the high standard and consistency of training levels amongst the registered service providers across the state	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved compliance strategy Improved performance monitoring Enhanced communication strategy Scheme review to incorporate TravelSafe recommendations for motorbike safety 	No	Yes
Queensland Road Safety Committee	Provide advice to the Transport Minister on matters affecting road safety Provide guidance on the development and implementation of the Queensland Road Safety Strategy and associated action plans	To provide a forum for the exchange of information between stakeholders on road safety matters	No meetings held for this report period	No	Yes
Road Freight Industry Council	Provide advice to the Transport Minister on matters affecting the road freight industry	To promote efficient, safe road freight operations and improved road asset protection and contribute to achieving an appropriate balance between regulation and free enterprise	Established the Road Freight Industry Council Safety Committee to identify, promote, and encourage, safety initiatives for the heavy vehicle industry	No	Yes
Safety Culture Marine Safety Committees Airlie Beach, Brisbane, Gold Coast, Cairns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify opportunities that increase application of contemporary practice in risk and safety management by commercial vessel owners and operators Contribute with other stakeholders to inform marine safety policy development or regulatory change 	Arrange annual industry forums to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> promote industry engagement appraise the commercial marine industry of important developments or initiatives that affect marine safety source investment to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> support delivery of key initiatives transition the committees to self funded entities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Worked in partnership with the Brisbane Marine Safety Committee to deliver the 2008 Annual Commercial Marine Industry Forum Maritime Safety Queensland made a significant financial investment to assist the Airlie Beach Marine Safety Committee to progress establishment of the Marine Safe Accreditation Scheme 	Yes	Yes
Gateway Duplication – Pedestrian, Cycle and Accessibility special Interest Group	Support best-practice cycling and walking outcomes	Promote cycling and walking activity	Challenged design amendments including: introduction of ramps, 10km/h speed restrictions and bollards	No	Minutes available on request

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Name or title of forum	Forums are held	Issues considered	Department of Transport and Main Road's role (participant/ chair/lead agency)
Rail Safety Regulators' Panel	Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational issues for example, implementation of model legislation Development of national documents to promote consistency Uniform administration Learnings from major rail incidents 	Chair and secretariat
Data Reference Group	As needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development and implementation of National Rail Safety Data Strategy 	Chair
Rail Safety Consultative Forum	Three times a year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational issues affecting rail operators throughout Australia (including tourist and heritage) 	Co-chair
Queensland Rail Safety Consultative Forum	Quarterly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational issues impacting rail operators in Queensland 	Chair
Rail Safety Policy and Regulation Group	Six to eight weeks before the Standing Committee on Transport (SCOT) meeting, but may hold special meetings as required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor, evaluate and advise on the implementation of the COAG rail safety reform agenda items and other nationally agreed rail safety reforms Provide advice on implementation of outstanding COAG rail safety reform agenda items Provide advice on rail safety policy initiatives to further the National Transport Policy framework Take a forward-looking approach to identify emerging strategic rail safety policy issues and recommend ways to address these issues. Develop a work program consistent with the above 	Participant
National Rail Level Crossing Group	Twice yearly or on an as needed basis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide guidance, advice and direction through the Safety and Security Working to the Australian Transport Council on national policy and initiatives that will achieve reduction in the likelihood of crashes and near misses at Australian rail level crossings 	Participant
Queensland Level Crossing Safety Committee	As required	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide advice and make recommendations on the policy directions, management and standards for railway level crossings (except cane rail crossings) in Queensland for the protection and safety of the public and reduction of the risk 	Chair
Rail Industry Safety Managers Group	Three times a year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational issues affecting rail operators throughout Australia 	Presenter as Chair of Rail Safety Regulators' Panel
AusRail and Rail Safety Conference (national conferences)	Once a year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion about the challenges, technologies and safety issues facing rail industry 	Presenter and participant
Consultation with industry, unions and other stakeholders	As needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public consultation with stakeholders regarding the development of two national guidelines and new dangerous goods legislation 	Lead agency