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Mr Neil Laurie
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Parliament House
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition number 2932-18 lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 15 May 2018 about Gold Coast Light Rail – feasibility study to investigate alternative routes.

The state, in partnership with the City of Gold Coast, is preparing a detailed business case for Gold Coast Light Rail Stage 3A (Broadbeach South light rail station and Burleigh Heads) only. The preferred alignment for the proposed Stage 3A extension runs down the centre of the Gold Coast Highway with a possible seven or eight stations. As part of the detailed business case, community engagement will occur for Stage 3A in the second half of 2018.

The state is in the early stages of a study into the existing transport corridor south of Burleigh Heads. We are undertaking a multi-modal study of the southern Gold Coast from Burleigh to Tugun. It will ensure the state considers the strategy, needs and function of all modes of transport, including the feasibility of light rail to meet community needs.

If Stage 3B, of the Gold Coast Light Rail is to progress it will also be subject to a business case that will include extensive community engagement. Government funds for a business case for a potential future stage of the light rail from Burleigh Heads to Tugun, Stage 3B have not yet been committed.

The community will be kept informed when further information is available about Stage 3B planning.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Mark Bailey", written in a cursive style.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads