

I object to the proposed Woodlawn thermal incinerator on the grounds that air and water quality will be significantly impacted by the pollutants that will be produced, as a result of the burning of waste. This will impact mine, and other residents', quality of life. Thermal incineration is old technology and is currently being phased out in many European countries due to the significant health impacts that have been recorded in areas where incinerators have operated.

Lake George is rated as one of the top places to hang glide and paraglide in Australia. The proposed incinerator will impact on this site significantly as the air quality will become a health risk for pilots. During the summer period this site attracts both national and international pilots and contributes to the local tourism economy. To lose this site, due to poor air quality, would be significant for the sport and local area. I have, and continue to, enjoy flying my hang glider at Lake George and appreciate the significant environmental value of this area. There is an abundance of bird and plant life and it is a very spiritual place for indigenous people. To lose this quality environment to an incinerator would be a big mistake and one we, as a community, would never be able to correct.

There are better ways to manage waste, this is a quick fix that will have negative life time implications. As a Government authority I ask that you do not allow this proposal to proceed, as it does not fit with the current community and government objectives to reduce climate change

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I acknowledge the Department's disclaimer and declaration.

I have not made any political donations in the past 2 years