

Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3423-20, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 1 December 2020 about Coomera station park 'n' ride upgrade.

The Palaszczuk Government recognises the importance of continued investment in our public transport network to enable Queenslanders to connect more easily to health services, education, jobs and with each other.

Park 'n' ride facilities are a crucial part of the transport network, particularly in South East Queensland. Park 'n' ride facilities can increase public transport patronage and reduce congestion.

I am pleased to confirm the Coomera park 'n' ride project is funded for design and construction with \$17 million committed by the Australian and Queensland governments. This project is part of the Palaszczuk Government's \$210 million park 'n' ride program (including \$38.5 million from the Australian Government), which will deliver more than 4000 new park 'n' ride spaces across South East Queensland over the next four years.

Further information on the Coomera park 'n' ride project will be released during community consultation in early 2021.

It is only a Palaszczuk Labor Government that will invest in public transport, in stark contrast with the previous LNP Government that cut \$1.6 billion from the state's roads and transport budget, which included sacking 1700 Queensland Rail workers and 700 Roadtek workers.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads