

Andrew Beattie - Objection to the Environmental Assessment Foxground and Berry Bypass Project

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Subject: Objection to the Environmental Assessment Foxground and Berry Bypass Project

Dear Sir or Madam,

I wish to submit the following objection to the Environmental Assessment Report prepared by the Department of Roads and Maritime Services for the project. I note that the new highway will be result in a 25 metre deep cutting at Toolijooa Ridge. This will be very visible to train passengers travelling to Berry and to drivers on the coast road from Gerringong to Gerroa. This will leave a large scar on this beautiful landscape.

This the landscape that is the subject of two of Australia's most famous Landscape painting– The Road to Berry by Lloyd Reece (In the NSW Art Gallery) and a drawing -The Road to Berry by Brett Whiteley.

I believe that the project contractor must screen this disturbance to this famous landscape with large native trees so as to restore the line Toolijooa ridge.

Yours sincerely

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The Director - Infrastructure Projects,
Department of Planning and Infrastructure,
GPO Box 39, Sydney NSW 2001.

17th December 2012.

Dear Sir or Madam,

Re : Foxground and Berry Bypass, Princes Highway upgrade, Environmental Assessment.

I wish to submit the following objection to the Environmental Assessment Report prepared by the Department of Roads and Maritime Services for the project.

The new alignment of the highway cuts through many properties between Toolijooa and Schofields Lane. Some of these divisions leave small portions of land inaccessible or too small to be viable as pastoral land.

The Environment Assessment Report does not identify these compromised areas or offer a strategy for their disposal or ongoing maintenance when the project has been completed. They will become weed infested and a source of seed for neighbouring properties.

I object that the report does not address this problem.

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Re : Foxground and Berry Bypass, Princes Highway upgrade, Environmental Assessment.

I wish to submit the following objection to the Environmental Assessment Report prepared by the Department of Roads and Maritime Services for the project.

Motorists approaching Berry from Nowra when cresting the hill at Crosiers Road view a grove of large eucalyptus trees as a recognisable portal entry to the town of Berry. These are on the Schofields Lane ridge, both sides of the Princes Highway. This is a highly regarded feature of this approach to the town.

I object that this feature has not been acknowledged as significant in the Environmental Assessment Report. As these trees are next to an ancillary facility area they must be protected.

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Dear Sir,

Re : Foxground and Berry Bypass, Princes Highway upgrade, Environmental Assessment.

I wish to submit the following objection to the Environmental Assessment Report prepared by the Department of Roads and Maritime Services for the project.

I note that the report shows two noise attenuation barriers to the highway to the North of Berry. The visual impact of these walls from the highway will be a defining feature of Berry for passing motorists. As well as a significant blot on the landscape viewed from Berry. They are both immediately before the off ramps into Berry.

The alternative solutions shown for the form of the barriers are not the final design. Because of their significance a skilled professional Designer should be commissioned to design these barriers. In particular the upper edge of the barriers should not be an unbroken straight line. The design should be part of the Environmental Assessment Report.

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Dear Sir or Madam,

We refer to the Appendix O of the Environmental Assessment - A Review of Greenhouse Gas and Climate Change

We commend the RMS for such a detailed analysis of the Greenhouse gas emissions for the project. However we are dismayed that the analysis does not extend to recommending measures to reduce the emissions from the project. We note the significant emissions being generated on Stage 1 Gerringong bypass - from lengthy truck movements delivering fill from the project through Berry, along Coolangatta Road to a point close to Swamp Road. We are disappointed that a closer repository for the fill could not be found and dismayed by the damage being done to Coolangatta Road in the vicinity of Swamp Road.

We strongly urge the project to take the analysis further by examining in detail the most significant activities generating greenhouse gas and offering ways to reduce them where possible.

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