



# **ATTACHMENTS**

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**Item 22.1 – Attachment 13**

**HVAS Consultation - Submissions - Part 12**

**Ordinary Council Meeting**

**14 August 2024**

29 May 2024

Our Reference: CCF/1767 DOC24/16256

Andre Kompler  
Director Assets and Infrastructure Services  
Yorke Peninsula Council  
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Dear Mr Kompler

**Draft *Heavy Vehicle Access Strategy***

The National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the Yorke Peninsula Council's draft *Heavy Vehicle Access Strategy*.

The NHVR supports the overall strategy and is encouraged to see that it adopts a risk-based approach that balances safety and productivity. The focus on incremental improvements such as improving signage and sightlines and the use of access conditions is welcomed.

Noting that over 40 per cent of heavy vehicle access consents in the region are related to A-Double combinations, there are obvious benefits to expanding existing A-Double notices covering the Yorke Peninsula.

You may be aware of a recent partnership between the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) and the NHVR on future gazetted network and pre-approval opportunities in the area, particularly for PBS A-doubles. In response to a request from the South Australian Minister for Transport, the Hon Tom Koutsantonis MP, DIT and the NHVR undertook a review of historic permit approvals, and identified a strategic network of routes across South Australia that would most benefit from the conversion to notices.

There are obvious opportunities in expanding these networks to cover first and last mile access on local government roads. Permit elimination will reduce the administrative and cost burden to councils from undertaking route assessments, particularly for repeat permits.

I would also like to note that the NHVR has recently released new tools which could support the implementation of the strategy. This includes a Pavement Impact Comparison Calculator that can help managers compare the relative pavement impacts of different vehicles and vehicle configurations. In addition, the NHVR's Freight PASS tool estimates and compares the performance of different combinations against 14 productivity, safety and sustainability measures, helping industry and road managers to better understand the long-term effects of road freight activity. We would be happy to provide a further briefing on these tools at a time of your convenience.

The NHVR also released the National Network Map on 20 December 2023. Networks within the National Network Map are kept up to date via a suite of Network Management tools, which are being rolled out to all local governments over the next quarter. These tools enable local government road managers to self-administer network access, outlining where additional access can be granted, or noting where conditions or restrictions need to be applied, for each vehicle classification. With a built-in workflow through to the NHVR, upon review, changes will be applied to the maps, subject to any legally required notification periods. In this manner, our industry and local governments are able to clearly see the current position of access, both across each individual state, and nationally. Importantly, the NHVR is providing the tooling for local government to more efficiently manage their networks in response to reviews such as the Yorke Peninsula Heavy Vehicle Access Strategy.

If you would like a briefing or require further information, please contact Brayden Soo, Manager, Freight and Supply Chain on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Hourigan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Hourigan  
**Chief Safety and Productivity Officer**

## Submission 726

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**From:** Yorke Peninsula Council website <admin@yorke.sa.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Saturday, 18 May 2024 8:56 AM  
**To:** Records Management  
**Subject:** New website question asked

<b>Name</b>
Doug Endersbee
<b>Email</b>
[REDACTED]
<b>Your question</b>
Has the council considered diverting large vehicles from travelling down main streets of towns?

[REDACTED]

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, 31 May 2024 3:34 PM  
**To:** Corporate Email Address  
**Subject:** Re your recent announcement to heavy vehicle access

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Hi my name is Locky McKinna. I am a former transport operator who helped get road trains etc. past Port Augusta to Lochiel and ultimately to Adelaide. I have read the press notification re you position re restrictions on heavy vehicle access to council road. As a former industry spokesperson, I have felt with this issue many times in the past, and I would welcome any opportunity to meet with your council and staff to discuss and explore some sort of resolution. I can be contacted by this number or email [REDACTED] Regards Locky McKinna Sent from my iPhone