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I am submitting my concerns regarding the above project. I have read the Department's response & my strong concerns relate to impacts on the local environment including agriculture, employment & tourism.

While Hume Coal contends that the increase in rail traffic is well within the daily traffic allowance, in practice I cannot agree. I live in Burrawang and have 2 level crossings to deal with (Sheepwash Rd & Illawarra Rd, Robertson). Both these level crossings cause significant delays to traffic flow to local & through traffic.

Hume Coal are stating that coal pollution from the wagons will be adequately sealed to stop any leaks. However I am not convinced & the trains will be traversing growing urban areas around Moss Vale. What are the likely health impacts for the younger population?

I have not heard anything which convinces me that water resources will not be significantly impacted. I have attended two presentations by Hume Coal where it was admitted that many years would pass before water levels would return to normal after the mining has concluded. Apart from the local water impacts there are also wider implications for the Sydney catchment.

Regards,

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