

I have included the following photomontages from the EIS where I consider the visual impact to be dominated by the turbines, contrary to the claim of the proponent.



Photomontage Location PM 10 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



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Photomontage Location PM 13 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



Photomontage Location PM 15 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



Photomontage Location PM 16 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



Photomontage Location PM 19 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



Photomontage Location PM 20 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)



Photomontage Location PM 21 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)

The description of the following residence as “weekender” implies it has less status than a residence. However, for the owner, it may be an opportunity to leave the city and enjoy the beauty and tranquillity of the rural landscape. The placement of the turbines would be dominant in this landscape.



Photomontage Location PM 23 Proposed view, looking west, panoramic view to west north west (Bearing 300° to 330°)

In considering the purchase of a property at Kangiara, I have concluded that the main residence will be approximately 2.8km from the closest turbines, although this is not certain as the mapping in the EIS is of poor quality and information.

Given the 200m height of the turbines, I believe the visual impact will be significant at this residence and am therefore reluctant to purchase as the real impact cannot be effectively measured until the turbines are in situ.

Working on the property as a farmer, however, would increase my proximity to the turbines and the cumulative impacts of visual, noise and infrasound.

Photomontages 12/13 which are close to the property, appear to be significantly distorted by the photomontage process and cannot, I believe, be a realistic representation of the visual impact.

I object to the Bango Wind Farm for the ecological impact it will cause during construction and operation. The 200m towers will have increased impact on birdlife/death and as there are no other towers of this magnitude currently operating in Australia, it is impossible to qualify their impact. As the Boorowa Shire (now Hilltops) and Landcare groups have spent money and resources over many years, trying to save habitat of the Superb Parrot, it would be contrary to local priorities to allow this project to go ahead.

I object to the Bango Wind Farm for the increased vehicle numbers that will be on the local roads during the construction phase. The Lachlan Valley Way is already a busy road, in poor condition in parts and with increased heavy vehicle traffic, local residents will be further negatively impacted and potentially at risk of harm.

I object to the Bango Wind Farm proposal due to the water usage needed during construction that will come from local sources.

I object to the Bango Wind Farm, for its contribution to the saturation of turbines, which will impact the communities between Yass and Boorowa, and surrounding villages including Rye Park, which are also impacted by the Rye Park Wind Farm and Rugby Wind Farm (currently withdrawn, but with the possibility that it might be reinstated).

My remaining concerns are related to the lack of detail in the EIS as a whole. There are many maps and charts, but little detail explaining these.

I object to the Bango Wind Farm proposal as I believe there has not been adequate detailed planning by the Proponent to this stage, for a project of this scale with the significant impact on the local communities and with the cost of turbines being subsidised by the Federal Government through the RET scheme.