

## **Review & Submit**

Please review your answers below and submit your responses on confirmation.

### **About you**

#### **Your name**

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#### **What is your postcode?**

2580

#### **What best describes you?**

Member of an interest group

#### **Are you providing this feedback on behalf of an organisation or business?**

Yes

#### **Organisation or business name**

Destination Southern NSW

#### **Your title and/or role**

General Manager

#### **How often do you use public transport?**

Less than once a month

#### **Have you used public transport within the last month?**

Yes

#### **Do you carry an e-micromobility device on public transport?**

No

#### **When you travel, which active and public transport modes do you use? Select all that apply.**

- E-bike
- Ferry
- Metro train
- NSW TrainLink train
- NSW TrainLink coach
- Bus

- Light rail

**Would you like to provide any comments on the proposal to introduce a temporary ban?**

Yes

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We acknowledge the safety concerns surrounding lithium-ion batteries; however, we strongly advocate for certified e-bikes to remain permitted on train services. This is critical not only for commuter convenience but also for regional tourism and the visitor economy.

Significant investment has been made in mountain bike trail infrastructure across NSW, which has positioned the state as a premier destination for MTB tourism. E-bikes play a vital role in increasing accessibility to these trails, particularly for older riders and those with varying physical abilities.

Access to public transport is a key enabler of sustainable travel and a seamless visitor experience. Restricting e-bikes from trains would create a major barrier to visiting regional MTB destinations, undermining the return on tourism infrastructure investment and limiting regional economic benefit.

We urge Transport for NSW to consider a differentiated approach that allows certified, safe e-bikes—that meet stringent battery safety standards—on trains. This approach balances safety with the need to support sustainable tourism, active transport, and regional economic growth.

**If Transport for NSW seeks further feedback, would you be happy to be contacted?**

Yes

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