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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie *Neil*

I refer to the interim response to petition 4147-24, about upgrading the Bruce Highway between Curra and the planned Tiaro Bypass by the former Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services, Mr Bart Mellish MP, which was tabled on 10 October 2024.

On 1 November 2024, I was appointed as Minister for Transport and Main Roads and, as such, I now provide a final response to this petition.

The Crisafulli Government understands the important role the Bruce Highway plays for Queensland. That is why we are fighting hard for the Federal Government to reinstate the 80:20 funding arrangements that previously existed but were removed by the Albanese Government. Simply put, 80:20 funding means we can do more, such as upgrades between Curra and Maryborough.

The Crisafulli Government has also committed to reinstating the Bruce Highway Advisory Council to guide future investment in the highway and help advocate for our fair share of Federal Government funding.

In the meantime, the Department of Transport and Main Roads will continue to deliver targeted intersection improvements, safety treatments, reseal programs and pavement improvements at high priority locations along the highway between Curra and Maryborough, as well as carry out regular inspections and maintenance works.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

BRENT MICKELBERG MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads



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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 4147-24, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Anthony Perrett MP, Member for Gympie on 10 September 2024 about upgrading the Bruce Highway between Curra and the planned Tiaro Bypass.

As the Government is currently in caretaker mode, I am unable to provide a substantive response to the petition at this time. Therefore, under Standing Order 125 6 (a), I am providing this letter as an interim response to the petition.

In accordance with s 59 A of the *Parliament of Queensland Act 2001* and Standing Order 31, I request that this interim response be tabled during the period that the Legislative Assembly is dissolved.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of fluid, connected strokes that form a stylized representation of the name 'Bart Mellish'.

BART MELLISH MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads
Minister for Digital Services