



**Submission to the Modification Applications for
Northern Coal Logistics Hub (SSD-5145 Mod 2 and
Myuna Colliery (MP10_0080-Mod-2)**

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To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Five Bays Sustainable Neighbourhood Group (Five Bays SNG) I am making this submission to the Department of Planning, Industry and Environment in response to the proposed modification applications for the Northern Coal Logistics Hub and Centennial Myuna.

Five Bays SNG has a number of concerns regarding this proposed modification.

1. The proposed path for the trucks is the main road (Wangi Road) that stretches through Western Lake Macquarie, notably, between Morisset & Toronto. The TIA (Traffic Impact Assessment) along with the absence of a Social Impact Statement doesn't seem to take into account a number of factors including:
 - a. The importance of the road to the 8,900 approx. local residents.
 - b. The three Public Schools within the area (Rathmines, Arcadia Vale and Wangi Wangi).
 - c. Small shopping centres & playing fields in Wangi Wangi & Rathmines that are accessed via Wangi Road.
 - d. The importance of tourism on the Western Side of Lake Macquarie that Wangi Wangi plays a vital role in.
2. Wangi Road is used by cyclists with signposts & road markings on a number of key intersections. The proposed number of trucks that will travel on Wangi Road each day will compromise even the most confident of cyclists.
3. Wangi Road has a substantial amount of bushland with significant amounts of wildlife. The proposed number of trucks could hugely increase roadkill, particularly during the early & latest hours of operation.

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Resolution -

Five Bays SNG recommends that the existing overland electric driven conveyer belts from Myuna and Cooranbong be modified and used to transport coal to the Cooranbong Entry Site for blending. This would keep the diesel trucks off the road and ensure the safety of residents, commuters, cyclists and wildlife.

Kind regards,

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