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Her Worship Cheryl Calinoiu  
Mayor  
Town of Mundare  
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[ccalinoiu@mundare.ca](mailto:ccalinoiu@mundare.ca)

Dear Mayor Calinoiu:

Thank you for your letter regarding safety concerns at the Highway 16 and Highway 15/855 intersection near the Town of Mundare. As Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors, I am able to provide the following information.

The Budget 2026 planning process is underway, and consideration will be given to completing the Highway 16 and Highway 15/855 interchange design. If approval is received, the department will retain an engineering consultant to begin the design work in 2026. In the interim, work is being fast-tracked by the department in advance of Budget 2026 to ensure the procurement of an engineering consultant can occur immediately following budget approval.

Construction of an interchange, or other future improvements, at the intersection would be undertaken following completion of the design and would be subject to future budget approval processes. If design funding is received as part of Budget 2026, the earliest opportunity to request construction funding is expected to be through the Budget 2028 process, depending on how quickly design progresses.

Given the numerous wetlands and water features located in the area surrounding the proposed interchange, matters such as land acquisition and environmental approvals may impact project timelines. If funding is received as part of Budget 2026, expected construction timelines will be further refined as part of the engineering design process.

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Should you have further questions, please contact Mr. Stuart Richardson, Acting Regional Director. Mr. Richardson can be contacted toll-free in Alberta by first dialing 310-0000, then 403-340-4867, or at [stuart.richardson@gov.ab.ca](mailto:stuart.richardson@gov.ab.ca).

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,



Honourable Devin Dreeshen, ECA  
Minister of Transportation and Economic Corridors

cc: Honourable Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta  
Honorable Mike Ellis, ECA, Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Services  
Honourable Jackie Armstrong-Homeniuk, ECA, MLA for Fort Saskatchewan-Vegreville  
Stuart Richardson, Acting Regional Director, Transportation and Economic Corridors