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RE: Bango Wind Farm – SSD 6686

Attention: Executive Director, Resource Assessments & Business Systems.

I have real concerns about the proposal to build 122 wind turbines in the Rye Park/Boorowa area.

My husband and I have 3 daughters and we live our lives in close association with the natural landscape, its birds and animals. Even though we are farmers our animals and land are treated with the utmost respect.

I find it distressing that a company can come into our community and plan a massive industrial development without most of the people knowing about it as there has been very little consultation with the community other than with those gaining financial benefit from the proposal. CWP Renewables are associated with Wind Prospect who are supposed to be experts in the development of renewable energy projects all over the world. If this is the case then they should fully understand the concerns of communities, and should also be aware that sneaking in and signing up hosts and neighbours before anyone else knows about them is a sure way to put people off side. Divide and conquer, is that how it should be done?

The beautiful hills of Rye Park and Boorowa are home to so many endangered and rare birds, reptiles, fish and ecological habitats and these will be destroyed, not only for us but also for our children and grandchildren. Our descendants will not see our landscape as we have seen it. Hopefully the Office of Environment and Heritage will recognise the potential for harm, as they have with the Rye Park Wind Farm, and halt this proposal. CWP Renewables think it is ok to destroy many hectares of natural bushland and habitat with the excuse that they will plant more trees elsewhere. As we have planted many hectares of trees on our property, and understand the work and lifelong commitment it takes to establish these trees, it is clear to me that the Proponent obviously has no understanding of what it will take to replace the old growth trees, hollow trees, laneway and road vegetation and grasslands that are to be removed. Some of the endangered species in the area do not have 200 years to evolve and re-establish themselves.

The maps and promotional material circulated by CWP Renewables and scarce and misleading, and the photo montages give a chilling account of what these people want to turn our landscape into. Climate change concerns will not be mitigated by removing our existing forests and vegetation to build wind turbines.

For these reasons I request that the Department of Planning and Environment **do not allow approval** of this proposed industrial development.

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