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Cr Kathy Majdlik Mayor Melton City Council PO Box 2 MELTON VIC 3023 kathy.majdlik@melton.vic.gov.au

Dear Mayor

Thank you for your letter to the Minister for Roads and Road Safety, the Hon Ben Carroll, asking for a commitment to upgrade Bulmans/Clarkes Road and the Western Highway. Your letter has been referred to me for my consideration and response. I apologise for the delay.

The Western Freeway is a significant and important corridor, providing Melton residents access to key services and employment opportunities across Melbourne.

The Department of Transport (DoT) is undertaking the Western Freeway Corridor (M80 Connectors) Study. This study will investigate the future freeway requirements needed to support growth in Melton and will establish the future program of infrastructure investment required along the freeway corridor.

While there is no commitment at this time to construct a freeway interchange at Bulmans/Clarkes Road, DoT will consider your feedback as part of the Western Freeway Corridor Study.

If you require further information, please contact Nigel Smith, Manager M80 Connectors-Western Freeway Corridor Study, Department of Transport on telephone 0406 661 504 or nigel.smith@transport.vic.gov.au

I trust that this information has assisted in answering your concerns.

Yours sincerely

Fatima Mohamed Acting Executive Director Metro North West Date: 29/06/2021

