

INQUIRY INTO PACIFIC HIGHWAY UPGRADES

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Summary

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Subject: Re: the "Upgrade" to the Pacific Highway in particular, Tintenbar to Ewingsdale.

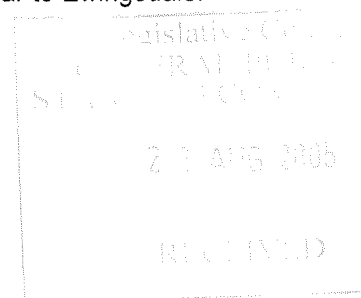
In consideration to the so-called "Upgrade" to the Pacific Highway in particular to Tintenbar to Ewingsdale, & in regards to decisions made about the extending the study area any further than originally put forward by the RtA. I Question the Logic in any such derivation, when the most obvious decision would be to improve or indeed Upgrade the existing way.

The area listed in the extended area - Newrybar swamp, is of High environmental importance as are the surrounding, fertile food producing farmlands, waterways, forests & Beaches.

The trucks need to be removed immediately & returned to the New England Hi-way. We need to think about the future, Why has the state rail system been closed down? surely this could be improved and have a more sustainable approach.

Will it make a difference in the end? because by the time this hi-way is complete the OIL will have run dry, What then will you do with your hi-ways?

1. put the peoples- who live in the towns and shires along the highway - wants and needs first
2. look at the big picture.....is this best for our great-great grandchildren?
- 3.what is more important? beautiful places to live, protection of agricultural land and preservation of flora and fauna or driving at 120 km from sydney to brisbane?
- 4.The long distance trucks need to be off the pacific highway-they need to be on a designated trucking route.
- 5.Byron shire does not have the room for another major highway-asthetically,socially,enviromentally.
- 6.the upgrade must follow the existing highway corridor, Practice common sense!
- 7.bring back the train! and start thinking smart and Sustainable.
- 8.This is a very very special part of the world, beach, forest, hinterland loved by locals and millions of tourists, it is inconceivable to consider a new highway carved through it.
9. why the false advertising? The RtA have deliberately tried to conceal the fact that they are indeed looking to build a seperate hi-way far from the existing hi-way into swamp lands and the area of highest rainfall in NSW (Lenox - Broken head) - 'upgraded' false advertising I say.
- 10.I am a father of 2 and use the tintenbar to ewingsdale segment of the pacific highway daily to and from school,I ask you who let the b-doubles back on the pacific highway and why?...they were obviosly not using their common sense.Picture a small subaru impreza surrounded by-at times 12 trucks half b-doubles,overtaking each other(hogging the overtaking lane)going up st.helena hill..only to zoom off before the next hill always exceeding 120k's**!!!



Please use Common Sense and keep the hi-way where it is, the trucks should be removed immediately - To the New England Hi-way - Australian familys are dying as a direct result of the rapid influx of truck use on the pacific hi-way.

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