



Minister for Main Roads, Road Safety and Ports
Minister for Energy, Biofuels and Water Supply

Our ref: PET2659-16

Your ref: 10.4 Petitions

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Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
George Street
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to a petition number 2659-16 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Deb Frecklington MP, Member for Nanango on 2 November 2016 about a speed limit reduction on the D'Aguilar Highway near Kilcoy.

With regards to the request to reduce the speed limit from 100 km/h to 80 km/h from 500 metres west of the Esk-Kilcoy Road intersection to the current 80 km/h zone heading east into Kilcoy, I can advise my department recently completed a speed limit review at this location.

The review was initiated following correspondence from Somerset Regional Council, requesting a speed limit reduction based on recent crash history, new and advanced facility upgrades at Kilcoy showgrounds, ongoing urban development and community concerns.

I am pleased to advise the speed limit review recommended that a reduction from 100 km/h to 80 km/h would be appropriate. The 80 km/h limit on the western fringe of the Kilcoy Township will be extended to a location approximately 400 metres to the west of the intersection. The new eastbound 80 km/h signs will provide good sight distance being located on a crest, and well in advance to allow motorists to reduce their speed prior to the intersection.

I can also advise that works to improve safety on the D'Aguilar Highway at the intersection of Esk-Kilcoy Road and Kilcoy Showgrounds commenced in October 2016 and are scheduled to be completed in January 2017, weather permitting. The works were funded under the Australian Government's Black Spot Programme and involve the installation of two dedicated right-turning lanes at the intersection, and widening of the adjacent road shoulders.

Due to the current construction activities, the speed limit through the intersection is currently reduced. The new 80 km/h speed limit will be implemented as part of the intersection upgrade.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

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