How to make a submission to the Environmental Impact Statement for an Inland Rail project

Inland Rail projects in NSW

The Department of Planning and Environment (DP&E) exhibits the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a minimum of 30 days and invites public comment. Advertisements are placed in appropriate newspapers and adjacent landowners are notified, if required.

During the public exhibition period, the public are invited to view the EIS and lodge a submission online to the DP&E at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au. Submissions are considered by the DP&E in evaluating the EIS.

Following the submission period, the DP&E provide ARTC with submissions received. ARTC will respond to submissions through a submissions report to the DP&E.

The DP&E then assesses the project and make a recommendation to approve the project, including either conditions of consent or reasons for refusal, and refer to the Minister, or delegate for determination.

For more information on how to make a submission, visit the relevant project page on the DP&E’s website at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au.

To make a submission online, please follow the steps below.

1. View the EIS online at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au
2. Read the DP&E’s Privacy Statement
3. Decide whether to include your personal information in your submission
4. Fill in the online submission form. Your submission can be either typed or uploaded as a PDF.
5. Disclose reportable political donations
6. Agree to the DP&E’s online statement
7. Lodge your submission