

Project Name: Tamworth Battery Energy Storage System

Application No.: SSD 23830229

I highly oppose the development of this project next door to my property for the following reasons:

- 1) Subdivision Potential – The impact on the value of land that has subdivision potential next to this project and the difficulty in selling to a buyer who would be within 300 metres of the project if it went ahead will be immeasurable. As a point of fact, a property overlooking the development site but not directly joining is on the market and unable to attract any interest from potential buyers because of the proposed development.
- 2) Noise and Light Pollution – This project's noise and light pollution will occur 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. When this impact is combined with the 3 other BESS projects within 500 metres of each other, their overlapping footprint has not been considered.
- 3) Water Supply Damage – The reliance on shallow water bores for stock and domestic water supply when the water table is very close to the surface means the risk of contamination from fire or battery leakage would be devastating. Additionally, as shown in the photograph below, taken during a recent rain event, the development site slopes towards Burgmanns Lane and any water run-off from the proposed development site will travel down the side of Burgmanns Lane and will end up directly in the nearby Goonoo Goonoo Creek, which would cause an environmental disaster, especially when the water in the Goonoo Goonoo Creek follows directly into the Peel River.
- 4) Land Acquisitions – The purchase of all 4 properties nearby has been very secretive, with vendors having to sign nondisclosure agreements. Furthermore, the excessive purchase price paid to suck the property owners in will have a dramatic effect on the council rates of properties in the area, even though the nearby properties actual sale value will dramatically fall because of the proximity of the project.
- 5) Lack of Communication – It took the applicant company 2½ years to contact me even though I am a direct neighbour with my boundary fence only 300 metres from the proposed project site.



Photograph shows run-off water flowing into the Goonoo Goonoo Creek.