

Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway Upgrade (SSI)

Submission

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I object to the Wardell by-pass, Section 10 of the highway upgrade as presently planned.

Its huge detour into the Blackwall Range would pass through a nationally significant major Koala habitat. This area is now established as being a vital source of all koalas in the Northern Rivers region.

The proposed amelioration measures will not do the job because they are based upon a grossly inadequate estimate of the numbers in the area and because of Koala resettlement habits.

Recent data is contained in the Biolink Study, Draft Koala Habitat and Population Assessment: Ballina Shire Council LGA. Steve Phillips [steve@biolink.com.au].

There are acceptable alternative routes for this section of the highway that will not have such devastating environmental effects.

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