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Dear Mr Mowatt

Thank you for your correspondence, on behalf of the Calder Action Group, regarding your concerns relating to the Calder Park Drive/Calder Freeway Overpass project. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The Andrews Labor Government is making a significant investment in transport infrastructure in Melbourne's north and north-west, to support the development and growth of the area and transform the way people move around.

The Victorian and Australian Governments have jointly committed \$100 million for targeted upgrades on the Calder Freeway between Gap Road in Sunbury and the M80 Ring Road. This includes \$3.5 million for Major Road Projects Victoria (MRPV) to undertake planning and development work for a potential Calder Park Drive Interchange to improve access on and off the Calder Freeway.

MRPV is currently undertaking planning and development work including traffic modelling, planning studies and environmental investigations to understand environmental and social impacts, develop design options and confirm scope and costs of different options.

Through MRPV's investigations, options being developed will consider:

- potential safety improvements to the Calder Freeway, including relocating existing direct accesses in the area
- potential improvements to Calder Park Drive, including adding additional lanes and upgrading intersections to improve traffic flow and safety in the area
- potential speed limit increases along Calder Park Drive and on the Calder Freeway
- potential walking and cycling paths along Calder Park Drive.

A Business Case is currently being developed and is anticipated to be finalised in 2022. Future details relating to construction timelines and milestones will be determined through this planning work.

In late 2021, MRPV undertook community engagement to help inform the Business Case, with 96% of survey respondents in support of a potential future interchange. I understand the Calder Action Group participated in this process and I thank you for providing your invaluable insights.

If you require further information, please contact Michael McClean, Director Project Development at MRPV on 1800 105 105.

I trust that this information has been of use to you and thank you for raising this matter.

Yours sincerely



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