

KINGSWOD BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEM

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744 Burgmanns Lane Kingswood NSW 2340

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Please find my objection to the proposed above development.

Having found out that there this is one of three BESSs that has been on the Major Projects within a very short time frame is disturbing the say the least. Apparently, there is a very strong possibility of yet another two being proposed that worries me even more as it opens the door for many, many more overseas electrical companies that will turn rural Tamworth into an unsightly industrial site.

As a resident of nearby Calala (of where there are some 2000 homes) I am concerned about the effect on property values. Toxic fires that will cause toxic fumes would spread over our area and contaminate the water supply attached to each and every home (tanks are required by law). I ask, who will ensure that the water remains safe to use on our gardens, where families and children live?

The combined noise from possibly 5 BESSs would travel (depending on wind direction) and this is an unknown variable. Traffic to our area during the combined construction of possibly 5 BESSs would be catastrophic to say the least. Our roads are not built for such use and the only other option is a dirt road up Burgmanns Lane, which is not fit for any purpose for vehicles let alone riding a horse and Whitehouse Lane is just that, a Lane not suitable for construction vehicles nor is Ascot Calala Road, being dirt. This technology will be outdated within years and for the short term of 20 years in my opinion would be a waste of not only time but also a major waste of rural land that cannot be replaced.

It seems that all reasonable research is being rushed through to meet the 2050 Paris Agreement treaty. BESSs are not renewable (as stated by EQUIS, proposed Calala BESS) in their meeting with Tamworth Regional Council (TRC). EQUIS stated that they are not liable to pay renewable compensation to TRC as they are not a renewable company, they are in fact an energy company. Due to their own admission BESSs as an energy company should apply to all planned BESSs – Calala, Tamworth & Kingswood (nor any future BESSs) as they DO NOT fall under the 2050 Paris Agreement deadline and therefore should not be approved as renewables.

With all these energy projects, Tamworth will not be known as rural, Tamworth will be known as ruined.

Resident of Calala