

Re Adelaide rail study; I live adjacent to the main Adelaide-Melbourne freight line. I believe that the future of rail freight is important for Australia. My comments relate to the issue of living near a busy line. Noise is not an issue. The principle issue is actually being 'trapped' within the confines of our suburb. Freight trains run several times a day, in addition the Overland also effects us. Together with the suburban trains there is never a time when I may cross the rail line without having to stop for a train. The study notes that freight trains may take 1 - 2 minutes to pass, this is not true. The average freight train will take approximately 5 minutes to pass. The trains pass at a very slow speed over the Victoria Street crossing at Goodwood. The 'weight' of the train, i.e. the rumble, may be felt for quite some distance away. In addition, the condition of the crossing on Victoria street is extremely poor, repair works last barely a day, as the freight trains and suburban trains chop up the road badly. I travel over the Victoria Street, Goodwood, daily and whilst I acknowledge that I moved to the area knowing that the crossing was indeed a busy one, over the past 15 years it has become evident that the two cannot co-exist for much longer without some improvements. To that end I would support options 2, 3 or 4.

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