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### **Inquiry into the Inland Rail project and regional New South Wales**

The Legislative Assembly Committee on Investment, Industry and Regional Development recently commenced an inquiry into the Inland Rail project and regional New South Wales.

The Inland Rail project is a 1,700 km freight rail line connecting Melbourne and Brisbane via regional New South Wales and Victoria. The route passes through a number of regional communities in New South Wales including Albury, Illabo, Stockinbingal, Parkes, Narromine, Narrabri and North Star.

The Committee wants to ensure that regional NSW communities are able to identify and benefit from economic development opportunities arising from the project.

"We will be engaging with regional communities to identify opportunities and examining how to maximise the benefits the project offers," said the Committee Chair and Member for Albury, Mr Justin Clancy, MP.

"We will also be looking at how the project fits in with the NSW Freight and Ports Plan 2018 – 2023 and the State Infrastructure Strategy 2018 – 2038."

The Committee is currently inviting submissions from all levels of government, businesses, industries, regional communities, and the public. The closing date for submissions is **Friday 5 February 2021**.

Further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, can be obtained by visiting the Committee's [website](#).

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