



## BOOLAH PARTNERSHIP

14 December 2017

Dear Inland Rail and NSW Planning and Environment:

### **RE: Submission on the Inland Rail Project Narrabri to North Star EIS**

Boolah Partnership is a family owned independent business committed to seeking efficiencies in the supply chain for producers in the northern NSW region. It currently employs 72 full time local people, and a peak workforce during harvest of 130. It operates significant landholdings surrounding the Inland Rail, specifically near Milguy and Crooble (Map 1 and 2), and is planning to develop an intermodal facility on its property Roburn, directly opposite the Milguy Silos.

Boolah Partnership provides its general support for the Inland Rail project given the clear benefits it will bring to the northern NSW region. However, Boolah Partnership envisages some potential impediments to its current and future operations as a result of upgrading the line adjacent to our operations. We would like to opportunity to work with Inland Rail to overcome the following potential impediments:

#### **Traffic and truck access to Roburn**

Roburn is proposed to be developed into an intermodal facility (Map 3 and 4), which will include a private rail siding or loop, with bulk and containerised grain loaded onto trains. The future heavy vehicle traffic volumes to access the Roburn site will be in excess of 5000 trucks per year. The attached map shows our property Roburn, which is located adjacent to the Inland Rail. The current access to the site is also shown on the map. Could you please confirm that there will be no restriction in traffic and truck access to the Roburn property as a result of the Inland Rail.

#### **Bend in track**

In order to operate a private rail siding or loop at Roburn, we will need to have turnouts located on the bend in the track at Milguy (Map 4). We would like confirmation that it is possible to have turnouts located on this section of the track to access Roburn, and would welcome the chance to work with Inland Rail on this matter.

## Private railway crossings

Boolah Partnership manages land adjacent to the proposed inland Rail line between Milguy and Crooble. There are a number of private crossings used to access the same property on both sides of the rail line. These crossings are shown on the attached map as red squares and include access to and between Candalar-Roburn, and Poppinguy.

We would like confirmation that these private crossings will be maintained and welcome consultation with Inland Rail regarding these crossings.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0437 645 419, or [mark@boolah.com.au](mailto:mark@boolah.com.au)

Sincerely,



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## Attachments

Map 1 – Location  
Map 2 – Overview map  
Map 3 – Roburn property map  
Map 4 – Proposed rail loop concept  
Map 5 – Candalar – Roburn private property crossing  
Map 6 – Poppinguy private property crossing