

The Honourable Scott Emerson MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads

Our ref: PET 13132

Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2290-14 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Rob Molhoek MP, Member for Southport on 24 November 2014 about future stages of the Gold Coast Light Rail system.

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The Gold Coast Light Rail system has been designed to be delivered in a number of stages to respond to the growth of the Gold Coast.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads has been undertaking preliminary work to identify a potential future alignment of the light rail system to connect with the heavy rail corridor at the northern end of the Gold Coast.

The government wants a value-for-money solution for Stage 2 of the light rail system and will assess the performance of Stage 1 before making a decision.

A decision on the preferred alignment for Stage 2 has not yet been made by government.

The department will continue to undertake preliminary planning in relation to possible future extensions of the light rail system.

Yours sincerely

Scott Emerson MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads