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Your ref: 4292-25

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Mr Neil Laurie  
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to the petition 4292-25 received by the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 18 November 2025 about suspending changes to Local Government Flood Overlay Codes. The Queensland Government acknowledges the importance of accurate and current flood mapping to support effective planning and development.

After a decade of decline under the former Labor Government, the Crisafulli Government is delivering a Fresh Start for Queensland. Throughout Labor's decade of decline, housing lot approvals slumped by 29 per cent leading to record-low rental vacancy rates and a skyrocketing social housing waitlist across Queensland. By reversing Labor's housing crisis, we will give more Queenslanders a place to call home.

Natural hazards, including flood, are recognised as a State interest in the State Planning Policy (SPP). State planning interests are enacted through Local Government planning schemes. Local Governments are responsible for undertaking local flood studies and incorporating flood information into their planning schemes.

The Crisafulli Government is currently reviewing the State Planning Policy which guides flood risk assessments to ensure property rights are maintained, and better planning outcomes are achieved. This review will focus on enhancing clarity and ensuring the planning framework is responsive to current and emerging priorities, including supporting housing supply, economic development and common-sense flood resilience.

The concerns raised in the petition will be considered as part of the SPP review. The Crisafulli Government remains committed to working with Local Governments and stakeholders to ensure flood mapping and planning frameworks balance growth and property rights.

Logan City Council is currently reviewing submissions on their draft planning scheme, including many related to the draft flood mapping already reflected in Council's Temporary Local Planning Instrument (TLPI). I am aware that the Council have also

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recently decided to independently review the flood modelling which has informed their recent planning scheme amendment.

Before the Council adopts their proposed planning scheme amendment, it must be submitted to the Queensland Government for review and approval. I have asked my Department to pay close attention to any flood mapping changes that are proposed prior to a decision being made.

I would like to thank the petitioners for raising this matter with me and I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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