Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Greg Armfield (object)

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Open-cut Coal mines represent a huge danger to the surrounding area from habitat destruction, wildlife disruption, groundwater pollution and the most important reason of all, coal is not the answer

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Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Geraldine and Robert Johnson ()

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We oppose the mine for the following reasons:-

? Leard State Forest is an irreplaceable forest ecosystem in a degraded landscape. The 1385 ha of critical habitat planned for clearance will not be adequately replaced by species-poor plantings.

? Endangered Groundwater Dependant Ecosystems in the vicinity of the Boggabri Coal project will be damaged by water chemistry alteration and permanent water table-reduction of up to one metre. Cumulative permanent reductions in the water table of up to 2 metres are anticipated to result from the Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek Coal projects.

? Approval of the Boggabri mine will result in the imposition of large-scale mining. The proposed Maules Creek and Boggabri mines will produce up to 20 million tonnes of coal per year. This is larger than any existing Hunter Valley mine, and will induce significant social impacts.

? The Boggabri mine will destroy an existing carbon sink and produce 16.9 million tonnes of greenhouse gases each year. This is equivalent to 10% of all greenhouse gases emitted annually in NSW.

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Re: Boggabri Coal Environmental Assessment

I wish to add my strong objection to the proposed Boggabri Coal project.

Coal is a dirty industry, and regardless of how it is mined and processed here in Australia, once it reaches its major destination? China, its consumption as a fuel results in abominable pollution of the atmosphere and eventually the soil and water. Because ecological systems are ultimately interconnected on this planet, the world as a whole eventually pays the price.

Australia needs to wake up to the real consequences of promotion coal as a fuel, and cease destroying our own back yard to get some easy Chinese dollars in our pocket.

Furthermore, this mine will have serious consequences for the local environment in terms of the destruction and degradation of some critical habitat area. Australia cannot afford to keep destroying what?s left of natural habitats. We already have the shameful reputation for the greatest rate of species extinction on the planet.

The likely effects on the water table will be detrimental in terms of both quality and quantity - another issue Australians need to get serious about as this impacts on the overall environment particularly in the long-term.

Pandering to powerful mining companies and the lure of quick revenue through exploiting our land is not the answer to the big issues we are facing. Our leaders need to develop greater vision and purpose which go well beyond perpetuating an industry which has been so detrimental to the planet.

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I am very concerned by the potential impacts the proposed operations of the Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek Coal projects may have upon the remnant Grassy White Box community and other ecosystems of the Liverpool Plains. As this area has been heavily cleared, these remnants are extremely important in the preservation of local biodiversity. A number of threatened species are known to inhabit Leard State Forest which will be heavily impacted by the removal of 1385 ha of habitat. The provision of 'offsets' will do nothing for these organisms. The recent discovery of new species of freshwater invertebrates is another reason to avoid this area. Impacts on water chemistry and water table levels are likely to be high. Unique communities will thus probably be destroyed. The social mpacts of this operation should also be taken into account. The forest will be replaced with open-cut mines among the largest in Australia. A carbon sink will be turned into a carbon source, producing an estimated 16.9 million tonnes of carbon dioxide per year. At a time when society needs to cut its greenhouse gas emissions and implement alternative technologies, this is not a progressive step.

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Colin Phillips - Online Submission from CARMEL BROWN (object)

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Subject: Online Submission from CARMEL BROWN (object)

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I object to this proposal. We are foolish to cowtow to wealthy mining corporations and pocket a small amount of tax. Instead, we need to end this carbon polluting energy source and stop destroying our precious bush. Mining rehabititation never works: the strata are ruined, the water flowing thru the mining waste is toxic.

- ? Leard State Forest is an irreplaceable forest ecosystem in a degraded landscape. The 1385 ha of critical habitat planned for clearance will not be adequately replaced by species-poor plantings.
- ? Endangered Groundwater Dependant Ecosystems in the vicinity of the Boggabri Coal project will be damaged by water chemistry alteration and permanent water table-reduction of up to one metre. Cumulative permanent reductions in the water table of up to 2 metres are anticipated to result from the Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek Coal projects.
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- ? The Boggabri mine will destroy an existing carbon sink and produce 16.9 million tonnes of greenhouse gases each year. This is equivalent to 10% of all greenhouse gases emitted annually in NSW.

Regards, Carmel Brown

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Leard State Forests is an irreplaceable forest ecosystem in a degraded landscape. The 1385 ha of forest that will be cleared, including 646ha of Grassy White Box, can never be replaced and neither the 'offsets' nor 'rehabilitation' can ever reproduce this unique, intact ecosystem. Public forests should not be destroyed for private gain.

Farming communities and groundwater dependant ecosystems in the vicinity of the project will be damaged by reductions in the water table of up to 2 metres from the cumulative impacts of the four mines.

The Boggabri mine will produce up to 7 million tonnes of coal per annum, and the four mines combined are expected to produce more than 22 million tonnes of coal per annum. This is larger than any existing Hunter Valley mine, and will cause major impacts on local communities, their health, their way of life and their livelihoods.

The Boggabri mine alone will destroy an existing carbon sink and produce 16.9 million tonnes of greenhouse gases each year. This is equivalent to 10% of all greenhouse gases emitted annually throughout the whole of NSW. The cumulative impacts of the four mines are even greater and should be properly considered by the Minister and Department of Planning.

The Boggabri Coal mine proposal should be referred in it's entirety to the Federal Minister for Environment for consideration under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, rather then just referring the expansion and ignoring the continuation.

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Leard State Forest is an irreplaceable forest ecosystem in a degraded landscape. The 1385 ha of critical habitat planned for clearance will not be adequately replaced by species-poor plantings.

I find the following points to be unacceptable.

? Endangered Groundwater Dependant Ecosystems in the vicinity of the Boggabri Coal project will be damaged by water chemistry alteration and permanent water table-reduction of up to one metre. Cumulative permanent reductions in the water table of up to 2 metres are anticipated to result from the Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek Coal projects.

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Please reconsider this proposal.

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Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Marla de Vries (object)

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Leard State Forest is critical habitat and the home to Endagered Groundwater Dependant Ecosystems.

The Boggabri Coal and Maules Creek Coal projects will have devastating and irreversable effects pn the delicate ecosystem, with groundwater levels permanantely affected.

THe environmental and social impact of approving these mines will be detrimental and should not be considered on the grounds of said impact.

Yours sincerely

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