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**FOLLOW UP OF THE AUDITOR-GENERAL'S  
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Dear Mr O'Dea

Thank you for your letter requesting a submission to the Public Accounts Committee outlining Transport for NSW's response to the Auditor-General's report *Improving Road Safety: Speed Cameras* tabled on 27 July 2011.

I am pleased to attach for the Committee's consideration a submission outlining Transport for NSW's progress on the response to the Auditor-General's report.

For more information, please contact Ms Margaret Prendergast, General Manager, Centre for Road Safety on (02) 8265 7511.

Yours sincerely

**Tim Reardon**  
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21 DEC 2012

## PERFORMANCE AUDIT – Improving Road Safety: Speed Cameras

### IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATION	ACCEPTED OR REJECTED	ACTIONS TO BE TAKEN	DUE DATE	STATUS (completed, on track, delayed) and COMMENT	RESPONSIBILITY (Section of agency responsible for implementation)
1 Develop an overarching strategy for speed cameras incorporating all camera types, which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Includes criteria to determine the appropriate camera type for each road with a high safety risk</li> <li>- Prioritises potential sites based on death or serious injury</li> <li>- Defines how the effectiveness of each camera type will be assessed, including the analysis timeframe, and key performance indicators of vehicle speed, infringements, and crash severity</li> <li>- Includes its new focus on reducing speed across the road network, as well as at specific locations.</li> </ul>	Accepted	Completed.	March 2012	Completed. The NSW Speed Camera Strategy was launched by the Minister for Roads and Ports on 1 June 2012.	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
2 Document reasons for all future camera decisions where the location is inconsistent with site selection criteria.	Accepted	As part of the NSW Speed Camera Strategy, site selection criteria have been developed for each camera type. The selection criteria recognise that each type of speed camera addresses a particular crash problem on the road network, and will be used to ensure speed cameras are placed on roads according to their intended purpose.  Reasons where any future camera decision is inconsistent with site selection criteria will be documented.	Ongoing	On track	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW

3	Annually review existing site locations to check if speed cameras are still appropriate.	Accepted	One of the key actions developed in the <i>NSW Speed Camera Strategy</i> is the commitment to undertake an annual review of speed cameras in NSW, including the evaluation of the effectiveness of speed camera enforcement.	December 2011	Completed. Evaluations conducted as part of the development of the <i>NSW Speed Camera Strategy</i> and published on the internet.  The first <i>Annual NSW Speed Camera Performance Review</i> was released on 17 July 2012.	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
4	Assess the crash impact of existing fixed speed cameras for a minimum of five years post installation. Where there has been no significant impact consider an alternative camera site and other road safety treatments for that site.	Accepted	A five year analysis was completed in September 2011 followed by extensive reviews of 38 individual fixed digital speed camera locations.  All fixed speed camera locations will be assessed annually as part of the commitment to undertake an annual review of speed cameras in NSW. Any fixed speed camera not showing a road safety gain will be reviewed with the action to install other road safety treatments for that site or relocate the speed camera.  The first annual review identified five fixed speed camera locations for further review based on the crash analysis criteria outlined in the report, with a sixth location being identified after further consultation with NRMA Motoring & Services. Speed camera safety reviews at these six locations will be completed in December 2012.	March 2012	Annual review ongoing. Completed. Annual review ongoing.	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
5	Annually monitor the effectiveness of individual speed cameras.	Accepted	This will be undertaken as part of the annual review of speed camera programs.	March 2012	Completed. Annual review ongoing.	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW
6	Publicise trends in crashes, revenue, and speeding or infringement data for each speed camera, and update this annually.	Accepted	The Centre for Road Safety will annually publish the findings from the annual review of speed camera programs.	June 2012	Completed. Annual review ongoing. The <i>Annual NSW Speed Camera Performance Review</i> was released on 17 July 2012.	NSW Centre for Road Safety, Transport for NSW