Inland Rail is an investment in Australia’s freight future, connecting regional supply chains to domestic and international markets. The Inland Rail Supply Chain Mapping Pilot Project will look at the supply chains in the Parkes to Narromine region to help business and communities identify complementary investment opportunities along the Inland Rail corridor.

The Inland Rail Supply Chain Mapping Pilot Project will help empower local businesses and communities to maximise the benefits of Inland Rail.

Inland Rail will boost economic development and investment, bringing jobs and opportunities to local businesses and communities throughout regional Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland.

The Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities is working closely with the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) on a new project that identifies complementary investment opportunities in regional Australia along the Melbourne-Brisbane Inland Rail corridor.

The Inland Rail Supply Chain Mapping Pilot Project, will look at supply chains in the Parkes to Narromine region and provide information that identifies opportunities to help regional industry and communities maximise the benefits of Inland Rail.

The pilot will use the CSIRO Transport Network Strategic Investment Tool (TraNSIT) to analyse existing freight supply chains. TraNSIT has been used previously to test the impacts of road upgrades and calculate transport benefits for industry and multiple tiers of government.

The results from the TraNSIT analysis will help to:
- estimate the expected transport related regional benefits of Inland Rail; and
- prioritise future complementary investments.

The pilot will also work closely with the NSW Government and local councils to ensure the project complements local land use planning and freight network strategies.

Around two thirds of Australia’s export earnings come from regional industries such as agriculture, tourism, retail, services and manufacturing. Inland Rail will ensure this contribution grows.
The Regional Australia Institute is developing a strategic planning tool to help local communities along the Inland Rail route between Brisbane and Melbourne maximise the potential benefits unlocked by the project.

**People**
- Examines
  - Clear regional priorities
  - Decision-making structures
  - Collaboration opportunities
  - Innovative approaches

**Economy**
- Analyses
  - Regional economy and areas of growth potential
  - Determines a regional growth path
  - Identifies Inland Rail related opportunities

**Output**
- Assessment of regional capacity to draw benefits from Inland Rail

**Outcomes**
- A case for investment in complementary regional infrastructure
- Prioritisation of regional growth opportunities
- Regional collaboration

Are you ready for Inland Rail?