To the Executive Officer,

Hi. I would like to support Roma Britnell MP campaign for Country Roads to have a greater share of road funding. I live in the Portland region of the Glenelg Shire and have seen examples of:

- Vehicles having their front bumpers damaged and/or sheared off,
- People standing knee high in pot holes,
- Sections of roads leading to the port (high traffic area for trucks and trailers) that have had holes filled continuously over the 10+ years I have lived in the area to a point that it feels like I am driving over a corrugated dirt road.

Photos of these roads are being shared on Facebook and worth a look.

City folk tend to underestimate the amount of heavy traffic that use Country Roads for cargo haulage. Portland, b/c of its deep port, has a large number of loaded trucks (with trailers) using its roads. This in combination with particularly windy and wet (i.e. high rainfall) conditions results in accelerated road wear. I have noticed that the time between road repairs on the whole tends to be large, quality of repairs poor and road developments very few in number. This does not set a good standard for our visitors from overseas (via cruise ships and cargo vessels) or interstate (South Australian roads are far better than Victorian roads – country or metropolitan).

Regards,

Peter McKenzie

I am happy for you to share this information, including my name. I am happy to take photos and identify particularly bad roads if required.