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Re R72 Entrance to Bushman's River

Dear Sir,

We believe that the road (R72) between Alexandria and Port Alfred is scheduled to be resealed in the not too distant future and that a considerable sum of money has been allocated for this purpose. The information we have is that a number of the entrances to townships like Marcelle, Bushman's River, Kenton on Sea and Kasuga are to be up graded with slip roads at the entrance bells.

The entrance to Bushman's River Village, to the south, and the extension, Rivers Bend, to the north, is currently very close to the blind rise from the bridge. In fact we believe that is not within the SABS Standard or the guide lines of the Provincial Ordinance for an intersection of this nature. It is dangerous and there have been several accidents and at least one death at this intersection over the past few years. The area has become far more populated over the last number of years and as a result the traffic has increased. An added problem is that the R72 has now become one of the main trucking routes which has also aggravated the situation.

We would be pleased if you would consider moving the entrance 200m to the west when the upgrade of the entrance with slip roads is constructed. We believe that it is important to draw your attention to this matter at the planning stage so that it can be taken into consideration before contracts are awarded or work begins.

We thank you for your consideration in this matter and will be willing to assist in anyway possible.

Yours faithfully,

Johann Smuts
Rate Payers Association Committee (Roads)