

Nathan Stringer - Fwd: Attention: Director Infrastructure Projects

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Submission in support of Wallabies - Application Number SSI-4963

After attending a public information meeting at Plantation Motel, Tyndale on 16th January 2013, we wish to make a submission on behalf of the native Pretty Faced Wallabies that live in our area and are going to be very affected by the upgrade of the Pacific Highway through Tyndale.

We are the owners of Tyndale Tourist Park Roadhouse which encompasses 11 acres of land in Tyndale. We have a resident mob of Pretty Faced Wallabies who live on our property and in the hill behind us and when the highway goes through their area we are very concerned as to their fate. On the present plan of the highway route there are no animal crossings within 5 kilometres of us. We have noted that the eastern coastal emus have been looked after with animal crossings in their home range but the wallabies have either been forgotten about or not even thought of. We feel that it is the latter. No-one from RMS has bothered to come on site and discuss the fate of our native wildlife at all.

We have many overseas tourists who stay in our caravan park simply because they can get up close and personal with the wallabies. It is hard enough competing with beachside caravan parks for tourists now our only drawcard (the wallabies) will be taken from us. Our visitors are going to miss out on our wonderful wallabies and our business is going to be yet again affected by the upgrade, with less people staying with us.

We realise that the eastern coastal emus have a supposedly "endangered status" but if something is not done about the pretty faced wallabies then this will become their fate also. Although we suppose it is a bit like getting the speed limit of the present highway reduced through Tyndale - not enough have died yet to warrant any action.

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