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INQUIRY INTO PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES

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Summary

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5 reasons why the Pacific Highway shouldn't be the heavy vehicle route between Brisbane and Sydney/Melbourne.

1. The coastal strip are already under pressure and doesn't need the addition of heavt trucks, particularly B Doubles.
2. The population around the Pacific Highway is four times greater than the NEH and growing more quickly, the noise and presence of hundreds of heavy trucks is therefore negatively affecting far more people than the NEH.
3. We should encourage development in the west and relieve pressure along the coast and preserve its enourmous tourism potential.
4. The Pacific Highway runs right through the middle of Ballina, Coffs Harbour and Kempsey and is deafening anyone within a kilometre.
5. At holiday time tens of thousands of people drive along the Pacific Highway and mixing with big trucks is a disaster.