



Hon Craig Wallace MP
Member for Thuringowa



**Queensland
Government**

Our ref: PP1734-11

Your ref: Petitions

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

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

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 1734-11 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Mandy Johnstone MP, Member for Townsville on 3 August about a turning lane at the Bruce Highway and Hencamp Creek Road intersection.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads advises that it is aware of the issues raised by the Rollingstone School Parents and Citizens Association and will continue to seek federal funding for an upgrade at this location.

The Bruce Highway, as part of the National Network, is funded by the federal government. I am advised previous applications for funding to upgrade the Bruce Highway and Hencamp Creek Road intersection have not been successful, however the department has committed to conduct further investigations, including a traffic analysis and road safety audit, to assist in determining the best treatment options to improve this intersection.

The results of these further investigations will assist the department to compile further funding submissions with the necessary supporting data. However, it should be noted that this location will have to compete for funding with many other worthwhile projects around the state. These investigations will be completed by late 2011.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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