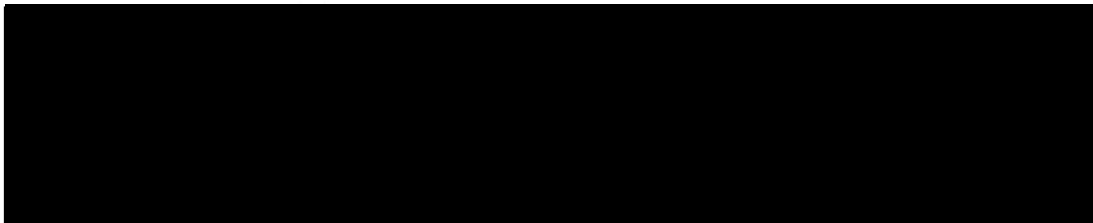


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**RE: HILLS OF GOLD WIND FARM APPLICATION NO. SSD 9679**

- I am attaching my submission to the above mentioned development application
- I hereby declare that I object to the Hills of Gold Windfarm 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



## OBJECTION

This development has divided a close knit community due to false and misleading information and promises circulating the area. Some people support the project because they were led to believe they would have free electricity and that there will be no electricity if we do not build the wind farm in Nundle. Promises were also made for the money from the Community Enhancement Fund to build Fun Centres, Indoor Pools and Snow Ski Runs just to name a few. Other things are all on the newsletter that was circulated in our town (I have attached this to my submission). How can a community fund of \$175,000 per year, administered by three councils and shared with other towns going to build any of these facilities in Nundle and Hanging Rock? These promises made by the major land host of this project has angered me greatly. It is misleading and ethically incorrect.

If these turbines go ahead my life here will no longer be enjoyable. From my place I will see the turbines that spans along a 30 km range in full view. I see the range changing daily with more and more land clearing happening. If this is happening before this project has been approved. what we will be left with when the project is in constructed. I do not understand how this can be allowed to happen continuously for years before the project has started. If 70 230 metre turbines are to be built, how will it change the water flow and to the wildlife habitat that have lived there for so many years. There is a very important ecological system up on that ridge and it should not be disturbed any further that what has already been cleared.

The horrendous amounts of water needed in the construction of these turbines. This will affect farmers and the flow from Head of the Peel to Chaffey Dam. I remember a meeting with Jamie Chivers from Wind Energy Partners when my husband and I asked where they will source the water for the project and he answered from creeks or the Barnard River and bores. What affect will this have on our rivers and aquifers?

I grew up in Nundle and have a large collection of historic relics and memorabilia past down from my family. I have significant historic tie to this area. These historical findings have been treasured and stored because each has an interesting story to tell and remind us of our past. I feel upset for the possible major impacts to the heritage site of Black Snake Mine. Contemplation in construction near such a place of significance to the people who live or have lived hear is sacrilege.

I worry for the devaluation of land in the area if this project goes through. No one wants to live in a place that will see turbines with those blinking lights at night.

I do not want this project to go ahead. I just want to enjoy this place in the peace and quiet with natural views of the ranges while researching my family history.



**Calling all residents in the  
community.**

**IT IS TIME TO HAVE A  
VOICE**

**You are invited to our farm  
TO SAY OUR TOWN WANTS  
AND NEEDS A WIND FARM**

**The Land Paper will be here next  
Thursday or Friday(to be advised) come  
and stand with us.**

**Meet us at the "Malonga" cattle yards  
on Morrison's Gap Road at Hanging  
Rock. Turn right after the dam and  
keep driving until you reach the yards.**

*We want and need a thriving town that is self  
sufficient. We want more people to want to live  
in our community. We need more jobs, better  
services and Facilities for the children and the  
elderly.*

## **Dream and Imagine and then Create**

**The community in our village of Hanging Rock and Nundle are getting older. With the money donated from the wind farm \$2,500 per turbine per year for the next 25 to 35 years. Imagine the self sufficient community we could build.**

**Could some of that money go towards building a retirement village in Nundle so our older community members could live in this town for their whole lives and stay close to their family and friends and get the care that they need with a doctor and health care service available at that village.**

**We could build a smaller indoor swimming pool that could be heated all year round for exercise and swimming lessons for the little ones.**

**At Sheba Dam - Build a playground and include a jumping pillow, flying fox and swings that go into the dam.**

**Keep Using your imagination**



## **A Family Tourist and adventure park at the wind farm**

**Which will create long term employment for people**

- **A possible 300 to 400 metre snow ski run in winter**
- **Toboggan rides down the hill**
- **Mountain bike riding**
- **Horse trails**
- **walking trails and buggy tour rides**
- **Inflatable ball rides down the air strip.**
- **Inflatable ball rides across a dam**
- **trout fishing**
- **cabins**
- **paddle boats**
- **An indoor family fun centre with a rock climbing wall and ninja warrior course.**

**Could you please forget about the visual affect of the wind farm for a minute and imagine the benefits that can be gained from it.**

**DON'T BE AFRAID TO SPEAK UP  
AND PLEASE USE YOU IMAGINATION.**

