



The Honourable Scott Emerson MP  
Minister for Transport and Main Roads

Our ref: PET 12904

Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

**24 SEP 2014**

Mr Neil Laurie  
The Clerk of the Parliament  
Parliament House  
George Street  
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2306-14 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Anne Maddern MP, Member for Maryborough on 9 September 2014 about a floodway located on Torbanlea–Pialba Road near Torbanlea State School.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) has advised it has identified the need to upgrade this floodway as a future priority. However, unfortunately in the current budget constrained environment, the construction of the project is unable to be accommodated within the funds available to TMR. As the state's fiscal situation improves, the merit of funding the works will be considered against other competing priorities for available state funds in the development of future Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Programs.

Please be assured that TMR understands the impacts on the local community caused by heavy rainfall and localised flooding in this area. I can confirm that planning and design activities have been completed to ensure TMR is in the best possible position to construct the project when future funding becomes available.

Yours sincerely

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