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

I refer to my interim response to petition 3354-20 about safety concerns at the intersection at Moodlu, where King Street meets the D'Aguilar Highway, which was tabled on 8 October 2020.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) notes the concerns raised. As previously advised in my 18 May 2020 response to petitions 3306-20 and 3324-20, TMR has investigated the request for an acceleration lane to assist vehicles turning left from King Street onto the D'Aguilar Highway. As part of this investigation, TMR identified that the Lord Lane intersection would be located near the end of the acceleration lane and introduce unacceptable safety risks. The investigation concluded the requested merge lane was not a feasible treatment at this time.

Previous planning looked at extending Lord Lane to Williams Road and closing the existing intersection. Relocating Lord Lane intersection further west, as suggested by the petitioners, does not align with early planning.

TMR receives many requests for intersection upgrades, which are prioritised across the state to ensure funding is directed to areas of greatest need. Priorities and upgrade treatments are determined by consideration of site-specific factors that include recorded crash history, traffic volumes, road geometry and visibility. Locations with a high recorded crash history (using data from the Queensland Police Service) are prioritised over locations with a low recorded crash history.

Based on those factors, TMR's advises the intersection of King Street and the D'Aguilar Highway is not a current priority for upgrade. However, I have asked that TMR continue to monitor the intersection.

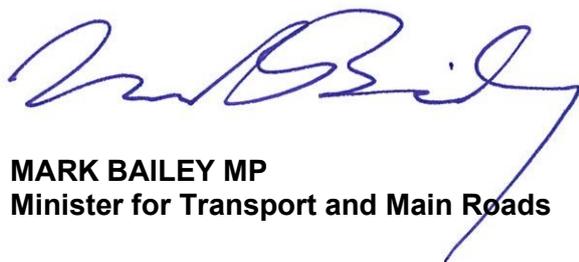
Petitioners may also note TMR is undertaking detailed design on a \$12 million project to improve road safety on a four-kilometre section of the D'Aguilar Highway between King Street intersection, west of Caboolture and the township of Wamuran. Works include widening the four-kilometre section of the highway, installing a one-metre-wide centre line treatment, and removing roadside vegetation to improve visibility and reduce the potential for cross-centre line crashes.

The upgrade is fully funded by the Palaszczuk Government. Design for the project is expected to be completed in the coming months, with construction currently planned for the 2020–21 financial year.

If you require further information, please contact TMR's North Coast District by email at northcoast@tmr.qld.gov.au or telephone on 5451 7055.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline that extends downwards and to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads