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Dear Sir / madam,

Having studied the Maldon to Dombarton Rail Link Feasibility Study issues paper 2010, I was very concerned to find that there is no reference to noise pollution, due to the increase in rail traffic, through the residential areas of Unanderra and Farmborough Heights.

When this project was first assessed in 1983, the Environmental Impact Statements, by Dames & Moore, volumes 1, 2 and 3, all include extensive references to noise, as do the State Rail Authority of N.S.W. Environmental Impact Assessment Report, the Dept. of Environment & Planning Environmental Impact Assessment, the State Pollution Control Commission Environmental Impact Assessment & a multitude of other relevant reports.

The State Rail Authority of N.S.W. Environmental Impact Statement by Louis A Challis and Associates Pty. Ltd. is a comprehensive 113 page study on noise, associated with this rail line. However, this major problem and expense, appears to be treated as insignificant.

I believe that the training of train drivers, closer attention to train braking materials and diesel exhaust systems, as previously recommended, and most important, the construction of effective acoustic barriers where necessary, should be taken into account, when the feasibility of this project is determined.

Yours Faithfully,

  
Stan Dare

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