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Submission Coffs Harbour Bypass [SSI_7666]

- I have grave concerns that currently the final public comment allowed is on a 'Concept Design' only, and request that further public comment be permitted once the final **Detailed Design** is submitted.
- Based on previous actions, I also have grave concerns that residents of Coffs Harbour will actually be delivered what they are told without a 'Construct Only Contract.' Only this will give confidence in the final product
- Whilst the bypass is essential, those living along the route will forever have to live with the noise and its impact on life. I have friends who had to move from Moonee when the upgrade resulted in 110km zone, and out at Urunga where whilst 250m away they are disturbed at night by truck noise. The proposed three tunnels, lower gradient, and road surface are all positive amendments to the plan. However, I am concerned about the manner in which RMS has arrived at deciding which houses may or may not need remediation work. This 'minor detail' in development of the bypass will be the legacy that residents will have to live with if not properly addressed.
- DANGEROUS GOODS: RMS states that this issue of passage thru central Coffs has not been resolved, yet the EIS states that it has been done. No public information is available from the RMS. I request that the same is applied to Coffs by pass tunnels as has been applied at Ewingsdale near Byron Bay i.e. that all dangerous goods except Class 1 and Class 2.1 can use the tunnels.
- Finally I am grateful for the three tunnels to protect our natural vistas, our landscape, biodiversity, wildlife corridors and culturally significant sites.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment

Your Sincerely
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Declaration: I have made no political donations in the past two years.