

**Submission  
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# **INQUIRY INTO INTER-REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORT**

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Many , many , many years ago trains travelled to Gwabegar through Mudgee and Coonabarabran . Many , many years ago the trains were no longer viable past Mudgee so passengers from Coonabarabran district were bussed to Mudgee where they caught the train to Sydney . Many years ago the trains were no longer viable past Lithgow so the passengers from Coonabarabran were bussed to Lithgow with the people from Mudgee because that was where they used to meet the train . This extended trip has no appeal to the passengers from Coonabarabran because of the extended time on the bus and the unsuitable time of arrival in Sydney .

Prospective passengers who have a mobile family or friends to take them to Gunnedah , just one hour away , avail themselves of a much more suitable service to Sydney . A bus route starting from Coolah and picking up in Binnaway , Coonabarabran and Mullaley on the way to Gunnedah seems much more logical and convenient . Dunedoo has Sid Fogg buses to Newcastle and Gulgong is only a quarter of an hour from Mudgee . It's past time for a change and an easier trip for passengers from the Warrumbungle Shire .

