INQUIRY INTO PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES

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To whom it way concern

This branch of NPA has investigated the various options for the Highway upgrade between Broadwater and Wardell and in our opinion Route 2F is the preferred route as it is the only route that does not require the clearance of any vegetation and does not impact on biodiversity. The only other sensible alternative would be to follow the existing route which would then require by-passes to be constructed around the above villages.

The least desirable route in our opinion would be Route 2C

This route contains the largest areas of old growth forest in the Lower Richmond Valley, it contains high Koala populations and is the habitat for numerous threatened species including protected endangered orchid species as well as endangered ecological communities.

Constructing the highway upgrade along the 2C Route will inevitably destroy rainforests, wetlands, heathlands, swamp and eucalypt forests and saltmarsh.

The NPA FNC endorses the detailed submission which has been sent to you by the Blackwall Highway Action Group

Neil Denison - Secretary of and representing -National Parks Association, Far North Coast Branch

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