

**TO THE HONOURABLE THE SPEAKER AND MEMBERS OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

This petition of the residents/travellers of Boondooma, Dulong and Monogorilby communities, request that the necessary infrastructure facilities be provided to improve the telecommunications and mobile broadband coverage in these areas of the North and South Burnett Regions.

This petition of residents/travellers draws the attention of the House to the limited, sporadic, or non existent telecommunications and mobile phone and broadband services in the above mentioned areas.

Currently, Telstra, Optus and Vodaphone claim 94 per cent of the population is included in the mobile phone network. The above mentioned area does not lie within this 94 per cent.

Each year, a number of large events, attracting sometimes, over two thousand people are conducted in the area. These events generate huge income for the area and substantially improve the financial viability of the rural committees bordering the North and South Burnett regions. The lack of mobile coverage is a severe limitation, especially in the case of an emergency.

Mobile usage would be a distinct advantage for road users, particularly in situations of breakdown and injury on this Highway.

We therefore ask the House to enact or amend legislation that requires the responsible telecommunications provider to install the infrastructure necessary to allow equal access to telecommunications, mobile phone and broadband coverage in the above mentioned areas.