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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 3830-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Jim McDonald MP, Member for Lockyer on 1 December 2022, about the planned overpass on the Warrego Highway at Glenore Grove.

The Queensland Government acknowledges the road safety and flooding concerns on the Warrego Highway at this location and understands the significant impact that this has on the local and regional community and the national freight supply chain.

Warrego Highway corridor protection has been completed. Planning to support corridor protection has informed Warrego Highway upgrade priorities between Dinmore and Helidon Spa including at the Forest Hill – Fernvale Road intersection at Glenore Grove. Project details and timing for future investment are yet to be determined. The current focus for upgrades on the Warrego Highway is primarily on safety and efficiency with a longer-term goal of improving flood immunity and building resilient, connected communities.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$2.650 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Southern Queensland Region, estimated to support an average of 2670 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

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