

Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Sonia Geerlings (object)

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Date: 27/01/2011 11:30 PM
Subject: Online Submission from Sonia Geerlings (object)
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I object to this proposal 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.

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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.

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Colin Phillips - Online Submission from Jimmy Malecki ()

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Coal is not the answer for our long term economic future. This coal mine is environmentally too expensive. We need to phase out coal mining with existing mines and develop clean exports to keep the Australian economy afloat. Clean and green exports are the way to go for the health of Australia's future.

I am writing to ask you to ensure that the full Boggabri Coal proposal, including both the continuation and the expansion, is called-in and given full consideration under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

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 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.

Thanks and regards,

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Please oppose the Boggabri Mine and its devastatingly harmful effects.

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Subject: Online Submission from Kenneth Lapointe ()
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This development should not be approved because:

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Hello please reconsider the decision to mine Maules Creek, i think we live in a world were we have the technology and natural renewable resources that have less impact on our environment and animals, such as solar, wind, hydro and biogas to name a few. There is no reason to mine coal anymore, you are only looking for cheap ways and means and quick solution without thinking about the future of the communitys needs. what will happen when the coal runs out, youre far better off investing in renewable energy becuase they can provide lots more and sustainable jobs far into the future, the future is renewables and to keep our communitys clean, our environments and our air and water clean and healthy. Please look into renewables for energy needs.

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Please do not allow the coal mine to proceed. It is nothing short of astonishing that when the costs of climate change are starting to become obvious activities are proposed that will increase its severity and cost the planet dearly, in order to profit a few.

This generation will be cursed by those who follow as the one that knew what was happening and did nothing to stop the devastation.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to express my strong opposition to this proposal which threatens a unique area of the state's natural heritage: Maules Creek. Approval of these proposals will have dire consequences for the long-term vitality of the area's irreplaceable Leard State Forest and for the surrounding farming communities.?

The sites of these proposal are home to a great many endangered plant and animal species that we must protect. If clearance were to be permitted, no amount of subsequent replanting will resurrect the ecosystems that sustain these species and indeed the entire area.?

What's more, changes to ground water composition and a drastic lowering of the water-table will wipe out whole ecosystems in the area of the Maules Creek and Boggabri proposals. There would be wider implications for the water supply to agriculture and the communities it supports.?

We must also consider the larger environmental impact of the potential 16.9 million tonnes of greenhouse gases ? that the Boggabri mine will contribute each year. This goes against any commitments to reduce NSW's greenhouse emissions.?

It is imperative that we do whatever we can to preserve this unique and beautiful corner of our state. Private enterprise must not be allowed to destroy this land for short-term financial gain because no amount of money will buy back or indeed make up for what is lost.?

I sincerely hope that these dangerous proposals will be rejected.?

Faithfully,

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Colin Phillips - Online Submission from jenny rose of Climate Action Newcastle (object)

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The expansion of mining creates climate change. The further release of CO2 into an already warming atmosphere threatens the sustainability of our planet. Mining in this area threatens the beautiful forest and particularly the grassy white box trees.

Foreign-owned mining companies do not care about our environment but our Governments should.

It is merely short term, profit-driven greed to approve such projects. Please reject the application and protect the precious trees and land.

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