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I object to the current proposal, because the development plans specify an access road which will destroy a significant section of the forest and break up the wildlife corridor.

As a long-time local resident I have been pleased to see how the section of forest between the Ivanhoe Place estate and Epping Road has remained unspoilt as an effective buffer between the road and the existing low-rise housing units.

It is a Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest. All such forests are classified by both NSW and Australian Governments as Critically Endangered Ecological Communities because only 0.5% of these forest areas remain. The NSW Biodiversity Offset Policy for Major Projects cannot make amends for destruction of any part of this forest because it would further reduce the remaining total.

Even if the development goes ahead, this planned access road is unnecessary. The plans also specify two-way access to Lyon Park Road, so traffic wishing to enter the estate could use Lyon Park Road which has an existing well-designed exit point from Epping Road.

If the access road through the forest is essential to this development, then the development should not go ahead as presently proposed. The welfare of the forest must take priority.