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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to petitions 3750-22 and 3796-22, lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Mrs Laura Gerber MP, Member for Currumbin on 18 August 2022 about road safety at the corner of Tallebudgera Connection Road, between Currumbin Creek Road and Tally Springs Drive.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) acknowledges the road safety concerns of the Currumbin Valley community about Tallebudgera Connection Road between Tally Springs Drive and Currumbin Creek Road, locally referred to as Devil's Elbow.

I can advise that this section of Tallebudgera Connection Road is under consideration for the 2022 round of the Safer Roads Sooner (SRS) program for funding to undertake road safety improvements. The SRS program is a state government-funded minor capital works program that aims to improve the safety of the state-controlled road network through the implementation of high-benefit cost-effective engineering countermeasures and safety treatments that target known and potential high severity (fatalities and serious injuries) crash sites at specific locations. SRS funding is prioritised to projects with the highest safety benefit work, identified through an annual development round process.

A key tool used by TMR—particularly for the SRS program—to identify and prioritise locations of high-safety risk for further investigation is the Queensland Risk Assessment Model (QRAM). The QRAM draws upon a number of factors to prioritise locations, including recorded crash history, and assigns a priority ranking accordingly.

I can also advise that this section of Tallebudgera Connection Road is scheduled for pavement reseal works this financial year to improve the surface during wet weather conditions.

TMR has recently undertaken several measures to improve road safety at this location. High impact warning signage and improved existing warning signage was installed in 2021. A formal speed limit review was conducted in 2020 and the posted speed limit was reduced from 70km/h to 60km/h from south of Dungogie Drive/Valley Drive to Currumbin Creek Road intersection. In addition to this, curve warning signs are provided with advisory speeds for motorists to follow through this road segment.

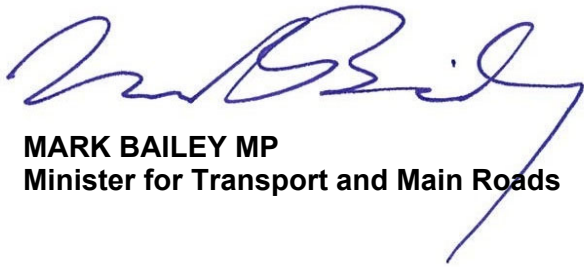
In 2020, TMR completed a road safety project at the intersection of Tallebudgera Connection Road and Currumbin Creek Road. The works included installation of a raised median island and chevron line marking on Tallebudgera Connection Road, as well as additional lighting across the intersection. These treatments were undertaken to improve visibility of the intersection during the day and at night, and to discourage poor driver behaviour such as motorists ignoring their lane, cutting corners and not stopping at the stop sign at this intersection.

TMR will continue to monitor this section of Tallebudgera Connection Road to ensure the safety of all road users.

The Palaszczuk Government is delivering its seventh record transport and roads infrastructure program in a row, as detailed in the *Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program 2022–23 to 2025–26*, which outlines \$29.7 billion in investment over the next four years and is estimated to support an average of 25,200 direct jobs over the life of the program. Of this, \$4.806 billion is committed across TMR's South Coast Region, estimated to support an average of 4030 direct jobs over the life of the program.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



MARK BAILEY MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads