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Dear Mr Munro

INVESTIGATION INTO THE DEATH OF SHANE K WARRICK

I refer to your letter dated 1 December 2014, outlining the Coroner's findings into the death of Mr Shane K Warrick, which occurred near the Sundowner Caravan Park on the Western Freeway in Rockbank.

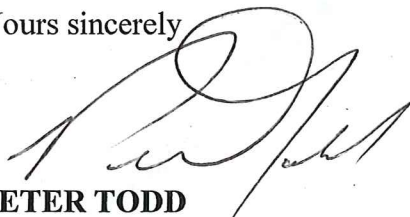
VicRoads is in the process of closing the median openings on the Western Freeway at its intersections with Mount Cottrell Road and Paynes Road. These works are expected to be completed by late January 2015.

With regard to the closure of other median breaks, such as those at Troups Road North, the Rockbank Garden Centre entrance and the Sundowner Caravan Park entrance, VicRoads has developed a proposal to upgrade the section of the Western Highway, between Rockbank and Melton, to freeway standard. This upgrade proposal includes full access control, which would require the removal of several existing direct access points to private and commercial properties. These works are significant and will be considered for funding under future programs.

In the interim, VicRoads is developing other road safety improvement measures along the Western Freeway between Robinsons Road in Ravenhall and Djerriwarrh Creek, which includes the area of Mr Warrick's death. These road safety improvement measures will consider opportunities to remove the median breaks in the short-term, along with measures to address other road safety related incidents. As part of this work, VicRoads will work closely with Victoria Police, Public Transport Victoria and the owners of the Sundowner Caravan Park and other affected property owners.

Should you have any further queries regarding this matter, Mr Simon Basic, VicRoads' Manager – Traffic and Planning, Metropolitan North West Region (Tel: 9313 1321), would be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



PETER TODD
CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

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