

Section 75W Modification Cultural Events Site, Tweed Valley Way and Jones Road, Yelgun MP09_0028 MOD 3

SUBMISSIONS IN SUPPORT

During the exhibition period, the Department received a large number of submissions in **support** of the application using a pro-forma style template. In total, 1387 individuals made a submission using this format. The Department has presented this information in a table to make the information accessible to the public. The table shows the comments used in submissions ('comment') and the frequency at which each comment was used ('number of submissions that used comment'). The table also identifies which individual submissions used each comment ('Individuals that used comment'). The Department identified a total of 551 unique comments in these submissions. Individuals can identify their submissions 1-1216' and 'Submissions 1217-1433'. Names have been withheld where the Department's Privacy Statement has not been acknowledged by submitters. In addition, the submission number is not always successive as duplicate submissions have been consolidated.

Note - All submissions received via this method indicated that they had not made any political donations over the past two years.

Comment identification number	Comment	Indivi
		1, 9, 70, 71, 653, 658, 69
1	I am a supporter of the North Byron Parklands plan to better manage sound emissions and to accept small community events at their venue, please approve this application now.	1218, 1249,
2	In 2014 alone, events hosted by Parklands provided over \$55,000 in direct cash contributions to community organisations and local schools as part of its community grants program. This is such an incredible outcome for north coast communities and long may it continue.	1, 53, 155, 1 419, 430, 47 1031, 1093,
3	When you look at all the things that Parklands and the events that operate there must consider from a regulatory perspective it makes your head spin. For a place that only has events there for a week or so a year I was really surprised at the number of conditions imposed on them. After reading their performance report I was pleased to see a very high level of compliance being attained by the venue.	1, 19, 77, 11 505, 508, 51 1083, 1101,
4	Phone service has always been a struggle for me, attending festivals with thousands of others, constantly needing to make contact with friends and family over the festival time. With the support of the major service providers, the North Byron Parklands is paving the way as far as development to ensure a better service experience for its patrons. With the introduction of Telstra Cells on Wheels, or COW's, and a new fibre optic cable, local residents and festival goers alike can now rely on a superior service than that of previous years.	1, 496, 17, 4 483, 572, 61 1128, 1172,
5	In conclusion, Parklands application is testament to their excellence. The application is worthy of approval.	1, 14, 22, 11 861, 930, 98
6	The team at North Byron Parklands continue to impress me with their vision and their ability to deliver. This application to modify and establish better sound criteria for their events and introduce community events at their venue has my full support.	745, 179, 20 905, 955, 95 1304,
7	The second year for events at North Byron Parklands saw a vast improvement in layout, crowd control and distribution via walkways. The vibe was great and having the open amphitheatre was a real winner. I hope that I can continue to enjoy events there in the stunning natural surrounds for many years to come.	745, 109, 11 1160, 1167,
8	With the continual struggle of small local businesses in Byron Shire, it is because of festivals such as those held at North Byron Parklands, that my business is able to survive. Creating an influx of tourism, particularly that of Splendour In The Grass in the winter months when trade is flagging, is extremely important to my small business and the local businesses that shape our community.	745, 76, 141 635, 670, 72 1013, 1044,
9	I unreservedly support this application and believe it should be approved.	745, 102, 13 525, 550, 55 1141, 1165,
10	I am a supporter of this project and everything contained in the modification, particularly in relation to better managing sound emissions and enabling small community events at Parklands. Please approve the changes.	496, 16, 124 877, 1000, 1
11	North Byron Parklands has taken the creative arts industry in the Byron Shire to a new level since the big move of Splendour In The Grass from Belongil Fields, Byron Bay. Allowing these big festivals to call the Byron Shire their permanent home is creating more job opportunities year round for local people. The growth and development potential for the Parklands site is forever changing, which generates limitless potential for locals to get involved.	496, 31, 108 411, 415, 42 614, 664, 67 838, 845, 86 1041, 1086, 1325, 1337,
12	The tourism industry is a major contributor to the Byron Shire and Northern Rivers Region economies, with visitation critical to the regions' economies. North Byron Parklands is attracting thousands of domestic and international visitors to the area. As this industry is so important to the region, it makes good sense for the Department to approve their current proposal on exhibition that seeks to make improvements on their current approval conditions.	496, 90, 158
13	In conclusion, what an excellent document the Parklands people have submitted. It should be approved.	496, 5, 9, 17 302, 308, 32 563, 567, 63 739, 746, 74 977, 974, 97 1080, 1086, 1242, 1244,
14	Parklands have demonstrated again what fantastic managers they are. I am so impressed with their application to improve their sound emissions and allow community events at their venue and I fully support it.	497, 78, 293 821, 990, 10
14	The organisers at Parklands make every conceivable measure to mitigate any potential negative impacts on the community during event times. With respect to festival patrons littering the surrounding villages, North Byron Parklands, is required to provide a litter response team (LRT) for the duration of the event. The LRT is responsible for monitoring roadsides and bus stops associated with the event. They are in regular contact with the community hotline and respond to any reported litter issues. To date 6 complaints about litter have been received and were responded to by the LRT. The event Community Manager takes before and after photos of key surrounding locations to verify the cleanliness (or otherwise) of these locations. Of the litter complaints made, a number of them were clearly not event patrons (e.g. council bins located at beach entrances filled with picnic waste). The festivals at North Byron Parklands inject a positive vibe to the surrounding communities around festival time. Patrons are mostly excited young people and families who have travelled distances to take part in a	497, 51, 224 995, 1173, 1
16	vibrant arts and cultural event. I have read in local papers and online news that the overwhelming response from local residents and businesses is that festival patrons are very well behaved and are respectful of property and the environment in the surrounding towns.	632, 683, 69 1192, 1207,

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17	The ability to host small community events at Parklands is an exciting prospect. There is evidence to support the important role that community events play in society. Participation in cultural community events can enhance individual self esteem, improve social cohesion, build cultural bridges, develop community pride and sense of place, increase employment, create active citizenship and reduce levels of crime in a community. This is an important aspect of this proposal and the positive benefits it could bring for the people who live in this part of regional NSW should not be underestimated.	497, 38, 72, 88, 97, 106, 121, 149, 151, 179, 231, 256, 257, 336, 350, 351, 371, 423, 435, 459, 460, 473, 475, 513, 555, 587, 589, 590, 593, 645, 665, 678, 715, 720, 751, 762, 800, 819, 839, 863, 923, 941, 943, 947, 958, 991, 1004, 1006, 1013, 1020, 1062, 1070, 1073, 1102, 1113, 1126, 1149, 1226, 1248, 1254, 1266,	61
18	Please allow North Byron Parklands to host small scale events at their property. A number of community organizations in the Byron Shire area are looking for space to host their small events. They are not looking to replicate Splendour In the Grass or Falls but to branch out with much smaller events which will diversify the kinds of people who will visit this venue.	497, 3, 5, 20, 38, 41, 81, 87, 139, 151, 163, 183, 184, 189, 210, 282, 289, 310, 315, 323, 428, 430, 501, 506, 509, 575, 591, 596, 644, 653, 669, 721, 729, 733, 756, 769, 798, 819, 823, 836, 919, 939, 947, 987, 994, 1003, 1051, 1108, 1118, 1120, 1126, 1157, 1167, 1180, 1186, 1222, 1240, 1245, 1248, 1285, 1312, 1335, 1339, 1343, 1346,	65
19	I support the changes being sought by North Byron Parklands. The ability to host small scale events allows for further cultural activities to take place on the land, which basically lies dormant for most of the year. This can be anything from art installations around the grasslands or small acoustic events targeting families. This can only be good for the local community and the broader community who will benefit from this cultural diversity.	497, 33, 67, 75, 101, 113, 118, 119, 150, 185, 234, 237, 239, 242, 244, 266, 279, 290, 303, 304, 336, 373, 386, 430, 457, 470, 492, 996, 504, 513, 516, 528, 542, 607, 611, 646, 669, 670, 672, 673, 733, 744, 767, 777, 779, 796, 823, 838, 840, 846, 849, 853, 854, 921, 936, 941, 994, 1348, 1005, 1012, 1078, 1096, 1139, 1143, 1156, 1197, 1213, 1220, 1233, 1325, 1340, 1343,	72
20	Imagine an events venue that can cater for community events that don't involve music. Imagine an events venue that has investigated and assessed all aspects of its operation and developed best practice policies and procedures. Imagine an events venue that generates lots of employment opportunities and provides much needed income for a range of businesses. Well the events venue is North Byron Parklands and its sought amendments should be approved by the government because sustainable projects like this are few and far between.	497, 150, 570, 657, 806, 838,	6
21	I am writing to say that I support the application on exhibition to allow small community events and improve sound criteria and emissions at North Byron Parklands. It should be approved.	498, 136, 159, 220, 290, 313, 354, 374, 380, 437, 458, 488, 489, 580, 667, 682, 702, 727, 737, 752, 790, 829, 910, 918, 959, 1040, 1206, 1245,	28
22	I support North Byron Parklands bid to host small community events. Small events can deliver just as much cultural diversity and community benefits as larger, more high profile events. These events allow community members to gather in small groups. In this instance North Byron Parklands offers a beautiful environment in which to host outdoor community events.	498, 126, 204, 366, 391, 442, 445, 478, 658, 974, 1252,	11
23	It would be a waste not to utilise the incredible space that the team at North Byron Parklands have created, as a location for non-music events for the community. Community type events are so important for the local community and the local economy.	498, 69, 255, 397, 642, 670, 722, 766, 854, 974, 1171, 1251,	12
24	When you have the combined expertise of event operators as those that make up the owners of North Byron Parklands it is quite evident that events that been held at the Parklands site have been conducted in a successful and safe manner. With years of combined expertise these industry leaders have ensured that all events were conducted in a manner that ensures the management of all aspects of large events are adequately covered.	498, 48, 71, 92, 138, 157, 160, 207, 208, 251, 327, 332, 466, 479, 480, 486, 492, 529, 560, 567, 587, 597, 598, 603, 606, 624, 643, 706, 710, 711, 756, 768, 781, 794, 802, 804, 813, 820, 881, 891, 921, 931, 952, 954, 1350, 1009, 1064, 81, 1121, 1179, 1232, 1274, 1313,	53
25	In relation to event management there is no standard manual that an event operator can refer to. Typically successful management of an event is a result of past experience and the refinement of policies and processes. The North Byron Parklands team have been responsible for creating and hosting some of the most successful outdoor music festivals in the country. Having hundreds of thousands of satisfied customers through their turnstiles it is reassuring to know such professionals are at the helm at the Parklands site.	498, 16, 48, 99, 140, 194, 202, 210, 236, 272, 327, 375, 423, 495, 505, 530, 546, 555, 653, 732, 734, 759, 774, 794, 804, 833, 837, 841, 918, 985, 1024, 1054, 1065, 1070, 81, 1116, 1122, 1232, 1239, 1248, 1291,	41
26	With the rate at which Australian festivals are growing each year, it is important to ensure that the ecological footprint that we leave is as minimal as possible. The introduction of 240 "low odour" and "waterless" composting toilets to the North Byron Parklands site this year is a big step in the right direction to ensure this. As a participant surveyed at Splendour In The Grass 2014 I was able to give positive feedback to these new additions to the North Byron Parklands team, as did many others.	498, 77, 115, 146, 152, 240, 252, 277, 280, 307, 336, 412, 417, 432, 483, 616, 627, 765, 784, 786, 874, 879, 918, 948, 953, 1036, 1038, 1207, 1246, 1279, 1311, 1313, 1346,	33
27	It is great to see that North Byron Parklands is leading the way as far as innovative waste management in the form of 240 new composting toilets introduced to the site leading in to Splendour In The Grass 2014. The "low odour" and "waterless" toilets are a big step in the right direction in saving water and being able to manage the waste on site. Hopefully this will encourage other festival sites around Australia to follow in their footsteps.	498, 499, 27, 44, 59, 107, 112, 128, 231, 257, 322, 357, 373, 400, 460, 998, 505, 556, 595, 633, 655, 661, 754, 893, 930, 979, 984, 1026, 1038, 1058, 1078, 1084, 1101, 1111, 1116, 1153, 1156, 1204, 1263, 1279,	40
28	Parklands application is staggering in its detail and excellence and it deserves approval.	498, 53, 167, 238, 307, 317, 324, 332, 353, 448, 451, 606, 663, 736, 752, 851, 891, 932, 961, 987, 993, 1026, 1082, 1106, 1140, 1194, 1231, 1301,	28
29	Like so many people locally and regionally, I am a supporter of North Byron Parklands' application to set better sound criteria and accept small community events at the venue.	499, 169, 200, 384, 451, 509, 649, 683, 745, 746, 974, 1056, 1138, 1185, 1229, 1233, 1260, 1315,	18
30	I read parts of the performance report covering events held at the parklands site and I was surprised at just how well the were performing. Compliance with conditions set be the government were in the mid to high 90's which is encouraging to see. As a trial approval they Parklands group certainly are getting better each year.	499, 9, 27, 253, 279, 308, 450, 555, 564, 580, 610, 693, 746, 754, 773, 786, 834, 856, 868, 869, 929, 1168, 1214, 1252, 1330,	25
31	The Parklands team continue to prove themselves as great supporters of their host community. Their willingness to provide the space for small grass-roots community events and their generosity in funding so many small community projects are just two examples of this. Parkland's are such a huge asset to communities on the far north coast.	499, 56, 60, 182, 187, 200, 258, 280, 298, 444, 445, 475, 531, 638, 596, 692, 739, 742, 788, 858, 873, 901, 935, 1035, 1057, 1143, 1226, 1237, 1315, 1322,	30

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32	When government's tighten spending, often the availability of funds for community projects dry up. To date Splendour in the Grass has donated over \$400,000 to community groups in the Northern Rivers. Community groups and schools in the Northern Rivers depend on this kind of philanthropy to fund playground and sporting equipment, to manage exciting educational programs and to coordinate small community events. Empowering small groups in this way reaps a multitude of educational, cultural and health benefits for people living in regional communities.	499, 70, 89, ² 900, 995, 128
33	Since its inception in 2001, Splendour in the Grass has donated over \$400,000 to community groups in the Northern Rivers. In addition, tens of thousands of dollars worth of tickets have been provided to charitable organizations and public schools to raise much needed funds through raffles and prizes. The ongoing financial support from Splendour, The Falls and the Community Grant Programs is funding exciting educational outcomes in local schools and community services; new equipment and infrastructure for community groups and small community cultural events in local towns and halls. Parklands and its associated festivals are so good for the local community.	1279, 1314,
34	Parklands not only provide locals with world-class cultural events on their doorstep but they also provide a much-needed financial leg up for community groups and schools via the Community Grants Program. The program has provided over \$80,000 in funding to community initiatives in just two years of event operation.	1193, 1254,
35	In conclusion, Parklands is the best thing that has happened for that parcel of land in Yelgun. Please approve their proposed modifications.	499, 16, 99, 683, 795, 819 1291, 1300,
36	I am a backer of the North Byron Parklands proposal to modify sound criteria and to enable smaller community days to occur at their venue. I believe it should be approved.	3, 94, 167, 2 979, 1132,
37	I'm not aware of any other festival team who goes to the lengths that Parklands does in mitigating and placating the concerns of their local community. They're an incredible team who continue to deliver world- class events that are enriching the lives of people who live in the neighbouring villages and towns. As a member of the community of Byron Shire, I would like to express my appreciation of the way that the festivals are run out at North Byron Parklands. Living locally I am happy to say that I haven't experienced any negative effects in my neighbourhood. North Byron Parklands takes care of most their patron's onsite over festival time, allowing local people to continue life as normal.	; 3,
38	In conclusion, the application on exhibition is just another example of the kind of excellence we have come to expect from North Byron Parklands. It's simply brilliant and should be approved.	3, 39, 49, 20 635, 690, 70 1174, 1223,
39	I am an employee of North Byron Parklands and have witnessed first hand the performance of events at this venue. As part of a 5 year trial approval the organisation has demonstrated a continuous improvement pathway across a range of disciplines. The venue has been working closely with the Department of Planning and Environment and members of the Regulatory Working Group to analyse noise parameters and the data overwhelmingly shows that the currently unregulated lower frequencies play a large part in affecting community amenity. It is for this reason that Parklands seeks to secure noise limits that address these lower frequencies as well as bring the venue into line with other similar outdoor venues.	4,
40	The North Byron Parklands planners have lodged an exceptional application and it has my vote! I fully support their modifications to set criteria to better manage sound and to introduce community events on site.	4, 249, 258, 2 1026, 1211, 2
41	Three words. Jobs, tourism and the creative industries. Its time to stand up and support this vibrant industry that does so much for so many. This project has proven it has the necessary checks and balances in place to make any event operate in a sensitive and responsible manner. Approve the North Byron Parklands amendments now.	4, 54, 69, 93, 388, 427, 453 650, 657, 703 870, 879, 883 1089, 1102, 7 1324,
42	I honestly do not think there is any other event venue in Australia, let alone NSW, that has so much going for it. Positioned in beautiful Byron Bay this incredible venue will stimulate so many other supportive industries to invest and grow the creative industries sector. This sector along with tourism is the life blood of regional areas such as northern NSW and I cannot see any sensible reason why it should not be approved.	4, 69, 171, 1 559, 601, 65 986, 1008, 1 1261, 1272,
43	This venue is destined to become the preeminent cultural hub of Northern NSW and will do a lot towards attracting dollars from Queensland and Victoria. This project should be approved.	4, 95, 150, 10 574, 579, 593 871, 889, 93 1219, 1249, 7
44	This excellent application submitted by North Byron Parklands to better manage their sound emissions and allow community events at their site has my complete backing and support.	5, 60, 76, 13 447, 603, 62 954, 1004, 10
45	How many fantastic cultural events and opportunities has NSW lost to other states, particularly to Queensland and Victoria over the past decade. Lets not make the same mistake again by letting the North Byron Parklands project slip through our fingers. Their support for creative industries is epic. They have the necessary controls, they have an amazing cultural vision and they stand to tip the artistic balance back into the favour of this State. We should all get behind it.	5, 41, 133, 14 688, 691, 710 986, 1002, 10 1278, 1298,
46	Four of the owners of North Byron Parklands each have a long and successful history in hosting events. The size of these events have ranged from 5,000 to 50,000 people and have occurred at a number of venues across NSW. The skills, systems and processes they have developed over the past 12-15 years has been employed to ensure all events held at North Byron Parklands are done so in a professional and safe manner.	5, 99, 194, 2 549, 560, 57 759, 820, 84 1194, 1229,
47	North Byron Parklands is emerging as a highly valued member of the north coast community and I fully endorse their application to improve their sound emissions and introduce community events to their site.	6, 142, 189, 610, 708, 72

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	Like any trial there is always a period of adjustment required to improve performance. This is true for noise management as it is for any other aspect of event management. The management of noise from the venue has improved over time and I expect that as more data comes to hand it will improve even further.	6, 38, 51, 91, 99, 105, 141, 166, 186, 198, 199, 221, 228, 231, 296, 325, 359, 395, 436, 447, 515, 524, 531, 541, 557, 575, 620, 648, 669, 676, 684, 690, 704, 743, 745, 754, 769, 798, 814, 836, 877, 890, 904, 946, 956, 961, 963, 1000, 1005, 1050, 1063, 1072, 1088, 1239, 1269, 1290, 1326, 1339,	58
	The current noise criteria are not realistic or achievable for an activity that only operates for 8 or 10 days a year. If the activity was continuous in operation like a concrete batching plant that would be a different matter. The fact that the more intrusive component of noise (i.e. bass) is currently not even regulated is an omission. I am pleased to see that North Byron Parklands are proposing to set limits covering this area. Such a move would be a positive one for this venue.	6, 35, 46, 51, 87, 105, 114, 136, 169, 184, 186, 230, 264, 273, 290, 306, 319, 363, 380, 381, 431, 527, 542, 554, 565, 568, 593, 601, 623, 636, 637, 663, 723, 743, 745, 749, 754, 764, 777, 780, 787, 821, 831, 859, 873, 904, 907, 941, 979, 990, 999, 1004, 1006, 1008, 1042, 1069, 1083, 1084, 1096, 1129, 1170, 1185, 1186, 1219, 1221, 1228, 1325, 1336, 1341,	69
50	Most community groups stage their events in tiny halls and other relatively small spaces. It's rare to have a beautiful outdoor space like North Byron Parklands made available to small interest groups. I for one, would love to attend an event at Parklands and I support their application to make their space available to the community.	6, 56, 239, 323, 445, 502, 589, 1137, 1177,	9
	The Departmental assessment report for the original application recommended use of the North Byron Parklands site for small community events. However, the PAC did not include small community events in their approval. There is a strong demand from local community and schools for this type for activity and used in such a manner will provide real benefits to the wider population. Byron Shire Council has indicated their support for making the venue available for small community events. This has strong community backing and should be approved	6, 300, 378, 850, 1351, 1155, 1245,	7
52	Australia's unique history has shaped the diversity of its people and today we are one of the most culturally diverse populations in the world. This diversity is a central feature of modern Australian life. But it presents exciting challenges and opportunities for public service providers and commercial organisations alike which is why I support North Byron Parklands application to stage small scale cultural events at their venue.	6, 106, 108, 205, 271, 273, 304, 310, 350, 357, 382, 386, 428, 484, 519, 537, 542, 589, 590, 618, 639, 666, 677, 735, 744, 761, 769, 831, 838, 840, 851, 871, 885, 900, 971, 982, 1352, 1018, 1025, 1051, 1116, 1156, 1186, 1222, 1223, 1280, 1287, 1302, 1312, 1335,	50
53	Cultural diversity is so important which is why I feel it's important that North Byron Parklands are successful in their application to stage small events on their site. Cultural diversity does not always mean loud music, it can be world music, classical music or a theatrical performance. It could be an opera under the stars in the amphitheatre or a small gathering or artists conducting still life painting in the bush. It's a great space that is used infrequently throughout the year. These kind of low impact events could add value to anyone seeking cultural diversity.	6, 27, 57, 69, 108, 184, 222, 238, 239, 245, 257, 276, 289, 290, 341, 372, 387, 422, 435, 443, 501, 514, 537, 564, 586, 620, 639, 681, 689, 729, 761, 763, 822, 831, 846, 852, 869, 888, 891, 955, 958, 964, 991, 1351, 1003, 1045, 1062, 1078, 1082, 1093, 1108, 1111, 1118, 1139, 1151, 1211, 1221, 1255, 1276, 1346,	60
54	Based on the information above I request that you approve the North Byron Parklands application.	6, 37, 57, 62, 80, 81, 93, 112, 119, 159, 172, 192, 223, 276, 284 b, 309, 345, 360, 406, 422, 458, 468, 487, 493, 500, 515, 532, 540, 548, 554, 572, 576, 638, 649, 617, 619, 647, 658, 687, 693, 720, 728, 781, 782, 783, 808, 862, 867, 890, 964, 973, 1007, 1011, 1023, 1061, 1073, 1091, 1115, 1120, 1156, 1199, 1201, 1211, 1233, 1283, 1285, 1289, 1319, 1339,	70
	The Community Grants Program is a fantastic initiative for North Byron Parklands to give back to its host community, and the funding that has already been awarded is bringing about important improvements for community groups and local schools for much needed equipment, infrastructure and exciting educational programs.	9, 9, 23, 110, 112, 166, 211, 335, 461, 482, 547, 622, 627, 652, 678, 748, 749, 763, 784, 791, 833, 845, 894, 1006, 1042, 1113, 1131, 1226, 1238, 1254, 1309, 1328, 1342,	33
56	With so many locals relying on the tourism industry for their income, North Byron Parklands modifications present such a project which is very welcome. North Byron Parklands have undertaken a detailed economic impact assessment which bodes well for the tourism industry should these requested changes be approved. Projections show that tens of thousands of people will visit the area each year and this influx of people will significantly bolster our tourism businesses.	9, 9, 37, 47, 73, 98, 116, 117, 129, 139, 152, 218, 305, 307, 320, 334, 341, 352, 431, 464, 467, 495, 517, 532, 560, 628, 662, 670, 741, 830, 861, 880, 881, 939, 972, 1010, 1061, 1074, 81, 1106, 1158, 1191, 1264, 1308, 1326,	45
57	I am so impressed by North Byron Parklands application to manage their sound and to welcome community events to their event site. I am blown away and they have my full support.	12, 12, 92, 149, 172, 329, 368, 470, 675, 680, 692, 755, 839, 874, 875, 881, 886, 890, 934, 962, 963, 972, 1001, 1102, 1274,	25
	With regard to its many environmental initiatives, Parklands has also forged strong links with NSW National Parks to collaboratively care for the adjoining Billinudgel Nature Reserve, an important area of coastal forest wetland that provides a refuge for many important fauna species. One joint project has involved the removal of more than a kilometre of barbed wire fencing that was identified as a threat to fauna in the Billinudgel Nature Reserve under the plan of management (NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service, November 2000).	12, 12, 501, 772, 834, 1195, 1290,	7
59	Under the North Byron Parklands environmental management manual there is a particular Environmental Standard that requires events being held on the site to adhere to a number of stringent environmental controls. The controls include buffer zones, environmental inductions, fencing aspects, wildlife rescue teams and lighting requirement to reduce illumination of bush blocks. I am unaware of any other outdoor event venue requiring such tight environmental controls. Parklands has certainly be moving towards Australian best practice, if not world's best environmental practice.	12, 12, 1072,	3
60	The on site camp grounds are very functional and the festival grounds work really well, with heaps of space for everybody. I love this venue like thousands of people.	12, 12, 56, 279, 375, 432, 512, 649, 701, 717, 736, 848, 868, 906, 1019, 1080, 1114, 1331, 1336,	19

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61	The natural amphitheatre at North Byron Parklands was really great and a definite improvement to events that are held here. I would travel anytime to see an event at North Byron Parklands.	389, 415, 429 1309,
		12, 12, 16, 5
62	Small local businesses are able to thrive in otherwise tough times with the introduction of festivals such as Splendour In The Grass & The Falls Festival at North Byron Parklands. The effects can be felt as far North as Tweed heads and as far South as Lennox Head. Without this boost in trade over these times it would be extremely difficult for my small business to survive the year.	409, 417, 440 1003, 1011,
		12, 12, 52, 9
63	Parklands have undertaken a detailed economic impact assessment which bodes well for the tourism industry should these requested changes be approved. Projections show that tens of thousands of people will visit the area each year and this influx of people will significantly bolster our tourism businesses.	349, 360, 44 709, 712, 71 1061, 1067,
		12, 12, 36, 5 475, 507, 53
64	North Byron Parklands have presented an application worthy of high praise and approval. Please approve their submission.	887, 901, 93 1210, 1221,
65		14, 14, 26, 1 773, 810, 86
	There are so many community organisations in the Byron Shire that could benefit from having a venue that could host small-scale events. These spaces are hard to come by in regional communities around	
66	Australia so we should embrace North Byron Parklands willingness to open their doors to other members of the community. If we consider the important contributions to the region made by tourism such as income generation and the creation of jobs, then it follows that projects with a proven track record in job creation and increasing	14, 14, 94, 1
67	tourism, are a good thing for NSW and should be allowed to operate. The major events at North Byron Parklands draw thousands of intra and interstate visitors, who have injected millions into the north coast economy during the tourist industry's quietest months. Their current proposal to include small-scale events will again help bolster local tourism operators throughout the year. To pass up such an opportunity for the region would be a travesty.	14, 14, 268,
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68	I can fully appreciate that locals might be concerned about the potential for anti-social behavior in their neighbourhood while large festivals are happening in their community. However, according to NSW Police, during trial events at North Byron Parklands, anti-social behaviour in the surrounding townships are actually lower than their normal incident rates. Local businesses have also reported in their local papers and anecdotally that festival patrons are well behaved in and around their businesses.	14, 14, 31, 8 493, 504, 51 1033, 1059,
	Owning a business in a seasonal town can be tricky. It is very difficult to predict what will happen one year in comparison to the last. There are specific trends that you can rely on when budgeting for the year,	
69	particularly Easter time and the summer months. But what I can now rely on from the festivals held at North Byron Parklands is a consistent flow of tourists visiting the area over these times. I can only hope that North Byron Parklands will continue to expand, bringing with it new potential growth for my business.	16, 16, 17, 1 613, 621, 71
	Over the past 18 months it seems that compliance with the conditions of approval has improved event on event. Traffic management, parking and mobile phone coverage all have improved over this period and	16, 16, 45, 2 633, 740, 77
70	seems to be a reflection of the professional approach taken by events at this venue.	1191, 1267,
71	Analysis of the last 3 festivals held at North Byron Parklands over the last 12 months, has shown no significant adverse impacts have been recorded on flora and fauna. The plan that is in place in regards to flora and fauna is a great way in which the festival organisers are keeping track of the environmental impacts that come from carrying out these events. With the huge support from festival participants, thousands of trees have also been planted as part of the Habitat Restoration Program.	16, 16, 36, 6 668, 699, 73 1059, 1083,
		16, 16, 39, 4 391, 398, 40
	Holding events requires a sound understanding of a whole range of logistical and safety aspects. The team behind North Byron Parklands have been responsible for putting together numerous large events over the past decade. In each case they have successfully managed important aspects such as noise, ecology, lighting, traffic and crowd and safety management. The systems and procedures they have developed	574, 578, 60 1043, 1079,
72	supports any event being held at the North Byron Parklands site which I believe results in the successful events held to date.	1251, 1274,
		17, 83, 137,
		477, 529, 53 778, 797, 81
73	I am an advocate of this project, and request that you approve this modification that sets out to improve sound emissions and provide a venue for small community events at North Byron Parklands. This was my first ever experience at Splendour in the Grass. It was an insane and overwhelming experience, and the natural Amphitheatre blew my mind. North Byron Parklands is the most incredible place I have	1039, 1046, 17, 257, 281
74	ever seen live music played at.	1280, 1336,
75	Location, location, location. North Byron Parklands, is the perfect venue, it's close enough to, and far enough away from Byron. There's so much space it doesn't have the same congested feeling as other venues do. It's great to be in the wide open space, connecting with nature, and connecting with music. North Byron Parklands should be allowed to continue to flourish for many many years.	17, 65, 96, 1 808, 828, 83 1250,
75		1250, 17, 49, 60, 1
	If you check out the performance report posted on the North Byron Parklands website you will see a) how complex and detailed all the conditions and requirements they have to fulfill are and b) the high level of	357, 376, 39 993, 1002, 1
76	achievement in meeting these requirements. I am not sure there is any other outdoor venue that has to jump through so many hoops (and who do it so well). I am a big supporter of Parklands.	1304, 1335,

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77	There are literally thousands of tourism businesses within 75 kilometres of the proposed North Byron Parklands event site. Most of these businesses are family owned and operated and as such are likely to benefit	17, 67, 73, 14 494, 625, 626 1205, 1284, 7
78		18, 24, 77, 10 869, 883, 10 1316,
79		18, 23, 281, 3 723, 742, 77
80	North Byron Parklands is the perfect venue for a festival. The site is a lot more accessible, the events held there are run so professionally and the facilities are great. The camping is spot on, HOT SHOWERS!! and you don't feel overcrowded.	18,
81	In just two short years, North Byron Parklands is showing itself to be a fantastic friend of community groups and schools on the far north coast. They have only had 4 events and from this the Community Grants Program has been able to provide over \$80,000 in funding for deserving community groups. Just some of the funding will give local Nippers new rescue boards and local schools with music education programs.	18, 95, 153, 615, 618, 62 864, 873, 91 1212, 1262,
82	It's wonderful news that the community groups in the towns surrounding Parklands are also benefitting from the wonderful success of the festivals held there through the Community Grants Program. Community	18, 59, 1274 649, 670, 68 1115, 1156,
83	With an approved flora and fauna management plan and extensive monitoring before, during and after events it is pleasing to see that festivals are not impacting on the ecology as some people stated. Parklands ongoing commitment of working with agencies such as national parks and wildlife services to manage and improve environmental values should be commended.	18, 132, 322,
84	With respect to the environment one of the risks that the people from North Byron Parklands have identified is the potential for road kill associated with traffic movements before, during and after an event. As such they have implemented a number of requirements including on site environmental inductions, speed limiting devises, signage and a wildlife rescue team. This is just one example of the sound environmental practices they are proposing.	18, 109, 167,
85	So based on the above please approve the modification requested by North Byron Parklands.	18, 23, 35, 3 503, 588, 60 1139, 1257,
86	I fully support the North Byron Parklands modification to ameliorate sound emissions and introduce small community events. There are small events that are not able to take place due to the restrictions on NBP, the community loses out in these cases.	19,
87	I'm impressed that Parklands take their role as caretakers seriously. The community is fortunate that the site is used to host sustainable cultural arts events, because the site could have been sold and used in a manner that would place greater pressure on the environment. As it is, Parklands hosts low impact activities that see the land rested for a large part of the year. Allowing such large rest times benefits both fauna and flora across and adjacent to the site. This is a very positive outcome for the environment and the local communities of the Byron Shire.	19, 135, 305,
88	Many industries located on the NSW north coast rely on the tourism sector for a significant proportion of their income. Builders, tradespeople, landscapers and maintenance all rely on the tourism and accommodation sector. It is therefore really important that we continue to support projects that are providing a huge level of income to the tourism sector because the knock on effect to other industries is so substantial. North Byron Parklands current plan should be seriously considered for approval by the government.	19, 672, 765,
89		19, 109, 126, 445, 467, 52 1114, 1196,
90	North Byron Parklands continue to impress me with their professionalism and ability to deliver events while meeting the most stringent planning measures. Their current application to set clear sound criteria and to	20, 57, 139, 714, 750, 76 1058, 1232,
91	The Parklands team have a long and enviable track record in developing and holding outdoor cultural arts and music events. They have a massive amount of experience in managing all aspects of events including noise, traffic and other aspects which if not correctly managed, have the ability to impact on surrounding land uses. It is pleasing to know that competent event managers are involved with all events held at North Byron Parklands.	1057, 1064, ² 1229, 1243, ²
92		20, 71, 210, 3 1251, 1344,
93		20, 108, 157, 885, 886, 95 1142, 1150,
94	Splendour in the Grass, and more recently the Falls Festival, are essential elements in the cultural fabric of the Byron Shire. It is absolutely critical that these events are unequivocally supported by government.	22, 22,
95		22, 22, 37, 4 907, 926, 93

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96	Businesses from across the northern rivers involved in tourism related activities stand to benefit significantly from the influx of visitors both from within and outside NSW. The likely spend from attendees at events held at North Byron Parklands is significant, given that people procure accommodation, buy food, drink and a range of other goods and services.	22, 22, 215, 5
97	Tourism businesses are the financial lifeblood for so many people in coastal regions such as the Byron and Tweed areas. Ensuring that our region continues to attract businesses like North Byron Parklands who are responsible for bringing significant visitor numbers to the region, is vital if we are to maintain the viability of this critical sector. Government agencies should be approving projects of this nature.	22, 22, 60, 77 1267, 1327,
98	The events management industry is extremely competitive and only those operators who can demonstrate compliance with all facets of event management time and time again are the ones that survive. The owners of North Byron Parklands each have years of experience in bringing highly successful events to the general public. Such an outstanding track record only comes about through effective, well planned event policies and procedures.	22, 22, 31, 39 251, 275, 342 503, 511, 524 847, 849, 881 1114, 1140, 1 1302, 1307, 1
99	In only two years of events operating at North Byron Parklands, more than \$80,000 in community grants funding has been awarded to community groups and schools on the far North Coast. North Byron Parklands is proving to be such an important community player.	22, 22, 261, 2 675, 709, 789 1314,
100	The music and arts events held at North Byron Parklands have given young people in our community an opportunity to see some of the biggest music artists in the world. For local people, especially those wishing to pursue careers in the music and events industry or follow the contemporary arts, this is a precious gift. With limited cultural options for youth being available in Byron Shire, these festivals offer tremendous cultural opportunities to young people.	22, 22, 67, 75
101	I would like to express my unconditional support for Parklands' brilliant application to allow community events and improve sound emissions from their venue.	23, 28, 262, 2 766, 824, 981
102	Australia has a vibrant arts scene that reflects both the nation's cultural traditions and its rich landscape of cultures. All forms of the visual and performing arts have strong followings, including film, art, theatre, dance and music. There can never be enough venues to host these kind of events no matter how small the might be. I strongly support North Byron Parklands application to host small scale cultural events.	23, 45, 62, 84 338, 344, 351 622, 645, 653 906, 936, 967 1070, 1094, 1 1307, 1315,
103	I support and welcome the cultural diversity that events such as The Falls Music & Arts Festival and Splendour in the Grass at North Byron Parklands bring to the region. These events offer young people exposure to world-class music and visual artists who may never otherwise visit this region. I was in awe when I entered North Byron Parklands for the first time. The amphitheatre is totally amazing, and there is so much room for everybody throughout the property. Keep the music coming to North Byron	23, 27, 62, 72 338, 357, 402 677, 679, 752 971, 984, 100 1226, 1257, 1 23, 71, 89, 94
104	Parklands. If you consider that businesses involved in the tourism industry that will directly benefit from the North Byron Parklands project stretch from Ballina in the South to Tweed Heads in the North, not to mention all the	1019, 1103, 1 23, 49, 62, 10
105	inland towns, then it becomes very apparent that this project will benefit a very wide area. Supporting the tourism industry should be a key concern for the government and approving projects of this nature would help the industry considerably. Approving this project will directly help my business.	747, 766, 791 1218, 1299,
106	North Byron Parklands is proving that it is a playing a pivotal role in strengthening the north coast tourism sector by attracting so many people to the area. These visitors stay one or two days either side of the events and spend a lot of money on goods and services and tourism related activities. The current modification to their project should be supported from the Premier down, because the region stands to gain so much from it.	24, 74, 214, 4
107	In conclusion, I'm not aware of any other development that has garnered the good will of the majority of the local community nor captured the imagination of young Australians across the country. What a wonderful thing this project is for regional NSW and it should be approved.	24, 28, 71, 89 469, 485, 501 1178, 1224, 1
108	The North Byron Parklands amendments should be approved because of the incredible opportunities it provides the creative industries, the community and the business community. I can imagine that this cultural arts and music event venue as becoming the preeminent cultural hub of Northern NSW and will do a lot to attract dollars from Queensland and Victoria. This modification should be approved.	26, 26, 93, 12 362, 370, 382 559, 573, 582 773, 776, 802 1077, 1097, 1
109	I understand that the PAC took community concerns seriously about the potential for anti-social behaviour in the villages surrounding Parklands during festival times. However, reports from NSW Police, Tweed and Byron Rangers, local residents, businesses and the festival community hotline, describe festival patron behaviour in the surrounding communities as overwhelmingly positive.	26, 26, 30, 33 1077, 1261, 1
110	The festival has settled incredibly well into its new home at North Byron Parklands, making for an amazing set up and atmosphere. I hope to come back to North Byron Parklands for many events to come.	26, 26, 250, 3 1027, 1180, 1
111	Parklands application is so well conceived and rigorous in its detail. This is a complete no brainer and should be approved.	26, 26, 115, 2 731, 763, 779 1162, 1179, 1

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112	North Byron Parklands application to better manage sound emissions and introduce small community events to their venue is staggering in its detail. It has my support.	27, 47, 56, 112, 235, 270, 299, 306, 322, 328, 356, 406, 428, 434, 452, 468, 556, 561, 566, 579, 652, 677, 798, 840, 876, 888, 904, 985, 1009, 1057, 1090, 1158, 1203, 1235, 1256, 1287, 1292,	37
113	The North Byron Parklands Community Grants Program is helping bring great ideas to life in the community groups and public schools of the Byron Shire. I don't know of another festival venue that is so community minded and ready to give back to its host community. Parklands have my vote!	27, 35, 52, 87, 94, 119, 139, 179, 207, 408, 457, 600, 671, 743, 788, 857, 913, 949, 1352, 1038, 1085, 1100, 1322, 1326, 1344,	25
114	The Parklands team are all locals who see how the events staged there can be used to help out the local community. So far the Community Grants program initiated by Parklands, Splendour and Falls, have resulted in over \$80,000 being distributed to local community groups! This is such a positive result for community groups.	27, 112, 159, 186, 248, 297, 339, 353, 371, 373, 445, 506, 551, 567, 574, 698, 710, 744, 796, 799, 805, 852, 859, 868, 898, 914, 995, 1041, 1042, 1173, 1214, 1218, 1222,	33
115	I am so excited about the opportunities that a proposal of this nature can offer to both the people of Byron Shire and the north coast. It provides for employment, tourism and cultural experiences that unfortunately are at risk of being driven out of the shire by small minded local politics. North Byron Parklands is playing a massive role in putting this beautiful area firmly back on the tourist map. This application with its proposed modifications should be approved.	27, 31, 103, 113, 143, 231, 233, 248, 357, 393, 542, 600, 714, 773, 806, 959, 1062, 1113, 1117, 1119, 1144, 1251, 1274, 1290, 1307, 1309, 1336,	27
116	According to the proposal on exhibition, North Byron Parklands has considerable community support for holding small community events at the venue and they have also consulted with the Department of Planning and Environment, The Byron Shire Council, Tweed Shire Council, Roads and Maritime Services, The NSW Police, The NSW Rural Fire Service and The Department of Environment and Heritage. None of these groups have raised objections and none anticipate issues from such low scale community usage.	28, 259, 670, 685, 902, 1350, 1123, 1152, 1337,	9
117	The North Byron Parklands people have obviously spent a lot of time developing up systems and processes to manage the environment in which they operate. It impressive to see that during events they have a wildlife rescue crew in place in the unlikely event that an animal is in need of help. What other venue has this level of thought and detail when it comes to considering the health of the environment?	28, 254, 549,	3
118	Community groups and local schools welcome the opportunity of financial support each year from Parklands and its festivals. Not only is the grant program helping realize excellent community initiatives but it's also opening up creative discussions for future collaborations with community groups and festival organisers.	28, 95, 140, 201, 222, 299, 350, 353, 435, 441, 444, 460, 461, 490, 502, 525, 638, 647, 696, 760, 845, 877, 883, 1195, 1281, 1330,	26
119	I am really excited about the improvements that Parklands' proposed modifications will bring about. Their application to better manage sound from their events and allow community events at the site has my full approval.	30, 30, 115, 162, 226, 305, 378, 438, 478, 484, 508, 608, 615, 686, 694, 728, 735, 742, 796, 830, 836, 852, 1062, 1330,	24
120	The people behind North Byron Parklands are professional event operators with decades of combined experience in hosting successful events. Having sold millions of tickets to the dozens of events they have held, it is extremely beneficial that such experienced personnel will be available to guide and manage events at North Byron Parklands.	30, 30, 44, 57, 59, 103, 117, 136, 164, 165, 208, 217, 272, 285, 372, 375, 392, 398, 402, 422, 439, 492, 546, 549, 598, 651, 713, 799, 815, 825, 846, 883, 918, 926, 927, 930, 936, 966, 970, 1024, 1035, 1173, 1234, 1258, 1293, 1307, 1320, 1346,	48
121	Before Parklands received its trial approval in 2012, the northern rivers area and Byron shire experienced a severe drop in domestic tourists. Cafes were empty, shopfronts closed down. Events at North Byron Parklands attract a significant number of domestic tourists from south - east Queensland, southern NSW and Victoria. Since Parklands approval, our local caravan parks, motels, cafes and retailers are bustling at the quietest times of the year. Much of the region is built on tourism therefore it is vital that the changes to this project is permitted to proceed.	30, 30, 135, 381, 476, 742, 819, 932, 962,	9
122	So many individuals, families and businesses rely on the tourism dollar for their living. In the North Coast region a large majority of business are geared towards the tourism market. With just three events under its belt, North Byron Parklands has delivered a much needed and welcomed boost for the regions tourism industry. The modifications on exhibition will further support tourism and will only improve on economic performances for the region to date. The government must seriously take this proposal into account.	30, 30, 46, 260, 318, 387, 564, 625, 1068, 1090, 1193, 1197, 1220, 1259, 1338,	15
123	In regards to community concerns over illegal camping on beaches during festival times, to date there have been three reports of illegal camping, however only one of these three reported incidents were directly related to the festival. The first, occurred in the nature reserve and was dealt with immediately by rangers. The second incident reported a "tepee" on South Golden Beach, further investigation revealed no such structure on the beach. The third occurred at Wooyung Road and the campers appeared to be connected with the landowner. After four trial events, fears over illegal camping and destruction of local beaches by festival patrons can no longer be used as a warranted argument.	30, 30, 148, 183, 223, 242, 355, 376, 447, 556, 661, 690, 844, 856, 865, 899, 933, 990, 1227, 1270,	20
124	What a wonderful application. It has my full approval.	30, 30, 51, 52, 187, 210, 337, 351, 372, 403, 482, 518, 544, 597, 601, 670, 704, 719, 725, 742, 800, 893, 908, 912, 1004, 1052, 1085, 1166, 1262, 1287, 1332,	31
125	I support the Parklands application to modify their sound criteria and introduce small events at their venue.	31, 41, 44, 52, 91, 145, 224, 242, 255, 285, 513, 520, 596, 833, 850, 851, 915, 916, 1070, 1128, 1159, 1166, 1174, 1176, 1207, 1250, 1275, 1290, 1307,	29
126	With a very large number of people reliant on the tourism industry for their income, whether they are an employee or an owner-operator, the North Byron Parklands project represents a potentially substantial increase in business for these people. If you consider just the sheer number of punters the proposal will attract one can start to see the economic benefits which will flow to the region. I think most local businesses would view this proposal in a positive light.	31, 48, 97, 191, 345, 385, 408, 415, 439, 451, 488, 494, 550, 624, 658, 858, 979, 1155, 1168, 1212, 1266,	21
127	Byron Shire and the wider northern rivers region has been a fast growing area for the creative industries sector. Many people have moved into the region with expectations of finding work in this sector. Now, more than ever, there is a need to ensure that projects that directly and indirectly benefit this growing sector are supported. If the current proposal is approved, Parklands will become a dominant force in expanding the creative industries sector and will continue to provide significant job opportunities for in the region.	797, 803, 804, 825, 924, 965, 968, 1033, 1040, 1097, 1098, 1162, 1193, 1206, 1215, 1224, 1256, 1259, 1264, 1304, 1340, 1344,	48
128	I fully support the North Byron Parklands modification to ameliorate sound emissions and introduce small community events.	33, 33, 152, 273, 309, 413, 480, 492, 997, 525, 575, 582, 976, 1349, 1241, 1242, 1269, 1279, 1325,	19

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129	Festivals have become a popular mainstay in Australia. All Australian capital cities have major festivals, providing opportunities to bring international performers to Australian audiences and showcase Australian artists. There are also hundreds of smaller community-based local festivals and arts gatherings with many community organisations seeking low impact venues in which to host their environment. I support North Byron Parklands application to host small-scale events.	33, 33, 383, 5
130 131	of the stage! Furthermore, the site has ample space for the festival to take place and it is far enough from the township of Byron Bay so you can avoid the crowds.	572, 701, 704
132	What an impressive submission the wonderful people at North Byron Parklands have presented. It gets a 10/10 from me and is worthy of approval.	33, 33, 56, 88 489, 523, 558 982, 984, 100 1322,
	I really feel the NBP application should be approved. The team at NBP continue to impress me with their vision and their ability to deliver. This application to modify and establish better sound criteria for their	
133	events and introduce community events at their venue has my full support. North Byron Parklands will continue to generate additional employment opportunities for the management and maintenance of the venue and event organisations. I think this is a really important benefit for this	34,
134	region and for local people seeking work.	34, 328, 732,
135	In conclusion, Parklands application is testament to their excellence.	34,
136	I fully support the Parklands application to allow small community events and better manage their sound emissions.	35, 72, 113, 1 882, 1029, 10
137	The Byron Shire Council identifies the creative industries sector as one of nine key focus areas that foster the prosperity of the shire through sustainable job creation. The shire has a long history of creative endeavours and this needs to be built on by supporting such proposals as put forward by North Byron Parklands. In such a short time, Parklands have created jobs and its events have generated over \$40 million into the regions economy. It is extremely important that the current modification is approved, doing so will provide an even greater spectrum of the local community with jobs that are otherwise unavailable.	35, 46, 54, 15 521, 531, 740 937, 976, 103 1304, 1337, 1
138	North Byron Parklands' application to modify sound criteria and invite community groups to host small events at their beautiful site has my full support.	36, 88, 164, 1 638, 588, 701
139	The way that North Byron Parklands functions as a site, it is virtually self-sustainable. As most people camp on-site during the festival time and are able to bring supplies with them and purchase items in the festival general store, there is very low offsite social impact on surrounding neighbourhoods. Unlike non-camping festivals, where punters must travel to and from over the festival days in order to attend, North Byron Parklands creates its own community for the duration of the festival.	36, 183, 256, 773, 820, 827 1258, 1278, 1
140	Since the transfer of Splendour In The Grass to North Byron Parklands in 2013, the previous issue in terms of traffic build-up for the local community of Byron Shire has drastically reduced. With the fast growing tourism levels in Byron Shire, there is already extra pressure put on local infrastructure to deal with the high demand. The camping facilities at Parklands provide most patrons with the option to camp onsite, which has created a lot less stress on traffic congestion in Byron & surrounding suburbs during the festival period.	36, 63, 81, 10 417, 422, 508 1100, 1123, 1 1336, 1341, 1
141	Most businesses that operate in Northern NSW do not have anywhere near the level of sophisticated environmental strategies, controls and procedures that North Byron Parklands has put in place. It seems that every aspect of flora and fauna management has been considered and with a robust environmental auditing component we have seen some excellent environmental outcomes arising from this development. I am very supportive of their approach.	36, 211, 334,
142	I'm not sure I know of any other outdoor venue that has undertaken so much environmental monitoring before, during and after a festival. The parklands people have now gathered a substantial amount of data that points to the fact that festivals and the surrounding environment can comfortably coexist.	36, 465, 477,
143	Regarding their green credentials, composting toilets may not be a nice subject but when it comes to managing human excreta at a large-scale festival, it's certainly a significant one. Parklands sports 246 waterless, low-odour loos – the largest of any outdoor event venue in Australia – alongside 192 low-flow, gas fired shower stalls. Furthermore, all the wastewater is managed on site. That's not only significant in terms of keeping pressure off Byron Council treatment plant, it also takes about 160-odd truck movements off the roads, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions. These guys are legends!	37, 322, 410,
144	It is very telling when an organisation such as North Byron Parklands go to the considerable lengths they have in ongoing identification and assessment of environmental impacts associated with their project. The extensive mitigation strategies they have proposed will not only see the protection of valuable ecological attributes but improve the overall environmental viability of the site. It is pleasing to see such a high level of continued environmental planning.	37,
145	In terms of compliance issues I was really pleased to hear that the venue has installed a huge number of composting toilets thus reducing the load on local sewage treatment plants and also removing a bunch of truck movements off local roads and the highway. This is a really sustainable outcome.	37, 39, 49, 76 626, 633, 718
146	As a venue, North Byron Parklands is perfect. There is plenty of space, you never feel crowded in, and the natural amphitheatre is perfect, with great sound quality.	37, 109, 144, 567, 600, 654 38, 264, 279,
147	I am a huge supporter of this fabulous project. I support their efforts to better manage sound and accept small events at North Byron Parklands. Please approve it.	872, 982, 102
148	Since 2001, Splendour in the Grass has donated over \$400,000 to community groups in the Northern Rivers. Since finding their new home at Yelgun, Splendour and Falls festivals have distributed over \$80,000 in funding to local schools and community groups. Community groups in the Byron Shire cannot afford to lose these two festivals from their new home.	38, 137, 218, 477, 500, 562 1098, 1103, 1 1322,
149	I have attended all 15 Splendour in the Grass events and can attest to the efforts made by the organisers to find a site which suits the environment, the punters and neighbours.	38,

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150	With all of the noise data that has now been collected over the past 4 events held at Parklands it will be clearly evident to events which noise spectrums need to be managed moving forward. Such data should assist events during the trial period to manage sound more effectively. The setting of more realistic noise criteria will also mean that currently unregulated bottom end will be required to be more tightly managed which improve community amenity.	662, 669, 737, 7 913, 956, 959, 9 1088, 1159, 118
151	Please accept this letter as my full support for Parklands' application to modify their sound conditions and allow small community events at the venue.	39, 102, 103, 14 786, 868, 983, 1
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152	It's great so many young locals in the region can work at Parklands at events and also around the region with businesses who cater for the patrons staying at the nearby towns. I support local businesses that can employ locals.	1351, 999, 1019 1188, 1222, 123
153	North Byron Parklands is the perfect venue for a festival. The site is a lot ore accessible, the events held there are run so professionally and the facilities are great. The camping is spot on, HOT SHOWERS!! and you don't feel overcrowded. Big thumbs up to Parklands, miss you already and can't wait to see you again!	39, 221, 501, 57 993, 994, 1120,
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154	To wrap up, Parklands proposal for modifications present real improvements for the community, local environment and for festivals. This is such an important regional project to keep alive. Please approve it.	565, 570, 741, 8 1155, 1197, 121
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155	This application to better manage sound emissions and permit small community events at North Byron Parklands has my full support.	570, 616, 696, 7 1149, 1155, 123
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150	In the Byron Shire and Northern Rivers, tourism is subject to busy times and quiet times. North Byron Parklands proposal to host a number of smaller community and cultural events throughout the year will be	10 101 505 50
156	great for community groups and also for the local tourist economy that will receive flow on effects from smaller scaled events that are scheduled particularly in quieter tourist times.	42, 434, 525, 52
	How many fantastic cultural events and opportunities has NSW lost to other states, particularly to Queensland and Victoria over the past decade. Let's not make the same mistake again by letting the North Byron	
	Parklands project slip through our fingers. Their support for creative industries is epic. They have the necessary controls, they have an amazing cultural vision and they stand to tip the artistic balance back into the	
	favour of this State. We should all get behind it. Australia has a vibrant arts scene that reflects both the nation's cultural traditions and its rich landscape of cultures. All forms of the visual and performing arts have strong followings, including film, art, theatre, dance and music. There can never be enough venues to host these kind of events no matter how small they might be. I strongly support North Byron Parklands	
157	application to host small scale cultural events.	42,
158	I have been to many outdoor event sites over the past number of years but have never come across a venue that has taken so much effort to develop and implement so many environmental programs. When events are not being staged at North Byron Parklands, reafforestation and noxious weed removal activities take place. When there are events at this site the venue complies with a bunch of strict environmental policies and procedures. If only other venues could take a leaf out of these guy's book.	44, 44, 520, 654
	In relation to fauna movement across and adjacent to the North Byron Parklands site one huge positive that the proposed underpass will bring is that it will provide much needed north-south migration on either side	,, 020, 00
159	of Jones Road. This road currently acts as a barrier for such fauna movement and denies many creatures the opportunity to take advantage of the RTA's expensive fauna overpass straddling the Pacific highway. This alone will provide significant fauna movement routes for many creatures.	44, 44, 142, 478
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	The performance report published on the Parklands website shows that each year and each event their performance gets better and better. This was evident regarding traffic and noise as well as	450, 519, 520, 6 1014, 1026, 105
160	telecommunications. By tracking and reporting performance in such a way it is easy to be confident about their ability to comply with all the things they have to.	1285, 1329,
161	In conclusion, I believe any lesser organisation would have packed their bags and gone looking for another venue by now. This outstanding application presented by North Byron Parklands truly proves their mettle and tenacity. What an amazing team of people to be living and working in regional NSW who are doing good things for the community, the environment and the arts. This application needs a gold star and immediate approval.	44, 44, 179, 195 504, 547, 562, 6 1067, 1100, 114
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162	I support the North Byron Parklands modification to improve sound emissions and accept small events at their venue.	1109, 1165, 122
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	According to one survey, almost 12 million or 99 per cent of adult Australians attend at least one sultural event or performance event user. The shilty to best small cecle events at North Dyron Darklands alleve	353, 372, 382, 3
163	According to one survey, almost 13 million or 88 per cent of adult Australians attend at least one cultural event or performance every year. The ability to host small scale events at North Byron Parklands allows people in the Byron Shire and beyond to be part of cultural events in a beautiful and natural environment.	658, 678, 777, 7 1152, 1197, 123
	Traffic management will always be an issue for festivals that have thousands of patrons coming and going over the festival period. Splendour In The Grass 2014 was successful in ensuring that there was minimal	45, 69, 88, 106,
164	traffic overflow or disruption to traffic on Tweed Valley Way or the pacific highway over the 3 main festivals days and the immediate days leading up to and following the festival, as campers arrived and departed	427, 432, 997, 5
164	which was a great improvement on the previous festivals. Tourism is a massive income generating activity for Byron Shire and the northern rivers region. Parklands is bringing tens of thousands of people to the area, all of whom need accommodation and food. It is so	940, 966, 994, 1 45, 156, 330, 36
165	important that their proposed modifications are approved because the positive economic impacts from the events held there are so significant.	1084, 1338,
	The North Byron Parklands will see upwards of 90,000 patrons coming to the region each year when it reaches full capacity. All of these people will need places to stay and food and other supplies. From economic impact reports, we know that Parklands patrons are already injecting over \$40 million into the northern rivers. From a tourism perspective this application highlights Parklands continued vision to improve on itself	
166	and it makes great sense.	45, 219, 251, 30

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167	And finally, please approve Parkland's excellent application.	45, 106, 160, 557, 610, 62 1044, 1058,
168	With respect to noise, it is generally the bottom end or bass that is most intrusive. One has to ask the question why the government didn't insist on placing bottom end noise criteria on the venue. Even more interesting is that the Parklands people are voluntarily requesting such noise criteria to better manage this frequency. These guys should be commended for proactively tackling this issue head on.	46, 65, 103, 359, 424, 449 601, 610, 639 913, 1053, 10 1317, 1336,
169	In recent times regional businesses reported that visitor day trips to the Northern Rivers was declining. Coupled with a downward trend in the average per head tourism spend, it was clear that strategies were needed to increase visitor numbers. In a short space of time North Byron Parklands has emerged as a business that has significantly increased tourism numbers with their world class festivals. Given their track record, their proposal to host not only large festivals but small events too will be an added bonus for the area.	47, 184, 240,
170	Approving small community events at North Byron Parklands will be a welcome move. It's highly unlikely that the proposed events could disrupt the local community, rather it's far more likely that such events will enrich the lives of regional Australians by giving them greater access to intimate cultural events on their doorstep. This is a wonderful thing for regional northern NSW.	47, 239, 450,
171	Parklands have presented an outstanding submission to the Department and the community, I urge you to approve it.	47, 123, 140, 749, 759, 81
172	I am writing to you say that I entirely support this application that seeks permission to allow community events and set criteria to improve sound emissions from North Byron Parklands.	48, 49, 81, 9 1105, 1106,
173	From Tweed Heads to Evans Head most of the business activity revolves around tourism. In just a few short years, North Byron Parklands has proven itself to be a cultural arts and music venue capable of hosting tens of thousands of visitors to the area and with the vast majority seeking accommodation over multiple nights has proven to be an economic windfall for the Byron Shire and the greater region. The modifications on exhibition set out to improve the project, and seamlessly add to the diversified tourism offerings of the region and should be approved.	48, 67, 184, 2 866, 883, 95
174	In regards to employment so many traditional industry sectors have left the mid and far north coast of NSW. This has resulted in a significant structural change to our employment base. A new shift towards service industries and importantly the creative industries means that the necessary infrastructure and planning decisions are required to capitalise on this trend. North Byron Parklands is one such project that is strengthening the North Coast's existing creative industries base and is generating significant part time and full time employment, all of which is much needed in these areas. Therefore, it is vital that we continue to support their efforts and approve their current proposal.	48, 165, 556,
175	With jobs hard to come by in regional areas, it is really important that projects, which provide ongoing employment are considered seriously by government. I believe that North Byron Parklands is one such venture that has a vision that will continue to offer many local people a job opportunity.	48, 162, 185,
176	The North Byron Parklands proposed modification brings so many positive benefits to the northern rivers region that based on planning merit the application must be approved.	48, 124, 131, 695, 796, 80, 1059, 1092, 1
177	Reading some of the noise related reports prepared for the festivals that have occurred at Parklands one can see a greater level of sound management has been employed as more data comes to hand. Onsite attenuation measures have targeted stage direction, speaker orientation and baffling around stages. I believe that best practice measures are being employed at a site that operates minimally during the year.	49, 52, 65, 73 306, 319, 33 668, 704, 73 989, 1004, 10 1238, 1239,
178	Parklands' application to improve sound emissions and invite community events to their spectacular venue is outstanding and it has my full support.	50, 110, 222, 1134, 1137,
179	Since moving to the North Byron Parklands, Splendour in the Grass has improved remarkably and I think by next year the site will be far superior to any other outdoor festival I have attended. Now that a few events have been hosted there and it has had the chance to develop, the place will just keep getting better and better. I can't wait to see what it will be like year on year!! I'll be back.	50, 178, 218, 1318,
180	Parklands are industry leaders in sustainable event management. For example, significant water cycle sustainability gains have been achieved by investing in composting toilets, water efficient showers and greywater re-use. Indeed, Byron Council awarded Parklands an environmental award for these excellent initiatives.	50, 261, 808,
181	We have heard it many times before that living in a community which has locally based jobs provides for a healthy and sustainable society. Jobs in northern New South Wales are hard to come by at the best of times, so when a project comes along which will create new jobs for people it is important to support it. That is a key reason why I support the approval of the current plans for North Byron Parklands.	50, 165, 621
182	This is one of the most exciting projects on the eastern seaboard. I fully support Parkland's application to better manage their sound emissions and invite community groups to host events at their venue.	51, 133, 178, 807, 838, 912
183	The creative industries sector is becoming a leading sector in employment opportunities in the northern rivers region and is responsible for providing an ever increasing number of people with jobs. Music and arts should be embraced in our society because of the jobs that it creates. North Byron Parklands has proved to be a big employer and a huge asset for the area. I am very much in favour in seeing this project continue and grow. Jobs are incredibly important and Parklands has my full support.	51, 108, 216, 573, 574, 66 914, 959, 99 1305, 1325,
184	Creative industries such as cultural events at Parklands are part of the future for the region. Jobs are created without long term negative impacts that so many other industries create.	51, 198, 259, 642, 687, 706 836, 843, 86 ⁻
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185	I can understand the PAC's original concerns about the potential for anti-social behaviour in the neighbouring towns to the Parklands festival site. However, after 4 events at Parklands, it's so great to learn from police reports that this has never been a reality during event times. Parklands and its events is such a fantastic asset for northern NSW.	51, 102, 124, 971, 1024, 10
186	Having a festival venue of the caliber of North Byron Parklands is not only good for local business, tourism and the environment, but it's also proving to be great for the communities who live close to it. Through the Community Grants Program, community groups and schools have been awarded significant funding, without which they would not have been able to purchase new equipment or realize exciting new ideas and programs.	e 52, 101, 187, 2 502, 525, 601, 1057, 81, 111
187	I would like to express my support for North Byron Parklands current application for modification to allow small community events and to better manage lower frequency sound emissions on their event site.	53, 97, 181, 3 944, 1042, 11
188	Byron Shire, like any small coastal town, has significant highs and lows throughout the year in relation to tourism. The more permanent events that can be secured in the region each year, will allow for my business to project spikes in trade that can support us throughout the quieter months. The positive impacts that Festivals like Splendour In The Grass & The Falls Festival have on my business are extremely important to its survival.	
189	The positive outcomes due to the increase of tourism traffic for local business as a direct effect of the festivals held at North Byron Parklands throughout the year are immeasurable. Without this boost in tourism, my local business would struggle to survive in a town that so heavily relies on the tourism industry to generate revenue.	53, 148, 249, 790, 808, 809 1148, 1255, 1
190	We constantly hear about politicians doing their best to ensure a supply of good jobs for our young people, however NSW still experiences very high rates of youth unemployment. Governments and politicians must become more aware of the types of projects that will generate jobs for young people and the North Byron Parklands' current changes on exhibition is a very good example. Parklands have already created over 200 jobs for locals, their latest plans will mean more jobs for more locals, it seems to make perfect sense to me to approve it.	53, 166, 313,
191	In areas such as Byron, Tweed and the Richmond Valley, employment prospects for young people are difficult to come by. North Byron Parklands and the festivals it holds has generated jobs and given young and older people in the community the opportunity to earn a regular pay packet.	53, 185, 199, 1184,
192	I am a supporter of Parklands' application to modify sound emissions and introduce small community events to their venue. Approve this modification please.	54, 182, 228, 662, 711, 723
193	Byron and the Northern Rivers unemployment rate (around 8.5%) is substantially higher than the NSW average of 5.9%. We need businesses such as Parklands who can provide employment opportunities to many in our community, particularly young people.	54, 430, 518,
194	Statistics provided by the Australian Bureau of Statistics indicate that the majority of business operators in the Byron Shire and the northern rivers are self-employed and do not employ staff. As such it is obvious that larger organisations and businesses such as North Byron Parklands, are required for jobs creation. Their current proposal will continue to generate much needed employment in the region. The continuation and growth of this project is extremely important to this area.	54, 541, 1079
195	The habitat restoration works undertaken by Parklands to date has been really beneficial to the local environment and the tree plantings in some parts of the site are now over 6 metres tall. This type of mass planting has created new habitat for birds and mammals that previously didn't exist. This is a positive outcome for the environment.	54, 329, 405,
196	One of the biggest environmental considerations is managing wastewater and sewage. At North Byron parklands they recently won a World Environment Day award from Byron council for their composting toilets. With more composting toilets than any other outdoor venue in Australia it is clear to see the environmental commitment these guys include as part of their business activities.	54, 554, 684,
197	This is such an excellent project which deserves unconditional approval.	54, 202, 211, 1 963, 1043, 10
198	The annual community grants provided by Splendour, Falls and Parklands address serious equity issues that people in regional Australia experience because they live away from the capital cities. In some instances, community grants offered by these festivals have been the only way that important educational, environmental and cultural initiatives for young people on the north coast have got off the ground.	56, 56, 62, 87 774, 842, 845 1173, 1281, 1
199	I support North Byron Parklands application to stage small scale events especially small events that can involve children and older members of the community. I also support small events that are based on specific themes such as film, folk and country music, jazz, digital media and writing. Please consider this application by North Byron Parklands.	56, 56, 63, 50
200	With a particular concern for the wildlife at North Byron Parklands, I can feel assured that there is minimal impact on flora and fauna as a result of the festivals held at North Byron Parklands each year due to the Environmental Management Plan in place. Constant analysis is done before, during and after the event to monitor the effects, resulting in a high level of compliance for all festivals held so far at the Parklands, in relation to the guidelines set out by the Department of Planning and Environment.	57, 165, 265, 3 668, 692, 756 1318,
201	With the large number of transport options for people travelling to and from the festivals now held at North Byron Parklands, it is a positive change from the days when the festival was held at Belongil Fields in Byron Bay. As a neighbour of the previous site, I am no longer affected by the noise of the foot traffic that would have otherwise flowed constantly before, during and after the festival time past our home.	57, 118, 124, 1330,
202	Music festivals, be they large or small, are like temporary communities and people attending them can learn greatly about cultural diversity. Events like Splendour in the Grass and the Falls festivals held at North Byron Parklands bring together people from all walks of life along with entertainers from all corners of the globe. This creates a unique environment, which cultivates curiosity. I strongly support North Byron Parklands modifications, particularly to allow small scale events take place at the venue.	57, 74, 149, 1 435, 457, 459 819, 854, 856 1129, 1149, 1 1298, 1319, 1
203	Please approve this modification that seeks to better manage sound emissions and introduce community events to North Byron Parklands. I wholeheartedly support it.	59, 59, 89, 28 772, 897, 919 1309,
204	In relation to traffic management both the NSW police and the RMS provided positive feedback regarding the excellent results of a range of transport and traffic management initiatives employed by each of the events held at the Parkland site. This is a fantastic result.	59, 59, 111, 12 399, 407, 427, 966, 993, 103

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205	In addition to the economic benefits enjoyed by the community and the local availability of world class cultural performances, a range of community benefits have resulted in the four trial events at Parklands. To- date, the Community Grants program initiated by Parklands have resulted in over \$80,000 being distributed to local community groups. This is such a big win for small community groups in the Shire.	60, 62, 104, 7 397, 460, 472 1255, 1270, 7
206	The performance reports prepared by the Parklands people show that there is a very high level of compliance with consent conditions across a really large range of aspects. Being under the microscope it is really pleasing to see how well they are performing and meeting their commitments.	60, 80, 88, 2 868, 945, 13
207	Byron Bay is built on its beautiful natural assets and many tourist attractions, yet like many other coastal towns it suffers from seasonal swings. North Byron Parklands current proposal to host smaller events will help to fill those seasonal gaps by attracting visitors in traditionally slow times. As tourism is so important to the town and surrounding areas, the modification to their project should be encouraged and approved.	60, 72, 97, 1 932, 1075, 1
208	Having read the North Byron Parklands submission and having attended many events over the past number of years, I am blown away by the level of detail and the huge range of control measures that the proposal offers to ensure successful events. The NSW North Coast needs this development to continue and it should be approved by the NSW government.	60, 65, 67, 9 676, 678, 758 1267,
209	I fully support the Parklands modification to establish better sound criteria and allow small community events at their site.	62, 62, 84, 17 764, 819, 879 1148, 1194, 7
210	North Byron Parklands has submitted a well conceived application to improve sound emissions and welcome community events at their venue, and it has my full support.	63, 407, 425, 834, 1005, 10
211	Businesses from across the Northern Rivers involved in tourism related activities stand to benefit significantly from the influx of visitors both from within and outside NSW. The likely spend from attendees at events held at North Byron Parklands is significant, given that people procure accommodation, buy food, drink and a range of other goods and services. The economic impact reports for Parklands have already proved that their presence translates into an economic bonus for the region and the improvements they are proposing on the current model must not be dismissed.	63, 347, 420,
212	This is a wonderful submission from the people at Parklands and worthy of merit. This application should be approved.	63, 84, 171, 2 824, 842, 89 1227, 1327,
213	I fully support North Byron Parklands application to better manage sound emissions and allow small community events at their event site.	65, 65, 80, 12 611, 669, 68 1123, 1127, 1
214	I'm aware that claims have been made by anti-festival organisations that aggressive and anti-social behaviour, beach destruction and illegal camping is going on in the communities surrounding North Byron Parklands at event times. The claims being made are simply unsubstantiated. Interestingly, NSW Police report that incident rates of anti-social behaviour during festival times in the shire are actually lower than usual, and that beach destruction is simply not happening. The Police findings seem to confirm research that says, involvement in arts and cultural events reduces crime rates, boredom and aggression and promotes self-esteem and quality of life for associated regional communities.	65, 65, 84, 12 856, 903, 906
215	The festivals at North Byron Parklands are uplifting events that are highly anticipated and enjoyed by the people living and working in the Byron Shire. Now after 4 events, the majority of local people who may originally felt concerned about an influx of visitors to the Byron Shire, now feel safe and unaffected by the festivals.	65, 65, 102, 827, 833, 88 1215, 1289,
216	Events at North Byron Parklands attract a significant number of domestic tourists from south - east Queensland, southern NSW and Victoria. Since Parklands approval, our local caravan parks, motels, cafes and retailers are bustling at the quietest times of the year. Much of the region is built on tourism therefore it is vital that this project is permitted to proceed with amendments to its vision.	67, 67, 489,
217	As a regular visitor to Byron Shire I'm always pleasantly surprised at the array of events that take place on a regular basis. However it would be wonderful to see smaller events, particularly those with a community focus held in a location that does not disturb the central township and allows people to enjoy cultural events in a beautiful environment.	1140, 1216, ⁻
218	I support the Parklands modification to better manage sound and open up the venue to small, non-music focused community events.	69, 69, 121, 1083, 1124,
210	To conclude, l'd like to say how improveive Perklande application is and how deconving of approval it is	69, 69, 100, ⁻ 677, 682, 68
219	To conclude, I'd like to say how impressive Parklands application is and how deserving of approval it is.	1131, 1132,
220	One of the big measures that protects fauna at the North Byron Parklands site is the limiting of events to a minimal number each year. If such a proposal was to operate for 20 weeks a year then they may cause some environmental problems but given that it currently only runs for 10 days a year and the rest of the time it will be just farm land, then this has to be a strong positive.	70, 96, 549, 9
221	Parklands and its festivals are so good for the local community. In just two years of events at the Yelgun venue, Parklands Community Grants Program has distributed over \$80,000 to local community groups. Funding like this empowers small community groups, enabling them to provide a whole range of services to people living in regional communities.	70, 155, 179, 937, 81, 108
222	I'd like to conclude by reaffirming my complete support and approval of this project.	70, 83, 141, 1 396, 470, 476 814, 833, 848

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223	With respect to community concerns about the potential for negative social impacts on the community because of festivals at Parklands, it's encouraging to read the analysis of actual observed social behaviour in the local community during event time collected by NSW Police, Byron and Tweed Council rangers and the community hotline. From my reading of it, bad behaviour appears to be non-existent, and if anything, Police state that instances of anti social behaviour during festival time is down on normal incident rates for these communities.	72, 155, 178, 4 980, 1109, 112
224	The festivals held at North Byron Parklands allow me to feel a sense of belonging. It brings people together in a positive way and allows me to interact with others within my community, creating a togetherness that is hard to achieve within daily routine. This state of mind then has a domino effect throughout the community, which is felt long after the festival has taken place.	72, 131, 263, 2 911, 913, 945,
225	Tourism is one of the biggest employers in the northern rivers area and the North Byron Parklands proposal is projecting that it will bring thousands of people to the area each year. Increasing visitor numbers to the area is the surest way to help grow these tourism businesses particularly when the project brings in such large numbers of people to the area in traditionally slow times.	72, 138, 223, 2
226	North Byron Parklands' application to introduce suitable criteria to better manage sound and allow community events at the venue has my complete support.	73, 216, 239, 3 1073, 1161, 1
227	I have been to many festivals over the year and I note that for events held at Parklands particular effort is made on ground to manage noise. Things like large hay bale walls, delay speakers and operating in a well contained amphitheatre all assist in better managing noise emissions. As this is a trial period it is good to see an organisation thinking outside of the square. The Parklands project is already attracting tens of thousands of people to stay in the wider northern rivers area. The last two events alone created 23,000 room night stays in the Byron Shire and over 6,000 room	73, 80, 106, 10 216, 245, 253, 529, 557, 563, 871, 953, 990, 1170, 1186, 12
228	nights in other parts of Northern NSW! Many of the patrons extend their stay in the region before and after various events and this is having a direct and positive impact for accommodation providers, as well as food and beverage establishments within the local area and region. So many people are employed in the tourism industry and the improvements currently on exhibition will bring benefits for patrons, the community and the regions tourist industry.	73, 90, 150, 28 907, 965, 982, 1288,
229	This modification presents an outstanding opportunity to help community groups by introducing small events and improve community amenity by improving sound emissions. Please approve this application.	74, 85, 108, 19 917, 1015, 106 1265, 1268, 13
230	The positive effects that small community events have on individuals cannot be underestimated. Participation in community based arts programs alone can reduce stress, lower anxiety, elevate mood, sustain brain development, improve sociability, maintain mental health and decrease blood pressure! Entertain for a moment the health benefits for individuals taking part in a small community arts event in the peaceful setting of North Byron Parklands. This is a no brainer. Please approve this wonderful initiative for the community.	74, 169, 219, 2
231	North Byron Parklands will see upwards of 150,000 patrons coming to the region when it reaches full capacity. All of these people will need places to stay along with food and other supplies. From economic impact reports, we know that Parklands patrons are already injecting over \$40 million into the Northern Rivers regions. On this basis I am a supporter of the events held at North Byron Parklands and support their proposed modifications.	74, 194, 215, 3
232	Nationally, the NSW North Coast has a high rate of employment in creative industries but the sector needs consolidating to sustain this form of employment generation. Regular cultural events at Parklands provides a solid foundation for strengthening this emerging employment sector in the region.	74, 152, 153, 5
233	The employment opportunities and the economic benefits that North Byron Parklands has brought to the Northern Rivers cannot be underestimated. We need to support this current proposal and allow Parklands innovative and creative projects to grow and flourish to help more local people secure work.	74, 263, 274, 9
234	It is unlikely that there is another events venue that has the level of environmental management systems in place as those carried out at North Byron Parklands. Based on ISO14001 the environmental policies and procedures implemented at this venue provide robust monitoring and mitigation measures to ensure that fauna and flora are protected. Measures such as suitable buffer zones between event activities and forest blocks is one such positive initiative.	76, 1062, 1119
235	The North Byron Parklands is quite unique in that the outdoor venue is non-operational for the vast majority of the year. With only 10 event days per year this means that there is significant time for resting the site which is a huge positive for the environment. It should be considered that if this modification does not proceed then some other form of development which may be far more intrusive and full time in nature may be applied for and approved in the future. This project is good for the environment.	76, 616,
236	Parklands submission is superb and is worthy of approval.	76, 101, 117, 7 437, 463, 490, 1109, 1160, 12
237	Young people living on the north coast have a tough time finding employment, and particularly jobs that are of interest to them. The Parklands project generates hundreds of jobs for people in our area and this represents a huge plus for a lot of kids.	77, 157, 174, 3
238	Most job opportunities in the Northern Rivers region are found in retail, tourism and health care. The region needs to diversify its employment base and branch into other sectors to be sustainable. North Byron Parklands has already proven that it will play a big role in this area.	77, 174, 213, 2
239	The economic impact reports for Parklands have already proved that their presence translates into an economic bonus for the region and the improvements they are proposing on the current model must not be dismissed.	77, 183, 483,
240	And finally I'd like to say, this is a brilliant initiative for regional NSW and really should be approved.	77, 98, 153, 1 630, 631, 637, 1350, 1005, 1
241	The community manager and offsite response team for North Byron Parklands are highly regarded in the community for their professionalism and hard working nature. They take every concern seriously and respond quickly. According to this report, the community manager and rangers have not had to respond to call outs about aggressive or drug induced anti-social behaviour by festival patrons in the surrounding communities.	78, 92, 368, 4

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242	Music and arts festivals such as those held at North Byron Parklands are likely to attract new visitors to the area that would otherwise not experience this particular region. The National exposure for the local communities from the marketing used to promote the festivals held at North Byron Parklands attracts an otherwise untapped market of new tourists which bring with them new money that increases the levels of potential revenue for my business.	78, 91, 101, 103, 115, 120, 238, 270, 311, 341, 405, 461, 462, 626, 630, 641, 656, 657, 660, 713, 747, 806, 808, 862, 916, 986, 1349, 1015, 1065, 1079, 1082, 1090, 1121, 1187, 1213, 1297, 1326,	37
243	It's so good to see many local businesses doing good business and employing people when events are on at Parklands. Parklands plays a very important role for local businesses including mine.	78, 141, 167, 228, 403, 435, 473, 590, 594, 671, 689, 693, 749, 763, 843, 876, 899, 954, 974, 980, 1010, 1018, 1045, 1049, 1060, 1097, 1150, 1151, 1171, 1222, 1316,	31
244	From a tourism perspective this application highlights North Byron Parklands continued vision to improve on itself and it makes great sense economically.	78, 356, 399, 464, 798, 822, 952, 1113, 1117, 1191, 1199, 1343,	12
245	One of the strengths of the North Byron Parklands proposal is the flow on benefits it will provide to the tourism industry. Still picking itself up after the recent financial crisis the tourism industry stands to be the big winner from this proposal. With massive visitor generating capacity this proposal will singlehandedly attract hundreds of thousands of people to the region, all of whom need accommodation and other services once they arrive.	78, 245, 399, 453, 483, 669, 688, 847, 925, 1016, 1018, 1043, 1063, 1081, 1141, 1265, 1308, 1312,	18
246	The local community groups of the Northern Rivers and the Byron Shire in particular have huge respect and goodwill towards North Byron Parklands and their major events Splendour and Falls. In just two short years of event operation, Parklands Community Grants Program has distributed over \$80,000 to local community groups. This kind of financial support for community groups and schools from a local business in the Northern Rivers is unprecedented.	80, 80, 81, 200, 239, 280, 291, 342, 349, 416, 466, 540, 570, 811, 845, 850, 948, 1035, 1135, 1152, 1165, 1172,	22
247	The projected visitor nights generated by the North Byron Parklands in its fifth year of operation is in the order of 97,000. This is a massive accommodation boon for hotels, motels, apartments and camping facilities in the region and does not even take into account the other forms of tourism expenditure that such visitors will make. Tourism is a key industry in northern NSW and Parklands' current proposal to improve upon their incredibly successful project, should be supported in order to maintain and grow the sector into the future.	83, 83, 997, 564, 607, 610, 667, 772, 1084,	9
248	So many people in the northern rivers area rely on the tourism industry for their bread and butter. These days most businesses are geared towards the tourism dollar and if past trends are anything to go by this industry sector will continue to play a key role in the region's economic fortunes. The people behind North Byron Parklands have proved their presence is vital for the north coast tourist industry, with their last two events generating more than \$40 million into the regions economy. They will continue to play a dominant role in growing and sustaining the tourism industry in NSW and we should all get behind them to make their proposed improvements for the site a reality.	r 83, 83, 337, 992, 1081, 1104, 1113,	7
249	Why not allow North Byron Parklands host small community events at their property? With so much emphasis being placed on large scale events and their impacts on local communities, we should embrace an organisation that is interested in having diverse groups within a diverse community use their space to stage low impact small events.	84, 141, 347, 516, 878, 920, 932, 1171, 1172, 1179,	10
250	As an avid environmentalist I like the idea of being able to go on nature walks, bird watching tour or attending a regular tree planting at North Byron Parklands. These events that North Byron Parklands is applying to stage are low impact and should be supported by the Department of Planning and Environment and the community at large.		7
251	Now with 4 major events under their belt, the overwhelming majority of residents and businesses in the local communities surrounding Parklands enjoy the colour and excitement that festival patrons bring to their towns and businesses during event time. As it is in many small communities, there is always a small but vocal minority who will drum up fear campaigns and trot out misinformation about vandalism and young people defecating in the streets. The data provided by police and rangers suggest that this is serious misinformation being bandied about and most locals will tell you, it simply isn't happening in their town.	84, 92, 148, 202, 276, 291, 305, 335, 343, 398, 417, 635, 712, 824, 885, 1024, 1132, 1155, 1238, 1327, 1342,	21
252	The Parklands team are locals who really care about the impact their events have on the environment and their local communities. Their planning and efforts to mitigate negative social and environmental impacts are exceptional. NSW Police and council ranger's reports indicate that there is no evidence to support fears about aggressive or anti-social behaviour in neighbouring towns during event times.	85, 155, 167, 210, 232, 291, 578, 585, 638, 712, 890, 1088, 1227, 1294, 1328,	15
253	To conclude, North Byron Parklands was once a project that caused concern among some members of the north coast community. Those fears have now been largely put to rest. This application shows what excellent managers, caretakers and community consultants the Parklands team is. This application is outstanding and should be approved.	85, 114, 129, 224, 286, 510, 526, 561, 660, 666, 672, 692, 700, 735, 764, 768, 813, 816, 914, 944, 981, 1049, 1230, 1282, 1328,	25
254	As a local resident I am really excited about the improvements that Parklands' proposed modifications will bring about. Their application to better manage sound from their events and allow community events at the site has my full approval. The festivals at North Byron Parklands inject a positive vibe to the surrounding communities around festival time. I both live locally and attend the events at North Byron Parklands, and while I am older than the average attendee (in my 50s) with very few exceptions I find the patrons to be extremely well behaved, friendly and well mannered. Any inconvenience is short lived and the benefits are much greater than any negatives from a large number of young people visiting and enjoying the area. As an avid environmentalist I like the idea of being able to go on nature walks, bird watching tour or attending a regular tree planting at North Byron Parklands. These events that North Byron Parklands is applying to stage are low impact and should be supported by the Department of Planning and Environment and the community at large. I think it is commendable that North Byron Parklands are willing to open up this magnificent site for community use. With so many people moving into capital cities the government needs to ensure that regional employment opportunities are secured whenever they are offered. Parklands have a project that will provide plenty of jobs for a range of people and it is super important that the jobs stay in ou area. I know many people who have secured employment on events at North Byron Parklands, and I know the injection of cash over the lean winter months is a boon to the businesses in my home town of Brunswick Heads. I sincerely hope that you approve Parkland's application.	à	1
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255	I am writing to express my full support for North Byron Parklands' outstanding application to allow small community events and better manage low frequency sound at their event site.	871, 893, 921, 925, 957, 1119, 1131, 1137, 1163, 1308, 1319,	24
256	Noise is a highly subjective yet important aspect of activities such outdoor venues. What might annoy me noise wise might not bother my immediate neighbour. The parklands people seem to have expended a lot of time and energy in fine tuning noise from the site through better sound management at site (large hay bales) through to providing the community with information about how noise travels and the difference between low and high frequencies. Such measures will result in better sound outcomes moving forward.	87, 92, 106, 131, 132, 136, 201, 228, 253, 264, 283, 285, 290, 291, 299, 325, 333, 364, 421, 433, 436, 449, 452, 454, 488, 510, 512, 528, 542, 580, 586, 637, 639, 648, 654, 668, 684, 690, 708, 737, 758, 780, 809, 821, 839, 867, 896, 941, 949, 953, 963, 989, 1008, 1012, 1083, 1086, 1161, 1175, 1182, 1211, 1212, 1236, 1243, 1263, 1298, 1302, 1313, 1326,	68

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257		708, 724, 77 1096, 1123,
258	North Byron Parklands continues to develop and grow each year, with continued support from our local community. It is this continued growth that allows for more young people like myself in the community to pursue their career aspirations, without which we would need to move to the larger cities or be forced into a career change.	88, 143, 428
259	With such a massive projected increase in the population of the north coast how are people expected to find meaningful work? It is only by governments thinking outside of the traditional tourism and accommodation industries and assisting other sectors to operate that such jobs can be made available. Parklands covers an industry that can provide lots of local jobs.	88, 173, 217
260	This years Splendour at North Byron Parklands was the best EVER!!!! The whole feeling and atmosphere of the venue continues to appeal to me in my 2nd year at Splendour. The new layout of this years' festival was ideal for numerous reasons.	89, 100, 225
261	Byron Bay has had many issues with the influx of people into the town centre on New Years Eve each year. With North Byron Parklands holding the Falls Music and Arts Festival over this period, it has taken a lot of stress off the local community in dealing with many issues such as vandalism, street violence and drinking in public that cause angst for local businesses owners and families. By housing most of the participants of the festival onsite over this time, pressure is taken off our town and its residents, allowing us to enjoy our holidays.	89, 145, 159 761, 865, 86
262		90, 114, 140 913, 1059, 1
263	intimate feel. I see it as world-class events, in a world-class venue, in my community. I'm proud to be a local and be able to enjoy entertainment in such a wonderful environment.	90, 189, 332 855, 947, 10
264	Parklands provide a hub for appropriate employment in the region in creative industries. It helps the region consolidate on this regional advantage plus it supports local businesses, which means its good for my business.	90, 101, 156 520, 561, 59 896, 899, 93 1312, 1330,
265		91, 143, 202 742, 785, 83
266	Whether one considers employment, income generation, environmental protection measures or a massive boost to the region's tourism economy, this application is excellent. On this basis, the modifications	92, 111, 121 878, 927, 95 1168, 1229,
267		93, 184, 234 693, 768, 94
268	North Byron Parklands is one of a kind in the Byron Shire. The size, layout and amenities that it boasts would be incredibly valuable to our community to hold non-music events. There is such a lack of facilities in this area that are suitable to hold such events and with North Byron Parklands embracing the idea of being able to give back to the local community, it would be a waste if we weren't able to make the most of this opportunity.	93, 661, 701
269	I can say without reserve that I strongly support the proposal put forward by North Byron Parklands. The application covers off on all of the important issues such as noise, traffic and ecology. It is so pleasing to	94, 96, 1274 659, 669, 69 991, 1072, 1
270		95, 100, 109 801, 887, 94 1306, 1324,
271	If you look at the multitude of government regional growth forecasts for areas such as the northern rivers it is plain to see that with a rapidly expanding population there is a strong need for a diverse and stable employment base. Jobs will be critical for the long term sustainability of the region and therefore when projects such as North Byron Parklands is currently proposing come along, they should be embraced and	95, 249, 258
272	North Byron Parklands is all about hosting lots of different events, all of which require people to work in a variety of jobs. One event can employ hundreds of people for a period of time and in an area like Byron	95, 102, 106
273	The North Byron Parklands site is amazing. The amphitheatre is just incredible! You can see and hear everything regardless of how close, or far away from the stage you are. The amphitheatre provides a space to sit and enjoy the atmosphere to take everything in, and I think this would be the case for any event held at North Byron Parklands. My whole experience at the festival and North Byron Parklands was extremely fun	
274	Environmental considerations are very important in the Byron region and Parklands should be commended for the work they are doing in this area. Unfortunately the biggest threat to wildlife is not festivals, it is the recently upgraded Pacific Highway which separates bush in the east to more significant vegetation in the west. The rise of wild dogs in this area is also having a devastating effect on fauna.	96, 432, 594
275	bring about improvements for the entire community, festival patrons and events held there.	98, 199, 225 512, 712, 73
276		99, 101, 168 870, 1352, 1
277	There are so many local people who could benefit from North Byron Parklands hosting small events. These include local schools, sporting organizations, Scouts and local artisans. From conducting a jewelry making demonstration in an unused corner of the site to putting up a quilt display in Parklands by draping quilts across ropes strung from tree to tree, there are hundreds of ways, large and small, that the community can benefit from these local events.	99, 107, 118
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278	In regards to holding small non-music focused community events at North Byron Parklands, I can see that this will help compensate those groups in the community who have objections or feel alienated by the larger festivals at Parklands. Small events like fun runs, cinema under the stars and school fetes are a great way to engage the immediate community and include the frail aged and young families. It's a commendable initiative and will become an asset the community will be proud of.	99, 125, 205, 5
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279	Parklands is a breath of fresh air for local and regional people trying to find work close to home. As a community we need to get behind this fantastic concept and support it. As a government, there is a huge moral	
280 281	Until very recently NSW has had a less than enviable employment track record mainly due to the global financial crisis. While it looks like the state is on the mend we still need to ensure that projects like North	100, 365, 449, 100, 145, 163,
282		102, 395,
283	In relation to employment, with so many people moving to coastal areas, governments have a role as planners to ensure that industries and the jobs they bring are afforded every opportunity of success. Parklands is one such business in the Byron Shire that makes good sense for the government to continue to support.	102, 247, 467,
284	If you were to analyse the professional event management of such festivals as Splendour in the Grass, Parklife, Shore Thing and Sunset Suns one could only come to the conclusion that these event operators are up there with the most successful of well managed events in Australia. Each of these events are owned and operated by members of North Byron Parklands team. Their expertise in event management is second to none and is a huge advantage in ensuring the events hosted at this site have been done in a compliant and professional way.	
285	In addition to the \$80,000 in funding donated so far to community organisations and schools through the Community Grants Program, Parklands also donates tens of thousands of dollars worth of festival tickets every year to organisations for raffling to raise much needed funds for their schools and charities. Parklands and its events provide incredibly important support for community organisations.	104, 108, 146, 448, 622, 662, 1257, 1333, 13
286	In regards to community events, it's remarkable the level of detail that this team goes to with their planning even for a school cross country. It seems absurd that the local primary school could not hold a cross- country event at Parklands because of the current restrictions placed on their approval. Regional Australians are the worst served in the nation in terms of access to quality sporting and cultural facilities, transport, education and cultural products compared to their city counterparts. This is an excellent proposal that will serve communities on the far north coast.	104, 187, 457,
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288		105, 135, 1274 805, 823, 825,
289		105, 144, 166,
290	The average annual household income in the Byron Shire and the Northern Rivers is substantially lower than NSW (approximately \$55,000 compared with \$71,000) and as such employment opportunities generated by North Byron Parklands are incredibly valuable to the Shire and the region.	105, 173, 495,
291	North Byron Parklands is only used twice a year so the site is basically dormant for the rest of the year. Small community organisations, particularly those in the north of Byron Shire and south of Tweed Heads could benefit from having access to the space to stage their small community events. This is a brilliant opportunity which should be embraced by the Department of Planning and Environment.	105, 323, 347,
292	The North Byron Parklands proposal should be approved because of the incredible opportunities it provides both the community and the business community.	105, 228, 237, 830, 909, 913,
293	I visited North Byron Parklands for the first time at Splendour 2014. The atmosphere was incredible! The facilities were fantastic (Toilets/Showers), and the layout and design of the Parklands is amazing. Long live North Byron Parklands, and the fantastic events that it hosts.	107, 205, 232, 1205,
294	Potato crisps are delicious.	107,
295	When I was at an event at Parklands recently I was really impressed to see volunteers from WIRES the local wildlife rescue team. These people stay on site for the duration of the event to make sure that any injured wildlife or fauna that needs relocating is managed accordingly. When I asked if they had much work over the event, they advised they hadn't had to do much but advised it was a great precaution just in case. This sort of thing comes under good planning I believe.	109, 304, 546,
296		110, 189, 197, 863, 898, 952,
297		111, 238, 254, 718, 730, 866,
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298	The list of events that each of the owners of North Byron Parklands have held over the past ten years is absolutely staggering in terms of venues, numbers of patrons and dealing successfully with a range of regulatory authorities. Such experience has provided a significant edge when events are held at North Byron Parklands and has made for a succession of successful events.	904, 924, 930, 1124, 1218, 12
299	The current population of the Northern Rivers is approximately 294,000 people, and is anticipated to increase to approximately 376,000 people by 2036. Such an increase in population requires a suite of stable employers. North Byron Parklands will continue to play an important role in providing jobs to people in this area.	112, 365, 476,
300	Much of the agricultural and forestry industries of the northern rivers have significantly declined over the past decade and many people have been forced into lower paid sectors such as retail and tourism. Now more than ever, there is a need to diversify the employment base and this current proposal helps North Byron Parklands continue to do that for the north coast. There is a very real need to approve such a project.	112, 1151, 117

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301	The Planning and Assessment Commission can no longer rely on the claims about anti-social behavior provided by anti-festival campaigners. Now, after four trial events and with real observable data collected by NSW Police, Byron Shire and Tweed rangers, the local business community, residents and the community hotline, it's now unwarranted to claim that the festivals at North Byron Parklands are impacting surrounding communities with "anti-social and illegal activities including drug-taking, excessive drinking, abusive and aggressive behaviour, public urination, littering and illegal camping". It's simply not happening, and this cannot be used as a warranted argument to prevent this application's approval.	113, 205, 255, 259, 277, 324, 381, 424, 493, 550, 556, 603, 630, 715, 717, 779, 885,	17
302	The thing I love about North Byron Parklands is that just about everyone comes out a winner when it comes to the benefits of living near a festival site. What's now become apparent is that small community groups and local schools in the area are seeing the benefits of Parkland's Community Grants Program. In just two years of festivals, Splendour and Falls have awarded small halls, small schools, land care groups, amateur theatre groups, Nippers, film societies and community gardens in the villages surrounding Parklands with much needed funding to implement great community programs.	5 115, 116, 123, 214, 230, 303, 314, 317, 398, 415, 457, 998, 591, 618, 678, 682, 696, 741, 760, 781, 865, 937, 940, 941, 962, 963, 1092, 1100, 1165, 1226, 1263,	31
303	I am continually bowled over by the excellent team at Parklands. Their application to align their noise criteria with other outdoor music events and to admit community events at the venue has my support.	116, 138, 176, 186, 320, 444, 445, 564, 756, 788, 814, 849, 854, 858, 928, 1348, 1036, 1038, 1072, 1088, 1112,	21
304	I honestly do not think there is any other event venue in Australia, let alone NSW, that has so much going for it. Positioned in beautiful Byron Bay this incredible venue, with a few events under its belt is already stimulating so many other supportive industries to invest and grow the creative industries sector. This sector along with tourism is the life blood of regional areas such as northern NSW, and I cannot see any sensible reason why it should not be approved!	116, 128, 137, 146, 243, 315, 336, 380, 382, 400, 423, 436, 516, 534, 626, 645, 652, 670, 788, 902, 985, 1095, 1108, 1181, 1304, 1317, 1340,	27
305	North Byron Parklands continue to improve on their performance and their application to better manage sound emissions and involve community events at their venue further illustrates this commitment. The application is exceptional and I fully support it.	118, 165, 241, 351, 390, 544, 674, 724, 751, 793, 794, 862, 1267, 1285,	14
306	There are not enough spaces in Byron Shire where small-scale events can be staged. These events could include innovative performing arts events along with educational programs for school students. There is endless scope for the kinds of events and they don't have to have any impact on the wider community. Please consider this application by North Byron Parklands to host small events.	118, 138, 244, 552, 554, 597, 762, 873, 1012, 1157, 1183, 1189,	12
307	Parklands most recent performance report shows that the event activities that occur for some 8 or 10 days on the site are not having any big impacts for wildlife. In fact I would argue that the net benefit based on the various environmental programs they run is very positive. If only other organisations would place such a focus on their environmental performance the world would be in a much better place.	119, 300, 693, 933, 989, 1072, 120, 131, 350, 362, 421, 424, 427, 518, 533, 578, 867, 991, 1019,	6
308	I am writing to give my unequivocal support for North Byron Parklands' application to set criteria to better manage lower frequency sound emissions and allow small community events at their event site.	1262, 1286, 1335,	16
309	With unemployment rates in the local area well above national averages (and this is ignoring the even higher rates of unemployment for our young people) we must support proposals that will generate hundreds of jobs. I think the government has an obligation to approve this current proposal based on the jobs it will create. We should all be getting behind it.	120, 724, 732, 1215, 1288, 1310,	6
310	In the northern rivers area more and more people have been moving into the creative industries sector because of the interesting and fulfilling work that can be undertaken. There is a very real need to continue growing this sector to provide people with more job opportunities. North Byron Parklands current changes will deliver more jobs for the region and continue to generate a positive economy.	123, 123, 328, 338, 444, 611, 1007, 1025, 1063, 1177,	10
311	majority of these businesses are sole operators and the region needs organisations like North Byron Parklands to provide much needed jobs.	123, 123, 144, 288, 330, 636, 680, 737, 835, 1004, 1078, 1212, 1316,	13
312	In regards to allowing small community events at North Byron Parklands, I am fully in agreement. The initiative has significant support from local school, community groups and the Byron Shire and Tweed Councils.	124, 132, 459, 630, 665, 1268,	6
313	I live a few kilometres from the North Byron Parklands and I LOVE that the event is nearby - it brings energy and excitement into an otherwise sleepy part of the shire. The rest of the year I drive past this empty space and think what a waste!! We could be doing so much more and enjoying it's beauty and facilities. I know there have been some noise compliants - but frankly I think that is by boring people who love to compain. i live in the community closest to the Parklands and sure I occasionally hear a slight bit of noise if the wind blows the 'right' way - but so what. It is just for a short period of time and the benefifits far outweight a bit of distant sound. The only bad thing about the festival is that phone coverage is crappy for a while - cause there are so many people trying to get onto the network - gosh if that's the worst i can say - things must be pretty good!! Bring on most usage of the land (in a careful and planned way)	128,	1
314	I am so impressed by North Byron Parklands application to manage their sound and to welcome community events to their event site. I am impressed a the improvement and they have my full support. I support the changes being sought by North Byron Parklands. The ability to host small scale events allows for further cultural activities to take place on the land, which lies dormant for most of the year. This can be anything from art installations around the grasslands or small acoustic events targeting families. This creates a community and can only be good for the local community and the broader community who will benefit from this cultural diversity.	129,	1
315	The demographic characteristics of the region are indicative of an aging community with a high proportion of retiree aged people and many young people aged 20 to 34 leaving the area to seek education and employment opportunities. North Byron Parklands has proved itself to be a significant provider of employment for many of these local young people.	129, 145, 157, 518, 522, 540, 624, 844,	8
316	The level of environmental assessment that has taken place across North Byron Parklands is greater than any other development in the Northern Rivers region. Not even councils or government agencies responsible for managing environmental values has undertaken such in-depth studies. Since being granted a trial approval, Parklands ongoing flora and fauna surveys indicate minimal environmental impact, improved wildlife corridors and fauna habitat and the consolidation of fragmented forest blocks. These are positive environmental outcomes.	132, 1274, 195, 389, 503, 709, 966, 1232,	8
317	Small community events, like those proposed for the Parklands would have a very low impact on the surrounding areas of the festival site and would be endlessly beneficial to us as a community to use throughout the months when the site is not in use.	132, 138, 181, 234, 542, 650, 737, 927, 1191, 1227,	10
318	Getting people to spend their tourism dollar in the Northern Rivers area is extremely important for sustaining businesses in the local and regional tourist industry. On average Australian holiday-makers spend about \$150 per night staying in the northern rivers region. Two of the three events held so far at North Byron Parklands have generated 22,900 room night stays in the Byron Shire alone and 6,125 room nights in other parts of Northern NSW. The economic impact of just these two events is supporting a host of tourism-based organisations. The current modifications to their approval will greatly enhance the project and opportunities for local tourism.	135, 135, 260, 365, 537, 582, 610, 627, 645, 956, 976, 1067,	12

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319	I have been to two events held at the parklands site and I was really impressed with the environmental programs they put in place for patrons. From their crazy Eco Cops who let everyone know about what goes into the recycling bins (and what doesn't) to the green team that scour the site collecting plastic bottles and cans for recycling to camp "little footprint" where campers are rewarded for keeping their space clean and tidy. I take my hat off to these event operators who combine great music with keeping the environment in tact.	135, 135, 385,
320	As this industry is so important to the region, it makes good sense for the Department of Planning & Environment to approve their current proposal on exhibition that seeks to make improvements on their current approval conditions.	138, 361, 880,
321	Parklands have always acknowledged that for limited times of the year, hosting a small number of larger music events at the site will create some short term impacts on some members of the local community. Apart from the popular Community Grant Fund, which provides direct funding to local community, another key community benefit proposed was making the venue available for small community events. Holding small community events at Parklands will promote a sense of community and will improve social cohesion.	141, 319, 351,
322	Small events are incredibly important for the revitalization and celebration of any group. They play a vital role in strengthening communities, developing and restoring community identity and decreasing feelings of social isolation. Community groups have been actively approaching North Byron Parklands to hold their small events at their beautiful venue, however, the conditions of their trial approval makes it impossible. This proposal is well supported by the local community. Please approve it!	142, 319, 416, 1274, 1200, 13
323	I believe that North Byron Parklands should be able to host small scale events, particularly those that benefit the broader community. There's so much focus on large events but smaller events can offer the community a wide range of benefits. I support North Byron Parklands application to host small scale events at their venue.	142, 172, 237, 1166, 1308,
324	From an environmental perspective North Byron Parklands has ticked all the boxes in terms of assessment and risk mitigation. This was also reflected when they originally applied for a one off trial event through Byron Shire Council. Not only did the Council approve the DA but none of the state government agencies including National Parks and Wildlife Services objected to the application.	142, 416,
325	North Byron Parklands is an incredible space, and in the events that I have attended there, it has been to its full advantage showcasing the essence of the beautiful surrounds, and of course the natural amphitheatre. It sets the benchmark for outdoor venues in Australia, and I look forward to experiencing all types of events at this great location.	143, 159, 232, 1237, 1242, 12
326	Understanding the likely impacts of the Parklands proposal can be assisted by looking at similar experiences in other parts of the world. For example; "creative, progressive communities understand both the tangible and intangible effects of music festivals. With time and encouragement, communities that embrace and cultivate relationships and partnerships offering financial and operational support, ultimately realise substantial economic and fiscal impacts. Furthermore, many articles reported that quality of life improves along with the chance to attract and retain young, innovative people to a community' (Donna Sue Sanders - Executive Director of the Daytona State Foundation).	145, 256, 276, 1051, 1105, 12
327	The increased importance of North Byron Parklands and the festivals it holds becomes evident when looking at the rate of unemployment within the Byron Shire. There is no doubt to the positive impacts that are created by the festivals held on site at North Byron Parklands each year. Without which it is unlikely I would be successful in pursuing a career in the creative arts industry.	146, 324, 524,
328	Firstly let me make it clear that I support this modification to set equitable sound criteria at North Byron Parklands as it exists for similar outdoor music events across NSW, and to accept small community events and their venue.	148, 236, 331,
329	Most of the jobs on the North Coast rely on industries such as tourism, retail and trade. To help expand the employment base there is a strong need to nurture an array of other industries such as artistic and creative industries. North Byron Parklands has proven already that its projects are successful in providing a diversity of job prospects in the creative industries. On this basis, their current plans should be supported by government and the wider community.	148, 360, 892,
330	Parklands contributes towards building the skills base of locals in event management. Already, locals with such skills are able to provide these services across Australia. The Northern Rivers region should build on these strengths.	148, 370, 431,
331	In conclusion, what an incredible piece of planning that will bring about great things for the local community and visitors to regional NSW. This application has my full support and should be approved.	148, 213, 282, 679, 712, 760, 1186, 1206, 12
332	Having been involved in many tourist related businesses, one is very aware of the seasonal fluctuation of visitors. Any proposal that plans to attract more visitors to a given region must be seriously considered and North Byron Parklands is one such project. Their current proposal will prove beneficial for this industry.	150, 287, 341, 1252,
333	North Byron Parklands application is outstanding and has massive support throughout the local community and across the country. Please approve their submission.	151, 216, 221, 592, 642, 650, 925, 929, 936, 1238, 1269, 12
334	Events at Parklands create jobs, assist the viability of local businesses and enhances the regional reputation. This is the sort of future we want for the region. We should reserve our region for this form of employment. The alternatives, such as jobs from coal seam gas mining in the region, are not for me. Give me Parklands any day.	152, 315, 318,
335	I'm writing to express my full support for North Byron Parklands' application to allow community events and set criteria to improve sound emissions at their event site.	153, 219, 231, 713, 817, 846,
336	The team at Parklands is helping bring about great things in the community. In 2014 alone, the events hosted by Parklands provided over \$55,000 in direct cash contributions to local community organisations. Among other great initiatives, this funding has meant new playground areas for kids, water safety education for children, funding over 5 years for music education at a local primary school, careers advice for high school aged students and an annual film festival for budding regional filmmakers. Parklands have my full support.	153, 174, 297, 926, 940, 1048
337	I think that the ability to have camping grounds and a festival located together, in a beautiful location, such as Byron, is what sets North Byron Parklands apart from the crowd. The layout of the venue is inviting, and there is a wonderful community feel about the place. The fact that there is not all flat ground, or hard surfaces, allows for the events to work with, and embrace these natural elements.	155, 155, 199, 1068, 1085, 10
338	North Byron Parklands comprises a group of people with envious event management track records. These people have hosted many, many events that have attracted millions of people. North Byron Parklands has attracted large numbers of people to the area each year and this inturn has greatly assisted the local tourism industry which has benefited significantly. Given the past few years, which have been tough for these operators, surely this is a welcome opportunity.	156, 328, 730,

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339	The impact of North Byron Parklands annual community grants program can't be under estimated. The local pre-schools, schools, Nippers, community gardens, bush and dune regenerators, emergency services and local halls have all been able to purchase new equipment or start up great new programs. This is just one more excellent reason why Parkland's application should be approved.	160, 185, 22 811, 812, 85
340	North Byron Parklands has been inundated with requests from community groups wanting to host small community based projects. There is a rich body evidence that states that participation in community projects has many benefits especially for young people, including; learning new skills, reduction in school truancy, improvement of academic performance, crime prevention, increased ability to cooperate and communicate more effectively with peers and family. Approving small community events at Parklands will provide a setting to help bring about improvements in the personal development and health of the north coast's young people.	161, 185, 25 1123, 1162,
341	My hat goes off to the Parklands team and the wonderful job they do in responding to any concerns, real or imagined, in the local community during festival time. Well done guys! You have my support.	161, 173, 19 1105, 1109,
342	Let me say firstly that I am bowled over by North Byron Parklands' excellent application to better manage their sound emissions and introduce community events at their venue, the application has my support.	163, 175, 19 1028, 1033,
343	So many local young people work at events at Parklands. It is great that they can obtain work locally rather than need to move away from their hometown. In its determinations in 2012, The Planning and Assessment Commission listened to concerns of the local community about the potential for anti-social behavior in the surrounding towns during festivals. Now, with the benefit of actual data collected from three trial events at Parklands, it's encouraging to note that Byron Shire Council has never raised anti-social behaviour in the community as an issue and the community hotline has recorded only one complaint in this regard about a noise incident at a bus stop in Brunswick Heads. The Festival planners and police do everything they can to mitigate anti-social behavior and with this data, this should no longer be an issue that prevents this application from being approved.	
345	North Byron Parklands have undertaken some 2,000 plus hours of ecological assessment both on ground and through desktop studies. This equates to nearly a whole year of assessment and the most encouraging aspect of this work is that the findings are that there are no adverse environmental impacts. By operating for limited times a year and undertaking restoration work I believe that the venue is actually improving environmental values in the region.	167, 537, 97
346	Imagine an events venue that can attract thousands of visitors to a rural area. Imagine an events venue that has investigated and assessed all aspects of its operation and developed best practice policies and procedures. Imagine an events venue that generates lots of employment opportunities and provides much needed income for a range of businesses. That venue is undoubtedly North Byron Parklands, and the current plans on exhibition should be approved because sustainable projects like this are few and far between.	168, 181, 18 762, 822, 96
347	This modification application proposes use of the site for small events. North Byron Parklands operational parameters will limit any potential negative impacts of such events by setting the following requirements, that the small events are non music focused; that they are small enough so as not to require any external traffic management; and that where applicable they conform with the Parklands consent conditions. There are small community events in the shire that could really flourish in a good home like Parklands. Small events at Parklands will be a good thing for the community.	169, 295, 32
348	When you consider that the North Byron Parklands team has planted over 15,000 trees across key parts of the site to improve habitat and fauna migration opportunities (and many of these plantings are now 6 metres plus), it is pleasing to note that they will be planting tens of thousands more trees as part of their managed parklands approach to revegetating the site. This is a huge windfall for an environment which is currently predominantly cleared pasture land.	171, 171, 61
349	Original community feedback in relation to the application voiced concerns about local beach ecology being destroyed, beaches being overrun with patrons and illegal camping on beaches. Our natural environment is precious, however, I understand that the Community Manager actively documents surrounding beaches by taking photos during and after the festivals at Parklands. From these records and Council Rangers feedback no such adverse impacts on beaches has taken place.	t 173, 176, 26 1215, 1228,
350	I am so excited about the opportunities that a proposal of this nature can offer to both the people of Byron Shire and the north coast. It provides for employment, tourism and cultural experiences that unfortunately over the past years have been driven out of the shire by small minded local politics. North Byron Parklands can play a massive role in putting this beautiful area firmly back on the tourist map. This application should be approved.	176, 614, 79
351	In addition to raising highly creative children, the Byron Shire is home to some of Australia's most promising young athletes and champion long distance runners. Currently many of these kids go to schools where they must run through the streets for cross country events and fundraising walkathons. It will be a great result for young athletes and for the entire community if annual school events like this could happen in the safe and beautiful surrounds of Parklands.	181, 200, 21
352	With respect to ensuring that staff and contractors take care to protect and enhance the environment where events will take place, it is excellent to note that the North Byron Parklands includes an environmental induction for such workers. In this instance all workers are required to read and sign an environmental induction which covers a range of important environmental issues, not the least the environmental incident notification system. This is a great initiative.	181, 194, 89
353	North Byron Parklands has adopted the mapped wildlife corridors from the Byron Biodiversity Conservation Strategy as areas to be dedicated to restoration of tree cover. Future plantings and assisted regeneration in these areas will significantly increase opportunities for movement of terrestrial fauna. This is only one of many significant programs that will enhance the environment within and adjacent to the site.	181, 747, 11
354	In terms of the environment, Parklands is the best thing that could have happened for this particular property. Since purchasing the property at Yelgun, the new owners have made a significant investment in establishing ecological base line data and thousands of hours of flora and fauna monitoring continues to be undertaken. Furthermore, ecological restoration and rehabilitation works undertaken so far are beyond the requirements of their consent conditions and festival events themselves include a variety of ecological education programs.	182, 197, 10
355	The two primary environmental activities at Parklands include, habitat creation and preservation and flora and fauna monitoring to determine any adverse impacts resulting from event activities. Senior Ecologists surveys report that changes to the venue have had no significant adverse impacts on flora and fauna in the site or in the adjoining nature reserve and that no impacts on threatened species have been detected.	182, 592, 71
356	Getting people to spend their tourism dollar in the northern rivers area is extremely important for sustaining businesses in the local and regional tourist industry. On average Australian holiday-makers spend about \$130 per night staying in the northern rivers region. Two of the three events held so far at North Byron Parklands have generated 22,900 room night stays in the Byron Shire alone and 6,125 room nights in other parts of Northern NSW. The economic impact of just these two events is supporting a host of tourism-based organisations. The current modifications to their approval will greatly enhance the project and opportunities for local tourism.	183, 194, 24
357	In the Byron Shire and northern rivers, tourism is subject to busy times and quiet times. Parklands proposal to host a number of smaller community and cultural events throughout the year will be great for community groups and also for the local tourist economy that will receive flow on effects from smaller scaled events that are scheduled particularly in quieter tourist times.	186, 305, 42

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358	So many people in the Northern Rivers rely on the tourism industry for their bread and butter. These days most businesses are geared towards the tourism dollar and if past trends are anything to go by this industry sector will continue to play a key role in the region's economic fortunes. The people behind Parklands have proved their presence is vital for the north coast tourist industry, with their last two events generating more than \$40 million into the regions economy. They will continue to play a dominant role in growing and sustaining the tourism industry in NSW and we should all get behind them to make their proposed improvements for the site a reality.	186, 278, 532 1293,
359	North Byron Parklands has been inundated by requests from local schools to host their school sporting events in the spectacular grounds of Parklands. For decades, the local community has bemoaned the inadequate sporting venues and facilities in the north of the shire. This particular aspect of the modification has the will of the entire community behind it. It's a no brainer.	187, 243, 262
360	As a Byron Shire local, I consider North Byron Parklands to be a valuable asset to our area. It is a spectacular venue that attracts not only world-class events and artists but also tens of thousands of visitors to the area every year. With the added capability to host small community events it will offer further valauble opportunities to local creative industries and communities which can only be a good thing. Regarding noise managment - like any trial there is always a period of adjustment required to improve performance. This is true for noise management as it is for any other aspect of event management. The management of noise from the venue has improved over time and I expect that as more data comes to hand it will improve even further.	188,
361	Community events are an essential part of engaging people from all walks of life who have a shared interest. In any community, large or small, there are often many organisations willing to stage events but not the space in which to affordably hold them. I believe North Byron Parklands would be a wonderful venue to hold a number of community events including Scout jamborees and nature events and as such I strongly support this application.	9 192, 280, 462
362	Parklands' modifications to allow community events and better manage sound emissions from their site will bring about real improvements for the community and it has my full support.	194, 194, 208 1079, 1080, 1
363	With the documenting of environmental requirements through the North Byron Parklands management manual it is clear that a very high level of commitment has been made to protect and enhance the environment. Take for example the requirement to have a 30 metre buffer between the car park and adjoining nature reserve. This initiative will protect the nature reserve and will allow for the buffer area to slowly regenerate back to its former bushland status.	194, 194, 939
364	Locals gain skills in event management at Parklands and are able to access employment in creative industries within the region and further abroad.	195, 449, 495
365	On the subject of employment, the north coast has a long history of hosting many different types of events. These events provide jobs for so many people and in an area where paying the rent or mortgage is tough, it is critical that these events and future planning is allowed to continue to develop. Without a viable event space these jobs will be lost interstate. As such this project change should be approved based on the employment prospects it brings, let alone any other positives.	197, 197, 541
366	Many people worry about financially providing for themselves and their families and rightly so. Today it is hard to find a good job outside of the larger cities. North Byron Parklands is continuing to provide jobs to working families in a regional area. Their application to improve the sites amenity for community should be approved just on its employment capabilities, let alone any other benefits it is bound to bring.	199, 440, 539
367	I cannot believe that the anti-festival campaigners in the Byron region are still accusing festival patrons of defecating and urinating in their streets on their social media and in the local papers. It's pure fabrication and it's just not happening.	202, 266, 360
368	North Byron Parklands is generating much needed jobs for our area. A lot of people I speak to are concerned about the lack of employment opportunities both within the shire and the northern rivers region. Any business that provides jobs to locals should be approved to operate.	209, 288, 320
369	An event site of the quality of North Byron Parklands is rare With so few in the community willing to give it a go, we should be supportive of those who are	210,
370	In regards to the environment the Parklands site is some 256ha in size and the venue have committed to only every using a maximum of some 100ha thus leaving large tracts of the property for wildlife functions. I think the environmental controls under their environmental, health and safety management manual has also reduced impacts and make this a leading sustainable outdoor event venue.	211, 835, 134
371	The North Byron Parklands project has undertaken high level of fauna and flora assessments and a comprehensive environmental risk assessment process. As a result they have developed a management manual that covers a range of aspects including the environment. They have even developed a standalone environmental induction form for all staff and contractors that clearly stipulates what can and cannot take place while on site. These measures are very impressive indeed.	213, 213, 274
372	While much is made about the wildlife corridor in and around the North Byron Parklands site the fact is that much of the vegetation is patchy and degraded. The Parklands people have gone to great lengths to ensure that temporary events are managed in a way to maintain and improve fauna movement. For example only placing temporary fencing just before events commence is one such initiative that will help greatly with this issue.	213, 213, 394
373	The Byron and surrounding areas in the last twenty years have survived on the back of tourism. While other more traditional industries have been in decline, tourism has provided an income for countless families and individuals in the region. North Byron Parklands is a project that will continue to generate visitors to the region. The changes it seeks should be approved on this basis alone.	214, 335, 381
374	As part of the Community Grants Program the events hosted by Parklands in 2014 provided over \$55,000 in direct cash contributions to organisations including the Shara Community Gardens, Brunswick Valley Landcare, Brunswick Valley Rescue, Summer Safe Program, Crabbes Creek Film Festival, Ocean Shores Primary School and to The Training Station partnership with Mullumbimby Music Festival. This kind of financial support cannot be understated for small grass roots organisations and the local public schools in the region.	214, 301, 393 1280, 1283, 1
375	Many businesses in the area have only just recovered from the fall-out of the global financial crisis. During that period, employment opportunities were diminished, yet North Byron Parklands proved itself as a viable employer in a fiscally insecure time. The jobs this group provides are extremely important to many families and individuals.	219, 274, 275
376	I'm a resident in the north of the Byron Shire, located in the suburb adjacent to North Byron Parklands. I have not yet personally attended an event at North Byron Parklands, but my children and their friends have. They have had nothing but positive experiences at the events that they have attended. They talked about how great it was to see music in the amphitheatre, how good the facilities are, and the overall atmosphere as being so positive. I strongly support having a venue of such a high calibre in our area, and hope to see the venue utilised for more community based events.	220,
377	It's clear that the anti-festival coalition in the Byron Shire have been the real public nuisances in this trial period for Parklands. They manufacture fantastical stories of beach trashing, wild dogs feeding on rubbish, people being locked in their houses for days because of festival traffic and human excrement running down the local streets of Byron. It's seems peculiar however, that they never report these incidents to Police, Council or the Festival hotline. They should be fined for public nuisance and interrupting the trial period. Parklands has my full support.	224, 228, 232

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378	I am a supporter of North Byron Parklands' modifications of consent, to better manage sound and to include community events at their venue.	233, 269, 284 b, 388, 415, 417, 433, 526, 621, 655, 681, 799, 863, 878, 941, 968, 984, 1024, 1031, 1050, 1162, 1274, 1186, 1216, 1328,	26
379	Small-scale events with small environmental footprints should be encouraged at North Byron Parklands. These events can offer a wide range of opportunities to local groups seeking a beautiful space in which to showcase their activities. I whole-heartedly support this application for small events to be held at North Byron Parklands.	234, 274, 348, 452, 502, 552, 906, 1143, 1260,	9
380	Apart from the amazing environmental initiatives covering fauna and flora across the North Byron Parklands site that have been developed, these guys have also tackled waste, recycling and the minimisation of resource consumption through a number of proven effective measures. They have even developed a "resource centre' where materials can be stored and used again and again for other events. This is a pretty impressive effort I must say.	235, 359, 469, 537, 568,	5
381	As part of Parklands operational phase they have developed a range of measures to mitigate environmental impacts. These include erecting signage, assessements by qualified ecologists, compensatory planting, fauna culverts and the installation of sediment and erosion control systems. The environmental controls implemented to date are even more detailed and impressive.	235, 814, 1016, 1055, 1165,	5
382	Small events bring together members of a community and foster co-operation. There can never be enough of these small events particularly when they're staged in a low impact venue such as North Byron Parklands. The venue has proven itself as being able to manage traffic for large scale events, hosting small events for a few hundred people should be encouraged. This is especially beneficial to those living in the north of the Byron Shire.	235, 318, 484, 921, 1162, 1199, 1320,	7
383	I think that allowing the venue to host small community events will be brilliant for other sections of the community who might not otherwise be interested in attending the bigger music festivals. The site itself is so naturally beautiful and opening it up to smaller events means that this great event site can be enjoyed by other groups in the community.	243, 450, 553, 685, 780, 860, 1024, 1039, 1112, 1161, 1259,	11
384	All along the NSW coastline, tourism businesses provide employment and income for hundreds of thousands of individuals and families. This is certainly the case in the northern rivers region where North Byron Parklands is located. The modifications to their plan not only gives members of the host community a sense of ownership of Parklands by being able to have small community events on the site, but it also means additional visitors with diverse interests can come to the region every year for the non-music focussed events the site could offer. This will mean increased benefits for the local tourism sector.	245, 353, 356, 451, 453, 895,	6
385	This is is bigger than the Byron district. This is a NSW flagship event	248,	1
386	Original community feedback in relation to North Byron Parklands application voiced concerns about beach ecology being destroyed, beaches being overrun with patrons and illegal camping on beaches. The North Byron Parklands Community Manager actively documents surrounding beaches by taking photos. From these records and Council Rangers feedback, no such impacts or illegal camping on the beaches has taken place.	1 248, 355, 478, 619, 820, 824, 1080, 1144, 1279, 1300,	10
387	The anti-festival campaigners are doing their best to ruin tourism opportunities in the Byron Shire by the awful things they accuse young people of during festival time. Apparently festival patrons are all a bunch of environmental vandals with drug addictions who camp and crap in the streets of Byron! The misinformation spread in the local papers and on social media is fabricated. NSW Police, the Festival hotline, Tweed and Byron Council, local businesses and residents all report that anti-social behaviour in the surrounding villages is not occurring.	248, 369, 436, 539, 575, 844, 890, 898, 902, 1033, 1107, 1118, 1194, 1274, 1338,	15
388	If you speak to anyone these days, getting and keeping a job is high up on the list. Regional areas generally do not have a range of diversified industries to choose from. Parklands provide meaningful and interesting work, particularly for young people, these changes to their application will allow Parklands to grow and should be welcomed with open arms.	249, 302, 428, 448, 1061, 1109, 1202,	7
389	The projected visitor nights generated by the North Byron Parklands in its fifth year of operation is in the order of 97,000. This is a massive accommodation boon for hotels, motels, apartments and camping facilities in the region and does not even take into account the other forms of tourism expenditure that such visitors will make. Tourism is a key industry in Northern NSW and North Byron Parklands' current proposal to improve upon their incredibly successful project, should be supported in order to maintain and grow the sector into the future.	251, 603, 649, 650, 1016, 1131, 1219, 1328,	8
390	The Byron Shire community has demonstrated a strong desire to use the Parklands cultural event facility as evidenced by the number of unsolicited requests received from a wide range of community groups and educational institutes to date. This application has the support of the community and the owners of Parklands who themselves are locals! This isn't rocket science! Please approve the application!	251, 443, 554, 1184, 1229, 1252, 1308,	7
391	Most children know a bit about the flowers they plant in their flowerbeds but may not know the native species growing in their environment. Hosting a nature walk around North Byron Parklands for children is a good way to educate them green practices and conservation while identifying some of the major players in the world of regional flora and fauna. North Byron Parklands is the perfect natural setting to host small community events of this kind.	254, 396, 542, 616, 686, 705, 1074, 1100, 1191, 1221, 1229, 1318,	12
392	It is really important to note that environmental pressures will be greatly reduced as a result of only using a percentage of the site for events. The areas that they will use are the grassy open spaces meaning that no activities will occur in bush land or forest blocks. It is just another example of good environmental management.	254, 550, 916, 1309,	4
393	Australians are keen participants in community events ranging from small-scale local activities to major national celebrations. Some are truly Australia-wide, involving national programs as well as local celebrations throughout the country. Others are limited to specific communities, celebrating local characteristics or historical occurrences. These kinds of events at North Byron Parklands would be a welcome addition to the Byron Shire community.	255, 955, 1025, 1038, 1195,	5
394	While some states can fall back on the mining industry, NSW has to rely on a variety of industry sectors to help fund the expansion of the state. Opportunities for local employment such as those offered by North Byron Parklands, are vital to the economic sustainability of regional areas.	258, 448, 635, 1170, 1294,	5
395	The North Byron Parklands planning team are all north coast locals who have a genuine interest in creating a venue that positively impacts the local community and the northern rivers at large. By allowing community events at the venue, Parklands will become more than just another major festival site that is off limits outside of major event time. This is an important modification, because it allows Parklands to become a significant asset to the community, to be used by local people throughout the year. The sense of ownership and pride that this will bring about in the community should not be underestimated. At the most recent Falls Festival in January 2015, music fans helped plant 1000 endemic, understory species as part of Parklands Habitat Restoration Program that has seen more than 15,000 trees and shrubs	259, 351, 997, 569, 667, 720, 889, 1134, 1260,	9
396	planted across the 660 acre site since 2007. Parklands is the best thing that has happened to this property.	261, 503, 776, 892, 992, 1102, 1241, 1282,	8
397	As a member of the community of Byron Shire, I would like to express my appreciation of the way that the festivals are run out at North Byron Parklands. Living locally I was apprehensive of the influx of thousands of people to the area for these festivals, but I am happy to say that I haven't experience any negative effects in my neighbourhood and I believe this is due to the majority of people camping on site. North Byron Parklands takes care of most their patron's onsite over festival time, allowing local people to continue life as normal.	262, 468, 477, 531, 805, 876, 898, 981, 990, 1174,	10

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398	I cannot stress how important it is to approve this project. Even if it is considered just on employment opportunities it should be approved. Regional unemployment is a massive issue and I think that the government needs to help businesses to operate in what is already a very tough business climate. Therefore we should be getting right behind this current proposal.	263, 789, 1078,	3
399	With regards to the environment, it must also be said that large parcels of the site had a long history of intensive agricultural use, which had been either cleared, farmed or grazed, so simultaneously isolating and managing those areas has become intrinsic to the company's conservation protocols. Parklands environmental vision and planning for the site reflects that not only do they want the newly planted forest blocks to survive but to thrive through nurturing and protection.	265, 346, 492, 774, 1316,	5
400	From Tweed Heads to Evans Head most of the business activity revolves around tourism. In just a few short years, North Byron Parklands has proven itself to be a cultural arts and music venue capable of hosting tens of thousands of visitors to the area and with the vast majority seeking accommodation over multiple nights has proven to be an economic windfall for the Byron Shire and the greater region. The modifications on exhibition set out to improve the project, and seamlessly add to the diversified tourism offerings of the region and should be approved.		8
401	Tourism is a huge income generating activity for Byron Shire and the Northern Rivers region. North Byron Parklands is bringing tens of thousands of people to the area, all of who need accommodation and food. It is so important that North Byron Parklands proposed modifications are approved because the positive economic impacts from the events held there are so significant.	269, 334, 354, 378, 581, 677, 713, 895, 1165,	9
402	It is vitally important to the local tourism industry that the modifications to the North Byron Parklands project are approved. This single project is attracting tens of thousands of visitors to the region each year. The flow on effects to the tourism operators has been significant and is creating much-needed jobs for the region.	270, 278, 285, 324, 505, 685, 862, 1026, 1253,	9
403	I have worked in the retail sector in Byron Bay and Bangalow since 2001. In this time I have witnessed first hand the spike in retail sales around and during the events held by the team of event organisers who are now looking after Byron Parklands. I have watched many young people who have gained interesting and fulfilling employment with them and I have watched as the Byron Parklands team have donated tens of thousands of dollars to local charities, schools, sporting clubs and arts programs. I believe that the Byron Parklands team already have a strong record of compliance. They have responded to the communities concerns in the past and will continue to do so in the future as they are a part of the community themselves. They have a right to be proud of the contribution that they have made to the area both in the arts, socially and culturally and must be supported to continue to do so. The restrictions of use that have been placed apon the Byron Parklands are above and beyond similar outdoor performing centres and are onerous. Approving this application will only bring them into line with their compeditors and give them the opportunity to continue the positive work and influence they have in Byron Shire and surrounding areas.	271,	1
404	A key requirement for community events at North Byron Parklands is that such events are not music focused. I don't see how anyone could complain about school kids having an athletics carnival on the site or Gir Guides learning singing campfire songs under the stars at Parklands.	l 274, 449, 714, 928, 1012, 1172, 1305,	7
405	Regarding the ecology of the site, since 2007 the North Byron Parklands group have completed more ecological assessments of their site than other traditional developments such as housing, industrial estates, and quarries. They have employed the best ecologists to conduct flora and fauna monitoring, including detailed threatened species and koala surveys. This clearly demonstrates that the organisation is serious about identifying and managing ecological issues.	274, 463, 569, 848, 859, 1067, 1159,	7
406	I can't wait for my third road trip in 2015 to Splendour in the Grass. It's a fantastic venue that incorporates the natural surroundings so incredibly! There's no other place like it.	279, 299, 429, 511, 551, 636, 649, 707, 779, 1124, 1146, 1218,	12
407	North Byron Parklands was subject to intensive agricultural activities and land clearing practices for many years. Since their trial approval was granted, Parklands is possibly the first proposed land use that has actually seen a marked improvement in environmental outcomes due to planned mass plantings, fauna habitat creation and most importantly, no event activities for more than 260 days a year. This is a major positive outcome for the local environment.	281, 932, 1283,	3
408	The level of commitment in relation to environmental monitoring before, during and after events has provided environmental benefits on two fronts. First it has accurately documented the presence or otherwise of various fauna around event times. Secondly, the process has started to build a large amount of environmental data which has been used to guide and modify environmental practices moving forward. With the already significant amount of environmental data captured through assessments and surveys, this body of knowledge is now significant.	281, 684, 709, 755, 929, 1269,	6
	I must say that protecting the environment is high on my list and that holds when talking about festival event sites. The North Byron Parklands team have obviously spent considerable time and money developing up an environmental, health and safety management manual designed to identify, manage and monitor environmental performance. This as far as I understand is a first for such cultural activities and should be		
409	strongly supported.	286, 465, 1244, 1272, 1283,	5
410	I'm not aware of any other festival team who goes to the lengths that Parklands does in mitigating and placating the concerns of their local community. They're simply an incredible team who continue to deliver world-class events that are enriching the lives of people who live in the neighbouring villages and towns.	298, 357, 409, 466, 482, 493, 506, 630, 679, 783, 806, 899, 1132, 1180,	14
411	Not only have the North Byron Parklands organisation developed what must be considered world's best practice environmental management systems and processes, they are also planning to have an environmental education program folded into the mix for good measure. A number of events held at this site already have initiatives such as Eco Cops which are undergraduate environmental science students who promote environmental programs and accepted practices to patrons while at an event. This is a very good proactive measure.) 300, 644, 687,	3
412	Growing up in Byron Shire poses many hurdles as far as employment options. The more festivals similar to Splendour In The Grass & The Falls Music and Arts Festival that we can bring to our community, the greater the amount of employment opportunities that can be created. Resulting in a thriving industry for the community and creating many needed jobs for an area with high unemployment rates.	301, 430, 722, 770, 1151, 1230,	6
413	The ongoing monitoring, surveying and reporting being carried out by senior ecologists for Parklands to measure the project's environmental impact on the Yelgun site is just outstanding in its detail and rigour. Clearly this project is the best kind of development that could have ever happened for the precious ecological community in the north of Byron Shire.	304, 416, 954,	3
414	It is pleasing to note that the North Byron Parklands includes a requirement for wildlife rescue personnel to be present during all major events. This requirement means that there is a very capable first response team on hand to deal with trapped or injured wildlife. It is also an excellent opportunity for these people to monitor any interactions between people and fauna. Such data has been used to modify and improve processes and procedures for future events.	305, 325, 978,	3
415	Australia, generally speaking has been lucky in terms of its overall unemployment rate, however in the northern rivers the rate is much higher. Regions such as this need employers across a range of industries not just in retail and tourism. In just a few years, North Byron Parklands has proved itself as a major employer in the region and their current modification presents a vision that equates with employment growth for the far north coast if it is approved. I firmly believe it should be.	307, 540, 754, 768, 770, 1233, 1275,	7

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416	With a strong Australian dollar, enticing domestic travellers to holiday in Australia rather than abroad is a challenge for the tourism sector. North Byron Parklands have already proved their mettle in hosting hugely successful festivals and their events will continue to attract tens of thousands of people to regional NSW each year. Economic impact studies have revealed the significant economic and tourism benefits Parklands brings to the region. Their proposed modification will bring about improvements for the community and future festivals, and it must be seriously considered by approving authorities.	s 309, 780, 916
	The tourism industry is a major contributor to the Byron Shire and Northern Rivers Region economies, with visitation critical to the regions' economies. North Byron Parklands is attracting thousands of domestic	<u> </u>
417	and international visitors to the area.	310, 347, 495
418	I'm excited that Parklands has responded to the appeals of the community and is applying to host small community events on its site. Although it's a curriculum requirement, staging school cross-country is an annual stress for teachers and staff in the local area because they do not have adequate space to hold cross-country events. Presently, infants and primary aged kids must run through the surrounding streets, crossing roads and driveways to complete the run. Many schools are already seeking to host their annual cross-country in the inspiring and safe environment of North Byron Parklands.	312, 997, 631 1200,
419	As a local member of the Byron Shire, I appreciate the significant impact that festivals such as Splendour In The Grass & The Falls Music & Arts Festival held at North Byron Parklands have on the ability for local people to pursue careers in the music and events industry. With limited options being available in Byron Shire, these festivals greatly increase the options for many different career opportunities.	312, 1092,
420	I know of many businesses that rely on events for a large part of their income. These businesses employ local people and locally based jobs are hard to come by. We should support Parklands as it continues to grow as a large employer in the region.	313, 380, 467
421	Securing a job is difficult in NSW and even more so in regional areas such as Byron and the northern rivers region. The NSW Government needs to approve North Byron Parklands latest initiatives because they will create employment and this in turn is good for our state economy.	318, 386, 414
422	For many young people in the local area, getting a job has proved to be very hard. This is because other than retail and tourism there are few large employers about. Bad luck if you do not want to make a career in pouring coffee or cleaning rooms. This project offers a whole range of people with new prospects in securing a job in the creative industries, an industry that is on the rise in this area. We really do need more substantial employers.	324, 705, 995
423	Employment opportunities are getting harder and harder for many people in rural areas to find. With so many industries moving out of rural areas we need to encourage those businesses that want to set up in these regions with as much help as possible. I understand that North Byron Parklands already provides a large number of jobs across a very broad range skill sets. The modifications will present still more job prospects for country people. Projects of this nature should be approved on this basis alone.	325, 414, 420
424	Regarding employment, so many people are forced to leave coastal areas in search of a job. We need the government to play an active role in identifying suitable industries and businesses that can provide local jobs in these areas. North Byron Parklands has already proven itself as an employment provider. Their application to further expand their vision will only help communities and businesses on the far north coast to thrive.	325, 652, 826
425	I'm a resident of the Byron Shire, and have attended 3 events at North Byron Parklands to date. At every event that I have attended, there is always a fantastic vibe. Parklands embraces its surrounds, and the amphitheatre is a natural wonder! Seeing music in this open air space makes for an incredible experience. I strongly support having North Byron Parklands in our area, both from a local and music lover's perspective, and hope that Parklands can continue to provide our area with a space to present a variety of events.	327,
426	At present the North Byron Parklands site is subject to significant sediment and erosion issues. Previous land practices have seen poor topsoil removal and impacts on graded lands. The North Byron Parklands team address these existing soil impacts by putting in place a sediment and erosion control plan during their construction and operation phases. This is to be commended.	329, 513, 859
427	One of the many environmental programs to be undertaken by North Byron Parklands is the staged exclusion of cattle by fencing of existing forest blocks which will also assist with connectivity for terrestrial fauna by allowing the development of ground-layer and mid-layer vegetation and by providing additional shelter and food resources. Deployment of nest-boxes will also assist habitat connectivity for gliders by providing shelter sites in areas with low natural hollow abundance. These are very positive initiatives.	330, 432, 439
428	Events offer a broad range of jobs to lots of individuals. From labourers to sound engineers or caterers to sign writers, all of these jobs are very much needed in NSW. We have already lost a lot of our events to Queensland and other states and we must continue to support this project's vision and grasp the huge employment opportunity it presents. The government has an obligation to approve this project.	330, 360, 524
429	The level of detail undertaken in the identification and assessment of likely impacts on fauna and flora across and adjacent to the North Byron Parklands site is rigorous and impressive. I would be surprised if any other type of development on the north coast has gone to this level of detail and thoroughness. Their commitments to preserve and enhance the ecology of the place, puts their ongoing project plans and modifications into the "sustainable" development basket.	334, 513, 693
430	The success of towns reliant on tourism generally comes down to how many people visit the area. To maintain a sustainable business, regions that are dependant on tourism need to not only maintain visitor numbers but they need to grow them. North Byron Parklands represents the types of businesses that are required to increase visitor numbers. If this current proposal goes ahead it will be a very positive thing for the NSW north coast.	335, 487, 797
431	I am writing to you to say that I entirely support this application that seeks permission to allow community events and set criteria to improve sound emissions from North Byron Parklands.	343, 396,
432	ease make this substantatially for the arts and creative and holistic industry.	345,
433	The Department would be hard pressed to list other proposals that have clearly documented the environmental controls it proposes to put in place to actively manage the environment. The environmental management manual is an excellent example of a proactive organisation that is obviously serious about ensuring that fauna and flora is appropriately considered and managed within legislative requirements.	346, 472, 977
434	The people at North Byron Parklands have been overwhelmed by requests from schools and community groups to hold small events at their venue. Their proposal outlines clearly that these community style events will not disrupt the amenity of the local community because they will be small enough so that external traffic management is not required and the events themselves will not be music festivals. This important addition to Parklands project would have no negative impact on the surrounding villages but would reap significant cultural and social rewards for the community itself.	s 355, 390, 503
435	I am an active member of my community and as someone who works for charitable organisations I am always on the look out for great spaces in which to stage small public events. North Byron Parklands should be commended for wanting to host small community events at their largely under utilised property.	355, 1274, 12

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436	North Byron Parklands have already undertaken a number of detailed fauna and flora surveys across the proposed site. On top of this they have undertake environmental audits for all major events (before, during after). Such information has been very valuable in terms of fine tuning the current environmental policies and procedures and will dramatically reduce any associated environmental pressures.	359, 478, 519, 680,	4
437	Jobs are hard to come by these days. Many businesses are struggling to make ends meet. The arts and events industry has provided a lot of employment opportunities on the far north coast and North Byron Parklands project should continue to be supported because it will increase its ability to be a major employer in the area.	367, 375, 568, 984, 987,	5
438	Options are limited in the Byron Shire as far as space that can be used for small community events, like fundraisers for schools and charity's, making it very hard for these events to take place. The avenues that would be opened from the use of North Byron Parklands as a venue for these events would be extremely beneficial to our local community and would allow for better understanding of the positive impact that the Parklands have on the community as a whole, year round.	372, 449, 587, 642, 926, 938, 1351, 1179, 1216, 1305,	10
439 440 441	I fully support North Byron Parklands application to better manage sound emissions and allow small community events at their event site. This modification application proposes use of the site for small events. North Byron Parklands operational parameters will limit any potential negative impacts of such events by setting the following requirements, that the small events are non music focused; that they are small enough so as not to require any external traffic management; and that where applicable they conform with the Parklands consent conditions. There are small community events in the shire that could really flourish in a good home like Parklands. Small events at Parklands will be a good thing for the community. Community events are an essential part of engaging people from all walks of life who have a shared interest. In any community, large or small, there are often many organisations willing to stage events but not the space in which to affordably hold them. I believe North Byron Parklands would be a wonderful venue to hold a number of community events including Scout jamborees and nature events and as such I strongly support this application. The people behind North Byron Parklands are professional event operators with decades of combined experience in hosting successful events. Having sold millions of tickets to the dozens of events they have held, it is extremely beneficial that such experienced personnel will be available to guide and manage events at North Byron Parklands. In relation to event management there is no standard manual that an event operator can refer to. Typically successful management of an event is a result of past experience and the refinement of policies and processes. The North Byron Parklands team have been responsible for creating and hosting some of the most successful uduor music festivals in the country. Having hundreds of thousands of statified customers through their turnstiles it is reassuring to know such professionals are at the helm at the Parklands site. With an sow bee		1 3 6
442	Having reviewed North Byron Parkland's environmental, health and safety management manual it is clear that they have put a lot of energy into assessing and mitigating any potential environmental risks associated with event activities. The work they have done for managing the environment is above and beyond what one would expect for such a low impact activity.	385, 562, 652, 1129,	4
443	North Byron Parklands is a sustainable arts and music venue that is already providing significant employment opportunities to a range of people in the Byron and Northern Rivers region. Their current plans on exhibition will create further employment for a diverse range of skill sets. Many of the jobs will suit our younger people and with an aging demographic this is vital in ensuring that there is an opportunity to up skill our youth in a growing and profitable sector. Jobs are very important.	386, 1177,	2
444	I am in favour of these modifications to better manage sound and to introduce small community events at North Byron Parklands. It has my full support.	387, 804,	2
445	I have visited Northern NSW many, many times and have been to Splendour in the Grass twice. I will go again this year. Splendour is without doubt the best music festival in Australia. This is not just because of the music. It is also because Splendour is a wonderfully diverse, respectful and cultural festival. The "spirit" of Splendour is something that always resonates. And, this spirit comes as much from the beautiful surrounds as it does from the people. Yet, it is not something that should be kept at bay to sneak out for those 3 wonderful July nights; it should resonate far more broadly. Every time I drive down the Pacific Highway, the majestic and peaceful nature of the rolling landscape astounds me. The Parklands have that same aura about them. The amphitheatre itself is a beautiful venue and the musicians adore playing there. For the Parklands, especially the ampthitheatre, to be available for other actitivities is a sensational idea and can only enhance the cultural presence that is so much the Byron shire. And, from what I have seen at Splendour, those responsible for the Parklands will ensure this is done in a respectful way.	387,	1
446	As Byron Shire continues to grow as a community, not only as a tourist destination but also as more people migrate to live permanently, more pressure is put on the infrastructure of our town to deal with these changes. Is it comforting to know that as the community grows, that more jobs are created through the introduction of the festivals like those held at North Byron Parklands annually.	388, 444, 632, 680, 741, 1014,	6
447	One of the most significant benefits for the environment coming out of this application is the proponent's willingness to transfer a net 28ha of very high quality bushland to National Parks that would see an expansion of the Billinudgel Nature Reserve. Ignoring the significant value of the land proposed to be handed over, it has to be acknowledged that this is probably the only opportunity to expand this nature reserve as it is bound by private landowners who are unlikely to give away their land.	390, 695,	2
448	One of the most significant environmental controls being put in place by North Byron Parklands is the limiting of major events to 10 event days each year. So far they are only using 8 days a year over two events. What does this mean for the local ecology? It means that disturbances of light, noise and traffic only occurs for a fraction of time each year. This plus the numerous other environmental controls means that the impact on fauna and flora has beentemporal and minimal in nature.	390, 644, 925, 1264,	4
449	From a sustainability perspective Parklands is leaps and bounds ahead of the rest in terms of managing waste water and sewage. They have something like 250 composting waterless toilets and they manage all	394, 396, 740, 1067, 1086, 1253,	6
450	The Parklands project has greatly assisted the ecological integrity of the area especially for the Billinudgel Nature Reserve and the 'coast to hinterland' wildlife corridor. The project has resulted in thousands of extra trees planted, improved habitat for wildlife and additions to the Nature Reserve. The careful scheduling of events to maximise 'downtime' has allowed the Parklands site to assist the functioning of the adjoining Nature Reserve.	395, 855, 1054, 1187,	4

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451	This is such an excellent project which deserves unconditional approval. Please get behind this and stand with us in support of North Byron Parklands.	401,
452	In relation to environmental management one of the biggest impacts on fauna in this region is dogs. It is pleasing to note that the environmental, health and safety management manual strictly prohibits dogs from entering the site. Just this on initiative will help to reduce pressure on the environment, not to mention the host of other excellent environmental programs they have documented.	405, 501, 594
453	It is vitally important to the local tourism industry that the modifications to the North Byron Parklands project is approved. This single project is attracting hundreds of thousands of visitors to the region each year. The flow on effects to the tourism operators has been significant and is creating much needed jobs for the region.	406, 764, 889
454	The North Byron Parklands incorporates a range of best practice environmental policies and procedures, including a requirement to host events only in the existing cleared areas of the site. This means that all forested areas will be protected via fencing and security measures and effectively be out of bounds for event usage. This is a very positive initiative from an environmental point of view.	408, 841, 107
455	While much is made of the Marshall's Ridge wildlife corridor, the actual reality of this corridor is that it is fragmented, populated with noxious weeds and was in great need of repair. Restoration has only come about by the landowner, in this instance being North Byron Parklands. This business has committed through its vegetation management plan and a number of measures, to reduce forest fragmentation by planting endemic species which no doubt has improved fauna movement opportunities.	t 423, 739, 908
456	In relation to employment and wages the Byron local government area has one of the State's lowest average wages, around \$31,000 per annum. Parkland's current proposal will continue to bring employment opportunities to the area and will likely provide a large number of positions that are well paid. The Shire and the region need these opportunities.	424, 736, 109
457	The noise data that has now been collected over the past 4 events held at Parklands give evidence to the noise spectrums which need to be managed more effectively. The setting of more realistic noise criteria will help currently unregulated bottom end frequencies to be required to be managed which will improve this community amenity. The current noise criteria is not realistic or achievable for an activity that only operates for 8 or 10 days a year. If the activity was continuous in operation like a concrete batching plant that would be a different matter. The fact that the more intrusive component of noise (i.e. bass) is currently not even regulated is an omission. I am pleased to see that North Byron Parklands are proposing to set limits covering this area. Such a move would be a positive one for this venue.	425,
458	North Byron Parklands have more than adequately shown that this is an organisation willing to go beyond compliance in terms of environmental management. What other development would have documented in such detail the plans, policies and procedures to effectively manage all issues covering the environment. Everything from lighting and erosion control through to revegetation and fauna audits has been included in their impressive management manual.	433, 757, 119
459	With the large number of transport options for people travelling to and from the festivals now held at North Byron Parklands, it is a positive change from the days when the festival was held at Belongil Fields in Byron Bay.	438,
460	In addition to the plethora of environmental programs implemented by North Byron Parklands, I note that they have also undertaken in-depth ecological assessments prior to and during all events held to date. It is very pleasing to see that such ecological assessment and monitoring continues to be undertaken, particularly when the results show no adverse impacts.	439, 862,
461	The North Byron Parklands has been subjected to decades of intensive cattle farming and sugar cane crops. With respect to the cattle, they have severely degraded the understory of most of the forest blocks on the site. The Parklands team have fenced off many of the key forest blocks which will allow a much needed fauna understory to regrow and which will provide habitat for many vertebrate creatures. Cows have also been removed from the site, which is a big environmental bonus.	441, 444, 774
462	One of the unintended effects on the environment from outdoor events is light spill. So it is pleasing to see that this issue is well addressed under the organisation's environmental standard. This standard requires lighting to be directed downwards, away from forest blocks, using low pressure sodium vapour lights where possible, and turning off light towers at a certain time of night. Such measures have greatly reduced disturbances to localised fauna during such events.	444, 516,
463	The North Byron Parklands project has actually resulted in a positive impact on the environment and their current endeavour should be supported. The preservation of ecological values in and adjacent to the site was an important aspect of their original proposal and indeed their rigorous assessments highlighted that the site had been heavily degraded. Their ongoing commitment to fauna and flora monitoring and management will continue to enhance and protect existing identified values.	454, 526, 605
464	What other venue in NSW or Australia for that matter has paid so much attention to environmental management considerations as North Byron Parklands? If all other outdoor venues even implemented 10% of what Parklands has then we would see a massive improvement in environmental outcomes for this important creative industries sector. This development has become the best practice benchmark for all other similar organisations.	455,
465	How many times have we heard of organisations saying that they have incorporated environmental considerations into their business activities? Well here is a project that has been built from the ground up based on ensuring that environmental impacts are mitigated or reduced and that positive environmental outcomes such as tree planting and habitat creation are maximised. Great job parklands.	463, 468, 550
466	Owning a business in a seasonal town can be tricky. It is very difficult to predict what will happen one year in comparison to the last. There are specific trends that you can rely on when budgeting for the year, particularly Easter time and the summer months. But what small business owners can now rely on from the festivals held at North Byron Parklands is a consistent flow of tourists visiting the area over these times. I can only hope that North Byron Parklands will continue to expand, bringing with it new potential growth for my business. Please approve Parkland's excellent application.	l 465,
467	The North Byron Parklands vegetation management plan has seen a staged regime of tree planting across the site. Apart from the obvious habitat creation, etc, this level of mass planting has had other important environmental benefits. Benefits such as reduced soil erosion, salinity and of course will also help to greatly improve water quality through nature filtration processes associated with such significant biomass.	467, 1220, 12
468	With regards to the environment, just the fact that an environmental scientist was appointed General Manager says a lot about Parkland's green cred. After helping the company obtain consent to operate as a world-class music and cultural event in 2012, Mat Morris, General Manager Parklands, developed a series of management standards that would allow it to operate in accordance with the strict approval requirements set out by the NSW Planning Assessment Commission.	468, 837, 909
469	The Parklands team treasure the unique beauty and significant environmental value of the property they manage. According to Mat Morris, Parklands General Manager and Environmental Scientist, one of the most important aspects of Parklands success is about integrating environmental considerations into all levels of the planning for the site and its events.	469, 933,
470	With every event, the North Byron Parklands team continue to improve on their track record and their management of waste is no exception. At the latest Falls Festival in January a range of initiatives were trialed to help manage litter on the festival site. For example, all campers were given bags to collect their recyclables and general waste, recycling stations were scattered across the site and a Green Army of camping volunteers made regular rubbish runs with a range of incentives for campers including on-the-spot prizes for doing the right thing with their waste.	472, 619, 129

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471	North Byron Parklands is regarded as the only Australian outdoor music venue that has a fully compliant ISO 14001 environmental management system, it has an impressive vision with practical policies, procedures and monitoring programs that range from flora and fauna management through to waste mitigation that will continue to see them outperform other festival sites throughout Australia and the world. Cultural arts and music event facilities such as those proposed by North Byron Parklands will greatly assist the local tourism industry by attracting thousands of people from Queensland, Sydney and Victoria. All of these visitors will require accommodation and other services and will greatly benefit the tourism sector. This is surely a good thing.	477, 492, 776 486, 493, 633
473	With so many people relying on tourism for their income on the North Coast there is an obligation on behalf of state and local governments to help facilitate any reasonable project that will increase domestic and international tourist numbers. North Byron Parklands is proving that it's the best home for internationally regarded major events, already two events alone are attracting thousands of people to the area who are injecting millions of tourist dollars into the local economy. Their current proposal is set to further improve the quality of their major events for their patrons and the wider community. This can only further enhance the local tourism sector.	997, 727, 915
474	For a site that only has events there for a week or so a year I was really surprised at the number of conditions imposed on them. After reading their performance report I was pleased to see a very high level of compliance being attained by the venue. Parklands submission is complete and is worthy of approval. Parklands submission is complete and is worthy of approval.	998,
475	As a resident of Byron Bay I applaud the North Byron Parklands site which enables large scale music festivals to still be held in this area but not within the township of Byron Bay, therefore eliminating a lot of extra and unnecessary traffic movement. Prior to the opening of North Byron Parklands the Splendour in the Grass festival was held on an inadequate site where both traffic and noise pollution were problems. It is a relief that now this has been taken away from the town and placed in a more suitable location. Thank you for that.	513,
476	According to local ecologists, the previous landowner, who owned the southern portion of the Parklands site, had little regard for the environment or indigenous sites and heavily impacted significant areas of the property. It was so serious that a court order was placed on the landowner to stop clearing and restore these significant areas. He never undertook restoration works but now they have now been completed by North Byron Parklands. A team of three regenerators work on the site once a week – at times up to 10 contractors work together – to do large scale plantings and regeneration projects. In terms of environment the Parklands team are the best thing that could have happened to this property.	519,
477	Parklands application is well conceived and rigorous in its detail and should be approved.	520,
478	As a keen music enthusiast and comunity menmber I want to let you know this application to better manage sound emissions and permit small community events at North Byron Parklands has my full support.	522,
479	The current noise criteria are not realistic or achievable for an activity that only operates for 8 or 10 days a year. If the activity was continuous in operation like a concrete batching plant that would be a different matter. The fact that the more intrusive component of noise (i.e. bass) is currently not even regulated as an omission. I am pleased to see that North Byron Parklands are proposing to set limits covering this area. Such a move would be a positive one for this venue. It should also be noted that I have personally attended this festival 10 times over the last 10 years and have only positive things to say about the management of the event, including sustainable practices and adhering to noise management restrictions. The group of friends I attend the festival with are all over 40 years of age, so please do not stereotype Splendour festival attendees as being purely from the 18-25 age group. We have seen many events and have the experience to realise that Splendour is a unique and well managed cultural event.	528,
480	Many projects that have occurred across the North Coast of NSW have not undertaken even a tenth of the assessment, survey and fauna/flora investigations as that completed by North Byron Parklands. The extensive vegetation mapping and the identification of fauna across the site, coupled with two koala surveys (which did not locate any koalas) demonstrate the level of environmental assessment undertaken by this organisation. When you then add the environmental controls as proposed in their environmental, health and safety management manual it is evident that these people are very serious about environmental management.	530, 565, 834
481	When the owners of North Byron Parklands bought the property they took on board a court order to rehabilitate Yelgun Creek which was badly degraded by the former owner. This creek system used to flow into the Billinudgel Nature Reserve, feeding it with flood waters and providing the varied hydrological flows that the existing flora community required. The North Byron Parklands people have now rehabilitated the creek by removing excess siltation and undertaking riparian plantings. This is a huge plus for the nature reserve.	530, 949, 113
482	Like many others in our region, I derive my income from a number of sources in the arts & creative industries. Its time to stand up and support this vibrant industry that does so much for so many. This project has proven it has the necessary checks and balances in place to make any event operate in a sensitive and responsible manner. Approve the North Byron Parklands amendments now.	740,
483	If we consider the important contributions to the region made by tourism such as, income generation and the creation of jobs, then it follows that projects with a proven track record in job creation and increasing tourism, are a good thing for NSW and should be approved. The major events at North Byron Parklands draw thousands of intra and interstate visitors, who have injected millions into the north coast economy during the tourist industry's quietest months. Their current proposal to include small scale events will again help bolster local tourism operators throughout the year. To pass up such an opportunity for the region would be a crime.	540, 713, 841
484	North Byron Parklands is possibly the first arts and music venue that has prepared an environmental, health and safety management manual to manage interactions with the environment. The environmental standard from this manual provides a range of measures designed to protect the environment. Given that the activities in question are low impact, the environmental management of the site will easily achieve positive benefits for the environment.	546, 983, 101
485	North Byron Parklands staff have already developed a solid working relationship with National Parks ground staff, local indigenous bush regeneration teams and local council ecology staff. To date North Byron Parklands has planted thousands of trees adjacent to the Billinudgel Nature reserve, installed dozens of nest boxes to improve habitat opportunities and removed thousands of metres of barbed wire fencing to reduce impediments to fauna movement. What is truly impressive is the number of environmental programs this organisation is implementing as part of its normal operations. Go Parklands.	553, 701, 790
486	According to respected local ecologists, because cattle are no longer on the land, the natural regeneration of native plants over the past few years at Parklands is impressive. Most of the ecological restoration work undertaken in Parklands Habitat Restoration Program is exotic weed control to ensure the establishment of the regenerating native seedlings. The site is huge, with large areas set aside for restoration and since 2007 over 15,000 endemic species have been planted to restore fragmented forest blocks. It's a real win for the environment.	554, 579, 616
487	The events held at the Parklands are also run by a very measured, and fair team who have great respect for the environment, the local community and supporting the arts through their wonderful events. That is quite a balance to maintain, and should be acknowledged.	558,

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488	With its Environmental, Health and Safety management manual, the management of environmental values at North Byron Parklands have been implemented within a world class framework to reduce potential and actual impacts on fauna and flora. The system is that comprehensive that it has even considered and regulated light spill from portable lighting towers. The proponents should be commended on such an initiative.	604, 667, 790, 801, 808,
489		620,
490	The events at North Byron Parklands saw a vast improvement in layout, crowd control and distribution via walkways. The vibe was great and having the open amphitheatre was a real winner. I hope that I can continue to enjoy events there in the stunning natural surrounds for many years to come.	622,
491	Job opportunities are a hot topic on the north coast. If North Byron Parklands is not allowed to continue to operate in the manner it requires within the Byron Shire then these jobs will be lost to another region willing to approve this project. The creation of local jobs is a very important one.	635, 787, 875, 915, 1026, 1032
492		653, 855, 880, 970, 1021, 116
493	While it is understood that business ventures such as North Byron Parklands are focussed on turning a profit, it is also really pleasing to see they have expended a fair amount of effort on protecting and enhancing the environment in which they operate. Initiatives such as light spill and noise management and inducting all staff and contractors is a great way to protect the environment and demonstrate a commitment to sustainable best practice.	663, 1097,
494	I believe that the residents of the surrounding areas to North Byron Parklands, and the Byron Shire itself are lucky to have the Splendour in the Grass festival and the organisers that are involved, as they are so very concerned with the environment, and indeed the use of the land itself. If this land had remained farmland, or been turned into residential development, the ecology of the area would not be as well protected as it is now. I am impressed by North Byron Parklands' excellent application to better manage their sound emissions and introduce community events at their venue, the application has my support. I have travelled the world extensively, and have observed festivals in locations that are in environmentally sensitive areas, and in areas that are in close proximity to large populations. I believe that in the instance of this festival the organisers have co-operated to the fullest with local groups, and that the benefits of the festival far outweigh any negative aspects that are sometimes publisised.	668,
495	I have seen what a range of other industry developments have offered up to protect the environment. In all cases their activities intrinsically contain much greater environmental risks compared to North Byron Parklands, yet their environmental controls are not even remotely as advanced or detailed. It is obvious that this venue has thought long and hard about managing its activities in an environmentally and sustainable manner.	687,
496	Over 15,000 trees have now been planted by North Byron Parklands, its bush regeneration team, local community members and of course patrons from the two events. The habitat plans which span 10 years will see thousands more trees being planted in area that traditionally were used for cattle grazing or sugar cane. Such efforts will make a big environmental difference regionally.	695,
497	The economic value of the North Byron Parklands in its early stages is incredible and the economic impact figures show exactly what these world class events bring into the Byron Shire and more broadly the Northern Rivers. The engagement that Parklands have undertaken with local residents in the creation of jobs and generation of business not only for accommodation and the visitor industry, but further afield is to be applauded. Their current plans on exhibition not only improve amenity for locals but for the thousands of visitors they will continue to attract every year.	705, 1016, 1069, 1098,
498	Byron and the surrounding areas rely substantially on a range of small businesses and cottage industries to employ the people that live in this community. There are not many large employers such as North Byron Parklands in the region. We need to approve this current proposal to ensure continued choices and employment growth for the people of the region.	714,
499	Splendour In The Grass and The Falls Music & Arts Festival have had a significant impact on broadening my horizons. They've given me exposure to a wide range of performers and artists I would otherwise not be able to see in my own backyard. But the site should also be used for community events as these organisations need more venue options.	724, 1219,
500	The North Byron Parklands site has a long history of agricultural activity that degraded much of the site over the past 50 years. While the site still retained some areas of high value conservation, a great deal of regeneration was needed before the site could again be considered ecologically valuable. Since their trial approval was granted, the Parklands people have proven they are not only world class event managers they are serious caretakers of the natural environment.	744, 1020,
501	As far as most events go in terms of protecting the environment, they put in place things like recycling bins and the like. North Byron Parklands has implemented a bunch of environmental controls that go way above and beyond such simple measures. I am extremely impressed with the environmental programs they have undertaken and have every confidence that the environment will be more than adequately protected.	764, 1036,
502	Over many decades primary production and agriculture significantly degraded the wildlife corridor. The site was highly fragmented and in need of revegetation. Since their trial approval, Parklands have implemented the most impressive rehabilitation program the area has seen for the past 50 years and its detailed vegetation management plan is already bearing fruit, with thousands of endemic trees being planted in strategic areas that are now flourishing and providing habitat.	764, 929, 989, 1040, 1135,
503	I live in the Northern Rivers area and have attended Splendour in the Grass 2014. North Byron Parklands was perfect! Just the right amount of walking distance between stages and not too close that you could hear one stage to the next. I am so excited to have such a great venue close to where I live. Bring on more events to North Byron Parklands!	770, 1208,
504	I am a supporter of the North Byron Parklands plan to better manage sound emissions and to accept small community events at their venue, please approve this application now. I am a regular visitor to the area as I attend music festivals such as Falls and the Blues fest.	780,
505	Environmental audits are a requirement for all major events. If we consider that eventually there might be up to three major events in a given year one can start to get an idea of the breadth and depth of environmental information that will be captured by these environmental audits. North Byron Parklands have built up an impressive database of fauna and flora observations and have adjusted or modified their policies and procedures to better protect environmental values moving forward.	781, 807,
506	While it has to be recognised that the recently upgraded Pacific Highway and the existing Tweed Valley Way represent the biggest barrier to fauna migration in an east-west direction, the owners of North Byron Parklands have been busy improving the currently degraded wildlife corridor in a number of ways. Putting aside the fact that they have already planted over 15,000 trees in the corridor area and removed large quantities of noxious weeds, their vegetation management plan has dramatically improved vegetation cover and thereby improved species movement opportunities through the further planting of endemic trees. This is a huge positive.	792, 1345,

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507	If employment growth in regional areas is a key concern of the NSW state government then approving this project makes sound economic sense. There is a real need to support organisations that can provide such large numbers of jobs in an area where finding a good job is very difficult. It seems to me, that approving this project will have long-term benefits for job prospectors in this rural region.	799, 891, 915, 957, 1114, 1138,	6
508	Most outdoor events pay little attention to the environment so it is heartening to see an organisation such as North Byron Parklands who have put a considerable effort into developing specific procedures and work instructions designed to protect the environment. These guys even have an environmental incident notification system which will document all issues and the steps taken to resolve them.	810, 1036, 1104, 1244,	4
509	Positive environmental outcomes are important for any development and one very important outcome undertaken by the North Byron Parklands people is to implement a vegetation management plan across the entire site. Under this plan sections of the site have been restored back to pristine forest cover while others have been treated as managed parklands. Under this treatment very large areas have/will be planted with low density native trees that will provide connection points for fauna to avoid large pastoral areas and reduce the likelihood of predation during movement across the site. They are not required by law to do this, but see it as an important environmental outcome.		2
510	While a lot of people are aware of the various environmental programs Parklands and the events undertake, I was really surprised to learn that they are also undertaking some serious rehabilitation of Yelgun Creek. This creek system was badly impacted through the activities of the previous landowner and it is great to see them completing this non-event specific work.	814, 1041, 1275, 1288,	4
511	There are not enough spaces in Byron Shire where small-scale events can be staged. These events could include innovative performing arts events along with educational programs for school students. There is endless scope for the kinds of events and they don't have to have any impact on the wider community. Music festivals, be they large or small, are like temporary communities and people attending them can learn greatly about cultural diversity. Events like Splendour in the Grass and the Falls festivals held at North Byron Parklands bring together people from all walks of life along with entertainers from all corners of the globe. This creates a unique environment, which cultivates curiosity. North Byron Parklands is the perfect venue for a festival. The site is a lot ore accessible, the events held there are run so professionally and the facilities are great. The camping is spot on, HOT SHOWERS!! and you don't feel overcrowded.	817,	1
512	The environmental assessments completed for the North Byron Parklands identify a number of threatened species which in the most part are winged creatures. It has been documented that these creatures move away from any light and noise disturbances for no longer than for the period they occur. This is particularly true if there are specific food resources available on the North Byron Parklands site. So, once an event is finished the data shows that these animals return and enjoy the quietude that prevail at this site for the vast majority of the year.	830, 880, 971,	3
513	With such high unemployment rates in the Northern Rivers I am sure that the government is aware just how important it is to approve the modifications to North Byron Parklands application. I know many young people who are already employed by Parklands and also more who would love the chance to secure work on the project. The government needs to take into account the generation of employment that the current proposal has the potential to create.	847, 1043, 1085, 1107,	4
514	From an environmental perspective one of the most pleasing aspects of the North Byron Parklands proposal is the distinct lack of permanent infrastructure and the need to clear trees. With such minimal works required to make an events venue it means that the vast majority of the site shall remain as is, which is a real positive.	853, 862, 1137,	3
515	Small local businesses are able to thrive in otherwise tough times with the introduction of festivals such as Splendour In The Grass & The Falls Festival at North Byron Parklands. The effects can be felt as far North as Tweed heads and as far South as Lennox Head.	855,	1
516	Let's look at the environmental initiatives that the North Byron Parklands people are doing. Environmental auditing, sediment and erosion control, fencing to keep people in cleared areas, buffer zones to forests, inductions for workers, wildlife rescue teams during events, traffic control, no dogs, etc. The list of initiatives they have placed on event operators is substantial and has resulted in a well protected environment.	864, 1204, 1264,	3
517 518	I have attended several festivals at North Byron Parklands and numerous other festivals elsewhere over many years. I have noticed that for events held at Parklands particular effort is always made to manage noise. Utilisation of noise mitigating structures such as large hay bale walls, along with delay speakers and operating in a well contained amphitheatre all assist in better managing noise levels for the areas surrounding the festival site. Noise is a highly subjective yet important consideration for outdoor venues. The few people who (unlike me) have difficulty tolerating short term high sound levels associated with music festivals and community events should feel reassured that the organisers at North Byron Parklands make every effort to ensure that noise from the site is minimised, through good management of noise levels, along with community engagement and commitment to a better outcome for everyone involved. Byron Shire is a wonderful area to visit and I am impressed at the cange of events that take place on a regular basis. It would be fantastic If there could be an even greater variety of events, particularly smaller events with a community focus held in a location that does not disturb the central township and allows people to enjoy the amazing beauty of Byron Shire. Music festivals, be they large or small, are a kind of temporary community and people attending them can experience and learn about cultural diversity. Events like Splendour in the Grass and the Falls festivals held at North Byron Parklands modifications, particularly to allow small scale events take place at the venue. Holding events requires a sound understanding of a whole range of logistical and safety aspects. The highly competent members of the Parklands team have a long and excellent track record in developing and holding outdoor cultural ats and music events. They have tremedous experience in managing all aspects of these events and have been responsible for putting together numerous large events over the past decade. In each cas		1
	One of the major environmental activities at Parklands is habitat creation and preservation. This program has involved the planting of thousands of endemic species over the last 6 years in a way that connects		
519 520	currently fragmented forest blocks across the site. So far over 15,000 endemic tree and shrub species have been planted to help connect these disparate forest blocks. I am writing in support of North Byron Parklands' commendable application to permit small scale community events and better manage low frequency sound at their event site.	925, 948,	1
	Splendour team has employed me for well over 10 year at each SITG. They are great people to work for and are very caring of there employees. This is good for our comunity, for our youth and good business for our economy. How come Blues fest is so well supported, yet they are not such good people to deal with in the comunity? Its only fair to give Splendour the same as Blues & Roots Festival	956,	1

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522	One of the major environmental activities at Parklands is the ongoing monitoring of flora and fauna. Monitoring work has been undertaken to scientifically measure whether the use of the site for cultural events has adverse ecological impacts. Significant resources and time have been assigned to establishing base line data both within the site and at external control points before, during and after events.	962,	1
523		975,	1
	One of the big threats to the environment is the accidental ignition of a bushfire. The North Byron Parklands group have identified this as a risk and have developed a Bushfire Standard that address this issue and places a number of carefully considered controls such as provision of bulk water tanks, having the Rural Fire Brigade onsite during major events and the provision of fire extinguishers, etc. I am confident that with		
524		983, 1048, 1105,	3
525	I agree to have the content of my submission and/or my name and suburb included in a list of submitters that may be published by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment.	1347, 1348, 1349, 1350, 1351, 1352, 1216, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1220, 1221, 1222, 1223, 1224, 1226, 1227, 1228, 1229, 1230, 1232, 1234, 1235, 1237, 1238, 1239, 1242, 1243, 1245, 1247, 1250, 1251, 1252, 1253, 1254, 1255, 1256, 1257, 1258, 1259, 1260, 1261, 1262, 1263, 1266, 1268, 1269, 1270, 1271, 1272, 1273, 1274, 1275, 1278, 1279, 1280, 1281, 1282, 1283, 1284, 1285, 1286, 1288, 1289, 1290, 1291, 1292, 1293, 1294, 1295, 1296, 1298, 1299, 1300, 1301, 1304, 1305, 1306, 1307, 1309, 1311, 1312, 1313, 1315, 1317, 1318, 1319, 1320, 1321, 1322, 1323, 1324, 1325, 1326, 1327, 1328, 1329, 1330, 1331, 1332, 1334, 1335, 1336, 1338, 1340, 1342, 1343, 1344, 1345, 1346,	110
526	It's wonderful news that the community groups in the towns surrounding Parklands are also benefitting from the wonderful success of the festivals held there through the Community Grants Program. Community groups and local public schools often struggle for resources and they depend on funding such as this to keep up their invaluable work.	1006,	1
527	As the (REDACTED), I strongly support the work of North Byron Parklands in creating a sustainable venue for major festivals. Anything that can appropriately help them to make the most of the venue should be assisted.	1016,	1
528	While the North Byron Parklands has some valuable forest cover it must be recognised that much of this cover resembles a patch quilt, the result of decades of agricultural use. To improve the value and function of these disparate forest blocks there is a much needed planting program similar to that currently implemented by the North Byron Parklands people to join and reconnect the vegetation. This one action of mass plantings has absolutely improved the environmental value across and adjacent to the proposal.	1041, 1105, 1269, 1300,	4
520	I am a supporter of this project and everything contained in the modification, particularly in relation to better managing sound emissions and enabling small community events at Parklands. Remove sound		4
529	restrictions	1065,	1
530	With respect to the mapped wildlife corridor, it should be pointed out that many parts of it identified as high conservation have in fact been cleared by previous land owners. The North Byron Parklands team has not only restored parts of this corridor, they have also committed to doing so in accordance with the Byron Shire Council wildlife map. This means having the opportunity to actually realise "on-ground" what the currently inaccurate council map purports is in existence. The end result will be a greatly improved corridor that actually has some functioning capabilities.	1083, 1250,	2
531	North Byron Parklands application to better manage sound emissions and introduce small community events to their venue is staggering and thorough in its detail. It has my support.	1084,	1
532	There are many outdoor venues across Australia that are located in rural areas. I bet your bottom dollar that Parklands leads all of them in terms of environmental programs and ecological assessments. The documentation I have seen confirms that these guys are not negatively impacting on the surrounding environment. Rather, they are improving it for future generations to come.	1093, 1128, 1148, 1159, 1250,	5
533	I can't wait for my second road trip in 2015 to Splendour in the Grass. It's a fantastic venue that incorporates the natural surroundings so incredibly! There's no other place like it.	1094,	1
534	As a local resident, I have seen the economic benefits of this facility. Both from local businesses being used and local people being employed to help host these fantastic events. The Northern Rivers is a wonderful place to live and a hard place to make a living or find a job. This is a great initiative which has bloomed in spite of the prohibitive regulations and conditions and provides significant economic input. The organisers appear to have really good "intent" to provide an awesome facility, exceed the compliance requirements and improve their environent.	1128,	1
535	There are literally thousands of tourism businesses within 75 kilometres of the proposed North Byron Parklands event site. Most of these businesses are family owned and operated and as such are likely to benefit income wise from this proposal. With a flatter than normal couple of years this extra income will be warmly welcome by these businesses. This venue is destined to become the preeminent cultural hub of Northern NSW and will do a lot towards attracting dollars from Queensland and Victoria. This project should be approved in full.	1145,	1

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536	I am the General Manager of (Name Withheld). I have been working this Festival for the last 10 years starting at Red Devil Park then Belongil Fields and now at Yelgun. This festival is vital to our business as I employ 40-50 workers at Splendour and Falls per Festival. This is crucial to the survival of not only our business but to many small companies that rely on these festivals. I live in Ocean shores and i believe that the minority of people complaining about noise is only a ploy to receive free tickets or Compensation. The people of surrounding suburbs have applauded the infrastructure of the North Byron Parklands and have nothing but praise for the extra business that they receive in ther towns through lean times.	1146,
537	These festivals only operate for a total of 8 or 10 days a year, if the activity was continuous in operation like a concrete batching plant that would be a different matter. The fact that the more intrusive component of noise (i.e. bass) is currently not even regulated is an omission. I am pleased to see that North Byron Parklands are proposing to set limits covering this area. Such a move would be a positive one for this venue.	1147,
538	My name is (NAME WITHHELD) and I am a huge supporter of the role the North Byron parklands plays in the local and broader Australian community. I am therefore submitting this application to permit small community events at North Byron Parklands.	1157,
539	I have worked in the music and sport entertainment area since the early 80s. And have worked all around the world. Including 5 Olympic Games. Sydney. Salt Lake, Athens, Torino, London. I can honestly say that I have never seen, or been involved with a group of people that are more commited, to their own communitys needs and understandings. And I say this from a perspective of a person, who has sadly witnessed many debacles, when all people involved say, that they care and or will be responsible for the needs of the local areas, people, community and environment. These statements normally come from the usual groups, including politicians and local commitee members and then lead to nothing, or major problems and emberassment, further down the track. That require great repair. I have great faith that the people involved with the NBP proposal, are, and will be true to their word, and feel free to contact me if you require any further information, regarding my statements above.	1190,
540	Communities need to undertand that in our ever changing world that things do change and those changes in this case are minimal. Parklands care and management of the site and local community concerns is admirable. The vision of Parklands to create a new venue and their vision to preserve that venue as much as possible without any long term damage has cost them significantly. The battle to get Parklands up and rolling is significant. The venue is a tribute to what can be achieved and preserved without significant impact.	1193,
541	Tourism is a key industry in Northern NSW and North Byron Parklands' current proposal to improve upon their incredibly successful project, should be supported in order to maintain and grow the sector into the future.	1209,
542	We are lucky to have events like Splendour and Falls in our regional area and I wholeheartedly support their continuation.	1234,
543	I am writing to you say that I entirely support this application that seeks permission to allow community events and set criteria to improve sound emissions from North Byron Parklands. My interaction with the Parklands and Parklands management team has left feeling extremely confident in their considered approach to all aspects of the venues management. I am a qualified, and practicing, environmental consultant who can clearly see the capabilities of an organisations capacity to engage in environmental management. In the case of the North Byron Parklands the administration clearly goes above and beyond satisfying the basic requirements for operating in an 'environmentally conscious' way.I am not in the habit of openly supporting regional developments however, in the case of the North Byron Parklands I have made an exception as I believe this type of venture to be beneficial to my community and environment - forward thinking people with a business trajectory rooted in a sustainable strategy are what we need more of as a regional and national community. With regard to the noise, or rather application to operate under a more reasonable noise program, I have based my decision to support the North Byron Parklands based on my experience attending all events that have taken place at the venue. During my time spent at the venue (during an event) I have noticed suitable and well thought fauna and flora management system with regard to the event layout and lighting set out, and have found the noise omissions to be inadequate for an outdoor event and inaudible close to the edges of the event footprint .I agree to have the content of my submission and/or my name and suburb included in a list of submitters that may be published by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. I look forward to seeing the North Byron Parklands growing into an established outdoor events area in the years to come.	
544	I am writing to give my unequivocal support for North Byron Parklands' application to set criteria to better manage lower frequency sound emissions and allow small community events at their event site. The owners and management of this venue are extremely professional, sensetive to the region and land, and are strict on users being compliant onsite.	1252,
545	I Personally believe this a very important area for myself and my family to grow as people and learn in cutlural, artistic diversity. I am continually bowled over by the excellent team at Parklands. Their application to align their noise criteria with other outdoor music events and to admit community events at the venue has my support.	1255,
546	As founding Promotor of Live music to the Motor Sport Industry at Mount Panorama in Bathurst NSW in 1982 and understanding first hand the complexities of this undertaking I fully support North Byron Parklands application to better manage sound emissions and allow small community events at their event site. For any further assistance I may be able to provide please do not hesitate to call upon me.	1271,
547	This is an amazing venue, a credit to the Byron shire, and Australia. It must be used, and as often as possible, for cultural and music events. Bring the area alive! And yes, keep it safe, just as it has been.	1278,
548	I am impressed by North Byron Parklands application to manage their sound and to welcome community events to their event site and they have my full support.	1291,
549	Dear NSW and local governeent Authorities, I am lending my voice to those who wish to undertake a managed reforming of the local laws pertaining to the parklands. I work on a variety of festivals in Australia and overseas and can vouch for the good intentions and exclellent management abilities of the current custodians of the site. I DOES feel to me like the current set of laws is a little restrictive. I reckon that a methodical process could increase the ability for people to enjoy the parklands without in any way decreasing the amenity for local residents. I've attached the statement below, becuase they eloquently give detail to the contect of this potantial reform.	1294,
550	To the NSW State Government, The North Byron Parklands is a wonderful site perfectly suited to holding community events such as the Splendour in the Grass festival which are enjoyed by thousands of people every year. This is why I am writing to you; I would love to see this continue and I thus fully support the current application North Byron Parklands has presented to the state regarding sound level restrictions.	1295,
551	I fully support Parklands' proposed modifications to their approval, including the better management of sound and the allowance of community events at the site.	1332,

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