

Objection to **Oxley Solar Farm-SSD No 10346**

Firstly, I support solar energy as an additional source of energy to support our present use of power.

It concerns me greatly that there are presently 7 proposals for industrial solar plants declared around the rural boundaries of Armidale. Armidale is known for its beautiful New England environment and the cumulative, environmental effect of these industrial solar plants will significantly change the way Armidale is viewed by tourists and, even more sadly, the local community.

Of those seven, three are proposed for a wide valley in the Castledoyle / Gara area. The impact this will have on the beautiful valley would not be condoned under the guidelines of the NSW Environmental Planning & Assessment Regulations, 2000 and I implore our governing body to respond accordingly and not approve this Development Application.

I have not made any political donations.