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Reference: Winterbourne Wind Farm SSD - 10471

I OBJECT to the Winterbourne Wind Farm development.

- I declare that I have not made any reportable political donations in the previous two years
- I acknowledge and accept the Department's disclaimer and declaration.

I object strongly on the following Grounds:

- A town of 3000 people cannot handle an itinerate workforce of 400 people. Rents are currently short; employment is full, and all this will lead to a short-term hyperinflation of wages and rents. Miles in central Queensland is a perfect example of what happens when a large development comes to a small town. The towns utilities, water, gravel, and accommodation are not set up for this sort of construction.
- As a local employer of 75 people, I am concerned about how I will compete with the pressures of short-term wage growth offered by an overseas development company that is here for the short term.
- As a resident on Darjeeling Road, a road identified in the transport route, I am concerned about what 288 heavy vehicles a day past my entrance will have on my amenity. My visual impact, my social impact and the effect on my mental health are real and should be considered by the developer. This project is in the wrong place- it affects all Walcha residents.
- Darjeeling road cannot cope with this sort of traffic. The curb will erode to beyond repair. The road is used for recreation, walking and push biking, it contains our town cemetery, it has our town racecourse, and our towns sporting fields, it should not be used as an industrial traffic route.
- As a career truck driver of 55 years The Oxley highway will be affected greatly. The developer says that there will be minimum change in traffic times on this road. I find this hard to understand. I demand an independent inquiry. Currently it takes me 50mins to travel the 50km from walcha to Bendemeer, with only two small opportunities to pass on this road. With a proposed truck every 2minutes I am sure this route will take closer to 2 hours than the current 50minutes. This will affect every walcha resident and their ability to access social, medical, and business appointments. One road in one road out is simply to much to ask from this town.

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The construction period for Winterbourne Wind is expected approximately with peak construction lasting

AVERAGE VEHICLE MOVEMENTS

Traffic and Trans figures from the Wednesday 2 Fe

16 PER HOUR 120 PER DAY



8 PER HOUR 56 PER DAY



70 PER HOUR 200 PER DAY



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PEAK VEHICLE MOVEMENTS

Traffic and Trans figures from the Wednesday 2 Fe

20 PER HOUR 188 PER DAY



12 PER HOUR 100 PER DAY



105 PER HOUR 270 PER DAY



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