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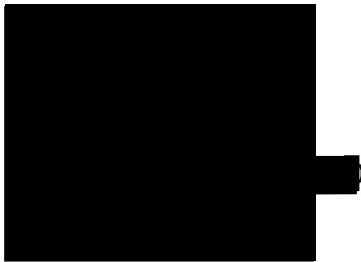
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We are sheep and cattle farmers where we derive our total income from primary production. Our property adjoins the small village of Hanging Rock which is a peaceful and serene community that enjoys the benefits of a natural environment which is a favourite location for many tourists who come for the peace and location. Our small village is under threat of all that it has been historically and environmentally famous for. We love Hanging Rock for its peace and tranquility.

We are totally against the development because...

Building phase

1. The traffic using our access road will hold up all traffic up and down the mountain. There is only one access road to Hanging Rock from Nundle and it is a popular road for tourists. Forestry and primary production are the main industries for Hanging Rock and most trucks are considerate when using the road. We are used to minor

holdups when using our road, but this will make travelling to and from town impossible. We know that the village will be isolated by the constant traffic from the wind farm. Emergency vehicles will also be affected. Because of the forest roads, there are a lot of tourists in the forest over weekends and holiday periods. There are often emergency vehicles needed and it is worrying to think they will be held up.

2. When building the new roads for access to and from the wind farms, our pristine untouched environment will be destroyed. We have a lot of wildlife in this area and with all the noise and activity around, as well as the destruction of their natural habitat, we are at risk of losing these native animals. I also know a lot of the elderly residents in Hanging Rock are concerned about the noise of traffic driving through the village.
3. According to the plans released, one of the famous Hanging Rock mines will be in the pathway of the new road that will be built. We cannot destroy our iconic mines that helped contribute to the building of Nundle and Hanging Rock as we know them today.

Tourism

1. Hanging Rock and Nundle are a destination for tourists. We experience a lot of families coming into our area to learn about the history of the gold rush or to camp at either Sheba Dam or Ponderosa Park. The peace and tranquility, the ability to try your hand at gold panning or just bushwalking through the forests will be disrupted. Nundle tourism businesses will be greatly affected also. People do not want to go for a drive to a small country town, that is bumper to bumper with traffic.

This is not an argument over alternate power, we are against the ruining an of an icon - a natural environment and a history rich in mining and ultimately the reason behind our survival as a small village (not on a main highway) TOURISM. We love where we live and want to share it with future generations as it is now, not covered in wind towers. We want them to come and experience that natural beauty of our village and surrounds and learn about the history. Our local Hanging Rock Hall has an extensive display of photos and maps and detailed information on the people, mining and documents relating to this area. Hopefully we can keep the peace and harmony of this area so the future generations can enjoy it as we do.

Yours Faithfully

