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MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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To whom this may concern,

To say it is disappointing that the claim the operation of unmarked mobile speed cameras are used to protect citizens is an understatement. Originally we were informed that these changes would happen over the course of 12 months, not more then a few days after the public were informed of these changes to the system I noticed multiple mobile speed cameras unmarked. However the simple fact of the matter is removing these signs did not protect anyone, in fact it has made our roads more dangerous with motorist slamming on breaks out of fear when a car is parked on the side of the road.

It is not unreasonable to assume sometimes you forget the speed limit in that moment because as humans we are built to react and we are built with human error, those reactions are hazardous to say the least. That human error in exceeding the speed limit by 3 or 4 kilometres is simply that, human error.

The reason speed signs should be displayed in front of mobile speed cameras are simple. Speed signs warn motorists and encourage them to drive slower and safer not having these signs and receiving a fine in the mail weeks after does not promote safe drive it in-fact it aggravates motorist, an angry motorist is not a safe driver.

If without these warning signs people are still dying tragically, the tact that has been adopted is in need of revision.

Speed signs should be displayed before speed cameras, they should also be displayed before mobile speed cameras it's simple speed signs encourage safe driving roads should also have more speed signs and warning signs.