

Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to my interim response to petition 3387-20 about the removal of the guard rail and widening of East Coast Road, North Stradbroke Island, which was tabled on 8 October 2020.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has previously investigated this request and can advise the guardrail was installed to protect road users from the steep and sudden 'drop offs' that are located behind the guardrail.

In order to safely relocate the guardrail, it would be necessary to undertake works to widen both the embankment and pavement. Undertaking these works would incur significant cost and involve clearing of vegetation. TMR receives many requests for road upgrades, which are prioritised across the state to ensure funding is directed to areas of greatest need. At this time, there is no funding or plans to undertake these works.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads