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Dear Mr Laurie

I write to you in response to petition 3038-18, regarding the development of a car park within the Weinam Creek Priority Development Area (PDA). Specifically, the petition requests Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) to expedite the approval of a development application, by Redland Investment Corporation (RIC) for a car park on Moores Road, to alleviate long-term parking pressures and assist in development sequencing within the Weinam Creek PDA.

I am aware that parking is a key issue in the Weinam Creek PDA, with particularly high demand for long-term parking for residents from the Southern Moreton Bay Island communities and ferry users. It is noted that similar petitions have been made to both the Legislative Assembly and Redland City Council in the past regarding the need for parking at Weinam Creek. I acknowledge the number of respondents in the current petition and I will ensure that the petition is given due consideration by EDQ.

EDQ has undertaken pre-lodgement meetings with RIC to discuss a proposed application for a material change of use for a car park and pedestrian bridge over Weinam Creek and operational works for vegetation clearing, filling and excavation and tidal works. RIC has not yet submitted this development application.

When an application is submitted and properly made in accordance with the *Economic Development Act 2012*, it will be assessed against the Weinam Creek PDA Development Scheme. During this time a decision will also be made as to whether the development application will be publicly notified. While I acknowledge there is demand for the expedited delivery of car parking in the Weinam Creek PDA, any development proposal is required to follow due process. EDQ will make every effort to assess the development application and provide a recommendation to the Toondah Harbour and Weinam Creek Local Representative Committee in a timely manner.

If further information is required, the petitioners can contact Ms Brianna Fyffe, Principal Planner, Development Assessment, EDQ, Department of State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning on (07) 3452 7167 or alternatively email at brianna.fyffe@dsdmip.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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