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**INQUIRY INTO PLANNING PROCESS IN NEWCASTLE
AND THE BROADER HUNTER REGION**

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I think it is ludicrous to remove the existing rail infrastructure as it is providing a valuable service. Most cities have a rail line to the CBD as does Paris and even Sydney. So why should we not have one? And why should Newcastle have its current infrastructure removed? I really would like to know how it is going to benefit anyone apart from developers who will grab the land???????

The rail line joins the Hunter, Singleton, Scone, Dungog and Sydney to Newcastle. Cut it off and you cut off our economic and recreational life line. I fail to see the sense. Newcastle pays so much money to Sydney why can't some of it be returned to us? Can't we keep the rail and have overpasses or underpasses not politically inept development greed.