

**Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Nikala Sim (object)**

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The clue to this proposal lies in the words remnant bushland. The last remaining of anything should be respected. I understand our need for energy and appreciate that we must fulfill our demands. Your organisation is probably full of clever people with ideas on how we can create fuel in a way that costs little and produces much energy and profit.

Asprin which is a drug we take for granted today originally came from plants. If we destroy the last remaining stands of particular plants and ecosystems then we lose the opportunity in the future to discover solutions to many things. Medications and products that can be used in agriculture.

Please reconsider this project.

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Please accept my submission opposing the proposed mining at Maules Creek, in the foothills of the Mt Kaputar National Park, near Narrabri: These mines threaten to destroy remnant forest and surrounding farmland.

I wondered if in considering this outdated application the decision makers have taken into account that at the heart of Maules Creek is Leard State Forest; the largest single remnant of native vegetation left on the heavily-cleared Liverpool Plains. It is home to 22 threatened plant and animal species, including owls, bats and birds, and contains one of the largest remaining stands of the nationally-endangered Grassy White Box ecosystem.

It is also home to a range of newly-discovered and unique freshwater invertebrates that depend on healthy groundwater.

Money doesn't make our world go 'round; biodiversity does.

Collectively, these mines will open-cut two-thirds of this invaluable forest, and replace it with coal mines and dubious 'offsets'. This public forest, with immeasurable benefits to the community, will be destroyed forever for private gain. The fascinating underground species that depend on healthy groundwater won't stand a chance.

Offsets are not sustainable. This destruction is forever.  
Offsets can never bring back what this mining will destroy.

Multi-national-owned Boggabri Coal is currently planning to open-cut 1400 ha of irreplaceable remnant forest...who wins here?? A faceless multi-national company increases their wealth at the expense of our local environment.

It's our future you are deciding on; the future health of our land and the health of our people.  
This land belongs to us all.  
It's wrong to sell it off for short term profit.

Please carefully consider these important points:

? 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.

Please say "NO" to this application. Thank you.

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I don't believe that this country can support any more mines, or mining. We desperately need to preserve the natural environment that we have left & find alternative sources for heating/cooling/ fuel etc.

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With the scientific evidence of the negative effects of burning coal, we should be investing in cleaner energy sources.

There should be no further environmental impact on the area.

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As you know, Maules Creek, in the foothills of the Mt Kaputar National Park, near Narrabri, is subject to four huge open-cut proposals. These mines threaten to destroy a remnant forest and surrounding farmland. Among other disastrous effects, the Boggabri mine will destroy an existing carbon sink and produce 16.9 million tons of greenhouse gases each year. This is equivalent to 10% of all greenhouse gases emitted annually in NSW!!

Please stop this destruction before the mining takes hold.

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I oppose this mine on the following grounds.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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 its entirety to the Federal Minister for Environment for consideration under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, rather than just referring the expansion and ignoring the continuation.

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Plsz....no coal mining on fragile lands.  
This is a definite no-no in todays environmental crisis.

Sincerely.....

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