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I oppose the Apex application for the following reasons;-

First and foremost, Barry O'Farrell made a pre-election promise not to mine in water catchment areas '...no ifs, no buts...a guarantee'. I ask him to keep his promise. With the potential risks to water, it is ludicrous to allow CSG in water catchments.

We recently had a bush fire that went through Darkes Forest. This included an area that was designated as a site for a CSG bore hole. It is now totally burnt out. And this is not yet the bush fire season. The hazards therefore are very, very obvious.

The Wollongong council and citizens have a long-term vision for an expansion of the tourist industry in this area. The Illawarra is very special, located between the escarpment and the ocean, not far from Sydney, the potential for tourism is enormous, providing many and varied much needed jobs. - More jobs than the CSG industry. The foreseen 150-200 production wells, together with the infrastructure, if the project goes ahead, will ruin the beauty of the escarpment and will certainly be a detriment to tourism.

local councils and thousands in the community have made it clear that they do not want CSG. In the Illawarra, we have held two events, each drawing more than 3000 people, protesting about CSG. We have handed a petition of 30,000 signatures to the government. Our message is loud and clear.

The request by Apex for a delayed starting date til day of first drilling is ridiculous. How can it possibly be assessed when it is impossible to judge the conditions in the future, especially with continuing, and expanding coal-mining.

Water is more precious than gas. I ask the Government to use wisdom and base decisions in this matter on the long term good of the state and its communities and not on the short-term profits.

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Submission: Online Submission from Shirley Gladding (object)
https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view_diary&id=41523

Submission for Job: #5550 Apex Gas Exploration Project Mod 2
https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view_job&id=5550

Site: #877 Illawarra Coal Seam Gas
https://majorprojects.affinitylive.com?action=view_site&id=877