

I live at 69 Gwydirfield Road Moree. Our house and business is around 200m from the existing rail corridor.

Due to our close proximity to the rail line I am submitting my objections to the project:

- We strongly oppose the closure of South Gwydirfield Rd at any stage during the construction. By closing this road you are denying access for us and our business. We, our employees (up to 45 employees during the cotton season which operates 24hrs/day) and clients would be required to travel a further 20km every trip into Moree which due to the nature of our business can be over 50 times a day. We have identified this to Inland Rail at every meeting/consultation we have had. We have been promised at these meetings that access would not be denied.
Shutting our road would:
Decrease access to town
Decrease client exposure
Decrease work productivity
Increase employee travel time
Increase fuel costs
Increase running costs – having a major impact to our business
- We strongly object to any seven day, 24 hour continual roster for the construction of the rail line. We object to being subjected to the continuous bridge piling and bridge construction that would occur. We propose that construction and bridge piling only occur from 6am to 5pm Monday to Friday with many weeks free of any noise, allowing our family and employees to continue to live, entertain, work and enjoy the solitude of the bush and to prevent increased anxiety experienced due to the continual noise pollution.
- We have concerns for the impact the continual noise will have on our domestic animals – geese, swans, guinea fowls, chooks cats and dogs as well as the native animals that frequent our lake.
- The current overhead rail bridge is single lane and too low for the passing of heavy machinery. We propose that the space under the bridge is increased to the maximum height allowable and that provision is made for a dual road under the bridge.
- We strongly advise that more causeways are built along our rail line as the last two floods have proven the inadequate ability of the current causeways to handle water flow causing the rail line to be washed away. Your proposal to increase the height of the rail line and not increase the number of causeways will only increase the height of water held back on this side increasing the flooding to properties in Gwydirfield.

Kind regards

Toni and Ross Munro

