

Hi, as a resident of Macclesfield, I would be concerned with the Southern Route possibility due to increased noise and pollution. I moved to Macclesfield from Mount Barker to get away from the train (I used to live on a bend in the Melbourne to Adelaide line in Blakiston, and the noise was pretty irritating). Unfortunately the map supplied in the discussion paper doesn't give an accurate enough indication of exactly where the proposed line would run. I understand it is to run between Flaxely and south of Mount Bold reservoir, but you don't have to go far south of those points to end up in Macclesfield. Is there anywhere where we could access a better map with perhaps some roads and townships indicated (very preferably online rather than visiting some place far away).

Essentially, we would object to the southern route proposal based on a reduction in property values in our area. The people who currently live with the train line in their area were fully aware of it when they purchased, whereas we intentionally bought a property away from it. This is also prime farming land and I would imagine that a large swath of land would have to be purchased to construct the line. Although the current route is obviously not ideal, especially considering the large increase in population that happens to be clustered around the Adelaide end of the line, rerouting the line through another slightly less populated area and valued agricultural area doesn't seem ideal either. I would support the Northern Option or an upgrade to the existing line.

Thanks
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