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Online Submission

25/11/2015

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Dear Sir / Madam,

I am writing in response to the Draft Hunter Regional Plan 2015 and its compatriot the Draft Plan for growing Hunter City.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into the plans. Overall the vision put forward in the plan sounds great, and I am excited that the NSW Government is developing long term strategic plans.

To provide context, I am a landowner in the Heddon Greta area, so defined in the reports as "hinterland" area outside of the greater "Hunter City".

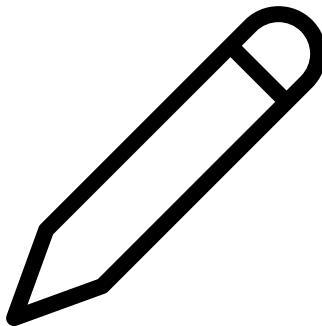
I wish to express my disappointment that Heddon Greta and Kurri Kurri have not been included in the area defined as "Hunter City". Why have these areas, which are no more than 30 mins from the CBD, been excluded, when Lochinvar has been included and is over 50mins from the CBD? The Hunter Expressway has tilted the centroid of development for the Hunter, and this appears not to have been adequately acknowledged in the plans. These plans are still very New England Highway Corridor centric.

Additionally the Kurri Kurri Aluminium smelter site is currently undergoing remediation, with a new town centre planned, an industrial park along with a very large release of new residential lots. Wouldn't it make sense to include this in your Draft Plan for growing Hunter City to make sure that truly integrated planning solutions are achieved? These areas are very similar in their characteristics to Maitland.

I look forward to the further development of your strategic plan and hope that my input would be heard.

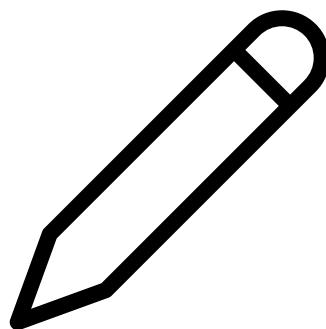
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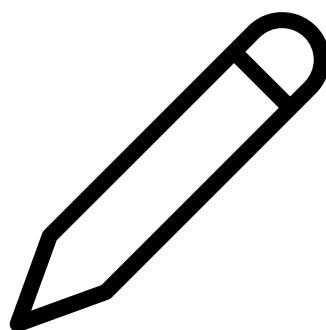


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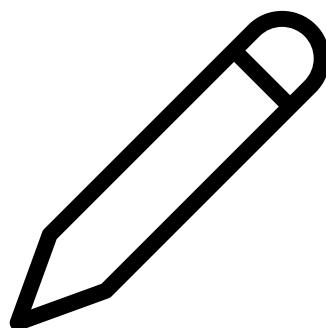
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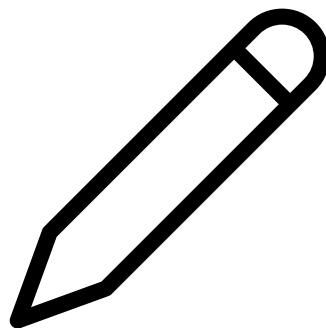
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