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Mr Neil Laurie
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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petition 3043-18 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Jann Stuckey MP, Member for Currumbin on 13 November 2018 about unsafe road conditions on Currumbin Creek Road.

Currumbin Creek Road is approximately 10 kilometres long and transitions from an urban arterial road at its eastern end to a rural road in the Gold Coast hinterland. The speed limit along the urban section is 60 km/h, increasing to 80 km/h in the rural section. According to the latest traffic counts available (from 2016), it carries 12,035 vehicles per day near Mitchell Avenue, dropping to 2980 vehicles per day prior to the intersection with Tomewin Mountain Road.

I am advised a review of the crash history of Currumbin Creek Road back to January 2013 lists 56 recorded crashes. This needs to be considered in the context of the amount of traffic using Currumbin Creek Road, as well as the length of road and number of years being considered. It should be noted that recorded crash statistics include only fatalities, hospitalisations and medical interventions. Crashes resulting in vehicle or property damage only are not included in these statistics.

A speed limit review was conducted for the length of Currumbin Creek Road in the 2015–16 financial year. The speed limit review concluded that the current speeds were appropriate for the road environment and recommended that no changes be made. This recommendation was subsequently endorsed at a Gold Coast Speed Management Advisory Committee meeting. This committee comprises representatives from the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR), City of Gold Coast, the Queensland Police Service (QPS) and RACQ.

Your petitioners' concerns regarding drivers speeding and driving without due care and attention are appreciated. As speeding and driving without due care and attention are enforcement issues, I would encourage petitioners to contact QPS if they witness these dangerous and illegal behaviours.

Please be assured that I have asked TMR to continue to monitor the safety and operation of this road.

Yours sincerely

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads