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This is to say that I am against the truncation of the Newcastle-Maitland rail line at Wickham and replacement of service by buses.

Regional areas do not seem to be taken into account when these kind of proposals are put forward.

Many commuters from Newcastle to Maitland including Government workers and students will be affected.

Buses are not as efficient as trains. There will be delays due to existing high traffic congestion going in and out of the city and increased air pollution and energy costs for the State if this proposal goes ahead.

The proposal doesn't seem to say what will happen to the Newcastle-Maitland rail corridor service afterwards.