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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petitions 3994-23 and 3945-23, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Deborah Frecklington MP, Member for Nanango on 28 November 2023 about Kingaroy–Barkers Creek Road upgrades near Kingaroy.

I can confirm the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) is working with South Burnett Regional Council to widen and seal multiple locations on Kingaroy–Barkers Creek Road, between Wattle Camp Road and just after Glenmore Road. This section of Kingaroy–Barkers Creek Road has an annual average daily traffic count of 748 vehicles.

Works are underway to seal this single lane section to a six-metre sealed width that will allow for two lanes. Shoulder preparation works began on 20 November 2023. Inclement weather has disrupted progress of these works, however, they will continue when possible. Once pavement works are complete, the shoulders will be bitumen sealed.

Up-to-date information about traffic disruptions and site-specific timeframes for roadworks will be published at www.qldtraffic.qld.gov.au.

The Queensland Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2023–24 to 2026–27*, which outlines \$32.1 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$1.231 billion is committed across TMR's Wide Bay Burnett District, estimated to support an average of 1070 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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