

Peak Hill, NSW 2869

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**Background Information** 

Family operated mixed farming business producing wheat, canola, barley, fat lambs, wool and cattle. Our long narrow property runs parallel with the railway line on both sides of the track for approximately 6km.

## Concerns

Our residence is not far from the track will be affected by the increased noise levels during construction. Once the project is complete, increased train movements will lead to more noise too. Dust during construction stage affecting crop/pastures and livestock production. Our residence would be affected by dust as it is nearby.

Decreased value of our farming land due to restricted access for stock/crop management and production.

Loss of production due to stock not grazing near rail line because of increased traffic, noise and speed of trains.

Work health and safety of farm employees because it will be more dangerous to shift large machinery and stock across the train track because of increased speed of trains and volume of traffic.

We fear we might lose some of our already existing track crossings. We have a large number of crossings because our property is long and narrow. We used all the existing crossing on regular basis in order run our business.

The railway corridor, is currently poorly maintained. It is over run with obnoxious weeds and at times is a fire hazard. The access tracks are not regularly graded and maintained with large pot holes, long grass and old railway rubbish. Thus making fighting fires or attending derailments a hazardous task.

