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Thank you for the additional material regarding the above project and the opportunity to comment. While I appreciate Daracon's proposed project amendments, mainly a reduction in daily truck movements, I feel the proposed numbers will still have too many trucks traveling along the haulage route and along roads not designed or in any condition to cope with so many heavy vehicles. I agree rail transport is a good option but I am concerned the extension of the existing rail spur and 24 hour rail loading is going to adversely impact residents around the Martins Creek area. According to Daracon a 360 metre extension of the rail spur will reduce potential shunting and train noise. I wonder, in such a quiet area where any noise travels great distances, how significant the reduction in noise impacts will be. The proposal is asking for trains to be loaded any time in the 24 hour period. Daracon has proposed two trains per day - one in the day and one in the evening/ night period, with a third train in the evening or night only when needed - which could be quite often. Permission for a 24 hour loading period would allow trains to be loaded at any time! As these trains will be long and loading will not be a quiet activity, do residents in Martins Creek and the wider area now have more potential noise impacts to contend with at any hour of the day or night? What suitable buffers from residential zones and neighbours will be put in place to allow for 24 hour loading seven days a week?

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