



## **AGENDA**



- + Project update
- + Level crossing safety
- + Environmental Impact Statement update
- + Community consultation
- + Questions



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## ALBURY TO ILLABO PROJECT UPDATE

Melvyn Maylin Project Director

## PROJECT UPDATE

## **Environmental Impact Statement**

Finalising the EIS for public exhibition

## Procurement update

- + Request for proposal (RFP) released 30 June 2022
- Three shortlisted contractors
- + Meet the Shortlisted Contractor events held on 18 20 July 2022

## **Property acquisition update**

- Property Acquisition Strategy awaiting Ministerial approval
- Consultation and negotiation with landowners ongoing



## SCHEDULE



Activity	Date
EIS public exhibition	Q3 CY2022
Appoint D&C Contractor	Q2 CY2023
Detailed Design commencement	Q2 CY2023
Construction	CY2023-26





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# LEVEL CROSSING SAFETY

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### INTERFACE AGREEMENTS



#### RSNL and ONRSR

- The Rail Safety National Law (RSNL) obligates Rail Transport Operators (RTOs) and Road Managers to enter into Interface Agreements (IA's)
- The purpose of the RSNL is to provide for safe railway operations, and the purpose of the IA
  is to manage safety risks at our interfaces (i.e. Overbridges (road over rail bridges),
  Underbridges (rail over road bridges), Tunnels, Private Sidings, Shared Corridors, Stations,
  Level Crossings, etc.)
- The RSNL states that IA's are required between;
  - two or more RTOs (RIM or RSO)
  - one or more RTOs and one or more Road Managers.
- The RSNL also established the Office of the National Rail Safety Regulator (ONRSR).
- The ONRSR can fine RTO's and Road Managers for non-compliance with the RSNL.
   Financial penalties;
  - Individuals \$50K.
  - Body Corporate \$500K.

## ROAD / RAIL INTERFACE AGREEMENT



#### Road / Rail Interface Agreement

ARTC and Albury City Council are required under RSNL to enter into a Road / Rail Interface Agreement (IA).

Road / Rail Interfaces include;

level crossings, pedestrian crossings, road over rail bridges, rail over road bridges, subways/underpasses, footbridges

Progress to date - We have a draft IA in place, and it includes 4 stakeholders. The stakeholders all have interface maintenance responsibilities in the Albury LGA.

ARTC - We are a Rail Infrastructure Manager (RIM).

Albury CC - Road Manager

TfNSW - Bridge Structure Manager (Shared responsibilities with UGL)

UGL - Bridge Structure Manager (Shared responsibilities with TfNSW)

Albury City Council contact is Steven Millet (SMillett@alburycity.nsw.gov.au).

If you are involved in the review and development of this IA, please assist us in the finalization of this safety critical agreement. Please contact me if required.

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#### GCP5000 TRIAL



#### GCP5000 Trial - Background & Overview

The construction of active level crossings can be prohibitively expensive. ARTC recently engaged Sigtech Solutions to undertake a trial with the aim to develop a lower cost active level crossing solution.

Trial split into two stages;

- Stage 1 Factory based testing, and then if Stage 1 is successful;
- Stage 2 Field based trial.

The Trial is currently in Stage 1, with completion expected end of 2022.

Project funded by ARTC, financial support provided by TfNSW and VicTrack

#### **Scope**

The project involves the design, factory test, construct, install and site test & commission of a pilot self-contained low-cost level crossing in accordance with current ARTC standards.

All systems are built at Sigtech's Beresfield facility and would be Factory Acceptance Tested (FAT) and delivered to site.

The cost-effective level crossing solution being developed for this project is based around Siemens Australia's Grade Crossing Predictor - GCP5000. The GCP5000 is the next generation to the ARTC Type Approved GCP4000 system

Stage 1 – Factory based testing has started, and is well underway...

#### **GCP5000 TRIAL**





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#### GCP5000 Grade Crossing Predictor

A grade crossing predictor type level crossing detects the speed of trains approaching the crossings to provide a constant warning time at the level crossing.

These types of crossings differ from a conventional track circuited level crossing where the crossing is activated when a train approaching the crossing strikes the activation point, meaning that slower trains will result in longer activation of the level crossing.

GCP5000 Grade Crossing Predictor includes;

#### In-built Monitoring - SEARIIi

The Siemens Internal Event Recorder (SEAR IIi) is in-built and provides continuous real-time status and event recording of the GCP5000 and any interfaced components.

ARTC uses Cerberus monitoring equipment in NSW, which is separate to the Train detection & Control system, which results in increased equipment, design, construction and commissioning costs when compared to what the GCP5000 is developed to do.

Power - Two system types: mains powered, and solar powered systems.

A standardised power system will be incorporated within the self-contained system with capability for either mains powered (240V) or Solar Powered feed into the system.

The power system will provide the necessary secondary power (battery) back up with a minimum of 48 hours back up capability in the event of power outage.

#### GCP5000 TRIAL

tem	GCP Integrated Level Crossing Package (Solar variant)	Ony	Standard GCP level crossing used on the network	Qty
1	GCP5000	1	GCP4000	1
2	SEARSII	1	Cerberus	1
3	ILOD	1	Current sensors	5
4	Safetran surge panel	1	Safetran surge panel	1
5	Sentinel Power System (All components)	7	QTD4	1
6	FL03/HC200	8	Q style relays	7
7	Bell	2	Omron flasher	1
8	Modem/router - MRD 555 AU	1	Dummy Resistor	2
9	Antenna - WAU-1000-1000	1	FL03 / HC200	8
10	Surge protection	2	Bell	2
11	Test Switches	1	Modem Maxon	1
12	WCHayes 3593	2	Antenna	1
13	Emergency Switches	5	Surge protection	2
14	Manual Switch	1	Test Switches	1
15	Bell timer	1	WCHayes 3593	2
16	Solar panels	6	Emergency Switches	5
17			Manual Switches	1
18			VIO	12
19			Westinghouse Safe Flash	1
20			Bell timer	1
21			Non vital relay	3
22			Erico surge filter	1
23			8-way opto isolator	- 1
24			12V Regulator	1
25			Test cut off relay	1
26	-		12VDC ELD	1
27			120VAC ELD	1
28			Surge filter	1
29			TCA Transient filter clamp	1
30			Cragg battery charger and BVM	2
31			SBLE 275Ah battery	10

#### **Benefits**

Reduced equipment count is a benefit, and this provides for:

- Lower Capex costs
- Lower Opex costs
- Fewer points of failure

#### Other benefits

- Scalable can be used on 1 to 6 track configurations
- Generic layout COTS products
- Compliant to existing standards
- No increase to maintenance requirements
- No additional training (GCP4000)
- Fully monitored
- Consistent Warning Time
- Provides alternative option, introducing market competition

#### **RUB-DCM - PILOT**



#### Road User Behaviour Data Collection Module - Pilot - Culcairn

The Pilot was undertaken to trial technology developed by Acusensus. The technology was configured to monitor road user behaviour at RLX631 – Odewahns Rd, Culcairn over a fixed period (31 days) to determine level of compliance with the 'Stop' sign control.

Initial findings indicated that approximately half of the road users failed to fully stop at the level crossing.

This technology has also been trialled at other level crossings, including Red Bend, Forbes and Turanville Road, Scone in NSW. TfNSW have also undertaken their own trials with this equipment.

#### Next Steps:

ARTC have discussed findings with Greater Hume Shire Council traffic committee.

The data may be used to support ALCAM traffic data validation.

TfNSW have indicated the data may also be used to demonstrate an improvement in road user behaviour following works at level crossings

Updates have also been shared with other stakeholder organisations in Victoria.

For further RUB-DCM information contact ARTC's Mark Campbell, Level Crossing Performance Manager <a href="MCampbell@ARTC.com.au">MCampbell@ARTC.com.au</a>





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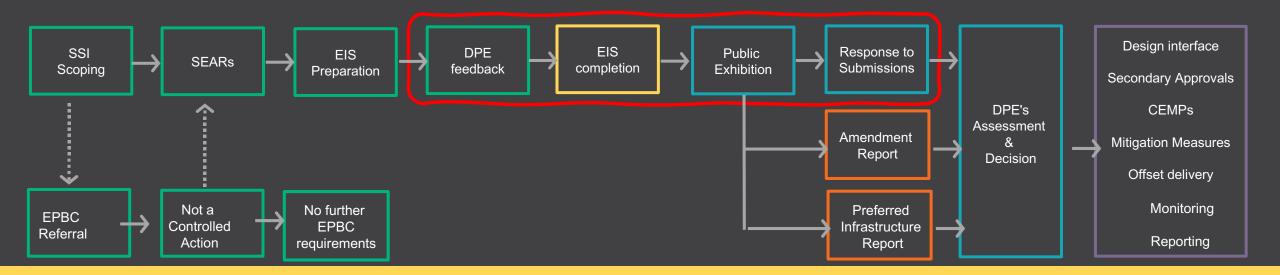
# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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Environment Manager – NSW & Victoria

## **APPROVAL PATHWAY**

- + A2I is Critical State Significant Infrastructure
- + Minister for Planning uses the EIS to assesses and determine the Project
- + Focus in 2022 on finalising the EIS
- + Post approval tasks critical to successful delivery of the project



## **DPE AND AGENCY FEEDBACK**

## Changes to assessment practices and guidelines

- + EIS structure, consultation, social impact
- + Rapid Assessment Framework and Summary of Findings

### **Key themes**

- + Traffic and transport
- Noise
- Social and localised economic matters
- + Biodiversity
- Hydrology and flooding

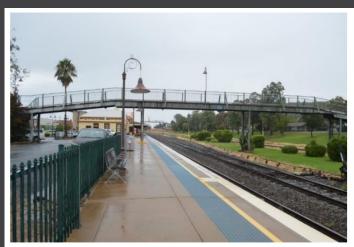




Figure 40 'Mother's Bridge' footbridge within the Wagga Wagga Railway Station yard.

## TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORT

## Agency and community feedback

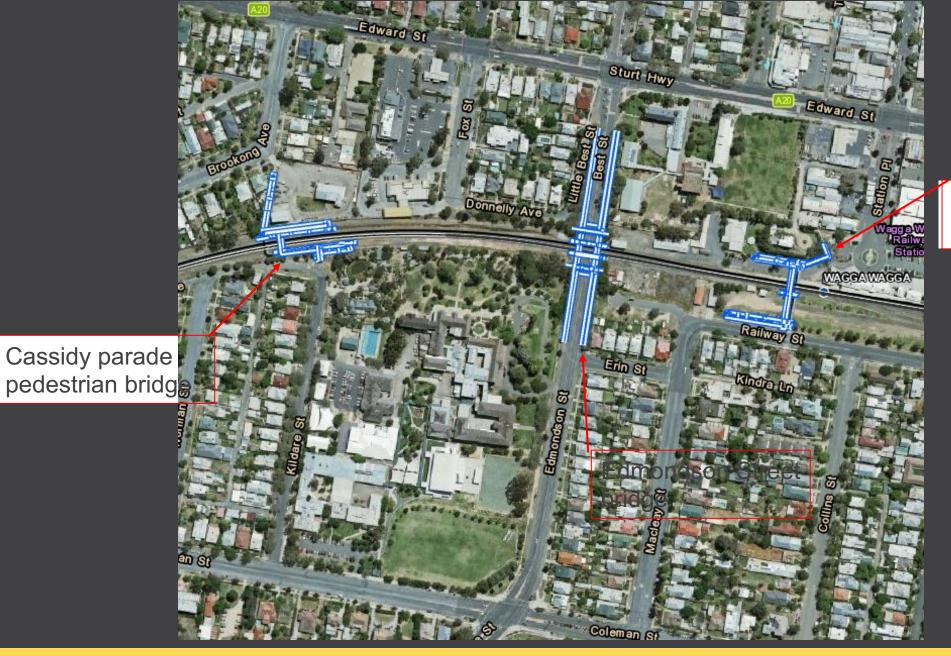
- + Construction phase impacts: detours, duration of work, reduction in accessibility
- + Operational phase change: improving the road and pedestrian networks

## **Revisions and responses**

- Clarifications made but much of this is contractor dependant!
- On-going consultation about TfNSW programs and Council projects

## **Mitigation and Management Measures**

- + Construction phase traffic and transport management plans
- Detailed design with integrated reviews from TfNSW and Councils
- + Commitments keep working together for Edmondson St bridge and Kemp Street bridge



Wagga Wagga station pedestrian bridge



## NOISE

## Agency and community feedback

- + Construction phase: construction vibration impacts on road and heritage structures
- Operational phase: vibration from double-stacked freight trains and road noise from taller bridge decks (Edmondson Street and Kemp Street bridges)

### **Revisions and responses**

- Clarification: potential construction vibration impacts at track lowering sites. Subject to site and activity specific vibration review prior to start of works
- + Clarification: no adverse impacts from road noise from taller bridge decks
- + Clarification: no discernible difference in vibration levels in single and double-stacked freight trains

## Mitigation and Management Measures

 Commitment to consult with asset owner if vibration-intensive work may occur within safe working distances

## SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC MATTERS

## **Social Impact Assessment**

## Agency and community feedback

- Every impact must have a implementable and measurable mitigation measure
- Limited engagement with vulnerable and marginalised people due to COVID-19

#### Revisions

- Mitigation measures clarified and strengthened
- + Clarified extra engagement carried out in late 2021

#### **Economics**

#### Agency and community feedback

- Microeconomic assessment
- Impacts to land, property and businesses

#### Revisions

- + Additional information on:
  - Land, property and business impacts
  - + Link with the social technical paper
  - + Relevant engagement carried out

## **BIODIVERSITY**

#### **Biodiversity Assessment Methodology**

- + NSW wide consistent approach for all development
- + Links to offset delivery system

#### Revisions

- Minor technical matters
- Augmented mapping and commentary
- + Alignment with revised Departmental guidance

## **Mitigation and Management Measures**

- Flora and fauna management plans
- Squirrel glider poles
- + Design review of construction zone to avoid impacts
- Offsets for residual impacts



## **HYDROLOGY**

#### Agency and community feedback

- Further justify outcomes of negligible to minor change
- Do quantitative modelling at four select enhancement sites

#### Revisions

- + Further modelling completed at four enhancement sites:
  - Riverina Highway
  - + Wagga Wagga sites:
  - Uranqunity
  - Pearson St
  - Wagga Wagga Yard
- Results indicate QDLs would be met \*
- + \* Further work in detailed design for Wagga Wagga Yard minor afflux result

#### **Mitigation and Management Measures**

+ Remodel in detailed design with additional drainage information

# Quantitative design limits (QDLs):

- Criteria for flood impacts
- Criteria established with DPE

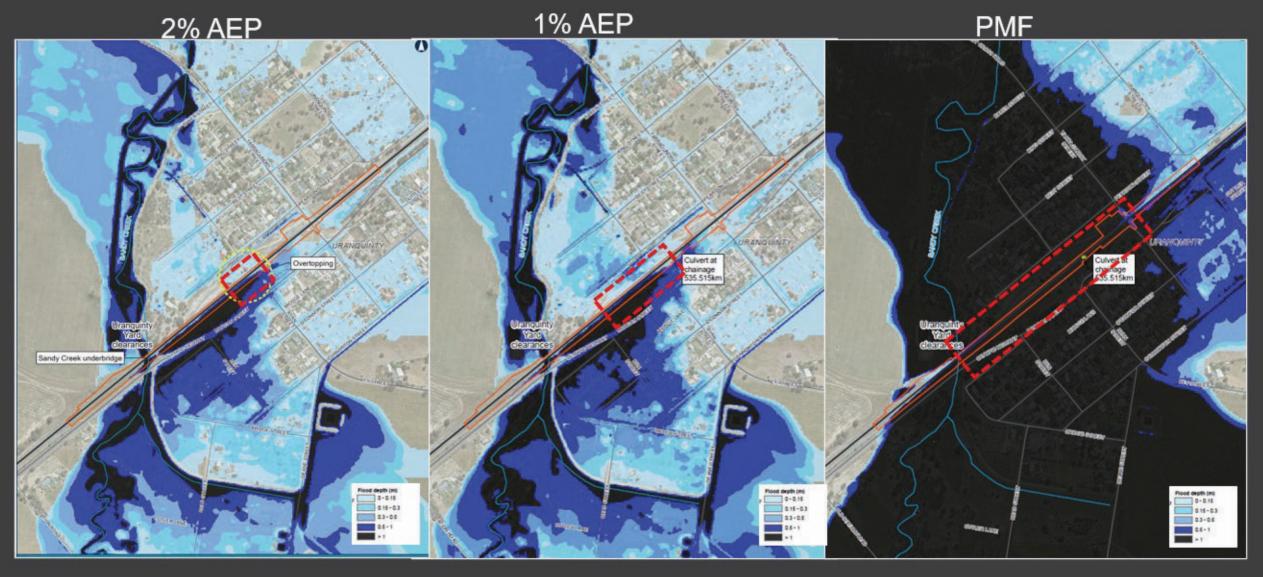
# FLOODING AND DRAINAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT - URANQUINTY

#### **Uranquinty Yard Clearances**

- + Proposed enhancement work:
  - Track realignment, rail bridge alteration and level crossing modification
  - + Increase in vertical alignment 0 50mm
  - Drainage mimics the existing flow paths
- Latest flood model data obtained from Council

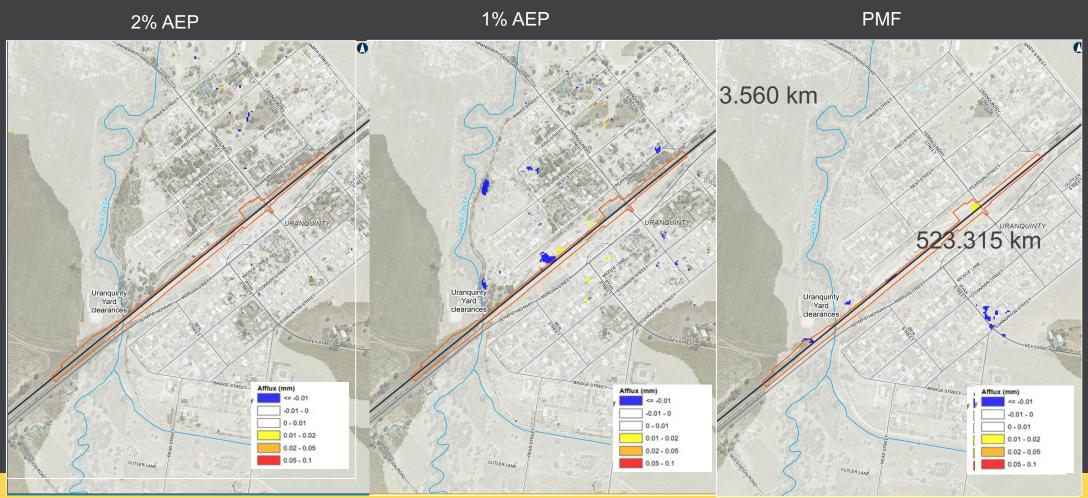
- + Existing conditions flood model run (1%, 2% AEP and PMF flood events). No change to the council flood data.
- Design conditions flood mode run (1%, 2% AEP and PMF flood events).
- + Quantify the relative changes in the vertical alignment where the rail is overtopped.

#### **Uranquinty Yard clearances - existing conditions**



#### **Uranquinty Yard clearances - design conditions / impacts**

- + Changes in the vertical alignment are minor
- + No adverse afflux (change in flood level)
- + No change in other flood impact criteria or on emergency management



## **INDICATIVE PHOTOMONTAGES**

#### **Albury station**





FIGURE 17-6 VIEWPOINT 4: EXISTING VIEW NORTH EAST FROM RAILWAY PLACE AT ALBURY STATION (LEFT) AND INDICATIVE PHOTOMONTAGE OF PROPOSAL (RIGHT). NOTE: INDICATIVE LANDSCAPE TREATMENTS, SUBJECT TO DETAIL DESIGN

Cassidy Parade pedestrian bridge, Wagga Wagga





FIGURE 17-9 VIEWPOINT 14: EXISTING VIEW NORTH WEST FROM CASSIDY PARADE (LEFT) AND INDICATIVE PHOTOMONTAGE OF PROPOSAL (RIGHT). NOTE: INDICATIVE LANDSCAPE TREATMENTS, SUBJECT TO DETAIL DESIGN

Edmondson Street bridge, Wagga Wagga





FIGURE 17-10 VIEWPOINT 17A: EXISTING VIEW SOUTH TO EDMONDSON STREET BRIDGE FROM BEST STREET (WITH LITTLE BEST STREET IN VIEW) (LEFT) AND INDICATIVE PHOTOMONTAGE OF PROPOSAL (RIGHT). NOTE: INDICATIVE LANDSCAPE TREATMENTS, SUBJECT TO DETAILED DESIGN

#### Kemp Street bridge, Junee





FIGURE 17-14 VIEWPOINT 23: VIEW NORTHWEST FROM EDGAR STREET (LEFT) AND INDICATIVE PHOTOMONTAGE OF PROPOSAL (RIGHT). NOTE: INDICATIVE LANDSCAPE TREATMENTS, SUBJECT TO DETAIL DESIGN



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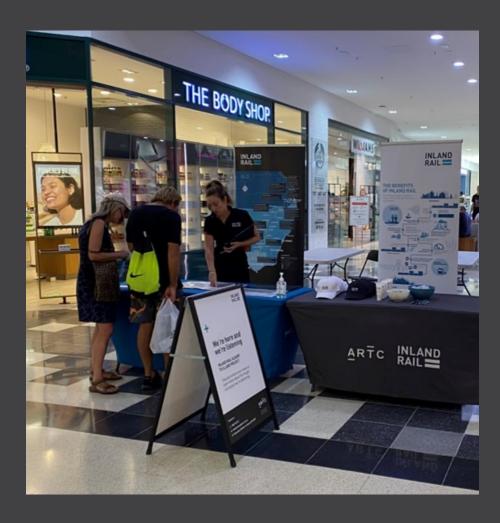
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# COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

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## **ENGAGEMENT UPDATE**

- Noise engagement and investigations with identified schools
- Mailout to surrounding residents
- Advertorial in local newspapers
- NAIDOC week events including Wagga Wagga basketball gala day and Albury Community Markets
- + Utility relocation engagement and notifications
- Meet the Shortlisted Contractors industry briefings
- Ongoing MP briefings
- Ongoing Council consultation with Wagga Wagga and Junee Shire



## **EIS PLANNED ENGAGEMENT**

#### + USB collection and registration

- + Digital and hard copies of SOF will be available for collection at each LGA Library
- Individuals who have registered will receive a USB in the mail
- Full EIS document can be found on DPE Major Projects website
- Advertising campaigns for the following:
  - Information sessions
  - + DPE notification

- Notification letters to Councils and MPs
- Notification letters to affected residents
- An informative podcast will be produced and made available during EIS Public Exhibition
- Community information sessions



## **HOW TO MAKE SUBMISSIONS**

#### Online:

- + At DPE's Major Project website: www.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/major-projects/have-your-say
- Set up an account on DPE's Major Project page
- + Go the Albury to Illabo Project on DPE's Major Project page and click 'Make Submission'

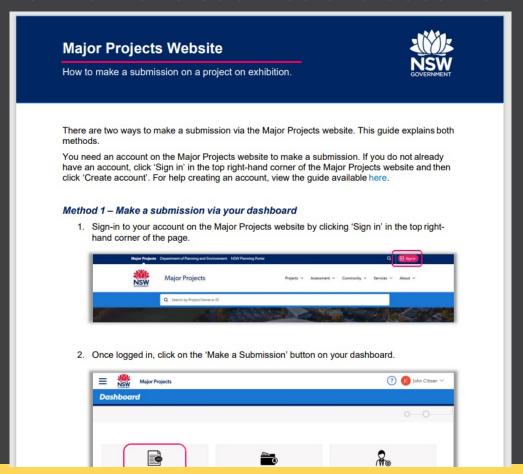
### By post:

- Post a physical copy of your submission to DPE
- + Address the submission to the nominated contact person or team listed on the Project's page:
- + Director, Freight Team
  Planning and Assessment, Department of Planning and Environment
  Locked Bag 5022, Parramatta NSW 2124

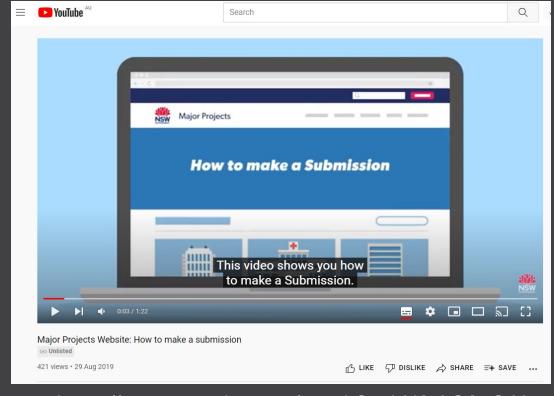
Submissions can be made during the public exhibition period only

# HOW TO MAKE SUBMISSIONS – MAJOR PROJECTS WEBSITE

+ How to make submissions document



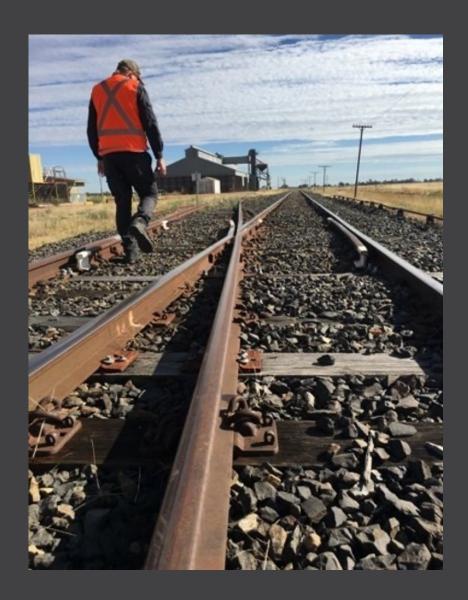
+ How to make submissions YouTube video



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bU2tAO2eQAI

## **CONSULTATION NEXT STEPS**

- + EIS engagement
  - + Notification letters
  - + Information sessions
- + Response to EIS submissions
- + Property acquisition
  - + Ongoing discussions and negotiations
- + Utility relocation engagement



## **SPONSORSHIPS & DONATIONS**

Funding between \$1000 – \$4000 for individuals and organisations in regional areas along the Inland Rail route that contribute to local and regional prosperity, well-being and sustainability.

- + For activities, events or projects that will benefit the local community.
- + 4 rounds per year.
- Current round is open until 31 July 2022.

#### Recent Local Recipients

- + Culcarin Sportsground Management Committee new seating
- Yerong Creek ANZAC Committee WW2 Anniversary
- + Ngummbaay Indigenous Corporation Basketball Gala
- Wagga Aboriginal Women's Group Walangbang Mayiny Program





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## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION



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# THANK YOU