

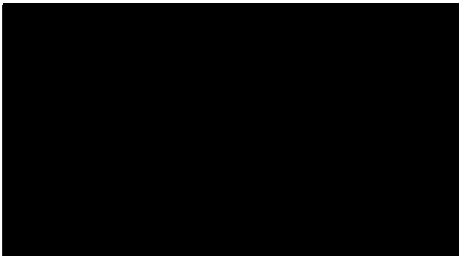
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To whom it may concern

Re: Hills of Gold Wind Farm Application Number SSD 9679

I am attaching my submission to the above mentioned development application.
I hereby declare that I object to the above mentioned development application.
I would like my personal details withheld.
I have not made any reportable political donations in the last 2 years.



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Nundle is a beautiful town surrounded by the 'Hills of Gold'. You first see these Hills as you turn off the New England Highway onto Lindsay Gap Road. Tourists love these Hills, the unspoilt countryside and the town.

Many are return visitors who keep coming and coming as does my family.

It has been suggested that tourists will flock to the town to see the turbines and therefore tourism would increase. -I have never heard of a tourist wanting to escape to wind turbines. You would be able to see them from far away as they are so large so why would you drive all the way into Nundle if your purpose was to look at turbines.

The Scottish Natural Heritage Visual Representation of Wind Farms which NSW follows, estimates the Zone of Theoretical Visibility for a 150m+ wind turbine is 45km. (the proposed Hills of Gold wind farm turbines are 230m to blade tip)

Tourism has long been established due to the countryside, peacefulness, vista and beautiful people. This would all be taken away.

Nundle survives on tourism - the businesses would not exist without the tourists and tourists do not want to view the 'Hills Of Gold' with wind turbines.

The 'Hills of Gold' are part of the heritage of Nundle - this is a gold mining town filled with heritage buildings and history. The question is why would you put wind turbines in a small country town which would negatively impact residents and tourists.

I object to the wind turbines being placed on the 'Hills of Gold' and destroying the beautiful vista
