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The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Minister,

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I have been approached by the RDA Inland Queensland Roads Action Plan (IQRAP) delegation of Glenys Schuntner, Cr Rick Britton, Cr Tom Gilmore and Cr Jane McNamara regarding the continuation of their work to identify remediation priorities in the regional Queensland road network.

As I am sure you are aware, the IQ-RAP project has been performing this vital and necessary work for some years now.

The IQ-RAP has now reached a critical juncture where it requires additional funding in order to complete its work to a standard that will ensure its utility to governments across all jurisdictions.

There are nine (9) remaining research projects for the IQ-RAP to complete however they have experienced a funding shortfall of \$2 million.

The IQ-RAP is seeking a commitment from the commonwealth government to secure this additional funding.

I support the IQ-RAP in the fine work they are doing, and urge you to give due consideration to their funding request.

I would be happy to speak with you further on this matter.

Kind Regards,

Ian Macdonald
08.02.2018

Cc: Glenys Schuntner, CEO Regional Development Australia (Townsville and North West Queensland)