

## Objection to Burrendong Wind Farm (sub-66013958)

- There is a lack of transparency and consultation as there is with all the projects in the CWOREZ.
- The roads are not up to all the extra traffic - local and the Golden Highway from Newcastle.
- The EIS lacks a lot of detail such as –
  - Housing for workers
  - Where water is to come from
  - Where waste is to be disposed
- The project is predominately located on privately owned agricultural land used for agricultural purposes. Where is all the food and fibre going to be grown to feed and clothe Australians when this is added to all the agricultural land being taken for renewable factories.
- How can people who don't know an area come in and say that there are no visual, biodiversity, traffic, bushfire, social and economic issues (to name a few)?
- Noise – traffic and construction noise will be high never lone the corona noise for the life of the wind towers.
- Property will be devalued. This already happening.
- Water is not plentiful and with hot dry summers will be less so. Locals will not be happy to have the thousands and billions of litres of water taken from the district for this project.
- Biosecurity is another risk. Vehicles driving from property to property will spread weeds, diseases etc. How will this be policed?
- The local waste facilities do not have capacity for extra waste which will be created by this project. Is it economical to have to cart water in and waste out? Not to mention the extra traffic this will create. All the OSOM loads will have to go along the main street of Dunedoo as well as other towns along the Golden Highway together with loads from the other projects in the CWOREZ. How will this be possible?
- Biodiversity will be affected with trees removed. Trees planted now will take 25 years to mature if they survive.
- How is throwing money at communities beneficial in the long term when peoples lives will be wrecked?
- Employing 25% of the workforce from the local region is a pipe dream and will take local workers from farms and businesses creating more stress for landowners and local business.
- Power should be generated where it is needed. It is not fair just because the area is low density population these people should not have to bear the brunt of renewable energy.
- This project as well as every other one in the CWOREZ has caused much angst in the community. It has caused rifts in the community between families and friends. The stress is palpable. Mental health is a big part of all this as people are having livelihoods and homes, which in some cases have been for generations, greatly affected or destroyed.

- Firefighting will be a problem ground and aerial. No pilot will fly near wind turbines whether they are turned off and local ground crews will only protect their own properties despite what the hierarchy in Sydney say.
- There should be a moratorium on all REZ's until everything is sorted out and the job can be done properly and it can be proved to work. We do not want another Cobbora Coal debacle in this district or any other in Australia.
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