



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

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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition numbers 2729-17 and 2692-17 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Andrew Powell MP, Member for Glass House on 21 March 2017 about the intersection of Landsborough-Maleny Road and Maleny-Montville Road, Maleny.

I am pleased to advise that my department has investigated safety at this intersection, and as a result of this investigation, has recently undertaken improvements at this location. The work involved repairs to the curbing around the centre traffic islands, and concreting the islands to permanently prevent vegetation from impacting on visibility at the intersection.

In addition to this completed work, my department will also undertake linemarking and signage improvements to further enhance safety at the intersection. This will include relocating and upgrading some of the warning and directional signs to make them more prominent and increase motorists' awareness, while the linemarking enhancements will improve visibility for motorists at this location. I am advised that these improvements will be implemented around mid-April 2017, weather permitting.

As part of its safety investigations, my department has reviewed the crash history at this location and I am advised that the intersection has a low recorded crash history. While I understand the community's desire for an extensive upgrade of the intersection, my department carefully prioritises all potential projects to ensure that funds are directed to areas identifying the greatest safety or capacity improvement needs. Locations with a high crash history are generally a higher priority.

Given the factors outlined above, the Landsborough-Maleny Road and Maleny-Montville Road intersection is not currently a high priority for funding for an extensive upgrade when compared to other priority infrastructure projects across the state-controlled road network.

I trust this information is of assistance, and I would like to also thank the petitioners for their interest in important road safety issues

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Mark Bailey', written over a horizontal line.

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