Dear Commissions,

The flood in Emerald affected approx 80% of the town residents which in itself is a devastating percentage.

We think part of the cause of the huge percentage affected is the railway line and the raised ground it is built upon.

This restricts the natural flow of the river causing the water to spread out and not allow the water to escape down the natural water course unhindered.

We know it would be a huge cost to remove the rail line to an area that won't impact on the town, but I would like to suggest that measures be taken to allow the water to flow unhindered down the natural water cause.

This may mean widening the span of the bridge or bridges and installing a lot more huge pipes under the rail line levy bank.

We thank you for allowing us to submit to the inquiry.

Regards
Ian C Mitting