## INQUIRY INTO PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES

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## SUBMISSION INTO THE PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES NSW LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE No 4

The New South Wales Coffee Growers Association passed the following motion at its General Meeting held in Lismore on 17<sup>th</sup> August, 2005:

"That the New South Wales Coffee Growers Association supports the Positioning of the Tintenbar to Ewingsdale Highway as far as possible in areas of low agricultural significance rather than those areas which have high significance and are irreplaceable"

Discussion by the Committee and members of the Association before the vote was taken noted that the land along the ridge/plateau area of the Investigation Zone has a high agricultural value, much of it having been declared of State and Regional Significance, is in a designated water catchment areas and environmentally sensitive in many ways in relation to native flora and fauna. Several of the coffee plantations on the ridge/plateau have won (and continue to win) medals against international competition at Agricultural shows including the Sydney Royal and the Brisbane Ecca.

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It was also noted that the coastal plains were of a lower agricultural significance

with relation to fertility and constraints on land usage (particularly concerning

acid sulphate soils and flooding). We therefore request that the Committee of

Inquiry take the above resolution into account in their deliberations.

Jan Fidelli,

Secretary, NSWCGA 19<sup>th</sup> August 2005

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