

The Honourable Scott Emerson MP Minister for Transport and Main Roads

Our ref: PET 12164

Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

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

Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2265-14 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Shane Knuth MP, Member for Dalrymple on 21 May 2014 about the installation of flashing school zone signs at Atherton State High School.

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I thank the Member for Dalrymple for representing his community and bringing this important matter to my attention. The Queensland Government has approved a \$10 million program to install flashing school zone signs at over 300 risk assessed school zones over a period of four years. These school zones are being selected based on a detailed risk analysis of all school zones in Queensland and nominations by schools and communities based on local knowledge of particular problem areas through their local Members of Parliament. Priority has been given to school zones with a significant crash history, a high level of vehicle and pedestrian traffic, higher speed limits or visibility problems.

Schools in the Dalrymple electorate which have already benefited from this program include Saint Joseph's Parish School and Tolga State School.

Please be assured that all school zones in the Dalrymple electorate, including the zones at Atherton State High School will be considered during future phases of the program. More announcements will be made as the Department of Transport and Main Roads continues to roll out the program.

Yours sincerely

Scott Emerson MP

Minister for Transport and Main Roads