

## 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 petition 3159-19, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Lachlan Millar, Member for Gregory on Tuesday 20 August 2019 about a new bus interchange and the drop-off/pick-up zone for Emerald State High School.

I am advised that following a school transport safety investigation on 24 June 2019 which Mr Lachlan Millar MP attended, the school community, Education Queensland (EQ), Central Highlands Regional Council (CHRC) and the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) have been working on design options for an onsite bus set down/interchange at Emerald State High School. Servicing multiple schools in Central Highlands region, this interchange will improve safety by separating the public transport function from other modes.

I am further advised, subject to a design being approved by both EQ and CHRC, the intention is to progress an application through TMR's School Transport Infrastructure Program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads