

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

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2615-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Shane Knuth MP, Member for Dalrymple, on 16 August 2016 about upgrading and widening Return Creek bridge at Mount Garnet.

I note the concerns raised by the petitioners with safety and driver behaviour at this narrow bridge. Safety is the number one priority of the Palaszczuk Government and my Department is listening and consulting with individuals and the community on this and other important issues across the state-controlled road network.

I am pleased to advise that officers from my department met with Mr Knuth at Return Creek bridge on 8 August 2016, to discuss the community's concerns. As a result of this meeting, TMR will identify short, medium and long-term solutions to improve safety for all motorists at this location. In the short-term, this will include a review of the placement and effectiveness of give way signs, line-marking, associated approach speeds and warning signs. In the medium to long-term, my department will also investigate widening works for the bridge. TMR will also liaise with the Queensland Police Service on driver behaviour at this location.

Yours sincerely

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