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Dear Mr ~~Laurie~~ ^{Neil}

I refer to petition 4196-25, lodged with the Legislative Assembly on 29 April 2025 about the placement of roadwork signage and speed restrictions at the Bremer River Bridge on the Warrego Highway and other locations across Queensland.

The Crisafulli Government is committed to delivering a reliable, efficient, productive and safe state-controlled road network in Queensland. Due to a decade of neglect and inaction under the former Labor Government, our roads are in poor condition and do not reflect the standards which Queenslanders expect, or that they deserve.

Nevertheless, work is underway to make critical upgrades and perform maintenance work across our roads to begin to turn the page on that period of neglect, and as such, a significant number of roadworks are occurring across the state. I acknowledge that on that basis, speed reduction is required to support changed traffic flows arising from work, as well as importantly maintaining the safety of our workers who are undertaking this work.

I note the below in relation to the petitioners' concerns.

1. **Rescinding Fines in Areas Without Roadwork Activity**

The government cannot support the blanket rescission of fines issued in areas with roadwork signage, as these speed limits are legally enforceable under the *Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995*. Speed limits in such areas are implemented to ensure the safety of all road users, even in the absence of visible roadwork activity. Infringements are issued by the Queensland Revenue Office (QRO) and motorists are encouraged to contact the QRO to discuss their infringement. Motorists who disagree with their fine can dispute it in court by following the instructions on the infringement notice within 28 days of the issue date shown on the infringement notice.

2. **Removal or Covering of Roadwork and Speed Limit Signs Where No Activity is Occurring**

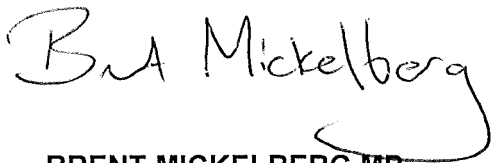
The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) conducts regular audits of roadwork sites across Queensland to ensure that roadwork signage and speed restrictions are promptly removed or covered when no longer required. These audits are conducted in accordance with the *Queensland Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices* guidelines. It is important to note that reduced speed limits are not only to maintain worker safety. An example is the Bremer River Bridge westbound, where a reduced speed limit is required for the safety of all road users and manage the loads on the bridge structure.

These measures are necessary to prioritise the safety of all road users.

The Crisafulli Government remains committed to ensuring that traffic management measures are applied fairly, transparently, and in accordance with safety requirements. I thank the petitioners for bringing these concerns to my attention and assure them these matters are taken seriously.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brent Mickelberg". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end of the word "Mickelberg".

BRENT MICKELBERG MP
Minister for Transport and Main Roads