Andrew Beattie - Submission re Foxground and Berry bypass

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Subject: Submission re Foxground and Berry bypass

Director, Infrastructure Projects Department of Planning and Infrastructure:

We bought our property at 403 Princes Highway in 2007. We were familiar with the area, having had family holidays for many years at a property nearby. When we were in the position to be able to consider buying a place of our own we looked at many properties between Kiama and Berry. We fell in love with what is now our property mainly because of its view. Many other places had acerage for stock, great homes on site and easy drive from Sydney, where we live, but none had the views that we found here. It was the main drawcard. We have a wide view, taking in paddocks, roads, the railway line, the vegetation that butts the sands of 7mile beach, Gerringong and Gerroa and then out to sea as far as Point Perpendicular and beyond. We would like to remain at this property, depending on the impact of the future upgrade to the highway. We would like to build a similar house - this is our retreat for our large family and already houses many valued memories. The area left to rebuild after the proposed impact on our property is very small indeed, due to the steep nature of our land and the proximity to a rainforest which limits choices for sites for future buildings. We may need to look at increasing our land size towards Toolijooa ridge to accomodate this site. This land is currently owned by the RMS. We would like to negotiate this at some stage.

We have had several meetings on site with Ron de Rooy over the past few years. He is very aware of our love of this property and the area and why we would like to continue to remain at "Natoonda".

We understand the need for this road project and we have been very cooperative with all parties. We hope that you will understand and consider our needs when it comes to rebuilding a similar dwelling to the one we now have. We bought this with a view to retiring here and had also considered working here as a GP part time in the near future.

Thank you for taking all this into consideration when looking at the future of our property.

Yours faithfully,

John and Anne McNamara