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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petitions 4241-25 and 4287-25, lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 26 August 2025 about a speed limit change on Maryborough–Cooloola Road (locally known as Maryborough–Boonooroo Road).

I acknowledge the hard work of the Member for Maryborough, Mr John Barounis MP, in advocating to me in relation to road safety matters in his electorate.

In late 2024, the Department of Transport and Main Roads presented findings from a speed limit review of this section of Maryborough–Cooloola Road to the Fraser Coast Speed Management Committee (SMC). The SMC—which includes representatives from the Queensland Police Service, Fraser Coast Regional Council and my department—endorsed retaining the existing 80km/h speed limit at this location.

My department has since reviewed its findings, and I can confirm there have been insufficient changes to the determining factors considered during the original speed limit review process that would influence or alter the outcome endorsed by the SMC.

Nevertheless, I have asked that my department continue to monitor the state-controlled road network to identify any emerging patterns or trends that warrant further investigation.

To that extent, I intend to continue the dialogue with the Member for Maryborough to ensure that as many positive road and transport outcomes can be achieved within his electorate as possible.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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Minister for Transport and Main Roads