



To Whom it may concern,

I write on behalf of Boyne Burnett Inland Rail Inc.

We formed to facilitate development of the rail corridor from Taragoola (near Gladstone, Central Queensland), through the Boyne Valley, on to Monto, Eidsvold, Mundubbera and south through Gayndah as a cycling, bushwalking and horse riding trail.

The Lake Awoonga Recreation Strategy is a positive initiative for the Gladstone community which will promote and enhance economic development through tourism for the wellbeing and benefit of communities in the Gladstone Region.

In particular, the proposal to develop the section of the Rail Trail from Boynedale to Cluden will provide a unique opportunity. Residents of the region, especially Gladstone residents, will be able to experience & enjoy a quite different outdoor recreation facility to that which any strategy other industrial businesses provide to the region.

It will be a natural extension of the Boynedale Bush Camp facility providing a venue for safe and enjoyable bike riding, bush walking and horse riding with beautiful vistas across the lake and a unique rain forest walk.

I fully endorse the Lake Awoonga Recreation Strategy on behalf of the members of Boyne Burnett Rail Trail Inc. and encourage approval of this strategy.

Yours sincerely,

Mark McLachlan

Chair, BBIRT Inc.

