

## Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

## Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petitions 3622-21 and 3511-21 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Anthony Perrett MP, Member for Gympie on 12 October 2021 about safety issues on state-controlled roads from Gympie to Tin Can Bay and Rainbow Beach.

I can confirm the state-controlled roads connecting these two locations are Tin Can Bay Road and Rainbow Beach Road. The Queensland Government has allocated over \$23 million in safety improvements on Tin Can Bay Road and Rainbow Beach Road from 2007 to 2021, including the following projects:

- a \$700,000 jointly funded project under Tranche 2 of the Australian Government's Road Safety Program to install wide centre line treatment on a 36-kilometre section of Tin Can Bay Road, between Lillis Road and Dugong Street. Works will also include audio tactile linemarking on a 13-kilometre section of Tin Can Bay Road, south of Dugong Street. The project is currently underway and will be completed in the coming weeks, weather permitting
- a \$470,000 Safer Roads Sooner (SRS) project to upgrade the Tin Can Bay Road and Kin Kin Road intersection, with an extension of the existing turning lanes, as well as guardrail and signage improvements. Works are expected to be completed by mid-2022
- a \$178,000 SRS project to install a mid-block pedestrian refuge on Rainbow Beach Road, between the Double Island Drive and Cypress Avenue intersections. Works are expected to be completed by mid-2022
- a \$312,000 SRS project to upgrade the Tin Can Bay and Maryborough–Cooloola Road intersection. Works were completed in 2020
- the \$18 million Coondoo Creek bridge replacement project, a jointly funded project with the Australian Government contributing \$5 million and the Queensland Government contributing \$13 million. The bridge was officially opened on 18 November 2020.

The Palaszczuk Government has also invested \$300,000 in the 2021–22 to 2023–24 financial years to investigate potential locations for additional overtaking opportunities on Tin Can Bay Road. This planning will assist with identifying potential future upgrades and cost so that funding opportunities can be considered.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads' (TMR) records indicate there have been four fatal crashes on Tin Can Bay Road between 2011 and 2019, and 13 fatal crashes for the 18-year reporting period between 2001 and 2019.

TMR will continue to monitor Tin Can Bay Road and Rainbow Beach Road to ensure these roads remain in a safe and trafficable condition.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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