

## Minister for Transport and Main Roads

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3567-21 and 3517-21, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr James McDonald MP, Member for Lockyer on 15 June 2021 about unlawful heavy vehicle movements on Murphy's Creek Road.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) acknowledges that traffic volume data indicates a significant increase in the number of vehicles using Murphy's Creek Road since 2018, when the Toowoomba Bypass was opened.

In late 2020, TMR reviewed the speed zones on Murphy's Creek Road and reduced the speed limit in several zones by 10 km/h. The speed signage was subsequently updated, and additional safety signage was installed to highlight the speed limits in the area. Exceeding the speed limit is a compliance issue, and enforcement falls under the responsibility of the Queensland Police Service.

TMR has no evidence to suggest there is unlawful use of heavy vehicles on Murphy's Creek Road and currently has no plans to implement further signage in the area or undertake upgrades. TMR's compliance officers will continue to monitor Murphy's Creek Road for unlawful heavy vehicle activity and will address any instances of non-compliance.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads