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Content:

I object to this proposed extension for many reasons, including:
No new mines or extensions should be approved, because of global warming.
There should be no further loss of remnant high conservation value forest and woodland in the already-disgracefully over-cleared Hunter Valley, especially the Hunter Valley Floor.
The Director-general's requirement that an offset strategy ensure improved biodiversity outcomes is clearly not met.
It is unacceptable that areas set aside for protection as offsets should subsequently be mined, as has occurred at Mount Owen.
It is unacceptable that the offset mechanism should be applied fraudulently, resorting to "related" communities, contrived "substitution ratios", cleared grassland becoming over time mature woodland EEC, and regeneration "trending towards the EEC", and other such nonsense, to pretend the EEC is thus offset.
There is a significant deficit in the area of offset claimed to be the Central Hunter Ironbark Spotted Gum Grey Box Forest (woodland) EEC, to the area in the Proposed Disturbance Area; and also the area of offset alleged to correspond to this EEC would appear from condition description, and indeed from the aerial photo, to be exaggerated.
It is objectionable that with respect to the offset strategy and in other respects also, the EIS is biased and dishonest.
A number of fauna species especially associated with Hunter Spotted Gum Ironbark woodland with mature component including hollows, will further decline and are likely to become extinct regionally, because of progressive loss of habitat and resources. These include many threatened species including nationally-listed species.
It is a proposal that is out of time - the impact on biodiversity is too great.
Reject this proposal

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Submission: Online Submission from Marg Mclean (object)
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Submission for Job: #5850 Mount Owen Continued Operations Project
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Site: #1182 Mount Owen Mining Complex
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