



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports
Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply

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Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2666-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Aaron Harper MP, Member for Thuringowa, on 29 November 2016 about the intersection of Hervey Range Road and Rangewood Drive.

In October 2016, the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) completed a \$7.8 million project to improve safety and travelling conditions on a 13 kilometre stretch of Hervey Range Road. Delivery of this Targeted Road Safety project was brought forward as part of the Palaszczuk Government's \$210 million Accelerated Works Program for the Townsville region.

Construction of an acceleration lane at the intersection of Hervey Range Road and Rangewood Drive was not included as part of this project. TMR's analysis of the intersection, based on a review of crash history, traffic volumes and engineering considerations, shows that an acceleration lane is not currently warranted at this location.

TMR will continue to monitor the safety performance of the Hervey Range Road and Rangewood Drive intersection. If an upgrade does become necessary, TMR will either include these works in future funding submissions or consider the works as part of future upgrades along Hervey Range Road.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mark Bailey', written in a cursive style.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports and
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