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From: <u>Jane Loxley</u>

Sent: Friday, July 15, 2011 11:54 AM **To:** plancomment@planning.nsw.gov.au

Subject: MP 06-0232 Mod 4 Southern Highlands Regional Shooting Complex

Dear Sir,

Ref MP 06-0232 Mod 4 Southern Highlands Regional Shooting Complex

I am writing to request a review of the Shooting Complex's development here at Hill Top. Rather miserably we have campaigned for years against the prospect of the invasion of our civil liberties by the creation of the Shooting Complex.

Now there is a request by the developers to increase the noise level from 75 dB(L) to 85 dB(L), to delete the requirement for an acoustic shelter on the 800 metre range and to increase the time period for noise compliance testing from 7 to 30 days.

I moved here some 10 years ago with the idea of enjoying the quiet of rural NSW. Having grown up in a war torn area of Africa, and lived in inner Sydney the pleasure of living in Hill Top's peace was very attractive and has proved to be until recent years, when the prospect of the Shooting Complex was raised.

There are many negative issues associated with the implementation of the Shooting Complex which have been well explored, explained and ignored. Areas of concern are the native bushland to be destroyed, the risk of fire- there is no mains water supply at the Complex's site-, pollution to the water ways which feed Warragamba Dam, the inferior road system carrying increased traffic to the site, lack of hospital and police services locally-they are about 30 mins drive away- and so on. There has been no infrastructure planning for the Complex or credence given to what the Hill Top residents have said.

One particular problem I have is the issue of the noise of gunfire. Having grown up in Africa I know how awful the sound is and I desperately do not want to be subjected to it again. As well I am studying for a Master in Mental Health, a field in which I work, and I want the peace of my home to read in. Noise, especially unwanted noise intrusion, is a totally revolting experience, the moreso, when carried on endlessly with no prospect if its cessation.

I will appreciate the Departments help in this matter.

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