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I join with the residents of Hill Top in protesting the absurd proposal to remove noise restrictions & increase the size of the shooting complex. We have been subjected to increasing noise from the shooting, 8 years ago it was rarely heard, now we are forced to endure the noise for longer durations and frequency. We have made phone complaints when the noise starts as early as 6:00 am & we are informed that they should not be starting that early. I am seeing a psychologist for stress and anxiety related disorders and a constant barrage of noise at much greater levels will be unbearable.

If this goes ahead not only will my sanity be destroyed but when I try to sell my property because I can no longer live there I will be unable to sell for anything like the market value as no one would pay money to move into such unbearable conditions.

Apart from all of the personal concerns, how can the government consider allowing a massively increased shooting complex that adjoins the water catchment area? This is absurd, I am required to place silt retention when clearing some trees to stop soil littering the waterways & the government wants to dump millions of lead pellets where run off will be constantly leaching lead into the environment.

This is not the first time the local population has joined together to reject this offensive proposal by the NSW department of sport. Who is benefiting from this insult to our way of life? Not the local community or council. The local roads & parking at the ½ dozen shops in Hill Top is not capable of sustaining an increase of traffic speeding through our quiet village.

Stop this proposal NOW, it would make sense to close the shooting range and let the wildlife, bushwalkers & peaceful lifestyle back. It makes no sense to double the noise and dramatically increase the size & scope of a pastime that poisons the environment & community.

Have the bribes already been paid and are we just another group of second class Australian citizens who are to be destroyed by uncaring government departments and a few individuals who will personally profit by allowing this atrocity to be carried out.

Please this cannot go ahead.

Sincerely,

G. Breadner

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