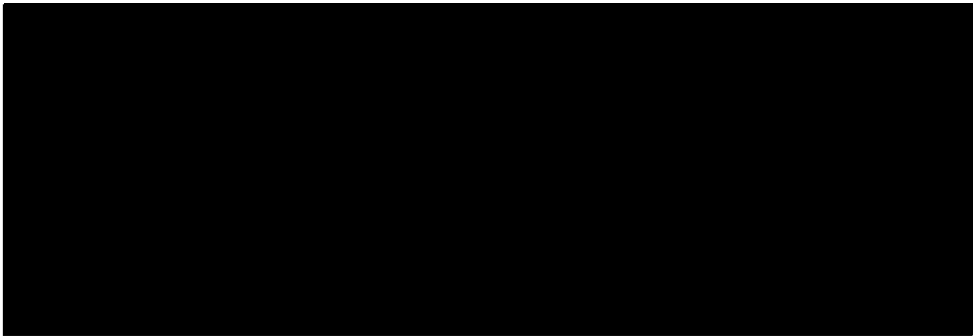


Director - Energy Assessments
Planning and Assessment
Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
Locked Bag 5022
Parramatta. NSW 2124

Date: 26/1/2021

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM APPLICATION NO. SSD 9679

- I am attaching my submission to the above mentioned development application
 - I hereby declare that I object to the Hills of Gold Wind Farm proposal ID no. SSD 9679
 - I would like my personal details withheld
 - I have not made any reportable political donations in the previous 2 years
- 

SUBMISSION FROM [REDACTED]

HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM APPLICATION NO SSD 9679

OBJECTION TO THE HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM

- I own and operate a retail business in [REDACTED] that has been operating continuously in Nundle for 36 years.
- I have a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Reasons for objection

1. Transport of turbine blades and tower sections through Nundle.

The transport of turbines to the ridge is through vegetated areas and will require unnecessary clearing of vegetation. Some of this has commenced despite the project not yet being approved.

Happy Valley Jenkins Street route

- Changed parking arrangements will affect my business adversely. Currently customers can park at the front door.
- The high school bus stop is on the footpath outside my business. It will be impacted as it is currently located in the only possible sheltered area that can be accessed by a bus.
- Removal of any trees and median strip will reduce shade. The trees in the median strip are established trees that have been planted by long term community members.
- Any impact on tourism will affect my business which relies on tourism.
- Several other Nundle businesses rely on tourism. A fall in tourist activity will affect the business ecosystem.

Innes Street /Gill Street route

- This route will impact my residence. I will not be able to exit or enter South Lynne Close during the time the vehicles carrying turbine parts are negotiating the Gill St / Point St corner.

2. Damage to Natural Environment.

- Disruption to scenic skyline and natural beauty of area
- Interference with microclimate and natural ecosystem in the catchment to Chaffey Dam which is Tamworth's main water supply.

- Nature reserve endangered fauna and flora will be impacted.

3. Impact on lifestyle and social impact

- Some community minded residents are threatening to leave the village if the Wind Farm goes ahead. This will leave the town without many of the people who contribute heavily to community life, thriving economy and employment.
- People who have moved to Nundle in the last 30 years have been attracted to the village because of its natural beauty and the opportunity to have a “slow living” mindful lifestyle. The wind farm development is incongruous with this.
- The wind farm will introduce an industrial element incongruous with Nundle lifestyle.
- There is concern about the long -term effect when the equipment is aged and decommissioned.