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Hon Mark Gosche
Minister of Transport
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Hon Marion Hobbs
MP for Wellington Central
PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

Dear Sir/Madam

2002/03 National Roding Programme – Wellington Inner City Bypass

At its 3 April 2002 meeting, the Wellington Regional Land Transport Committee considered the priorities for the region's state highway network.

On behalf of the Regional Land Transport Committee, I wish to inform you that the Committee considered the proposed inner city bypass project as an urgent priority for the region and recognised that this project was a key element in the region's Regional Land Transport Strategy. The project was ranked second in the overall list of over 100 potential state highway projects in the region. Accordingly, the Regional Land Transport Committee commends this project to you and requests that you lend your support to getting this project commenced as quickly as possible.

The technical analysis that led to the development of the Regional Land Transport Strategy led the Regional Land Transport Committee to include those projects that led to the region's economic, social and environmental well being.

The ICB project is well aligned with Government's announced objectives as it includes congestion relief, integral cycleways over new road segments, and safety benefits from the removal of the state highway from the end of a busy pedestrian shopping mall.

The inner city bypass is key to the effective running of the region's transport network as well as the network in the Wellington central business district.

I request that a small delegation from the Regional Land Transport Committee is given an opportunity to meet with you to discuss this issue.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Terry McDAVITT', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

TERRY McDAVITT
Chairman, Regional Land Transport Committee