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### **Submission Coffs Harbour Bypass EIS (SSI\_7666)**

Our residence, which was built in 1998, stands approximately 300m from the where the Coramba Interchange and Coffs Harbour bypass is proposed to be constructed. Our home was built years before the final decision to install a bypass that rims Coffs Harbour and now we note that in the EIS it is suggested that the Coffs Harbour Bypass will have little or no impact on my family, which we find very understated. With trucks and other traffic travelling at speed approximately 300m from our home and with increased traffic likely along Coramba Road as a result of the interchange, this construction will significantly affect our family and home life.

Roselands Estate doesn't even get a mention in the EIS and when asked why we were told that the RMS advised that "Roselands Estate wasn't mentioned in section 9.2.4 of the noise report as it was an already completed subdivision. Therefore, for the purposes of the noise report, it was treated as any other established area in Coffs Harbour".

What on earth does that mean? Why are we different than any other residential subdivision? The EIS identifies six other subdivisions three of which are Elements Estate, Highlands Estate and Pacific Bay Eastern Lands are being told they should have **adequate at-property treatment** based on the requirements set out in their DA conditions.

Consequently, properties within these developments have been excluded from the number of at-property treatments resulting from the project. The other three subdivisions, The Lakes Estate, Sunset Ridge Estate and Korora Residential Subdivision, have been deemed as being eligible for at property treatment.

"Should have adequate at-property treatment" what does that mean? how was anyone, developers, builders or home owners supposed to have known what to prepare for, what speed, how much traffic, what kind of road surface. At the time of establishment of Roselands Estate and construction of our home the inner-west bypass was still not identified as the preferred route. None of that detail was available until the EIS was recently released, therefore it unreasonable to assume we would have 'adequate at-property treatment'.

That's unfair, unjust and unreasonable, Roselands Estate, and in fact all seven subdivisions adjoining the Bypass route must be deemed as being eligible for at property treatment if post construction noise levels exceed the standards.

Last but not least, **construction noise levels** are likely to be very high and there is no proposed treatment of houses for that noise, which may go on for years. This also appears grossly unfair and at no time did any homeowners or developers have any requirements set out in their DA conditions to abate construction noise.

**There are so many questions/inconsistencies regarding noise we request an independent audit be undertaken and any issues identified addressed prior construction commencing.**

The Coramba interchange will enable traffic to exit the highway and travel towards the CBD as well as enable residents from west Coffs Harbour to enter and exit the bypass that will be more time efficient than travelling along the current highway. This will result in a considerable increase in traffic along Coramba Road, increasing traffic noise throughout the 24-hour period. Coramba Road's current design is not acceptable for a main thoroughfare for traffic to be accessing the centre of Coffs Harbour, including freight trucks, and the increased traffic would create an unacceptable risk to our community.

It appears that the RMS has not fully considered the impact that the Coffs Bypass and Coramba interchange will have on Roselands Estate residents. We deserve proper consideration for both pre and post construction noise remediation treatment. With the interchange footprint only 10s of meters away from some homes the interchange will have direct impact on local residences during and after the construction period.

Disruption to normal access during construction will place a considerable burden on the residents of Roselands Estate. Additionally, construction noise and dust will have a significant impact on the health of Roselands Estate residents, particularly children, the elderly and other individuals with respiratory sensitivities.

We appreciate the opportunity to submit our concerns and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,

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**Declaration: We have made NO political donations in the past two years**