



Warren Pitt MP
Member for Mulgrave

Our ref: MC36280

Your ref: 984-08 and 1043-08

07 JUL 2008

Mr Neil Laurie
The Clerk of the Parliament
Parliament House
Cnr Alice and George Streets
Brisbane Qld 4000

Dear Mr ~~Laurie~~ *Nail*

I refer to Petition No's. 984-08 and 1043-08 lodged with the Legislative Assembly by Ms Jann Stuckey MP, Member for Currumbin, on 15 and 16 April 2008, requesting the construction of an interchange onto the Tugun Bypass at Boyd Street.

The newly opened Tugun Bypass is one of the major projects in the Queensland Government's record spending on road infrastructure. The Queensland Government committed \$423m towards the \$543m project with the federal government contributing \$120m. No funding was made available by the New South Wales Government for the current project.

As a part of this important project, the Department of Main Roads has undertaken detailed research on current and future traffic movements relating to the Tugun Bypass. Traffic modelling has shown that vehicle demand will not warrant construction of an interchange at Boyd Street for at least another 20 years. Also, the department considers that any future upgrade at Boyd Street will be generated by future development occurring in New South Wales and should be funded appropriately by the relevant New South Wales and local authorities.

However, following the completion of the Tugun Bypass and allowing at least six months for traffic to normalise, a transport master planning study will be undertaken around the Barney's Point-Stewart Road section of the Pacific Highway. This study will involve Tweed Shire Council, Gold Coast City Council, the New South Wales Roads and Traffic Authority and Queensland Department of Main Roads. This study will address integrated road network needs for the longer-term future.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

Warren Pitt MP
Minister for Main Roads



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