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Dear Mr Laurie

I refer to Petitions 2390-15 and 2419-15 tabled on 14 and 15 July 2015 regarding an indoor aquatic centre for the communities of Maleny and the broader Blackall Range.

I am advised that officers from the Department of Education and Training have had a number of meetings with Mr Andrew Powell MP, Member for Glass House, Councillor Jenny McKay, officers from the Sunshine Coast Regional Council, officers from the Department of Transport and Main Roads and other relevant interested parties to determine the detail and logistics of a new pool complex.


The Department of Education and Training has confirmed that the Sunshine Coast Regional Council must, as the next step, provide a credible concept plan. Following that, further planning work would be required to ensure the project is feasible in the proposed location, appropriate consultation would need to be conducted, and the interests of all relevant parties are protected.

I note your petitioners' views about proposed land for the centre and understand that provision of land tenure for the proposal will be subject to the outcomes of this consultation and the Department of Education and Training formally agreeing to the project details.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, I invite you to contact Mr Trevor Schulz, Regional Infrastructure Manager, North Coast Region by email at [trevor.schulz@dete.qld.gov.au](mailto:trevor.schulz@dete.qld.gov.au) or on telephone 4122 0844.

Your petitioners' advocacy about this matter is appreciated and I trust that this information will be of assistance.

Yours sincerely



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