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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 number 2944-18 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Nikki Boyd MP, Member for Pine Rivers on 4 September 2018 about Eatons Crossing Road, Cashmere.

I acknowledge the residents' road safety concerns, and can advise that the Department of Transport and Main Roads is currently undertaking detailed investigations on the curved section of Eatons Crossing Road at the Somers Street intersection. These investigations are part of a \$600,000 survey and engineering investigation underway along the full length of Eatons Crossing Road.

The survey will enable the department to develop a list of prioritised improvements that will then be considered for funding under the Targeted Road Safety Program.

The Somers Street intersection is currently serviced by a dedicated turn lane from Eatons Crossing Road to assist westbound, right-turning motorists. I am advised that neither of the two fatal crashes that have occurred in proximity to this intersection were related to turning manoeuvres at the intersection, or to the intersection configuration.

In relation to access arrangements to Eatons Crossing Road, the department will review the existing arrangements and take steps to resolve any unapproved access arrangements. Preliminary investigations suggest some access arrangements may have been constructed prior to 1991, when approval for access to state-controlled roads was not required for most residential accesses.

With regard to vegetation concerns between the Somers Street and Clear Mountain Road intersections with Eatons Crossing Road, I can advise that the department has reviewed the vegetation and found no immediate maintenance is required. However, the department will continue to monitor the vegetation in this area as part of its routine maintenance activities.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads