Norm Roberts,

14th January, 2018

Dear people,

I wish to make a submission to the above inquiry.

I believe the primary concern on the much used Portland to Nelson Road is the huge increase in the amount of truck traffic over the last 15 years and the damage that this causes, both physical damage to the road itself and tourism. The truck ridden road is a massive deterrent to cycle tourists.

Having lived in Nelson for many years, I am very aware of the marked decrease over the years in such tourists and recently had an overseas guest, an experienced cyclist, who cycled from Portland and arrived a shaking mess because of continually getting caught in truck slipstreams. Tourism is very important to this small town.

As a motorist, it makes the road both now slow and completely unpleasant to use. And the state of the road bears no comparison to that of South Australia’s beautifully maintained roads, which I also travel on frequently.

Speaking as a resident of Nelson, I can also tell you that the constant noise of the truck traffic is not very nice to live with in this otherwise peaceful town, and I would like to know what type of curfew, if any, is in place as they seem to come through all through the night as well as all day.

I look forward to your response to that question and make this formal submission.

Sincerely,

Norm Roberts.