

23 May, 2023

Senator Glenn Sterle,

Chair of the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport (RRAT) Legislation Committee

Dear Senator Sterle,

Given the RRAT Committee's ongoing and active interest in the Inland Rail Project I would formally like to invite all members of the committee to visit the project, which runs through my electorate of Parkes.

There is nothing like gaining a full understanding of the project by seeing the project first-hand.

My proposal would be to invite the Committee to Narromine, inspect the new section of rail with representatives of the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) and meet with local government representatives.

Of note, I recognise the ARTC chief executive officer, Mr Mark Campbell, in evidence to the committee tonight, expressed he would welcome visitors to ARTC's Inland Rail site.

I look forward to your early reply to this invitation.

Yours in anticipation,

The Hon. Mark Coulton,

Federal Member for Parkes