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## INQUIRY INTO PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES: COFFS HARBOUR

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**Summary**

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Committee Chair  
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\_I live at Sandy Beach, about 5 km south of Woolgoolga.

While we do most of our shopping and other business in Woolgoolga, we do need to travel to Coffs Harbour fairly frequently, and to visit family at Emerald Beach and Korora, which are also south of us.

\*It is the access onto the Pacific Highway travelling south from Sandy Beach that is of most immediate interest to us.

This intersection, known as Graham Drive South, is a horror! It is located where an overtaking lane is about to end, and people in this lane are travelling fast. Sight distance from Graham Drive is pitiful, due to a combination of a curve and a rise. It is inconceivable that anyone with an ounce of common sense, let alone engineering qualifications, could ever allowed it to be built in the first place. But it was, and it is now a fatality waiting to happen. RTA consultants have agreed that it is a disgrace.

We cannot wait for a full by-pass, or a full up-grade, for this to be fixed. It has to be done now.

\*There are other intersections, such as turning north from Emerald Beach, that are also in urgent need of up-grading.

And, the general problems with increased traffic volumes, especially trucks, will undoubtedly be raised in other submissions.

\*However, I implore you to give priority to giving us safe access to the highway.

Yours sincerely  
John Bruce  
7 November 2005

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