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The Hon Vicky Darling MP
Minister for Environment
GPO Box 2454
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Dear Minister

SOUTH EAST QUEENSLAND REGIONAL FLYING-FOX MANAGEMENT PLAN

At the Sunshine Coast Regional Council (SCRC) Ordinary Meeting on 26 October 2011, the following resolution was made in relation to a report presented to Council regarding the ongoing community concerns of flying-fox colony management within the region:

(PSC) ITEM 4.2.1   FLYING-FOX MANAGEMENT

Council Resolution (OM11/255)

Moved: Councillor T Dwyer
Seconded: Councillor P Tatton

That Council:

(c) request the Chief Executive Officer to write to the Minister for Environment (Hon. Ms Vicky Darling) to formally request that the Department of Environment and Resource Management (DERM), as lead agent responsible for flying-fox colony management, develop a fully funded and comprehensive regional flying-fox management program for the SEQ region, which includes a comprehensive community engagement and consultation process.

Accordingly, it is requested that ministerial representation be made on behalf of SCRC to DERM requesting that arrangements be put in place to fund and develop a whole of South East Queensland Flying-Fox Colony Management Plan which includes a strong element of community engagement.

In addition, please note that Council staff are very willing to participate and contribute in conjunction with other stakeholders (e.g. SEQ Councils, relevant community groups, NRM groups, other state agencies) in the development process of the plan to ensure regional concerns are considered.

Yours sincerely

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