



The General Manager
Muswellbrook Shire Council
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Dear Fiona

I am writing to request changes in the Muswellbrook Shire Council Local Environment Plan to incorporate modifications to the proposed Muswellbrook Bypass alignment.

Roads and Maritime Services has recently carried out investigations of the proposed New England Highway bypass of Muswellbrook to identify an economically viable option which meets funding requirements.

These investigations have reaffirmed the preserved corridor in Muswellbrook Shire Council's Local Environmental Plan, with minor route changes to improve the economic viability of the bypass.

The findings of the investigations are available in the New England Highway Muswellbrook Bypass Options Report. The link below will take you to the report on the Roads and Maritime website <http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/documents/projects/hunter/new-england-highway/muswellbrook-bypass/muswellbrook-bypass-options-report-july-2018.pdf>

To ensure preservation of the bypass corridor, Roads and Maritime request that Muswellbrook Shire Council change the Local Environmental Plan to accommodate the minor route changes to the bypass. A copy of the proposed corridor is attached.

If you require any further information, please contact Mr Phil Davidson, Senior Project Development Manager at Roads and Maritime on (02) 4908 7532.

Yours sincerely

20 August 2018

Anna Zycki
Director Hunter Region

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