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To Whom it may Concern.

I am writing in support of the 'Additional Material' presented recently.

From my perspective as a long time resident of Wingecarribee Shire and previous to that, Camden, I am in full support of the Hume Coal Project and Rail Project from an environmental, employment and community perspective.

I have absolute faith in the measures proposed for the safety to the environment and am not concerned for the increase in rail traffic. I am also not concerned with any dust or particle transfer as I am sure that all control measures will be adhered to. We are talking about modern practices and technology here not third world methods.

One thing that I have discovered over time is the loss of talent and youth from the Shire due to lack of employment and training opportunities. Not every young person in the Hume area wants to be a barista or nail technician. It would be wonderful if there were jobs in the shire for our young people so that they can work and live around their families. Hume Coal offers opportunities that are better than nearly all here in the Shire at present.

Finally, Covid has shown us that the Shire cannot survive on tourism alone. We have booming industries in retirement villages and nursing homes but these institutions contribute little to the Shire. At the moment, there is no tourism and therefore no dollars contributing to the life and wellbeing of the shire.

So, I am fully supportive of all of the additional material presented and support the Hume Coal Project and Berrima Rail Project without doubt or question.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion and lend my support to these worthy causes.

Kind regards
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