Inquiry Name: Inquiry into VicRoads’ Management of Country Roads

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Where to start? Firstly our major roads in this area of Glenelg shire were made to carry loads of about 38 tonnes gross, carried on single trailer prime movers. Now a company can run road trains of 100 tonnes gross pulled by 700 horsepower prime movers. Result, with truck movements in the thousands per day into Portland the roads are in crisis with potholes and degradation very common. As a side note the road toll in South Africa is estimated at 30000 deaths per year and the main cause of accidents is drivers swerving around holes in the road. I have travelled there and seen it firsthand, drivers look 30 metres ahead instead of 200 metres ahead. Please, just come out to the Southwest and I will take you for a drive on the worst roads in Australia.

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