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

I refer to petition 3671-21 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mr Daniel Purdie MP, Member for Ninderry on 15 March 2022 about installation of pedestrian phases at the signalised intersection of David Low Way and Petrie Creek Road, at Diddillibah on the Sunshine Coast.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) receives many requests for pedestrian facilities on the state-controlled road network. TMR acknowledges there are many locations on the network that would benefit from an upgrade, including this intersection. Requests for new or upgraded pedestrian facilities are investigated, which includes an assessment of the demand and difficulty for a pedestrian to cross a road, the anticipated construction cost, and any relevant crash history (using data from the Queensland Police Service). TMR uses this process to help prioritise which locations proceed to construction or are listed for future consideration.

In October 2021, TMR completed an investigation for pedestrian facilities at this location. The investigation determined that there is a low level of pedestrian activity, no recorded injury-related pedestrian crash history, and anticipated high construction costs to upgrade the signalised intersection to include pedestrian phases.


Based on these factors, TMR has no current plans to upgrade the signalised intersection to include pedestrian phases. Additionally, no suitable low-cost alternative treatments have been identified through investigations at this time.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its sixth record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, outlining \$27.5 billion in investment over the next four years and estimated to support an average of 24,000 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$2.927 billion is committed across TMR's North Coast Region, which is estimated to support an average of 2640 direct jobs over the life of the program.

Queensland's world-leading pandemic response has made it the place to be and, to support the State's population boom, significant road upgrades are being delivered as part of *Queensland's COVID-19 Economic Recovery Plan*. With the Brisbane 2032 Olympics and Paralympics on the horizon, these upgrades provide immediate economic benefits, support more jobs, and deliver ongoing benefits of vital infrastructure for years to come.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Bailey', with a long, sweeping underline that extends downwards and to the right.

MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads