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**This is a submission to the BERRIMA RAIL PROJECT EIS. SSD7171**

I object to this proposal and recommend that it be rejected due to the many delays at rail crossings this project will cause throughout the Southern Highlands and beyond.

The EIS and DA lodged by Hume Coal show that there will be additional traffic delays at the 17 rail crossing noted throughout the Southern Highlands, down the escarpment and on route to Port Kembla.

The addition of Hume Coal trains will add an extra 24 minutes of closures at rail crossings every single day. This means delays at rail crossing will rise by more to more than 1.5 hours per day.

This equates to a 30% increase in the total time that rail crossing will be closed each day as a result of the Hume Coal project. This is unacceptable in regards to the impact on emergency vehicles and other critical community services.

I ask the Government to reject this project.

Yours sincerely,

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