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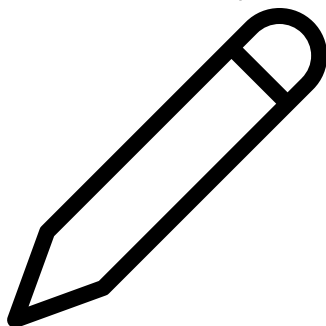
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I would like to list the following points that I consider have not been adequately addressed in the Draft Hunter Regional Plan:

- there is a dwindling supply of agricultural land in the Hunter and in particular the Maitland Local Government area. Development has continued to diminish available land as a result of poor planning and irresponsible decisions by the local council.
- as a user of public transport, the loss of the Newcastle rail link at Hamilton has left me unable to travel to this area. Commuters from the Upper Hunter and Dungog have also been severely impacted by this poor decision. Transport planning for the Hunter has been overlooked or ignored in previous planning documents. This is unacceptable for an area of this size and subsequent future growth projections indicate that motor vehicles will be the major mode of transport.
- as I travel within the Upper Hunter I see the impact of coal mining in the area and contemplate the final void from the mining activity. How can this be adequately rehabilitated? Who will pay for the expensive land management of these areas, the expertise required and the impacts on biodiversity? The implementation and subsequent compliance of such land management should be incorporated within this plan.



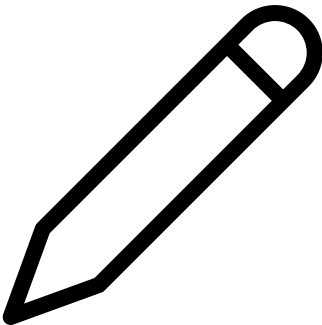
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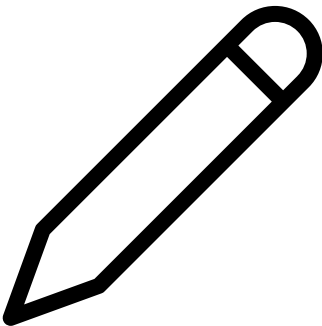
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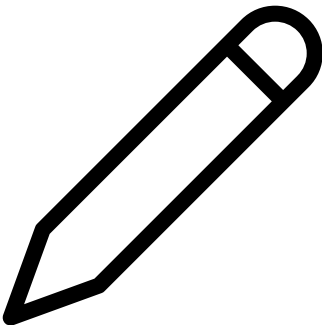
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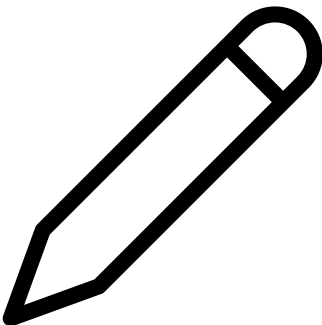
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