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Re: Objection to Modification 1 of the Queensland-Hunter gas pipeline

I was disappointed to see an application to modify the Department's approval of the gas pipeline.

The pipeline passes by the Pilliga and through rich cropping lands south of Moree and on the Liverpool Plains. It crosses the Namoi River five times, and the Hunter River on the outskirts of Aberdeen, Morpeth and Tomago. It also cuts through the wetlands of Ash Island to the North Arm of the Hunter River on Kooragang Island.

In summary this pipeline crosses ten local government areas, several rivers and productive farmland and bushland between the Queensland border and Newcastle.

Approval for the pipeline is due to lapse in February 2019.

I believe this should also happen to this modified proposal.

Yours faithfully

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