

Dear Sir,

From the five options offered in the Adelaide Rail Freight Movements Discussion Paper, Option 3 appears the best option as it eliminates all freight through the Adelaide Hills and, other than Option 1, which would do nothing to eliminate noise, local pollution etc, Option 3 is the cheapest at \$1.4b and is slightly better in traveling time to & from Adelaide to Melbourne and 2.2 hours better to & from Melbourne to Perth. This would have to assist transport costs if anything. I believe that to upgrade the existing line to carry double stacking of containers and increase the length of the freight trains up to 1.8 km long would be disastrous and only exacerbate the existing problem. It would be against the whole concept of trying to eliminate a problem that has only worsened over the years and will continue to do so.

Best regards

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