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My second submission re above:

As resident of Robertson I previously mentioned all aspects of any additional diesel driven goods train traffic splitting the peaceful (but hugely touristy) village of Robertson in two.

As this line runs straight through the village carrying these outmoded smelly, smutty/load shedding trains (the idea that loads are covered is actually untrue but sounds good when provided by Hume Coal) have photos to show coal piled up in mounds in goods wagons. Also hordes of Sulphur Crested Cockatoos following the grain wagons.

A lot of remedial trackwork has been happening recently (new siding for passing etc. at station) track elevation, work on 5 crossings in village, rail repair/replacement. This is obviously in anticipation of approval being granted to expand mine and ethanol and other goods transport.

Notice previous involvement of Wingecarribee Council (who at the time in 2017 did not give a definitive NO) was pre the 'standing down' of said council and Appointment of temporary administrator. So with council elections about to commence surely any submissions to the effects of expanding coal mine & use of railway line should pass under the scrutiny of new Council pre decision.

The fact that most new train traffic plus existing to take place at night as in report will give absolutely no comfort to the Robertson and other residents whose houses back onto or face these tracks apart from most of the immediate village and main Street (Hoddle) who will certainly hear train horns/very noisy powerful engines at all 5 crossings and in between.

The most ironic thing about all the new work on tracks coming & going from Berrima/Moss vale/South Coast etc. is, that residents don't have any possibility of catching a train from beautifully maintained Robertson station and how ideal that would be for an aging population!

GO FIGURE!

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