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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 4053-24, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Michael Crandon MP, Member for Coomera on 30 April 2024 about a full upgrade and duplication of the overpass at the Ormeau Interchange (Exit 45).

I can advise that \$1.5 million has been allocated in the indicative years of the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program (QTRIP) 2023–24 to 2026–27* on a 50:50 federal:state basis by the Australian and Queensland governments, to undertake planning to investigate an upgrade of the Ormeau Interchange (Exit 45). Once this planning has been completed, the Queensland Government will consider opportunities to fund a future upgrade of the Ormeau Interchange, in partnership with the Australian Government, as part of future QTRIP development and national partnering agreements.

Projects such as these are made possible by a Labor Government and are part of the Building a Better M1 plan. Comparatively, the Newman Government failed to allocate any funding to the Pacific Motorway M1 when in power.

The Miles Government is delivering its eighth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *QTRIP 2023–24 to 2026–27*, which outlines \$32.1 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, \$5.504 billion is committed across the Department of Transport and Main Roads' South Coast Region, estimated to support an average of 4130 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bart Mellish".

BART MELLISH MP
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