

**Submission
No 559**

MOBILE SPEED CAMERA ENFORCEMENT PROGRAMS IN NSW

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Dear Committee,

I request that you do not publish my name & contact details. Thank you.

I object to the recent changes to the mobile speed camera program in NSW with the removal of speed camera signage, as I do not believe this move has anything to do with increased road safety or is based on any evidential basis of fatality & serious injury reduction.

Rather, these changes are purely revenue raising, with revenue generated never used to upgrade poor roads in our rural area where unnecessarily constraining & frustrating speed conditions are applied purely due to unkept, dodgy road surfaces, no line marking & inadequate width.

It is noticeably apparent that the typical places for speed cameras to be placed in the Wagga Wagga area are questionable road positions where the speed limit would logically be higher than the very rarely displayed signage states.

For example - very limited & poorly visible speed limit signage in an open area, busy road thoroughfare, safe road conditions with no housing - yet weirdly limited to 50 instead of a logical 60 or 70km/h.

Also, lengthy, wide & safe back roads with no housing at all nearby nonsensically now speed reduced to 80 km/h. Even when previously 100 km/h zoned rural roads have been recently upgraded for increased heavy transport with excellent road surfaces & increased width, they too have now unnecessarily been reduced to 80 km/h. This is totally illogical, a frustrating impost on freight carriers & the surrounding rural community & needs rectifying.

If one pulls out from a side road onto these country roads or even in outer Wagga suburbs onto what would appear to be a higher speed zone, it is often impossible to find a speed sign.

Marked speed camera signage was a great addition to alert the community to the actual speed in these targeted areas where signage is not clearly visible, not frequent enough & does not appear to be a logical, common sense expectation.