

2 February 2021

Dear Kaitlyn Symington,  
RE: Exhibition of State Significant Development Application  
Gunnedah Waste Facility  
Application No: SSD-8530563

I **OBJECT** to the proposal of the construction and operation of a recovery facility and waste transfer station to store and process up to 250000 tonnes of construction and demolition and commercial and industrial waste and contaminated soils.

If this facility is approved can the owner and local council guarantee that zero contaminants or microbes will leave site in any weather condition? If a load of asbestos is delivered on windy days and microbes are blown off site it would be catastrophic. If any contact was made to human's or animal's, asbestosis is an irreversible disease. I am sure no one wishes that upon anyone.

The location of my family's farm is on the river plains prime for flooding, we have experienced this for many years, what would happen if the waste station were to be affected from the floods which is only across the road where we have spotted flood water lay through many floods.

I am deeply passionate about my family's farm and the amazing lifestyle of living in some of the most beautiful country Gunnedah has to offer. Am I going to have to make my children wear face masks every time they ride their motorbikes, horses or even walk to the front gate with their Pop to get the mail? I cannot imagine the stress and anxiety of workers and neighbours directly affected by the waste station wondering if they have been infected or not.

The local tip is even further out of town than the waste station, I do not understand why you would want to bring all those contaminants on the doorsteps of loyal Gunnedah citizens. If the waste station is 100% safe for its own workers and community, why wont the owner answer any questions to the public directly affected by it. Additionally, why did he not build the waste station in his own front yard if its so safe. There is zero evidence to say contaminants will never leave the site once delivered.

In conclusion the above points should be considered seriously and the opinions of residents in this area should be taken onboard with the utmost respect and concern.

Your sincerely,