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Member for Sandgate



**Queensland  
Government**

**Minister for Environment**

Ref: CTS 13630/11

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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 your letter of 8 August 2011 enclosing a copy of Petition No. 1727-11 lodged in the Queensland Legislative Assembly.

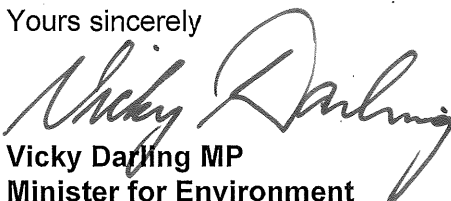
The Petition draws to the attention of the House the petitioners concern that the Lytton Quarantine jetty is decaying and cannot be used by tourists and students wishing to visit Fort Lytton Heritage Park by boat. The Petitioners request that the House take the necessary steps to have the quarantine jetty repaired to accommodate river traffic wishing to land passengers at the Fort Lytton Heritage Park.

The Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service (QPWS), who manage the Fort Lytton Heritage Park, are currently obtaining final development approvals for construction of a new pontoon-style jetty alongside the remains of the old jetty. Funding for construction of the new jetty has been made available under the QPWS 2011-12 Capital Works Program, and work is expected to commence on the new structure in the next couple of months.

Much of the old historic timber jetty structure has either been lost or has had to be removed for safety reasons over recent years, and would have required a complete rebuild at a cost many times greater than the cost of the new structure to provide the desired public access point to the site. The remaining piles and timbers will be left in place, however they will be subject to a program of regular inspections, and may also require removal if they deteriorate to a point where they are or may become a navigational hazard.

Should you have any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Andrew Hoffman, Operations Manager, of the Department of Environment and Resource Management on telephone 3131 2852.

Yours sincerely



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