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Subject: Response to submission ...

May I ask if the members of the PAC have driven the Rye Park Cooks Hill roads into YASS  
???? *yes you have, yesterday !!*

My main concern and objection to the proposed wind farm has Always related to the local roads and the impacts this project will have on their safe use..

Remember these are COUNTRY ROADS..merely old dray tracks that have been upgraded and evolved due to increasing demand..over decades.In a modern,well maintained car or ute these roads are already challenging to negotiate with twists and turns,pot holes ,soft edges and as all local residents will attest ..driving them safely takes a great deal of concentration. Don't forget the frequent hazards of kangaroos and straying sheep..Sadly there have been many accidents and a number of fatalities on these roads in the past years .

Despite the best intentions of Yass Valley,Hilltops and Upper Lachlan Councils,who,I am very surprised to hear have already negotiated maintenance agreements with the Proponent..I think the impact of a large number of increased traffic movements will be far greater than ever anticipated !!

TABLE 19 page 55 outlines the predicted high numbers of heavy vehicle movements during the installation..we are advised that will take approximately 18 months..these are large heavy vehicles which will be carrying presumably heavy loads to various sites.

Remember these are country roads that were not planned or designed for this level of heavy commercial traffic...and of course these numbers do not include the individual workers on this project,of which we have been advised there will be many.

*TAKING PLACE*  
These workers, <sup>*estimate earlier*</sup> will be driving ~~early~~ to job sites ..even though the project installation will be ~~operating~~ between the designated times of 7 am to 6pm Monday to Friday ... 8 am to 1 pm Saturday's...the traffic movements of these workers are likely to keep the roads busy from 6 am to 7 pm..causing a constant stream of traffic for up to 13 hours a day.. I do not think that we can realistically predict the amount of damage and wear and tear that will be done.

This assessment does not acknowledge these extra cars that will be using our roads and I believe it to be an enormous oversight .

*IN SUMMATION, THE ASSESMENT REPORT DOES NOT ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF WORKERS DRIVING TO + FROM THE CONSTRUCTION SITES. THIS IS AN ISSUE FOR US ALL, RESIDENTS, FARMERS, HOSTS, SCHOOL CHILDREN + THE DAILY COMMUTERS WITH A 3 HOUR RETURN JOURNEY TO CANBERRA.*