

SUBMISSION: OBJECTION

MACQUARIE RIVER TO ORANGE PIPELINE PROJECT

REF NO: 10_0235

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I wish to lodge my OBJECTION to the above proposed pipeline project on the following basis:

The proposed pipeline from the Macquarie River to Orange will threaten the significant habitat for many threatened species including the Murray Cod, Silver Perch and Catfish which call this area home.

A pipeline should not be approved when a final location has not been determined and exact environmental damage results have not been accurately determined.

The Upper Macquarie River is one of three areas left in Australia where Trout Cod populations are surviving and is a significant site for a successful National Recovery Program.

The threat of landslide and increased sedimentation in the River has not been adequately addressed.

The proposed to extract water at low to very low levels of 35ml per day will disrupt fish mitigations for breeding and feeding purposes.

Amongst all of the threatened fish populations and breeding areas, other water dependant animals such as the Platypus will have their good condition habitats threatened.

I am part of the third generation of our family to be able come and enjoy the pristine area of the Macquarie River. I was taught to fish by my grandfather and mother in Gardiner's Hole. My partner and I come here often and we would like to be able to bring and teach our children the beauty of this area. This area would be ruined for the native fish and for the people who appreciate this area if this proposed pipeline was to be approved.

From:

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