

Hon Tim Mulherin MP

Member for Mackay

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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter of 6 December 2010 concerning the petition (No.1454-10) as received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly and presented by the Honourable Paul Lucas MP, Deputy Premier and Minister for Health.

The mangroves along the foreshores of Wynnum to Lota are the subject of a draft mangrove management strategy initiative, developed jointly by the Brisbane City Council (BCC) and staff from Fisheries Queensland, a service of the Department of Employment Economic Development and Innovation (DEEDI). The strategy will provide long-term protection for almost 10 km of foreshore mangroves and a further 2.5 km of foreshore mangroves subject to minor modifications, for example thinning and canopy lifting. The remaining foreshore, mostly mangrove free at this time, will be kept in that state to allow for views of Moreton Bay and related recreational activities along the foreshore.

I am advised that DEEDI has endorsed the final version of the draft strategy and it remains for BCC to add its formal support to allow the strategy to be implemented. Once this is achieved, the strategy will be available on both BCC and DEEDI webpages.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Dr John Beumer, DEEDI on telephone 07 32242238 or email john.beumer@deedi.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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