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## Submission details

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I am making this submission as

A member of the general public

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Submission type

I am making a personal submission

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Consent to make submission public

I give my consent for this submission to be made public

## Share your experience or tell your story

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Your story

Dear INDEPENDENT INQUIRY

If I may could I please make a separate submission as as a resident of the Monaro Electorate with no political bias  
The Monaro and the Far South Coast have very close historical ties  
The People on the Monaro and the Tumut Region travel and holiday on the South Coast in the Summer many retire there and still keep their ties to the Monaro and the High Country  
In the winter the Ski Season opens and the High Country welcomes the \$'s they bring in  
Unfortunately there has been a focus on the High Country and left the rest of the Monaro behind  
Skate parks and Gatton Fisheries is all very nice for the Tourists but all the major Business houses, Shopping Centres Law Establishments etc, are in Cooma  
Large numbers of residents from Cooma, Berridale Nimmitabel Bredbo are travelling to Canberra and Queanbeyan for work

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each day

The Snowy Monaro Regional Council has passed a motion of OK IN PRINCIPLE for the existing rail easement from Queanbeyan to Bombala to be a BIKE TRACK

The Cooma Progress Society have a study ready to be released in the next 4 months on the Restoration of the train from the Canberra Airport to Cooma Bombala and on the Eden with a tee to Bega

This what I call INFRASTRUCTURE and the chance to DECENTRALISE with RURAL DEVELOPMENT and build new REGIONAL CENTRES Cooma and Bega

Extra development in small rural towns brings rates etc, into the finances of the Councils

If the Bega line was extended to Batemans Bay and Bega to Eden you have the chance to not make a Gold Coast or Sunshine Coast but to transfer people LOCALS to work, produce to a Eden shipping terminal EXPORT like Fremantle WA Timber to get the trucks of the Highways, Tourists for one day travel or extended stays

IF IF the train had been in situ all the people who had to evacuate the South Coast could have gone in a lot less that 8 hours

A train like FAST TRAIN 150 - 200 Km/h are being built from Melbourne to Ballarat and the Gold Coast to Brisbane and onto the Sunshine Coast

A train like that with a 100 metre corridor each side of the rail track would have allowed the RFS to water the corridor from water tanks on the train

It also could reduce the cost of transporting Petroleum to the Regional Centres and Rural outlets

The Jindabyne people would love to have a fast Train for the Tourists to get there quickly and safe and get out quickly when the Park is alight again as it was in 2003

A bike track could still be incorporated alongside the rail line, but the maintenance of the bike track will fall on the SMRC and the rate payers

For your consideration PLEASE

Brian Curzon [REDACTED]

## **Terms of Reference (optional)**

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The Inquiry welcomes submissions that address the particular matters identified in its [Terms of Reference](#).

## **Supporting documents or images**

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