



Hon Craig Wallace MP
Member for Thuringowa



**Minister for Main Roads, Fisheries
and Marine Infrastructure**

Our ref: PP1706-11

Your ref: Petitions

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


Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1706-11 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Andrew Powell MP, Member for Glass House on 15 June 2011 about Maleny-Kenilworth Road.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads has advised that two projects are underway to improve Maleny-Kenilworth Road between the Sandy Creek Bridge and Sunday Creek Road.

More than \$5m has been allocated in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2011-12 to 2014-15*, to rehabilitate and widen a section of Maleny-Kenilworth Road between Cambronn Creek and Booloumba Creek Road. Design work for this project has started with construction expected to start in mid-2012, weather permitting.

The department is also currently conducting a planning study between Conondale and Cambronn Creek to investigate options for bridge replacements, road widening and road rehabilitation. This \$600 000 planning study is expected to be completed by late 2011.

The state government has invested significant funds in upgrading Maleny-Kenilworth Road in recent years. I am advised the department completed two upgrade projects on Maleny-Kenilworth Road totalling \$9m in 2009.

This \$9m investment involved realigning the Reesville Road intersection and replacing the existing timber bridges over Fritz Gully with a new concrete structure, as well as widening and reconstructing the road at both locations to improve pavement strength and durability.

The department will continue to conduct regular inspections of the road and schedule maintenance works to maintain the road in a safe condition for motorists.

Yours sincerely


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