

The Hon Dr Anthony Lynham MP Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy

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Mr Neil Laurie The Clerk of the Parliament Parliament House Cnr George and Alice Streets BRISBANE QLD 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

Thank you for your letter referring for response Petition 2819/17 (the petition) as tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 15 February 2018.

Gold Coast City Council (council), as both the landowner and an approved entity, is responsible for any work undertaken to repair bed and bank erosion upstream of the John Muntz Bridge on the Coomera River. Under the riverine protection permit exemption requirements, council may undertake the work without a riverine protection permit under section 814 of the *Water Act 2000*. A copy of the riverine protection permit exemption requirements may be obtained at the Queensland Government Business Portal at www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/mining-energy-water/water/ authorisations/riverine-protection.

Officers from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy have been in contact with council to provide assistance with approvals that council may require for any proposed work.

I would be pleased if you would arrange the tabling of this response under Standing Order 125(3). Any enquiries regarding this response can be referred to Mr Paul Woodland, Chief of Staff, on telephone 3719 7360.

Yours sincerely

Dr Anthony Lynham MP

Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy